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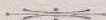
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Editorial.



THE holiday months of July and August gave no scope for complaint, on the score of weather at any rate, even to those of us who are the most difficult to satisfy. Coming after the dismal summer of the previous year it was all the more pleasurable and, the Labour Strikes waiting until we returned to school, nothing occurred to render us uneasy or to make travelling disagreeable through difficulties about the transit of luggage. Our hopes with regard to the Intermediate Examinations were damped to a certain degree when we learnt that the percentage of passes for the whole of Ireland was the lowest on record. We were not therefore surprised at learning that the school had not done as well as usual. Its number of distinctions would have been considerably augmented if it had not been for the pernicious rule which precluded a student from being eligible for an award in any course unless he obtained Honours in four subjects besides English. Several students too, as usual, failed in a most disappointing manner by flying too high and failing on the Honour paper in one particular subject. But let us pass to a pleasanter theme. There is an Eastern proverb which says that it is bad to look back when the journey lies forward, and so it behoves us to look ahead to redeeming ourselves next year for which the outlook at present is most hopeful and propitious.



The Annual Athletic Sports held on Saturday, June 28th, at Ballsbridge, brought a most successful athletic year to a close. Our hopes were still high with regard to the Senior Cricket Cup, as the final was to take place the following Monday and Tuesday, and although we did not win it everyone present was edified by the sportsmanlike bearing of our team which played up to the best traditions of the game and lost honourably. The Sports were admirably managed by the judges, starters and other officials, and the attendance was the largest we remember for some years. Mr. Wyon, who had the responsible position of starter, deserves to be congratulated on the punctual manner in which he started every event, a necessity which contributes largely to the success of sports. In accordance with general anticipations J. M.

Mounsey carried off the Challenge Cup for the highest number of points rather easily. There is a balance over on the right side, and our best thanks are due to the generous subscribers who helped to make the Sports a success and to Mrs. Thompson who gracefully distributed the prizes.

This number closes another year in the history of "The Erasmian" and we now vacate the Editorial chair not without a feeling of regret. A magazine is a most important asset of a school and each individual student should manifest an especial interest in it. We would make this parting appeal to every boy in the school to form the resolution that when he leaves school he will subscribe regularly to "The Erasmian" and thus continue his connection with H. S. D. We are glad to say that we have always had the most sympathetic support and encouragement from our fellow pupils and we commend to them our successors who, we are sure, will carry on the traditions of the Erasmian with much greater success than our efforts have deserved. Under their guidance *Fortuna Sequatur*.



School Notes.



THE School resumed work after the Summer Vacation on Thursday, August 29th.

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In addition to Mr. Cousins we have to announce another change in the staff, Mr. H. R. Norton, we regret to say, having accepted a higher post in Belfast.

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In their places we welcome Mr. M. Briggs, B.A. (Cantab.), B.Sc. (London), and Mr. W. H. T. Walker, B.A. (Wales).

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We were very sorry to hear of Mr. C. E. Walker's illness which necessitated a dangerous operation a short time before the end of the holidays. Consequently he was not able to return to his duties for some time. During his absence his work was performed by Mr. Wentworth Moore, B.A., and by our old friend Mr. A. E. Lyster, M.A., whom we are very glad to see looking so well since his retirement.

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We print elsewhere the names and marks of the boys who passed the Intermediate Examinations held last June. In the Senior Grade G. K. Carpenter passed with honours, in the Middle Grade G. S. B. Mack, J. S. Phillips and C. G. White, and in the Junior

Grade J. Farrell, I. Levy and C. D. Wilding. I. Levy obtained a First Class Classical Exhibition, J. Farrell a £3 Classical Prize, and G. S. B. Mack and I. Levy obtained Composition Prizes in Greek.

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J. Farrell has been elected on open competition to a Foundation Scholarship at St. Paul's School, London.

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C. S. Marchant and G. E. Larkin were selected on the Leinster Schools' Interprovincial team against the Ulster Schools.

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Allthough we were vanquished in the final of the Schools' Senior Cricket Cup we were not disgraced, as our opponents were of a class not often seen in school cricket.

We take the liberty to quote the following from "The Irish Field's" remarks anent the match:—"One could have wished that the available funds would have run to even bronze medals for the plucky losers, who took their beating in the best of sportsmanlike spirit."

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The following representatives of the various forms were elected to form the Literary and Athletic Committee for 1912-13:—

FORM 6.—Jno. Bell, A. J. Smyth, J. S. Phillips, C. G. White.

FORM 5.—F. S. Marchant, G. E. Larkin, H. G. G. Digges, H. C. Dodds.

FORM 4.—H. S. Larkin.

FORMS 3A, 3B, 3C.—H. Bell.

GENERAL REPS.—G. K. Carpenter, M. Nurock.

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This Committee held its first meeting on 11th September, when the officers for the various Clubs were elected. The football officials will be found elsewhere; the other officers for 1913-14 are:—

Editor of the Erasmian.—G. K. Carpenter.

Hon. Sec. and Treasurer.—M. Nurock.

Captain of the Rifle Club.—J. S. Phillips.

Hon. Sec. and Treasurer.—J. M. Mounsey.

Hon. Sec. & Treas. of Swimming Club.—H. H. Molloy.

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SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIPS.

The following have been elected to School Scholarships as the result of the examinations held last May:—First Class—E. W

Scales, H. W. Clarendon, E. W. Mills. Second Class—G. H. Tickell, E. E. C. Woodger, N. D. Roe, D. C. Towers, H. R. Hopking, W. H. Pollett (extra Scholarship for two years).

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SCHOOL PRIZES.

School Prizes were won by the following boys for the half-year ending at midsummer:—

FORM 3A.—Scripture, S. B. Carpenter; English, T. E. Flewett; Latin, V. Robinson; Greek, S. Smyth; French, T. E. Flewett; German, M. Coleman; Mathematics, P. I. Levitt; History and Geography, S. B. Carpenter; Science, T. E. Flewett; Drawing, F. J. Allen.

FORM 3B.—Scripture, H. A. Scott; English, W. O'Farrell; Latin, H. A. Scott; French, H. A. Scott; Mathematics, E. G. Pemberton; History and Geography, M. Elyan; Science, H. G. Goodwillie; Drawing and Writing, H. A. Scott.

FORM 3C.—Scripture, H. W. Clarendon; English, H. W. Clarendon; Latin, E. W. Mills and F. R. Swayne; French, H. W. Clarendon; Mathematics, H. W. Clarendon; History and Geography, E. E. C. Woodger and H. E. Child; Drawing and Writing, W. Samuels and R. Sheppard.

FORM 2.—Scripture, C. H. Farmer; English, S. C. Taylor; Latin, W. C. G. Proctor; French, W. Levitt; Mathematics, G. H. Timms; History and Geography, G. H. Timms; Drawing and Writing, L. Levitt.

FORM 1A.—Scripture, A. Agnew, H. Montgomery and D. C. Russell; English, R. Paisley; French, L. C. Quinlan; Arithmetic, S. Wigoder; History and Geography, L. C. Quinlan; Drawing and Writing, F. P. Morris.

FORM 1B.—Scripture, R. P. McGarrigle; English, R. P. McGarrigle; French, R. P. McGarrigle; Arithmetic, R. P. McGarrigle; History and Geography, J. Hempenstall and R. P. McGarrigle; Drawing and Writing, J. Hempenstall and R. P. McGarrigle.



Notes on Old Boys.



A POEM entitled "Our Royal Betrothal," by Alfred Smythe, commemorating the announcement of the approaching marriage of

H. R. H. Prince Arthur of Connaught, K.G., and H. R. H. Princess Alexandra, Duchess of Fife, appears in the September number of the "Westminster Review."

The Rev. E. M. Norton, B.A. (1897-1906) was ordained on Sunday, 15th June, in Christ Church Cathedral for the curacy of St. Paul's, Dublin.

J. H. F. Leland, Sch., Mod., B.A. (1899-1903), M. Nurock, Sch. (1904-1911), and L. J. D. Richardson, Siz. (1903-1912), have been elected members of the Council of the College Classical Society.

H. V. Thornton (1905-1912) obtained the Trinity Term Composition Prize in Classics, Junior Freshman Class.

M. Nurock, Sch., read a paper in the Philosophical Society last June on "Reading Papers."

The following have passed the Junior Freshman Term Examination:—D. E. Allen (1906-1912), J. D. Colquhoun (1908-1912), W. H. C. Stone (1904-1912), F. W. Synnott (1899-1904).

J. R. Brennan (1909-1912) and J. R. Duggan (1904-1912) have passed the Preliminary Scientific Examination in Botany and Zoology. J. R. Duggan has also passed in Physics and Chemistry

ENGINEERING SCHOOL T. C. D.

SENIOR YEAR.—W. S. Worthington Eyre (1909) passed in Practice of Electrical Engineering and Mechanical Engineering.

MIDDLE YEAR.—I. M. Craig (1909-1911) passed in Mechanics, Steam Engine, Electrical Engineering, Chemistry, Geology, Engineering, and Drawing and Office.

JUNIOR YEAR.—Mechanics—J. D. Colquhoun (1908-1912), J. H. Hancock (1910-1911), C. G. Carolin (1907-1910) passed.

Mathematics—J. H. Hancock, C. G. Carolin.

Physics—J. D. Colquhoun, J. H. Hancock.

Chemistry—J. D. Colquhoun, J. H. Hancock.

Drawing—J. D. Colquhoun, J. H. Hancock.

Geology—J. H. Hancock, C. G. Carolin.

M. T. Craig (1909-1912) has passed the Entrance Examination to the Engineering School.

A. J. Beatty (1908-1913) and W. H. C. Stone (1904-1913) entered Trinity last June.

In the Royal Veterinary College Joe Bell (1906-1911) passed the First Professional Exam. with Honours.

In the Royal College of Surgeons A. Briscoe (1906-1911) and M. Briscoe (1909-1911) have passed the First Professional Exam.; G. M. C. Powell (1904-1909) and B. Sher (1896-1899) have passed the Third Professional.

M. Briscoe has also gained a £2 prize and Silver Medal for Botany and Zoology.

R. T. Stoney (1906-1911) won the Light Weight Boxing Championship of Trinity last June.

G. W. Holmes (1907-1909) was selected on the Irish International Water Polo Team.

R. H. Eaton (1908-1913) has obtained a Clerkship in the Bank of Ireland.

The Dean of St. Patrick's Cathedral, Dublin, has appointed our Catechist, the Rev. J. G. Carleton, D.D., to the Treasurership.

The Rev. H. Kingsmill Moore, D.D., has been appointed to the Prebend of Rathmichael, rendered vacant by the appointment of Dr. Carleton to the Treasurership.

We are glad to notice among the birthday honours that F. N. Greer (1881-1887), Parliamentary Draftsman to the Irish office, has been given a C.B.

Another legal distinction which we observed with pleasure this summer has fallen to Jas. Sealy (1886-1894), whom we congratulate on being appointed by the Attorney-General as Junior Crown Prosecutor for the County of Wexford.

S. H. Sharpe, M.A., M.D., LL.D. (1882-1889), was called to the Irish Bar last June.

Rev. J. R. Prenter, M.A. (1885-1891), of St. Paul's Parish Church, Leith, has been chosen to succeed Rev. Dr. C. M. Grant as Presbyterian minister of St. Mark's Parish Church, Dundee.

Rev. S. Hutchinson, M.A. (1891-1895) has been appointed Senior Curate of St. Ann's Church, Dublin.

Rev. A. W. Brew, B.A. (1895-1899) has been appointed Incumbent of Kilmore in the Diocese of Cork.

Rev. R. Arthur Oulton, B.A. (1900-1903) has been appointed Curate of Grangesylvæ in the Diocese of Leighlin.

J. H. F. Leland (1899-1903) has gone this term to the Grammar School, Tipperary, as Senior Classical Master.

MARRIAGE.

WILKINS and WHITTAKER—September 3, 1913, at Holy Trinity Church, Rathmines, by Rev. Canon Harris, M.A., Dr. Edgar H. Wilkins (1896-1906), second son of the late William Wilkins, M.A., late Head Master of the High School, Dublin, and Mrs. Wilkins, 8 Rostrevor-terrace, Rathgar, to Eveline Constance Jane, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Whittaker, 5 Carlton-terrace, Rathmines, Dublin.

The Athletic Sports.

FOR the first time in four years the weather gave us no cause to grumble. Saturday, June 28th, was a perfect summer day, the sun shining out of a cloudless sky, with just enough of a breeze stirring to temper the heat of the rays. Consequently there was a larger attendance than in previous years and before the afternoon was well advanced the R. D. Showgrounds presented quite an animated appearance. It was found necessary to commence the proceedings at 1 o'clock, p.m., this year owing to the length of the programme and Mr. Wyon who acted as starter would brook no delay at the starting marks.

The competition for throwing the Cricket Ball had previously been decided at Belgrave Square, J. Bell winning among the Seniors with a throw of 81 yards and H. S. Larkin among the Juniors with 58 yards.

The Long Jump (Senior) was the first item on the Programme and was won by J. M. Mounsey (17ft. 9 $\frac{3}{4}$ ins), W. H. B. Mack was second 1 $\frac{3}{4}$ inches behind, and C. S. Marchant was third.

The Junior Long Jump furnished a capital struggle. H. G. G. Digges scr. was first with 15ft. 9 in. and G. M. Fletcher assisted by 12 in. handicap tied with S. Smyth (scr.) for second place.

The flat races now began which are as a rule more interesting from a spectator's point of view. The 100 yds. under 10 was won easily by H. F. Neligan (2 yds.) from N. J. Mather (4 yds.), with R. P. M'Garrigle (3 yds.) a good third. Time 14 secs.

The heats of the 100 yds. under 11 which next took place were won as follows:—First Heat—R. D. Stephens (1 yd.), 1; J. Hempenstall (scr.), 2. Second Heat—L. C. Quinlan (scr.), and H. F. Neligan (2 yds.) tied. Third Heat—H. D. Brassington (scr.), 1; H. R. Bardon (scr.), 2. In the Final Heat the order was:—H. D. Brassington, 1; R. D. Stephens, 2; H. R. Bardon, 3. Time 15 $\frac{1}{5}$ secs.

The two Heats of the 100 yds. under 12 left D. C. Towers, F. P. Morris, S. R. Usher, H. E. Child and R. E. Mansfield to contest the Final Heat and they finished in the order named. Time 15 secs.

The 100 yds. (under 15) had to be run in 7 Heats, the first place in each being won by J. Mackay (1 yd.), G. M. Fletcher (3 yds.), R. S. Wayland (scr.), E. E. Spence (scr.), S. Smyth (1 yd.), J. Farrell (scr.), and C. H. Hillyard (scr.). In the Final Heat Farrell got the better of Fletcher by a couple of yards. H. W. Eyre was a good third. Time 14 secs.

The 100 yds. Senior was eagerly anticipated and provided a very good encounter. C. S. Marchant (scr.), and W. H. B. Mack were the only runners in the first two heats. The third heat was won by J. M. Mounsey (scr.), with P. F. T. Barns (scr.), at his

heels, and the fourth heat by W. H. C. Stone (scr.), with G. E. Larkin (2 yds.), second. The semi-finals left C. S. Marchant, W. H. B. Mack, P. F. T. Burns, and W. H. C. Stone together.

The Final proved a great struggle between these scratchmen, Stone winning by a touch from Burns who beat Mack for second place by the same. Time 12 secs.

The High Jump (under 15) proved a protracted event, no less than eighteen trying their luck. G. M. Fletcher (1 in.) finally proved victorious over T. V. Harris (1 in.). Fletcher's jump was 4 ft. 3 ins.

The Senior High Jump which was not handicapped proved a close duel between J. M. Mounsey and C. S. Marchant, in which Mounsey came off the better at 4 ft. 7 ins. This equals Brennan's highest jump (in 1911).

The 220 yds. (under 12) was won by D. C. Towers (5 yds), with H. R. Bardon (3 yds), and R. D. Stephens (8 yds), second and third respectively.

The 220 yds. (under 15) required two heats, which left H. G. G. Digges (scr.), R. S. Wayland (3 yds.), C. H. Hillyard (scr.), S. Smyth (3 yds.), N. S. Allen (8 yds.) and H. W. Eyre (scr.), to contend in the final, when the order of finishing was—R. S. Wayland, 1; S. Smyth, 2; H. W. Eyre, 3; Time, 31 secs.

The Senior 220 yds. followed, the result of which was regarded as being more or less open. The scratchmen soon forged to the front, and W. H. B. Mack taking the lead coming into the straight won by 3 yds. from J. M. Mounsey. C. S. Marchant was a good third.

The Siamese Race was won by H. S. Larkin and J. Farrell by a narrow margin from N. L. Hannon and H. W. Eyre.

The long distance races now began. The 440 yds. (under 15) resulted in the victory of R. S. Wayland (5 yds.); H. G. G. Digges (scr.) was second and W. H. Thrift (5 yds.) third. Time, $68\frac{1}{2}$ secs.

J. M. Mounsey (scr.) as anticipated accounted for the 440 yds. senior. W. H. C. Stone (scr.) who ran a good race was not far behind, and H. G. Westropp (15 yds.) the limit man came third. Time, 61 secs.

The Sister's Race formed a pleasant interlude, and was won by Miss Dorothy Thrift. Miss Ethel Wayland was second and Miss Ivy Allen third.

In the Senior 120 yds. Hurdle Race, P. F. T. Burns, W. H. B. Mack, J. M. Mounsey and W. H. C. Stone (all owing 5 yds.), were the only starters, and only one heat was necessary. J. M. Mounsey added this also to his series of victories, beating W. H. B. Mack by 3 yds. Time, $22\frac{2}{5}$ secs.

This was followed by the Hurdle Race (under 14), which required no less than 9 heats in the first round. The final winners were—H. W. Eyre, 1; C. H. Hillyard, 2; S. Smyth, 3; Time, $19\frac{1}{5}$ secs.

The Senior Half-mile which followed provided a very good

finish. A. J. Beatty (10 yds.) got the lead early on, and showed he meant to keep it, finishing in good style 12 yards in front of N. L. Hannon (20 yds.), J. M. Mounsey finished third. Time, 2 mins. $7\frac{1}{2}$ secs, which if correct is not far from the Public Schools' record.

The Sack Race provided much amusement. Result:—H. S. Larkin, 1; R. D. Stephens, 2; W. H. Thrift, 3.

In the One Mile Senior A. J. Beatty (25 yds.) again proved his staying powers and finished two yards in front of N. L. Hannon (50 yds.), while the diminutive Dodds (125 yds.) came in 20 yards behind. Time, 5 mins. 20 secs.

The Old Boys' 220 yds. Flat Race was won by R. W. Eyre, by a narrow margin from P. C. Bell. Time, 23 secs.

A. J. Smyth (20 yds.) won the One Mile Bicycle Handicap in easy fashion, R. D. Gibson (60 yds.) being second, and C. A. Kinnear (60 yds) third.

Boot Race (under 15). C. Hillyard, 1; F. D. Matthews, 2; H. J. Armstrong, 3.

Consolation Race (under 12). L. C. Quinlan, 1; T. B. Tickell, 2; R. E. Mansfield, 3.

Consolation Race (under 15). N. R. Nuzum, 1; N. S. Allen, 2; G. H. Tickell, 3.

Consolation Race (senior). H. S. Wisdom, 1; A. S. Larkin, 2.

The School Challenge Cup was won by J. M. Mounsey, with the large score of 24 points, which left his position unquestioned.

Mrs. J. Thompson graciously presented the prizes to the joyful recipients, and three cheers for Mrs. Thompson and the Headmaster brought the proceedings to a close.

During the afternoon the band of the 5th (Royal Irish) Lancers under Mr. F. A. Bradley's Conductorship, discoursed a pleasing selection of music.

The Ardennes, and English as she is spoke there.

AMONGST other places in Belgium which I visited this summer in the course of a five-weeks' holiday was the famous Ardennes country. My headquarters in that district were at Dinant, a small town situated on the banks of that lovely river—the Meuse—about seven miles from the French frontier.

A journey by steamer from Dinant to Namur constitutes an experience that will remain vivid in the mind until the end of one's life. The glorious scenery which is met with at every turn of the river cannot be fully described by mere words—one must see it to give even the faintest idea of its wondrous beauty. How can I picture for you those bold rugged rocks which give

place to soft green meadows, which in turn, after holding the eye for a moment, give place to more grey lichen-covered promontories serving to conceal the deep green of woods or lighter green of the field of grain which suddenly comes into view as we round the bend in the river? And how can I show you the atmospheric blues and mauves and purples which tone down and soften the harsher contrasts of house and rock and tree into one complete whole of perfect landscape?

Now we are passing some sleepy village, now a more wide-awake townlet. Here we see the ruins of some old fort or castle (such as the Château of Crève-Cœur of Quentin Durward fame) grey as time itself, battered and scarred in the course of many a hard-fought struggle when French and German and Belgian fought and died, or in those darker days when land and serf were engaged in the ever-recurring contest of capital *versus* labour. There a modern Château nestles, no longer a battle-mented stronghold, but a turreted country mansion, surrounded with well laid-out gardens instead of a walled-in castle-yard, and ornamented with variegated window-boxes in place of monotonous loop-holes. Occasionally one sees perched on the top of some fir-clad hill a fort of more modern kind—a fort devoted to combating a more insidious enemy for it is a sanatorium carrying on the battle against that dreadful white scourge—Consumption.

And surely, one cannot help thinking, if the battle is to be successful anywhere, it must be so at Mont-sur-Meuse or at Mont-de-Godinne, where, breathing the sharp fresh air of the pine forest, the sufferer as he looks down on the peaceful scene—the beauty of the flowered garden and purple wood and distant hill enclosing the silver snake-like stream with its burden of steamers and barges busied with their peaceful journeyings—he, whose case is hopeless, must feel that in all this beautiful world of ours no better stepping-off place could be found from which he may ascend to the Land of everlasting Peace.

But this is a schoolboys' Magazine, we must not therefore become too didactic.

When journeying down the river by steamer to Namur, I bought on board a guide-book to the river published in four languages—French, English, Dutch, German: the last-named were translations of the French. As the English is curious, I shall give a few extracts, in order to show you by examples of the reverse process, how some of your French, whether spoken or written, would sound to French ears. I am presuming for the occasion that the average amount of French learned by a would-be French scholar at H.S.D. at present is somewhere about the same as it was in the year of grace, 1901.

Speaking of the Boulevard Ad Aquam, at Namur, the translator tells us that "they have forgotten to plant some trees all a long" (on a oublié d'y planter des arbres). Again, it is well to know that, "The river baths are very recommendable. . . .

Plungers are there to give swimming lessons, with ticket and all which is required for a bath. It cost only 50d. (hours are reserved). . . . There is a special bassin for ladies—50d. by person (bathing suit and slippers understood)."

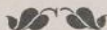
We learn that "the St. Martin asylum of Dane, edified by the Brothers of Charity, it is a kind of safe place for the lunatics of poor class in the Cities of Namur and Luxembourg:" also that "Profondeville is not what you may think, a vulgar village, but a real large town with wide houses well aired, clean streets; there you see nothing but comfort, wealth, a post office, telephone, etc;" whilst of a sanatorium we are told that "the terrasses on the above part are added to couches where the sick persons come to destroy the bad germ."

We can well believe that the author speaks true when he tells us that "a plateau rising in vertical manner on the valley, the appearance is very striking on boths side." We gasp with astonishment as we read that in a certain "roc are immense subterranean passages; they have not as yet been unexplored," and that "the river whose waters have chiselled the marvels of (the cave of) Han, suddenly disappears into the mystery of the mountain!"

The book closes triumphantly with the statement that "the waiters in the hotels do their best in praising the table d hôte and appartments, you lang there in relishing the delicacies of that lovely and second Switzerland wich is the valley of the Meuse."

You are laughing, doubtless, as you read this curious English. Do you ever think that our French very often sounds much worse to French ears than this English does to ours? The whole world of difference that exists between an Englishman or Irishman and Frenchman is summed up and typified in the different way in which each receives the attempts of the other to speak his language. We, being to a great extent lacking in our appreciation of the amenities of life and somewhat awkward and boorish in our manners, laugh and jeer at anyone whose accent or actions or dress differ from that to which we have been accustomed; the Frenchman, who is the very essence of politeness, though he is perfectly aware that you are making a fool of yourself, will not betray by the move of a single muscle his knowledge of the fact that you are a stranger in a strange land, and that you are speaking villanously bad French.

C. C. W. D.



Intermediate Examinations, June, 1913.

THE following are the marks obtained by the boys who passed the Intermediate Examinations last June (full marks in each subject were 400); in Science there were no pass marks, the pass being determined by inspection; the marks in italics were marks gained on the honour papers.

SENIOR GRADE.

	English.	Latin.	Greek.	French.	German.	Arithmetic & Algebra	Geometry.	Trigono- metry.	History & Geography.	Science.
R. Bell	220	115	102	142	..	205	270	..	120	P
G. K. Carpenter	215	190	183	204	..	217	350	155	205	170
H. H. Molloy	145	..	166	169	..	205	350	..	..	153
M. Nurock	280	230	..	190	221	220	210	..	150	..
T. F. H. Read	285	130	..	..	..	125	170	..	125	P

MIDDLE GRADE.

	English.	Latin.	Greek.	French.	German.	Arithmetic & Algebra.	Geometry.	Trigono- metry.	History & Geography.	Science.	Drawing.
E. S. Becker	165	155	..	248	..	103	..	..	185	204	..
Jno. Bell	140	105	..	221	186	185	350	..	170	170	..
F. N. Boyers	140	105	..	183	..	235	220	120	135	P	..
N. F. Currall	150	150	..	210	..	150	200	..	..	P	..
P. R. G. Fennell	190	185	..	148	..	195	180	..	110	P	P
A. Hayman	215	110	..	225	181	135	180	..	125	..	..
C. A. Kinnear	220	110	..	258	..	220	210	120	160	120	..
G. S. B. Mack	285	220	238	273	..	180	270	..	180	P	..
R. H. Molloy	125	245	..	305	171	195	130	..	..	..	..
J. S. Phillips	175	235	..	220	..	163	190	215	150	209	..
A. J. Smyth	150	175	154	225	..	175	200	..	..	125	..
C. G. White	275	250	..	235	..	170	150	385	105	205	..

JUNIOR GRADE.

	English.	Latin.	Greek.	French.	German.	Arithmetic & Algebra.	Geometry	History & Geography	Science & Drawing.
A. J. Benson	235	260	..	232	..	150	290	155	P
W. J. E. Dawson	295	195	..	251	178	140	260	100	215
J. Farrell	255	218	300	324	..	240	170	150	203
R. A. Heatley	155	125	..	191	..	180	210	135	146
J. Levy	240	280	370	238	..	320	320	200	178
C. D. Wilding	170	210	..	308	..	305	230	220	188

Cricket Notes.

HIGH SCHOOL v. MOUNTJOY SCHOOL

(League.)

THIS League Match was played at Belgrave Square, and Mountjoy having won the toss, batted first, but none of the side gave much trouble except Hobson, who batted very steadily for 29, and Sheridan, who hit out for 21. The Mountjoy batting was very slow, but Bell had them in difficulties all through the innings, and took 5 wickets for 31 runs, and G. E. Larkin, 3 for 26. Our fielding was very poor, and it was really this which enabled our opponents to run up the score of 75. The only thing of note was a splendid piece of fielding by Scales who threw down Hobson's wicket from cover point. It looked odds on us not reaching the Mountjoy score. However, the outlook was very promising when Marchant and Larkin, who opened our innings, brought the score to 31 before Larkin was out for a smart 19. C. S. Marchant batted steadily for 21. Bell, Burns, and F. S. Marchant, also reached double figures, and in all we scored 110, thus winning our second League Match by 35 runs. Score :—

MOUNTJOY SCHOOL.

Hobson run out	.. 29
Thomson run out	.. 3
Stokes lbw b Larkin (G.)	.. 1
Moore lbw b Larkin (G.)	.. 0
Prestage b Bell	.. 0
Mitchell lbw b Bell	.. 0
Watt b Bell	.. 0
Farley lbw b Bell	.. 9
Sheridan b Larkin	.. 21
Clarke c Boyers b Bell	.. 0
Houghton not out	.. 2
Extras	.. 10

Total 75

HIGH SCHOOL.

C. S. Marchant b Clarke	.. 21
G. E. Larkin c Stokes b Clarke	.. 19
J. Bell b Clarke	.. 12
N. L. Hannon b Clarke	.. 5
P. F. T. Burns b Sheridan	.. 16
F. N. Boyers b Troughton	.. 1
F. S. Marchant run out	.. 11
J. S. Phillips b Clarke	.. 0
H. S. Scales b Troughton	.. 0
W. H. C. Stone b Troughton	.. 6
A. S. Larkin not out	.. 0
Extras	.. 19

Total 110

HIGH SCHOOL v. LEINSTER 3RD.

This match was played at Rathmines, and resulted in a win for Leinster by 3 wickets. We batted first, but, Hannon 18 and Phillips 19 (not out), being the only ones to reach double figures, were dismissed for 89. Leinster then scored 91 for 7 wickets. Larkin bowled best, taking 4 wickets for 32, Bell 1 for 39, and Mr. Ellwood 1 for 16.

HIGH SCHOOL v. SPARKHALL BROWN'S ACADEMY.

This match was played at Belgrave Square, and resulted in a win for us by 107 runs. Score:—

HIGH SCHOOL.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
C. S. Marchant c Byall b Nevin	4	not out	27
J. Bell b Nevin	1	not out	58
G. Larkin b Hill	0		
N. L. Hannon b Hill	4		
P. F. T. Burns b Hill	9		
N. F. Boyers b Nevin	11		
F. S. Marchant b Hill	2		
W. H. C. Stone c and b Nevin	19		
J. S. Lewis b Hill	4		
J. S. Phillips run out	5		
H. S. Scales not out	2		
Extras	13	Extras	13
Total	74	Total	98*

* Innings declared.

SPARKHALL BROWN'S.

1st Innings.*		2nd Innings.	
Hill lbw b Bell	2	b Bell	0
Nevin c Marchant b Larkin	0	lbw b Hannon	2
Bayley b Bell	5	b Bell	0
Wilson b Larkin	1	c and b Hannon	6
Lane b Bell	0	b Hannon	8
McElnay b Larkin	3	c Burns b Larkin	7
Byall b Bell	5	b Hannon	0
Eaton b Bell	0	not out	8
Newell c Lewis b Larkin	1	b Larkin	0
Gilligan not out	0	b Stone	3
Ritty b Bell	0	b Bell	0
Extras	3	Extras	11
Total	20	Total	45

HIGH SCHOOL v. WESLEY COLLEGE.

This match was played at Belgrave Square, and after putting up the excellent total of 101 for 3 wickets we were very unlucky in having to draw, as we had our opponents first seven wickets down for 49. Marchant batted well for 23 (not out), while Hannon compiled a splendid 37. Larkin hit out vigorously for 21, while Burns was rather lucky in getting 15 not out. As regards our bowlers G. E. Larkin did best with 3 for 9, and Bell with 2 for 25. Match drawn.

HIGH SCHOOL.			WESLEY COLLEGE.		
C. S. Marchant not out	..	23	Henry b Larkin (G.)	..	1
G. E. Larkin b Wilson	..	21	Dunne b Larkin (G.)	..	4
J. Bell c Henry b Wilson	..	0	Clegg b Bell	..	5
N. L. Hannon b Hogg	..	37	Poff b Bell	..	2
P. F. T. Burns not out	..	15	McCormick run out	..	4
N. Boyers			Davis not out	..	10
F. S. Marchant	} Did not bat		Brown run out	..	0
W. H. C. Stone			Irwin not out	..	0
J. S. Phillips			Mills	} Did not bat	
H. S. Scales			Wilson		
J. S. Lewis			Hogg b Larkin	..	9
Extras	..	5	Extras	..	14
Total (for 3 wks.)*	..	101	Total (for 7 wks.)	..	49

* Innings declared.

HIGH SCHOOL v. ST. MARY'S COLLEGE (League).

This match was played at Belgrave Square, and having won the toss we batted first, but were dismissed for 85. Our chief scores were C. S. Marchant (14), J. E. Larkin (12), Hannon (12), and F. S. Marchant (16). If F. S. Marchant and Scales had not indulged in some splendid running we should have been hard pressed for runs. Mainly through Bell's fine bowling and some very fine catching we dismissed our opponents for 10 runs less than our score. Bell 7 wickets for 34, and Larkin 3 for 38 bowled throughout the innings. At this point having defeated Masonic, Mountjoy, and St. Mary's, and obtaining the points from Belvedere, High School headed their League, and thus qualified to play St. Columba's in the Final.

HIGH SCHOOL.

1st Innings.			2nd Innings.		
C. S. Marchant c McLoughlin	..	14	b Pemberton	..	0
b Culhane	..	12	b Pemberton	..	39
G. E. Larkin b Culhane	..	0	b Culhane	..	0
J. Bell b Roddy	..	0			
N. L. Hannon c McLoughlin	..	12	run out	..	5
b Pemberton	..	0	b Perberton	..	4
P. F. T. Burns c McLoughlin	..	7	run out	..	7
b Roddy	..	16	not out	..	10
F. N. Boyers lbw b Pemberton	..	1	b Pemberton	..	4
F. S. Marchant run out	..	0			
W. H. C. Stone b Pemberton	..	4			
J. S. Phillips b Pemberton	..	3			
H. S. Scales run out	..	16	Extras	..	7
J. S. Lewis not out	..				
Extras	..	85	Total (for 7 wks.)	76	
Total	..				

ST. MARY'S COLLEGE.

McLoughlin b Bell	..	..	0
Roddy lbw b Larkin	..	..	46
Culhane b Larkin	..	..	8

Donovan c Boyers b Larkin	..	..	11
Cussen lbw b Bell	..	..	1
White b Bell	..	..	3
Tierney c Scales b Bell	..	..	0
Richardson b Bell	..	..	0
Pemberton c Burns b Bell	..	..	0
Kilduff not out	..	..	2
Brodie c Larkin b Bell	..	..	1
Extras	..	..	3
Total			75

HIGH SCHOOL v. LE PETON'S.

For this match which was played at Lansdowne Road, we turned out a very weak "A" team, and after scoring 129 for 6 wickets, and declaring we had to be content with a draw. Stone 53 not out and Hannon 28 were the chief scorers.

HIGH SCHOOL.			LE PETONS.		
C. S. Merchant b Warren	..	0	Warren c Lewis b Larkin (G)	..	30
G. E. Larkin b Warren	..	11	Grant b Larkin (G)	..	11
N. L. Hannon c Wilmot b Warren	28		Lugden c Stone b Burns	..	0
P. F. T. Burns b Le Peton	..	7	Le Peton c Lewis b Hannon	..	9
F. S. Marchant run out	..	18	Dunlop b Larkin	..	1
W. H. C. Stone not out	..	53	Randel not out	..	2
J. S. Lewis b Warren	..	5	Aykroyd not out	..	0
A. S. Larkin not out	..	4	Wilmot		
N. F. Currall	} Did not bat.		Reeves	} Did not bat.	
H. G. Westropp			Wilson		
H. S. Larkin			Benson		
Extras	..	3	Extras		6
Total (for 6 wickets*)	..	129	Total (for 5 wickets).	..	59

*Innings declared.

LEINSTER SENIOR SCHOOLS' CUP FINAL.

HIGH SCHOOL v. ST. COLUMBA'S COLLEGE.

After winning all our League Matches we met St. Columba's in the Final on the Leinster Cricket Ground, which was kindly lent for the occasion, on Monday and Tuesday, June 30th, and July 1st. We fielded our strongest team, and having won the toss we batted first, Marchant, C. S. and Larkin as usual opening the innings. With two runs scored Larkin was bowled. Hannon followed, but was also bowled by Marriott, whose peculiar action seemed to trouble the batsmen. However, Bell lifted the second ball he received from Marriott out of the ground for 6, but was l. b. w. in the next over, F. S. Marchant followed, but his brother left being fourth out having scored five singles. Wickets fell fast till the end when Boyers stayed while Scales and Lewis made the score look brighter, but we were all out for 58. Not one of the team could play the bowling; Boyers managed to stone wall but none of the others could stay. Columba's started their innings to

the bowling of Larkin and Bell, but with the exception of Gamble, Beatty and Caldbeck none of the team gave much trouble. Gamble indulged in tremendous hitting treating all the bowlers alike, and reached his century in about eighty minutes. Beatty treated us to some stylish batting in getting his 52, likewise Caldbeck who got 26. The fielding was poor, more than 50 runs being lost through bad fielding and the dropping of catches. Being 194 runs behind we started our second innings with a hard task to save the innings defeat, C. S. Marchant and Boyers opened the innings. Marchant started scoring getting a 2, and a 4 and three singles before Boyers left with one to his credit. F. S. Marchant followed, and raised his score to 11 before being bowled by the first ball from Caldbeck who came on instead of Gamble. We had at least brought about a change, Lewis came in, but C. S. Marchant left at 38 being bowled by Marriott with a good 21 to his credit. With 3 wickets down for 38, Lewis and Bell, who started to hit all round the wicket giving the bowlers and fielders a lively time, raised the score from 39 to 116 before Jack Bell was unfortunately run out. He played a fine innings, hitting 7 fours and 1 six. Lewis left immediately after for a vigorously hit 26. If only we had done this in the first innings. Being all out for 142, we failed to save ourselves and lost by an innings and 52 runs. Score :—

HIGH SCHOOL.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
C. S. Marchant lbw b Gamble			
(C. S.)	.. 5	b Marriott	.. 21
G. E. Larkin b Marriott	.. 1	b Caldbeck	.. 1
N. L. Hannon b Marriott	.. 1	lbw b Marriott	.. 0
J. Bell lbw b Marriott	.. 8	run out	.. 41
F. S. Marchant	.. 0	b Caldbeck	.. 11
P. F. T. Burns c & b Marriott	.. 0	lbw b Gamble	.. 12
F. N. Boyers not out	.. 9	b Marriott	.. 1
W. H. C. Stone b Marriott	.. 0	c and b Gamble	.. 12
H. S. Scales c Caldbeck b Marriott	.. 13	b Gamble	.. 1
J. S. Phillips c Dillon b Marriott	.. 1	not out	.. 0
J. S. Lewis b Gamble	.. 12	c Dillon b Price	.. 26
Extras	.. 7	Extras	.. 16
Total	.. 58	Total	.. 142

ST. COLUMBA'S COLLEGE.

J. E. Beatty c Stone b Bell	..	..	..	52
K. K. O'Connor b G. E. Larkin	..	..	..	1
W. E. Caldbeck lbw b A. Larkin	..	..	..	26
C. S. Marriott c Burns b Bell	..	..	..	5
V. W. Gamble b Bell	..	..	..	3
C. G. Gamble not out	..	..	..	110
R. V. Nunn b Bell	..	..	..	8
N. Manly b Larkin	..	..	..	11
A. B. Lawson lbw b Burns	..	..	..	11
L. M. Dillon b Bell	..	..	..	2
R. G. Price b Larkin	..	..	..	0
Extras	..	..	..	23
Total	..	..	..	252

BOWLING.

Bell (5 wickets for 107)
 Larkin (4 wickets for 86)
 Burns (1 wicket for 21)

HIGH SCHOOL 1ST XI. AVERAGES.

Played, 14. Won, 9. Lost, 3. Drawn, 2.
 Total runs for 1541.
 Total runs against 1037.

BATTING AVERAGES.

Name.	No. of Inns.	Total Runs.	Most in an Inns.	Times not out.	Average.
C. S. Marchant	18	247	29*	4	17 64
N. L. Hannon	17	202	78	2	13 46
J. S. Lewis	5	50	26	1	12 50
G. E. Larkin	16	194	41	0	12 12
J. Bell	16	169	58*	1	11 26
W. H. C. Stone	15	115	53*	2	8 84
F. S. Marchant	12	90	18	1	8 18
J. S. Phillips	13	78	22	3	7 80
P. F. T. Burns	13	80	16	1	6 66
F. N. Boyers	12	63	23	2	6 30
H. S. Scales	13	50	19	3	5 00

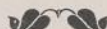
* Not out.

BOWLING AVERAGES.

Name.	Overs.	Maidens.	Runs.	Wickets.	Average.
W. H. C. Stone	11	2	21	5	4 2
L. N. Hannon	25	8	53	10	5 3
J. Bell	167	48	387	67	5 7
G. E. Larkin	128 1	38	307	50	6 1

NOTE.—The two silver medals kindly presented by Mr. Cousins were won by C. S. Marchant for the best batting average, and J. Bell for the best bowling average.

C. S. MARCHANT, *Hon. Sec.*



Football Prospects.



THE following Officers have been elected for the coming season :—

Captain—JNO. BELL.

Vice-Captain—A. J. SMYTH.

Hon. Secretary—C. G. WHITE.

Hon. Treasurer—J. S. PHILLIPS.

Selection-Committee—The above Officers with Mr. WYON and Mr. SLADE.

At the time of writing it is rather difficult to form any idea of the strength of the XV. which will represent the school during

the coming season. A. J. Beatty, C. S. Marchant, F. Read and B. A. Cohen have departed from our midst, and with W. H. C. Stone, W. H. B. Mack, N. L. Hannon and A. S. Larkin leaving in October, the prospects for the season are none too rosy. On the departure of these, only four of last year's backs are left, whereas we have five of the pack who, with practice, ought to give a good account of themselves. We regret to announce that the injury which F. S. Marchant received in the Cup match against Mountjoy was more serious than at first supposed, and will necessitate his involuntary retirement from the game. The strength of the team will much depend on the keenness of the players, and the spirit in which they take part in the practices and training.

The Sub-Committee hope to make arrangements so that every boy will have practice at least once a week.

We hope to have, as in former years, the assistance of Messrs. Wyon, Slade and Ellwood, both in practices and matches, against senior 3rd XV's, and we understand that Mr. Briggs and Mr. Walker will also play.



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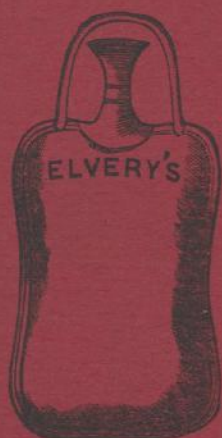
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