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School Notes.

The summer vacation lasted this year from June 28th to August 25th. On the morning of the latter day—a Monday, we resumed work.

On returning, we found the old school brightened up without, and being modified within. In fact, she is keeping pace with the times. Was it the Coronation that suggested that she too deserved to be gayer? Well, externally then, she has renewed her youth.

Within changes are going on apace in the new class-rooms. Both above and below two of the class-rooms have been changed into one, and we have now two splendid rooms set apart for science. The lower room is reserved for Physics, and the upper for Chemistry. The Governors are sparing no expense, and when all is finished, we shall have a Science equipment second to none in the country.

Soon after re-assembling came the excitement of the Intermediate results. No longer, as in former years, were boys

and girls to be seen crowding Nassau Street and Grafton Street with books of results—red or blue or green, according to the fancy of the Intermediate Board. No—old things have passed away, and now there is no publication through a bookseller with next-day columns of comparisons—misleading and otherwise—in all the leading journals. But every school receives separately an account of the doings of its own candidates. This came to us on the morning of Tuesday, September 2nd.

The results gave rise to very mixed feelings. In the Senior grade, we did so well that we could hardly have done better; but as we came down the grades the results were less and less pleasing, until in the Preparatory grade, they were almost like a thunder clap. Our only consolation as a school, is that the Preparatory grade, so far as we hear on every side, has been a signal failure throughout the whole country, but, this we fear is very little satisfaction to the unfortunates who have been executed, and to them we offer our sincere condolences.

We think the Intermediate Board should have taken steps to prevent so terrible a fiasco as the Preparatory grade this year appears to have been. We note for example, that although the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction were lenient enough in inspecting in Experimental Science, they were absolutely merciless in the examination of Drawing. We should not have been surprised had the same happened in Greek, but the examiner appears to have had some consideration for the victims to whom he set papers far above the capacity of the normal student.

To come back to ourselves; we have published elsewhere in our columns a list of all the boys who have passed with their marks in each subject. Here we merely summarise.

We have passed altogether 40 pupils out of 70 who were examined. In the Senior grade 15 passed and there were no failures; in the Middle 8 passed and 5 failed; in the Junior 13 passed and 10 failed; and in the Preparatory 4 passed and 15 failed.

The list of prizes and exhibitions came on Friday evening, the 12th of September. In the Senior grade the results were as good as one could wish, despite disappointments in two or three cases. In the Junior and Middle we were disappointed. In the Prepara-

tory grade there is this year, by a new departure of the Intermediate Board, no awarding of Exhibitions and Prizes.

In the senior grade M. A. C. Wilkins obtained a Classical exhibition of £50, an excellent result as he is still a year under age. J. C. Duncan and C. Spiro obtained Science (they should be called Mathematical) exhibitions of £50 each; both of them won also composition prizes in Greek of £4 each; Duncan won also medals for Latin and Algebra, and Spiro the medal for Geometry and Trigonometry. Further J. Purser won a book prize of £3 in the Classical Group and a composition prize in Greek of £4; G. C. Duggan won a book prize in the Classical Group of £3, and J. H. F. Leland a book prize in the same group of £1. In the Middle Grade P. Campling and D. A. Smyth both retained their £20 exhibitions; Smith also won a £3 book prize in the Science Group, and Campling a £2 book prize in the Classical Group. In the Junior grade E. Lipman won a £15 Classical Exhibition; E. Norton a £2 book prize in the Classical Group, and C. J. Calvey a £3 prize in the Modern Literary Group.

We cannot forebear a grumble at the group system; by being tied down to choose one of the three groups—Classical, Modern Literary and Science—boys were often placed in a dilemma and in some cases are shown by the result to have chosen wrongly *i.e.* had

they chosen another group, they would have obtained a better reward. How misleading the names of the groups are can easily be seen *e.g.* in the case of Duncan, who, although obtaining a Science exhibition, walks off with the Latin medal and a Greek composition prize.

In conclusion, we note the papers on which full marks have been obtained by our candidates: in the Senior grade—J. C. Duncan in Algebra, (Honour Paper); C. S. Burrows in Algebra, (Pass Paper); in the Preparatory grade, A. R. M. Rose, and W. M. Stephenson in Algebra, (Pass Paper).

Our return from the Mid-summer vacation was also marked by Athletic excitement. It was determined before the holidays to hold the sports on September 20th—a week later than usual, on account of Lifeboat Saturday being fixed for the 13th. We were unlucky in having a day spoiled by several heavy showers, but there was a good entry for all the events, and the programme was gone through in good time.

There were one or two variations from previous years. The wheelbarrow race was omitted and the boot race substituted. The Old Boys' five mile bicycle race was dropped for the first time. Mr. Innis Gibson repeated his marvellous performances of trick riding on his bicycle. The motor cycle parade

which the Committee were induced to allow on the representation that over 20 motor cycles would appear, must, we confess be set down as a failure—only three turning up. A selection of music was played during the afternoon by the band of the "Meath" Industrial School, Blackrock, (Conductor—H. C. Croome).

The Committee repeated the rule, that competitors winning a first prize in an athletic event should not be allowed to take prizes in the fancy races; and added a new rule that prize winners should not be allowed to change their prizes without the consent of the Committee—a rule made necessary by an abuse of privilege in previous years.

There are this year no startling performances to record. The best race was the 220 yards, Old Boys', which H. Thrift won after a fine struggle with C. Scaife. The championship was a surprise, the cup being won by F. Stevenson with 25 points, made by five firsts 100 yards, 220 yards, 440 yards, half-mile flat and one mile flat. The result was unexpected as Stevenson has never before made any show in running, and was in consequence treated perhaps too leniently in the handicaps. He ran well, however, and deserves his success. It is a pity that the times of the races were not better kept throughout.

We have to thank Sir Andrew Reed, K.C.B., one of our Governors, for distri-

buting the prizes. Thanks are also due to G. Horan, of Trinity, for again acting as starter, and to all the old boys who helped in various ways on the Committee and in the sports themselves. And lastly, our congratulations are due to the Hon. Secretaries, Mr W. S. Cooney and Mr A. R. Paterson, for organising and carrying through the meeting with such success.

Lord Strathcona's medal for Canadian Geography, has been awarded to J. Purser of the VI. Form.

Our readers may be interested in the appearance of a new Greek Grammar, containing both Accidence and Syntax, written by Mr Thompson and published by John Murray, (London) this October.

We give elsewhere a summary of the Cricket season, with the batting and bowling averages of some of the team. We are glad to note the greater interest taken this year in cricket, and hope that it will be carried on with tenfold vigour into the football season.

Our football prophet looks forward with becoming modesty, but there can be no doubt that if the school likes to throw itself energetically and enthusiastically and at once into the spirit of the game, it will have a successful season. There will, we hope, be a second and third fifteen again this year.

We should like to add a parting tribute of praise to one who, during the last two or three years, has been a mainstay of the school athletics, and has, we think, done more than anyone to "keep the ball rolling" in a double sense. We refer of course to F. M'Connell, and hope he will have many successors.

Notes on Old Boys.

Allan O. Exham has been admitted as a Stockbroker, and has taken offices at 23 Anglesea Street. He is the second of four brothers who were at the School, the eldest, G. A., being a Fellow of T. C. D., and the third, R. M., formerly scholar of T. C. D., being now Professor of Classics at Stellenbosch College in South Africa. Other old boys who are Stockbrokers are H. M. Lumsden, 40 Dame Street, and William K. Rogerson, 35 College Green:

We have noted the following marriages of Old High School Boys.

Rev. William M'Alister, B.A., Incumbent of Billis, Co. Cavan, son of the late Isaac M'Alister, of Rathgar Road, Dublin, was married on August 21st, at Dungannon Church, to Jeannie, only daughter of the late Charles Cunningham, Tullyvally House, Seskinore, County Tyrone.

Harold R. Plunkett Tabuteau, third son of Richard M. Tabuteau, was

married on August 7th at the Cathedral, Cape Town, S.A., to Alice Mary Winder, eldest daughter of the late John Green and Mrs. Winder, of Wybersergh, Cheshire. —

Edward George Brunker, B.A., eldest son of J. E. Brunker, M.A., 18 Grosvenor Place, Rathmines, was married on September 15th, at St. Andrew's, Fulham, London, to Louie Elizabeth, youngest daughter of Clement More, 19 Barton Street, London, W., and formerly of Metfield Hall, Suffolk. —

We have to congratulate W. R. Armstrong and F. G. Sharpe, both of whom are already LL.D's. of Trinity, on becoming D.C.L's. of Durham University. —

H. V. White, a former Secretary of the *Erasmian*, is now in the Bank of Ireland at Drogheda. His brother, George W. White, is now on the staff of Midleton College, Cork. —

The congregation of Fermoy, County Cork, has given a unanimous call to the Rev. W. S. M'Caughey, B.A., T.C.D., Licentiate of the Presbytery of Dublin, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of the Rev. J. Frazer Hurst. —

R. H. M. Bury, recently of the fifth form, has passed the entrance examination for admission into the Naval Engineers, and has gone to the College at Keyham. —

E. A. M'Comas having completed his course of training in engineering, is going to London to fill an appointment in the London and North-Western Railway Works. —

J. S. Shiel, now House Surgeon at the Coombe, has won the First Prize and Medal for Surgery at the Royal College of Surgeons. —

Innis E. Gibson, who so kindly gave an exhibition of his marvellous "trick cycling" at our Annual Sports, has been fulfilling a long engagement and giving two performances daily at the Cork Exhibition. —

We have to congratulate—although somewhat late—our old boys on their running at the College Sports. Thrift, Carson, and Scaife especially distinguished themselves. The first has also made several fine cricket scores during the summer, and we are hoping to see him on both the First Fifteen and First Eleven. —

Congratulations to Coote Duggan on winning the First Hebrew Sizarship last June in Trinity. —

G. A. Joynt has been elected Hon. Treasurer of the College Philosophical Society, and E. E. S. Forrester Hon. Treasurer of the College Theological Society. In the College Historical C. H. Darley has been elected Treasurer

and R. G. L. Leonard Corresponding Secretary.

J. P. Hunter is at present in Sligo, in the Bank of Ireland there. He is to be numbered among the devotees of golf, there being very good links near the town. His brother W. Hunter, who was down with him during the summer, had grown out of recognition.

Howard M'N. M'Cormick, of the never-to-be-forgotten team that beat Blackrock in '98 is at present at Ballisodare near Sligo, being a solicitor's apprentice. His interest in the old school continues unabated.

Old boys of ten years ago may remember H. M. Creaghe, popularly called "Rusty," who was a stalwart at football. He is at present in the Midland Railway at Sligo.

We have to congratulate W. B. A. Moore, captain of the Cup Team, 1895-97, on being appointed House Surgeon at Mercer's Hospital. What old boy does not remember the Cup Team of 1897, that beat Rathmines in the Cup Ties

"Led on by Muggy Moore."

R. Page has had some exciting experiences in connection with the strike at Inchicore. Police protection for men and apprentices on their way to the works had to be freely afforded.

Page was put in charge of one of the work benches on the out-break of the strike, and had the misfortune to run a file into his hand.

Obituary.

It is with deepest regret that we announce the death at an early age of two old boys of the school.

Dr. Joseph Watkins died of pneumonia on August 2nd, at Bolsover in Derbyshire, at the early age of 30. He was Mr. Wilkins' only nephew. He was ill only two or three days, and had only been married so recently as the last day of August last year.

The other old boy to whom we refer was Lieutenant William Harold Goodwin, Lieutenant in the Royal Dublin Fusiliers, and attached to the 38th Co. Army Service Corps, who died, aged 24, of pneumonia at Pretoria, on July 8th. He was the only and beloved son of the Rev. E. H. Goodwin, K.H.C., Senior Chaplain Home District. We remember him well as a lively and energetic boy in the V. and Lower VI.

College Notes.

The Long Vacation has almost passed by, and some life is again stirring in T.C.D. College is indescribably dull and empty in summer. Here a stray student working for an October Exam.,

there a party of Saxon—or, perhaps, Yankee—tourists, with a guide book apiece, make a record journey round the “sights” within ten minutes—or fifteen if the library be thrown in. Next month the airs and peculiarities, the look of ownership, of the newly entered gib will afford some amusement to those who have gone through the same experiences.

Old High School members of the College Historical Society received much pleasure in the election last June of C. H. Darley to the post of Treasurer, and R. G. L. Leonard to that of Corresponding Secretary. C. H. Darley has been recognised for several years as one of the best speakers and debaters in College, and has been a constant and useful writer in “T.C.D.” Leonard’s activities have been multifarious. He has been Secretary to “T.C.D.,” and is well known in the Swimming and Chess Clubs; he is that public-spirited type of undergraduate which the College and the Societies do well to honour.

The Graduates’ Memorial stands fixed in its stately height, and has been formally opened, but there are no signs of the bustle of preparation for a cheerful housewarming. Historians and Philosophers are still in the outer darkness of Nos. 5 and 6.

The General Election in the “Phil.” caused the usual amount of excitement. All the offices were contested save one,

that of Secretaryship, to which G. A. Joynt was elected. A goodly number of new members are joining this session, including such veterans as F. E. A. Campbell and H. W. Stephenson.

The College Races provided some unexpected results. Thrift scored what must be a record in winning the 100 yards, 120, 200 and half-mile. What with Thrift, Carson and Scaife the “Erasmians” shine in the running line.

We hear rumours of extensive changes in the personnel of “T.C.D.” and of probable copious draughts of “fresh blood.” Whatever these may be it seems likely that the High School element, which has been very strong in the management of the paper since its commencement will be seriously diminished. Within the past year we have had simultaneously the Chairman, Editor, Secretary, Treasurer, and two out of three directors. But what else could be expected from the home of the “Erasmian.”?

The University and the Empire.

(Concluded).

During several centuries the great Universities of the United Kingdom have been gathering in the youth of the best classes of our people, and

training them to occupy positions of influence and power in the government of the country. Those who have thus passed through the Universities have taken their place as the statesmen and rulers of each generation, and have been the controllers of the destinies of our Empire. Many have been the mistakes which ignorance and short-sightedness have brought about; and in how many cases ought these errors of policy to be laid at the door of the educational systems in which these men have been brought up? What have the Universities contributed in the past to the true understanding of imperial growth and possibilities? and what do we hope from them in the future? There has been no definite teaching in the past. History has been studied with little or no bearing on this important matter. The colonial systems of Greece and Rome have been examined as interesting specimens of ancient methods; but as examples of imitation or warning, they have seldom been considered.

The Universities have adopted no method for cultivating the views of their members, either by direct instruction as to the responsibilities and possibilities of the Empire, or by directing attention to the facts of our condition as an Empire with many dependencies. Few who leave this University could give a full and accurate account of the exact relationship, or of the various interests involved, between the mother

country and her numerous colonies and dependencies throughout the world. When the educated classes of the country are not conversant with these things it is not to be expected that the general mass of the people will have any idea of what Empire means, or what are the obligations expected of them, not only as members of our own small community, but as units in the greatest Empire of the world. The Universities have a splendid and a unique opportunity of educating public opinion, and thus of indirectly controlling the policy of Governments during critical periods which may arise in the dealings of England with her possessions.

But there are other links which unite the older Universities at home with the colonies abroad. In every profession there are large numbers of bold and adventurous spirits who sever their connexion with the old country and rise to positions of trust in distant lands. In the Universities and Colleges of Australia and New Zealand, India and Canada, distinguished members of our own University occupy professional chairs. Every year, too, some of our members go out in various positions under Government, either as inspectors, consuls, or Government officials. These all come more or less directly in contact with the problems and realities of Colonial life, Colonial wishes, and Colonial ambitions.

It is the same in the engineering pro-

fession. As each new country is opened up, the services of engineers are required to make its railways, its roads, and its waterways. As communities are formed the doctors and clergy follow, so that in all parts of the Empire there are numbers of University men occupying positions in which their influence is widely felt. The degree of knowledge and general interest that each of these has in the life around him proportionately increases his value and usefulness in his own sphere. If, then, each one were thoroughly versed in the affairs and obligations of Empire, and conversant with all that might be required of him, he would be a centre of influence for the good of the Empire. He would be a medium of communication between the old country and the new. Familiar with the ideas of the home country and familiar with the ideas of his adopted land, each would become an interpreter of the wishes of the different parties to each other, and thus draw closer the bonds that bind the various parts of the Empire together.

But there is another branch of empire builders whose work is completely disassociated at present from any influence that the University might bring to bear upon them. There is no body of men more intimately engaged in the practical work of empire building and empire controlling than the officers of our army. In every part of the world where they are stationed they represent

the power of the British arms, just as the greatness of Britain's power at sea is represented by the British vessel and its officers. There can be no doubt that the distinguished soldiers have in the past risen to the importance of their influence in these matters; but it will be readily admitted that much remains still to be done if the ordinary officer is to be thoroughly impressed with a true estimate of his duties and responsibilities.

The officers' training at present is confined to technical instruction. Sandhurst and Woolwich receive candidates who have passed a severe literary examination, and here their general education is supposed to end. This surely is not enough. The possibilities of the officer's usefulness should be increased to the utmost, and how better than by bringing the army training more closely into touch with the Universities, in which definite teaching might well be given in the important matters connected with the affairs of Empire.

But laying aside the consideration of this possible means of enabling the officer to become a more potent factor in the work of consolidating the Empire, in a still larger sense the value of University training for the officer may be seen. The question of the officer's efficiency in his profession has lately been the subject of much discussion. Considered in this most important aspect, a comparison with one of the

greatest military powers of the present day will show that in establishing a closer connexion between the University and the army, the efficiency of the officer may be materially increased.

Mr Wilkinson, in his work on the subject, throws considerable light on the causes of the success of the army system in Germany. He points out that the distinctive feature of the regeneration by which modern Prussia was raised up, after the Prussia of Frederick the Great had been shattered in its first war with Napoleon, was the effort to lay a solid foundation in healthy institutions, and especially in a sound education. The work which was done for Prussian institutions by Stein, and for liberal education by Humboldt, was done for the army by Scharnhorst, to whom military education was the corner stone of reform. The principles laid down by him have ever since permeated the system, and provided the foundation of a successful army.

The value which the Germans place on a literary as well as a scientific education for their officers is shown in the language of an order of service signed by the late Emperor Frederick. "The object of the War Academy is to initiate into the highest branches of military science a number of officers of the necessary capacity belonging to various arms, and thus to enlarge and extend their military knowledge, and to clear and quicken their military judgment. Side by side with this direct

training for their professions, they are to endeavour, in proportion to the requirements of the army, to penetrate deeper into certain departments of formal science, and to acquire mastery in speaking or writing one or two foreign languages." The army is what the officers make it, and in their education lies the basis of reform. The poor man should be no longer debarred from serving his country as an officer in the army. There, as in the learned professions, competition should be the soul of progress, just as it is in commerce the life of trade. The possession of means is frequently found to give an undue advantage which is altogether at variance with the democratic tendencies of the age.

No similar state of affairs is tolerated in the German army system, and it may be doubted whether there is in the world any body of men so entirely single-minded in their devotion to duty. Most of them are, according to English notions, ridiculously poor; their pay is small, and to them luxury is a thing unknown.

If, in the case of our own army, these evils are to be met, the pay may be increased, but at the same time a substantial reduction in the expense of military life must be insisted upon. We must get rid of the officers who in Roger Ascham's phrase, "count it their shame to be counted learned," and have "more gentleship in their hat than in their head." The leader of the men

has need of other accomplishments than "the nice conduct of a clouded cane," of which Sir Plume was so pardonably proud. To the University should be afforded the opportunity of effecting this much-needed reform in the education of the officer. If war is to be waged on advanced scientific lines, the education of those in command must be altered and extended. The education which an officer receives at present is hardly sufficient to fit him for his position. He is not sufficiently trained to self-reliance, and those powers are suppressed which a more liberal education would have developed. Mere military training unsupplemented by University instruction so far from developing the needful faculties, stifles and smothers them. The officer is made a mere machine; like a machine, he requires some one to look after him, and, like a machine, he often fails at the critical moment. The officer must be able to teach his men as well as lead them; he must no longer be a laughing-stock to the sergeants and privates: in knowledge and experience he must be their superior; his strength and character and power of rapid decision must be developed, so that he may be able to grasp a situation and devise a remedy for it. The sight of Wellington was more inspiring to his soldiers than a reinforcement of a thousand men, because they knew that he never failed to know what was to be done, nor hesitated to do it. This is the secret by which

alone is secured the legitimate ascendancy, the justified confidence of the soldiers, the daily interchange of mutual devotion, the conviction that each is useful to all, and that the chief is the most useful of all.

Thus far, gentlemen, "with rough and all unready pen," I have "pursued this story." I have not attempted to discuss the subject at length, nor to work out in detail the many ideas connected with it: that would be an undertaking which, had I the ability successfully to accomplish, time would not permit of.

The subject in its most limited aspect involves the consideration of so many political problems, that the necessarily confined limits of an inaugural address on this platform would render impossible any attempt to deal with it otherwise than in a cursory fashion. I rather desire not to lose an opportunity for dwelling upon some of the factors which have aided in the building up of our Empire in the past, and for suggesting what might, with much advantage, be made a more important factor in furthering the cause of Empire in the future.

I have endeavoured to show that the Universities can very materially aid in dealing with this problem. The University has an opportunity, nowhere else obtainable, of training and developing the minds of the leaders of public opinion, and thus of inspiring the people of our race with sentiments so

wide and wise that the future shall never see a repetition of the mistakes of the past. If in the work of planting the standard of our Empire "our far flung battleline" is to bear the burden and heat of the day, its leaders, too, must be trained to realise their high calling. No partial or departmental education will provide such a training. It can best be gained by contact with the great minds, and the great traditions of such an University as our own.

Athletic Sports.

The above Sports were held under I.A.A.A. and I.C.A. Rules, on Saturday, 20th September, 1902, at Ballsbridge. Patron, The Right Hon. The Vice-Chancellor; Hon. Secretaries, Mr. W. S. Cooney, and Mr A. R. Paterson. The following are the results.—

A CHALLENGE CUP and Cross (presented by E. R. Moore & Co.), are given for Highest Score. Winners:

J. de B. Saunderson, 1891.

B. B. Burke, 1892.

James Sealy, 1893, 1894.

R. D. Barbor, 1895.

M. Frazer
H. J. Knox } 1896.

C. J. Stuart, 1897.

H. J. Knox, 1898.

H. A. Sloan, 1899.

H. Thrift, 1900, 1901.

F. Stevenson, 1902.

100 YARDS (under 12) HANDICAP.—

First heat won by R. C. Blackham, 6 yards; 2nd, E. S. Duggan, 2 yards; 3rd, C. R. Young, scratch. Second heat won by D. E. Young, 8 yards; 2nd, C. Stevenson, scratch; 3rd, C. C. Oulton, 4 yards. Final heat won by D. E. Young; 2nd, R. C. Blackham; 3rd, C. Stevenson. Time, 14 4-5th secs.

100 YARDS (under 15) HANDICAP.—

First heat won by G. Reade, 6 yards; 2nd, C. York, 6 yards; 3rd, J. Chamney, scratch. Second heat won by H. M. Sinclair, 2 yards; 2nd, H. F. Day, 7 yards; 3rd, H. A. Page, 4 yards. Third heat won by C. G. Powell, 4 yards; 2nd, J. R. Ellison, 5 yards; 3rd, V. C. Hall, 3 yards. Final heat won by H. M. Sinclair; 2nd, G. Reade; 3rd, H. F. Day. Time, 12 3-5th secs.

100 YARDS (senior) HANDICAP.—

First heat won by F. M'Connell, scratch; 2nd, W. D. Appleyard, 3 yards; 3rd, M. R. Richardson, 9 yards. Second heat won by F. Stevenson, 8 yards; 2nd, R. J. Ogden, 2 yards; 3rd, A. M'Connell, 5 yards. Third heat won by E. I. Barbor, 3 yards; 2nd, F. N. Smartt, 2 yards; 3rd, A. D. Macleod, 7 yards. Final heat won by F. Stevenson; 2nd, E. I. Barbor; 3rd, F. N. Smartt. Time, 11 1-5th secs.

LONG JUMP.—Won by F. N. Smartt; 2nd, R. J. Ogden; 3rd, J. R. Gore. Distance, 15ft. 7 inches.

SIAMESE RACE.—Won by E. I. Barbor and J. H. Barbor; 2nd, V. C. Hall and C. Stevenson; 3rd, D. D. Hems-

worth and T. F. Hemsworth. There were 24 competitors.

220 YARDS (senior) HANDICAP.—First heat won by F. Stevenson, 11 yards; 2nd, F. M'Connell, scratch; 3rd, A. D. Macleod, 14 yards. Second heat won by E. I. Barbor, 6 yards; 2nd, R. J. Ogden, 4 yards; 3rd, R. H. Peake, 12 yards. Final heat won by F. Stevenson; 2nd, E. I. Barbor; 3rd, F. M'Connell. There were 17 entries.

220 YARDS (under 15) HANDICAP.—Won by C. G. Powell, 7 yards; 2nd, H. F. Day, 14 yards; 3rd, V. C. Hall, 8 yards. There were 16 entries.

HURDLE RACE (120 yards) HANDICAP.—Won by J. R. Gore, 4 yards; 2nd, F. N. Smartt, 6 yards; 3rd, D. M. Stuart, 2 yards. Fourteen entries.

ONE MILE BICYCLE (Old Boys') HANDICAP.—Entered: J. S. Sheill, E. N. Powell, C. Warner, H. S. Killingley, J. S. Wilkinson, I. E. Gibson, P. Ard, G. Gibson, E. A. Bernard, C. A. Findlater. Won by P. Ard; 2nd, G. Gibson; 3rd, E. A. Bernard.

HIGH JUMP.—Won by C. H. Alexander; 2nd, W. D. Appleyard; 3rd, R. J. Ogden. Height, 4ft. 5ins.

SLOW BICYCLE RACE.—Won by N. A. Blackham; 2nd, E. H. Wilkins. Fourteen entries.

440 YARDS HANDICAP.—Won by F. Stevenson, 12 yards; 2nd, F. M'Connell, scratch; 3rd, E. I. Barbor, 8 yards. Time, 53 secs. There were 23 entries.

220 YARDS (Old Boys).—Entered: C. Scaife, H. Thrift, C. Farran, H. A.

Sloan, R. A. Page, W. Swan. Won by H. Thrift; 2nd, C. Scaife; 3rd, R. A. Page. Time, 24 2-5th secs.

BOOT RACE.—(Competitors to run to the heaps of boots, put on *their own boots*, lace them, run back, and finish with their boots properly laced).—Won by A. D. Macleod; 2nd, G. M'Cormick; 3rd, D. M. Stuart. There were 29 entries.

ONE MILE BICYCLE HANDICAP.—Won by N. A. Blackham, 150 yards; 2nd, J. L. Crosthwait, 30 yards; 3rd, F. N. Smartt, 25 yards. Twelve entered.

HALF-MILE (under 15) HANDICAP.—Won by V. C. Hall, 25 yards; 2nd, C. Stevenson, 40 yards; 3rd, F. J. Weir, 10 yards.

HALF MILE (senior) HANDICAP.—Won by F. Stevenson, 15 yards; 2nd, G. C. Duggan, 15 yards; 3rd, F. M'Connell, scratch. Eighteen entered.

SACK RACE.—Won by R. Appleyard; 2nd, C. Stevenson; 3rd, W. D. Appleyard. Twenty-six entered.

EGG AND SPOON RACE.—Won by R. H. Peake; 2nd, G. G. Duggan; 3rd, G. Small. There were 33 entries.

ONE MILE FLAT HANDICAP.—Won by F. Stevenson, 15 yards; 2nd, G. C. Duggan, 15 yards; 3rd, A. D. Macleod, 40 yards. Nineteen entered.

COMPOSITE RACE.—(Competitors to walk half a lap, cycle a lap, and run half a lap).—Won by C. H. Alexander, scratch; 2nd, R. H. Peake, 18 yards; 3rd, W. Appleyard, 20 yards. Sixteen entered.

INTERMEDIATE RESULTS.

All subjects have the same value, 400 marks. In Pass Experimental Science and Drawing P and F indicate respectively a pass or a failure. In all other pass subjects the gross marks are given when the student passes, otherwise F is inserted. In honour Greek and German the excess over 100 is given, in all other honour Subjects the excess over 120. In English Composition the marks given are those in excess of 200. The marks to the left of English Composition are pass marks, those to the right are honour marks.

The following are the names of the boys who have passed, with their results in each subject:—

SENIOR GRADE.

	Pass Marks.									Honour Marks.								
	Greek	Latin	English	French	German	Algebra	Geometry	Trigonometry	Drawing	English Composition	Greek	Latin	English	French	German	Algebra	Geometry and Trigonometry	
Alexander, C. H.	160	200	190	F	..	..	..	191	P	..	..	..	..	..	..	215	82	
Appleyard, W. D'A.	..	..	..	..	..	390	320	320	P	80	45	110	F	..	..	..	..	
Burrows, C. S.	160	256	F	..	..	400	215	335	P	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	
Burrows, O. V.	..	..	F	..	..	275	310	..	P	115	40	..	..	..	135	145	..	
Duggan, G. C.	..	..	..	..	..	290	295	..	P	175	145	145	163	..	..	P	..	
Duncan, J. C.	..	..	F	216	..	..	..	..	P	225	243	..	..	..	..	280	123	
Leland, J. H. F.	..	..	..	..	..	365	225	260	80	80	160	50	88	..	..	..	..	
M'Connell, F.	175	234	160	F	..	285	350	..	P	..	..	..	..	..	..	20	..	
Mason, E. A. Y.	..	..	260	..	..	..	..	..	P	80	135	..	132	..	..	140	84	
Noyk, M.	..	..	..	..	..	300	240	250	P	105	60	50	50	..	..	..	..	
Oulton, R. A.	F	180	190	175	..	190	230	F	P	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
Purser, J.	..	..	230	250	..	..	..	..	P	180	85	..	..	..	..	225	151	
Richardson, M. R.	205	285	F	F	..	375	280	290	P	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
Spiro, C.	..	..	195	230	..	..	..	..	P	195	199	..	..	..	..	240	208	
Wilkins, M. A. C.	..	..	195	..	..	..	285	300	40	175	210	..	159	..	..	270	..	

PREPARATORY GRADE.

Pass Marks.

	Greek	Latin	English	French	Arithmetic	Geometry	Algebra	Experimental Science and Drawing	English Composition
Glorney, E. E.	145	225	F	..	260	F	280	P	320
Rose, A. R. M.	135	175	270	240	370	235	400	P	280
Smyth, W. H.	125	180	F	..	360	230	320	P	240
Stevenson, W. D. G.	F	160	F	..	280	F	200	P	180

Exhibitions and Prizes.

SENIOR GRADE.

Exhibitions—Wilkins, M. A. C. £50;
Duncan, J. C., £50; Spiro, C., £50.

Book Prizes—Purser, J., £3; Duggan,
G. C., £3; Leland, J. H. F., £1.

Medals—Duncan, J. C. for Latin.

“ “ for Algebra.

“ Spiro, C., for Geometry and
Trigonometry.

Composition Prizes—Duncan, J. C., £4,
for Greek Composition.

Spiro, C., £4, for Greek Composition.

Purser, J., £4 “ “

MIDDLE GRADE.

Retained Exhibitions—Campling, P.,
£20; Smyth, D. A., £20.

Prizes—Campling, P., £2; Smyth,
D. A., £3.

JUNIOR GRADE.

Exhibition—Lipman, E., £15.

Prizes—Calveley, C. J., £3; Norton,
E. M., £2.

Cricket.

During the past season the cricket has shown a wonderful improvement on previous years, more interest being taken in the game, and the membership roll was almost a record one. In all, we played 14 matches, of which 5 were won, 7 lost and 2 drawn. The fielding has been worse than ever, but the state of Belgrave Square probably accounts for this. In batting, there has been improvement all round, except in one or two instances, while we have found two new bowlers this year, Bonner and D. A. Smyth. Indeed, Bonner promises to be the best bowler the school has turned out, and he has been very unfortunate in the number of catches missed off his bowling. Barbor has not been so successful with the ball, and only returned to his best form when the season was practically over. Smyth gives great promise, although his action is sometimes rather doubtful. He should practice keeping a good length—a remark which also applies to Barbor. In the batting line, Barbor has the best average, and has in a great measure atoned for his loss of form with the ball. He might, with advantage, however, hit from his shoulders, as he sometimes hits in a very half-hearted fashion. Ogden's first four visits to the wickets produced 1 run, so his improvement is evident. When beginning his innings, he is inclined to be nervous, but it wears away after a few

overs. Smartt is the most improved man on the team, and some of his innings have been quite brilliant. At times, however, he fails entirely, possibly because he has made up his mind that he will be out early. Some of his strokes are really brilliant, notably a drive past cover-point, from a ball just outside the off stump. We have seen this stroke once or twice from some of the others, but very rarely. Richardson has been of great value to his side, but he occasionally displays unnecessary caution. But he has patience, which is the most paying trait in a cricketer, and he is bound to improve in the future. Throughout the season there were only 33 catches held, and we may attribute most of our defeats to weakness in the field.

The following are the best averages:—

BATTING.

	No. of Innings	Times not out	Total	Highest Score	Average
E. I. Barbor	14	4	137	31*	13.7
R. J. Ogden	18	4	180	35*	12.8
F. N. Smartt	16	0	167	60	10.4
M. R. Richardson	19	2	159	29	9.3

* Signifies not out.

BOWLING.

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wkts.	Aver.
J. J. Bonner	125	28	266	58	4.5
D. A. Smyth	29	6	79	14	5.6
E. J. Barbor	105	19	267	36	7.4

The following also bowled—

R. J. Ogden	7	2	11	5	2.2
F. N. Smartt	7	2	15	3	5.0

Football.

Prospects for the coming Season.

Our Annual General Meeting was held in Mr. Cooney's room at 12 o'clock on Tuesday, 23rd September, when the following Officers were elected for the ensuing season: — President, Mr. Wilkins; Captain, F. N. Smartt; Vice-Captain, C. S. Burrows; Hon. Treasurer, Mr. Cooney; Hon. Secretary M. R. Richardson; Committee, Mr. Thompson, Mr. Lyster, Mr. Paterson, J. C. Duncan and R. J. Ogden.

The opening practice was held in Belgrave Square on Wednesday, 24th September, when a fair number turned out. Everybody, in spite of the weather, played with great keenness, which augurs well for the success of the club during the coming season.

Of last year's team only Duncan, Burrows, Ogden and Smartt, are left. The loss of Purser in the three-quarter line will be severely felt, as his scoring powers were much in evidence last season.

Of course we cannot hope to win all our matches. But every footballer in the School ought to try to attend the practices regularly, so that we may at least give our opponents a good game.

Subscriptions, which are now due, should be paid to Mr. Cooney, the Hon. Treasurer, as soon as possible.

Results of Examinations.

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E. E. S. Forrester—First Class in Pastoral Theology.

F. Stevenson—Eighth High Place at Entrance.

H. S. M'Carter—Honours in Materia Medica.

Notices.

Our next number will appear early in December. Contributions are requested from past and present boys, and should reach the Editor before November 20th. Our present number is later than usual, but owing to the lateness of the Sports the account of which it was not thought desirable to hold over to our next number, we were unable to go to press till the last week in September.

The annual subscription to the "Erasmian" is 1s. 3d. post free. It is requested that all outstanding subscriptions be paid immediately. The Treasurer will also be glad to receive donations from old boys and others interested in the Magazine.

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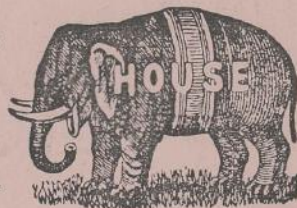
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