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The new football caps have the same design as the cricket caps, but the red cord, instead of being along the edge of the cap, is sewn from the button on the top to the edge. The blazers are the same, with the exception that football have XV. worked in on the pockets, while the cricket have XI. The tennis four also have IV. worked in on the pockets of their blazers.

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We offer our heartiest congratulations to Mr. Brown upon obtaining his interstate cap for football.

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The annual football match against the 'Old Boys,' which was to have been played on August 29th, was abandoned owing to rain. Our tennis match, which was fixed for the 10th of October, was also abandoned for the same reason.

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We must congratulate our Football Fifteen upon the splendid victory which they obtained against Toowoomba Grammar School, and upon the good fight which they put up against Brisbane. Both of these performances were due to the efforts of Mr. Brown, who deserves much thanks for the manner in which he coached the First Fifteen.

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The Tennis Four, although they played up splendidly against Toowoomba, made a poor showing against Brisbane, which must be put down to want of practice. Now then, non-footballers, practice up and cause the Tennis Four to be composed of tennis players—not of footballers!

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The Gymnastic Eight deserve great credit for their exciting contest with Brisbane, which would in all probability have resulted in a win for us, had not one of our best gymnasts been unavoidably absent.

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On Saturday, October 10th, permission was obtained by Mr. Kerr to take a party of boys from here over the local railway workshops. Although this was arranged mainly for the benefit of B. U. S. physics, almost the whole of the School took advantage of the opportunity and greatly enjoyed looking through these famous shops. On behalf of the School we tender our heartiest thanks to the Manager for his kindness.

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His Excellency the Governor will visit the School on the 10th December to distribute the prizes. This School was the first to be visited by Lord Chelmsford after his arrival in Queensland.

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An orderly room for the storage of military material has been erected in the quadrangle. It is a great boon to the day boys, as it saves them the trouble of taking home their uniforms.

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Two handsome silver cups have recently been unearthed in an old cupboard, which when cleaned, were found to have been won by the School in the United Grammar Schools' Sports in 1878-79.

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We understand that three such meetings took place, and that they then lapsed owing to difficulty of travelling.

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An exceedingly enjoyable time was spent on the last evening of the first half, when the boarders and prefects were entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Lawrance at an evening. Several attempts at after-dinner speeches (notably that of a successful 'balloonist'), provided a considerable amount of amusement.

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Our Annual Sports again passed off very successfully, and, although the rain in the latter part of the afternoon drove the majority of the spectators away before the prize distribution, all seemed to enjoy themselves, this being especially evident from a snapshot of a portion of the crowd taken by a struggling amateur. Foggon was successful in gaining the Head Master's Cup for the best all-round athlete.

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Our School will be represented by two candidates at the forthcoming 'Senior.' We all wish both of them the best of luck.

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We have to tender our very sincere thanks to Dr. C. E. Williams, an old boy of the School, for his generous donation to the Sports Club. It has been decided to give his trophies for the best batting and bowling averages in the First XI.

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A rather peculiar incident happened at the distribution of our cadet uniforms, when a certain 'small' boy, on receiving the uniform given him, found that the trousers thereof, instead of being 56 inches down the outside seam (his usual measurement) were those belonging to one of the 'smaller fry,' whose height is barely more than 4 feet. Happily this has since been remedied.

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Our amateur 'Kodakist' was very much at large on Sports Day. We hoped to reproduce some of his efforts, but while one of the hurdles was too 'tiny,' none were quite clear enough, except one speaking likeness of a gay cavalier, which we refrain from reproducing, as the gentleman in question shrinks from all publicity.

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While the 'British Pictures' were on exhibition at Brisbane, a number of pupils from this School, accompanied by Mr. Robertson, inspected them. Their verdict, a very weighty one, no doubt, was given in favour of 'Perseus and Andromeda,' and 'Evening after Rain' as the best two pictures.

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The want of suitable hurdles for our Annual Sports has been painfully manifest for some years. Accordingly timber was obtained, and a detachment under Mr. Kerr's supervision sawed, hammered (sometimes the wrong nail), and produced a set of respectable hurdles, the majority of which have come unscathed through the conflict.

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At the time of our last issue, the Cadet Corps was in its early infancy, as it had not been gazetted. Since then, however, it has received that 'honour,' and the detachment is now as conceited as an army of veterans.

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Despite its short experience and training, the company took part, at the pressing invitation of the O. C., in the battalion parade, held in Brisbane on October 17th last. To the surprise of some, and to the delight of all, the corps acquitted itself admirably, and received special commendation from the inspecting officers.

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During the last quarter regular weekly shooting practice has taken place at the Dinmore Range, the object being the match with the Toowoomba G. S., in connection

with the Chelmsford Cup. Though most of the shootists were originally recruits, yet apparently we have some good material, who give us great hopes of success. The conditions for the match are: teams of five men to fire ten shots each at 500 yards, with the service rifle.

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We take this opportunity of congratulating Cadet H. Watkins on his notable performances with the rifle. As a member of the Queensland team in the Lord Roberts Empire Match, he gained top score, with 61 out of a possible 70. At the last Toowong Meeting, representing the School, he was successful in obtaining a valuable prize. While we do not wish to claim the credit of his training, we are none the less proud of his success.

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The theory of the Transmigration of Souls has been proved. The wise and studious 'Socrates' has left us, and in his place we have 'Mercury,' the Messenger of the 'Gods,' for whom he carries the 'book of fate.' Some wish to connect his disappearance with the recent discovery of the wild hairy hermit in New South Wales.

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Gleanings from some of our examination papers:—
'Lucifer is famous as the inventor of matches!' 'The pendulum of a clock may be seen to go slow in summer owing to the expansion of the spring.' 'The Rhinoceros is hunted for its ivory.'

BOARDERS' NOTES.

On June 11th the whole School was given a holiday, and most of the boys took advantage of it to visit the Ipswich Show, on account of which the holiday had been given. Although it rained intermittently during the morning, towards noon the weather began to clear, and by 2 p.m. all the clouds had disappeared. The Show itself was disappointing, the exhibits being far below their usual standard, as were also the ring events. One of the boys who entered for the best boy rider had to keep hold of the pommel of the saddle to prevent himself falling off. What was most disappointing from our standpoint was the small number of side shows that were there. In spite of these drawbacks, however, all of us enjoyed the holiday, and were very grateful to the trustees for giving us the whole day in place of the usual half-holiday.

On the night of June 11th the boarders, with the exception of those who were going in for the Junior, went to see Wirth's Circus. We arrived at the tent at 7 p.m., and then found to our disgust, that no tickets would be sold until 7.30 p.m. In the meantime, the footballing section of the community set to work to get in the front rank of those who were waiting for tickets; the crowd seemed to be exceedingly rough, as one of them afterwards remarked: 'It was worse than against the 'Harriers.' When we obtained our tickets we entered the menagerie tent; there one of our number had a wordy encounter with a man who wanted us to pay in order to see his £1000 Giraffe, the man getting decidedly the worst of it. Of course giraffes are no novelties to us, as we have one of our own in the School. The circus itself was like all its predecessors, with the exception that it had a couple of new turns. The turn that impressed us most was one in which a gymnast balanced himself on his head on a trapeze with his hands and feet in the air. Judging by his appearance, when he emerged from the gymnasium, one of the day boys was (unsuccessfully, needless to say), trying to emulate this gymnast. The circus was thoroughly enjoyed by everybody.

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On the night of June 13th Mr. and Mrs. Lawrance, accompanied by the boarders, went to see the world-famous Maskelyne and Devant Company. Judging by the applause which was accorded to him when he entered the hall, one of our number is very popular. The turns, which were mainly mystifying, were exceedingly clever, and all the tricks completely deceived us. We all enjoyed the entertainment, and were very grateful to Mr. Lawrance for allowing us to go.

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The following new books have been added to the Library:—Lady Betty Across the Water; The House of the Thousand Candles; Man on the Box; Gold Bat; The Hill; Cap'n Eri'; Rubber Hunters; Vagabond; I Will Repay; The Treasure of Peyre Saillard; White Fang; Daughter of Anderson Crow; Langford of the Three Bars; Call of the Wild; Substitute; Blazed Trail Stories; Ned on the River; Emperor's Candlesticks; Side-Stepping with Shorty; 'Mid the Thick Arrows; Secret Room.

SYDNEY UNIVERSITY JUNIOR EXAM.

Our successful candidates in the 'Junior' were as under:—

	History	Geography	English	French	German	Latin	Greek	Arithmetic	Algebra	Geometry	Geology
Meyer, W. J. ...			B		A	A	B	B	B	B	
Foggan, C. A. ...			C	B		A	A	A		B	
Bryan, W. H. ...	C	A	B		B			C		C	
Stewart, R. J. ...		B	B	C		C		C	C		
Dart, R. A. ...			B		A	C	C			B	
Norris, A. S. ...	C	C	B								C
Foote, N. V. ...		C	C		C						C

Meyer and Foggon have been awarded 'Extension' Scholarships by the Trustees, available till December, 1910.

OPENING OF THE SCHOOL.

We print herewith an extract from the 'Queensland Times,' of October 7th, giving an interesting account of the opening of the School:—

To-day is the anniversary of the opening of the oldest Grammar School in Queensland—namely, the Ipswich Boys' Grammar School, it having been opened on the 7th of October, 1863. The headmaster was the late Mr. Stuart Hawthorne, M.A., and the following was the list of pupils enlisted during the first quarter: Messrs. T. B. Cribb, sen., Joseph W. Cook (since then a well-known farmer of the Thornton district, Laidley), Michael Connor, Patrick Johnston, Edwin Welsby, Francis E. Forbes, Gustavis A. Dorsey, B. J. Clune, Charles W. Forbes, John W. C. Drane, John Woolley (the present editor of the 'Queensland Times,') William H. Panton, Hugh Parker, Edward C. Panton, John Thorn, George Ranken, William Berry, Athalstan F. B. Chubb, and William Wright. It might be stated that the late J. W. Cook was the first captain of the Grammar School Cricket Team; and in the person of the first headmaster Ipswich had one of the keenest of cricketers.

The history of the Ipswich Boys' Grammar School commenced really on Friday, the 25th of September, 1863, when the most important ceremonial took place—namely, the inauguration of the first public Grammar School of Queensland by his Excel-

lency the Governor, the late Sir George Ferguson Bowen, who was accompanied by Lady Bowen. The 25th of September—now 45 years since—was regarded as a red-letter day in Ipswich, and one that should not now be forgotten, as it gave Ipswich people the distinct and proud honour of having been the first town to establish a Grammar School in Queensland. The trustees were the Hon. Arthur Macalister (Chairman), and Messrs. George Thorn, sen., Benjamin Cribb, F. A. Forbes, John Panton, and Joshua Peter Bell, and Dr. Henry Chillinot—all honoured names, but all of whom, alas, have joined the great majority.

On the day named, Sir George and Lady Bowen (having arrived the night before from Brisbane, and were entertained by the Hon. T. de L. Moffatt, at his residence, Waterstown). The cortege started from the north side with a guard of honour composed of a dozen members of the then Ipswich Mounted Infantry (under command of Captain the Hon. R. J. Smith, Lieutenants C. F. Chubb and Louis von Heitz being also in attendance). The suite consisted of the first Premier of Queensland (the then Hon. but subsequently Sir R. G. W. Herbert), the Governor's aide-de-camp, Captain Henry D. Pitt, R.A., and Lieutenant John M'Donald, in the uniform of the Sydney Volunteer Artillery. Crossing the old pontoon bridge (the site of which was just on the eastern side of the Bremer Bridge—where some of the "ruins" can still be seen—the lessee having been the late Mr. Robert Jeffrey), the vice-regal party "made tracks" for the new Ipswich Grammar School, and on arrival his Excellency was received by a guard of honour of the Volunteer Rifles (No. 2 Company Q.V.R.B.—50 all told, their soldierly being the theme of admiration), under command of Captain John Murphy and Lieutenant Thos. Given. His Excellency Sir George Bowen then dismounted, and was escorted by the trustees into the hall, and thence to his seat on the platform. In the presence of a very large concourse of ladies and gentlemen, George Bowen publicly declared the Boys' Grammar School to be formally opened. Hearty cheers followed this announcement.

Subsequently a luncheon was held in honour of the auspicious occasion, at which many felicitations and brilliant orations were in evidence anent the inauguration of that institution in Ipswich. His Excellency said he hoped that the noble example set by the people of Ipswich would soon be followed by the citizens of many other towns of the colony. At this "function" the Hon. Arthur MacAlister presided as Chairman of trustees, the vice-chairmen being Dr. Challinor, M.L.A., for Ipswich, and Mr. J. P. Bell, M.L.A. for West Moreton, both being trustees of the Grammar School as well. To the right of the Chairman was his Excellency the Governor, supported by Colonel C. G. Gray, C.B., and Police Magistrate of Ipswich; and on his left was the Colonial

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Secretary, the Hon. R. G. W. Herbert. Others present were: Captain H. D. Pitt, the Hon. R. J. Smith, the Rev. L. H. Rumsey, M.A., the Rev. W. M'Ginty, the Rev. J. W. C. Drane, the Rev. T. Beazley, Messrs Stuart Hawthorne, M. A., H. M. Cockburn, Richard Gill, W. Hendren, Christopher Gorry, Benjamin Cribb, J. Malbon Thompson, H. M. Reave, John Pettigrew, Geo. H. Wilson, F. C. Curnow, G. W. Dodwell, Ratcliffe Pring, R. Morton, J. J. Bramston, George Faircloth, J. C. Carter, P. P. Anderson, Dan. Collins, Edward Quinn, B. Cribb, jun., John Blaine, W. J. Taylor, Thos. Given, L. Heitz, C. F. Chubb, I. A. George, and Geo. Thorn, senior.

A LITERARY GEM.

[The letter published herewith was received during the last season by our Secretary. Names are omitted for obvious reasons, but the production is authentic.—Ed's.]

TO THE SECRETARY,

C/o Ipswich Grammar School,
Football Club—Fifth Grade,
Ipswich, Queensland.

Dear Sir—

Just a few lines to let you know that I am writing to let your club know that fifth grade wants to play you a friendly game of football on your ground at Ipswich at the close of the present season, the end of which I will let you know: Our lads, of which none are over 18 years of age, and an average of 5ft. 6in. high, for I write this to give you a good idea of team you want to pick. And as we have many offers of country matches sent in to us our choice lies with a Ipswich team if agreeable. All I ask is a friendly game. Our lads play the game as it only can be played. You have the honour of being one of the manliest teams in Ipswich. I have heard your brother scholars in speak highly of you, so I take it for granted that your team is about the best we can play, for on the above lines I think that your team and members will give us a good reception and a grand game. I am managing this team, and I have taken the post of trainer with the assistance of Mr. . Our only wish, my dear sir, is that you look on this proposed journey with your good graces, and that it will meet with your final acceptance. Hoping that you will write that our offer is accepted, and hoping you and all your friends are in the best of health, as it leaves us at present.

I remain,

Yours truly,

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FOOTBALL.

IPSWICH GRAMMAR SCHOOL v. TOOWOOMBA GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

The match was played on the 20th June on the East Ipswich ground. The day was cloudy, but fine throughout. Ipswich was represented by: R. Hogg (full back), B. Mellor, C. Wyman, W. B. Foote, G. Stafford (three-quarters); A. Conroy (half); A. Francis (five-eight); W. Meyer, J. Adams, C. Foggon (capt.), R. Stewart, S. Francis, J. Eden, W. J. McAllister, W. Bryan (forwards).

Toowoomba won the toss and decided to play up-hill. Adams kicked off and Toowoomba kicked into touch; from the line-out the ball went to our backs, but a nice passing rush was spoiled by a 'forward.' The game now grew very fast and open; both sides instituted fine passing rushes in turn, and the ball travelled from one end of the field to the other, for although the passing was accurate the tackling was too deadly. After a few minutes of this open game Chaille did a nice run, but was forced out by Hogg near our line. From the line-out one of our men 'knocked-on,' and a scrum was ordered about two yards from our line. The Toowoomba backs secured the ball and Provan scored. The kick at goal was unsuccessful. This stirred us to stronger efforts, and we immediately began to attack. After a few forward rushes, Adams at last registered our first score. The try was not converted. After a few minutes of uninteresting play, Conroy secured from the scrum, and passed to Francis, to Foote, to Wyman, to Mellor, who scored after a fine run. Wyman's kick at goal just missed the post by a few inches. From the kick-off we again attacked strongly. From a scrum Conroy passed to Foote, who passed to Stafford, and the latter dropped a splendid goal; soon after the whistle went for half-time. Ipswich 10; Toowoomba 3.

After a rather long interval the ball was again set in motion. Toowoomba, who now had the down-hill run, attacked with great vigour. We responded no less strongly, and for the first few minutes the play was very spirited. Toowoomba made the game very willing and open, with the result that we were gradually forced back within a few yards of our line. A scrum was ordered in front of our goal, and, Toowoomba securing, a nice passing rush resulted in Moreton registering Toowoomba's

second score; the try remained unconverted. This try had the effect of the first one in spurring us on to new efforts, and we carried the ball to within their 25. After a few minutes of indecisive forward play, Foote obtained the ball from the scrum, and, after a magnificent dodgy run, scored near the posts. For placing the ball on the ground we forfeited our chance of converting. The game again became very fast and open, and continued so till the end. Within a few minutes of time, the ball was kicked past our full back, and, our opponents following up well, their centre forward scored. After an unsuccessful attempt at goal, the whistle announced the conclusion of the game, leaving us victors by 13 points to 9. The game was very exciting to the spectators, especially towards the end. This victory was all the more pleasing as it gave us a good start for the Chelmsford Cup.

IPSWICH GRAMMAR SCHOOL v. BRISBANE GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

The annual football match between our school and that of Brisbane, took place on the morning of Saturday, 29th August. As it was our turn to visit Brisbane, the members of the team, under the charge of Mr. Shuttlewood, left Ipswich by the early train, arriving at Roma Station about 9 a.m., where they were received by Mr. Roe and a fair number of the Brisbane team.

Thanks to the courtesy of the Q. R. Union, the match was played on No. 2 Union Ground, Bowen Bridge, the game commencing at 10 a.m.

The following players represented I. G. School:—Lord (full back); Stafford, B. Mellor, Wyman, E. Foote (three-quarters); W. B. Foote and Hogg (half backs); Meyers, Adams, Foggon (Capt.), Bryan, T. Francis, S. Francis, McAllister, and H. Watkins (forwards).

The game opened up briskly, with the Brisbane boys defending, and our boys came near scoring, but a bad pass in the threequarter line lost them their opportunity. After this the Brisbane boys asserted themselves, and were attacking almost all the rest of the game. Occasionally our forwards, headed by Adams, and the Francis brothers, broke away, but such outbreaks were merely temporary, and play was soon confined again to Ipswich's twenty-five line. At half-time the score was eleven points to nil in favour of the home team.

In the second half our playrs were showing much better form, and got away on several occasions, but the defence

of their opponents proved too strong for them and they were unable to score. Thirteen points were scored against our team in the second half, owing particularly to the agency of Holmes, one of Brisbane's threequarters, who was playing an exceedingly fine and 'dashy' game.

The final score was: Brisbane, 24 points. Ipswich, nil.

Throughout the game our boys showed a lack of knowledge of proper tackling; every time they would insist on going high for their man, and this fault was the cause of several tries being registered against them. Mellor was the only one of our threequarters who appeared to have any 'go' about him, but as he was not backed up by others, his efforts were ineffective. The forwards on the whole worked hard, especially Adams, Foggon and the Francis brothers, and one must admit they were every bit as good in their department of the game as the Brisbane boys. W. B. Foote, at half-back, was handicapped by a bad back, and so was not at his best.

The game, as compared with the last few years, was much better, and next year we hope to see victory coming our way.

Mr. Shuttlewood and the team were the guests of Mr. Bonsfield for dinner at the School, and, after that event was over, at the invitation of the Q. R. Union they witnessed the match between Queensland and England at the Exhibition Grounds. They returned the same evening, tired out perhaps, but, nevertheless, well pleased with their day's outing.

FOOTBALL CHARACTERS.

- C. A. Foggon (Capt.) has proved himself a very capable and popular captain. Plays a good, hard forward game, is fast, and dribbles well; could, however, improve a good deal in his kicking. He did much to encourage the game by his enthusiasm and perseverance.
- A. C. Lord (full back)—Has improved greatly, especially towards the end of the season. Fields cleanly and kicks well, but is inclined to be a little nervous at times.
- G. H. Stafford—Fast wing threequarter, and a good line kick. He is inclined to cut in too much, and needs practice at tackling.
- E. Mellor—A dashing threequarter, with a puzzling sort of "change-step" run; a fair tackle and a good kick; a good all-round player.

- C. Wyman**—A dodgy runner, though not very fast; a splendid kick and a fairly safe tackle; makes a very fair centre threequarter.
- E. Foote**—A fast wing threequarter and a good player at times; his great fault was a lack of enthusiasm.
- W. B. Foote (Vice-Captain)**—He makes a splendid half-back; rather small, but sturdy; smart round a scrum and an eel-like dodger, but apt to hold to the ball too long.
- A. Conroy**—A good half-back and a fair kick; he had the misfortune to have his arm broken shortly after the holidays.
- J. Adams**—Centre forward; improved wonderfully during one season, never having played the game before; a strong runner and a hard worker; shines especially in ruck and defence work, and is now one of our best forwards.
- W. J. Meyer**—Strong forward with plenty of weight; good willing ruck worker and a good kick; also useful on the "line-out."
- W. H. Bryan**—A strong but rash forward; a very useful auxiliary in a scrimmage and a strong runner.
- S. Francis**—Heavy forward; a safe tackle who generally grasses, or gravels his man, and is always on the ball.
- T. Francis**—No so thickset as his brother, but a good forward also. Both brothers should do exceptionally well next year, with further experience of the game.
- R. J. W. Stewart**—A fair forward and a moderate kick; works fairly well also, but wants more experience of the game, to know just what to do and when to do it.
- W. MacAllister**—His height is very useful; a very good line kick; he is seen to best advantage on the 'line-out,' and with more pace next year will make a very good player.
- R. Hogg**—A fair forward and a good worker; has also played half-back and full-back.
- L. Foote**—A plucky young player in any part of the field, and will certainly make a good player for the forthcoming season.
- H. Watkins**—Did not play much with the first XV. this year, but, with experience, may make either a forward or a half-back.
- A. H. Francis**—A rather fast young back, who, in time, may develop into a good threequarter.

TENNIS.

IPSWICH G. S. v. TOOWOOMBA G. S.

The above fixture was commenced on our courts on the morning of the 26th September, and continued in the afternoon. This year, in addition to doubles, singles were also introduced on the suggestion of Toowoomba. In the Singles Toowoomba were easily better than us, winning

by 3 rubbers 7 sets to 1 rubber 3 sets, Wyman was the only one on our side to win his singles, but Robertson also put up a good fight, but was vanquished in the end. In the doubles we were very much more successful, beating our opponents by 3 rubbers 6 sets to 1 rubber 4 sets. In the match between Mellor and Wyman (Ips.) and Craddock and Basset (Toowoomba), some very good tennis was shown by both pairs, the former eventually winning by 2 sets to 1. Toowoomba thus won on sets by 10 sets to 9. The closeness of the whole contest is shown by the fact that, when the games were counted, it was found that Toowoomba were ahead by only one game; the final scores being T. G. S. 4 rubbers 10 sets, 88 games; I. G. S. 4 rubbers 9 sets, 87 games.

Following are the individual scores:—

Singles: Mellor (I.) v. Bassett (T.) 2—6 2—6.
 Wyman (I.) v. Craddock (T.) 6—5 6—1.
 Robertson (I.) v. Doyle (T.) 6—3 5—6 3—6
 Meyer (I.) v. Bell (T.) 3—6 3—6.

Doubles: Mellor and Wyman (I.) v. Bassett and Craddock (T.) 6—4 5—6 6—3
 Mellor and Wyman (I.) v. Doyle and Bell (T.) 6—2 6—3
 Robertson and Meyer (I.) v. Bassett and Craddock (T.) 3—6 2—6
 Robertson and Meyer (I.) v. Doyle and Bell (T.) 5—6 6—4 6—3

ATHLETIC CONTEST.

Ipswich Grammar School v. Toowoomba Grammar School.

On Friday night, the 25th September, the Toowoomba G. S. running and tennis teams, accompanied by Mr. Purves and Mr. Gill, arrived in Ipswich, and on the following day they tried conclusions with our School. The athletic contest was decided in the morning, and Toowoomba were successful, winning three out of five events. The first race to be decided was the 100 yards, which, after a close race, was won by Foggon (Ips.) from Morton (Toowoomba) in 11 one-fifth sec. In the longer races, the quarter mile and half-mile, Toowoomba were successful, Morton winning both easily from Foggon and Stafford respectively. Foggon, our representative in the broad jump, did very well, beating von Stieglitz by about a foot. The high jump eventually went to von Stieglitz (Toowoomba) at 4 feet 10 inches. Our team consisted of Foggon, Stafford, E. Foote, Wyman, and McAllister, while Toowoomba were represented by Morton, von Stieglitz, Basset, Lendrum and Chaille.

BRISBANE TENNIS MATCH.

On October 17th, the 'Tennis Four' travelled to Brisbane to play the annual match against Brisbane Grammar School. We were represented by: Meyer, Robertson, Wyman and Mellor, while Shirley, Edminston, Hurlbutt and Radcliffe represented Brisbane. Wyman and Mellor began first against Shirley and Edminston. The first set went to Brisbane, 6—1, our pair clearly being in bad form on the strange courts; the next set, although we lost it 6—2, was a much closer go. Wyman and Mellor next played Hurlbutt and Radcliffe, and these two sets were the most closely contested of the match. We obtained a decided lead at first but the Brisbane pair quickly pulled up, and brought the score to 5 all. The last game, after a long and exciting struggle, was obtained by us, making the score 6—5 in our favour. In the next set we again acquired a lead, the score being 4—1, but our pair went to pieces, and Hurlbutt and Radcliffe gained the lost ground and took the set, 6—4.

Meyer and Robertson commenced against Shirley and Edminston, and some fine play resulted; the scores in no way give an idea of the play as, although we lost these sets, 6—0, 6—0, the games were very close, and almost all ran into the deuces. The two final sets were played by Meyer and Robertson against Hurlbutt and Radcliffe, and here again the scores belie the play, our pair being exceedingly unlucky in not obtaining any games. Brisbane thus won the match by 34 games: 47—13.

THE SPORTS.

The Sports were held, according to custom, at the end of the third quarter, and were, on the whole, a great success. At one time, some anxiety was aroused by threatening rain, but only a slight shower fell and it interfered but little with the programme.

The grounds had been carefully prepared: the ring was marked out by ropes; the handicap marks were trenched and whitewashed, while in the middle the School flag floated on an improvised mast. Some curiosity was excited amongst the visitors by a group of remarkable structures standing near the flag. These were the hurdles, and, to those who knew, they spoke of much patient labour and thought, not to speak of the sore fingers, which are the result of an inexperienced use of the hammer. Some ignorant people even made disparaging remarks at

first, but the patient workers who made the hurdles had the satisfaction of seeing their efforts justified by success and general approval. They will be encouraged, no doubt, to make more hurdles for next year, to strengthen those already made with bolts, and to paint them all, in time for next year's sports.

The programme of events was carried through punctually and efficiently; and we are deeply indebted to our numerous friends who helped us by judging, and also to those who, by their generous subscriptions, enabled us to make up an admirable prize list.

Many of the events were closely contested, and were watched with keen interest. In the broad jump Foggon cleared 18 feet 4 inches—a very creditable performance for a schoolboy; with practice, he should increase that distance, perhaps even by feet. The half-mile walk generally affords somewhat of a spectacle, and this year's was no exception to the rule; one never shows to less advantage than in the last stages of catching a train, and many of the competitors illustrated this statement very well by their ungainly movements; they all realised towards the end that it takes training and practice to walk as well as to run. Fischer won rather easily from his long handicap of 110 yards. The Manx race seems to have become a monopoly for those Siamese twins, W. B. Foote and Bryan; as they have now won it easily three years in succession, we shall have to impress some very special handicap upon them the next time they run.

The 100 yards championship had been the subject of much speculation beforehand, as in this race Stafford and Foggon were to meet for the first time on equal terms; the result was somewhat of a surprise to many who knew how formidable an opponent Stafford is at this distance. The time was 10 7-tenths seconds—not a very fast one for our downhill track.

Another surprise was found in the High Jump; the general opinion is that length of limb gives more hindrance in the doubling up than help in the matter of reach. MacAllister, however, proved the contrary proposition by winning easily. We think, however, that both he and some others could have gone much higher with sufficient practice.

About the long distance runs there is little new to say, except that we might improve our achievements in future years by decreasing the amount of work to be done by our athletes on the actual sports day; no one can do himself full justice in a half-mile race after he has done his

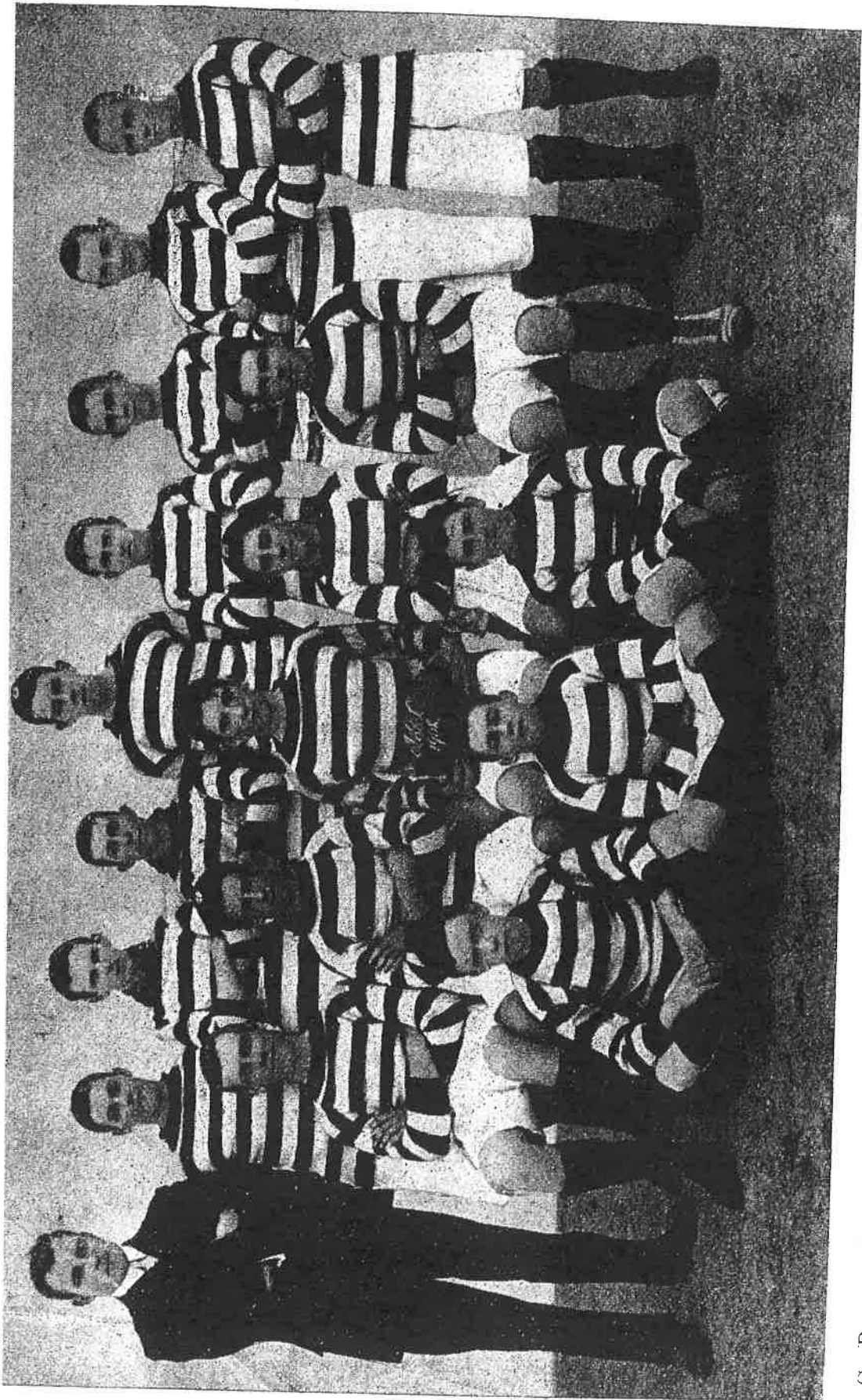
best in many other closely-contested events. We might have a special day for at least the longest and heaviest races. At the same time, no one could fail to see that much of the fatigue and failure towards the end of the day was due to the lack of training. If we establish a tradition that one or two runs are sufficient preparation for a heavy day, we shall remain for ever amongst the 'middlings' and the vanquished. The older boys should make it an aim for next year to compel all, including themselves, to commence practice much sooner, and should train, not each for his own success, but all for the success of the School.

The Champion Cup was won in fine style by Foggon, who deserves great credit for having beaten so able a runner as Stafford. We hope great things of him in future years.

The prizes were distributed at the end of the day by Mrs. H. J. Gray, to whom our best thanks are due.

The following are the results of the events on Sports Day:—

- 100 Yards Handicap—Foggon, 5 yards, 1; Foote, E., 3 yards, 2; Francis ii, 6 yards, 3. Time: 11 seconds.
- Broad Jump—Foggon, 18ft. 4ins., 1; Foote, E., 17ft. 4ins., 2; Francis ii, 16ft. 10½ins., 3.
- 880 Yards Walking Handicap—Fischer, 110 yards, 1; Mellor i, 40 yards, 2; Lord, 55 yards, 3.
- 80 Yards Manx Race—W. B. Foote and Bryan, scratch, 1; Francis iv and Spenceley, 10 yards, 2.
- 100 Yards Championship—Foggon, 1; Stafford, 2; Foote, E., 3. 10 7-tenths secs.
- High Jump—McAllister, 1; Stafford, 2; Foggon and Hogg, 3 (equal).
- 220 Yards, Handicap—Williams, 25 yards, 1; Spenceley, 45 yards, 2; Roderick, 22 yards, 3.
- Throwing Cricket Ball—Francis iii, 1; Stafford, 2; Francis ii, 3.
- Sack Race—E. Foote, 1; W. B. Foote, 2.
- Footballers' Race—McAllister, 17 yards, 1; Lord, 16 yards, 2; Mellor i, 9 yards, 3.
- 220 Yards, Handicap, under 15—Pettigrew, 15 yards, 1; Brimblecombe, 16 yards, 2; Spenceley, 20 yards, 3.
- 440 Yards Championship and Handicap—Championship, Foggon 1. Handicap, Wyman, 1; E. Foote, 2; Bryan, 3.
- 100 Yards, Handicap, under 15—Mills, 9 yards, 1; Pettigrew, 6 yards, 2; Spenceley, 9 yards, 3.
- 120 Yards Championship Hurdle Race—McAllister, 1; W. B. Foote, 2.



L. G. Brown, Esq., S. Francis, C. Wyman, G. H. Stafford, W. McAllister, A. C. Lord, R. Stewart, T. Francis, W. Bryan,
W. J. Meyer, B. Mellor, C. A. Foggon (capt.), W. B. Foote, J. Adams,
W. Conroy, L. H. Foote, H. G. Watkins.

Junior Hurdle Race—McAllister, 1; Lord, 2; Watkins ii, 3.
 120 Yards Old Scholars' Race—C. Foote, 5 yards, 1; Robinson,
 10 yards, 2; Hooper, 15 yards, 3;
 120 Yards Flag Race for Forms—Sixth Form, 1; Fifth Form, 2;
 Fourth Form, 3.
 880 Yards Championship and Handicap—Handicap, Wyman, 45
 yards, 1; H. Foote, 105 yards, 2; J. H. Germain, 90 yards, 3.
 Championship—Stafford, 1; Foggon, 2. (2mins. 50secs.)
 100 Yards Consolation Race—Meyer, 1; Stewart, 2; Shewan, 3.
 Tug-of-War—Foggon's Team.
 Champion Cup (Presented by the Headmaster).—Foggon, 16½
 points, 1; Stafford, 12 points, 2; McAllister, 8 points, 3.

A correspondent sends us the following scraps gleaned on the 19th of September, as he walked round the ring; we do not hold ourselves responsible for them, though there may be something in them:

Funny Lower School Boy: I believe the hurdle was a walk-over?

Solemn B Upper School Student: Yes—one step and then another, you know, and the longest race is ended.

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Round Robin: Oh! I am tired!

Cheerful Charlie: Yes! I think they ought to run some of these long races off some other day. I have run in 24 races already, and there is still the 880, not to speak of the flag race, and the tug-of-war.

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Small new boy: What is this flag race?

Clear-headed old boy: Well! it's just this way: you flag until you flag, and when you flag, I flag.

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Member of Committee: Well! what do you think of our programmes this year?

Old Scholar: Very good! you ought to be pleased that you escaped going round to get advertisements.

CRICKET PROSPECTS.

The role of the prophet—especially the amateur—is not a pleasant one, and in cricket such an one must feel rather like the meteorologist, his data being just about as reliable. Our 1st XI. have ventured to elevate themselves to senior grade, not so much justified by performances in the past as animated by hopes for the future. Of last year's team we have no less than ten old colours with us, a very satisfactory circumstance. To our numbers have also been added one or two who will probably

oust some of last year's, so that the element of competition so necessary to keenness, will certainly be present. Mellor and Wyman should do well with the bat, and useful support in that department may be expected from W. B. Foote and Adams. There are others too, who, with practice, should be useful. The brunt of the bowling will be borne by Lord, Mellor, and Meyer. So far there has been no lack of energy shown in the field, and attendance at practice has been excellent. Of the 2nd XI., Purdon is the most promising bat, while Yelland and Stafford do most of the attack. In fielding the team has much to learn; clean throwing in and alert backing-up are most necessary. The third eleven are elementary at present, but have some keen players. To these two teams we would say: be diligent in practice, and remember that in cricket, as in more serious pursuits, the persistent trier does best in the end. At the moment of writing we are in expectation of a visit from Brisbane Grammar School. As an account of the match will appear in this issue, your prophet will not commit himself.

CRICKET.

FIRST XI. v. BLAIR'S C. C.

At the beginning of the season it was decided that the First XI. should play in the Senior Grade in the local association. Our first match was started on the 17th October, when we met the Blair's Club. Jupiter Pluvius, however, seemed to regard our advent into a higher grade with disapproval, as, on the first day, play was greatly hindered by rain. Notwithstanding the wet wicket we made a very fair stand, and when stumps were drawn for the day we had made 74 for the loss of 5 wickets; Mellor batted solidly for 33, while Foote added a very useful 18. On the next Saturday we were favoured with better weather, but were quickly disposed of for 93. Then came our opponents' turn; McCormack and Campbell opened for Blair's, and kept us busily fielding during the whole of the afternoon, frequent visits being paid to the morgue, gas works, river bank, and other portions of the surrounding country. McCormack was not disposed of until he had reached the fine score of 172, while Campbell also succeeded in reaching the century. As was natural in such circumstances, our bowling averages were rather annihilated, but a creditable feature was the keenness of the fielding, which hardly flagged throughout the long afternoon.

School—1st Innings.	
Mr. Lawrance, c Boldary, b Platz	12
J. Adams, b Platz	0
C. Wyman, b Ritchie	6
B. Mellor, c McCormack, b Ritchie	33
A. Robertson, b Ritchie	0
B. Foote, st Patrick, b Platz	18
T. Francis, b Platz	1
A. Lord, b Ritchie	0
W. McAllister, not out	3
W. Meyer, b Platz	9
W. Bryan, b Platz	0
Sundries	11
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Total	93

Bowling Analysis: Platz, 6 wickets for 18; Ritchie, 4 for 30.

Blair's C.C.—1st Innings.	
M. Campbell, not out	117
J. McCormack, c Francis, b Meyer	172
A. Patrick, run out	4
J. Green, not out	4
Sundries	10
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Total for 2 wickets	307

Bowling Analysis: Meyer, one wicket for 42.

FIRST XI. v. ST. PAUL'S A.

This match was commenced on the North Ipswich Reserve. The School batted first, and made 96, before disposed of. The bowling was much easier than that in the previous Saturday's match. Wyman batted well for 27, while Mr. Lawrance, Mellor, Adams, and Foote all succeeded in getting into double figures by good cricket. In the first innings of the St. Paul's, the first four of our opponents were fairly easily disposed of, but the Rev. C. C. Compton, on coming in, changed the aspect of affairs somewhat, and by means of vigorous hitting, carried his own score to 50, and the total score to 91 in a short time. (This match was not completed when the magazine went to the printer).

School—1st Innings.	
Mr. Lawrance, b Cooney	10
J. Adams, c Barker, b Cooney	13
C. Wyman, b Rev. Compton	27
B. Mellor, b Merrel	14
B. Foote, b Barker	14
A. Robertson, b Law	4
T. Francis, b Rev. Compton	4
W. Meyer, run out	1
W. McAlister, b Rev. Compton	1
A. Lord, b Law	2
S. Francis, not out	0
Sundries	6
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Total	96

Bowling Analysis: Barker, 1 wicket for 27 runs; Cooney, 2 for 31; Rev. Compton, 3 for 13; Merrell, 1 for 12; Law, 2 for 4.

St. Paul's A—1st Innings.	
H. Besgrove, b Lord	12
C. Merrell, b Mr. Lawrance	6
G. Law, c Meyer, b Lord	5
W. Frost, b Mr. Lawrance	2
H. Cooney, b Meyer	4
Rev. C. C. Compton, not out	51
T. Barker, not out	8
Sundries	4
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Total for 5 wickets	92

Bowling Analysis: Mr. Lawrance, 2 wickets for 23 runs; Lord, 2 for 21; Meyer, 1 for 23.

IPSWICH GRAMMAR SCHOOL v. BRISBANE GRAMMAR
SCHOOL.

A heavy storm on Sunday night, and dull showery weather next morning did not make things very hopeful for this match. In fact, when the pitch was first inspected at 9 o'clock, things looked very blue. However, a fair supply of sawdust improved the bowlers' chances of standing up, and it was decided to begin. Reinhold beat Mellor in the toss, and sent us in to bat. The opening was very disastrous, as the first ball of the match saw Adams caught at slip. Foote joined Wyman, and the score travelled to 15, at which both left. Mellor and T. Francis then made a very useful stand, and brought the score to 58 before Mellor was bowled for a well-played 23. Of the rest, Robertson did best, but no lengthy stand was made. T. Francis left at 78 for a very useful, if lucky, 26, and our total eventually reached 91. Willcocks was Brisbane's most successful bowler, securing 5 wickets for 14 runs. Brisbane had 10 minutes play before lunch, and lost one wicket for 10 runs. On resuming, Smith was soon l.b.w. to Mellor, and two were down for 13. Reinhold, playing good cricket, brought the score to 39, when he also was out for obstruction to Lord. At this point our fortunes were in the ascendant, for three wickets fell very quickly, and 6 were out for 46. Miller played very steadily on being joined by Reichelmann, and the score rose to 63, when Miller was bowled. Reichelmann then took charge of a desperate situation, and by real grit, assisted by a little fortune, saved the game for his side. Slowly the score mounted, till at 75 another wicket fell, and 16 were still needed. Herger showed the necessary stubbornness, and slowly our score was reached and passed. With the tension over, runs came more quickly, and the total when Wyman caught Reichelmann was 112. The latter had played a fine game, and undoubtedly to him Brisbane owe their victory. Herger was soon run out, and the final total left them 24 to the good. Undoubtedly the better side won, but we very nearly achieved the unexpected. A dropped catch in the slips, which should have disposed of Reichelmann early, made a lot of difference. Mellor and Lord both bowled well, the former keeping a very good length throughout. The fielding might have been improved, several tricklers being allowed to pass through the fieldmen's legs.

Our second innings was not a serious affair; Robertson played well for his runs—his improved form being a satisfactory feature. Full scores:

Ipswich—1st Innings.		Brisbane—1st Innings.	
J. Adams, c Willcocks, b Smith	0	Willcocks, b Lord	4
C. Wyman, b Smith	8	Reinhold, lbw, b Lord	26
B. Foote, st, b Macintosh	5	Smith, lbw, b Mellor	4
B. Mellor, b Willcocks	23	Hurlbutt, b Lord	2
T. Francis, b Willcocks	26	Miller, b Mellor	9
H. Meyer, c Barriskill, b Willcocks	2	Barriskill, b Mellor	5
H. McAllister, c Miller, b Willcocks	3	Kent, b Mellor	0
A. Robertson, b Willcocks	7	Reichelmann, c Wyman, b Meyer	32
A. Francis, b Macintosh	5	G. Barriskill, c A. Francis, b Mellor	5
S. Francis, not out	1	Herger, run out	17
A. Lord, c Hurlbutt, b Macintosh	3	Macintosh, not out	0
Sundries	8	Sundries	9
Total..	91	Total	113

Bowling: Smith, 2 for 14; Macintosh, 3 for 17; Willcocks, 5 for 14.

Bowling: Lord, 3 for 54; Mellor, 5 for 42; Meyer, 1 for 3.

Ipswich—2nd Innings.		Brisbane—2nd Innings.	
S. Francis, c Barriskill, b Smith	0	A. Lord, c Reichelmann, b Smith	0
A. Robertson, b Willcocks	26	B. Foote, b Smith	14
C. Wyman, b Smith	0	B. Mellor, not out	6
J. Adams, c Herger, b Willcocks	0	Sundries	7
T. Francis, not out	13	Total	66
W. McAlister, b Willcocks	0	Bowling: Willcocks, 3 for 24; Smith, 5 for 35.	
A. Francis, b Smith	0		

OLD BOYS' COLUMN.

S. E. Jones, who is at Sydney University, has gained a pass with credit in the 2nd Degree examinations—Faculty of Medicine.

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A handsome silver cup was on view recently in the city. It was presented by the Governor of Hong Kong, Sir Matthew Nathan, and won by an old boy, A. Jenkins, for rifle shooting. Out of a possible 420 points the winner obtained 410 points in the 1907 competition. He also won the same competition this year.

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P. M. Webster is in the Sydney office of the Australian United Steam Navigation Coy.

The Old Boys' Association regret losing the services of one of their council members—**Dr. D. A. Cameron**, but old boys wish him success in his new sphere. He is now practising in Brisbane. We likewise congratulate him heartily on his recent marriage to Miss Maud Harding.

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F. E. Meyer, who has been on the teaching staff of the Brighton Grammar School, Melbourne, has been appointed on the staff of this School. (Is this the first occasion that an old boy has been appointed on the staff of his old school?)

[No; **W. Berry**, who was in the school from '64--'67, was a master from '76 to '80.—Ed's.]

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Amongst the personnel of the Blackstone—Ipswich Cambrian Choir, which recently won the Australian Championship at Ballarat, were Messrs. **C. A. Flint, M.A., G. J. Edmunds,** and **R. B. Cribb.**

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At the same competitions, **R. H. Robinson**, the Assistant Secretary of the association, was awarded third prize for an essay on: "Australia's Primary Industries."

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An Honour Board for the School is now almost an accomplished fact; appeals per circular was made by the Old Boys' Association to old boys. Subscriptions have been received from the following:—**J. G. McGregor, Hon. J. W. Blair, M.L.A., Dr. A. G. Butler, F. E. Meyer, M.A., F. L. Atherton, A. R. Scott, Judge Backhouse, T. B. Cribb, P. B. Macgregor, R. J. Mott, P. J. Harding, J. M. Davidson, W. E. Cameron, H. L. Thompson, Dr. A. Gibson, Dr. J. A. Cameron, Dr. W. F. Jackes, C. W. L. Heiner, Fredk. North, T. J. Frank, L. J. Rowlands, T. Stewart, J. England, Dr. C. E. Williams.** The amount received to date is £20 4s. 6d. Further donations will be gratefully accepted by the Secretary or the Headmaster.

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Dr. C. E. Williams is practising at Mackay.

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L. W. Dunlop has gained distinction in 4th year Medicine at Sydney University.

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S. G. Jones has similarly distinguished himself in third year in the same faculty.

PAST GRAMMARS CRICKET CLUB.

The first Annual Meeting of the past Grammars Cricket Club was held in Ham's rooms on September 7th, 1908. There was an attendance of eight members, Dr. J. A. Cameron occupying the chair. The minutes of the first general meeting were read and confirmed, and the report of the Secretary (J. W. McCulloch) received. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:—Captain, R. Bardon; Vice-Captain, J. W. McCulloch; Selection Committee, R. Bardon, J. W. McCulloch and W. E. Hargreaves; Secretary, H. V. Gibbs.

It was decided to join the 'A' grade of the Ipswich and West Moreton Cricket Association, R. Robinson and S. G. Gill being appointed the Club's delegates to the Association. Dr. J. A. Cameron and Mr. B. G. Lawrance, M.A., promised trophies for the best bowling and batting average respectively during the season. A motion that the members of the team should wear blazers to all matches was discussed, and it was decided that the matter be left to the option of members. The style of blazer was fixed as dark blue with pale blue cord edging. This closed the business of the meeting.

IPSWICH GRAMMAR SCHOOL OLD BOYS'
ASSOCIATION.

ANNUAL MEETING AND DINNER.

INTERESTING SPEECHES.

(From the "Queensland Times," Saturday, July, 25, 1908).

The first annual meeting and dinner of the Ipswich Grammar School Old Boys' Association were held in Whitehouse's Cafe, on Thursday evening last. The President (Mr. T. B. Cribb, sen.) presided at the meeting, which took place prior to the dinner.

Secretary's and Treasurer's Reports.

The Secretary (Mr. J. W. McCulloch) read the first annual report of the council, which was as follows:—

"Your Council have the honour to submit their first annual report on the working of the association during the year 1907-08. This being our first year of existence we must of course refer

to the inauguration of the association. To this, reference has already been made in the last issue of the school magazine, but we desire to place on record our appreciation of the efforts of Mr. C. A. Flint, who, in a very practical manner, fostered the project by calling the preliminary committees together and so ably assisting them. A general meeting was called for the 25th July, 1907, which meeting was attended by about 25 old boys, who signified their willingness to join the association if one were formed. It was unanimously decided to form an Ipswich Grammar School Old Boys' Association, and that the movement has become popular is shown by the fact that, at the end of our first year, we have 102 members in the association. A further circular has been prepared, and will be sent to 200 additional old boys, so that we hope to report at the end of next year a considerable increase in the number of members.

"The election of officers for the first year resulted as follows: Patron, the Headmaster; President, Mr. T. B. Cribb, sen.; Vice-President, Dr. J. A. Cameron; Hon. Treasurer, Mr. C. W. L. Heiner; Hon. Secretary, Mr. J. W. M'Culloch; Hon. Auditor, Mr. E. J. Pender; Council, Messrs. Dr. D. A. Cameron, P. W. Cameron, W. L. D. Salkeld, B.A., L.L.M., W. F. S. Fox, R. Bardon, and N. D. Welldon. The Council held nine meetings, the attendances being:—T. B. Cribb, 5; Dr. J. A. Cameron, 8; Dr. D. A. Cameron, 7; P. W. Cameron, 7; W. L. D. Salkeld, 3; N. D. Welldon, 3; R. Bardon, 9; J. W. M'Culloch, 9; C. W. L. Heiner, 1; B. G. Lawrance, 4; and C. A. Flint, 4. The attendance of members at the monthly meetings has been only moderate, except in special instances. It is rather a pity that members do not avail themselves more of the opportunity afforded by these meetings, to meet old school comrades and get full advantages of their connection with the association. We think that this would be the case were the council to provide permanent headquarters where members could have daily intercourse with one another. We only ask that each member do his best to increase the interest in the association, and perhaps at some future date we may procure a club room.

"The only source of income has been members' subscriptions, the amount received this year being £29 7s. Of this amount £6 6s. was advanced to the cricket club, who are still indebted to the association to the amount of £3 8s. 9d. The expenditure amounted to £16 17s. 10d., as shown by the Treasurer's statement, leaving a credit balance of £17 10s. 8d.

"The council donated a special prize of £1 1s. to the school for the best 'General Knowledge Paper,' the winner being R. Roderick. A donation was also made to the school sports fund.

"Amongst the fixtures provided by the council, the most popular were the patron's evening, smoke concert, and the president's

'at home.' The patron's evening, held at the school, attracted about 35 of the members, who were delighted with the hospitality of Mr. Flint and Mrs. Flint. The smoke concert was well attended, members indulging in draughts, chess, cards, &c. The President's 'at home' in May, held at 'Gooloowan,' the residence of Mr. T. B. Cribb, was attended by members to the number of about 60, who were entertained most hospitably at a 'song evening,' &c. This was the largest and most representative gathering of your members during the year, and your president deserves the best thanks of the association for his kindness. An interesting lecture on geology was delivered to the association by Mr. R. A. Wearne, B.A., which was not appreciated by the members as it might have been. A lawn tennis afternoon was fixed for an inconvenient date, and had to be abandoned.

"The annual cricket match, the Association v. the Present Boys, was played on the school wicket, and resulted in a win for the Association by 3 wickets and 27 runs on the first innings. Both teams were entertained by the Headmaster and Mrs. Lawrance, at lunch and tea, and the day closed with an impromptu 'sing-song' in the school-room. The old boys departed with cheers for Mr. and Mrs. Lawrance.

"The present boys are to be congratulated on their recent win against the Toowoomba Grammar School Football Club. A pleasing feature of this match was the goodly number of old boys amongst the spectators.

"Your council have several matters on hand, the most important being the erection of an honour board for the school. A circular inviting subscriptions towards the cost of the board has been prepared, and will be sent to old boys. The trustees are favourable to the scheme, and are willing to bear some of the expense.

In concluding a successful year's operations the council have to congratulate members on the general prosperity of the association, and to express hearty appreciation of the manner in which all those entrusted with the responsibility of directing its affairs performed their services."

The report was adopted.

The report of the treasurer (Mr. C. W. L. Heiner) was also of a very satisfactory nature, the year closing with a substantial credit balance of £16 17s. 10d. The report was adopted.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

The election of officers resulted as follows:—Patron, the Headmaster; President, Dr. J. A. Cameron; Vice-President, Mr. C. W. L. Heiner; Treasurer, Mr. E. J. Pender; Secretary, Mr. J. W. M'Culloch; Assistant-Secretary, Mr. R. H. Robinson; Council,

Dr. D. A. Cameron, and Messrs. P. W. Cameron, R. Bardon, H. Gibbs, W. L. Salkeld, and T. B. Cribb; and Auditor, Mr. Albion Hayne, jun.

VOTE OF THANKS.

A hearty vote of thanks was demonstratively accorded to the out-going officers for their services during the year.

This concluded the business of the meeting.

ANNUAL DINNER.

About 60 old boys then sat down to the first annual dinner of the association. The retiring President (Mr. T. B. Cribb) presided, and there were seated on his right the Hon. J. W. Blair (Attorney-General and Minister for Mines), the Headmaster (Mr. B. G. Lawrance, M.A.), and the ex-Headmaster (Mr. C. A. Flint, M.A.), and on his left the President (Dr. J. A. Cameron), and Mr. J. M. Davidson (manager of the East Brisbane branch of the Bank of New South Wales). There were also present—Messrs. R. A. Kerr, M.A., A. H. Shuttlewood, and R. Robertson (assistant masters of the school), Dr. D. A. Cameron, Messrs. W. L. Salkeld, F. Meyer, M.A., A. D. M'Gill, B.A., H. G. Simpson, J. Hargreaves, W. F. S. Fox, F. A. Whitehead; R. Bardon, H. V. Gibbs, W. E. Hargreaves, and many others.

After ample justice had been done to the excellent fare provided, and interesting toast-list was honoured.

After the loyal toast had been drunk with musical honours, the Hon. J. W. Blair proposed "The School." He said that he felt singularly honoured in being entrusted with the duty of proposing the toast of "The School." One would indeed be lacking in the spirit of comradeship if he did not feel that spirit of "camaraderie," when looking around the gathering which was assembled that night. He saw before him many faces with which he was familiar, and they brought back to him pleasurable recollections of the old school—"my old school." He thought it might be well to remind them of what an ancient school, in a comparative sense, the old Ipswich Grammar School really was. In October next it would be 45 years since it was founded, and, from a perusal of statistics, he gathered that it came into being six years before the Brisbane Grammar School was established, 14 years before the Toowoomba School, 18 years before the Maryborough and Rockhampton Schools, and 25 years before the Townsville School. The old school had given to the world numerous citizens of repute and men who had achieved distinction in every walk of life. Many of them might not know that when the School was founded, Ipswich was the capital of the State. When they looked at the Bremer River, they wondered why it was so, but still, it was, and he was living in hope that, some day, it might become a port. (Laughter). At that time, Ipswich

had a population of 3,601, with special emphasis on the one. (Laughter). Brisbane had a population of 6051, which included South Brisbane and Woolloongabba. He could speak only of the headmaster with whom he was familiar, Mr. Donald Cameron, M.A. (Applause). He believed that the history of the school was largely the history of Mr. Cameron. He knew of no master, who worked so loyally, and so steadfastly for the honour of the school, and to improve the minds of those with whom he was brought in contact. Mr. Cameron had left his impress on the school, and left a tradition behind him, which was an honourable one. It was the masters who were the architects of the future of a school, and they, by their efforts, built up an honourable and lasting fabric. He believed that there was at the school material which was capable of being moulded, and that there were capable hands there to mould it. He then referred to boys who had been with him at School, but who had since passed away. Ipswich Grammar School boys, he continued, were found in every walk of life. They were in the civil service and in the professions, and some had strayed into politics. Whether that had been good for politics it was not for him to say. (Laughter). In conclusion, he said that he thought it was high time that there should be something in the shape of an honour board at the school. He hoped that, for the sake of the old school, they would follow the example set them by the Girls' Grammar School.

Mr. Lawrance, in responding, said he hoped that, 30 or 40 years hence, someone would find it in his heart to say such nice things about him, as Mr. Blair had said about Mr. Cameron. He would always aim to do his best for the school while he was connected with it. It had been in existence for nearly 50 years, and had passed through its doors between 1100 and 1200 boys. No doubt, more than half the number of those boys were still alive, and it was for those who knew them to judge the school by them. He did not think that the Ipswich Boys' Grammar School need fear comparison with any other school, in Queensland, if it were to be judged by its old boys. Certainly, as regards scholastic attainments it need not fear comparison with any school in Queensland or Australia. He did not think that the learning acquired by boys was a very true test by which to judge a school. It was a test which had been made too much of in the past. Persons turned up the examination-lists and found that the school had had so many junior passes in one year, and some people immediately judged a school of 75 boys by the achievements of seven or eight pupils. He considered that a true test of a school was that it turned out boys with a reasonable amount of knowledge and a great amount of self-respect. The Ipswich Grammar School should pass through it boys who would be always

regarded as gentlemen, in the highest meaning of the word—not necessarily wearing a stiff collar or shirt, but knowing how to behave themselves. He was glad that the athletic side of the school had not been allowed to rust. The school, as regards sports, laboured under a great difficulty in that the boys had to play on a public highway. He concluded by stating that he fully appreciated the honour of responding to the toast of 'The School.'

Mr. J. Hargreaves submitted "The Country Members." Mr. J. M. Davidson responded in an interesting speech. He spoke of the far-reaching effects which the Old Boys' Association was likely to have, especially in regard to country members. Many honoured scholars had passed through that institution. Judge Backhouse, of New South Wales, was in the sixth form when he (Mr. Davidson) was at school. He wished the association every success in the future. (Applause).

Mr. C. A. Flint, M.A., proposed the health of the Old Boys' Association, and, in doing so, expressed regret that there had not been larger attendances of old boys at what might be termed the "intellectual" evenings, as well as at the social evenings.

Mr. T. B. Cribb, in responding, said that, although the school was the oldest in Queensland, it was rather a reproach that such a long time had elapsed before an old boys' association was formed. He hoped that the new President, Dr. J. A. Cameron, would be instrumental in building up the association.

The toast of "The Staff" was proposed by Dr. J. A. Cameron, who, in doing so, thanked Mr. Blair for the kindly references which he made to his father.

Mr. R. A. Kerr, M.A., replied on behalf of the staff. He said that the toast was one which seemed to him to have a great many associations. In some of its aspects the association between boy and master was laughed at, but it seemed to him to be one of the most important relations in the world. It was not very creditable that the old boys had not formed a football club during the present year, but he hoped that they would do so next year.

Mr. Blair proposed the health of the retiring President (Mr. T. B. Cribb). In doing so he referred to some remarks which had been made with regard to writing. He (Mr. Blair) was not a good penman, but he never thought his writing was so bad until the other day, when he got a reply to a letter which he had written to Mr. Lawrance. The reply was addressed to "Mr. J. W. Bean." (Laughter).

Mr. Cribb appropriately responded.

Those present then sang "Auld Lang Syne," and the singing of a verse of the National Anthem terminated the proceedings.

In the course of the evening songs were rendered by Messrs. C. A. Flint and B. G. Lawrance. The accompaniments were played by Mr. R. A. Kerr.

CADET CORPS.

Our weekly drills have become a regular feature of school-life now, and we felt sufficient confidence in ourselves to appear at the Battalion parade in Brisbane, on October 16th, for inspection by the Queensland Commandant, Colonel Lyster. We left Ipswich by the 9.25, detrained at Roma Station, and marched thence to the Adelaide drill shed, whence, after a little practice in the 'general salute,' we were dismissed for two hours to pass the time till 2 o'clock. At the appointed time the drill yard was alive with cadets of all sorts and sizes, and when the two battalions were drawn up, the yard was taxed to hold us. Altogether about 1,300 or more cadets were present. Ours was the largest corps present, Southport High School alone excepted, whose numbers are practically the same as ours, i.e., a full company. From the drill-yard we marched through Brisbane to the Domain, where we went through several evolutions with fair success. The Commandant inspected us in turn, and spoke encouragingly to us, as a newly-formed company. At the march past we were complimented on our steadiness. After the evolutions, the chief of which was a little skirmishing practice, we returned to the station, catching the Toowoomba mail, and reaching home, tired but satisfied, at 7 o'clock.

Shooting has now begun, but, owing to the exigencies of the Chelmsford Cup, it has been impossible to make it general at present. We hope, before the end of this quarter, if possible, to arrange a sham-fight, which will vary the monotony of the weekly drill.

SHOOTING.

Through no fault of our own we are late in starting shooting practice. We have over seventy cadets to select from and a supply of rifles in good order to fire with. But the art of shooting straight is not learnt in a day, nor are the peculiarities of a rifle thoroughly mastered in one or two visits to the butts. Probably our biggest stumbling block has been our numbers. As only five cadets will shoot in the Chelmsford Cup Competition, it has been necessary to weed out a large number as quickly as possible, and in the process some have certainly not had a fair chance. We have at least one experienced shot in

H. G. Watkins, who has already honoured the Corps by winning a prize in the cadet matches held recently at Brisbane. From our raw material, A. Robertson, J. Adams, A. Lord, and C. Ramsay, have shone out prominently, whilst C. Foggon, W. Meyer, R. Mellor, J. Wheeling and T. Francis have shown signs of steady improvement.

SWIMMING.

The warm weather having approached, swimming is engaging the attention, and, indeed, the best efforts of our swimmers. Now that swimming is one of the events in the Chelmsford Cup competition, mere aquatic revels have to a large extent been abandoned, and we have turned to the sterner business of getting up to competition pitch. To reach this point very hard practice is necessary, for there is no one of our swimmers to whom at present the 200 yards event is not a very formidable race. The School has great hopes in W. B. Foote, who lacks nothing in enthusiasm and real effort. C. Foggon, G. Stafford, J. Adams, and R. Mellor, with training, should ably support him. Amongst the juniors, E. Francis, S. Spenceley, and C. Foote, show great promise. It is likely enough that some of them may be required in the squadron event. With hard training we may at least hope for success.

GYMNASTIC COMPETITION.

For the first time for many years a gymnastic competition has taken place between teams representing the Brisbane and Ipswich Grammar Schools, and, now that such a contest has begun, it is to be hoped that it will continue throughout future years.

Our team, comprising the following eight members: W. B. Foote, L. Foote, S. Francis, Bryan, Southerden, Savage, Fowles, and Barbour journeyed to Brisbane on Friday, 23rd October, where arrangements had been made for the use of the Brisbane Gymnasium. The competition took place at four o'clock, and we had the good fortune to have two most efficient judges in Messrs. Fowles and Trundle. There was a fairly large number of spectators, among whom were Mr. Roe, several other masters, and a good number of boys from the Brisbane Grammar School.

The result of the contest was in favour of the Brisbane team, who came out victors with a lead of nine points. The Brisbane boys scored 432 points to our 423 out of a maximum of 560. The scores show how even the contest was, and that, although beaten, our boys were by no means disgraced.

The competitions included one set exercise on each of the following apparatus: parallel bars, horizontal bar, and roman rings; and one spot exercise and one voluntary on the two former. On the parallel bars our team showed much better form than their opponents, but on the horizontal bar they were much inferior, the Brisbane boys showing a marked improvement on their parallel bar work. W. B. Foote easily proved himself the best gymnast among the members of both teams, and he deserves great praise for the way in which he performed his several exercises.

We had the misfortune of losing the valuable services of R. Hogg owing to his father's death, and probably his presence would have decided the result of the contest in our favour.

Mr. Roe very kindly provided our boys with some light refreshments prior to their departure home again, for which, one may be sure, they were exceedingly grateful.

UNIVERSITY LETTER.

Dear Mr. Editor,—

Though nothing of an alarming nature has occurred here since your last issue, still an account of the doings of old schoolmates may interest a few of your readers.

The inter-collegiate contests, in which most of us are interested, if not engaged, are all over, and Andrew's have come out champions for this year, after some keen struggles. They came out on top in all the competitions except the tennis, in which Paul's were victorious by a narrow margin.

But to come to ourselves; Halley has evacuated Andrew's and taken up his abode in Glebe, where lives also our old friend Jack Burbidge, otherwise we are as we were in the beginning.

Exams. have worried us to some extent, but we have defied them with fair success. L. Dunlop has done well in his Fourth Med. finals, and is to be congratulated on gaining distinction.

Jones has completed his Third Year in the same faculty, and gained credit, whilst Haigh and England, our engineers, have done with some of their exams., though plenty awaits them