

IPSWICH CRAMMAR SCHOOL



# SCHOOL OFFICERS, 1916.

Dux-A. McCulloch.

Prefects: Day-boys—C. M. Calder, A. McCulloch, L. G. Pardoe. Boarders—G. A. Fisher, N. George, S. Pettigrew.

School Club Committee—L. G. Pardoe (Hon. Sec.), W. C. Barbour, G. A. Fisher, W. M. Fox, N. George, A. McCulloch, P. Outridge, S. Pettigrew.

School Magazine Committee—C. M. Calder (Editor), A. McCulloch (Sports Editor), G. A. Fisher (Business Manager), N. George, L. G. Pardoe, S. Pettigrew.

Cricket Captain-A. McCulloch.

Cricket Sub-Committee-Mr. Meyer, A. McCulloch, W. C. Barbour.

Tennis Captain—A. McCulloch.

Tennis Sub-Committee--Mr. Meyer, A. McCulloch, S. Pettigrew.

Football Captain—A. McCulloch.

Football Sub-Committee—A. McCulloch, W. C. Barbour.

Literary Sub-Committee—Mr. Robertson, C. M. Calder (Hon. Sec.) F. Guinane (Hon. Treas.).

Cadet Corps—Platoons 5 and 6, "B" Company, 10th Battalion, Senior Cadets—

O.C.: Lieut. R. Robertson.

Coy. Sergt.-Major: Sergt. P. H. Outridge.

Coy. Q. M. Sergt.: Sergt. D. Wyper.

No. 5 Platoon: Platoon-Sergt. Fisher, Sergt. Calder, Corpl. Pardoe.

No. 6 Platoon: Lance-Corpl. Barbour, Lance-Corpl. Cameron, Lance-Corpl. George.

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### EDITORIAL.

IE present year, like all its predecessors, has brought many changes and losses, which at first seemed irreparable. At the end of last year we lost many of our best, and we miss them sadly in the classroom, on the hard-fought field of sport, in debate, and in the talk and fun of the less formal school hours.

Yet the gaps are closing up. New leaders arise and are followed by a new rank and file. So the School goes on, and so the world's work is being done here as in other places. We extend our best wishes to those who have gone to bear their part in the larger world of affairs.

Naturally, our eyes are turned specially to the camps and battlefields, where so many Old Boys have gone to fight the Empires battles. The number of those who represent us is now very large, and the School is proud to believe that its Old Boys have done their share in winning for Australia a name and fame which is glorious throughout the world.

Many of those recently enlisting were at school only a very short time ago; one of them, our former editor, being associated with us as late as last year. To him, as to all, we extend hearty wishes for all good fortune and a safe return.

The board for the Roll of Honour has been erected, but so rapidly has the number of names increased, that already a second board is required. Much difficulty has been experienced in obtaining the names and addresses of enlisting Old Boys, and it would be help indeed, if those acquainted with names and addresses not appearing in our list, would inform the Editor.

A number of letters and cards have been received from Old Boys at the front, but news of others, telling of their doings, and promotions, would be greatly appreciated.

Hitherto the School Magazine has appeared quarterly, but for the future it will be issued half-yearly, thus enabling the compilers to devote more time and attention to their columns.

Jur prospects in all departments are very good, and this year we hope to crown the successes of last year with the return of at least one of the Chelmsford Cups to grace our walls.

It is with great regret that we have to record the death of Mrs. Donald Cameron, who, for twenty-six years, lived at the School, and as wife of the headmaster, influenced deeply the lives of many boys. We wish to offer our tribute of respect and honour, knowing full well that her best monument is found in the family which she reared, and in the lives of many generations of boys now holding honourable positions in the State.

School news is dealt with in other pages, but an appeal—made many times before—for original matter for our columns, is very necessary. Short stories, verse, letters describing any place of interest, would be very welcome indeed.

We extend a hearty welcome to the new boys, to whom must fall, in the near future, the responsibilities of the School. We would advise them to endeavour to follow the example set by their predecessors, striving to emulate, if not to excel, these proven worthies.

# SPEECH-DAY, 1915.

The annual "breaking-up" ceremony of the Boys' and Girls' Grammar Schools took place in the main room of the Boys' Grammar School, in the presence of a large gathering of parents and friends. Owing to the war no prizes were given, the successful scholars receiving certificates. His Excellency the Governor, who was attended by Captain Cozens, A.D.C., distributed the certificates. Dr. J. A.

Cameron (Chairman of Trustees of the Boys' School) presided, and with him on the platform were Messrs. J. P. Bottomley, W. Haigh, C. W. L. Heiner, and W. Tatham (Trustees of the Boys' School), the Mayor (Alderman F. G. Springall), Messrs. Joseph Hargreaves, H. M. Scott, G. R. Wilson, and J. C. Cribb (Trustees of the Girls' School), Miss Helen White, M.A. (headmistress of the Girls' School), and Mr. R. A. Kerr, M.A., B.Sc. (headmaster of the Boys' School).

Dr. Cameron, after welcoming His Excellency, said this year they had a new master, Mr. R. A. Kerr, and the Trustees felt in asking him to come back they were placing the School in good hands. After being a Trustee for some years, Mr. H. J. Gray had resigned owing to leaving the city, and Mr. J. P. Bottomley had been appointed. He referred to the distinction conferred on Major Graham Butler. a former pupil, who had received the D.S.O.

#### HEADMASTER'S REPORT FOR 1915.

Your Excellency, Ladies and Gentlemen,-

I have the honour to present the Fifty-third Annual Report of the Ipswich Boys' Grammar School.

From the School's point of view, the past year has been prosperous and successful, and even record-breaking. It has long been our ambition to have a roll of 100; several times we have reached 99, but this year we have not only reached the century, but have passed it by more than 20. The totals for the quarters have been 124, 127, 120, 115—an average of 122. Of this average 38 have been State Scholars, 10 District Scholars, 11 Trustees' Scholars, and 63 paying pupils. The attendance through the year has averaged about 94 per cent., in spite of severe epidemics of influenza and measles. It is particularly gratifying that the number of boarders has also largely increased, a fact which testifies to a certain confidence, widely spread, in the School's high aims and in its ability to carry them out. This is a measure of the debt which we owe to our predecessors; they have set us a high standard, and we hope to be able to live up to it.

Prosperity has, however, not been without its embarrassments; for the large increase in number threatened to overtax our accommodation. The Trustees promptly made provision for the large influx of boarders by erecting a large, airy dormitory, which is practically out-of-doors. This has been a great success and the "balcony" is now the favourite sleeping place. We could now accommodate about 50, though the dining-room would be very full. This year we have had 44 in residence, as against 31 last year.

The enrolment of some 50 new boys has also caused difficulty in finding class-room space and in adjusting time-tables. The former difficulty may become more acute next year; as to the latter, the staff has loyally risen to the occasion and has proved equal to all the calls made upon it. Five months ago we lost Mr. Francis, who left us to fight our battles in another place; we were very sorry to lose him, for he had done splendid work both in school and in the playground; but we are pleased to think that our country is to be served by so efficient an officer. It was found impossible to replace him, and the rest of us have, ever since his departure, been struggling against odds. I have to thank my colleagues for their patriotic performance of their task, but I sincerely hope that we shall have additional help next year.

The Sixth Form is rather larger than usual, consisting now, after a few losses, of 14 boys. Four of these sat for the Senior and two for Matriculation; they should all pass; but I am not sanguine that their results will be much above the average. They have worked conscientiously and well, and I must say that the example of earnestness and devotion to duty shown by the older boys generally, especially the prefects, has been of great help and has been an important factor in the life of the School. The honour of being dux falls to Crane, though Cole ran him very close. As Editor of the Magazine Crane has shown great interest and considerable literary ability.

The Lower Sixth has made very good progress and promises to do us credit next year, even in spite of the fact that we have lost the best of them—Flewell-Smith, who won the Byrnes Memorial Medal in last year's Junior. This loss is one to which I find it hard to be reconciled; Flewell-Smith is a boy of splendid character and ability, and I am confident that a brilliant career was open to him. Yet the Empire calls for sacrifice, and there is no more to be said.

The Fifth Form has entered for the Junior in a body; some of the twenty-two will probably fail; several have certainly deserved to do so; others will do well enough to uphold our good reputation; the majority have worked hard enough to earn some success.

The class record of Pardoe, who wins the Form Prize, is extraordinarily good. It will be observed that he has gained firstclass honours in nine subjects; this must be a unique result and is due to splendid work and very good ability.

Next year begins the practical test of the new scholarship scheme; at present the scheme is setting us some rather hard problems to solve. It seems likely that in 1916 we shall have to prepare more than fifty boys for the Junior Public Examination; as yet I do not see how we are to arrange for their practical science, how are we to get to the Junior standard in languages in the two years allotted, or how we are to attain, in that time, to

the maturity of mind which is necessary to pass examinations in any subject.

We are altogether in the hands of the University Examiners; if they are sympathetic and reasonable, I am inclined to think that our difficulties will solve themselves and that the ultimate result will be efficiency in our lower classes. There certainly will be no room for the boy who wishes to idle away his first year, with the dim purpose of settling down later on. We shall also have very little time to give to primary work, which should be done in a primary school.

The scholarship boys sent us this year have, for the most part, been of fairly good type; many of them show a keen interest in their studies and have made very satisfactory progress. If a fair proportion of these are able to continue their schooling past the Junior, it will be a decided advantage to have the unfit weeded out at the end of the second year. I am not an advocate of long continued secondary education for those who have neither taste nor ability for it. In several cases where boys have shown no promise of doing good for themselves, and have merely wasted their own time and their parents' money, I have had no hesitation in advising that they be put to other work. While there is much need for long suffering for the thoughtlessness of youth, yet boys must be made to see that education is an opportunity to be grasped, not a trifle to be despised and lightly thrown away. It is better for them to be employed at some manual work than to be learning selfish, idle habits at school. While much can be done by discipline, everyone knows that it is impossible to compel a boy to work if he will not.

In Sports we have had a very good year. Some mild pressure has been used in the endeavour to induce all boys to practise organised school games; the success of this effort may be gauged by the fact that seven cricket teams have held regular practices, four of which have taken part in competition matches. In football almost every boy has had some share, only a few being allowed to play tennis instead. It is my intention to continue this policy, for I am convinced both that there is much positive good in organised games and the demands they make for discipline and self-sacrifice and also that, in a negative way, they prevent most of the dangers to character which accompany want of definite interesting employment. Nearly all the mischief is done in spare time. Kindergarten and Montessori methods and ideas have their application, even beyond the infant school.

Our First football team, under the excellent coaching of Mr. Francis, won the Premiership of the B College Grade in Brisbane; the Seconds were runners-up in the C Grade. Against Brisbane Grammar School, we were able, after a severe game, to record a draw; Toowoomba Grammar School beat us by 8 points to 3 after a hard struggle which might easily have been a victory

for us. Thus we have very well held our own, no small feat against such opponents. In cricket our success has not been quite so great. We lost to Brisbane, though without dishonour; we were also defeated by Toowoomba by a narrow margin.

The Tennis Four has a fine record, showing a bare defeat by Southport at the beginning of the season, a hard won victory over Toowoomba, and a very decided win against Brisbane.

In Athletics we succeeded in defeating Toowoomba, but we found Brisbane much too strong.

The Chelmsford Cups have thus caused much close competition. In both cases the scores were even up to the last event—the cricket match; but, unfortunately, neither Cup is coming to us.

Neither Cup has graced our walls very often, but the rivalry and emulation they have caused have revolutionised our games and put much earnestness into all our efforts in the field.

The Annual Sports were a great success in every way, many fine contests being witnessed, in spite of the fact that no prizes were given. This speaks well for the sportsmanship of the competitors. The Championship went to Harding, though he was hard pressed for his honours by Ruhno.

All the usual activities of school life have flourished. The Cadets, under the able command of Mr. Robertson, have kept up their high standard; the Literary Society has held several successful debates; the Magazine has been edited and managed entirely by boys, and has more than justified its existence; the Christian Union has held very instructive Study Circles and has had several very good addresses from visitors; the Singing Class, under Mr. Johnston, has been a great success; two school concerts have been held and proved very enjoyable. All these institutions have rendered valuable help in training and equipping the boys for their citizenship in the larger world. Those who have freely given of their best will find that to give is really to receive.

Owing to the war the Old Boys' Association has been compelled to allow most of its social fixtures to lapse for this year. It is to be hoped that when normal conditions return, the Society will renew its useful share in keeping the old traditions alive. At the Annual Meeting about £40 was subscribed to be sent to Dr. Gibson for his hospital at the front; also an honour board has been erected at the School, on which are to be inscribed the names of those who have answered to the country's call. The fact that more than 80 have already volunteered shows that our Old Boys are doing their share at this time of stress. In this connection I should like to call your attention to the list of names published in the School Magazine, and to ask anyone who knows of others whom we have overlooked, to send particulars, so that our list may be complete before it goes on to the Honour Board.

The present scholars have, by their own efforts, raised considerably over £40 for the patriotic funds; as a considerable amount of this came out of their own pocket money, it seems that the spirit of self-sacrifice in the Empire's cause is alive here as all over the world. One boy has even left us to go to Enoggera, and so has made the great sacrifice for his country.

One of the saddest duties of a schoolmaster is to say farewell to those who have been under his care for the most interesting and most plastic years of their life. Many older boys are going out now into the world. To them I want to say with all earnestness that they have had privileges far above the average; they should, consequently, be leaders amongst their fellow citizens. Unless these years have been wasted, they should be of those who can think for themselves and who can sway the thoughts and actions of others. If that is to come to pass the discipline and service of school will, with them, gradually become a strong and self-reliant, self-discipline, a clear and steady sense of duty. They will always be remembered here, and they should have a warm place in their hearts for their old school.

In conclusion, I wish to express my thanks to the Trustees for their sympathetic management of affairs, to the Masters for their loyal and efficient help, to all who have in any way to do with the School for their cordiality in welcoming Mrs. Kerr and myself back into their midst. To all alike I wish "A Happy Christmas and New Year."

His Excellency, after having distributed the certificates, said he was pleased to note the harmony which existed between the two schools. He congratulated Miss White on the efficiency of her school and her pupils, and also Mr. Kerr and the Trustees on what they had done in spite of the difficulties they had to face. He expressed regret that part of the School grounds had to be parted with to provide funds to build additions. They all recognised that in the present times ways and means had to be found that were not normal. He referred to the problems which the School would have to face next year by carrying out the regulations of the Education Department. He and others realised that they were doing it with conscientious motives, and with the best possible intentions. If they would allow him to speak, not as the Governor of Queensland, but as an individual, he would congratulate the people of Queensland for what had been done for education, as a whole, in Queensland. In Mr. Story and Mr. Roe they had two men who were real treasures to the Education Department.

Mr. Tatham proposed a hearty vote of thanks to His Excellency, which was seconded by the Mayor, and His Excellency briefly responded. Afternoon tea was subse-

quently partaken of on the lawn.

# QUEENSLAND UNIVERSITY DEGREE EXAMINATIONS, 1915.

- ARTS (Second Year Completed)—C. H. HARRISON, L. J. HARWOOD, H. H. HEINER, A. E. G. PASCOE.
- SCIENCE (Third Year Completed)—S. B. WATKINS (B.Sc. Degree).
- ENGINEERING (Fourth Year Completed)—A. W. CONROY (B.A. Degree).
- DISTINCTIONS—PEARSE (Greek II, Merit); H. H. HEINER (Latin II, Merit); L. J. HARWOOD (English I, Merit); E. J. D. STANLEY (Constitution and History, Merit); H. McCULLOCH (Physics I, Merit).

# SENIOR RESULTS, 1915.

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<sup>\*</sup> Crane and Henry obtained University Teacher Scholarships.

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CLASS LIST IN HONOURS, 1915.

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CLASS LIST IN HONOURS (continued).

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#### SCHOOL NOTES.

Towards the end of last year a very enjoyable evening, in the form of a Patriotic Ball, was held in the large schoolroom. Dancing began at 7.45 p.m., and terminated rather before 11 p.m. A large number of guests, comprising members of the opposite sex and several "young" Old Boys, were present, and judging by appearances each seemed to enjoy himself or herself immensely. As the evening was rather warm for dancing, the drive and lawn were much appreciated, so much so, that dancing ceased earlier than it might otherwise have done.

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The annual medical examination for the Militia was held at the drill-sheds one night last quarter. The following members of the School Cadet Corps were examined, and passed as fit:—Outridge P., Fox W., Pettigrew, and Calder. These will probably finish their military training at midwinter, as militia training seems to have been suspended for the period of the war.

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A certain member of VIb. is suspected of having poetical ambitions. He confided to his bosom friends that he had once been inspired long enough to write five verses. Certainly the verses indicated inspiration—the poet must have been raving with it.

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The Literary Society's Concert, at the end of last year, was very successful, the most appreciated item being Mr. Shuttlewood's well-known "Maid of Malabar."

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A few Saturdays ago, Cadets of the 1898 and 1899 quotas journeyed to Redbank, to go through the annual musketry course prescribed by the Defence authorities. All felt that it was a vast improvement on the miniature range. The best results out of a possible of 85 were obtained by the following:—Calder 67, Hall 65, Wyper 62, Outridge P. 60.

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The non-arrival of the School prizes for Speech-Day, both in our own case and in that of the Girls' School, caused these celebrations to be held together. We enjoyed ourselves just as much as on any other Prize-day, the certificates issued in place of the prizes, for the time being, by no means causing depression to the prize-winners. The

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The drive has been completely renovated, and when the new trees are planted, will present quite an arboreal appearance.

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The "newies" concert was altogether a rather tame affair. The enterprise of the older boys was evidently hampered by the fact that a prefect had to make himself responsible for the treatment meted out to unwilling performers. Several songs and recitations were, however, forthcoming: the former produced with such quavering voices, and twitching lips, as to excite the pity of the hardest of hearts. Of course, the "newies" vied with one another in showing their affection, and one in his enthusiasm tackled the greasy pole quite viciously.

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We offer our congratulations to F. G. Crane and J. T. Henry, on gaining Teachers' Scholarships at the last Senior University examination.

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"Willie" is still a reader of "sporty" literature, and promises soon to become an authentic authority on race-horses and prize-fighters. He has lately withdrawn his liberal patronage from "Pinkun" and now expounds the fine qualities of "Referee."

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We take this opportunity of congratulating Mr. Meyer on being chosen to represent Ipswich against Brisbane, on Saint Patrick's Day.

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With the second term has come the dancing season. "Frisco" and "Doc." were willing instructors to a certain member of Va. desirous of learning dancing without publicity. The part of "lady" was admirably performed by "Frisco," while the most inspiriting dance music was supplied by a whistling onlooker. "Buff" has informed us that he is an expert at "barn-dancing." but seems rather shy of imparting his knowledge.

Some of the day-boys, with the aid of a miniature camp kitchen, supplied themselves with black tea for a few days. Perhaps it was a case of "a superfluousness of culinary assistance often exercises a detrimental effect on the consomme"—or rather, tea in this case: but enough.——Many complaints of the School cup tasting of tea were heard for some days after operations had been suspended.

We are all looking forward to Mr. Roe's visit, which is promised for the second week of June.

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The results of the Junior were very good indeed. We desire to congratulate Pardoe on his especially fine pass, and offer our consolations for not gaining the Byrnes' medal, which he just missed.

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The School Cadet Corps, owing to the scarcity of khaki, has become practically a plain-clothes brigade. Already we have had three whole-day parades this year, and have been promised another before midwinter.

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The annual cricket match against the Old Boys was played, as usual, on Saint Patrick's Day. As no other wicket was available, the match was played on our own concrete wicket, and resulted in a win for us, chiefly owing to Mr. Meyer's brilliant batting.

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We take this opportunity of congratulating Mr. and Mrs. Robertson on the birth of a daughter.

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At the beginning of the year, a call was made for subscriptions in aid of the local General Hospital. Owing to the fact that boarders had to supply from their own pocket-money, the amount collected, £2 5s. 1d., was mainly from day-boys.

The gymnasium has been completely refitted, and with Mr. Kerr as instructor, the lower classes have, after a period of three years, once more resumed gymnastic exercises.

Mr. Robinson has lately taken on the alleged cares of

Mr. Robinson has lately taken on the alleged cares of matrimony. We wish to heartily congratulate him and wish him all future happiness.

The members of the Physics class were rather in despair when they learned that "Scratch" had forsaken them to take up studies at Brisbane Grammar School. They were, however, quite relieved on the arrival of "Buff," who has given ample satisfaction in his methods of performing electrical experiments.

Two enthusiastic physicists remained behind one afternoon to endeavour to send telegraphic messages up and

down the wire fence. After making all necessary preparations and connections, it was found that some of the apparatus was not in thorough working order. The gas pipes

were also tried, but with no result.

# FORM NOTES.

#### VI.

"Some may come, and some may go, But the 'Sixth' goes on for ever."

We have entered upon another year, and of course we have had to bid farewell to some of the "old codgers." How we miss that happy, though hairy, face of "Sal!" But we have received our usual reinforcements, making a total of ten, with two "hangers-on!"

Members of the "Sixth" may be interested to hear the following speech of the "Kaiser": "If it Verdun, ven it is don, den it ver vell it Verdun quickly!"

Exams. are a constant source of worry to us. This may be judged from the following answer. given to an examination question by one of our "marvels": "As no formula are given, and as I do not know any, therefore I cannot do the sum." Splendid logic! It is to be hoped that the words excited the required pity in the examiner.

All Hail, Champion of Childers! During the Easter holidays "Sam" won three-fold fame, singles champion and runner-up in two other competitions. Congrats., "Sam!"

"Jerry" has at last covered up his knees, and he makes quite a "hit;" likewise "Frisco." We create a record in that everyone has now donned the "long-'uns."

"Buff" (do not think this refers to a breed of poultry, though he is a bit "game" when it comes to electric shocks), has taken over the position of assistant Science demonstrator. May he be a worthy successor to "Scratch," who is doing it in fine style down in the Metropolis.

We have discovered a perfectly elastic body. No sooner "squashed" than he springs back again. Three times he has been offered the chair; also he has been advised to try the "other hill," which is certainly more in his line.

"Frisco" is famed for his "smiling face." We should be lost without his humour. Or should it be "attempts at humour?" But "Jerry" always sees the joke, so we must be very dense. Better still, we will put it down to the Scotch element in our nature.

"Marvin" thou art naturally gifted with a literary talent. For a start, try "Reporter" for the "Childers Review."

We adore thee, "Zep.!" Thou art honoured with a "standing invitation" to the house of the High Commissioner.

"Chemists," beware! lest your test tubes disappear. One "hopeful" started with six, broke three, and now has seven. His number is being "auto-catalytically accelerated." But we make no insinuations, "Jerry!"

In four weeks, we are promised a visit from the inspector. Ere these lines are being read, we shall probably have gone through that ordeal. With the Senior in six months time, we can only be hopeful for the best.

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Va.

This year we came back to school thirty-three in number, but Warry, from Maryborough, joined us soon after the term began, and so there are now thirty-four of us, the elite of the big Junior form, to look forward, with pleasure (?) to the exam. at the end of the year.

In sports we are well represented—Warry is an acquisition in this way. We have so far, in football, had eight members in the First XV., and seven in the Second; whilst in cricket we had six in the First XI., and six in the Second.

We congratulate Barbour on obtaining the vice-captaincy in both cricket and football this year.

"Bill" is the recognised "dandy" of our form, and spends much time in admiring his nice new shoes and redshot sox. It is also rumoured that he would do great things in football if he had no fear of spoiling his "part."

Several of us, notably "Nigger" and "Parker," have attained the dignity of "long-'uns," and are quite the "K-nuts." (?)

"Goat" still upholds his honourable (?) name, and is ofttimes accused of "Acting the Angora."

"Podge" and "Bobbie" intend going to the Ipswich Show, but are determined not to spend their "pecunia" on side-shows, but only where they can get good (?) "value" for it,

"Maurice" is inclined to be unruly at drill, and finds himself severely chastised for his misdeeds.

We are induced to look upon "Jersey" as the maths. "snag" of our form, as is observed from the results of the weekly examinations.

"Clarie" informs us in his Latin translation, that "Cæsar consumed ten days." It is not to be wondered that the book ends shortly afterwards.

"Sid" is getting on well towards his first-class scoutship, and must be making considerable progress since he was allowed to cook for the rest while in camp at Easter. Luckily, there was no casualty list as a result of it.

The two junior forms combine for French, and Vb. shine out; for instance, "Titus" is thinking of bringing out a new pronunciation dictionary on this subject.

This year we do practical chemistry, and several of the more energetic of us do work after school in the lab. "Porker" especially, about the middle of last term, wasted many precious (?) dinner-hours trying to coax a crystal on a horse-hair.

"Col" supplies us with the valuable information that— A postulate is the straight line which bisects an angle!

Vb.

This year the old Lower School rose higher and the numbers were greatly diminished.

Mr. Webb, who came at the beginning of the year, earned a good reputation, especially in English, where "Jumbo," "Fag," and "Splinter" greatly amused him.

We were much amused to see our lordly elephant start the year by turning up in "long-'uns;" he aroused the "green-eyed monster" in the breasts of his bosom pals. who immediately donned them, too.

Poor "Splinter," being so upset, had to go to Sydney to recruit his health. (?) but one of his masters stoutly declares that he spent most of his time at Randwick.

There must be some very great mystery connected with "Bung's" pretty little knees, because he is so frightened to show them when he comes into the presence of his schoolmates. "Perhaps he has none at all."

"Tit" does not seem to agree with the modern French language, and his very marked improvements do not produce the required effect upon his master.

"Scottie's" eyesight has failed him owing to fagging French too much, and he had to engage "Pup" to make a pair of glasses for him out of ginger-beer bottle wire.

"Jolly Joe," our arithmetic snag, refuses to absorb the principles of approximation, much to the desperation of his master.

"Scotch Jimmy" must have a very tall idea of himself, because he offered to lend "Tommy" his strides for "long"uns."

"Tommy's" politics and Mr. Shuttlewood's do not seem to agree, with the result of several hot debates in geography.

Walker has not yet lost his love of soldiering, as he is now taking lessons how to lay mines, from our old friend down the drive.

"Snyder," our promising full-back for the coming 2nd XV., is complimented on his plucky attack at "Jeff," but sad to say, the noble lad was knocked down upon the bluemetal.

We very nearly had no Form Notes this time. "Jimmy" came rushing by and kicked a tin popularly rumoured to contain detonators; but on investigation it was found to contain grease.

We are fairly well represented in football, having two representatives in the 1st XV., and five in the 2nd XV.

"Whiskers" must think that he is growing an old man, thinking he must shave his whiskers, he has bought himself a safety razor.

We wish "Buller" and "Pim" every success in their clerk's exam.

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With the exception of "Polly," "Buff," and "Geof.," we consist wholly of "newies." There are about twenty-five in the form, almost all being scholarship boys.

"Jumbo's" Latin vocabulary is marvellous. According to him, the parts of "punio" are "punio, punere, ponxi, ponctum."

"Polly" is our star performer; his Geography book puts the Cheviot Hills in India, and says the right bank of a river is the "one on the right."

"Annie" does not show due respect to the "Law," and consequently spends "Lotz" of his "Price" less time in the detention "Hall," which makes him exceedingly "Scotty."

Our "Fox" has become very cunning lately. His nose has a great habit of bleeding, especially during Geometry periods.

"Squeaker," our Geometry snag, has at last managed to prove a theorem, and we are pleased to see that his efforts have been duly rewarded.

We strongly advise "Mickie" and "Youngun" to take up football, as their height and weight would prove very useful.

From appearances, "Gric" seems to think he has a chance of getting into the First Four; but we think his feet would be in his way.

We were fairly well represented in the School Grade cricket; and in football we have a representative, Siemon, in the Firsts.

We all offer our congratulations to C. T. Hall on winning the "Lilley Medal."

A word to "newies"—For any information concerning anything about anybody, apply to the bureau, "Polly."

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IIIb.

A lot of new boys came at the beginning of the year, amongst whom were some fine musicians. Lawna's rendering of "Sons of the Sea" was fine.

When "Buller" and "Skeeter" are away (the two stars), the History class becomes very dull. "Wilkie" and "Nugget" are also valuable acquisitions during Geometry period.

"Davie" dear and "Fatty" distinguish themselves in the gym. at the front circle, etc.

Two of our best footballers in Lower School, who are sure to win their colours, are "Peewee" and "Hulk," the latter being a fine hefty forward, though somewhat clumsy on his pins. He promises to make his name in the football world, and we wish him every success.

Our two Boonah reps., "Pussie" and "Carlo," tell many hair-raising ghost yarns, and are also fine singers.

Our "Hunt"-er has not "Stalked" any "Pussies" lately, but shot a "Peewee" with a swollen eye—the result of a mosquito bite—near the "Beak." "Hunt"-er also found a valuable "Nugget" in the "Peat" bog while looking for his mongrel, "Carlo."

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III.

We consist wholly of "newies," with the exception of "Alle," who made his acquaintance with the School last year. Owing to his precedence to us he has the job of errand-boy.

Our "Hunter" is not keeping up his reputation, for we have several "Outrages" which need "Pacing" after through the "Woods." It would be a "Warm" job for "Stalkie," as he has such long legs.

Recently two members engaged in a deadly battle. "Jonah" fought well, till he received a blow on the eye, which soon decided the match.

Several of our members were "playing truant" with the "Dingoe" last quarter, and we greatly missed "Sir Percival" when he was away.

"Bullswell" greatly surprised us by actually obtaining a pass (?) in Geography.

We possess the coming world's champion wrestler, and the stadium is always packed whenever he gives a display. We have also a leading pugilist in "Doug.," though he has not yet given many public displays.

We welcome to the School Hammermeister, who has come since the Easter holidays, and has proved that he is a marvellous (?) tennis player. He is, indeed, a "Master" of the game. as he "Hammers" the ball with the force of a sledge-hammer.

"Wilke" had better get a motor-bike, or he will find himself with ten (10) detentions at the end of the quarter.

—K. HALL.

#### BOARDERS' NOTES.

In the way of amusement, Martoo's Olympia has been favoured by the presence of a boarder contingent. The programme was fair and came up to the expectation of all. Some who considered themselves "men" did not think it below their dignity to pass as children, and thus save a "sprat." Mr. Webb kindly took command of the contingent.

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The ranks of the boarders this year have been increased to 45, an unprecedented number. Unluckily, most of the new boarders, 17 in number, are small, whilst the majority of last year's "big 'uns" have left.

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The "newies" celebrations this year were perhaps more "brilliant" than in former years. Most of the performers proved to be very patriotic, and all seemed willing to show their merits. One youth's rendering of "Sons of the Sea" was particularly "musical," and he was enthusiastically encored. Another performer, not satisfied with ordinary proceeding, had to play his own accompaniment on the piano; of course his effort was greatly appreciated, although it "smacked" rather of a second rate Music Hall.

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For the first fortnight the "newies" were in a very pugnacious mood, there being very willing fistic combats every evening. Some of the combatants showed great promise, "the clever footwork of 'Storky," and the piston-like shots of "Puthy," showed out to advantage. A few of the ancients, wishing to show the "newies" points, also "donned the mits." The display of "Podge" (otherwise known as "The Crasher" in the boxing world) illustrated very effectively the use of the uppercut against that "slick" master of the art, "Daaave."

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There have been several new additions to the Library this year, most of the books giving interesting details about the great war, These include: "Russia of To-day," "A Tall Ship on other Naval Occasions," "Sea Salt and Cordite," "The Lieutenant and Others," "The Kangaroo Marines," "Freckles," "The Amateur Army," "A History of Modern World," "T. Tembarom," "Cleared for Action," "Heroes and Heroic Deeds of the War," "Triumphs and Wonders of Modern Chemistry," "The Surgeon's Log." "A Knight on Wheels" has also been renewed.

The poultry farm at the side of the balcony has had a disturbing influence on the slumbers of the boarders. One rooster in particular generally commences operations about 10.30 p.m., and, if threats could kill, that rooster would be dead by now.

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In cricket the boarders still hold their own, having seven of the First XI., five of the Second; our football prospects are equally bright.

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Unfortunately, we did not escape the epidemic of dengue which was prevalent in the town for some weeks. The majority of the boarders were laid up with more or less serious attacks, and in consequence the Matron had a busy time.

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To the general improvement of the dormitories, doors have been added. The drive is being done up and new drains have also been laid down. The prep. room has been changed from the V. form room to the big schoolroom. The gym. has at last been fixed up; owing to shortage of staff, school time cannot be devoted to instruction, but the non-drillers are shown how to develop their physique on Friday afternoons, by the Headmaster.

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The piano in the big schoolroom, which, judging by the weird sounds screwed out of it by supposed musicians, is considerably ancient, is still on active service. Several nights each week the boarders congregate around it, and led by the stentorian voices of "Tab," "Warro," and "Jumbo," accompanied by "Grif," burst into harmony: nor are the shrill shrieks of "Nick," nor the rumblings of "Podge" lost to the ear of the delighted listener.

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As usual, when necessity called, the boarders rose to the occasion, and in the sand-bag craze produced over 300 in expert time. Several Saturday nights were spent in this delightful pursuit; the "Silverleigh reps." entering into it with great enthusiasm, seemed to be the most adept at the work, making over 20 in one day.—(What?)

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One Friday evening after drill, we were pleased to see the cheery countenance of "Norm," who, seated on a 19hand horse, strode proudly round the quadrangle. "Norm's patent singe cure" has evidently been a success, for a "meaux" had made an appearance. The Library Preppers, however, heartily thank "Willie" for the little spread he provided.

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Last year the lower dorm. nightly "wit" was bad enough, but now we believe things are still "brighter." The worthy "Syd" does not merely make the "jokes" but condescends to explain them. "Bandy," who preceded "Syd," laughs uproariously. The balcony also suffers at times from the forced humour of the two "Grubs," less so, however, than formerly, though at the beginning of the year the fresh addition to the wormhood seemed insuppressible.

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The boarders, on spare Saturday nights, are engaged by the Literary meetings. In all cases they, of course, show themselves superior to the day-boys, although sadly handicapped by football catastrophes and other results of the premier game.

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A member of the Northern Brigade, although having been with us only a term, has set the pace in the matter of fashion. This necessitated "hard going," as last year's "shrewd" is still with us. Yes, "Tammy," the girls will catch your eye.

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Sergt.-Major "Paupus" seems to appear more and more warlike with his many stripes and crowns; having a few canoes, he now only needs feathers, to become a genuine "Redskin."

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About the middle of first term, there being some talk of a swimming carnival, two of three swims were arranged. The state of the swimming holes was far from satisfactory, and winter putting in an early appearance, interest soon died out. Mr. Webb kindly accompanied us in our few excursions.

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Our little dorm, correspondent informs us that the dorm, tennis championship was played off last Saturday. Final honours were contested by "Hammy" and "Puth." The umpire did not consider the contest valid, for the former had an advantage in his unorthodox left hand "smashing," though the "puthing strokes" of the latter showed to advantage when "Hammy" played the net game.

We congratulate Mr. Robertson on the arrival of a daughter. The baby appeared at school one day, and on being shown round expressed herself well satisfied with the boarders' appearance in general.

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The day-boys will be pleased to hear that one of the boarders has patented a new machine of war, namely the "Zepp. II." We have no doubt they will be intimidated, and in future will recognise the superiority of the boarders.

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Of the four dorms, big dorm, presents the greatest variety of occupants. There resides "Stalky," a two-legged animal—very ferocious. This strange beast hails from the wilds of Crow's Nest; there also is "Kingy," an old-timer, imported from Toowoomba, but found wild in North Queensland. This remarkable bird strikes terror into his neighbours by knocking his knees and hissing. Next comes the "Lanky Fag," who, owing to his great length of limb, is able to obtain "Warr(pies)" from the very tree-tops. When tamed he is a very useful domestic animal, being quite docile.

### VALETE.

- Arundel, A. T. T. Entered January, 1915; left December, 1915— Passed Naval College Examination, 1915.
- Bell, A. F. Entered February, 1913; left December, 1915—Passed Junior, 1915; Civil Service, 1915; Colours 1st XV., 1915; Prefect, 1915.
- Cave, F. C. K. Entered January, 1915; left December, 1915.
- Cole, A. H. Entered February, 1911; left December, 1915— Passed Junior, 1913; Senior, 1915.
- Crane, F. G. Entered February, 1911; left December, 1915—Passed Junior, 1913; Senior, 1915; Teacher's Scholarship; Dux, 1915; Prefect, 1915.
- Dalton, A. J. Entered July, 1912; left December, 1915—Colours 1st XV., 1st XI., 1st IV.; Athletic Team, 1915.
- Dodds, W. R. Entered February, 1912; left December, 1915—Passed Junior, 1914.
- Foote, F. L. Entered February, 1912; left December, 1915—Passed Junior, 1914; Matriculation, 1915; Prefect, 1915; Colours 1st XV.

- Fox, J. A. K. S. Entered February, 1914; left December, 1915.
- Gee, E. G. Entered February, 1911; left December, 1915—Passed Junior, 1913; Senior, 1915; Prefect, 1915; Colours 1st XV.
- Grimley, R. H. Entered February, 1913; left December, 1915.
- Harding, D. H. Entered February, 1911; left December, 1915—Passed Junior, 1914; Senior Prefect, 1915; Captain 1st XV., 1st XI., 1915; Athletic Team, 1912-1915.
- Henderson, D. Entered February, 1913; left December, 1915—Passed Junior, 1914.
- Henderson, H. D. Entered February, 1913; left December, 1915—Passed Junior, 1914.
- Henry, J. S. Entered February, 1911; left December, 1915—Passed Junior, 1913; Senior, 1915; Teachers' Scholarship, 1915.
- Hensler, J. J. Entered February, 1914; left December, 1915—Colours 1st XV., 1915.
- Howes, H. E. C. Entered February, 1913; left December, 1915.
- Lindsay, J. R. Entered February, 1913; left December, 1915— Passed Junior, 1915; Colours 1st XI., 1915.
- Little, L. R. Entered April, 1914; left December, 1915—Passed Junior, 1915; Civil Service, 1915.
- Lucas, L. M. Entered January, 1915; left December, 1915.
- Macdonald, R. H. Re-entered April, 1915; left December, 1915.
- Macdonald, M. R. Entered April, 1915; left December, 1915.
- Meacham, F. R. Entered July, 1914; left December, 1915.
- Pennell, N. S. Entered January, 1915; left December, 1915.
- Perkins, H. G. Entered February, 1913; left December, 1915— Passed Junior, 1915; Civil Service, 1915.
- Roberts, B. G. Entered February, 1913; left December, 1915—Passed Junior, 1915; Colours 1st XV., 1915; Athletic Team, 1915.
- Ross, C. A. H. Entered April, 1913; left December, 1915—Passed Junior, 1915.
- Ruhno, N. W. Entered July, 1912; left December, 1915--Passed Junior, 1915; Colours 1st XI., 1st XV.; Athletic Team, 1912-1915.
- Smith, M. Entered February, 1912; left April, 1916.
- Stafford, M. A. Entered February, 1913; left December, 1915— Prefect, 1915; Colours 1st XV., 1st XI., 1st IV.
- Stott, C. G. Entered January, 1915; left December, 1915.
- Swayne, R. W. Entered April, 1914; left December, 1915—Colours 1st XV., 1915.

Thomas, D. T. Entered January, 1915; left March, 1916.

Thomson, W. R. Entered January, 1915; left December, 1915.

Turner, W. Entered February, 1913; left December, 1915—Passed Junior, 1915.

### SALVETE.

Entered February, 1916:

State Scholarships—A. H. Berlin, W. J. Brazier, C. Brown, A. Bryson, M. W. Cooper, H. G. Douglas, J. Frank, C. T. Hall, J. A. Hunt, P. M. Jeffrey, J. H. Lane, L. J. Law, J. S. Laurie, J. G. Logan, L. W. Lotz, H. McCulloch, J. A. McKee, J. H. Menzies, C. T. Outridge, T. J. Pacey, H. L. Reilly, C. R. E. Sadler, C. W. Sanders, W. J. D. Scott, J. M. Smith, G. H. Smith, E. F. Stephens, E. Sutherst, V. R. Vize, D. V. Ward, C. H. H. Wilkinson, P. C. H. Woods, F. C. Yarad, K. Hall, D. T. Hall, H. Jones, J. M. Kingwell, D. M. Mackay, D. V. Mills, K. M. Murray, D. K. Pryce, T. S. Warry.

Entered April, 1916:
A. C. Hammermeister.

#### CRICKET.

#### I.G.S. v. T.G.S.

This Chelmsford Cup match was played in Toowoomba The School XI., accompanied by Mr. on December 8th. Meyer, journeyed to Toowoomba by the afternoon train on the previous day, and stayed the night at the Imperial Hotel. Next day play began about 9 o'clock. Toowoomba won the toss, and decided to bat on a good wicket. Kent and Barbour opened for Toowoomba, the bowling being entrusted to Dalton and McCulloch. Both batsmen played cautiously, but disaster came soon, Dalton bowling Kent in his second over. Browne joined Barbour, but did not last long, being bowled by Dalton. At the other end Stafford replaced McCulloch, who had bowled six overs for as many runs. Wickets fell quickly, Dalton having a splendid length. Harding replaced Stafford, and the innings finished for 90. Dalton bowled well, obtaining 5 wickets All were clean bowled, and they were five of our opponents' best batsmen. Harding, coming on late, got the average, obtaining 4 for 10. Seaton 18, and Hilless 23, were the only ones to make any stand. McCulloch and Ruhno opened for Ipswich, but the former was caught behind the wicket before he had scored. Stafford joined

Ruhno, who was shortly afterwards bowled by Browne. Stafford continued to bat well, while all the other wickets fell quickly. Stafford 33, and Lindsay 10, were the principal scores in our total of 65. Browne and Seaton, two very fine bowlers, bowled right through, each getting 5 wickets. After dinner, Toowoomba went in again, this time making 104. Barbour 22, and Kent 26, were the chief scorers. Stafford obtained the fine average of 5 for 17. Ipswich, with only half-an-hour to go, went in to force matters, and at call of time had 2 down for 32; Barbour 13, including a beautiful six, and McCulloch 19 not out.

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R. Barbour, b Dalton	C. Barbour, b Seaton. 7 A. Dalton, b Browne. 4 D. Harding, b Browne 0 J. Lindsay, b Browne 10 S. Pettigrew. b Seaton 1 W. Fox, b Browne 4 G. Fisher, not out 5 N. George, b Seaton 0 Sundries 1
Total 90	Total 65
Bowling analysis: Dalton, 5 for 28; Harding, 4 for 10.	Bowling analysis: Browne, 5 for 43; Seaton, 5 for 20.
T.G.S., 2nd innings. R. Barbour, c George, b McCulloch	I.G.S., 2nd innings.  M. Stafford, b Browne 0 C. Barbour, b Seaton 13 A. McCulloch, not out 19
Total104	Total for 2 wickets 32
Bowling analysis: Stafford, 5 for 17; Barbour, 2 for 10.	Bowling analysis: Browne, 1 for 20; Seaton, 1 for 12.

#### 1st XI, v. ALBERTS C.C.

This was our first match after the holidays, and our team was naturally weaker than before the holidays. We were also without the assistance of Mr. Meyer on the first day. Alberts batted first, and 7 wickets had fallen for 118, when heavy rain fell. After this the bowlers could not handle the ball, with the result that the innings yielded 243. Pettigrew, 2 for 26; and McCulloch, 3 for 44; got the best averages. Our first innings only realised 46, Mr. Meyer 15, and Mr. Webb 11, being mainly responsible. Following on, we only made 45, in which Barbour 17, was the only one to reach double figures. The detailed scores are:

N. George, bVon Lossberg 4 G. Fisher, b Von Lossberg 1 Mr. Meyer, b Hodgens 15 A. McCulloch, c Windley, b Hodgens 5 C. Barbour, b Hodgens 0 L. Pardoe, b Hodgens 2 Mr. Webb, st Watson, b Hodgens 11 S. Pettigrew, b Hodgens 5 C. Hooper, b Windley 1	Alberts, 1st innings. H. Von Lossberg, c and b McCulloch
Total 46	Innings declared closed, 9 for 243
Bowling analysis: Hodgens, 6 for 25; Von Lossberg, 2 for 6; Windley, 2 for 11.	Bowling analysis: McCulloch, 3 for 44; Pettigrew, 2 for 26; Mr. Webb, 2 for 56.
Grammars, 2nd innings.  Mr. Meyer, b Windley	J. Foote, b Von Lossberg 0 C. Hooper, b L. Watson 0 D. Easton, b Von Lossberg 6 Sundries 3  Total 45  Bowling analysis: Windley, 5 for 17: Von Lossberg, 3 for 0.
1st XI v ST	PATIL'S C.C.

#### 1st XI. v. ST. PAUL'S C.C.

St. Paul's batted first, and made the big score of 160. Law 64, Walker 35, and Broad 32, batted well, but there were a lot of chances missed, our fielding being very poor. Our first innings yielded 126. Mr. Meyer batted well for 68; McCulloch 15, Barbour 13, also getting double figures. 3 for 105, all out for 126, shows up a big tail. St. Paul's in their second innings were dismissed for 66, Mr. Meyer obtaining the fine average of 6 for 31. Had time permitted we should probably have got a win.

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H. Wacker, c Fischer, b McCulloch	J. Foote, b Wheeling 0
Total160	motal 190
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	Bowling analysis: Wheeling, 4 for 31; Nash, 3 for 40; Wacker, 2 for 23.
Bowling analysis: Pettigrew, 2	Bowling analysis: Wheeling, 4 for 31; Nash, 3 for 40; Wacker, 2 for 23.  V. Nash, not out

#### 1st XI, v. BLAIRS C.C.

This match resulted in an easy win for our opponents by 110 runs. Blairs batted first, making 188, of which Biddle claims the fine score of 123. He batted splendidly and his score included 2 sixers, 19 fours. Our first innings yielded 106, Mr. Meyer 43, Barbour 13, Warry 20, being the chief compilers. Blairs closed their second innings at 1 for 74, McCormack making 46. Of the deficit of 156, we only wiped off 46, Warry 19 not out, and Johnstone 12, doing most of the run-getting.

Grammars, 1st innings.  Mr. Meyer. b Biddle	Blairs, 1st innings.  M. Campbell, b McCulloch 26 H. Biddle, b Mr. Webb 123 T. Platz, c Mr. Webb, b Pettigrew 10 H. Boldery, b Pettigrew 2 D. Harding, b Pardoe 6 J. Patrick, c Pettigrew, b Mr.  Webb 4 E. Whittaker, c Fischer, b Barbour 3 H. Larter, not out 4 Sundries 10
Total $1\overline{06}$	Total188
Bowling analysis: Biddle, 8 for 53; Boldery, 2 for 21.	Bowling analysis: Pettigrew, 2 for 21; Mr. Webb, 2 for 19.
Grammars, 2nd innings.  Mr. Meyer, c and b McCormack 2 C. Barbour, b McCormack 0 A. McCulloch, b McCormack 4 L. Pardoe, b McCormack 1 Mr. Webb, b McCormack 0 S. Pettigrew, b Biddle 2 N. George, c Biddle, b McCormack 2 G. Fisher, b McCormack 1 S. Warry, not out 19 R. Johnstone, b Biddle 2 Sundries 1	Blairs, 2nd innings.  J. McCormack, c Mr. Meyer, b McCulloch
Total 46	Innings declared closed, 1 for 74
Bowling analysis: McCormack, 7 for 20; Biddle, 3 for 25.	Bowling analysis: McCulloch, 1 for 14.

# 1st XI. v. ALBERTS C.C.

In this match we were again hopelessly beaten, this time by an innings and 67 runs. The School, batting first, only made 56, of which McCulloch compiled 41. Alberts' 1st innings yielded 213, in which Von Lossberg distinguished himself by a fine innings of 123 not out. In our second innings we did a little better, getting 90. Mr. Meyer, who has batted consistently this season, getting 33; McCulloch 18, and Warry 16, also got double figures. Pettigrew and Barbour bowled best for us.

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Grammars, 1st innings. Mr. Meyer, c Shelley, b Von	Alberts, 1st innings. H. Von Lossberg, not out123
A. McCulloch, b Cummings	L. Watson, l.b.w., b Pettigrew. 13 W. Bradley. c Johnstone, b Barbour
Total 56	Total213
	46: Pettigrew, 2 for 25.
Mr. Meyer, b Williamson	Bowling analysis: Williamson, 4 for 29; Cummings, 2 for 21.
1st XI. v. ST.	
Chant C. Barbour, c Wyman, b Chant T. Pardoe, c and b Wacker S. Pettigrew, c Wyman b Chant N. George, c Nash, b Chant S. Warry, b Chant T. S. Warry, b Chant T. Johnstone, b Chant T. Johnstone, b Chant T. Warren, b Wacker T. Foote, c Wheeling, b Chant T. Hooper, not out Sundries T.	aul's batted first, and made e average of 7 for 25. Our 40, of which Foote made 10. second innings, making 108. Pearse 25. Warren took a ar second innings was little 51, McCulloch and Foote
Total 40	
EL, Waller, a lot lo	Bowling analysis: Barbour, 7 for 25: McCulloch, 1 for 4; Pettigrew, 2 for 5.
C. Barbour, c Wacker, b Wheeling	2nd innings.  F. Warren, c Boldery, b Wheeling 1 J. Foote, c sub., b Nash 13 C. Hooper, not out

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#### St. Paul's, 2nd innings.

N. Wyman, b Pardoe	44 F. Hooper, not out Sundries	
F. Boldery, c and b Barbour F. Pearce, c Warren, b McCulloch	5 25	-
H. Wacker, c Warry, b McCulloch W. Wheeling, b McCulloch A. Hill. run out	0 Bowling analysis: Barbour 0 35: Pardoe 2 for 17: McCull	, 3 for och, 4

#### PASTS v. PRESENTS.

The annual match between the Pasts and Presents was played on the School wicket, on St. Patrick's Day. Pasts could only get 10 men together, so Foote played for them. The match resulted in a win for the Presents by 12 runs. McCulloch won the toss from Malc. Campbell, and decided to bat. Our first innings totalled 152. Mr. Meyer batted right through the innings, and had hard luck in not getting his century. His 95 included 3 sixers and 9 fours. McCulloch 17, was the only other one to reach double figures. Hoge, who was a demon bowler when at school. obtained the good average 7 for 65. Norm. Wyman got 2 for 30. The Pasts' first innings yielded 140. Eric Francis was top scorer with a neat 54; Hodgson 30, and Hoge 14 not out, also batted well. Mr. Meyer, 3 for 19, and McCulloch 4 for 28, got the best averages for the Presents. The School closed their second innings at 6 for 109. Meyer again distinguished himself, this time getting 52 not out. Pasts had compiled 62 for the loss of 7 wickets when stumps were drawn. For the Pasts, Hoge got 2 for 25, and Campbell 1 for 10. In the second innings of the Pasts, Barbour took 4 for 15. Dinner was served at the School. After the match both teams exchanged cheers, and cheers were also given for Mr. and Mrs. Kerr.

A. McCulloch, c Campbell, b Francis	N. Wyman, b Mr. Meyer 6 W. Wheeling, b Mr. Meyer 2 D. H. Harding, b Barbour
Total152	Total140
Bowling analysis: Francis, 1 for 13: Hoge, 7 for 65: Wyman, 2 for 8.	

	Pasts, 2nd innings.  Nyman, c Pardoe, b Barbour 0  Francis, c McCulloch, b Mr.
C. Barbour, st Hodgson, b Hoge 0 Mr. Kerr, c Wyman, b Hoge . 4 Mr. Webb, b Wyman 1 L. Pardoe, c Hodgson, b Campbell 4 N. George, run out 3 S. Pettigrew, not out 9 Sundries	Campbell, b Barbour

#### DAY-BOYS V. BOARDERS.

This match was played in the last week of first term, and resulted in a draw. Day-boys won the toss, and decided to bat. The innings was declared closed with 9 wickets down for 137. Mr. Meyer 25, McCulloch 43, and Jensen 21 not out, were the principal run-getters. Sundries totalled 21. For the boarders, Barbour bowled well, getting 5 for 38. Warry obtained 1 for 12, and Warren 2 for 26. Boarders at call of time had lost 6 for 81. Double figure scorers were: Mr. Webb 15, Barbour 12, George 14, Warry 11, and Warren 13 not out. Warren and Macartney (7 not out), kept their end up well. For the day-boys Mr. Meyer got 3 for 32, and Pardoe 1 for 4.

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Grammar B v. Wattles—Played on No. 3 Turf Wicket, at North Ipswich, and won by Wattles by an innings and 39 runs. Grammars, 1st innings, 20; 2nd innings, 16. Wattles, 1st innings, 75. Bowling for Grammars: Macarthur, 4 for 19; Warren, 4 for 28.

Grammar B v. Tivoli—Played on No. 4 wicket, North Ipswich, and won by Tivoli by 6 wickets and 74 runs on the 1st innings. Grammars, 1st innings, 62 (Warren 26, Jensen 16). Tivoli, 1st innings, 4 for 136. Bowling for Grammars: Easton, 3 for 52; Henderson, 1 for 4.

Grammar B v. Wattles—Played on North Ipswich Reserve, and resulting in a draw. Wattles, 1st innings, 54. Bowling for Grammars: Warren, 6 for 23; Smith, 1 for 4. Grammars, 1st innings, 7 for 43 (Warren 21, Smith 10 not out).

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# SCHOOL GRADE CRICKET.

Grammar III. B v. Central—Won by Central by 41 runs. Grammar, 1st innings, 20 (Jones 9); 2nd innings, 42 (Richards 17). Central, 1st innings, 40; 2nd innings, 63. Bowling for Grammars: Pacey, 7 for 16; Jones, 3 for 11, and 4 for 27; Cribb, 4 for 6.

Grammar III. A v. Central —Won by Central by 20 runs. Central, 1st innings, 43; 2nd innings, 53. Bowling for Grammars: Nicholson, 6 for 24; Bolton, 4 for 10; McCulloch, 2 for 8. Grammars, 1st innings, 55 (McCulloch 15, Bolton 10; 2nd innings, 21.

Grammar III. A v. Grammar III. B—Won by B by 23 runs on first innings. A, 1st innings, 38. Bowling for B: Jones, 5 for 17. B, 1st innings, 61 (Richards 14, Jones 22, Yarad 10); 2nd innings, 61 (Jones 19, Yarad 20). Bowling for A: Nicholson, 5 for 9, and 4 for 30; McCulloch, 2 for 5.

Grammars III. A v. Central—Won by Grammars by 8 wickets. Grammars, 1st innings, 69 (Bolton 31); 2nd innings, 2 for 10. Central, 1st innings, 20; 2nd innings, 55. Bowling for Grammars: Nicholson, 6 for 10, and 5 for 26; Outridge L., 4 for 7; McCulloch, 3 for 5.

Grammar III. A v. Grammar III. B-Won by A by 10 runs.

In this grade Central School won the Premiership after a close tussle with Grammar A.

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CRICKET AVERAGES.

In the clearing-up during the Christmas holidays, most of the old scoring books were lost, so that we are only able to give the averages for the matches since Christmas.

#### Batting.

Name.		No. of Times innings. not out.				Runs.		Average.
Mr. Meyer	* *		9 .	. 2	•114	335	R009	48.0
A. McCulloch		1	.2	. —	. :4	199	2006	16.6
C. Warry			8 .	. 1		70	134	10.0
F. Warren	4.6		3 .	. 1		20	1000	10.0
C. Barbour	*((*)	1	1.	. —	. 8	78	•	7.1
R. Johnstone			9	. 1	. *	37	8484	4.7
Mr. Webb	2,00		9		• 80	37	•	4.1
J. Foote	4334	1	0	. 1	• •:	37	2012	4.1
C. Hooper	£000		2	. 2	. 46	9		
N. George	505	1	1		• •	44	3.8	4.0
S. Pettigrew		1.	1	. 1	• 00	34	34 43	3.4
L. Pardoe		1	1		e • • • •	26	9 80	2.4
G. Fisher	€009€	1	1	2	• §	20	* *	2.2

#### Bowling.

Name.	(	Overs	٦.	Maide	ns.	Runs.	Wi	cket	s.	Average.
C. Barbour										
S. Pettigrew										
Mr. Meyer										
A. McCulloch	<i>a</i> •	76	100	8		305		16		19.0
L. Pardoe										

#### CRICKET CHARACTERS.

- Barbour—A dashing batsman with fine power in his strokes; with a little attention to defence and a judicious exercise of care, would make some big scores. Bowls with considerable sting and a very fair length; good fieldsman.
- Dalton—A hard hitter, but not strong in defence; bowls a good accurate length with plenty of whip off the pitch; fair, but not remarkable fieldsman.
- Fisher—Has played some useful innings, without being a remarkable batsman; plays with a straight bat, but drives the ball into the ground; an excellent field.
- Foote—Hits hard and clean; rather haphazard and needs to cultivate defence; rather patchy in the field.
- Fox—Strong in defence, but possesses no scoring strokes; not very active in the field.
- George—Bats better at the nets than in matches; has good strokes, but not much confidence in himself; not nearly enterprising enough as a wicket-keeper.
- Harding—Fair batsman, but rather stiff; a useful change bowler; good fieldsman; a fairly successful captain last year.
- Hooper—Very fair bat with sound scoring strokes and good defence; should improve considerably with experience; fair fieldsman.
- Johnstone—Sound defensive batsman and keen; with added strength should score freely; alert fieldsman.
- Lindsay—An awkward batsman who whirls his arms too much, but liable to make runs; change bowler and fair field.
- Macartney—A stubborn batsman, but plays back too much; should improve considerably with practice and experience; fields well.
- McCulloch—Present captain; also a dashing batsman with plenty of strokes, one or two of which need curbing, especially on the off-side and the pull to leg; with a little restraint would have made many more runs; bowls good leg-break; an excellent fieldsman.
- Pardoe—Plays good forward strokes; rather nervous at starting and not self-confident enough; fair change bowler and good field.
- Pettigrew—Has improved considerably in batting, especially in forward driving, but has fatal tendency to get his legs in front; at times bowls well, but needs to cultivate accuracy; fair fieldsman.

- Stafford—One of last year's star batsmen; used to be a fine hitter, but latterly cultivated defence and considerable restraint; very good bowler with fair pace; accurate and judicious; good, though not energetic field.
- Warren—Fair batsman, but inclined to waste his energy; change bowler and good fieldsman.
- Warry—Forceful bat, but inclined to hit across and mow the ball into the air; change bowler of the straight type; good field.
- Ruhno—An awkward batsman, but a good sticker, who played some useful innings; an ordinary wicket-keeper, who could stop the ball, but had no pretensions as a stumper.

# FOOTBALL PROSPECTS.

This year the School will be again represented by one team in B and C College grades respectively. Of last year's XV. only four are back this year—Barbour, Fisher, Pettigrew, and McCulloch. Warry, from Maryborough, will be a helpful addition to the backs, as he has plenty of pace, but unfortunately he has never played the Union game before. Warren, the other centre-three-quarter, has fair pace and tackles well. The competition for the position of five-eighth should be very keen, the most promising being Macartney and Foote. Fisher will be a big strength in the forwards, who on the whole make a fairly heavy pack. Fisher, McKee, and Hooper, seem to be the best of the bunch.

Dug. Harding has kindly consented to coach the team, which should make much improvement under his able coaching.

The Seconds, this year, will be a fair team, and some of the new boys, after a little coaching should develop into good players. So far we have been unable to obtain any jerseys, and indeed there does not seem much hope of getting them at all. We have written to Sydney, and are now awaiting an answer.

So far, the Firsts and Seconds have each played two matches, each winning one.

## SCHOOL XV. v. GREGORY TERRACE.

This, the first match of the season, was played on our own ground on May 13th.

Immediately after the kick-off Ipswich attacked, and the ball travelled into Terrace 25. Ipswich backs threw the ball about splendidly, but Terrace defended well. From a scrum near the Terrace 25, the ball travelled out to Pettigrew, who scored. Ipswich kept up the attack, and McCulloch picking up near half-way, gave to Barbour. who scored after a nice run. Neither of these tries were converted. Shortly afterwards McCulloch scored in the The kick failed. Ipswich, 9; Terrace, nil. race now took a hand in attacking, but Fisher relieved Half-time came with the scores unaltered. resuming, Ipswich attacked strongly and forced Terrace to save. From a scrum the ball went to Macartney, to Warry, to Pettigrew, who scored in the corner. Shortly after, Warren secured, cut in nicely and gave to Pettigrew, who scored a good try. On kicking-off, Terrace attacked, but Fisher and Barbour stopped the rush with nice tackles. Ipswich carried the ball to the other end, and from a ruck on the line McKee forced his way over. Fisher converted with a beautiful kick. Shortly before full-time Pettigrew again went over. Final scores: Ipswich 13, Terrace nil. Ipswich backs passed the ball splendidly. In the forwards, Fisher, McKee and Hooper worked best; one or two were apt to keep out of the ruck a little.

#### IPSWICH V. NUDGEE COLLEGE.

This match was played on the University Oval on May 20th, and resulted in a win for Nudgee by 5 to nil. No details of the match were taken, so only a few comments can be given. Although beaten, Ipswich had the best of the game for a good deal of the time. In the first half, Ipswich kept the ball in Nudgee 25, and on many occasions went very close to scoring. In the second half Nudgee took a hand in attacking. From a scrum near the line. Nudgee secured and scored near the posts. This try was converted. Ipswich then livened up, and carried the ball well up the field, but Nudgee's defence was good. Full-time came with the scores: Nudgee 5, Ipswich nil.

Ipswich forwards played splendidly, with one exception. Forwards should remember that they are all wanted in the ruck, and that they hinder the backs if they hang out. The backs did not pass the ball so well as in the last match.

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Seconds v. Nudgee B.—This match was played on University Oval, on May 13, and resulted in a win for the School by 15 to nil. Tries were scored by Foote J., Scott K. (2), and Perkins (2).

Seconds v. St. Laurence—This match was played on our own ground, on May 20, and ended in a win for our opponents by 11 to 6. For Ipswich Scott scored, and Lane kicked a penalty goal.

## TENNIS PROSPECTS.

Owing to the war there are no tennis fixtures in Ipswich. The Chelmsford Cup matches will be the only matches probably played. Of the old Tennis IV. only two are back—McCulloch and Pettigrew. There promises to be keen competition for the two vacancies. The two most promising players are Barbour and Warry. Wednesday afternoon has been put aside as practice-day for the Tennis IV. With consistent practice the team should do as well as last year.

## LITERARY SOCIETY NOTES.

Since the last issue of the magazine, three meetings have been held. The first two took the form of debates and the other that of a Parliamentary session.

On the first evening the attendance was fair, six dayboys and about fifteen boarders being elected members.

The subjects of the debates and the speakers are as under:—

At the first meeting, held March 4th-

- (1) Was America justified in breaking away from Great Britain in 1776? For: (Day-boys), Calder, Hall T., Guinane, Cameron, Tunstall, and Winks. Against: (Boarders), Fisher, George, Outridge.
- (2) Will the British Empire decline, as other Empires have declined? For: (Day-boys), Guinane, Cameron, Henderson, Thompson, Hall T., Calder. Against: (Boarders), Outridge, Barbour, Hooper, Spies S., Elder.

At the second meeting, held April 15th—

- (1) Was Great Britain justified in entering upon the Great Boer War? For: (Boarders), Fisher, Warry, Barbour. Against: (Day-boys), Calder, Guinane.
- (2) That Free Trade is the best policy for Australia. For: (Boarders), Pettigrew. Dunshea, Hall R., Warren. Against: (Day-boys). Guinane, Hall T., Cameron, Calder, Winks.

In the first three of these debates, the day-boys gained their point, but on the fourth, the Chairman (Mr. Kerr), reserved his decision.

The third meeting, held on May 13th, was devoted to the holding of a Parliamentary debate, Mr. Kerr acting as Speaker. The Government was in the hands of the following boarders: Fisher (Premier), Pettigrew, George, Outridge. Barbour (Ministers), Hall R., Hooper, Dunshea. Macartney, and Burton; while the Opposition was composed of the following day-boys: Calder, Guinane, Cameron, Hall T., Winks, and Brookes. In the absence of the Governor, Mr. Speaker read the Governor's speech, and the Premier moved the Address-in-Reply. In the first part of the session. Private Members' Day was duly observed. and several questions were asked the Ministers. The serious business of the evening was then entered upon. Three bills, introduced by members of the Government, were carried on the voices, after much discussion, and many interjections:

- (1) That the observance of all Patron Saints' Days be abolished, and a national Australia Day be substituted in their stead.
  - (2) That the hours of workmen be reduced to six hours a day, with week-end holiday from Friday noon.
  - (3) That the construction and repair of roads be taken over by the Government.

Although a "Want of Confidence" motion was brought in by the Opposition, the Government carried an amendment that the House be adjourned.

The attendance at these meetings, although fair, is not all that could be wished. It is a great pity that the day-boys, as a whole, do not take a greater interest in the Society. However, those members who do attend, are, we notice with satisfaction, gaining courage to get up and speak. However hard this first plunge may be to some, when once it is taken, the maiden speaker soon gains confidence in himself, and by so doing prepares himself for those occasions, when, in after life, he may be required to speak in public.

### ORIGINAL COLUMN.

#### PIERRE.

Pierre stood at the door of his mill, smoking his pipe and gazing down at the little town of St. Andre, that nestled snugly in the valley. Poor Pierre, like many more people in France, had much to think about. Even where he stood he could hear a faint sound of music from St. Andre. It was an officers' ball that was going on, and the tears welled to his eyes as he thought of his son, his only child, who now filled a soldier's grave. But Pierre was happy in the thought that he had sacrificed something dearer than life for his beloved France.

Suddenly a heavy hand fell upon his shoulder, and a gruff voice bade him bestir himself and get out some food. Pierre wheeled round, and six German soldiers met his gaze. He could tell that they were only scouts, and that a German army must be somewhere near St. Andre, perhaps even now preparing to attack the unprepared town. But he had to go inside, while the Germans followed, and sat around the kitchen fire in the easiest chairs they could find.

Pierre went up the stairs to bring wine and bread. His heart filled with fear for St. Andre, and the words: "St. Andre must be saved," burned themselves into his brain. Then his eye alighted by chance on a tin of rat poison, and he took it down to pour some of it into the jar of wine. But he remembered he was a son of France and left poisoning to the barbarian Huns, who knew no better. He took the victuals into the kitchen, and as he was entering, one of the Germans, with a fiendish laugh, tore down the gaudy portrait of Joffre, Pierre's idol, from the wall, crushed it, and threw it into the fire. Pierre put the wine down, and as he watched the print shrivel up, his very soul seemed to shrivel up also.

One of the Germans called for more wine, and in a flash Pierre's mind was made up. He ran nimbly up the stairs right to the top room, where he could see, passing the window every now and then, one of the great sails of his windmill. He lifted up a piece of pine and placed it in a small tin of paraffin to soak. Then he lifted up another tin and went to the window with it. As each sail passed him he poured the paraffin upon it. And now the sails creaked more lazily because of their increased weight. Now he was ready.

Taking up the pine, he lighted it, and leaned out of the window, and as each gigantic sail went round he touched it with the lighted stick, and immediately it was ablaze. Tears ran down his weather-beaten, honest old face, and in the glare of the great light, there was written something across his face that marked him as more than a mere man.

The Germans below sprang up with curses as the room filled with smoke. They all ran outside, and on looking up they saw the blazing arms whirling round, and old Pierre leaning far out of the window. One of the Germans pulled out a revolver and aimed at old Pierre. but the officer in command bade him put it down, and turning sadly to a soldier said: "We can never conquer the nation that breeds such men."

Old Pierre already heard the sound of running feet, and could see dim figures coming up the hill, and with a last shout of "Germans, Vive la France," fell back into the blazing mill. He had done his work well, and St. Andre was warned, and more than warned—saved.

-A. THOMSON.

## SAVED BY SCIENCE.

#### By "Sphinx."

Among gold-miners, who as a rule are the roughest and most unruly of mankind, there exists a custom as oldestablished as it is strictly adhered to; it is the custom of "going mates." When a man sets out for the diggings, he generally selects one or two men to go mates with him. These men put their money together, and divide the profits. Although no written agreement is signed, no compact is more strongly adhered to than this unwritten pact. A man who "breaks mates" is looked down on and shunned.

Once upon a time, three men went up together to the Alaskan Goldfields, to dig for gold as mates. The one with whom we are concerned was the youngest of the three, a bright upstanding youth, going to the diggings merely for experience, and his name was Kingston.

The three arrived safely at the diggings, and, as they worked industriously and cautiously, before long had gathered a fairly large amount of gold. This they put into a strong box, nailed up firmly, and weighed on a pair of spring scales which they had brought with them. The weight, they found, was 301 pounds, and, so as not to have any trouble about differing weights, they took the scales with them when they went back to San Francisco, appointing Kingston to take charge of the gold.

The journey was accomplished without mishap. Arrived at San Francisco, the three repaired to a small hotel, and there they weighed the gold, to see that all was right; but what was their astonishment to find that it weighed only 299 lbs. The others accused Kingston of stealing the gold and of "breaking mates;" in fact, such was their anger, that they said that if Kingston did not give them the value of the gold stolen, they would have him up before the court for it. Kingston through all this protested his

innocence; they had all seen him pack up and weigh the gold at Dawson City, and it had not been touched since then till it was weighed now.

Just at this moment, however, the landlord, who had been listening at the door, as landlords sometimes do, opened the door, and, coming in, said that he thought he could explain it all if they gave him till that night. To this they all agreed, and, taking the gold off to the bank, they departed.

Towards nightfall they returned to the hotel, Kingston looking sad and gloomy; if the missing gold was not found his name and reputation would be gone forever. With leaden feet he climbed the stairs, and the three sat down on a nearby sofa. Before they had waited five minutes, the landlord entered, followed by a strange man in spectacles. "This man," he said, "is Mr. Rerk, Professor of Physics at our college. Mr. Rerk, these three men would like you to explain why their gold was lost. I have already given you the story, so you need not waste any time. If there is anything you want to ask, speak out."

Mr. Rerk looked up, and, clearing his throat, begant: "I would like to ask first of all, what you weighed your gold with?" "A pair of spring scales," answered Kingston. "And it came to?" said Mr. Rerk quietly. hundred and one pounds in Dawson City," replied Kingston; and amid deep silence and the eager gaze of the three mates, Mr. Rerk gave his explanation: "You must know, first of all," he said: "that the earth is slightly flatter at the Poles than at the equator. Secondly, that weight is caused by the attraction of the earth. Now, anything weighed at the Poles or near them is nearer the centre of the earth, and therefore it pulls stronger on the springs than at the equator, thus making its weight heavier, by a spring balance, at the Poles than at the equator. Again, at the equator, the earth is moving much quicker than at the Poles, and thus tends to make all bodies fly away from the earth, and the unequal speed at the equator and the Poles makes a body weigh lighter at the equator than at the Poles. These two influences at work cause a body to weigh less at the equator than at the Poles, if a spring balance is used for weighing. A body loses about 200 of its weight in coming from Dawson City to San Francisco. so that anything weighing 301 lbs. at Dawson City would weigh about 2991/2 lbs. here. Therefore your gold is not lost; you have the same amount of gold with which you started, only the peculiar character of the earth made it lighter."

As soon as Mr. Rerk had finished, the two mates jumped up and grasped Kingston's hand, asking his forgiveness for ever thinking he could steal anything. They gave him his share of the gold, and a handsome present besides; and Kingston, putting the money thus gained to good use, eventually became a rich man, and lived to a good old age.

# "FOR VALOUR."

The Germans had been attacking a small body of English and French soldiers for three days, but when reinforcements arrived they were slowly driven back. As they retreated, they took with them their prisoners of whom they had twelve. One of these prisoners was a Frenchman named Jacques. He was a well-built man about five feet eight inches in height, and of a very fair complexion. He was taken to a large farmhouse about eight miles to the rear of the German lines. There he was very badly treated, having to cook for the German soldiers, and being kicked or knocked down whenever the food was not to their taste. After a time he was taken by about eight hundred German troops to a small village, which had been deserted by the inhabitants because of their fear of the Germans.

The Germans had had news that a force of about six hundred Britishers was to pass that way in order to get to the firing line; and they had planned to occupy the houses and to surprise the British, who had had no news of the desertion of the village.

The village was accordingly occupied, and Germans, dressed as Belgian peasants, walked about the streets and gave the village the appearance of just being inhabited by its ordinary people instead of sheltering a German force.

Jacques was made to cook and to load the rifles for the Germans.

About two days after the Germans had occupied the village the British troops came in sight.

Jacques was allowed to watch them coming to their destruction, but he was warned that if he made the slightest noise he would be instantly killed.

As he watched the troops he tried to think of a plan to save them, but none would come into his head.

Just as the British came within about a mile of the village he thought of a plan.

Silently taking a rifle which he had been loading, he fixed a bayonet to it, and, walking near to the door, which was open, he bayoneted the soldier guarding it, and rushed out.

The Germans hesitated to fire, for in so doing they would disclose their position to the British. Then they remembered that if they let Jacques go he would disclose their position.

Filled with rage at thus having his plans frustrated, the German general gave the order to shoot Jacques, who had run about two hundred yards. Instantly a hundred shots rang out, and Jacques was seen to stumble and fall.

The British troops heard the shots, and soon learned what they meant, for bullets were fired at them from the village. Heavy guns were soon brought from the rear and trained on to the village. The Germans rushed out in confusion, and began to flee. Instantly the British were ordered to "Fix bayonets and charge." With a cheer they rushed to the village, but the Germans were nearly all too far away, and the British commander, fearing an ambush, ordered his men not to pursue them.

The soldiers while engaged in searching the village for wounded and hidden men, came upon Jacques, who was very badly wounded. From some of the wounded Germans they learned of his brave conduct, and Jacques received at the hands of the Emperor the "Legion of Honour," which is equivalent to our Victoria Cross. This was a well-deserved reward, and was bestowed on a hero who thought of others before himself.

-W. WINKS.

# OLD BOYS' COLUMN.

We beg to congratulate W. H. Bryan, M.Sc., and G. W. Hargreaves, M.Sc., and R. A. Dark, M.Sc., on their newly-conferred degrees; we are also proud of the successes of S. B. Watkins, B.Sc. (first-class), J. P. McCarthy, B.A., W. G. Fischer, B.A., E. Stanley, B.A., C. H. H. Jenkyn, B.A., who all obtained Honours in their final examinations. This is a fine record, and we wish them all a further career as prosperous as they deserve.

From the pen of Gunner W. H. Bryan comes the following account of life on transports and in Egypt:—

"Our boat which is a large and fairly fast craft, at present bears very little resemblance to the passenger boats to which one is accustomed—that is, internally. I think it resembles an ants'

nest more closely than anything else, which I can recall now, although by night, a large tin of sardines would be a better simile. Have you ever been on crowded excursion steamers? If so, think of the most uncomfortably crowded of them all, then put a few hundred more on board, and convert all the women and children into men-men in khaki, men in dungaree, and piebald men, dressed half in one and half in the other; men lying thick on all the decks, piled together in every conceivable and inconceivable position, over which hundreds of men more or less carefully pick their way from one part of the ship to another; men talking and cursing, eating and drinking-dainties obtained after a protracted struggling to force a way into the awkwardly situated canteen men reading and sleeping. A sergeant calls out: "Men, attention," and the men spring to their feet, dragging the somnolent ones with them, while the captain and the officers commanding, accompanied by a suite of about 20 captains, lieutenants, and sergeants, passes on his way of morning inspection of the ship. Then the men once more drop to the deck and talk and curse, eat and drink, read and sleep, as before. At night the troop deck is one mass of hammocks, swinging side by side, as tightly as they can be packed, with two very narrow passages running down between. Most of the men are in bed before lights out (9.30), but they do not all seek sleep directly. Perhaps silence is just settling down when a distant crow is heard, clear and true, as any This is answered by the impudent screech of a chanticleer's. bantam at the other end of the ship, followed by the low of a calf. Then bursts from every part of the ship, a regular babel of farmyard cries interspersed with the laments of the unfortunate minority who desire sleep. In the morning, reveille blows at 6 o'clock, but long before this the mess orderlies from each table have lined up to receive the rations of butter, pickles, and treacle for the day. At the sound of the bugle we all tumble out of our hammocks, have a look at the washhouses, and decide that they are too crowded, and abandon the daily wash, or at least postpone it for a few hours. At 6.30 we start "physical jerks" on any bit of available deck on the ship. At 7, we descend to breakfast, after which our time is our own until 10, when we parade to practise signalling, knot tying, etc., until 12, when we dine. The rest of the day is free from all parades, and is spent by most of us in reading or playing cards, or enjoying the long delayed wash, and shave. We have tea at 5 o'clock, after which we get as much walking exercise as the crowded state of the deck permits. Do you remember the narrow pavements of old Ipswich on Friday nights? It often reminds me of that, although there are no pretty girls to look for. About 7.30 we all betake ourselves to the stadium, which has been roped in in the meantime. numerous boxing contests are held and quarrels and arguments almost as numerous are settled with the gloves in fights to a

finish. It must be a weird sight—the small rope ring, with the two contestants battling on the slightly rolling deck, surrounded by hundreds of criminal looking soldiers crowded together and perched on vantage points all over that part of the ship. really are not all criminals or prize-fighters, but the great majority have their hair cut back almost to the scalp. After the boxing is over there is a scramble for hammocks and blankets, which are soon strung up, and then-unless the aforementioned rooster wakes up-sleep. At the one port at which we have so far called, we took on quite a crowd of men, who have naturally made our somewhat crowded craft still more uncomfortable in that respect. However, they brought down with them a number of musical instruments, and some very good voices. They have quite a fine little glee party. Besides these things they brought with them numerous dogs-all smuggled on board-and a wallaby. These men were more fortunate than their more eastern friends, for the sea has been beautifully calm ever since leaving the pretty port of ----.

"I don't think I have told you yet of our stowaways. the dogs and the kangaroo, several humans managed to come aboard unobserved. These were mostly men anxious to get to the front or to stay with brothers or pals. One of them is different. He is a youngster of about 12 or 13. He was in full khaki dress, and has already been smuggled over to Egypt, where he was kicked by a horse, and came back in a hospital ship. He can play the ordinary bugle calls, so was made a bugler by the O.C. About a week ago we were steaming along in a comparatively calm sea, and were all more or less comfortably seated at lunch at our long tables, when a wave suddenly broke along our side of the ship, running from midships to the stern. As it was a very hot day, all the ports were open, and that over the table next ours got the full force of the wave, with the result that a stream of water burst through and deluged the table and its occupants, except those immediately under the porthole, who were saved by the very force of the wave. You would have laughed if you could have seen the way the torrent swept the festive board from end to end.

"Sunday was a red-letter day. First of all, church parade, when Cox, my chief pal, and myself dutifully attended, though it was impossible to hear so much as a word until I judged from the attitude of those in front of me that the sermon had started, when we retired, and did our washing. About 11.30 we felt the bows of the ship heave up in mid-air, after which our tub slid gently down on the other side of what we rightly guessed was the equator. As a direct result of this glide into the northern hemisphere we had the pleasure of seeing a number of our officers lathered with soft soap, administered with the notorious soap pill, and pitched

headlong into the large tarpaulin trough provided for this part of the ceremony. All this was done under the eye of as fine an old Father Neptune as the heart could desire, supported by quite a fiendish set of imps. Both our young doctors had to undergo initiation, and the remarks of the spectators when they refused to swallow their pills were caustic in the extreme. The ducking part of the ceremony was so suggestive as to be irresistible, and in half-an-hour the ship was running water in every direction, every hydrant was turned on, and all the buckets of the ship, together with the fire hoses were brought into requisition, and we were all very wet. After a while one of our fellows and myself tired of this sport, and repaired to the stokehold for a change, and shovelled coal for a couple of hours. We came to the conclusion that the trimmer's life is not nearly so strenuous as most people imagine, and that the conditions under which they work are not at all bad, if you exclude the everlasting filthiness The stokehold is comparatively cool, although of of the job. course in close proximity to the fires it is hot enough.

"Since arriving in Suez so many events of interest have occurred and I have seen so many strange and wonderful sights that not only am I at a loss where to begin, but I am absolutely afraid to begin. If I could put but the one hundredth part of the interest which all this new life creates in me into my letters I could be sure of amusing you, but to describe this land of wonders one needs a magic pen. However, I shall try to do my best, but if my story is disorderly, so is the life here, and if it is unintelligible in part, so is Egypt-especially when one does not know a word either of Arabic or French. The s.s. 'Hororata' put into the harbour of Port Suez on October 28. The troops were transferred to special trains, which, after four and a half hours' run, with only a few stoppages, pulled into Yeilton, which is a suburb of Cairo, where we disembarked and marched to our camp about two miles away. The first opportunity saw us, you may be sure, in Cairo itself. I knew then—and still know—very little indeed about Cairo, for in the first place there are very few people to ask about it; and in the second I hate guide books of any and every description. So my remarks are merely the result of impressions gained by wandering through the city. Cairo is a It is about the maddest mixture one could imagine. The East of the Bible, and the fairy tales are thrown up against the West of modern civilisation. Sometimes they have blendedthese radical extremes-into a rather uninteresting mean, but as a general rule they stand side by side in violent contrast. filthy water-carrier, dressed in the same garments as when he wandered in the streets in the time of the Pharoahs, with his half-filled goat skin over his shoulder, now hops with alacrity out of the way of the most up-to-date of electric trams, but—and this

is one instance of the occasional fusion of East and West-he curses the motorman as fluently in modern French as he does in his old Arabic. The trams are driven by darkies of varying shades, dressed in swanky uniforms. The streets, which in the main rart of the city are wide and beautifully made are of the West, but the odour, which though partly suppressed in some quarters, is never vanquished, is decidedly of the East. buildings, which are nearly all in the true oriental style have in many cases had their picturesque little shops and bazaars banished to make room for modern plate glass and show windows. Many of the buildings look imposing, but they lack solidity. I don't think there are half-a-dozen decent stone buildings in Cairo. There are several fine hotels, the largest being "Shepheard's"world renowned as a tourist hotel, The Savoy, and The Continental. Restaurants are innumerable, and are often connected with cheap music-halls, while many beer gardens have their own cinematograph shows. Next in abundance come, I think, the silk and curio shops, nearly all of which are run by Hindoos, and which sell mostly Japanese silks and Brummagen jewellery-so much has been actually admitted to me. These shops display very few novelties or attractions of any description, and so far I have only come across two articles which interested me sufficiently to send home. The streets are, as I have said, well made. Where not broad and straight they are very narrow and very crooked. There is one very extensive system of city and suburban trams. There is an electric railway to Heliopolis and the neighbouring suburbs, and there is a very up-to-date and fairly fast time-table of suburban trains. On the streets one sees numerous private motor-cars and taxis, and a great number of private gharris drawn by some of the most beautiful pairs of horses-or rather ponies in most cases—that I have ever seen. The gharris for hire are almost as numerous as the sands on the desert. On the side-walks one realises how cosmopolitan Cairo is. Here can be seen beautifully dressed French women, accompanied by dandy little Frenchmen in loose-fitting trousers. Egyptian belles in their picturesque eastern toggery, and wearing the white veil of the upper classes, escorted by swarthy, crafty-looking men wearing French tweeds, and finished off with a black moustache and a red fez. Then come what we call the "niggers"—the poorer Egyptians, more or less dirty copies of their wealthier fellows, the Jews, the Copts, or Greek Catholics, Ethiopians, Nubians, and goodness knows what else. Every variety of duskiness, from light sunburn to pitch black, and the blacker they are, the more I like them. I was almost going to say trust them, but I wouldn't trust any one of them. They are all born thieves, but the negro, at least, looks honest. Nearly all these people dress in their native costume, or costumes, I should say,

for there are hundreds of different garments and turbans and fancy waistcoat arrangements. If you can remember the first scene of "Kismet," you will have it exactly-if you add a good thick layer of dirt, a liberal quantity of decaying vegetable matter, change most of the silks into cottons, and supply a good thick Oriental stench; in a word, take off the glamour of the fairy tale. I have said nothing about the noise of an eastern city yet, and it would be useless for me to attempt to describe the strange wailing sing-song cries in which the natives advertise their wares, and encourage their donkeys or mules. I think the only man I have read who has got hold of the spirit of the East is Rudyard One can easily picture little "Kim" in Cairo. I have once or twice visited the native quarter-Old Cairo, it is calledwhere the filth and squalor of the East have remained uninfluenced by the invasion of cultivation into the other quarters of the It is vastly interesting, the workmen of various trades sitting out on the pavement-or its substitute-in front of the dirty little bazaars in which they display their wares. The watercarrier selling the precious fluid at so much per malleem (millime); the beggars, hideous with disease, sitting in their filthy rags in the offal of the streets; the women, with their passive unattractive faces partly covered, walking gracefully under huge burdens balanced on the heads. It is all marvellously interesting, but it is acted before a background of filth. To come back to something healthier: Most of the heavy work is performed by mules, which draw loads as large as those which we are accustomed to give to our draught horses in Australia. The carts are tall, narrow affairs, on wheels from 6ft. to 7ft. in diameter. Lighter burdens are given to donkeys, some of them very small, indeed, which draw a native cart which I can only describe as a small two-wheeled lorry. The loads which they give these willing little beasts are astounding. Outside the city, and on the desert, of course, the chief carriers of burdens are the camels and the women. If these latter don't cultivate the hump they have every excuse for getting Kipling's humph! Well, it seems I have at last got outside Cairo. I shall do my best to stay there till the end of the letter, and indeed the sights to be seen outside are as interesting as those inside. To see a long caravan of camels each with his rider bending to and fro with the motion of his beast, until one feared he would break in half, is more interesting than to see a 1915 Napier speeding down a well-made road. I have often watched the natives tilling their little ratch of land by means of a wooden plough drawn by a yoke of oxen, or admired the cunningly contrived, but clumsily practised, methods of drawing water from the wells and wayside canals. In the evening, one can see the women coming home from the fields, leading the slaty blue buffaloes which in this land take the place of the cow to a great extent and the killing bullock, or the little donkeys carrying veritable mountains of dried fodder on their back. There are hundreds and hundreds of other things which I could tell you, but you need to see them all to understand, and anyhow they have all been described much better than I could attempt to describe them. I had meant to tell you all about Heliopolis, near which town we are camped, but I must reserve that for another time. We shifted camp the other day to the Second Oases, about four miles away from Zeitoun camp, but we do not expect to be in our new home long, thank goodness. There is a rumour that we leave for the front on Tuesday, and indeed I hope so, for although the life I am leading at present is pleasant enough, it was not what I enlisted for, and cannot help feeling rather dissatisfied at being kept in camp for so long."

We are glad to hear that Gordon Crane, our late editor, is giving his service to his country. He writes very cheerfully from Enoggera, mentioning several other Old Boys whom he has met in camp—Ted Palmer, Algy Raff, Hallie Cribb, D. Maughan, Fleischmann, Jem Hoare, Waldie Fisher.

We have been very pleased to be visited by quite a number of those who are leaving for the front, including the following:—
J. L. Brodie, W. H. Bryan, H. C. Cribb, Eric Cribb, W. G. Fisher, E. Francis, H. McKee, H. Pettigrew, S. Spenceley, J. Straughair, W. A. Thomson, R. Tambling, P. G. Williams, G. Yelland, R. Lulham, R. A. Dunn, D. Maughan, R. Sneath, W. Craddock.

In Eric Francis, who was so popular as house and sports master last year, we have a very special taterest. He writes from "Somewhere":—

"Dear Mr. Kerr,-

Before I start on my description of troopship life, I might state that I am greatly handicapped by censorship. There are many and varied things that one must not say, and these I have to avoid.

"We left the wharf at the appointed time, and in an hour or so were on the beginning of a long voyage. The boat has turned out to be a very slow one, which is very unfortunate for us. As was natural, the parting from our friends on the wharf proved very trying. They helped us very considerably by looking on the brighter side of things. The fact that one is leaving home for an indefinite period is very forcibly driven home as the boat draws out of sight of the wharf. This feeling gradually disappears as the night draws on, and time is taken up in preparations for the voyage. After waving our last farewells we went to our apartments, and made a general inspection of the boat. As regards accommodation for the troops everything is very comfortable; the officers' quarters are similar to those of the first-class passenger. Taking the latter first, every officer shares a four-berth

cabin with his mate. As far as possible, officers of the same unit are kept together. I am with my own O.C. The cabin is attended to by a ship's steward, with one of our own batmen to clean our boots and belts. Water and electric light are laid on. We are very fortunate in that our cabin is on the promenade deck overlooking the water. There are only four of these. We dine in the saloon along with the ship's officers. The latter are a fine stamp of British seamen, and fall in with us in every possible way. They are all from British Public Schools. We see little of the boat's skipper, as he keeps to his cabin near the bridge from one week's end to another. The food in the saloon is of the very best, running into five and six courses, served by a smart set of stewards. Like all this class, their palms need oiling occasionally to keep things running smoothly. With all these temptations, however, only half the full complement of officers took their chairs for the first two days. Perhaps they had good reasons for their absence, seeing that we struck a good wind and a heavy sea as soon as we left the river. Although I was amongst the number present at meals, I experienced a dizzy sensation at the back of my head for a day or so, and was often tempted to follow the example of a Light Horse officer in leaving the table, considering it wiser to be sure than sorry. This same officer used to persist in commencing the meal, and invariably making his exit after porridge or soup. The sight of me tackling eggs and bacon on the first day drove two officers to their bunks. This is all over now, although the roll and pitch is greater by far than during the mal-de-mer period. [Excuse the break in the narrative, but it is now just a week within an hour since I said Major Tolmie, the political good-bye to you at the School.] member from the Downs, is the officer commanding (O.C.) the troops. Besides our own A.I.F. officers we have a medical officer (M.O.), two chaplains (C. of E. and Presbyterian), and a Y.M.C.A. representative. These men are fine fellows, and do the greater share in keeping things moving. The sergeants have quarters apart from the men, and fare very well indeed. They have no cabins, but although the waiting service is very crude, their food comes from the same galley as that of the officers. Corporals live with the men, and enjoy no extra privileges as regards sleeping and messing accommodation. The remainder of the boat is split up into a number of mess-decks where the men sleep and They are numbered alphabetically, from fore to aft, each unit having a deck to themselves. Ours is right aft, which was responsible for the greater part of our men being sea-sick. decks are made out of the old second-class and steerage areas. A number of tables large enough to seat from 8 to 12 men have been constructed at right angles to the direction of the boat. Each of these is called a mess, over which there is a mess commander, who generally holds the rank of corporal. He is respon-

sible for the good conduct of the men and the cleanliness in general of his mess. He has under him two permanent mess orderlies, who draw the meals and wash the dishes, etc., of the men of his mess. The food is splendid, consisting of porridge, meat, bread and butter for breakfast, with soup, meat, and pudding for the other two meals. A ration of butter, cheese, sugar, and pickles, is drawn every night for the following day. The men are living in luxury now as compared to the food at the concentration camps. The supply is as large as required, with tea and coffee as their drink. Over each mess-table are a number of hooks attached to the roof (about 7 feet high), at a distance apart of about 7 feet, running parallel to the ship. To these at night are attached hammocks, one for each man, along with two The men take these down first thing in the morning, blankets. and roll and stack them for the next night. For the first few nights the men slept on the decks above until the sickness passed They are now resigned to their fate and take to the hammocks very well. All their gear (kits and equipment) is stacked in racks overhead and shelves at the ends of the deck. A lifebelt for every man is also stowed in the racks overhead where they are handy in case of alarm. Alarms are often sounded to get the men accustomed to turning out quickly with their belts The regulations with reference to mess-decks are very strictly adhered to. It took the men a few days to accustom themselves to the new routine, but they are now in good working order. Every morning at 11 o'clock the first officer of the ship, our O.C., the M.O., the orderly officer, and the orderly sergeant, go on their rounds of inspection. As they approach each deck the men are called up to attention. By this time every kit and hammock is neatly stowed away, and all mess utensils (knives, forks, spoons, plates, pannikins, and dishes) are neatly spread out on the mess-tables. After a close inspection by the "heads" everything is put back into its place again. The men participate in most of their games down below. These consist of boxing, medicine ball, single sticks, draughts, and such minor games, and The unit's gramophone, accordeon, mouth organs, and tin whistles, are incessantly sending out strains-musical and otherwise. A whistle sounded by a sergeant or officer silences everything until it is time again for the circus to continue. men are happy all day and find plenty of things to amuse them-There is only one canteen on board, and it is a dry one. The men swarm around this beehive like a number of bees.

"The routine is not a very strenuous one: Reveillé sounds at 6 a.m., sick parade at 7, breakfast at 7.30, general parade at 9, cease work at 11.15 (although an hour is about the time spent in actual work), lunch at 12.30 for men, 1 o'clock for officers, 2 p.m. for afternoon parade, until 3.15 p.m., 5 p.m. for men's tea, and

6.30 for officers. First and Last Posts sound at 8 and 8.45 p.m. respectively, with "Lights Out" at 9. The men have to be in bed by 9, when all noise must cease and none must leave his ham-So far amusements in the form of sports are wanting. The men will probably liven up more to boxing, football, quoits, and such like games, before many more days have passed. All ranks are paid every 10 days at the rate of 1/- per diem. One young fellow got aboard as a stowaway. He will be dropped off at the first port of call unless a vacancy occurs in one of the units. A stowaway's outlook is never too bright, for none of his papers have come along with him. The result is that he cannot draw any pay during the trip, and he has to look around for himself as regards blankets, etc. His future happiness depends on the kindness of his friends. This is an outline of the life and surroundings of an ordinary soldier on board a transport. From my point of view there is no life like it. I am in the best of health and am improving quickly. Kindest regards to yourself and Mrs. Kerr and the staff. Good-luck to the good old School."

-From ERIC FRANCIS.

Our own only Rhodes Scholar, Bert Mellor, has not yet forgotten his old school. We are sure that the same qualities which made him a first-class cricketer, and footballer, and scholar, too, will make him a first-class officer of Engineers. A foolish report told us that he had been badly wounded many months ago. It was reassuring to get the following letter from him:-

#### "Dear Mr. Kerr,-

You will, no doubt, be surprised to see this unfamiliar handwriting again, but I felt I really must write to you, particularly after having received the September copy of the School Magazine. Dozens of times I've been going to write some small tales of things I've seen through this war, but never seem to have had the time; but don't be surprised if some such effusion should reach you in due course, and please correct it, etc., as much as you please.

"Well, here goes for a few details about my present position: I returned to this country about the end of July last with an Army Troops Coy. R.E. We were rushed straight up to front line without any gradual introduction, and I must say that our Coy. stood up to things jolly well. We have had every conceivable kind of work to do, digging trenches, wiring, road and railway making and mending, a little bridging, and now we are on the job Veritable garden-cities we are making. of hut-building. course, it is all in the shell-area, and we have to combine a huge collection of huts with concealment as far as possible—an im-Still, it is jolly interesting work, and possible combination!

gives us more or less regular hours with daylight work. Night work is the absolute limit. One night, about three weeks ago, I spent  $1\frac{1}{2}$  hours going 50 yards from our second to our front line trench. I got mixed up with some wire entanglements and got hopelessly lost. Before the big work in September we had some very interesting jobs putting in the big guns; then, while it was on, we had to run up eight roads for cavalry across country. It meant putting in dozens of bridges across all kinds of odds and ends of trenches, etc., and things were very warm just at that time. I had some very close shaves, too. Just after the advance we had the job of cleaning up the roads between our line and theirs, and beyond into Loos. It was a nasty job, as they had them absolutely within range of their guns and we used to be shelled always. My escapes then were simply marvellous. One night I shall never forget: I was on a road in the old 'No Man's Land,' and it was horribly eerie (none of our dead had yet been buried!!) when shells came over thick and fast. One dropped about 10 yards away, so the other nib and I went away from the road. The next shell scorched our faces (!!) and after that, as we heard each whistle, we used to dive for the ground. It must have been funny to watch, but I was jolly glad of my 'rugger' training, which enabled me to beat the other man easily. day after this though, on the same road, I managed to stop a piece of shell with my face. It wasn't serious, only a scratch, so I refused to become a casualty, as that entails a lot of writing to assure one's friends. I am quite alright, with only a little detraction from my personal beauty. (!!) I was very pleased the other day to get promotion in the shape of another star, and I am now a full lieutenant. However, enough of myself. Do please write and let me know how the old school is getting on. I was delighted to see we drew in 'rugger' against B.G.S., but sorry to see T.G.S. beat us. The increase in the boarder numbers is what delights me most, also their prowess in overcoming the dayboys. (!!) Do offer them my heartiest congratulations. School must have bucked up wonderfully. How many boys are there altogether now? Well, Well, I must ring off, I guess. Please remember me to Mr. Meyer, Mr. Robertson, and Mr. Shuttlewood. I very often cast back and remember what jolly times I used to have. Has Miss Blaine left yet, or is she still flourishing? Kindest regards to Mrs. Kerr and yourself, from

Yours sincerely,

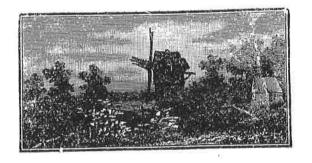
BERT MELLOR.

P.S.—Remember me to all Old Boys, also to Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence, if you ever see them now. Do hope you get this before Xmas. Balliol College will always find me."

From Trevor Francis also have come two post cards. He still seems to be in Egypt. He had seen Pardoe's Junior results in a "Courier," and writes his congratulations. He had also met Donald Macdonald, and his father, the Lieutenant-Colonel, both of whom, he said, looked very well. Hal Maughan and Mick Andrews had also called to see him on their way to England. He wished to be remembered to masters and boys, and to Miss Blaine.

Service cards have been received from Harry Field, who is well.

News and a photograph of Lieutenant W. J. Handley take us back to 1901, when he was a strong influence for good amongst the boarders.



## ROLL OF HONOUR.

Additions and corrections are earnestly invited.

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A. B. BOURKE (3255, 11, 9)
J. L. BRODIE (10,9)
GUNNER W. BRYAN
BOLDERY (31st)
BGLR. V. BOTTOMLEY (36th)
SAPPER ERIC CRIBB (3rd Engin.)
HEDD CRIBB (12, 26)

CONALD MACCOMBACT

S. McGREGOR
D. R. MAUGHAN
C. MAUGHAN
MEREDITH
MEREDITH
(Killed in Act.) HERB. CRIBB (12, 26)
LIEUT. ARTHUR CRIBB
(Motor Transport)
W. CRADDOCK (Engineers)
DR. D. A. CAMERON
R. C. CASTON R. C. CASTON
J. E. (GARRY) CRIBB
CULLEY (Wounded)
F. G. CRANE
H. C. (HALLIE) CRIBB
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ERIC FOOTE (3340, 11, 9)
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O. C. FOOTE (41st)
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E. R. FITTOCK (Wounded)
N. V. FOOTE (Died on Active Service)
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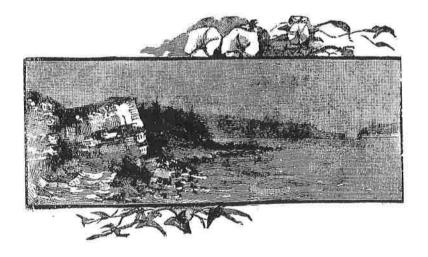
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