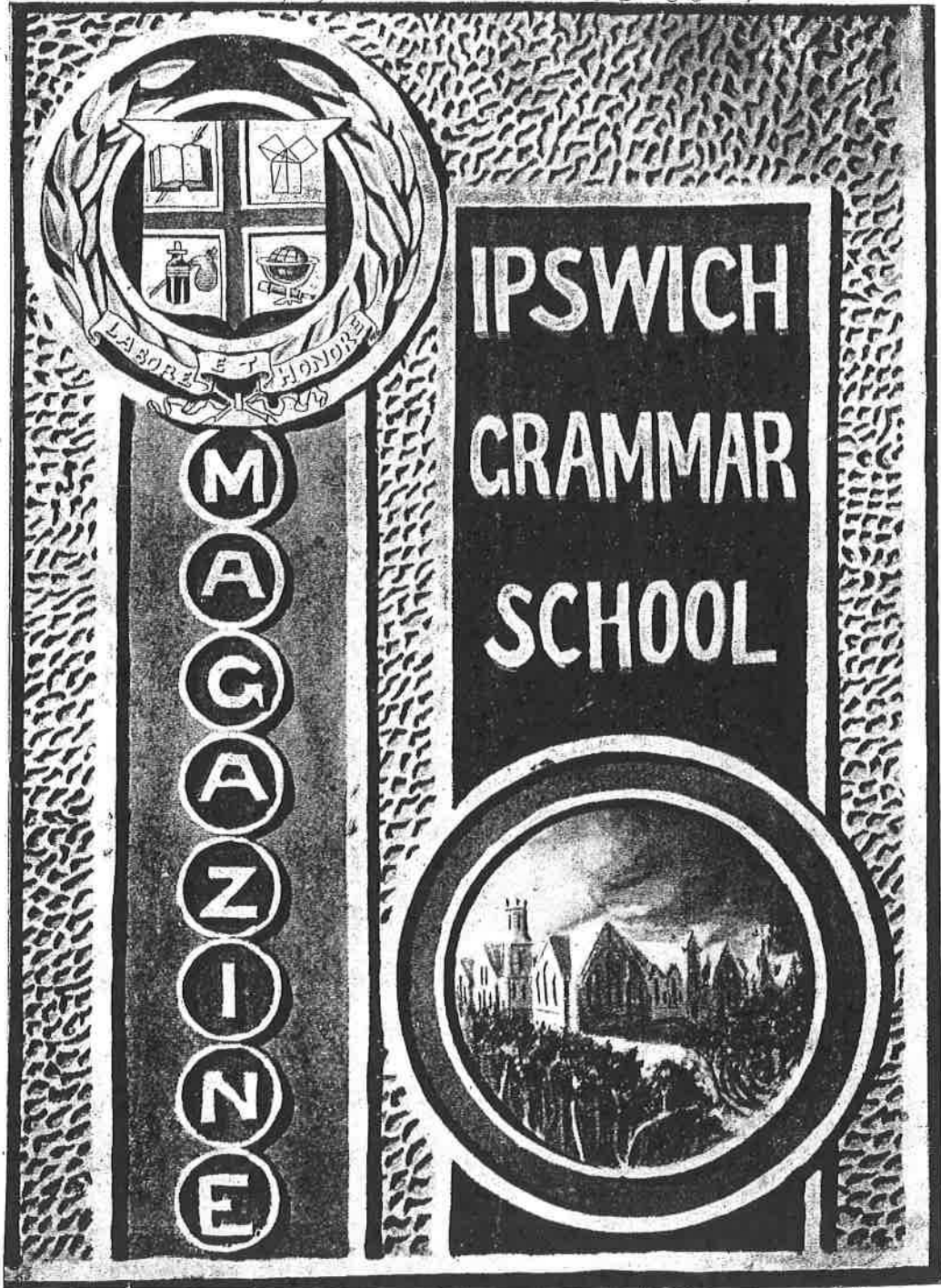


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EDITORIAL.



NO DOUBT constant change is the law of life, and in school staffs, as in all things human, changes are inevitable. Yet we may be forgiven the feeling of regret and the sense of loss when old friends among the masters leave us. It was with more than a passing note of regret that we bade farewell to Mr. and Mrs. Lawrance at the end of last year.

Mr. Lawrance has been Headmaster since 1908, and during his rule, not only has the School made great progress, but he has left his impress very deep upon all its life and its institutions. In the classroom, as well as in the field, he stood for a high ideal of boyhood and manhood, which included all sides of life and character, physical, mental and moral. It speaks well for his influence that under his charge the School produced its first Rhodes Scholar.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrance will long be remembered by their old friends at Ipswich Grammar School, especially by the boarders; and their influence will be felt by many long after that time when—

"To each comes a day
When our work and our play,
Our school-days for ever are done."

Our increase in numbers has been commented upon elsewhere, but we take this opportunity of reminding all the

new members of the School that their enthusiastic and self-sacrificing help is needed in every branch of school-life. In particular we hope for better support for this magazine, especially in the way of original contributions. There must be some latent ability amongst so many, which needs but the opportunity and a little exercise to bring it forth into active life. Our ideal is that this should be a magazine "for the boys" and "by the boys," and consequently a stimulus and a nourisher of literary talent.

A SONG FOR WATTLE DAY.

(Air: The Skylark).

Sweet is the perfume that rises from wattle bloom,
 Clustering all dewy in feathery sprays!
 Wide over the ridges and deep in the gorges,
 Filling with fragrance our sunny spring days,
 There pipes the organ bird. How his wild note is heard
 Clear above warblings that waken the morn!
 And the light wand'ring breeze bears scent from laden trees
 Sweeter than odours from tasselling corn!
 To-day tell the story of the wonderful glory
 That crowns our loved bush land with flowers of gold;
 And may there be sweetness of love in completeness
 Wherever the wattles their beauty unfold!

—ANDREW MUIR.

SCHOOL NOTES.

At the outset we wish to bid Mr. Kerr a hearty welcome back to the School, which he only recently quitted to take up a headmastership down South. We do not feel the difficulties of a change at the helm so much since the new Head is such an old member of the School Staff. Already the School owes Mr. Kerr much for his freely-given and energetic labours in the planning and equipping of our new Science Room, which has been found to be a very valuable addition to the School buildings. We feel sure that under his direction the School will long continue to maintain its reputation both in scholastic and athletic circles.

We also extend a hearty welcome to Mr. Robinson and Mr. Francis.

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Congratulations to last year's Senior candidates; to Wilson and McCulloch for gaining Open Scholarships; and to Weise for gaining a Teacher's Scholarship to the Queensland University. May the best of good fortune attend their labours at the 'Varsity.

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Congratulations also to the Junior class. The large number of passes speaks well for all concerned. Flewell-Smith particularly distinguished himself, while Calder, Dodds and McCulloch gained very fine passes.

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We further congratulate Flewell-Smith, Calder, Dodds, McCulloch, Putnam and Hooper for gaining Extension Scholarships.

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Early in the year it was announced that an examination for subalterns and non-commissioned officers would be held during the term. As such a large number of candidates presented themselves an instructional class was formed, and two or three afternoons were spent in giving candidates a chance to discover how much they did or did not know about rifle exercises and military evolutions. A great deal of spare time is spent in "swatting up" details and "Defence Act Regulations," but besides the knowledge a very essential qualification is a good throat and unimpaired lung power.

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During the quarter we have put in one whole-day parade and feel glad that such are not of frequent occurrence. It was a blazing hot morning, and when dismissed for the customary ten minutes' spell, the Company, as one man, rushed the tuck-shop, which was besieged by thirsty patrons for the ensuing ten minutes. On this occasion and in several other drills during the quarter, the monotony of rifle and Company drill was varied by the no less necessary Semaphore practice.

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This year bids fair to be an "annus mirabilis" for the School so far as numbers are concerned. During the term the number on the roll has risen to 126, an increase of 27 on last year's record. This in itself is a record, but this general increase has produced a corresponding increase in the numbers of the Sixth Form, which now numbers seventeen, as compared with a form of ten last year, and under the new system of granting scholarships we look forward to long continued increases in the numbers of the School.

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Probably the extraordinarily large number of "newies" this year overtaxed the managers of the "Newies' Entertainment." However, that may be, the vocal items rendered on the historic "Rock" were not of a very high order; no talent worthy of representing the School at the Ipswich Eisteddfod was unearthed. The performances in the "Gym." were less satisfactory still, and on one occasion became so rough as to render it necessary to bring all such initiation ceremonies to an end for the present.

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A certain martial spirit has manifested itself of late among the ranks of the "newies." Marshalled under "Captain" Brookes and "Lieutenant" Walker they may be observed any dinner hour engaged in a warfare reminiscent of the tin soldiers and cardboard castles of the nursery. Frequently the noises of battle penetrate to the School buildings, as under their gallant leaders they storm the bamboo fort with the death-dealing bamboo Maxim. However, "Big 'un" has felt it his duty to act as peace-maker, and on several occasions the sight of his burly figure approaching has made the combatants forget their feuds and make common cause in flight before a more compelling enemy.

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Another effect of the European War in the School is the marked unpopularity of the German language. This year the ordinary course of things is reversed in that an overwhelming majority of the "newies" chose French in preference to German, although judging by appearances there is no fear of any of us being arrested as German spies on account of any wonderful proficiency in the German language.

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We regret to hear that Cribb is leaving School. A member of the School since 1910, he has been a keen supporter of the School in all branches of sport, and he carries the well-wishes of masters and boys alike as he steps out into the world.

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Our thanks are surely due to those energetic youths who effected the much-needed repairs to our top concrete wicket in preparation for the Old Boys' Cricket match. With the help of an enterprising day-boy's spring cart the necessary ant-bed was obtained to fill in the large holes at each end of the wicket, making it much easier for both bowler and batsman. Had they heard the flattering remarks passed by a certain B grade team on the following Saturday afternoon they would not have gone unrewarded.

After many years of inactivity, with nothing but an occasional change of situation to relieve the monotony of its existence, our miniature rifle range has taken a new lease of life, and, after many exhaustive tests by the authorities, now affords weekly practice to a local rifle club. No doubt it adds quite a zest to life to have to stroll down the paddock and hunt up the horses while under fire after cricket on Saturday afternoon.

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Among the many improvements which have taken place in and around the School buildings this term, the most striking to the casual observer is the much-needed renovation of the "Gym," which, near the end of March, shone forth in all the glory of a new iron roof, besides general repairs to the building itself. Undoubtedly this is a big step in the right direction, and we feel greatly encouraged in the hope that before long we shall have a new outfit too.

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Another improvement worthy of notice is the clearance of the day-boys' dressing-room of all the spare cricket material—especially the cricket nets for the turf; all this has been removed to the sports room adjoining the Gym., and is now kept under lock and key. This will enable us to have our shower in peace after cricket without falling over nets or tripping over bats and stumps.

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We take this opportunity to congratulate Bert Mellor, our Rhodes' Scholar, on being accepted several months ago as a motor cyclist despatch-rider at the Front.

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After a lapse of two or three years swimming has again been seriously taken up, but lack of suitable local baths has deterred many from taking up this branch of sport. Towards the end of the term arrangements were made to hold a carnival, but owing to the lateness and consequent coolness of the season and lack of swimming accommodation this had to be abandoned.

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The annual cricket match against the Old Boys was played as usual on St. Patrick's Day. As no other wicket was available the match was played on our own concrete, which proved rather fast for the Old Boys. The game resulted in an easy win for the Presents, chiefly owing to the bowling of Mr. Francis, who secured the average of 12 for 27 in the two innings.

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We offer our congratulations to Mr. Meyer and Stafford on their being chosen to represent Ipswich against Brisbane on St. Patrick's Day.

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Returning to the day-boys' dressing-room one afternoon to change after cricket practice, several of our number were horrified to find the shower in the possession of the boarders. A lively time was about to ensue, when the boarders, in humbly apologising, said that owing to lack of accommodation elsewhere they had been given permission to use this shower. They were allowed to remain on condition that all scented soaps and such like frivolities should be left after use.

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This year our annual charity subscription was taken up in aid of the General Hospital, which institution was benefited to the extent of £4/7/3, the boarders heading the list with £1/4/-. The following are the individual results of the prefects' collection:—

Form VI.—Cribb, 7/-; Form V.—Harding, 11/-; Form IV.—Crane, 11/9; Form III.—Footo i, 12/6; Boarders, Flewell-Smith, £1/4/-.

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During the past five years our numbers twice reached ninety and nine without being able to find the lost one. This year we not only secured the missing one but twenty-six others in addition. This year's roll is easily a record for the School, both with regard to day-boys and boarders. The increase is chiefly due to the new system of State scholarships which has lately come into force.

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Much improvement has been noticed of late in the master's garden, which, instead of being the dumping ground for old scribblers, apple cores and such like trifles, has now become quite a beauty (?) spot with its fine display of roses and geraniums. We wonder why more of the masters do not follow in the footsteps of Mr. Hazelgrove and take up horticulture as an aid to digestion or even as a hobby.

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Another endeavour is being made to stimulate local talent by the offer of a prize by Mr. Kerr for the best original effort sent in to the Literary Club for possible publication in the Magazine. We hope the result will be even better than on a previous occasion when poetry (?) both "blank" and otherwise, seemed to be the literary ideal, especially with Lower School.

With the beginning of the new year compulsory sport has been introduced. This should make it much easier for the School to keep well to the fore in sport by having such a lot of the younger generation in training to represent the School in its different branches in the years to come. It is a great improvement to see a hundred odd boys playing cricket or tennis on Wednesday afternoon instead of the usual forty or fifty.

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At a recent meeting of all those who played in the 1st XV. last year it was decided that we should obtain the cotton guernseys now available in Brisbane. This will give a much smarter and more workmanlike appearance to the team as a whole.

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It was also decided that instead of the cloth badge in use last year, sewn on to the guernseys of those who had been awarded their colours, arrangements would be made to have the School shield worked into the guernsey so that all badges would be uniform in situation.

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A few weeks after the beginning of the term several of our non-cricketers received rather a rude shock when they found themselves seized by the press-gang and converted into a pitch and shovel squad under the command of Bell. The object of this raid was the need of labour for the formation of a chipped wicket in the top corner of the sports field. As a result of their Wednesday afternoon's labour another wicket is available for the weekly practice of those less skilled in the game.

PRESENTATION OF PRIZES.

At the Boys' Grammar School, the prizes were distributed at about 3 p.m., in the presence of a large gathering, including a number of pupils of the Girls' Grammar School. Dr. J. A. Cameron (chairman of Trustees) presided, and there were with him on the platform—Prof. Steele, Messrs. W. Haigh, C. W. Louis Heiner, and W. Tatham (Trustees); Geo. R. Wilson, H. M. Scott, Mr. P. G. Lawrance, M.A. (Headmaster of the School), and Miss Helen White, M.A. (Headmistress of the Girls' Grammar School). Others present included—Messrs. F. E. Meyer, M.A., R. Kuntzen, A. H. Shuttlewood, R. Robertson, and J. B. Adams (assistant masters), Mr. R. Henderson Johnston, F.V.C.M., F.G.C.M. (music master), and Mr. Geo. Humphreys (Secretary). The Chairman

(Dr. Cameron) apologised for the absence of the Hon. J. W. Blair, and Messrs. W. H. Foote and H. J. Gray (other Trustees).

The proceedings opened with the singing of "God Save the King" and the French and Russian National Anthems.

CHAIRMAN'S ADDRESS.

At the commencement of the proceedings the Chairman referred to the speeches made by Sir William MacGregor last year, in connection with the distribution of prizes, and also to the interesting speeches made by Prof. Steele on that occasion. The work of the School, he said, had been very satisfactory, and things had progressed smoothly from the Trustees' point of view. He thought the substantial increase in the number of boarders showed that the good name of the School was still standing high in Queensland. It was with regret that the Trustees learned of Mr. Lawrance's resignation and departure from the School. The relations of the Trustees with Mr. Lawrance had been most cordial, and he had served the School most loyally. The standard which Mr. Lawrance had had before him was the securing of a high average, rather than pushing on the more brilliant scholars. He expressed regret at the impending departure of Mr. Adams, who had been connected with the School for many years, and whose place would be hard to fill. He felt sure the high standard of the School would be maintained under Mr. Kerr, the new Headmaster.

HEADMASTER'S ANNUAL REPORT.

The fifty-second annual report was read by the Headmaster (Mr. B. G. Lawrance, M.A.) as follows:—

I have the honour to present the fifty-second annual report of the Ipswich Boys' Grammar School. The health of the boys has been excellent; we have escaped epidemics altogether, I am glad to say. The attendance for the year shows an increase, the average for the year being 96, as compared with 90 last year. The total for the first quarter was 91, second 95, third 99, and fourth 99. The average attendance, and the numbers for the third and fourth quarters constitute a record for the School. The boarders number 31, the accommodation being practically fully occupied. This number is the highest for nearly 30 years, and speaks well for the name of the School in other parts of Queensland. Of the boarders, more than half (62 per cent. to be exact) come from outside the district of West Moreton. The public examinations of 1913 gave us results which are creditable, if not remarkable. In the senior we had five candidates, of whom four passed. All these are now at the Queensland University, two having gained open scholarships, while the others were awarded teachers' scholarships. In the junior examination 13 were successful out of 19 candidates. The average passes were good.

Extension scholarships were awarded to Cole, Crane, Gee, and Henry. Crane also won the Thallon gold medal for Southern Queensland.

During the year we sent up two candidates for the Federal Public Service (Hoge and Jackson); both passed, the former being placed first throughout the Commonwealth. Our candidates for this year's examinations were four for the Senior and 24 for the Junior. The former have all worked well, and deserve success. I cannot say quite the same of the juniors; the majority have done their best throughout the year, but there is a small minority who have failed to respond to the efforts made on their behalf, and whose prospects of success are not bright.

The results of the year's work place Wilson at the head of the School. In addition to the Bowen Prize, he wins the Old Boys' Association prize for modern languages; while the Donald Cameron Memorial Prize for mathematics goes to H. M'Culloch. Mr. Tatham's prize for the best all-round boy is awarded to Knowles. The junior Bowen Prize, given to the head of the V. Form, is won by Flewell-Smith, after a close contest with A. M'Culloch and Calder. These three boys should all secure junior passes above the average. Pardoe wins the form prize in Form IV., having earned the distinction of first-class honours in all four groups. In this form there are several boys who have good prospects for next year's junior. I hope that no member of the form will incur the reproach, which I have felt compelled to cast upon some members of this year's V. of having wasted their time. The leader of Form III. is R. Hall, who has made an excellent start. Some others have also worked very well, and laid the foundations of a successful career. There are some, however, and I am sorry to say this number includes some scholarship holders who have spoiled their results by a spirit of frivolity and irresponsibility which is incompatible with successful work. I hope these boys will take warning, and settle down to steady industry next year.

1914 has seen the inauguration of the generous scheme by which entrance scholarships to secondary schools are awarded on a pass examination. Our own numbers have not been appreciably increased by the larger number of scholarships awarded, as compared with previous years. This year we received 16 scholarship winners, while the average for the six years, 1908-1913, was 13. The average ability of the scholars this year certainly seems lower than before, but I can see no reason why they should not all justify the generosity of the Government when their turn comes to sit for the public examinations. As an instance of the uncertainty of examination results, it may be mentioned that one boy who failed to secure an entrance scholarship has done consistently well throughout the year, and won a place in the honour list.

A general review of the year's work shows it to have been satisfactory on the whole, in spite of the weak points to which I have alluded. The discipline of the School and the general demeanour of the boys has been good, and received favourable comment from Mr. Roe on his annual visit.

In regard to School activities, apart from the work in the classrooms, the year has been quite satisfactory. Our contests with Brisbane and Toowoomba Grammar Schools have been fraught with interest, and it is pleasing to feel that in no case have our opponents had easy victories, in spite of their larger numbers. Brisbane defeated us in cricket, athletic sports and tennis, while we won the football match. This victory was particularly pleasing, as it is 17 years since we last defeated Brisbane in this branch of sport. Against Toowoomba we won the athletic sports, but lost football and tennis. The cricket match was played yesterday, and resulted in a victory for Ipswich by 17 runs, after a good game, thus bringing the points equal for the cup for the second year in succession.

Our own athletic sports meeting was again very successful. Harding and Roberts, last year's champions, again won the senior and junior championships respectively. The competition was keen throughout, and the "scraps of paper" awarded as trophies were quite as eagerly sought after as the usual prizes. The local patriotic funds benefited to the extent of nearly £60, as a result of this arrangement; this sum including the profits from the refreshment tent, ably managed again by Mrs. O'Connor, to whom our very best thanks are due. The School games generally have been keenly carried on throughout the year, and I am glad to notice particularly the enthusiasm displayed by the junior school cricketers. The Literary Society has not been as lively as usual, but has held regular meetings. I hope next year the day-boys will accord this society more support.

The annual entertainment was successfully carried out in June last, in spite of unpropitious weather. The Cadet Company again provided the champion team of the 3rd Brigade, but were not successful in the district competition. This contest becomes yearly more strenuous, and the success attained is very creditable to Mr. Adams and to his team.

Successes of Old Boys at Queensland University are printed in the papers which you hold. Many Old Boys have gone to the front, from England as well as from Australia. They carry with them our best wishes, and hopes for their safe return.

It is my pleasant duty to thank the Trustees for their help and consideration, which has been unfailing during my seven years as Headmaster. I take this opportunity of congratulating them on the appointment of Mr. Kerr as my successor; the School is

fortunate in securing the services of so able a master, and so fine a man. To my staff I am deeply grateful for their support during the year that is past; to their loyal assistance is due the smooth running of the School machinery. In addition to their work in the School, Mr. Meyer and Mr. Adams have given valuable help and encouragement to the School games; to the latter's work in connection with the battalion company I have already alluded. Mr. Robertson has cheerfully carried out the duties of o/c Cadets, and helped in many other ways; Mr. Shuttlewood, as School delegate, has looked after the interests of the School in local cricket.

The increased number of boarders has added to the responsibilities of the matron, to whom, as well as to Mrs. Lawrance and the house masters, I offer my best thanks.

I must now say farewell to the School. I have spent in Ipswich seven years, which, in spite of domestic troubles, have brought me a great deal of happiness, and I shall retain an abiding interest in the School whose progress I have been permitted to guide for a period. I wish to thank many who have helped and encouraged me in my work, particularly parents and Old Boys. Among the latter I have spent some of the pleasantest hours I have had in Ipswich, and the continued welfare and success of the Old Boys' Association will not cease to be a matter of deep interest to me.

A few words more—to the boys:

A school boy, if asked why he went to school, would probably say to work. But there is much more than that; encouragement of true manliness, high ideals of public spirit, and self-sacrifice; scorn of all sham, meanness and unfair dealing; these are some of the lessons that school life should teach him, and it will profit him but little to have won scholarships and prizes if he has not learned these lessons also. It is the effect of this side of education, which is the particular pride of British schools, that is now being shown on the battlefields in France, where we read of soldiers writing "our officers are good chaps; they always see that we are fed before they look after themselves"—a small thing, perhaps, but typical. It is this "public school spirit," as it is called, which makes for true citizenship, not only in the stern trials of war, but even in the most ordinary walks of life. This school has produced in the past men who have, conspicuously or unconspicuously, lived up to these ideals, and in taking farewell of the School it is this example I would like to impress on you; be "good chaps," think of others first, and so bring greater happiness not only to them, but also to yourselves. Good-bye."

The reading of the report was punctuated by hearty applause.

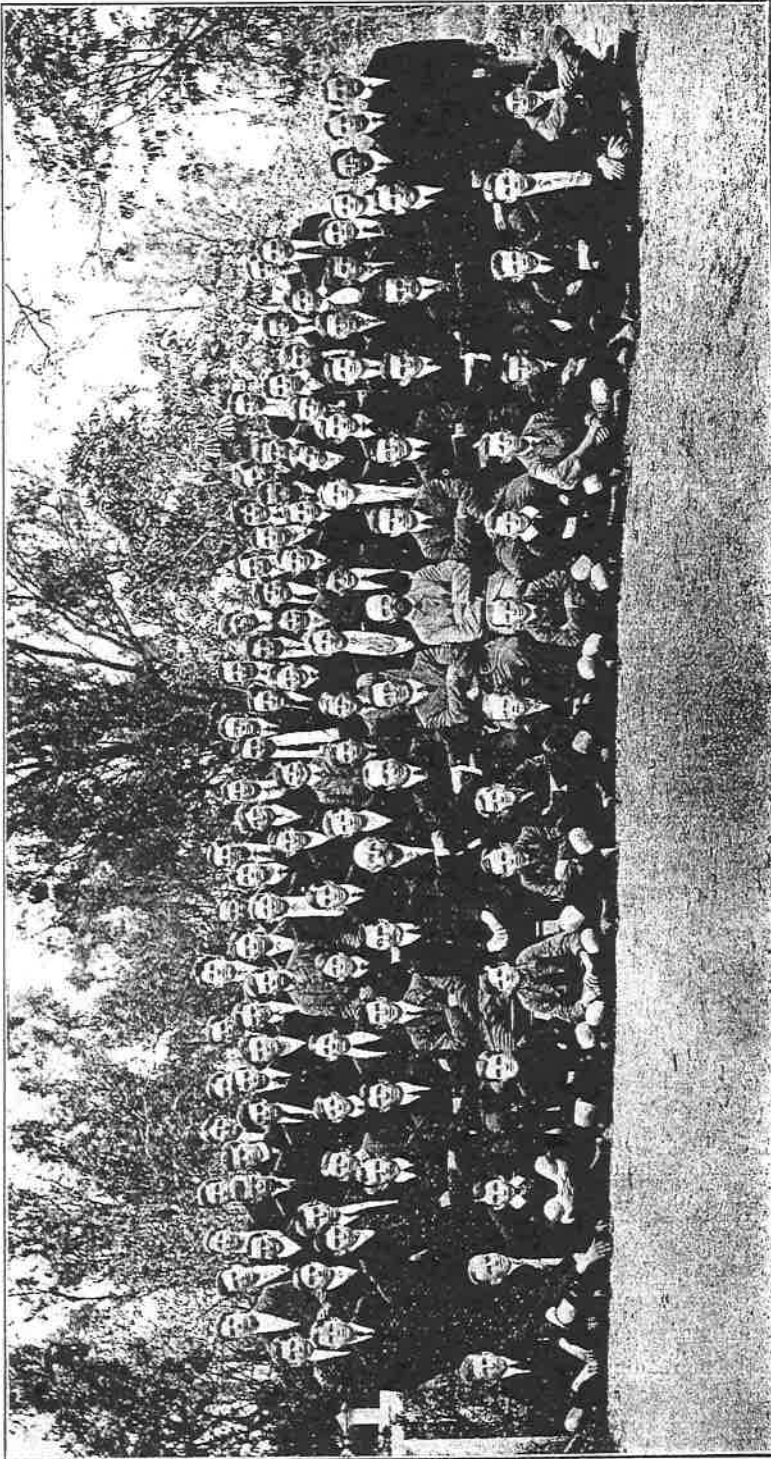
PRESENTATION TO MR. LAWRANCE.

At this stage, delegates from the Council of the Old Boys' Association—Messrs. P. W. Cameron (President), and H. G. Simpson—attended to make a presentation of a purse of sovereigns to Mr. Lawrance, on behalf of the Association. Mr. Cameron said, the members of the Association felt that they could not let the opportunity pass without officially bidding "good-bye" to Mr. Lawrance. He referred to the friendly assistance which Mr. Lawrance had always accorded the Association, and also eulogised Mrs. Lawrance for her kindly interest in its progress, and expressed to Mr. Lawrance, Mrs. Lawrance and family, the Association's best wishes for their happiness in the future.

Mr. Lawrance, in acknowledging the gift, said he greatly regretted having to part with the members of the Old Boys' Association. It had been a great pleasure to him to work with the Council of the Association whilst he had been in the district. His co-operation with the members of the Association had three causes—first, he was so fully convinced that the success of the School had been largely owing to the work, on its behalf, carried out by its Old Boys, that he felt in working for the Association he was working for the School; secondly, he liked to consort with men of such agreeable natures as members of the Old Boys' Association; and thirdly, because the kindness of the Old Boys toward the School had been manifest at every meeting.

ADDRESS BY PROF. STEELE.

Professor Steele then distributed the prizes, and he afterwards gave an interesting address. He said that from an examiner's point of view a refreshing part of the Headmaster's report was his admission that some of his junior candidates did not deserve a pass. (Laughter). He then proceeded to urge the scholars to make use of their education, to the best advantage of their fellow-men and their country. If they obtained cricketing materials for a game of cricket, they would not put the implements aside, but would use them to "play the game." And, they must "play the game" in life, with such equipment as education afforded. The public spirit involved self-sacrifice. What would they think of a captain who played the game merely for his own advantage? Such a leader would soon be turned out, and rightly so. Knowledge must be used for the good of others, and, as in a game of cricket, though the captain must not play for his own personal advantage, the players must be subservient to his rule and discipline. The speaker then gave illustrations as to how knowledge could be used for undesirable purposes. An educated burglar was more dangerous than an uneducated one. Little things, he said, often spread to large influences; and the spirit of



self-sacrifice, if inculcated in a school, grew and became, through the pupils and the school, the spirit of the nation. In regard to Germany, the whole basis, or cause, of the present war rested on German philosophy, which claimed, by inference, to have discovered that there was a nation chosen of God to rule the world. That country, in their opinion, was Germany. That was their opinion only. Germany, they held, was the nation which was going to rule the world for what they considered to be the benefit of mankind—to impose German "culture" on the world. And German philosophy was such that it did not matter to them what means were taken to endeavour to achieve their aims. A nation should never aim at achieving anything unless the means taken to attain it were also good. And no one could say that the means used by Germany in connection with the present war were good. Great Britain, on the other hand, was fighting in defence of weaker nations, and was using methods that could not be cavilled at. He referred with pleasure to the number of Old Boys who were assisting in the Empire's service. In one school in England, 998 Old Boys had volunteered for active service. At Oxford University, 1400 undergraduates had received commissions, and some of the colleges were deserted. At Christchurch, there were 80 graduates instead of the usual 300, the remainder having gone to the war. He congratulated the School on the appointment of Mr. R. A. Kerr, M.A., B.Sc., as Headmaster; but he commiserated with them on the loss of Mr. Lawrance. He (Prof. Steele), and his colleagues, regretted that Mr. Lawrance was going to a place where his influence would not be felt at the Queensland University.

Mr. Tatham moved a vote of thanks to Mr. Steele for his visit, and his address.

Mr. Heiner seconded the motion, which was carried by acclamation, and after the vote had been acknowledged by Prof. Steele the proceedings closed.

Afternoon tea was then served to the visitors on the lawn.

PRIZE-LIST.

The prize-list was as follows:—

Class List in Honours, 1914.

Form VI.—R. V. Wilson (second in English, first in European history, first in ancient history, first in Latin, first in modern languages, first in Greek), Bowen Prize, Old Boys' Association Prize, Languages. G. E. Weise (second in English, first in European history, first in ancient history, first in Latin, second in modern languages, second in algebra, first in trigonometry), examination prize. H. M'Culloch (second in algebra, first in geometry, first in trigonometry, first in mechanics, second in chemistry), Donald Cameron prize for mathematics. G. Gee

(second for geometry, second for trigonometry, second for mathematics, second for chemistry), junior certificate. F. G. Crane (second in European history, second in ancient history), junior certificate. A. H. Cole (second in European history), junior certificate. J. T. Henry (second in geometry), junior certificate. E. C. Knowles, prize for best all-round boy.

Form V.—B. Flewell-Smith (first in English, first in history, first in geography, second in modern languages, first in arithmetic, first in algebra, first in geometry, second in chemistry, first in physics), junior Bowen prize. C. Calder (first in English, second in history, first in geography, first in modern languages, first in geometry, first in chemistry, first in arithmetic, second in algebra, first in physics), examination prize. A. M'Culloch (first in English, second in geography, first in modern languages, first in arithmetic, first in algebra, first in geometry, second in chemistry, second in physics), examination prize. R. S. Hooper (first in history, first in geography, first in Latin, second in arithmetic, first in algebra), examination prize. K. Barnett (first in geometry). W. R. Dodds (second in English, second in modern languages, second in arithmetic, second in chemistry, second in physics). A. E. Fittock (second in English, second in Greek). F. L. Foote (second in English, second in geography). J. T. Hammond (second in geography, second in Latin, second in modern languages). D. Harding (second in English, second in modern languages). D. Henderson (second in geometry, first in chemistry, second in physics). W. Leckey (second in modern languages). A. E. Putman (second in arithmetic).

Form IV.—L. G. Pardoe (first in English group, first in language group, first in mathematics group, first in extra group), form prize. A. F. Bell (first in English group, first in language group, second in mathematics group, first in extra group), examination prize. B. G. Roberts (second in English group, first in language group, first in mathematics group), examination prize. W. Turner (second in English group, second in language group, second in mathematics group, first in extra group), examination prize. H. G. Perkins (second in English group, second in language group, first in mathematics group), examination prize. G. A. Fischer (second in English group, first in language group, second in mathematics group, second in extra group), examination prize. L. Donaldson (second in English group, second in language group, second in mathematics group). D. A. Cameron (second in English group, second in language group). F. R. Guinane (second in English group, second in language group). T. M. Hall (second in English group).

Form III.—R. L. Hall (second in English group, second in language group, second in mathematics group, first in extra

group), form prize. H. Burton (first in English group, second in language group, first in extra group), examination prize. J. A. L. Cooper (second in English group, second in language group, first in mathematics group), examination prize. A. J. Foote (first in English group, first in extra group), examination prize. R. H. Dunshea (second in English group, second in mathematics group, second in extra group). R. C. Johnstone (second in English group, second in language group, second in extra group). F. R. Whitehead (second in language group, second in extra group). C. S. Hooper (second in English group). H. W. Kerr (second in extra group). L. M. Outridge (second in extra group). S. E. Spies (second in English group). F. W. Whitehouse (second in extra group).

Queensland University Examinations, 1913.

Senior.

A. E. Pearse—European history, P; ancient history, P; English, P; algebra, P; Latin, M; Greek, M; German, M.

H. H. Heiner—European history, P; ancient history, P; English, P; trigonometry, P; Latin, P; German, P; chemistry, P.

C. H. Harrison—European history, P; ancient history, P; algebra, P; trigonometry, P; Latin, P; Greek, P; German, P.

E. C. Francis—Algebra, P; trigonometry, M; mechanics, P.

A. E. Pearse and H. H. Heiner won entrance scholarships, and C. H. Harrison and E. C. Francis won teachers' scholarships, tenable at the Queensland University.

Junior.

A. P. Cameron—Geography, M; English, P; arithmetic, P; algebra, M; geometry, M; chemistry, M; history, P.

*A. H. Cole—Geography, M; English, P; German, P; Latin, P; arithmetic, P; algebra, P; geometry, P.

*F. G. Crane—Geography, P; English, P; German, P; Latin, P; arithmetic, M; algebra, P; geometry, M; chemistry, M.

H. C. Cribb—Geography, P; geometry, P; chemistry, P; history, P.

*E. Gee—Geography, P; English, P; German, P; arithmetic, P; English, P; geometry, P; chemistry, P.

*J. T. Henry—Geography, M; English, P; German, P; Latin, P; arithmetic, P; algebra, P; geometry, P; chemistry, M.

F. H. Hodgson—Geography, P; English, P; Latin, P; geometry, P; history, P.

A. P. Hoge—Geography, P; French, P; Latin, P; Greek, P; algebra, P.

R. S. Hooper—Geography, P; arithmetic, P; geometry, P; chemistry, M; history, P.

S. W. Merrell—Geography, P; algebra, P; geometry, P; chemistry, P.

G. W. M'Nally—Geography, P; English, P; Latin, P; arithmetic, P; algebra, P; geometry, P.

W. J. Tunstall—Geography, P; arithmetic, P; algebra, P; geometry, M.

P. G. Williams—Geography, M; arithmetic, P; algebra, P; geometry, P; chemistry, M.

* Awarded extension scholarship by Trustees.

Queensland University Degree Examinations.

Arts—Second year completed: W. Fischer, J. P. M'Carthy, E. J. Stanley.

Arts—First year completed: C. H. Harrison, H. H. Heiner, A. E. Pearse.

Science—First year completed: E. H. Fischer.

Distinctions—Latin II., W. Fischer. History II., C. Jenkyn and E. J. Stanley. Pure Mathematics II., J. P. M'Carthy. Applied Mathematics II., J. P. M'Carthy. Chemistry II., G. B. Watkins. Latin I., A. E. Pearse. Logic and psychology I., A. E. Pearse. Civil engineering I., A. W. Conroy.

Athletic Distinctions—T. Francis, University athletic champion; E. Francis, Australia and Queensland Rugby Union Football; S. Francis, Queensland Rugby Union Football; J. B. Adams, Queensland Rugby League Football.

SENIOR RESULTS, 1914.

	History of Europe	Ancient History	English	German	Latin	Greek	Algebra	Geometry	Trigonometry	Mechanics	Chemistry
Herbert McCulloch	..	..	..	..	P	..	P	P	P	P	P
Gordon E. Weise	..	M	P	..	P	P	..	..	..	..	..
Roy Victor Wilson	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	..	..	..

JUNIOR RESULTS, 1914.

	History	Geography	English	French	German	Latin	Greek	Arithmetic	Algebra	Geometry	Chemistry	Physics
K. P. Barnett	P	P				P		P	P	P	P	P
C. M. Calder	M	M	M		P			P	P	P	P	P
W. R. Dodds		M	M	P				P	P	P	M	M
A. E. Fittock		P	P	P		P	P		P	P		
B. Flewell-Smith	M	M	P		M			M	M	M	M	M
F. L. Foote		M	P	P		P		P	P	P		
E. W. Hall		P	P	P				P	P	P	P	
T. J. Hammond	P	M	P	P	M	P			P	P		
D. H. Harding	P		P	P		P			P	P		
W. T. G. Harper		P	P	P		P			P	P		
D. Henderson		P	P	P				P	P	P	P	P
H. D. Henderson		P		P				P	P	P	P	
R. S. Hooper	M	M				M		P	M	P	P	
W. A. Leckey	M		P		P	P			P	P	P	
A. McCulloch		P	P		P			M	M	P	P	M
F. J. Philp		M			P		P			P		
A. G. B. Putnam	P		P		P	M		P	M	P	P	

S. S. Jones—Geography P, Geometry P, Physics P, Freehand and Geometrical Drawing M

BOARDERS' NOTES.

This year the number of boarders has established a new record. At first it appeared as if we should have well over forty, but several intending boarders did not come, and one bright individual, disapproving of boarding methods, removed himself from our midst and took up a mercantile life. Thus for the first quarter we had 39, but during the last week we received a new arrival.

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The large number of boys soon became apparent by the scarcity of sleeping accommodation. Hitherto we had been supposed capable of holding only 33, but by utilising the old study and the new hospital, the whole 39 were squeezed in. The need for more room was immediately recognised by the Trustees, who made arrangements for the erection of a balcony.

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The balcony has been built on the Northern side of lower dormitory, facing the workshops. It is capable of holding 16 beds in a double row. The balcony is very airy, the

whole of one side being quite open and fitted with Venetian blinds. The balcony is connected to lower dormitory by an archway. The occupants of this new building consist entirely of the bigger boys.

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Lower dorm. has been greatly improved by the cutting of three windows facing the road, and also by receiving two coats of paint. It is now quite the swell "dorm." The big dorm. has lost its "newies' bath," in which the new arrivals were wont to indulge in early morning plunges. We wish to apologise for these lengthy descriptions, but feel sure that they will prove interesting to boarders who have just left.

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We welcome Mr. A. H. Robinson, M.A., and Mr. Francis, our international footballer, as resident masters, while we greatly regret the loss of Mr. Adams, who in the two years that he was with us showed us his sterling qualities both in school and in sporting life. We also take this opportunity of congratulating Mr. Robertson on his engagement. Our only regret is that this will mean that we shall lose him as a resident master, in which capacity he has endeared himself to all the boys.

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Miss Blaine, the Matron, has at last reached the goal of all her ambitions, and possesses a sitting-room—although it is situated perilously near that haven of rest and quiet, the Library.

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P. G. Williams and A. C. G. Cameron paid us visits at the beginning of the year, and incidentally "shouted" a number of us.

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The principal sporting event in the curriculum of boarder life during the first quarter was the Swayne-Barbour fistic contest. This well-fought conflict produced some quite promising local talent, and finally ended in a win on points for the Northern representative.

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The first thing that we noticed this year was that the long-expected locks had arrived for our so-called lockers. The need for locks has long been felt, and early last year they were ordered from England, but owing to constant delays we had almost given up hope of ever getting them.

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Swimming has been greatly patronised by the boarders for the first term, but the facilities offered by the Bremer are not the best. Whenever permission can be obtained a squad marches to the river armed with various garments to indulge in a swim, but they always emerge with duskiere countenances than before. Their enthusiasm has, however, received a check, as a dead, but lively, hound also took an evening dip with a number of our hopefuls.

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When "Get-Rick-Quick Wallingford" visited Ipswich a contingent of 36 boarders visited it and enjoyed themselves greatly.

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An innovation this year is the boot parade, when the boots, after being formed into "company in line," are brought to the "shun" and inspected. The smaller boarders think it scarcely fair that they should be rewarded with the same amount of detention for leaving their "fours" in the dorm. as "Ginger" is for his twelves.

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One night, soon after we came back, none of the lights in the School would work, and hopes were consequently running high that prep. would be avoided, but at the last moment a man arrived to fix the lights.

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Cricket flourishes as usual amongst the boarders. In their last two matches the boarder thirds have disposed of their opponents for 6 and 4 in the first innings. We were particularly successful against the day-boys, winning each of the three matches. In the Firsts we have six members: Harding, Stafford, Ruhno, Barbour, Pardoe and Fischer. Harding is captain and Stafford vice-captain.

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The "newies" celebrations this year were rather slow owing to the number of performers—willing or otherwise. Several capable stage-managers appeared, and owing to their magnanimous efforts the entertainment was brought to a successful conclusion. Sam's "hymn" was perhaps the most appreciated of the items rendered. The races, for the benefit of the "newies," were again as successful as usual, and reflected great credit upon both the promoters and the runners.

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At the beginning of the year an endurance competition began amongst the seniors and juniors. The form of endurance indulged in was studying after all the others

had gone to bed. The winners were Roberts, Henderson and Ross, who survived until 1 o'clock in the morning, and then retired to rest, after taking great care to awaken everybody. After this the Head put a ten o'clock limit to night work.

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Before breaking-up last year the Boarders presented Mrs. Lawrance with a handsome brooch. Mrs. Lawrance was always very popular with the boys, and we all hope that she will pay us a visit during the year.

SCHOOL OFFICERS.

Dux—Crane.

Prefects—H. Cribb, D. Harding, B. Flewell-Smith, Crane, F. Foote, A. Bell.

School Club Committee—Fischer, Flewell-Smith, Harding, Ruhno, Stafford, Dalton, McCulloch, F. Foote.

Magazine Committee—Crane (Editor), Harding (Sports Editor), Flewell-Smith (Business Editor), F. Foote, Bell.

Cricket Captain—D. Harding.

Cricket Sub-committee—Mr. Francis, Harding, Stafford.

Football Captain—D. Harding.

Football Sub-committee—Mr. Francis, Harding, Dalton.

Tennis Sub-committee—Mr. Meyer, McCulloch, Stafford.

Literary Sub-committee—Mr. Robertson, B. Flewell-Smith, Crane.

VALETE.

R. V. Wilson. Entered January, 1910; left December, 1914—Dux of School, 1914; passed Junior, 1912; Senior, 1914; University Scholarship; Senior Prefect, 1914; Football Colours; Sergeant Cadet Corps.

G. Weise. Entered February, 1909; left December, 1914—Passed Junior, 1911; Senior, 1914; Teacher's Scholarship; Prefect, 1914; Football Colours.

E. C. Knowles. Entered July, 1913; left December, 1914—Prefect, 1914; Cricket and Tennis Captain; Football Colours; Athletic Team; Lieutenant Cadet Corps; Vice-President Students' Christian Union.

H. C. Cribb. Entered January, 1910; left April, 1915—Passed Junior, 1913; Senior Prefect, 1915; Colours Football and Cricket; Sergeant Cadet Corps.

- H. McCulloch.** Entered 1910; left December, 1914—Passed Junior, 1912; Senior, 1914; University Scholarship; Cricket Colours 1914.
- C. E. Williams.** Entered February, 1911; left December, 1914—Colours Football, Cricket and Tennis.
- R. S. Hooper.** Entered February, 1911; left December, 1914—Passed Junior, 1913 and 1914; Football Colours; Athletic Team; Corporal Cadet Corps.
- W. L. McKee.** Entered July, 1911; left December, 1914—Football and Cricket Colours; Swimming and Athletic Teams; Corporal Cadet Corps.
- K. P. Barnett.** Entered February, 1911; left December, 1914—Passed Junior, 1914; Lance-Corporal Cadet Corps.
- S. E. Jones.** Entered February, 1912; left December, 1914—Passed Junior, 1914; Football Colours; Athletic Team.
- A. E. B. Putnam.** Entered February, 1912; left December, 1914—Passed Junior, 1914; Lance-Corporal Cadet Corps.
- E. F. Warbrick.** Entered February, 1912; left December, 1914.
- E. W. Hall.** Entered February, 1912; left December, 1914—Passed Junior, 1914; Corporal Cadet Corps.
- W. T. G. Harper.** Entered February, 1912; left December, 1914—Passed Junior, 1914.
- J. T. Hammond.** Entered February, 1912; left December, 1914—Passed Junior, 1914.
- W. A. Leckey.** Entered February, 1912; left December, 1914—Passed Junior, 1914.
- F. J. Philp.** Entered February, 1912; left December, 1914—Passed Junior, 1914.
- A. E. Fittock.** Entered July, 1912; left December, 1914—Passed Junior, 1914.
- G. H. Thomas.** Entered February, 1912; left December, 1914.
- C. E. Chauvel.** Entered July, 1912; left December, 1914.
- J. Hennessy.** Entered February, 1914; left December, 1914.
- E. W. Morton.** Entered February, 1914; left December, 1914.
- J. T. Walmsley.** Entered July, 1914; left December, 1914.
- T. F. Brenneke.** Entered July, 1914; left December, 1914.

SALVETE.

Entered January, 1915.

State Scholars: C. W. B. Shenton, F. G. Perkins, H. P. Bolton, M. Campbell, L. G. Fox, R. M. Williams, W. G. Henderson, N. D.

Cunningham, N. S. Pennell, G. J. Tite, A. J. Glover, P. O. Brookes, H. L. Skellern, H. G. C. Williams, D. J. Thomas, R. J. Richards, F. S. Sutton, C. C. Cribb, C. E. Tongue, W. R. Winks, L. L. Richards, C. W. Harrison, P. H. Outridge (re-entered), J. Hoare, A. T. T. Arundel, I. M. Armstrong, S. C. Pettigrew, D. S. Wyper, A. Thomson, T. T. Jenkyn, C. G. Stott, W. L. L. Frederick, E. V. Jensen, C. Y. Foote, T. R. S. Fox, F. A. Lobb, K. Scott, V. N. L. Walker, R. A. H. Hadley, G. B. Barnett, D. Macarthur, F. T. Hooper, J. Taylor, L. A. Wiss, W. R. Thomson, M. Wenck.

Entered February: L. M. Lucas.

Entered March: M. Macdonald.

CRICKET.

SCHOOL v. TOOWOOMBA.

The annual Chelmsford Cup match was played under ideal weather conditions on the North Ipswich Reserve. F. Barbour won the toss from Knowles and elected to bat. Toowoomba did not show their true batting form, but on the other hand the bowling of Stafford and Knowles was very accurate. The former secured the excellent figures of 6 for 19, and the latter 4 for 24. They bowled unchanged in a small total of 47, of which Stark made 16, the only double figure score. The School opened disastrously in their first innings, Knowles being caught before he scored. In fact, we only totalled 64, of which Williams, by sound and patient batting made 33, an invaluable innings. The nearest approach to this was 7 by Dalton. Both sides were dismissed therefore on a good wicket for a little over 100 runs. Forbes took 5 wickets for 21 and Browne 4 for 29. Toowoomba's only chance now was to hit up about 100 runs quickly and endeavour to get us out. They showed what they could do by rattling up 119 for 7 wickets in a very short space of time. F. Barbour and Lloyd batted brightly and cleanly for 40 and 45 respectively. McCulloch i took 2 for 6 and Knowles 3 for 51. Toowoomba's endeavour to get us out again was vain, but we appreciated their gallant effort. When time was called the School had 5 down for 72; Stafford's 22, Williams' 15, Knowles' 13 were the best efforts, although McCulloch i kept his end up well for 4 not out, taking no risks. Although the scores were small, the match was keenly contested from beginning to end, and all honour is due to the bowlers on both sides.

T.G.S., 1st innings.		I.G.S., 1st innings.	
Stark, c Stafford, b Knowles ..	16	Knowles, c Lloyd, b Forbes ..	0
R. Barbour, c Ruhno, b Knowles	0	Harding, b Forbes	3
Kent, b Stafford	0	Williams, not out	33
Forbes, b Stafford	4	Stafford, c Stark, b Browne ..	5
F. Barbour, b Knowles	6	McCulloch ii, c Lloyd, b Forbes	3
W. Broome, c Knowles, b Staf-		Dalton, l.b.w., Forbes	7
ford	3	Ruhno, c Forbes, b Browne ..	0
Lloyd, b Stafford	4	McKee, b Forbes	2
Olson, c Pardoe, b Stafford ..	0	Pardoe, b Browne	4
Seaton, c Williams, b Stafford ..	0	McCulloch i, b Lloyd	3
Campbell, not out	0	Cribb, c and b Browne	1
Brazier, b Knowles	2	Sundries	3
Sundries	4		
Total ..	47	Total ..	64

Bowling: Stafford, 6 for 19; Knowles, 4 for 24. Bowling analysis: Forbes, 5 for 19; Browne, 4 for 29; Lloyd, 1 for 6.

T.G.S., 2nd innings.		I.G.S., 2nd innings.	
Stark, b Stafford	0	Williams, c Seaton, b Browne ..	15
Forbes, b Knowles	13	Knowles, c F. Barbour, b Forbes	13
Campbell, c McCulloch, b Knowles	8	Harding, b Browne	8
Knowles	8	Stafford, b Seaton	22
F. Barbour, c Cribb, b Dalton ..	40	McCulloch ii, not out	4
R. Barbour, h.o.w., Knowles ..	5	Dalton, b Forbes	6
Lloyd, h.o.w., McCulloch	45	McKee, not out	3
Browne, b McCulloch	0		
Kent, not out	2	Total for 5 wickets ..	72
Sundries	6		
Total for 7 wickets ..	119	Bowling analysis: Forbes, 2 for 41; Browne, 2 for 16; Seaton, 1 for 6.	

Bowling analysis: Knowles, 3 for 51; Stafford, 1 for 12; Dalton, 1 for 17; McCulloch, 2 for 6.

FIRST XI. v. ROSEWOOD.

On Saturday, 6th February, the Firsts journeyed to Rosewood to play the local team. Rosewood, winning the toss, batted first, but could not withstand our attack. Mr. Francis obtained the splendid average of 8 for 4. In Rosewood's second innings those who had not batted on our side had a chance with the ball, Cribb taking 3 for 9. For the School Mr. Francis batted well, but was caught on attempting to hit out; Stafford remained unconquered for 38.

Rosewood, 1st innings.		School, 1st innings.	
R. Bourke, c Pardoe, b Mr. Francis	1	Mr. Francis, c Young, b E. Hogan	39
J. Young, b Mr. Francis	1	McCulloch, c Bourke, b Tait ..	13
E. J. Hogan, b Mr. Francis	1	Stafford, not out	38
J. Hogan, b Mr. Francis	1	Dalton, c Akes, b Bourke	1
J. Tait, b Stafford	0	Harding, not out	8
W. Keane, c and b Stafford	0	Sundries	10
R. Akes, c and b Mr. Francis ..	5		
C. Darcatz, not out	2	Total for 3 wickets ..	104
E. B. Bertwhistle, b Mr. Francis	0		
T. Haines, b Mr. Francis	0	Bowling analysis: E. J. Hogan, 1 for 31; R. Bourke, 1 for 20; J. Tait, 1 for 25.	
W. Bennett, b Mr. Francis	1		
Sundries	1		
Total ..	11		

Bowling analysis: Mr. Francis, 8 for 4; Stafford, 2 for 6.

Rosewood, 2nd innings.		W. Bennett, not out	
R. Akes, c and b Cribb	0	Sundries	1
E. J. Hogan, b Cribb	1		
R. Bourke, b Barbour	6	Total for 7 wickets ..	26
J. Young, b Cribb	0		
E. Bertwhistle, run out	5	Bowling analysis: Barbour, 1 for 8; Cribb, 3 for 9; Lindsay, 1 for 3; Ruhno, 1 for 0.	
W. Keane, not out	9		
J. Tait, c Barbour, b Ruhno ..	0		
T. Haines, c Barbour, b Lindsay	0		

FIRST XI. v. BLAIRS.

This match was played on the 13th and the 20th of February. Blairs batted first and compiled 176, M. Campbell and H. Biddle being the chief contributors, obtaining 46 and 44 respectively. For us, Mr. Meyer, Stafford, Harding, and McCulloch took 2 wickets each. The School's first innings only totalled 60, chiefly through the bowling of Boldery, who gathered 8 wickets at the expense of 23 runs. McCulloch 21, and Mr. Meyer 14, were our only batsmen to reach double figures. School then followed on and did somewhat better, making 96 (Stafford 40, and Harding 21). E. C. Knowles, our late captain, took 8 for 33 for the Blairs.

Blairs, 1st innings.		School, 1st innings.	
E. C. Knowles, b Mr. Meyer ..	12	Mr. Meyer, b Boldery	14
H. Biddle, c Lindsay, b Mr. Meyer ..	44	McCulloch, c Ploetz, b Biddle ..	21
Meyer	44	Stafford, st Patrick, b Boldery ..	6
V. E. Pascoe, run out	0	Dalton, st Patrick, b Boldery ..	5
M. Campbell, b Stafford	46	Harding, c Sub., b Boldery ..	4
T. Ploetz, c and b Stafford	6	Ruhno, b Boldery	0
A. Patrick, c Ruhno, b Dalton ..	20	Barbour, c Knowles, b Boldery ..	2
F. Beer, b Dalton	17	Pardoe, b Biddle	1
H. Boldery, c George, b Harding ..	3	George, st Patrick, b Boldery ..	0
A. Rodway, b Harding	8	Cribb, not out	1
W. Cummings, not out	3	Lindsay, c Patrick, b Boldery ..	1
Sundries	19	Sundries	5
Total for 9 wickets ..	176	Total ..	60

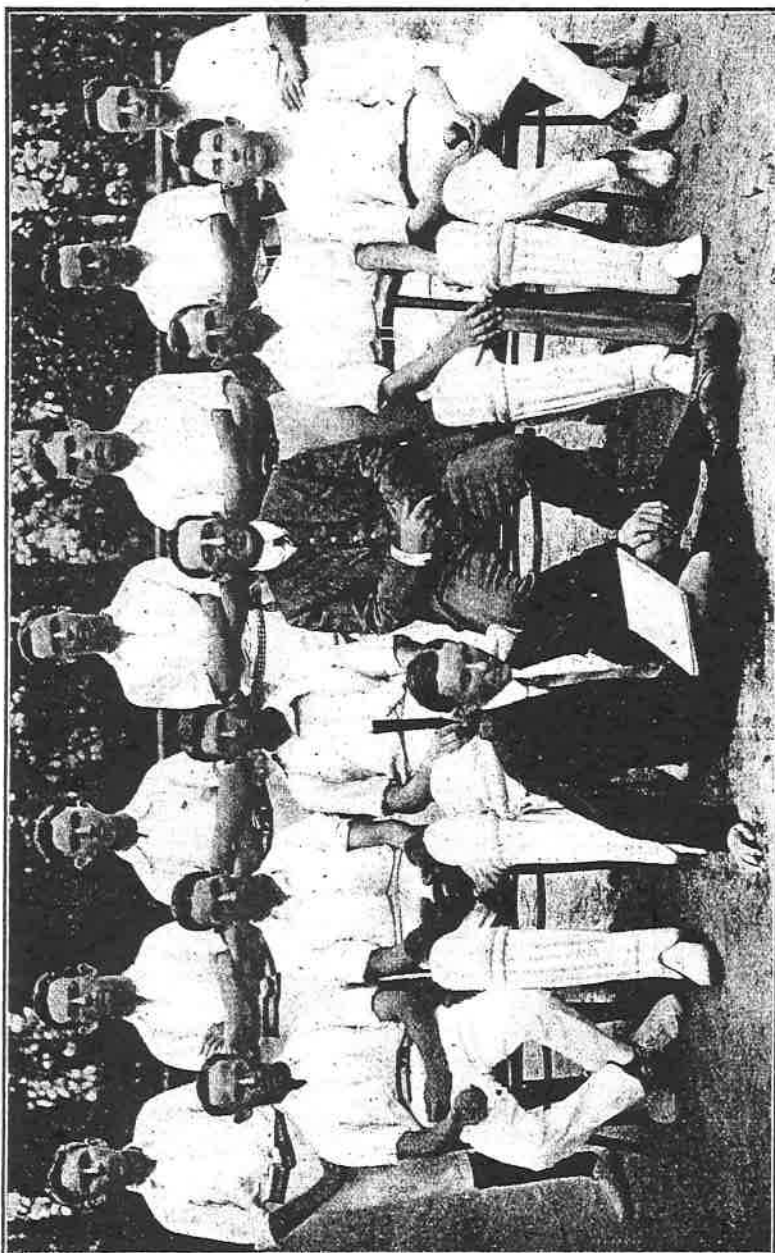
Bowling analysis: Stafford, 2 for 33; Mr. Meyer, 2 for 45; Dalton, 2 for 29; Harding, 2 for 30. Bowling analysis: Biddle, 2 for 6; Boldery, 8 for 23.

School, 2nd innings.		George, b Knowles	
Stafford, l.b.w., Biddle	40	Lindsay, not out	0
Ruhno, b Knowles	1	Sundries	8
Mr. Meyer, c Pascoe, b Knowles ..	8		
McCulloch, c Boldery, b Knowles ..	0	Total ..	96
Harding, b Boldery	22		
Dalton, c Campbell, b Knowles ..	11	Bowling analysis: Knowles, 8 for 33; H. Biddle, 1 for 19; Boldery, 1 for 26.	
Barbour, b Knowles	0		
Pardoe, c Beer, b Knowles	2		
Cribb, c Biddle, b Knowles	4		

FIRST XI. v. ST. PAUL'S.

St. Paul's won the toss and decided to bat first. The total of the innings amounted to 149, H. Wyman 44, H. Wacker 37, and C. Merrell 27, being the chief scorers. In the bowling Harding got 4 for 20, and Dalton 4 for 29.

Mr. Meyer and McCulloch opened for the School. They settled down steadily to the bowling, the partnership yielding 64. Merrell then bowled McCulloch, who had



played an attractive innings, for 41. Stafford then joined Mr. Meyer, who was caught shortly afterwards at 38. Stafford carried his score to 30, backed up by Dalton 25, and Harding 20.

St. Paul's commenced their second innings, and at the drawing of stumps were 4 for 53.

St. Paul's, 1st innings.		School, 1st innings.	
C. Merrell, b Harding	23	Mr. Meyer, c Sims, b Merrell	38
D. Thompson, l.b.w., Mr. Meyer	1	McCulloch, b C. Merrell	41
H. Wacker, b Dalton	37	Stafford, c Buchan, b Wyman	30
H. Haenke, b Dalton	9	Dalton, b Wyman	25
C. McKenzie, b Harding	0	Harding, b Wyman	20
P. Buchan, b Dalton	9	Ruhno, b Wacker	10
N. Wyman, b Harding	44	Barbour, b Merrell	0
J. Donald, run out	4	Barbour, b Wacker	10
H. Pilkington, b Harding	3	Cribb, not out	4
J. Patrick, not out	10	J. R. Lindsay, b Wacker	2
R. Sims, c Fischer, b Dalton	1	Fischer, b Wyman	0
Sundries	8	Sundries	8
Total	149	Total	188

Bowling analysis: Mr. Meyer, 1 for 51; Dalton, 4 for 29; Harding, 4 for 20.

Bowling analysis: C. Merrell, 1 for 61; H. Wacker, 3 for 31; N. Wyman, 4 for 20.

St. Paul's, 2nd innings.	
H. Haenke, c Harding, b Dalton	21
N. Wyman, b Stafford	0
J. Donald, b Stafford	14
R. Sims, run out	7
J. Patrick, not out	2
Sundries	7

Total for 4 wickets. 53

Bowling analysis: Stafford, 2 for 24; Dalton, 1 for 1.

PRESENT BOYS v. PAST BOYS.

The annual match between the Present and Past Boys was played on the School wicket on 17th March. The match again resulted in a win for the Present Boys. Dinner and afternoon tea were provided for both teams at the School. The day was hot and dry and well suited for the game.

C. E. Cossart was elected the Old Boys' captain, and winning the toss decided to bat. The innings resulted in 61 runs, T. Francis and D. Wilson being the best performers. Mr. Francis was the chief destroying agent with 6 wickets at a cost of 23 runs. Play was then adjourned for lunch. On resuming play the Presents opened with Mr. Francis. The innings yielded 115; McCulloch top scoring with 33. The Pasts tried nine bowlers with little success, except L. Ward, who took 3 for 16. In their second innings the Old Boys collapsed utterly, and only gathered together 13 runs. This was chiefly owing to the fine bowling of Mr. Francis, 6 for 5; and W. C. Barbour, 2 for 0.

Old Boys, 1st innings.		School, 1st innings.	
E. Stanley, b Mr. Francis	5	Mr. Francis, l.b.w., T. Francis	3
G. Hargreaves, b Mr. Francis	3	McCulloch, c Cossart, b T. Francis	33
C. E. Cossart, b Mr. Francis	3	Francis	2
W. Conwell, b Mr. Francis	1	Mr. Kerr, b T. Francis	2
T. Francis, run out	15	Stafford, h.o.w., Conwell	10
D. Wilson, c and b Dalton	13	Dalton, run out	2
G. Cribb, b Mr. Francis	0	Harding, c Wheeling, b Wilson	13
R. Robinson, c Mr. Kerr, b Mr. Francis	0	Ruhno, b Ward	16
J. Wheeling, c Barbour, b Harding	3	Barbour, c Wilson, b Ward	15
L. Ward, b Barbour	3	Pardoe, b Cossart	6
H. Pettigrew, not out	0	Cribb, c G. Cribb, b Ward	1
Sundries	12	Fischer, not out	4
		Sundries	10
Total	61	Total	115

Bowling analysis: Mr. Francis, 6 for 22; Dalton, 1 for 17; Barbour, 1 for 0.

Bowling analysis: T. Francis, 3 for 25; Conwell, 1 for 21; Wilson, 1 for 8; Ward, 3 for 16; Cossart, 1 for 0.

Old Boys, 2nd innings.		G. Cribb, c Mr. Kerr, b Barbour	
E. Stanley, run out	1	J. Wheeling, l.b.w., Barbour	0
T. Francis, b Mr. Francis	0	L. Ward, not out	0
G. Hargreaves, b Mr. Francis	0	Sundries	2
C. E. Cossart, b Mr. Francis	1		
D. Wilson, b Stafford	1	Total	13
W. Conwell, b Mr. Francis	1		
H. Pettigrew, b Mr. Francis	1	Bowling analysis: Mr. Francis, 6 for 5; Stafford, 1 for 6; Barbour, 2 for 0.	
R. Robinson, c McCulloch, b Mr. Francis	0		

FIRST XI. v. ALBERTS.

This match was played on March 27th and April 10th. The Alberts batted first and treated us to an afternoon's fielding, making the big total of 241 for the loss of six wickets. The top score was made by H. Windley, who compiled 82. Other scores were: E. Watson 64, H. Von Lossberg 42, Rev. McAuley 12 not out, L. Watson 11, and S. Shelley 11. Lindsay with 1 for 0, and Barbour, 2 for 36, were the most successful bowlers.

The match was continued on April 10th, but as the Easter holidays were not over only six of our team turned up. In the first innings they were dismissed for the very small total of 4, of which Harding made 3. The Rev. McAuley took 5 wickets for no runs. The School's second attempt yielded 24, Harding top-scoring with 13. H. Von Lossberg was the most successful bowler with 2 for 0.

Alberts, 1st innings.		School, 1st innings.	
H. Von Lossberg, c McCulloch, b Dalton	42	McCulloch, c Williamson, b McAuley	0
EL. Windley, c Barbour, b McCulloch	82	Dalton, st I. Watson, b McAuley	1
L. Watson, h.o.w., Barbour	11	Harding, b McAuley	3
S. Shelley, b Barbour	11	Fox, b McAuley	0
E. Watson, c Fischer, b Lindsay	64	Fischer, not out	0
W. Brown, b McCulloch	1	Lindsay, b Auley	0
Rev. McAuley, not out	12		
Sundries	18	Total	4
Total	241	Bowling analysis: Rev. McAuley, 5 for 0.	

Bowling: Dalton, 1 for 49; Barbour, 2 for 36; McCulloch, 2 for 33; Lindsay, 1 for 0.

School, 2nd innings.		Fox, st I. Watson, b L. Watson	
McCulloch, c L. Watson, b McAuley	4	Sundries	3
Dalton, b Von Lossberg	0	Total	24
Harding, c Peel, b L. Watson	13		
Fischer, b Von Lossberg	0	Bowling analysis: Von Lossberg, 2 for 0; McAuley, 1 for 11; L. Watson, 2 for 4; Windley, 1 for 6.	
Lindsay, h.o.w., Windley	1		

BOARDERS v. DAY-BOYS.

Contrary to the usual custom, this match was played to a finish, and lasted four Wednesday afternoons. The match created a great deal of interest, particularly as the scores were equal in the first innings.

The day-boys batted first, and made 66, Dalton 13, Fox 11, and Foote iii 10, reaching double figures. Stafford, with 4 for 24, and Barbour, with 3 for 10, were the most successful bowlers. The boarders now batted, also compiling 66, of which total Ruhno made 24 not out and Harding 23. Mr. Meyer and Dalton bowled well for 6 and 4 for 27 respectively. The day-boys in their second innings did much better, making 126. McCulloch, unfortunately, had to retire after batting well for 37. Fox 19, and Dalton 18, were the other chief scorers. Harding secured the best bowling average with 5 for 33. The boarders now commenced their second innings with the determination not to be beaten, and Mr. Francis and Harding rattled the score up to 90 before Harding was bowled for a good 31. Mr. Francis was shortly afterwards bowled for 52. Hooper with 28 not out, was the next chief scorer. Foote iii, with 1 for 5, obtained the best average.

Day Boys, 1st innings.		Boarders, 1st innings.	
Mr. Meyer, c Barbour, b Mr. Francis	6	Mr. Francis, b Dalton	2
McCulloch, l.b.w., Mr. Francis	5	Stafford, b Mr. Meyer	0
Dalton, c Hooper, b Harding	13	Mr. Kerr, c Fox, b Dalton	0
Cribb, b Stafford	0	Mr. Robinson, b Mr. Meyer	0
Lindsay, b Barbour	8	Harding, c Lindsay, b Dalton	23
Smith, c Ruhno, b Barbour	1	Barbour, b Dalton	1
Fox, not out	11	Pardoe, b Mr. Meyer	0
Gee, b Barbour	0	Hooper, c McCulloch, b Mr. Meyer	2
Foote iii, c Mr. Robinson, b Stafford	10	Ruhno, not out	24
Hoare, c Mr. Kerr, b Stafford	1	George, b Mr. Meyer	8
Foote i, b Stafford	0	Fischer, b Mr. Meyer	2
Sundries	8	Sundries	4
Total	66	Total	66

Bowling analysis: Stafford, 4 for 24; Mr. Francis, 2 for 17; Barbour, 3 for 10; Harding, 1 for 7.

Bowling analysis: Dalton, 4 for 27; Mr. Meyer, 6 for 27.

Day Boys, 2nd innings.		Foote iii, c Sub., b Mr. Francis	
Mr. Meyer, c Stafford, b Harding	12	Hoare, c Mr. Francis, b Harding	0
McCulloch, retired	37	Foote i, not out	2
Dalton, b Mr. Robinson	18	Sundries	17
Cribb, b Harding	0	Total	126
Fox, c and b Harding	19		
Lindsay, c and b Stafford	2	Bowling analysis: Mr. Francis, 1 for 23; Stafford, 2 for 31; Harding, 5 for 33; Mr. Robinson, 1 for 14.	
Smith, c Flewell-Smith, b Stafford	0		
Gee, b Harding	10		

Boarders, 2nd innings.	George, b Mr. Meyer 1
Mr. Francis, b Dalton 52	Fischer, b Foote 16
Harding, c Dalton, b Lindsay 31	Sundries 23
Stafford, run out 6	
Mr. Robinson, b Mr. Meyer .. . 2	Total .. 190
Ruhno, c Lindsay, b McCulloch 15	
Mr. Kerr, b Dalton 3	Bowling: Mr. Meyer, 1 for 79;
Barbour, c McCulloch, b Dalton 1	Dalton, 3 for 48; Lindsay, 2 for
Pardoe, b Lindsay 12	19; McCulloch, 2 for 11; Foote, 1
Hooper, not out 28	for 5.

CRICKET CHARACTERS.

Barbour—A fair batsman, who would be much better if he cultivated defence; an effective change bowler; fields very well.

Cribb—Batting not strong and only a fair wicketkeeper.

Dalton—A much improved bowler, who has done effective work in matches; bats freely, although not quite orthodox in his methods; good fieldsman.

Fischer—Sure fieldsman; with practise should make a good left-hand batsman.

George—Has good style as a batsman, but rather weak in defence; requires plenty of practise in fielding.

Harding (captain)—Has done some effective batting in matches in spite of a rather cramped style; a fair length bowler; good field.

***Knowles**—Last year's captain; has fine strokes all round the wicket; scores freely and quickly; an excellent bowler and a brilliant fieldsman.

Lindsay—Wastes too much energy in batting; not strong in defence; fair field, but not energetic enough.

***McCulloch i**—Moderate batsman and fair field.

McCulloch ii—Makes some excellent shots on both sides of the wicket; is overcoming tendency to hit across when well set; now one of our most reliable batsmen; should seriously practise bowling.

***McKee**—A fair left-hand batsman; good style, but not strong defence; fair field.

Pardoe—Is improving in batting and overcoming tendency to let the ball hit the bat; reliable fieldsman.

Ruhno—Rather cramped batsman; should try to swing his bat more freely; should improve as a wicket-keeper.

Stafford—A good forcing batsman, who also has a good defence when he sets his mind to it; bowls with plenty of vim when fresh and has some good bowling records.

***Williams**—Has often proved himself a mainstay in batting; bowls a very fair ball; a fairly reliable wicket-keeper.

Those marked * left at Christmas.

FIRST ELEVEN AVERAGES.

Batting.					
	No. of Innings.	Not Out.	Highest Score.	Total.	Average.
*Knowles	.. 11	1	82	258	25.8
Stafford	.. 15	1	40	263	18.8
*Williams	.. 10	1	†33	133	14.8
Harding	.. 17	1	49	171	10.8
A. McCulloch	17	1	41	167	10.4
*McKee	.. 10	3	24	48	6.9
Dalton	.. 17	2	25	98	6.5
Ruhno	.. 11	2	†17	50	5.6
Pardoe	.. 8	—	10	34	4.3
Barbour	.. 7	—	15	21	3
Cribb	.. 8	3	†4	14	2.8
*H. McCulloch	8	1	†6	19	2.7
Fischer	.. 4	2	†4	4	2
Lindsay	.. 5	1	2	4	1

* Left at Christmas. † Not out.

Bowling.					
Barbour	..	6 wickets for	60	Average	10
Knowles	.. 39	"	485	"	12.4
Stafford	.. 32	"	464	"	14.5
Dalton	.. 19	"	274	"	14.6
McCulloch	.. 4	"	84	"	21
Harding	.. 15	"	337	"	22.5

SECOND XI. MATCHES.

On October 24th the Seconds played the C.Y.M.S. on our own wicket. The Seconds batting first secured 94 (Cribb 26, Fox 21, Pardoe 16). C.Y.'s first innings secured 67 (Connors 30, Jones 12). In second innings Seconds secured 24 (George 8 not out), and the C.Y.'s 65 (McLeary 21). The C.Y.'s thus won by 14 runs.

On the 7th November the Grammars B played the Alberts B, the result being a win for the Alberts by six wickets and three runs. In 1st innings Grammars B 81 (Flewell-Smith 30, Fox 12), and Alberts B 87 (Biddle 16). In 2nd innings Grammars B 96 (Barbour 26, McCulloch 27), and Alberts B, 4 wickets for 92.

On November 21 the Grammars B played a match against the St. Paul's representatives, which resulted in a win for St. Paul's by 97 on first innings. St. Paul's 1st innings secured 117 (Gill 32, Deddman 27), and the Grammars, 8 wickets for 20 (Lindsay 8).

On 6th February the Grammar B played the Alberts on our own wicket, the match resulting in an easy win for the Alberts by

9 wickets. Grammars, 1st innings, 24 (Barbour 5, Flewell-Smith 4), and the Alberts 96 (Morris 30, Selby 22). In second innings the Grammars secured 79 (Barbour 44, Smith 12), and the Alberts 1 wicket for 8.

On February 20th Grammars B played Woodend B, the match resulting in an easy victory for Woodend by an innings and 80 runs. Grammars, 1st innings, 32 (Fox 9, J. Foote 6), and Woodend 133 (Woodgate 40, Sydes 30). Grammars, second innings 21 (Henderson 4, Fisher 4).

On March 13th the Grammars B played a match against Tivoli, who won by a margin of 70. Woodend batting first secured 48 (Barker 13), and the Grammars followed on with 23 (Hooper 8, Foote 4 not out). In the second innings Tivoli secured 81 (Barker 32, Tracey 16), and the Grammars 33 (Fox 8, Smith 7).

We offer our congratulations to Johnstone, of the Third B Cricket team on obtaining the total of 88 wickets during the past season, and also to Macarthur for his 49 wickets obtained since Christmas with the Third A team.

THIRD A.

As there were so many boarders under the age of fifteen at the beginning of last season, it was decided to form a team, under the name of Third A, to take part in the School grade Cricket Union. We were not too successful on account of not having any good bowlers at the beginning of the season, and fielding was not of a high standard; but after the Xmas holidays we received two good bowlers, Outridge and Macarthur, the latter receiving an average of 4.7. The most successful batsman was George, with an average of 33. The results of the matches are as follows:—

v. West Ipswich. Lost by 37 runs on 1st innings.

Batting: Hooper 25; Morton 26 and 13; Macartney 12 and 18 not out; Bannerman 10. Bowling: Morton, 3 for 18; Matthews, 2 for 12.

v. Central. Lost by 3 wickets and 27 runs.

Batting: George 10 and 15 not out; Matthews 14 not out; Hooper 22; Morton 19. Bowling: Dunshea, 3 for 17; Morton, 2 for 11.

v. Grammar B's. Won by 51 runs.

Batting: Matthews 20; Swayne 12 not out; George 63 not out; Siemon 15 not out. Bowling: George, 13 for 39.

v. North Ipswich. Won by 14 runs.

Batting: Hooper 34; George 19 and 33 not out; Macartney 25 not out and 37 not out. Bowling: George, 5 for 29.

v. Central. Lost by an innings and 1 run.

Batting: George 13; Hooper 18; Dunshea 15. Bowling: Morton, 4 for 18; George, 3 for 18.

v. West Ipswich. Won by 9 wickets and 2 runs.

Batting: Hooper 27. Bowling: Outridge, 6 for 17.

v. Grammar B's. Lost by 6 wickets and 45 runs on 1st innings.

Batting: Nicholson 15; Bannerman 11. Bowling: Outridge, 2 for 44.

v. North Ipswich. Won by 14 runs.

Batting: Hooper 25; Macartney 11. Bowling: Outridge, 11 for 21; Dunshea, 1 for 0.

v. Grammar B's. Lost by 43 on 1st innings.

Batting: Bannerman 18; Outridge 15; Macartney 14. Bowling: Macartney, 2 for 0; Outridge, 5 for 42.

v. Central. Lost by 21 runs on first innings.

Batting: Bannerman 5; Dunshea 5 and 5 not out. Bowling: Macarthur, 9 for 40; Nicholson, 4 for 11.

v. West Ipswich. Won by an innings and 10 runs.

Batting: Siemon 9 not out. Bowling: Macarthur, 12 for 8.

v. North Ipswich. Won by an innings and 94 runs.

Batting: Hooper 45; Matthews 18; Burton 15; Swayne 12 not out. Bowling: Outridge, 5 for 8; Macarthur, 8 for 7.

AVERAGES.

THIRD A. (School Grade).

The chief batting and bowling averages of the Third A team are as follows:—

Batting.			
Name.	Innings.	Runs.	Average.
George	8	165	33
Hooper	20	237	11.85
Macartney	15	164	10.9
Morton	8	62	7.7
Matthews	14	83	5.9
Burton	5	29	5.8
Siemon	9	51	5.6
Bowling.			
Name.	Wickets.	Runs.	Average.
Macarthur	42	198	4.7
George	23	114	5
Outridge	39	205	5.3
Morton	14	97	7
Matthews	5	40	8
Nicholson	9	79	8.7
Dunshea	25	248	9.9

THIRD B.

At the beginning of the Cricket season 1914 the Third B Cricket Team was formed. During the season 12 matches were played:

v. Central. Won by Central by 7 wickets and 72 runs.

Batting: Little 11; Hennessy 7. Bowling: Easton, 7 for 26; Johnstone, 3 for 44.

v. Third A. Won by Third A by 51 runs.

Batting: Shelley 26; Johnstone 14; Little 19. Bowling: Johnstone, 6 for 19.

v. West Ipswich. Won by 41 runs on first innings.

Batting: Maughan 25; Easton 15. Bowling: Easton, 5 for 47; Shelley, 1 for 8.

v. North Ipswich.

Batting: Collet 21; Johnstone 19. Bowling: Johnstone, 5 for 12; Shelley, 2 for 3.

v. North Ipswich. Won by 19 runs.

Batting: Hennessy 37; Easton 22. Bowling: Easton, 6 for 12.

v. Central. Won by Central by 46 runs.

Batting: Collet 14; Hennessy 22; Easton 15. Bowling: Maughan 5 for 12; Johnstone, 8 for 18.

v. Third. Won by 6 wickets and 35 runs.

Batting: Henderson 53; Johnstone 39. Bowling: Shelley, 4 for 22; Henderson, 1 for 0.

v. West Ipswich. Won by 45 runs on first innings.

Batting: Henderson 19; Shelley 15. Bowling: Johnstone, 5 for 12.

v. Third A. Won by 46 runs on first innings.

Batting: Little 23; Collet 23. Bowling: Easton, 4 for 16.

v. North Ipswich. Won by 6 wickets and 42 runs.

Batting: Easton 20; Henderson 19. Bowling: Easton, 4 for 7; Henderson, 2 for 0.

v. Central. Won by 15 on first innings.

Batting: Little 13; Williams 10. Bowling: Johnstone, 6 for 16; Easton, 2 for 7.

v. West Ipswich. Won by an innings and 50 runs.

Batting: Johnstone 25; Jensen 15. Bowling: Easton, 11 for 3; Johnstone, 6 for 7.

AVERAGES.

THIRD B. (School Grade).

The chief batting and bowling averages of the Third B Cricket Team are as follows:—

Batting.

Name.	Innings.	Runs.	Average.
Henderson ..	8	120	15
Hennessy ..	10	99	9.9
Collett ..	17	141	8.3
Easton ..	16	129	8.1
Johnstone ..	16	128	8
Jensen ..	5	40	8
Richards ..	3	20	6.7
Little ..	14	84	6.2
Williams ..	2	12	6
Shelley ..	17	98	5.8
Cribb ..	1	5	5

Bowling.

Name.	Wickets.	Runs.	Average.
Henderson ..	4	15	3.7
Johnstone ..	88	421	4.7
Easton ..	49	274	5.5
Jensen ..	6	33	5.5
Shelley ..	21	130	6.2
Williams ..	7	62	8.9
Maughan ..	7	67	9.6

LITERARY SOCIETY NOTES.

The first meeting of the year was held on Saturday, February 20th. There was a very good attendance and twenty-six new members were elected. The evening was devoted to a series of debates, boarders versus day-boys in each case; subjects and speakers being as under:—
(1) That a decimal system of weights and measures ought to be adopted in Australia. For (day-boys), Crane and Grimley. Against (boarders), Nicholson, Outridge and Flewell-Smith. Mr. Shuttlewood also spoke, and gave a clear explanation of the numerous benefits of a decimal system.

(2) That Compulsory Military Training is necessary for the adequate defence of Australia. For (boarders), Flewell-Smith, Henderson ii, Pettigrew, Bell, Outridge i. Against (day-boys), Guinane, Cameron, Crane, Henderson iii.

(3) That English spelling ought to be reformed. For (day-boys), Foote i and Cameron. Against (boarders), Henderson i, Hooper i, Bell, Outridge i.

(4) That a boarding-school is preferable to a day-school. For (boarders), Bell, Hall iii, Hooper i, Bell. Against (day-boys), Little, Foote i. This debate caused much amusement and produced the most lively discussion of the whole evening.

Judges awarded points to each speaker, and the results were in favour of the day-boys, who won two debates and lost one, the points in the second debate being approximately equal.

Although as yet we have reached no high standard of oratory, most of the speakers brought forward sound and logical arguments in a more or less convincing manner. Once the budding orator has overcome the first feelings of nervousness he will find that he improves at every attempt, so that he gains a certain confidence in his own powers; and when called upon he will be able to rise to propose a toast without any of those uncomfortable feelings engendered by an inability to express oneself clearly. For this reason we would advise all new boys not only to join the Society and attend the lantern lectures, but also to attend the debates and take part in them.

The second meeting on Saturday, March 13th, was devoted to selected readings by members. A prize was offered for what the judges considered the best reading, points being awarded in such a way as to put the members of all forms on an even footing. The attendance was very satisfactory, and two new members were elected.

The readings selected covered a wide range of themes and styles, from Mark Twain and the ever-popular Charles Dickens to Defoe's "Instability of Human Glory," and Lloyd George's "Speech on the present Crisis." The prize was won by Thomson ii, whose reading was very creditable for a Lower School boy. His clear rendering of John Bright's "What is War?" is worthy of every praise. The following members gave readings: Jenkyn, Gee i, Howes, Bannerman, Sutton, Burton, Barbour, Hooper i, Fischer, Henderson iii, Harrison, Hooper ii, Nicholson, Flewell-Smith, Winks, Cole, Thomson ii, Crane, Foote ii, Cameron, Little, Hall ii, and Guinane. The meeting was most successful, the number of readers constituting a record, and all present derived considerable enjoyment from the meeting.

As to the readings, we might offer a word of advice to those who have made their first appearance, so to speak,

or who hesitate to take an active part in the meetings on account of an uncertainty as to what is expected of them.

The choice of a reading is left entirely to the reader, but, as in our meetings the main object is to entertain, he should try and choose something of general interest. There can be no definite rule about the length of a selected passage, but it should not be too long. A short, interesting passage, clearly and carefully rendered, will be found more effective than a long uninteresting piece spoken in a monotonous undertone.

Finally, in reading aloud it should be the aim to cultivate a clear and effective delivery, which will afterwards help towards attaining a clearer address in impromptu speaking.

FORM NOTES.

FORM VI.

Once again the end of the first quarter of a new year sees us again settled down to our work in the various phases of school-life, while some of us, at least, are already looking forward with varied feelings to the great ordeal at the end of the year,

As the first week passed and we began to settle down to the ordinary routine of work, it became evident that the Sixth Form had so greatly increased its numbers as to overtax the accommodation of the Library. Perforce, we had to shift our quarters; so, gathering together our goods and chattels and marshalling our ranks, we migrated to the Physics lab.

Here, with the cool breezes fanning our cheeks through the many open windows, we found time to realise to what size the form had grown. We are seventeen all told. Six remain from last year's form; Big 'un, whose genial presence we have now lost, together with Old Joe and Young Joe (of Walloon fame), Sarpy, Daisy (alias Gibbie), and Georgie, formerly the "infant" of the form.

Alongside these proven worthies are such promising young colts as Bernie, Jerry, and Alfie, not to mention "Scratch," who rejoices in "Stinks," and at present holds the record for the number of absent bases he can detect in an unknown mixture. All these are representatives of last year's Junior Form, and to them, as well as to Wiry Sammy, Lucas and Hoare, we extend a hearty welcome.

By the way, the last named manages to arrive just five minutes or so late every morning with a pleasing regularity. On being interrogated, he thought that probably breakfast must have been a bit late (or perhaps his shaving water was delayed!) However, of late he has reformed, and we congratulate him on arriving well on time on four consecutive mornings.

Gibbie, alas! no longer favoured by his "Daisy," has painfully demonstrated his feelings at being "shelved" by several times wearing a bachelor-button where once a daisy graced his coat. Deserted by his lady-love, he took refuge in his beloved maths., and is proving a worthy successor to the title of mathematical genius. This youth is fortunate enough to be able to "chuck" Latin, and is frequently visible to the diminished Latin class across the way as he fathoms the mysteries of Differential Calculus.

Occasionally the Latin period is also enlivened by noisy "experiments in sound," which sound more like the wheezy efforts of a German band than anything else, while the study of English literature is also found to have its humours. We have learnt among other things that Tennyson's poem, "The Lotos Eaters," is descriptive of a company of ancient wanderers who, compelled by pangs of hunger and lack of any other food, lived for an indefinite time on locusts. Jumping grasshoppers! it would be worse than feeding on edible birds' nests.

Another bright youth gave some brilliant information about "Alexander's Feast." Doubtless after much cogitation he firmly decided that it was probably descriptive of some feast, feed or spread, given to, by, or in honour of a person named Alexander. Probably, but this in a non-committal manner, the person referred to was Alexander the Great. Certainly this ingenuity deserved some marks.

In conclusion, we wish to put it on record that we are well represented in the realm of sport, supplying, as is only natural, the skippers of both the first and second elevens. Furthermore, we all have certain military ambitions. All the the sergeants holding appointments are members of the Sixth, and the rest of the form are all eager candidates for military honours in the forthcoming non-coms. exam. Only one of our number has yet experienced the joys (?) of military camp life, but several others are looking forward to this experience after July has brought about our transference to the militia.

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FORM V.

We are a very busy Junior form, consisting of the members of last year's Form IV., with several additions. "Bunny" and "Mortie," with "Shrewdy," just returned from Victoria, have joined our ranks, while Freddy spends some of his time with us and the rest with the VI. Form. Of course we are looking forward to the Junior (?) and are working very hard (?)

"Mick" celebrated his sixteenth birthday last term, or rather, had it celebrated for him. Various posters informed the School his age and the size of his boots. Day-boys in the vicinity of the dining-room heard great applause after dinner was over; Mick came out with a green hair ribbon and a flaring tie, and information obtained from other boarders showed that he had received a useful present from admirers of the "Ginger."

Poor Luny!—he goes from bad to worse. We fear he will soon be removed from our midst and transported to the "Gallop." He has been advised to take up the profession of traveller for the asylums of Queensland. The Johnson-Willard fight greatly interested him, and he has been engaged in writing imaginary accounts of the contest. We hear he is going into "long 'uns" at midwinter. Won't Theresa be pleased to see him, and how nice Benton will look if he wears his new "butterfly" collar.

Little Willie has developed a grin which seems to displease all the masters. He started the year well in detention, but is gradually sobering up. Last year we thought Latin was a detestable subject to Will, but now he actually takes extra lessons and seems to delight in the subject.

Congratulations, Wally! you can now protect those legs of yours. Perhaps it is better for you not to play football; we fear they would snap.

We advise anybody suffering from baldness to apply to "Norm," who has patented a singe cure. (Have hair singed every morning for one month, rub the restorer in, which gives the hair a delightful green tinge).

One of the babes having departed, the other felt lonely. Now the departed one has returned and thy are in their element. (The latest—squeaks, rattles, and baby-chuckles).

Floppy, who has given up trains, turns his attention to "footy;" since he is accustomed to whistles and flags, we can utilise him as referee, or perhaps as a "brake."

Col., who enters "long 'uns" on Sundays, has charmed a dog, which follows him about with wistful gaze. Is it the trousers or the friendly face that holds the animal in spell.

What will tender Frankie take up since football and tennis have no charms. We suggest marbles or polo.

"Fairie Feet," our tennis representative, seems to end his games in love—forty. (Tell ma, Mick!)

The "Fisch" became a boarder this year. He spent the first week in feeding other boarders on soap and tooth-paste in the small hours of the morning. He seems to suffer from nightmare, and is often heard in the middle of the night uttering disjointed phrases.

The form is well represented in sports: Stafford, Ruhno, Dalton, Fischer, Lindsay, Fox and Pardoe played for the First Eleven; Outridge, Smith and Perkins for the Second. We hope to have a number in the football teams.

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FORM IV.

On returning after our Christmas holidays we found that most of us had reached the honourable position of being Upper School boys, and we can now look down with contempt on the miserable Lower School "newies." We have also to welcome Mr. Francis as our new form master, and we hope we are not too much of a burden to him in the small matters of life—history, fair copies, detention, etc.

Talking of burdens, "The Goat," otherwise "Girlie" (who has lately been keeping up his reputation as one), seems to enjoy himself considerably in class, especially in French and Algebra.

We are no longer the largest form in the School, still Wyper makes up in a small way in bulk for what we have lost in numbers; and although we are not the largest form, we come second in the matter of numbers as we now number 31. Morton, Brenneke, Hennessy and Hirst have left from the old Lower School, and a few remain there.

We heartily congratulate Barbour on playing in all the First XI. fixtures, and Foote iii, Hooper i, Johnstone, and Nicholson on playing for the Second XI. We also congratulate Hooper (who is only a junior) on making top score (35) in the last Second's match of the season. We have also 10 members playing in the Third "A" team and three in the Third "B."

We congratulate Macartney on being elected captain of the Third "A" team; under his able captaincy we have won a fair number of matches. We also congratulate Dunshea on securing the vice-captaincy.

We congratulate Outridge ii and Gee ii in passing their music examinations with honours.

We were not at all surprised at our musical genius, "The Parson," passing his music exam., as he used to practise regularly in class with a violin string. There was much altercation as to the pitch of the note, but after much discussion we agreed that it was certainly A flat (one).

If swimming went by splash, "Tuppence" would be in good running for the world's championship; but owing to an unfortunate accident which happened in a trial swim, he decided not to go in bathing again till he could swim.

"Little Willie" recently celebrated his fifteenth birthday, and as he has been doing rather well in the imposition line lately, a certain section of the boarders thoughtfully decided to present him with a fountain pen with which to write history, etc.

"Goaty," the baby of C.U.S., has been living up to his position lately in class, and I suppose the reason why he doesn't continually get detention is because it is generally known that he can't help it, and would probably cry if he got an imposition.

Speculation has been rife of late as to whether our tenderfoot Sid is joining the Scouts or not. If he does we sincerely hope that his friends will teach him among other things, first aid and swimming, so that he may not partly drown anyone (as he just about did last year to poor old "Cat"), or, if he does, he may be able to resuscitate them.

"Toby" and "Kimbo" are coming out of their shell now that they are in the back seat with "Billy" between them, and one afternoon we actually heard the master give "Kimbo" an imposition for fooling and talking. Ah! what rash acts an innocent unsuspecting youth is sometimes tempted to perform.

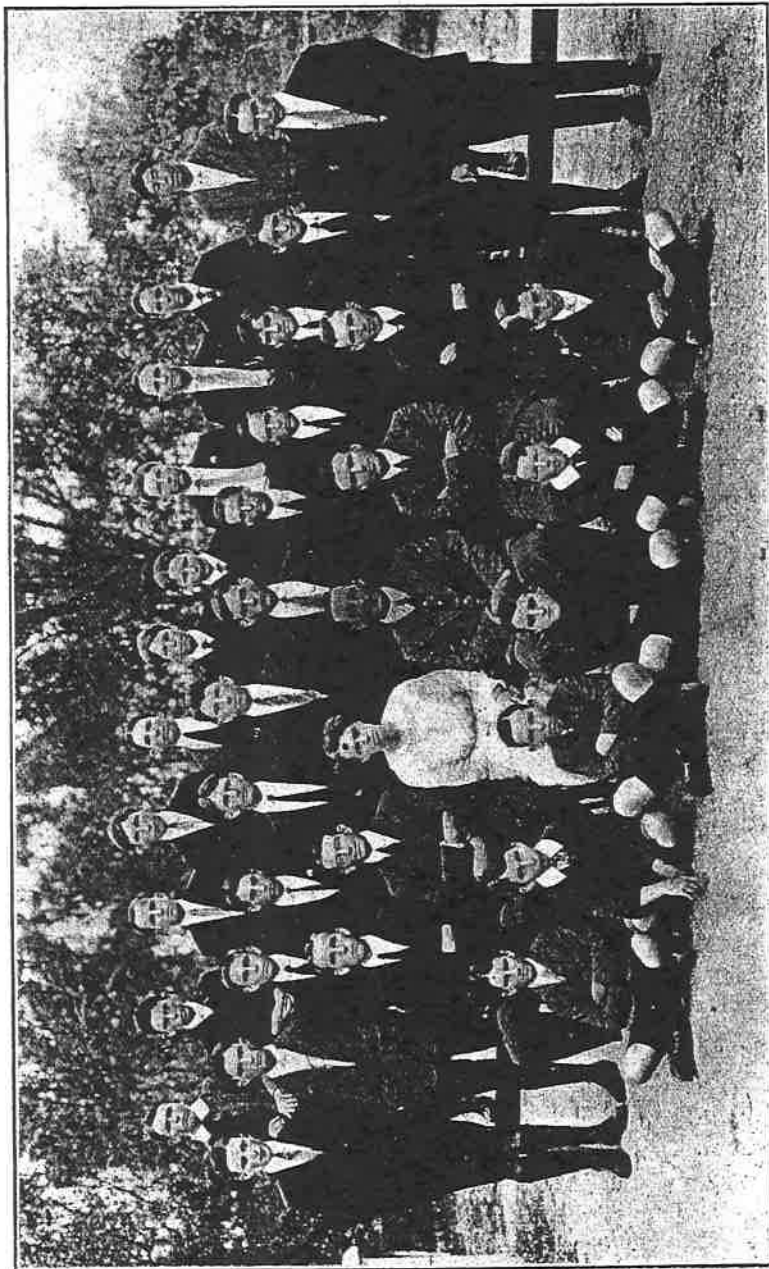
The Johnstone, Dunshea, and Cooper Company of the front seat, still seems to flourish in spite of many impositions, etc., and Bob evidently gets his penny's worth of fun rather cheaply still.

We congratulate our Dalby representative on winning the billy-goat race at the Dalby show.

"Mullet" kindly undertook to supply the boarders with mangoes during the first few weeks of the quarter, and was fast gaining popularity, when, alas! his supply of mangoes run out.

"Rob" has been elected captain of the Fifth's practise, and we congratulate him on the way he coaches his team.

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LOWER SCHOOL.

After the recent scholarship examination quite a large number of new boys started their studies in lower school. There are between fifty and sixty boys in lower School, which is a very large number indeed. It was so large that it had to be divided into two classes.

The examinations have proved that there are a large number of apt scholars in lower School.

Among the new boys were found several good cricketers (especially F. Hooper), who is inclined to favour Mr. Andrews' style of bowling.

We also found several Colonels, including Colonel Brookes and Field-Marshal Walker, who manœuvre down in the bushes during the dinner hour.

We congratulate A. Thomson on his success at the last literary meeting. Since the Easter holidays lower School has received a couple of large boys, including J. T. S. Straughair.

FOOTBALL PROSPECTS.

The School this year is starting on the football season with good material generally. The majority of last year's backs will again enter the field, although they will be assisted by only a few of their old forwards.

Harding, the captain, will be of great assistance, if he will take advantage of his pace and go straight for the corner. Barbour, Dalton and Ruhno with him will make up a very formidable threequarter formation. These three have natural qualities for football, the latter two being very fast.

Gee, last year's half-back, should improve greatly this season. This position is the most important of the team in attack. A half should work by instinct, and, above all, should never "squib it."

There should be keen competition for the positions of half, five-eight, and full-back. Safe kicking and tackling, with calmness in tight corners, make a good "full."

Our forwards should develop into a good pack. For line-outs we look to Stafford and Flewell-Smith as "big helps," while Fischer and Rowlands ought to make first-class breaks and ruck men. The other forward positions are open. The promising younger players include Hensler, Fox, and Jack Foote among the backs, while Roberts, Beil, and Fred Foote are likely forwards.

As usual, we have to report several serious losses from our ranks. Jones leaves a vacancy hard to fill. He has football possibilities which should be developed. Cribb, Weise, and Knowles were three good, heavy, bustling forwards. McKee and Wilson from the backs were very safe.

The team should do well if they take the game up seriously. A player uninterested is worse than useless and a successful team must have every member playing for the love of the game and wholeheartedly for the best interests of the team.

CADET NOTES.

The Cadet Corps has decreased in numbers since 1911. The strength at the end of that year was 139. This year the total strength is 109. After June there will be a large increase as a result of the large number of new boys who come of military age this year joining our ranks.

The Corps is now without the services of Lieut. Adams on account of his removal to Glen Innes. Lieut. Adams was connected with the Company as senior subaltern for two years. In both of those years he undertook the work of training the special Company for the Commonwealth Senior Cadet Competitions. The success achieved in both years is already well-known, and it was due mainly to the experience, thoroughness, and enthusiasm that Lieut. Adams brought to bear on the work of training. We here place on record the Company's thanks to him for what he did.

There are vacancies in the commissioned and non-commissioned ranks this year. These will be filled by the successful competitors in the examination to be held. It is difficult to get examining boards owing to a shortage of officers in the Area; but by June we hope the vacancies will be filled.

An interesting innovation in the form of flag-signalling was introduced early in the year. It served to break the monotony of Company drill.

On Saturday morning, March 6th, we held our quarterly whole day parade. 93 per cent. of the total strength mustered on that occasion.

The war has affected Cadet Corps generally with respect to equipment. There is no chance of having worn-out uniforms renewed or of getting an issue of clothing for those Cadets without uniform. Consequently the Corps as

a body is beginning to look a bit shabby. It has a tendency to hang its head whilst on parade.

Towards the end of last year we reluctantly parted with our Area Officer, Captain Moyes. We appreciated him for his sound military knowledge and his cheerful enthusiasm. We are pleased to welcome Lieut. Bolton as his successor, particularly as he is an Old Boy of this School.

When Captain Lawrance left the School he resigned his position as Officer Commanding the 10th Battalion, of which this Corps forms "A" Company. Those of us who were attached to the School in 1908 will remember Captain Lawrance's very successful effort to revive the Cadet Corps at the School. From that time he was intimately associated with the School Company, and his influence was responsible for the fine "esprit de corps" that distinguished it. When the Corps became a unit in the Compulsory Training scheme, Captain Lawrance was appointed to the command of the 10th Battalion. Though we only formed a small section of his new command he still took a paternal and particular interest in us, and did much to encourage us in times of strenuous competitions. Owing to his removal the Company has lost one who did much to establish sterling traditions and precedents to guide us. Let us show our appreciation by endeavouring to live up to them.

THE ORIGINAL COMPETITION.

The offer of a prize for the best original contribution received brought forth a fair response—fair, both as to quantity and quality. About a dozen more or less literary efforts were received. As was to be expected, several sought—but did not find—poetical inspiration in the great European War, which is now stirring the world to its depths; but on the whole those who chose other subjects were more successful. Only one of the poetical efforts was in any way good, but even of that we have our doubts. All the prose attempts were readable, and we publish the best of these. After consideration the prize has been awarded to

A more detailed criticism of the unsuccessful contributions is appended. Would-be poets should not be discouraged by a first failure, as only by care and practice does success come, and we look forward to receiving further attempts from all competitors.

ORIGINAL CONTRIBUTIONS.

Present Great War.—Rather hackneyed subject treated in common-place way. Not bad for a first attempt; more attention to rhythm is needed. Writer would do well to carefully read some of the inspiring war poems which have recently flooded the country.

Four and Twenty Blackbirds.—Skilfully constructed nursery rhyme, but faulty in places. Hardly suitable for our columns.

H.W.K.—The fact that it is written on both sides of the paper almost condemned it unheard. The first stanza is entirely lacking in rhythm. Parts of it are not bad, but it should be remembered that an occasional rhyme does not necessarily make poetry. See other criticism on similar subject.

The Cricket Match.—A rather too simple chronicle of the doings of "Tommy, Peter, Archie, and Bob." There is very little in the idea which hardly justifies the title. Although it rhymes sometimes, we are afraid it would receive scant mercy at the hands of our readers.

The Kaiser's Dream.—"Kaiser Bill" is certainly a much-abused personage, but we are afraid that this effort, altogether without rhythm—rhyme is of much less importance—would not carry much weight amongst the multitude of really clever poems and skits at the German Emperor's expense. See other criticisms "H.W.K." and "Present Great War."

A Holiday Ruse.—A nice enough children's story, although the ruse is very simple and shows no great originality of idea. As the father of three boys would certainly see through the scheme, it does not deserve the successful ending which you give it. At its best it is hardly suited to our columns.

Buck-up, you Chaps shows excellent spirit, but we doubt its originality. At any rate the idea is not original, as we have occasionally seen verses in a similar tone, but much more carefully composed, in a certain Boys' Weekly.

A Nocturnal Visitor.—Possibly the incident was interesting and amusing enough to the silent watchers in the night, but it scarcely makes exciting enough reading to justify the reviving of long-forgotten event.

THE SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIP.

It was the swimming season at the Southgate Grammar School, and the chief event of the season—the School Championship—was to take place that afternoon. The whole school was excited over the sports, chiefly the friends and admirers of Scott, who was recognised as the best swimmer in the school. The other aspirant for the honour was a bully, who was as much hated by the boys as Scott was loved.

However, Scott was a very dilatory sort of individual—late for everything, even the dinner-table. His friends were therefore most anxious that he should "buck up" and arrive in time for the race, as the Head had warned the boys to be at the baths at 3 p.m., otherwise they would have no chance.

Scott assured his friends he would be there in time, and relying on this they set out shortly before him and made their way to the baths. Twenty minutes later Scott was slouching along the sea wall towards the swimming shed, when he heard a woman and a ferry-boy carrying on an argument in a loud voice. The old woman wanted the ferry-boy to take her across the channel at reduced rates, while the ferry-boy argued that to row sixteen stone for a half-mile against the tide, was worth fourpence. In the course of the argument the woman lashed the ferry-boy with an umbrella, and in so doing fell into the water. Scott immediately dived in to the rescue, but it was no easy matter to pull out the struggling woman. In five minutes she had half drowned Scott, and was now unconscious herself. With a last effort he pulled her to the landing steps, and when mounting with his burden fell down from exhaustion and struck the steps with his head. Willing hands soon had him on the bank with the woman.

The woman regained consciousness first, and immediately accused Scott of having robbed her. The police, however, soon silenced her, although she went away convinced that she had been robbed of her purse and umbrella.

When Scott came to, it was late in the evening, and he was lying on a bed, surrounded by the Headmaster, a doctor, and some of his friends. He was told that the race had been delayed a quarter of an hour for him, and they could not wait any longer. His comrades had despaired of him; the race was run, and the bully had been victorious.

He was told, however, that he had won a bigger prize than the School Championship, and this was true, for when the prizes were distributed at the end of the year, Scott received the Royal Humane Society's Medal for Life-Saving, and this more than compensated him for the loss of the School Championship.

"Clayfield,"

April, 1915.

Dear Jack,—

I promised to send my Easter experiences as regards that journey—so here you are. I saddled my nag at 4 a.m. I couldn't see him; just felt for him. When I did feel him, he felt me—slightly harder than I him, however, and with his back legs. Anyhow, when I got him, I saddled him, but the girth was too large, so got a smaller girth and put it on. He drew himself in when I was fixing it. When it was fixed—I put the large girth on.

Then I got started, that was 5 a.m., and I had 45 miles to go, so—I started. If we drop the various shyings, sidelings, pigjumbings, and the gun I dropped, I had nothing to complain about for the first 10 miles. I thought to myself, "This is indeed beautiful"—birds singing, 'possums sporting, round ringtailed bears at odd intervals, here and there a stray wallaby, further on a chestnut cow. Divine! I thought—and in thinking was precipitated into a culvert of water. Divine! I thought—and whilst coming round muttered chemical formulæ, for was I not in solution? Not wishing to crystallize, I emerged; there was no sandbath, no bunsen except the latter which had been created by my getting in the way of the culvert. I looked for my horse; that faithful animal I saw was grazing quietly 2 miles away. Well I pulled myself together, dived for my gun (now ferric sulphate), and determinedly strode onwards. The first hundred yards was dreary. Then I got warmed to it. I thought of a military career. I became a general at half a mile; at the end of the mile I lost a boot. Soldiers have hardships, I said, and slipped full length. My expectation was met—by a sharp stone. I stumbled on and whistled to my horse. He looked up, intelligent animal, and smiled. I got within 10 yards of him. I said to him, "Faithful to the last, good horse, noble steed!" He poked his tongue out. I moved up gently—he turned his back on me. I edged up to his head. He edged round to my —back. Thus we sidled for 10 minutes. I became tired. "Enough," I commanded, and stood still; he continued edging round, and I caught him by the fetlock. "See!" I exclaimed, holding my arm out, "See what brains can accomplish." The horse saw my arm; I saw what teeth could accomplish. Then I mounted, with difficulty restraining my temper. The horse moved on at a gentle canter, quickening his pace gradually until he did a mile an hour. I passed a train thus (some fast-going express), it looked as if it were standing still. I moved on. At 11 o'clock I had a slight refreshment. The boiled eggs I had carried were now curried—but I was hungry. Whilst in the act of peeling an egg I heard a noise, and looking over my shoulder espied an iguana playing two-up with the saddle (pigskin). I got frightened and breathed hard. He cocked his head up and listened. I breathed harder still. He stretched his head back to his tail. I whistled mournfully—he went to sleep. I tried, "I want more beer"—he danced Tango fashion. I laughed—he was no more. Involuntarily I spoke, "You jackass, why frighten the reptile thus?" for my conscience rebuked me. Saddled up and continued my journey. At four o'clock I had done 35 of the 45 miles. Already I felt my horse giving way beneath me. He panted, his eyes lolled, his teeth curled, he lost his fur. Had I not fondly stroked that fur in days gone by? Love's labour lost! And now the dingoes would gather it and devour it; a

cruel world truly. I turned up my eyes and wept. Stopping weeping, I turned my attention to the scenery—What surroundings! There right in front of me a huge peak, on my right a magpie and a peak, a beautiful scrub on my left, dust and the road behind me, a blue welkin above. My poetical mind recalled numerous sonnets and lays, and in the midst of my recollections I heard a wallaby bleat. My heart stood still, but the horse moved on, and gradually I left these natural beauties and came to higher ground. Here the horse lowered and the earth rose up with a dull thud. He was succumbing! I took out my flask and poured it down his throat. The bottle did him good; he revived, and with tears of gratitude in his eyes, arose. The sun was setting in the west—5 miles to go. At last my destination came in sight, a farm-house. I rode up to the gate and looked about—no one in sight. I looked again and counted 15. Two gazed through the window curtains, one peeped round a carrot tree, and one even was in a sheep skin, trying to deceive me, but I saw through it all. Then they came out, one by one, open-mouthed, no teeth, all staring. I blushed—I knew it was my haircut. I was ushered in by the leader, everlasting were his socks, and boots and collar had he none. He, however, proved his eating powers in the following meal. Let us to a more peaceful subject, though. I went to bed and slept soundly, a minute at a time. At two o'clock I heard shouting, whistling, barking, shrieking, shooting and baying. I looked out of my window and saw two figures skidding down the yard. The adventuresome spirit took hold of me and I followed. We ran for a mile, then stopped. Before us was a calf pen, in which were a mob of dingoes, fiery eyed and dripping gore. One had a calf in his cheek, contentedly chewing it; another drew out wool from between his teeth with his front noof. We yelled, they went; the calves ba-aed, the sheep bleated. I looked at the men to see their emotion, then turned away, not wishing to make them nervous. I said, "Did you leave your pyjamas on the barb wire when you got over?" They said that you could get pyjamas about 5 miles up the range, but you had to sneak on 'em and use No. 4 buck-shot. To them, pyjamas were quadrupeds of the ravenous sort. Five minutes later, after patching up the wounded calves, we returned to the homestead. I returned home three days later, my horse having sufficiently recovered to be able to amble me home at a trot, the one-eyed sonnambulist.

Yours faithfully, REGGY.

P.S.—I gave the horse to the Belgian fund.

ROMANCE OF THE AUSTRALIAN BUSH.

Our camp was pitched in the depths of the primæval bush; in fact, Jack and myself were in all probability the first white men who had ever penetrated thus far.

It was the third day out, when we decided to visit the back of a small range which lay at some little distance. The object of our expedition was chiefly to study the habits of the native animals in their wild state, and for this reason eyes and ears were keenly on the alert.

Our way led through dense undergrowth, on the fringe of which we witnessed our first scene.

There by the side of a decayed log sat a large porcupine making a late breakfast on some strolling ants. A few beetles were also in the vicinity, and these were the cause of the downfall of another forest denizen. A large green frog had also got up late for breakfast, and having remained sheltered under the stem of a fern was not likely to miss this opportunity. With a well-directed leap, he landed on the foremost beetle scarcely three inches from the snout of the ant-eater. Startled by the apparition, the latter looked up in alarm; but on seeing the nature of the intruder resolved to show fight. Quickly scrambling on to the aforesaid log, he curled into a ball and rolled with deadly precision on the hapless frog.

"Actum erat de rana"—transfixed by a dozen spines his innocent life was blighted in a fraction of a second. We were deeply depressed by the tragedy enacted before our wondering gaze, but compelled by curiosity, waited to see how the Echidna would get rid of his prey, since the remains of the frog were still adhering to the quills. Did his sagacity forsake him in this emergency? Not at all. Having leisurely finished his meal he proceeded to an exposed spot nearby, and then displayed those marvellous burrowing propensities for which his kind are noted; so that in a short time the frog alone was visible above the surface. Five minutes later, with a whirring of wings, out of space comes an Ibis. Visions of the hungry fledgelings in the nest are conjured up before its eyes—Snap!—The frog has disappeared and the Ibis flies over the tree tops. The porcupine unearthed itself and scuttled away among the shrubs.

Pondering over recent events we wended our way slowly onwards, till we were surprised and delighted to perceive several huge trees, whose overhanging branches were laden with luscious bunches of water-melons and fine big grapes, not to mention the lithe mango vines which entwined their massy trunks.

Since Phoebus in his fiery chariot was now approaching the zenith, and we had walked some miles, those succulent vegetables were likely to be in jeopardy, and needless to state we did ample justice to them. Lest it be thought I exaggerate I shall not mention the number consumed.

The ridge in question was the noted abode of hawks, of which we saw scores. Wheeling and screeching in their ethereal home

they indeed looked their part, as the lords of the air. Majestic though they were, nevertheless I was resolved to have my revenge, since on the previous morning they had massacred a pair of tame parrots at our camp. Now a difficulty arose: As soon as they heard the report of a gun they would certainly vanish, and yet there was no less than five special offenders on whom I had my eye. I began to exercise my thinking powers. By observing their speed in feet per second and applying the method of permutations and combinations, I easily reckoned at what time all five would be in line; and by measuring the angle of the sun and at the same time that of the birds, then applying trigonometrical formulæ—remembering that the sun is 99 millions of miles distant from the earth—it needed but little ingenuity to find the range.

It eventuated that the required position would be reached in 2 hours 13 minutes 31.3 seconds, and the distance within easy range of my gun. Having applied a special cartridge to the latter I took out my stop-watch and lay down to wait.

The characteristic silence of the bush at noonday prevailed, but was broken at intervals by the monotonous note of the cicadas, the plaintive wail of the curlew, or the joyous cachinnation of the kookaburra.

As the time drew to a close I could discern the hawks tracing beautiful parabolas and ellipses, and felt certain my calculations would not be incorrect.

At last—Bang—So true was the trajectory of each of the five bullets, which the cartridge contained, that each passed into the body of the desired victim, and all five hit the ground simultaneously. My revenge was complete.

With loud cries Jack came "in aller Eile gelaufen," not with his hands in front—as befits a sprinter who appears to be the rival of Camilla—but, hidden from the view of the spectator. After an application of cold water I gleaned the main facts of his tale.

During my vigil, having wandered away in search of adventure, he had come upon an army of "soldier ants" performing their spring manoeuvres. Being keenly interested in the proceedings he was unaware of the advance of a brigade of "bulldog ants," a unit of an opposing force, which attacked him "a tergo" and clung, with the tenacity of their namesakes, till repulsed by me.

He also informed me that, while watching these tactics, he had been startled by a droning noise overhead, and out of space came flying shapes—"Cave"—"German Taube" descending on the army—were naturally his first thoughts. Nay, nothing so startling, merely phalangiers or flying-squirrels, which, hurling themselves

from the topmost branches of gum trees, volplane to the base of others, up which they quickly scamper with great chattering to repeat the performance.

Sad to relate, dear readers, the pages of my diary bearing on the remaining events of the day have been torn out, so I must now conclude.

Yours faithfully, MUNCHHAUSEN.

MY FIRST SHAVE.

I was approaching the age of seventeen when I first observed with a certain feeling of dismay the appearance of an increasingly conspicuous hair-like growth on certain portions of my face. I started back from the glass in horror at the thought that soon, soon would I be condemned to the terrible prospect of shaving myself every morning for twenty or thirty years. As I pictured it to myself my heart sank. The rising from my comfortable bed fifteen minutes earlier than before, on a cold winter's morning when the countryside is fast held by King Frost and the water in the taps is frozen solid. And then the shaving itself. The lather freezing into icicles upon my chin. And then, shivering with cold, with fingers numbed by the cold air and the hot water, to grasp the dangerous, nay, almost blood-curdling razor, and slash and chop at the lather on my chin when a mere slip or mis-directed stroke and a cut in the carotid or facial arteries would mean bleeding to death. "Never!" I cried—"never shall I become a victim to this unnecessary and villainous custom of shaving."

However, I was cheered by the reflection that as yet even custom did not demand that I should shave. I had still some weeks or months to consider an alternative. That same day a page in the advertising section of a periodical caused me to heave a sigh of relief. Here was a solution of the difficulty which would not render it necessary for me to break away from the established custom. I should get a "Non-Slash" razor. In fact, to quote the advertisement which had caught my eye: "EVERY-ONE should get a NON-SLASH Razor; guaranteed indispensable, keen-edged, shaved-while-you-sleep; safe in the hands of a child, and even the most inexperienced shaver ought not to take more than three minutes," etc., etc.

I became the proud possessor of a "Non-Slash" razor; likewise of the rest of the elements which go to make up a shaving outfit, and stowed them safely away until needed. Soon, as I had felt sure they would, others also noticed the promising crop of face-fungus which was appearing on my chin, and brothers, friends, and even the pater began to make comments on it. However, extremely self-conscious of my chin, "intonsus" to be sure, but

not yet "bearded like the pard" and fearful lest a certain "someone" else might comment, I decided to face the ordeal at last.

Rising early, so as to get it over before the rest of the house was astir, I set to work and boiled some water on the spirit-stove. Then I brought forth my shaving set in all the glory of its newness, and laid everything out upon the "operating" table in readiness. I adjusted the razor, and determined that at least no bluntness on its part should spoil the enjoyment of this my very first shave. I stropped it by its patent auto-strop method; warming to the work I stropped away to such good effect that the blade slashed through the strop and ruined it. "Dash!" was my only remark on this occasion. But the very next minute I had something more forcible to say, when, having placed the soap in its appointed position in the mug and trying to produce a lather on the brush, I rubbed the soap, mug, hot water, and all off the operating table, the greater part of the water, of course, striking my toes, not to mention the broken remnants of the two-and-ninepenny shaving mug. Rendered desperate and fearful lest the noise might bring me an audience, I wasted no time in boiling fresh water but got to serious business. Oh! who has enjoyed the pleasure and ease and comfort of a hasty shave with cold water—not even luke-warm, but freezingly and frigidly cold? Slap-dashing the lather on anyhow—as much as I could produce—I received a generous helping of it in mouth and nostrils. At last I armed myself with my trusty razor. In well-meant zeal I almost succeeded in chopping or slashing the lobe of my right ear off, jagged a few corners off my lips, and received several other scratches, so that my face resembled a butcher's chopping block. I even detected a few short hairs which had been removed from my face with the other odds and ends. At any rate everyone could see that I'd shaved. Time: 45½ minutes.

NOTE.—Intending shavers should get an experienced man to show them the art of using a razor, even a "Non-Slash" one. Verb, Sap.

Yours truly, TONSOR.

OLD BOYS' NOTES.

We have ascertained that the following Old Boys, in addition to those mentioned in our last issue, have responded to the call of duty and are to be engaged in the defence of the Empire, viz.:—T. Francis, Ivor Wilson, E. R. Fittock, L. Dunlop, L. Foote, W. B. Hogg, A. Lord, A. Warren, A. Dunlop, H. Field, R. Wilkinson, Eric Cribb, V. Germain, and Yelland. We wish these members the best of good fortune in the campaign, and a safe return to Australia.

Letters received from R. W. H. Mellor a short time ago stated that he had returned to England and had been transferred to a Company of Royal Engineers. Mr. Mellor was previously in action with the British force at Mons and elsewhere, and came through unscathed.

Congratulations to S. Ward and S. Francis on their success in the final exam. for surveyors, and to J. W. Wheeling on passing the intermediate exam. for solicitors.

We extend our heartiest congratulations and good wishes to our President (Mr. P. W. Cameron) and Messrs. A. Whitehead and H. J. Hargreaves on their respective marriages.

It is with deep regret that we chronicle the death of Norman V. Foote who died of pneumonia at Heliopolis, Egypt, whilst on active service with the Australian Imperial Force. The deceased, who was a son of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Foote, was 22 years of age, and attended the School during the period of Mr. Flint's headmastership. On the formation of the First A.I.F. Mr. Norman Foote enlisted in the Light Horse Brigade and acted as a bugler for his Company. Writing from Egypt on the 15th March, Mr. Foote appeared to be in good health, and mentioned that the troops were eagerly looking forward to being in the fighting line at an early date. Unfortunately the deceased developed pneumonia, and on the 10th April the Defence Department wired the sad news of his death. We desire to express our deepest sympathy with Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Foote.

At the last School Prize-Day a presentation of a purse of sovereigns was made to Mr. and Mrs. B. G. Lawrance by our President on behalf of members of the Old Boys' Association. In wishing Mr. and Mrs. Lawrance every success in the future Mr. Cameron referred to the keen interest they had at all times taken in the Association, and to the high esteem with which they were regarded. Mr. Lawrance heartily thanked members for the gift and later on sent to the President a letter, a copy of which is appended hereto:

To the President O.B.A.

Dear Mr. Cameron—I wish to thank most heartily, through you, the Old Boys who so kindly expressed their goodwill towards myself and Mrs. Lawrance. I shall never forget the Old Boys' Association. The contents of the purse will be devoted, at an early date, to the purchase of something that will be a constant reminder of the Old Boys of the I.G.S., though no reminder is really needed. I shall hope at some future date to meet you all again, and I can assure you any Old Boy who ever finds the opportunity to visit Glen Innes will be assured of a most hearty welcome.

I am, yours very sincerely, B. G. LAWRENCE.

To our new Patron (Mr. R. A. Kerr) we extend our warmest congratulations on his appointment to the Headmastership of the School. Mr. Kerr is well-known to most members, having been a master at the School some little time ago, and we are sure that the School is very fortunate in having so worthy a successor to Mr. Lawrance.

F. R. Andrews, who is in the employ of the Pacific Cable Board, has been transferred from Auckland to Vancouver.

UNIVERSITY LETTER.

University of Queensland.

Dear Mr. Editor,—

We have again settled down at the 'Varsity to work with that varying degree of keenness which separates the "fresher" from the second year man, and distinguishes both from him who goes for his finals secure in the knowledge that the terror of exams. is not again to be endured for nearly twelve months. In speaking of exams. we would like to seize the opportunity to congratulate Mr. R. Dart, who graduated last year, on his success in gaining first-class honours in Biology.

Apart from this side—doubtless some consider it the more dismal side—of University life, not a great deal can be said at present. During the long vacation University social functions have been in the background, but in sporting life the cricket team has been most prominent. In fact, it tied for second place in the competition, constituting a surprise for many critics, who thought that very little good in the matter of cricket could come out of the University. It may be mentioned in passing that the I.G.S. was well represented—S. Francis and E. Francis played regularly for the Firsts, as did also L. H. Foote, before he joined the A.I.F.

Football prospects are not so bright this year, as the pressure of military duties is interfering more and more with all sporting fixtures. Perhaps the matter may not be so pressing in football as in cricket; since there is no second day to be awaited in any match, there is no risk of half the team being away on drills as so often happened in the cricket season. Constant changes must, however, weaken a team, whose strength has already been lessened by the departure of some of its best members to play a part in that more strenuous game wherein the final touchdown may be secured by the cold hand of Death. L. H. Foote, E. C. Cribb, and T. Francis, are the latest of the I.G.S. Old Boys to join the A.I.F., and to them, as to all others, we wish God-speed!

In College life the School is still well represented: King's and Emmanuel have two or three students, while St. John's still has a

majority, having six Old Boys in residence. Inter-college contests will again be a feature of 'Varsity life, and we hope to complete the tennis and shooting fixtures this term.

In conclusion, we would congratulate Mr. Kerr on securing at the very beginning of what we trust will be a lengthy rule, the long-coveted distinction of having more than one hundred pupils at the School. Hoping that they and he will have a successful year.

Yours sincerely, U. O. B.

OUR CONTEMPORARIES.

We beg to acknowledge, with thanks, receipt of the following:—

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