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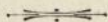
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N. L. HANNON,
Born July 19th, 1894,
Killed at Festubert, May 16th, 1915.

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Editorial.



"A noise like of a hidden brook
In the leafy month of June,
That to the sleeping woods all night
Singeth a plaintive tune."

It is in June that there stirs within everybody a craving for the open road and air. We city dwellers, work-weary, and worn by the grim hardness of the paved streets, long for the rich woodlands, the breeze-blown heather, or the yellow sands. We look forward to the time when the Intermediate Examination shall be forgotten like an unsubstantial pageant, and when the holidays shall have brought their season of rest and enjoyment. Which of us does not long to be loosed from the trammels of school life, and to be left free to roam where'er our spirit leads us, to climb the mountains, and from their tops to look upon the world stretching out beneath into the dim mists of the horizon—cornlands and forests, the river winding among meadow flats with sunbeams dancing on its waters, and right-off, like a hem of the sky, the rolling ocean, with snatches of foam and large ships faring forward, out-bound! Anyone that loves simple beauty, finds it abundantly in the flowers that grow in such profusion in the country. There on the road side is the primrose peeping out from its modest green setting in the grass. Above, like a golden branch amid the shadows of the hedge, we can discern the honeysuckle, filling the air with its fragrance.

Through the hedge there flashes the dull, yellow gleam of the cowslip or butterfly. High up on the mountain appear patches of the golden-coloured flower (the flower, which, like love, is never out of season) in bright contrast to the ubiquitous green of the fields. Flowers are prettier in their native surroundings than when culled, and their breath is sweeter far in the air, where it comes and goes like the warbling of music, as Lord Bacon says. But such are not the thoughts that Intermediate candidates are supposed to have at present, and lest peradventure we divert them from their proper channels, let us halt our Pegasus and cease from contemplation of these rustic charms.

The powers that be have decided not to hold the Annual Sports this year on account of the war. Many of our readers were doubtless disappointed at first by this decision, but we are sure that, on a little reflection, they recognised the advisability of the step—a step which has been adopted by most other schools. For it would be a most invidious thing were we to celebrate this fête, while so many of those, who in past years, helped to make it a success, are now imperilling their lives, partly for us, on the plains of Flanders.

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We are smitten with sorrow as we think of those who are not turning to good use the opportunities afforded by this magazine for displaying their literary abilities. Formerly boys used to contribute freely, but now—where are those Boys of the Old Brigade? Since the beginning of the war we expected to be overwhelmed with articles, teeming with blood-curdling execrations and declamations against the Germans, but with the passing hours our hopes faded entirely away to be succeeded by a feeling of settled despair. When the news of the sinking of the *Lusitania* arrived, of the use of poisonous gases, or some such barbarity, our gloom was illuminated by transitory flashes of hope. These we thought were splendid opportunities for the younger generation to show their powers of invective, but, alas, our hopes proved to be fond delusions. No poet appeared to avenge in stirring verse his country's wrongs, no Demosthenes in embryo to declaim against his country's enemies. But, perhaps, it is a feeling of shyness that restrains junior students from sending in their compositions, and if this be so, we must confess that they possess remarkable powers of dissimulation in class-time at any rate. We would remind them of a hackneyed line (hoping they will pardon its "staleness") "full many a flower is born to blush unseen and waste its sweetness on the desert air." The holidays will be soon upon us, and we would ask our readers in that "*dolce far niente*" period, to give rein to their inventive genius and send the results to the Editor.



THE SHOOT.

Field after field of golden corn
Whispering with the wind;
Each little pale green shoot was born,
Just one among its kind.

Each of those little earth-born shoots,
Brought forth its multifold return;
Brought forth its little golden fruits,
And so should mankind learn.

MORAL.—Every little thing helps. D. C. RUSSELL (iii. c.)

Roll of Honour.

To the lists of Old Boys now serving in the Forces of the King, which were published in the December and March numbers, the following names are to be added :—

J. W. ALLEN (1907-1911) ..	..	South Irish Horse
G. S. APPELYARD (1891-1897) ..	..	
J. H. BARRETT (1908-1912) ..	..	Royal Army Medical Corps
H. BARRON ..	..	Lieutenant, Royal Garrison Artillery
L. M. BAYLY (1895-1902) ..	..	Lieutenant, Royal Irish Rifles
JOHN BELL (1909-1915) ..	..	North Irish Horse
W. A. COCHRANE (1909-1910) ..	..	Motor Despatch Rider
M. R. CORMICK (1906-1910) ..	..	Royal Army Medical Corps
G. M. CORRY (1904-1909) ..	..	
J. L. CROTHWAITE (1894-1896) ..	..	
J. R. CUSACK (1895-1900) ..	..	
A. K. DAY-LEWIS (1899) ..	..	Lieutenant, West Yorkshire Regiment
G. H. DAY-LEWIS (1897-1899) ..	..	Lieutenant, Army Service Corps
T. A. D. DEANE (1909) ..	..	Lieutenant, Royal Marine Light Infantry (killed at the Dardanelles, May 20th)
G. A. DEWAR (1911-1912) ..	..	Royal Marines
J. WALKER DOHERTY, B. L. (1886-1888) ..	..	Lieutenant, Army Service Corps
J. G. ST. JOHN ELLIS (1897-1901) ..	..	Lieutenant, Royal Engineers
R. E. FELTON (1908-1909) ..	..	
F. FENNEL (1909-1910) ..	..	North Irish Horse
P. R. G. FENNEL (1909-1915) ..	..	North Irish Horse
D. L. FLETCHER (1909-1914) ..	..	Lieutenant, Leinster Regiment
G. R. FOX (1907-1909) ..	..	Canadian Contingent (Princess Patricia's Regt.) (wounded at Ypres in May)
G. W. FRAZER (1887-1895) ..	..	Lieutenant, Army Service Corps
A. F. GIBSON (1910-1912) ..	..	Lieutenant, Leinster Regiment
H. T. GRIFFITH (1893-1899) ..	..	
G. W. HOLMES (1907-1909) ..	..	Royal Army Medical Corps
E. J. KENNEDY (1906-1907) ..	..	South Irish Horse
E. H. LATIMER (1887-1888) ..	..	Royal Dublin Fusiliers
G. McELNAY (1910-1912) ..	..	
H. MACNEICE (1911-1913) ..	..	Royal Army Medical Corps
G. L. MOSS (1909-1910) ..	..	
C. C. C. OULTON (1901-1906) ..	..	Lieutenant, Royal Dublin Fusiliers (wounded at Ypres, May 10th)
J. S. PHILLIPS (1912-1914) ..	..	Lieutenant, Leinster Regiment
G. J. L. PORTER (1895-1897) ..	..	
C. G. POWELL (1899-1906) ..	..	Lieutenant, Durham Regiment
G. M. C. POWELL (1904-1909) ..	..	Lieutenant, Royal Army Medical Corps
R. McM. REID (1909-1912) ..	..	Lieutenant, Highland Light Infantry
E. S. ROBINSON (1896-1897) ..	..	
H. W. SEGRAVE (1890-1896) ..	..	Lieutenant, Army Service Corps
JAMES SMYTH (1903-1908) ..	..	Royal Artillery
E. E. SPENCE (1911-1913) ..	..	Black Watch
G. R. THOMSON (1906-1910) ..	..	
H. M. TOMLINSON (1905-1909) ..	..	Australian Field Force
J. S. TURKINGTON (1904-1905) ..	..	
E. R. WALSH (1894-1896) ..	..	
T. W. WARRICK (né Day-Lewis) (1897-1899) ..	..	Royal Fusiliers (Public Schools and University Battalion)
H. W. C. WELDON (1896-1898) ..	..	Lieutenant, East Surrey Regiment
H. T. G. WESTROPP (1909-1915) ..	..	North Irish Horse
H. L. DE B. WHYTE (1888-1895) ..	..	South African Field Force
G. L. Worthington-Eyre (1909-1912) ..	..	Lieutenant, Royal Garrison Artillery
T. W. YOUNG (1893-1899) ..	..	Army Service Corps

In addition to L. N. Hannon, whose death is mentioned on another page, we regret to announce that Second Lieutenant T. A. D. Deane was killed at the Dardanelles on May 20th. He was the only son of Sir T. M. Deane, R.H.A., of Ailesbury Park, and was gazetted to a temporary commission on September 20th in the Royal Marine Light Infantry, Portsmouth Battalion. He left England on February 27th with the Mediterranean Expeditionary Force.

Lieutenant C. C. C. Oulton, Royal Dublin Fusiliers, was badly wounded at Ypres in May, but is making a very good recovery.

G. R. Fox, of the Canadian Contingent, was also wounded in the hand at Ypres in April.

H. L. De Burgh Whyte, serving in the South African Field Force, was taken prisoner in South West Africa owing to the treachery of Maritz, but was released by the capture of Windhoek by General Botha on May 12th.

Some of our readers will be interested to hear that Mr. J. T. Nichols, who was a master in the School in 1911 and 1912, has obtained a commission in the 13th Battalion of the Middlesex Regiment.

T. S. Tomlinson, now in the Dardanelles, was promoted to be Captain in the Munster Fusiliers on March 13th. He was one of the six lucky officers of his battalion who escaped uninjured during the landing of the British Army on April 25th in the Gallipoli peninsular.

G. H. Weldon has left the South Irish Horse and obtained a commission in the Royal Field Artillery.

C. W. Bright is now in the Royal Engineers (Naval Division).

R. G. D. Small has obtained his Captaincy in the Leinster Regiment.

R. M. Reid obtained full marks and first place in musketry in the final examination in Trinity.



Notes on Old Boys.



L. J. D. Richardson, Sch. (1903-1912) has gained the Ferrar Memorial Prize for Sanskrit and Philology. He has also been elected Hon. Treasurer of the College Classical Society.

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M. Cornick (1906-1909) has passed his Final Medical Examination (first place) at the Royal College of Surgeons, Ireland.

G. K. Carpenter (1908-1914) has obtained Second Class Honours in Mathematics, Junior Freshman Class.

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On the result of the Fellowship Examination in Trinity College, Mr. A. C. Wilkins (1894-1904) has been awarded a £50 prize.

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W. H. B. Mack (1910-1913) has obtained the proud distinction of winning First Classical Scholarship in Trinity on high marks. This is the second time in four years that the School has obtained First Classical Scholarship. He has also been elected Librarian of the College Classical Society.

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MARRIAGES.

WARREN (1890-1893) AND LITTLE—April 14, 1915, at Christ Church, Leeson Park, by the Rev. Percy Phair, M.A., Rector, assisted by Rev. J. B. Leslie, M.A., Rector of Kilsaran, John, youngest son of the late John Warren, 50 Mountpleasant Square, to Ida, only daughter of the late John George Little, and of Mrs. Little, 51 Leinster Road, Rathmines, and granddaughter of the late Samuel Rhodes, Roscrea.

MUSSEN (1887-1893) AND SANDES—May 26, 1915, at St. John's Church, Weymouth, by the Rev. F. E. Coryton, Vicar, assisted by the Rev. T. Lancaster, M.A., Rector of Melcombe Regis, the Rev. Alfred Mussen, M.A., second son of the late James Mussen, Dublin, to Grace Millicent, second daughter of the late Colonel Sandes, R.A., and Mrs. Sandes, of Lydstep, Weymouth.

WELDON (1900-1904) AND FITZPATRICK—June 2, 1915, at Harold's Cross Church, by the Rev. Canon Jennings, M.A., assisted by the Rev. D. Hearn, B.A., George Hazlewood Weldon, Royal Field Artillery, youngest son of the late Henry Weldon, Bantry, and Mrs. Weldon, Donnybrook, to Ellen Mary Blyth, youngest daughter of S. Ossory FitzPatrick, Rathgar, Dublin.



THE MOON.

The moon sailed in a deep blue sky
And the stars fled as she passed by;
She sailed from East, from East to West,
She crowned herself with a hallowed crest:
And when the dawn 'bove the sea did peep,
The lonely moon did go to sleep.

D. C. RUSSELL (iii. c.)

School Notes.

THE School resumed work after the Easter holidays on Tuesday, April 13th.

The Preliminary Science and Drawing Inspection was held on Tuesday, March 30th. All the Honours candidates passed.

At the beginning of the term Mr. Kerin, the Intermediate Inspector, paid us a visit.

J. Bell, P. R. G. Fennell, and H. T. Westropp have left School to enlist in the North Irish Horse. The first-named was the recipient of a handsome silver wristlet watch as a small memento of his great popularity among the upper forms. His absence will be felt most keenly on the football and cricket ground, for in both sports he was quite at the top of the tree. We voice the feeling of the School in wishing them good luck, and assure them that their careers will be followed with lively interest.

The Swimming Club has resuscitated itself again, and has been holding its natations twice a week at the Iveagh Baths. It is fortunate in having such an able and go-ahead Secretary as J. V. Bateman who, we are told, is also far and away the best swimmer. For the first time a team from H.S.D. will compete in the Schools' Squadron Championship Race, to be held next September, and we wish it all success.

The following Officers were elected for the Cricket Club for the present season:—

Captain—J. Bell.

Vice-Captain—G. E. Larkin.

Hon. Secretary—F. S. Marchant.

On the departure of J. Bell to join his regiment, G. E. Larkin was elected Captain, and H. S. Scales Vice-Captain.

The draws in the Cricket Cup resulted in High School being placed in group B, along with St. Columba's and Masonic School.

Mr. Timms has again been elected Hon. Treasurer of the Leinster Schools' Cricket Union.

Football Honour Caps for the season 1914-15 have been awarded as follows:—Forwards, C. G. White; backs, H. G. Dodds, P. R. G. Fennell, and H. T. Westropp. Jno. Bell and

G. E. Larkin were permitted to have the date 1914-15 added to the caps they were awarded a previous season.

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The Sergeant who was acting as substitute for Sergeant Millet has enlisted in the Enniskillens. We are very sorry to lose him as he was deservedly popular with all. Our best wishes go with him. In his place we welcome C. Wadsworth, who was formerly a Sergeant in the R.I.C.



In Memoriam.



LIEUTENANT NORMAN LESLIE HANNON,

Born July 19th, 1894,

Killed at Festubert, May 16th, 1915.

It was with feelings of the deepest sorrow and regret to his wide circle of friends that the report that Leslie Hannon had been killed in action arrived. He was first reported missing, but those of us who knew him had little hopes of his having been taken prisoner. He had been at the front since March with the Seventh Battalion of the King's (Liverpool) Regiment, and had taken part in several engagements. On Sunday, May 16th, his Battalion was ordered to advance, and it was in the charge that Leslie Hannon fell, shot in the stomach while gallantly leading his men. "Go in boys and win" were his last words; and they did win although they sustained four hundred casualties. He died as he had lived, a true sportsman and a gentleman. In the three years he was at the High School he made himself more popular than anyone else could have done in so short a time. He was a good all-round athlete, and during all three years he played for the Cup Team in both football and cricket, being elected captain of the cricket for two successive years. He entered Trinity in October, 1913, just failing by bad luck to obtain a Junior Exhibition, and was awarded a Statutory Exhibition by the Governors. There his winsome disposition won him many friends. When war broke out he was one of the first cadets in the O.T.C. to apply for a commission, and he had joined his regiment before the end of last August. His manly and honourable character made him a general favourite among officers and men. His noble life, cut short upon the threshold of a most promising career, affords us all a lofty example of duty and patriotism, and his memory will long be cherished by those whose privilege it was to treasure him as a friend.

" His memory long will live alone
In all our hearts, as mournful light
That broods above the fallen sun,
And dwells in heaven half the night."

THOUGHTS AFTER READING "THE RED
COCKADE."

What a roseate glamour attaches
To vain long ago ;
To fron-fron of brocade, powder, patches,
And quaint furbelow,
To the perfume, to musical snatches
Of days none may know.

Dainty days—when Love tamer and limper
Than Cupid of ours :
(With guitar and blithe ballad to whimper
At opportune hours
To a Beauty with coy, pensive simper,
Deck'd with taffeta flowers.)

Or perhaps he grew bold, and addressed all
With love songs of May,
In trim glades, cut and rolled, and made festal
In Le Notre's own way,
While she curtsied—some Trianon Vestal
En robe à paniers.

Sweet to hear them sing Daphnis' sorrow,
And Corydon's woes ;
Quite laissez-faire as to to-morrow
Or what it disclose,
Only eager enjoyment to borrow
The Belles from the Beaux.

Or the Beaux from the Belles, void of vapours
From noon-tide till dusk,
Their locks just escaped from curl papers
All poudré and musk,
Till gilt sconces reflected wax-tapers
On Life—a mere husk !

Ah, the suppers, al fresco, where grass is
Of emerald glint !
Ah, the combats of wit, sparkling passes
Betwixt steel and flint,
While the moon-light, as seen thro' rose glasses
Took Spanish wine's tint !

What coquetting !—with light loves transgression,
Yet courtly restraint ;
Through the curls and the carmine of fashion
A blush reddens paint,
With the warm, simple kiss of true flesh on
False powder and paint.

Gone, alas, the red-heel, diamond buckles,
 Life's old world grace,
 Watteau dress to Sans-culotte mob truckles,
 And retreats pace for pace.
 Till a hand comes with rude gripping knuckles
 Thro' ruffles of lace.

Then erect, midst the hooting and hissing,
 Cold, as steel without bend,
 They sauntered, no foppery missing,
 Faces, masks, to the end ;
 And so suavely, with bows and hand-kissing,
 Met Death, as a friend !

Belles and Beaux acted minuet poses
 With white hands awave,
 Pretty toying with love-locks and roses,
 While the surging mob rave ;
 Pink and Drab—who compares, who supposes
 Versailles ?—Place de Grève !

Wit of Noble and Dame sparkled prouder
 With epigrams, quips,
 As the shout round the Tumbrels grew louder,
 Flash ! The dread knife downslips !
 Falls a head in a halo of powder—
 A mot twixt the lips !

OLD BOY.



A Game of Life and Death.



THE following is an interesting extract from a letter to his parents in Dublin, written by G. A. H. Clarke, one of our "Old Boys," who is now filling an important position in Calcutta :—

"Hush ! Not a word. I am just watching a game of life and death between a lizard and a big black spider. A game which includes death as a possible result has a peculiar fascination for me—whether the 'players' be human beings or fleas. The issue at stake, from the 'players' point of view, is the same. The spider which has been driven back to the corner of wall (and ceiling) is one of the largest I have ever seen—

roughly it looks about nine to twelve inches from toe to toe. The lizard is about eight inches long.

"The game is near the final, consequently the movements are slow, which gives me time to write between the 'actions.'

"There! the spider has made a dash for liberty, but the lizard merely turns slowly, and with the confidence of an animal sure of its prey, but delaying to strike. The spider retreats. It was uncomfortably close to death that time.

" 'I feel that I am in a bad way,' says the spider. 'Why did I come in here, anyway!' I thought I was strong enough for that contemptible little lizard. Why does that Human down there not help me.'

"The lizard maintains a lofty silence—so do I.

" 'I promise not to come in here any more,' offers the spider, 'not to eat any more of your mosquitos or flies, not to poison the Human when I crawl on him, not to . . .

" 'Shut up!' interrupts the lizard, 'you're a dirty, big, poisonous undesirable, and I am going to kill you.'

"I begin to have an affection and respect for the lizard. He has a quality which might well be adopted by But there goes the spider again. The lizard makes a dive at him, and the spider again retreats minus three inches from one of his legs. Now the lizard is moving round tempting the spider to try again. But the spider is not such a fool as he looks—so he refuses to move out of his corner. The lizard hesitates, and then remarks quite audibly—'If you don't get out, I'll put you out!' So saying he makes a charge at the spider—and in truth, at the present minute, I don't know which is spider or lizard. There is a hopeless mix up of legs, heads, claws, dust, etc. Why they don't fall to the floor is what I can't make out! But the fight is getting slower. 'Tis over! There goes the lizard pulling the corpse of the spider away to its 'dwelling place.' It looks down at me—as much as to say—'The firm's not beaten yet!' I like that lizard, I must drop cards on him.

"Well, the Viceroy has come and gone. There has been no mutiny, revolution or bomb throwing as was more or less expected by those in authority. I was on parade every day that he was in Calcutta, and had ten rounds of ball ammunition in case of necessity. But all was peace and quiet, and, to tell the truth, I think most of us (Calcutta Scottish Volunteers) were a little disappointed that we had not a chance to have a go at somebody. On Saturday last the Viceroy inspected us at Government House. I enclose a cutting from the *Englishman* giving the account. As we were photographed about 3,821 times I may send you home one of the results."



SONG OF A DEVOTEE.

The ways to spend a fine week-end
Are counted without number.
Some men will say the only way
Is in your bed to slumber.

There's other ways to spend the days
From Friday eve till Monday.
Most people play on Saturday,
And golfers play on Sunday.

Some people talk of how they walk,
And choose their course at random;
There's some who like a pedal bike,
And some who like a tandem.

To drive a car both near and far,
Some men prefer to riding,
But he remains who thinks the reins
The better means of guiding.

Some men will go to take a row,
And glide out through the water;
But I prefer the happy purr
Of a Douglas two three-quarter.

E. G. PEMBERTON (iv.)



The Final.



FOR the first occasion during the last twelve years we reached the last stage in this competition, and though we were rather pessimistic about the chances of crowning our labours by winning the coveted trophy, yet we were confident that our team would not go under without a hard struggle. In this we were not mistaken. Our forwards, in spite of their disparity in weight, put up an excellent fight against the heavy opposing pack, especially in the first half, and stayed the game right to the bitter end. Until the interval honours were even, but throughout the second half our opponents held the upper-hand, only the sound defence of the backs, ably led by Bell, preventing the final score from assuming considerably larger dimensions. We relied on the same team that gained us such a narrow victory over Belvedere College, while Blackrock were at full strength. The advantage of a pretty strong wind lay to us in the first half, and as a result we had a decided

advantage as far as touch-finding was concerned. By judicious kicking at the outset, Bell and Larkin brought us to the 'Rock "25." Here the play remained for a long time, with High School attacking desperately, but being unable to pierce a strong defence. Our forwards put in some sterling work and deserved a score, if only for the way in which they held a much heavier pack. After some time Blackrock were penalised, but this chance was lost as the kick proved abortive. Then the tide of battle shifted, and in a forward rush our opponents reached our "25." Here they set up a desperate onslaught on our lines, Walsh and McCormac being both brought down only just in time, but determined tackling on our part kept them out. The backs defended manfully, and certainly it was chiefly due to their exertions that defeat was staved off for the time being. The interval arrived with no further change in the situation.

On restarting it became at once evident that the superior weight of Blackrock was going to prove the most potent factor in deciding the struggle. Play had hardly started when their forwards swept up the field in a fine rush right up to our line. For a few minutes the exchanges were fast and furious, until from a scrum ten yards out, Meehan slipped through our defence to register the first try. J. Couglan made no mistake about adding the extra points. The pressure was not relieved after the kick-off as the 'Rock forwards, now pretty well masters of the situation despite the exertions of our pack, returned to the assault. Bell was the soul of the defence and seemed to be everywhere simultaneously, sometimes bringing down his man, sometimes kicking for touch, always helping his side. But a score could not long be postponed. From a scrum near the line, Meehan passed the ball out smartly to M. Walsh, who dropped a neat goal. Spurred on by this fresh reverse we made another attack, but our forwards were unable to make much headway, and the effort came to naught. Two minutes before full time Blackrock made another splendid forward rush, and O'Shea put the finishing touch to a fine movement by forcing his way over for a try. However, this was not improved upon and with no further score the final whistle sounded. Thus ended the match.

The need of extra weight in the pack was very apparent, especially the second half, when we were continually pent up in our own "25," mainly for want of some strong, heavy forwards. Besides this failing, the lack of cohesion exhibited among our forwards demonstrated how greatly they felt the absence of a leader. Our opponents' pack worked together harmoniously for the most part, but there was no such unanimity on our side, rather our efforts were scrappy and disjointed. But this is a deficiency which can easily be remedied and as there is plenty of the right material among

our forwards, we see no reason why a leader should not be found by next season. To come to individual players Westropp, at full, played a sound game, fielding and kicking in good style. Among the three-quarters Bell, as usual, and Fennell were most conspicuous, while Dodds and Larkin combined well at half. The forwards all did their bit well, but perhaps we might single out for special praise Digges, White, H. Bell and Ferguson.



Cricket Notes.



THE Secretary of the Northern Cricket Union of Ireland, in some correspondence about the Schools' Interprovincial, writes:—"Cricket is practically dead here, but I believe it is a general wish that the match should be played." The Leinster Committee has arranged for only a few matches. All the same, we believe that it is all for the general good that school boys should get health, strength and discipline from this best of games.

It was evident, at the very outset of this season, that we might lose the valuable services and leadership of John Bell, whose name is well known to Dublin school boys, both in football and cricket circles—and so it has proved—for he is now in training with the North Irish Horse.

It is worth noting, that year by year, something has been done to improve our cricket, and more money has been spent on material. I need only mention such items as seating accommodation, relaying turf, protective wire-netting, telegraph to make it easy to visualise white screens, a heavy roller, and dare we say it—a professional—in the near future.

The weather has not been warm enough to attract visitors, but we are always glad to see parents and friends on the ground at Belgrave Square.

We have missed Mr. Ellwood and his friendly criticism this year, but we heartily thank Mr. Burns for his help at practices and for his useful score in the Leinster match.

The Final of the Schools' Cup will be played on the Leinster ground, Thursday, June 10th, between the Masonic School and Wesley College (Junior).

The Senior League Final on Thursday and Friday, June 24th and 25th, Leinster ground.

Ulster v. Leinster.—Interprovincial, July 1st and 2nd, Leinster ground.

We hope to see a good attendance of High School boys at each of these events.

HIGH SCHOOL *v.* CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY.

This was our first match, and the score shows that we won an easy victory. J. Mounsey was top scorer with 32, whilst F. S. Marchant, S. Smyth, H. S. Scales, and Mr. Byes reached double figures. H. S. Larkin bowled well, taking 7 wickets at an average cost of 1·57 runs.

CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY.

J. Killeen s Scales b Jackson	..	..	..	1
S. Hogan c Shortt b H. S. Larkin	..	..	..	0
G. J. Williamson c Harris b H. S. Larkin	..	..	..	5
J. V. Joyce c Thrift b Jackson	..	..	..	2
S. G. Moran b H. S. Larkin	..	..	..	8
A. Thornton b Jackson	..	..	..	5
A. Connac not out	..	..	..	0
J. Browne b H. S. Larkin	..	..	..	0
C. J. Buckley b H. S. Larkin	..	..	..	1
J. Bennett c Harris b H. S. Larkin	..	..	..	0
T. A. Brindley b H. S. Larkin	..	..	..	0
Extras	..	..	..	0
Total	..	..	..	22

HIGH SCHOOL

F. S. Marchant c Williamson b Moran	..	..	..	23
S. Smyth b Thornton	..	..	..	29
H. S. Scales c Killeen b Thornton	..	..	..	14
R. H. Shortt b Thornton	..	..	..	0
H. G. Dodds not out	..	..	..	6
H. S. Larkin c Connac b Williamson	..	..	..	2
J. Mounsey not out	..	..	..	32
V. Harris b Thornton	..	..	..	0
W. Thrift b Williamson	..	..	..	2
H. G. Digges b Williamson	..	..	..	0
Extras	..	..	..	22
Total	..	..	..	130
R. V. Jackson did not bat.				

THE HIGH SCHOOL *v.* KING'S HOSPITAL.

Against this team runs were not easy to get. The pitch was in good condition, but none of our batsmen had a long life at the wicket. Their best bowler was Molloy, who took six of our side for 33 runs. G. E. Larkin made 14 before he was caught, the usual fate of the rapid scorer, who perforce must "live dangerously." This match taught us that a slow bowler and slackness in the field prove very expensive. Thirty runs per wicket will not win matches when the other side gets them.

HIGH SCHOOL.

F. S. Marchant b Molloy	..	..	..	11
S. Smyth b Molloy	..	..	..	3
G. E. Larkin c Molloy b Jacques	..	..	..	14
H. S. Scales b Williams	..	..	..	4
R. V. Jackson c Nelligan b Molloy	..	..	..	8
J. M. Mounsey b Molloy	..	..	..	3
H. S. Larkin b Williams	..	..	..	9
R. H. Shortt run out	...	..	..	3
T. V. Harris b Molloy	..	..	..	0
C. H. Hillyard c and b Molloy	..	..	..	4
C. G. Conerney not out	..	..	..	0
Extras	..	..	..	1
Total	..	..	..	60

KING'S HOSPITAL.

Molloy b G. Larkin	..	..	..	3
Ford c Conerney b H. Larkin	..	..	..	14
Horrell b H. Larkin	..	..	..	17
Williams b Marchant	..	..	..	49
Heaslip b Jackson	..	..	..	28
Nelligan b G. Larkin	..	..	..	1
Hammond b Marchant	..	..	..	17
Clarke c H. S. Larkin b G. Larkin	..	..	..	2
Furney c Shortt b Marchant	..	..	..	5
Jacques not out	..	..	..	1
Fisher s Scales b Marchant	..	..	..	14
Extras	..	..	..	8
Total	..	..	..	159

THE HIGH SCHOOL *v.* LEINSTER 3RD.

The feature of this match was a fine innings by our Captain, whose score consisted largely of fours and sixes. H. S. Scales made 38 in good style. For Leinster J. T. Hadden and J. W. Frith had 34 and 27 to their credit, and were still unbeaten at the call of time.

THE HIGH SCHOOL.

G. E. Larkin b Hadden	..	..	..	56
F. S. Marchant c Ryan b Hadden	..	..	..	7
H. S. Scales c Douglas b Crowley	..	..	..	38
R. V. Jackson b Hadden	..	..	..	5
P. F. Burns not out	..	..	..	17
H. G. Dodds c Ryan b Hadden	..	..	..	4
J. M. Mounsey b Allardyce	..	..	..	5
S. Smyth b Allardyce	..	..	..	1
H. Larkin	} did not bat.			
A. J. Smyth				
R. H. Shortt				
Extras	..	..	..	5
Total*	..	..	..	138

* Innings declared.

LEINSTER.

W. S. Allardyce b H. S. Larkin	..	..	..	12
J. M. Donovan b H. S. Larkin	..	..	..	12
J. T. Hadden not out	..	..	..	34
M. A. Ryan run out	..	..	..	0
P. I. Ryan b G. E. Larkin	..	..	..	1
W. Douglas b G. E. Larkin	..	..	..	0
E. W. Hyder b G. E. Larkin	..	..	..	0
J. W. Frith not out	..	..	..	27
J. S. Shormann	{	did not bat.		
J. Croly				
Extras	..	..	..	8
Total (for 6 wickets)	..	..	..	94

HIGH SCHOOL v. ST. COLUMBA'S COLLEGE.

This was a league match and we remembered that in our previous encounter last year we had been beaten, but as our opponents had lost at least three of their best players, we dared to hope for victory—and our hopes were fulfilled. F. S. Marchant (52) and G. E. Larkin (60) were our best scores; the former gave no chance during his stay at the wicket and got the ball away every time in the most approved style. It was an innings well worth watching. In the bowling line, G. Larkin kept an excellent length and his capture of 8 wickets at a cost of 2·5 runs apiece was his reward.

ST. COLUMBA'S.

Gamble c Scales b G. Larkin	..	..	..	1
Dowzer lbw b G. Larkin	..	..	..	0
Fitzgerald b G. Larkin	..	..	..	4
Eyre c and b G. Larkin	..	..	..	3
Manly b G. Larkin	..	..	..	20
Deane b G. Larkin	..	..	..	6
King b H. Larkin	..	..	..	15
Hill b G. Larkin	..	..	..	4
Symes lbw b G. Larkin	..	..	..	1
Pearson not out	..	..	..	2
Hughes b S. Smyth	..	..	..	4
Extras	..	..	..	6
Total	..	..	..	66

THE HIGH SCHOOL.

G. E. Larkin c Manly b Deane	..	..	..	60
F. S. Marchant lbw b Manly	..	..	..	52
S. Smyth b Manly	..	..	..	3
H. S. Scales b Manly	..	..	..	3
J. M. Mounsey lbw b Manly	..	..	..	0
R. V. Jackson c Manly b Gamble	..	..	..	1
H. G. Dodds run out	..	..	..	7
H. S. Larkin b Gamble	..	..	..	5
A. J. Smyth b Manly	..	..	..	0
R. H. Shortt c Eyre b Manly	..	..	..	10
W. A. Thrift not out	..	..	..	4
Extras	..	..	..	15
Total	..	..	..	160

HIGH SCHOOL v. BELVEDERE COLLEGE.

Our batting was decidedly weak. No one, excepting A. Smyth, managed to reach double figures. The bowling was good.

BELVEDERE COLLEGE.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
Barnet c Smyth b H Larkin	.. 4	b G. Larkin	.. 0
O'Connor c Mounsey b H. Larkin	1	b G. Larkin	.. 0
Cunningham, P. b H. Larkin	.. 15	c Mounsey b H. Larkin	.. 0
Power c. G. Larkin b H. Larkin	0	not out	.. 7
Lane b G. Larkin	.. 1	c and b G. Larkin	.. 0
O'Grady b G. Larkin	.. 0	not out	.. 6
Callanan b G. Larkin	.. 1		
Owens s Scales b H. Larkin	.. 0		
Kearney b G. Larkin	.. 1		
M'Grath b H. Larkin	.. 0		
Hanretté not out	.. 0		
Extras	.. 0	Extras	.. 0
Total	.. 23	Total (for 4 wks.)	.. 13

THE HIGH SCHOOL.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
Larkin c Cunningham b O'Grady	9	b Cunningham	.. 3
Marchant c Kearney b O'Grady	8	lbw O'Grady	.. 3
Scales c Callaghan b Cunningham	3	b O'Grady	.. 3
Mounsey run out	.. 5	c O'Connor b Cunningham	.. 2
Jackson c M'Grath b O'Grady	.. 7	c Callanan b Cunningham	.. 7
Shortt b Cunningham	.. 0	c Cunningham b O'Grady	.. 4
Larkin, H. b Cunningham	.. 1	c and b Cunningham	.. 4
Thrift run out	.. 0	run out	.. 0
Smyth, A. b O'Grady	.. 6	c O'Connor b Cunningham	.. 10
Conerney b Cunningham	.. 0	b Cunningham	.. 1
Cunningham not out	.. 0	not out	.. 0
Extras	.. 1	Extras	.. 1
Total	.. 40	Total	.. 38

HIGH SCHOOL v. ST. ANDREW'S COLLEGE.

This match was played at Donnybrook and resulted in a draw very favourable to our oponents. Going in first, Andrew's compiled 158 for 5 wickets, when they declared. Fox (54) and Rollins (61) played excellently and were a treat to watch, albeit some catches were dropped. High School then went in and made 95 for 7 wickets. G. Larkin hit freely for 45 and H. Scales scored a steady 32. The latter has scored consistently since the beginning of the season and when we add that he keeps wicket well, we entertain hopes of seeing him on the Interprovincial Team this year.

ST. ANDREW'S COLLEGE.

J. C. Allardyce b G. Larkin	..	..	..	0
W. B. Fox b R. Shortt	..	..	..	54
H. Rollins run out	..	..	..	61
A. Beckett b R. Short	..	..	..	11
W. S. Stuart not out	..	..	..	17
W. J. O'Donel not out	..	..	..	5
R. H. Ownes	}	did not bat		
H. Kepp				
J. W. Frith				
A. J. G. White				
K. Patterson				
Extras	..	..	..	10
Total*	..	..	...	158

* Innings declared.

HIGH SCHOOL.

G. E. Larkin c Beckett b Patterson	..	..	45
F. S. Marchant b Frith	..	..	0
H. S. Scales run out	..	..	22
J. M. Mounsey lbw Patterson	..	..	0
H. G. Dodd b Kapp	..	..	5
R. V. Jackson lbw Kapp	..	..	0
H. S. Larkin not out	..	..	10
R. H. Shortt not out	..	..	8
A. J. Smyth	}	did not bat	
W. H. Thrift			
H. G. Digges			
Extras	..	..	5
Total	..	..	95

HIGH SCHOOL v. MOUNTJOY SCHOOL.

This was a friendly match, and as it was due to the Mountjoy Captain that time was declared when they had 3 wickets to fall and only two runs to make for a win, we must really award them the victory. The wicket was very treacherous and dangerous in the early stage of the game, but, nevertheless, many of our players reached double figures, Scales being highest with 18. The best innings of the day was that of their Captain, who managed to score 40.

HIGH SCHOOL.

G. E. Larkin c Wilson b Blake	..	..	2
F. S. Marchant b Blake	..	..	0
H. S. Larkin b Blake	..	..	14
H. S. Scales b O'Meara	..	..	18
H. G. Dodds b Blake	..	..	15
J. M. Mounsey c Blake b Wilson	...	..	2
R. V. Jackson b Blake	..	..	5
S. Smyth b Blake	..	..	8
R. H. Shortt b Blake	..	..	0
A. J. Smyth b Blake	..	..	13
G. Gill not out	..	..	0
Extras	..	..	5
Total	..	..	82

MOUNTJOY SCHOOL

Acheson c and b G. Larkin	..	..	..	22
Allen not out	..	..	..	40
Nunan c and b H. Larkin	..	..	..	0
Wilson s Scales b Gill	..	..	..	5
Brough b Gill	..	..	..	0
Worrall b Gill	..	..	..	0
Blake b S. Smyth	..	..	..	3
Dollar not out	..	..	..	1
Extras	..	..	..	10
Total (8 wkts)	..	..	..	81



Our Swimming Club.



THIS term the Swimming Club commenced its 1915 season with a record membership, about 190 boys having given in their names. It was found necessary, therefore, to divide the Club into two divisions, Junior and Senior, and to have a separate day per week for each of these. The Club has been affiliated to the I.A.S.A. in view of representing the School in the Schools' Championships and Squadron Race. At first it seemed almost hopeless to find four boys good enough to form a squadron, but the splendid improvement which some members have displayed since the beginning, bids fair to make us formidable opponents. It is hoped that all boys who desire to represent their School will endeavour to improve their speed during the summer holidays, so that, if required, they may be ready to perform to the best of their ability.

Special mention must be made of C. G. Bateman, who has improved to such an extent from last year that he is now one of our best swimmers. Among the seniors R. W. Mather, A. K. Ferguson, T. V. Harris, H. G. Dodds, C. Hillyard, C. H. Farmer, and H. Larkin are among the best; while in the junior division Paisley shows the most promise. Some of these ought to increase their speed considerably if they train, but swimming is a sport in which training is absolutely essential.

On the 6th day of May we attempted our first Squadron Race. The teams were T. V. Harris, C. Hillyard, A. K. Ferguson, J. V. Bateman, and C. H. Farmer, H. G. Dodds, C. G. Bateman, R. W. Mather. At the start Harris established a useful lead on Farmer, which was slightly decreased by Dodds. Then C. G. Bateman overhauled Ferguson, and the last pair started almost together. Finally, after a good tussle, J. V. Bateman beat Mather by about two yards. The result was very satisfactory, some of the swimmers showing decided improvement in speed.

On the 27th May we had a 66 yards handicap race. An excellent struggle ensued, R. W. Mather (10) coming in first, with G. Bateman (10) second, and J. V. Bateman (scr.) third; Farmer (17), H. Larkin (17), and Harris (14), also participated. Mather won by a touch, while three yards separated the second and third.

The following boys have thrown in their lot with Pembroke Swimming Club—H. Larkin, C. Hillyard, C. G. Bateman, A. K. Ferguson, C. G. Dodds, C. H. Farmer, and J. V. Bateman.

On the second Thursday of next term there will be a scratch 44 yards race. On the result of this the four boys, who will do battle for the School in the Schools' Squadron Championship, will be chosen and will be presented with very handsome School badges for their costumes.

In conclusion we wish to thank Mr. Bennett and Mr. Burns for their kindness in coming down to the baths to supervise matters.



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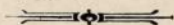
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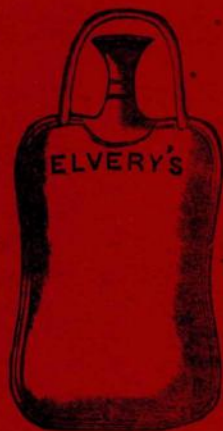
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