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MARCH, 1922.

Editorial.

"Tempora Mutantur"

The "distressful" country is at peace. Great changes have come, changes that affect us all, and they will continue to come so gradually that we shall not realise them. Ireland is, as it were, in the crucible, and time alone will show what is going to be evolved.

Before long the Clock Room may hear the "Exploits of Finn" recited in the original by boys now in the lower forms of the school.

The matrimonial ventures of Henry VIII. as a tax on the strongest memory will soon be supplanted by the Battles of "Conn the Hundred-Fighter;" and why should the playground not be the scene of the "Battle of the Boyne," fought as it ought to have been, and not as it was? We cannot refrain from uttering a pious thanksgiving that such will not be our lot. But away with this idle speculation! Everyone, whatever his position, should do his utmost to improve his country and make it a land "fit for heroes to live in," and not one in which only heroes **can** live.

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Soon after the beginning of term came the sad news of the death of a great Irishman—Sir Ernest Shackleton, explorer and poet. We had followed with great interest the voyage of his ship, the "Quest," which set out for the Antarctic in September of last year. On January 3rd they arrived at the little whaling-station of Grytviken, in South Georgia, after encountering a terrific storm. Shackleton went on shore to arrange about a Christmas dinner for the crew, but on the morning of the 5th he was taken ill suddenly, and died in a few hours. In accordance with his own wish, his body was interred beside the little English Church at Grytviken. His life is fitly described in a couplet of his own, an example that we should all do well to follow:

"Never for me the lowered banner,
Never the lost endeavour."

After a very successful football season, we had the misfortune to be beaten by St. Andrew's College in the first round of the Senior Cup. The match was closely contested, however, and the result was in doubt up to the last five minutes of the game. Our Junior Cup Team were also beaten in the first round by Belvedere College. We shudder to think of the time that is fast approaching when there will be no Bell on the first XV. For 16 years a member of this family has played for High School, and for 7 of these years they have captained the team—a very fine record indeed.

"Shades of Erasmus! Hear that knell,
That tolls so loud o'er Belgrave's green;
What means it? Listen! The last Bell
Has played for High School's first fifteen."

Though in the past the School has been noted rather for football than cricket, yet it has by no means disgraced itself in the latter game. There is at present, however, a certain lack of keenness or enthusiasm for cricket, which is regarded by many as a "rather poor substitute for footer." Let every boy do his best to alter this state of things this season, and by playing hard make a good attempt to bring the cup back once more to Harcourt Street.

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The Synod results were published soon after Christmas, and were quite up to the standard of former years. The details may be found elsewhere. We are glad to welcome Mr. H. R. Chillingworth, M.A. (T.C.D.), as an addition to the school staff, due to the increase in our numbers. We offer our sincerest sympathy to Mr. Evans, who left us for a few days on the death of his mother.

The Annual Prize Distribution was held this year on Armistice Day, November 11th, and was followed by the unveiling of the School War Memorial. As we had been told before the holidays, the desks in the Clock Room were turned round to face the memorial window, so that it might be kept in mind by all the boys. A memento of the war memorial, which will include photographs of the window and of the tablets, is in course of production, and will be ready immediately. Every boy will no doubt wish to have a copy. The price will probably be 1s.



School Notes.



The School was re-opened after the Christmas vacation on Tuesday, 17th of January.

It is proposed by members of the Fifth Form to give in the School at Easter, selections from Shakespeare's "Julius Cæsar."

Mr. J. Hand, of the Irish Shakespearian Society, is coaching the boys, and Mr. Doak is also giving much valuable assistance. H. Williams, of the Sixth Form, has kindly consented to fill the responsible position of stage-manager. The principal parts are as follows:—

Julius Cæsar	-	-	W. S. Coomber.
Marcus Antonius	-	-	D. B. W. Good.
Caius Cassius	-	-	E. T. Tuckey.
Marcus Brutus	-	-	E. May.

We wish them all success, and suggest that parents and friends of the boys be admitted. The date has not yet been fixed.

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The Easter Holidays will be from Thursday, April 13th, to Monday, April 24th, inclusive. School will re-open on Tuesday, April 25th.

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The examination for School Scholarships for boys between 11 and 13 years of age on June 1st will be held on June 13th and 14th.

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The Intermediate Examinations will begin on Tuesday, June 13th. Rumour says that there will be the usual Intermediate Examinations again next year, in 1923, but that in 1924 there will be an entirely new system.



Notes on Old Boys.



W. E. Abbott (1900-12) has been appointed Assistant Demonstrator in Chemistry in the College of Science.

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W. G. Allen (1914-15) has gone out to New Zealand to study farming.

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Dr. A. J. Barnes (1886-91) has been elected President of the Pharmaceutical Society of Ireland.

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G. Bateman (1909-16) has obtained a Clerkship in the Air Ministry (London).

G. K. Carpenter (1908-14) was ordained in Christ Church Cathedral last June, and sailed for China to join the Trinity College Mission at Fuhkien in January.

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H. M. Daniel (1901-9), who recently paid us a visit, is lieutenant in the Medical Branch of the Royal Air Service, and has been stationed on the Indian frontier and in Mesopotamia.

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W. J. E. Dawson (1909-15) was ordained in Advent for the Curacy of Holy Trinity, Rathmines.

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G. Chester Duggan (1896-1903) has been transferred from Dublin Castle to Belfast as Secretary to the Finance Minister of the Northern Government.

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J. W. Duggan (1917-20) has gone out to Sydney, New South Wales, for farming.

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Prof. H. H. Jeffcott (1892-95), who is leaving Dublin at Easter to take up his appointment in London as Secretary of the Institute of Civil Engineers, has taken the degree of Doctor of Science in Trinity College.

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Gordon S. B. Mack (1906-16) is to be congratulated on winning again the Badminton Championship of Ireland.

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S. W. Maddock (1880-85) was awarded a Knighthood among the New Year Honours. Nobody will congratulate Sir Simon more heartily than High School boys, who all know him and his interest in their sports.

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Rev. A. W. MacFarlane (1890-99) has left the Presbyterian Church at Waterford and accepted a call to Tullamore.

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J. Mackay (1908-17) has obtained a Clerkship in the Ministry of Labour (London).

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F. W. Synnott, M.C. (1899-1904), was ordained in Advent to the Curacy of St. Peter's, in Dublin.

MARRIAGES.

Lt. Col. R. B. B. Foster, M.B., Indian Medical Service (1890-95), was married in December to Millicent Wyndham,

only daughter of the late Henry Wyndham Ball and Mrs. Ball, 5 Palmerston Park.

Capt. W. H. Bradshaw Mack (late R.G.A.), Diplomatic Service (1910-13) was married on Nov. 4th, at the British Embassy, Constantinople, to Lilian May, only daughter of J. L. North, Esq., J.P., and Mrs North, Chatsworth, Merriion.



THE BOYS OF H.S.D.

The boys of the High School, Dublin,
Are a very learned crew.
It's really a nine days' wonder
The amount of work they do.

For Euclid they've a passion,
And Trig. they all adore;
They know the value of Sin 2A.—
A few know a little more.

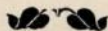
At History they can tell you
All that's happened since the flood,
And how the field of Hastings ran
With Oliver Cromwell's blood.

At Geography they're A1;
With knowledge they abound.
They know that Fuji-yama's
On the shores of Plymouth Sound.

They can tell you that Calcutta's
A town on the Firth of Tay,
And they know that San Francisco's
An island in Lagos Bay.

They're wonderful at Latin comp.,
And Virgil's free from "fog"—
They know "Arma virumque cano"
Means "arms and the juice of a dog."

L. A.



College Distinctions.



TRINITY COLLEGE.

- I. E. Jones obtained Third Place at the Junior Exhibition examination in October, and won the High School Exhibition (£25 a year for five years). He also won four Entrance Prizes for Greek and Latin Prose and Greek and Latin Verse (Three Firsts and one Second).

- W. C. G. Proctor obtained Fifth Place and won a First Class Junior Exhibition (£20 a year for two years). He was also awarded an Erasmus Smith Statutory Exhibition by the Governors of the School.
- E. J. Weinberger obtained Two Entrance Prizes, First in French and First in German. He was also awarded by the Governors of the School an Erasmus Smith Statutory Exhibition.

The following are Term Honours:—

Junior Freshmen—

- R. E. McGuire, 1st Honours in Classics.
 I. E. Jones, 1st Honours in Classics (1st place).
 W. C. G. Proctor, 1st Honours in Mathematics.
 R. E. Murray, 2nd Honours in French; 2nd Honours in German.

Junior Sophisters—

- A. V. G. Killingley, 1st Honours in French; 1st Honours in Modern Literature.
 H. J. L. Armstrong, 1st Honours in Experimental Science.
 E. W. Scales, 2nd Honours in Mental and Moral Philosophy.

The following have passed the Final Freshman Examination:—

- N. Shapira (Sch.), G. A. Cowan, I. J. Isaacson, F. D. Matthews, G. W. H. Townsend.
- A. R. Ellis has passed the Junior Sophister Term Examination, and G. E. Dodds and N. Mather the Medical School Entrance Examination.
- Gordon S. B. Mack has obtained Senior Moderatorship (Supp.) and Gold Medal in Classics, and Senior Moderatorship (Supp.) and Gold Medal in History.
- W. E. Thrift has passed the Final Engineering Examination with distinction.

The following have taken degrees:—

- B.A.—L. Heyman, C. B. D. Parker, S. G. Rainsford,
 F. W. Synnott, W. E. Thrift.
 B.A.I.—W. E. Thrift, C. J. Reid.
 M.A.—F. W. Synnott.
 D.Sc.—H. H. Jeffcott.

ROYAL VETERINARY COLLEGE.

- H. McKee, has passed the Third Professional Examination.

Bibby's Annual.



There is a magazine that comes out once a year which everybody ought to read. Its name is "Bibby's Annual." It is edited by Joseph Bibby, the famous shipowner of Liverpool, who, in order that it may circulate among a wider number of readers, publishes it at a loss. But he is recompensed by its advertising power; not that there is a single advertisement from cover to cover except the legend, "Joseph Bibby & Sons, Liverpool," on the back. Yet if he was never recompensed by its advertising power, he would be by his knowing that he had done his duty to his fellow-men. For all through the moral tone is elevated and pure. His watchword is "Excelsior." He upholds the advancement of the Human Race, and tells us how to fulfil that great commandment, "Our Duty towards our Neighbour;" more than that, he teaches us "Our Duty towards Ourselves," by such sayings, writ in large letters, as "He profits most who serves best," and underneath is written, "This law is as universal in its operation as the law of gravitation."

On the covers of this magazine are coloured lithographs, symbolical in their character. For example, on the front cover of this year's number is a picture of Hope and Courage, represented by a stalwart knight and a fair maiden; while underneath is: "Without these kindred virtues there can be no sustained endurance and therefore no achievement. Hope is the inspiration of courage. Take away hope, and the efforts of the bravest would collapse. When they act together there is no difficulty that may not be overcome. In the young, courage should be cultivated as a protection to the other virtues, for where children have not learned to be brave, then truth and honour are liable to be surrendered at the first appearance of danger." To find out the style in which Mr. Bibby delivers his teachings and exhortations, we will start by referring to a picture in this year's number. It is a portrait of a very sour-looking man, dressed in black, with a heavy tome of the same colour beneath his arm. Of him Mr. Bibby says he "repels while he attracts us." He "has seen life indeed—but has not seen it whole! The laughter, the love, and assuredly the faith of little children that keeps life sweet and the eyes and mouth smiling, the heart at peace, have all been missed." Such is not Mr. Bibby's style. Yet one has not to be an artist or a philosopher to study the pictures and understand the writing. It is popular, not technical; anyone can take up "Bibby's Annual" and understand and enjoy it thoroughly.

Looking into this year's number we see that it is a storehouse of art. There are many famous pictures from such great masters as Leonardo da Vinci, Burne-Jones, Raeburn, Watts and Zurbaran. One of the best of them, however, is by a modern artist, Breton Riviere, entitled "The Hunter Hunted." It consists of two Assyrians in a chariot drawn by three milk-white steeds, attacked by a lion whose mate they have mortally wounded. The colouring itself is splendid, but it is for the portraiture of the animals that the picture has its worth. The horses are in breathless flight and show a wonderful amount of action and life. The lion has sprung and is clawing the back of the chariot, while the cool Assyrians meet his attack with the utmost bravery. The scene is laid in the broad plains of Mesopotamia, where now men of a different race hunt, and with different weapons and no longer in chariots; but the king still roves the plains, unchanged and as ruthless as ever. There are several classical pictures, and also two photographs of the statues of the Venus of Milo and Demeter, the Roman Ceres, goddess of agriculture. On examining the Venus we are truly impressed by its exquisite beauty, for indeed it is one of the best statues ever produced, and we cannot help lamenting that it is badly damaged. The pictures are by Herbert Sydney, one of Virgil declaiming to the Empress Octavia his Elegy on the death of her son, Marcellus; and the other of Spartan mothers watching their eight-year-old sons being whipped before the shrine of Artemis. These pictures are exceedingly beautiful. Mr. Bibby draws a moral from nearly every one of the pictures, and of this latter one, talking of the Spartans, he says: "We shall do well if in seeking to achieve our own aims, we adopt their spirit, while eliminating their cruelty."

Among the other pictures is Burne-Jones's "Briar Rose," the third and most popular of that series of four paintings illustrating the tale of the Sleeping Beauty. Another famous picture is Sir Henry Raeburn's "Boy and Rabbit." This picture is exceedingly beautiful, and the comely boy, petting his rabbit affectionately, was the step-grandson of the artist. He was deaf and dumb; but, Mr. Bibby says, "happiness does not depend so much upon the number of senses we possess as on the use we make of those we have." And lastly we will mention Leonardo da Vinci's "Last Supper," which occupies two pages in the middle of the Annual and is beautifully reproduced. This painting is a wonderful masterpiece, and was painted in Milan in 1497. One has to study it before seeing its wonderful power. Mr. Bibby says "the perfect balance and harmony of the picture, the concealed art by which the Master appears isolated from the other figures, the solemn majesty and beauty of it all, make the picture one

of the greatest monuments of creative genius." Besides the above-mentioned pictures and many others there are a number of articles, chiefly concerning theological, social, and economic subjects, such as "The Road to Divinity," "The True Idealist," and "Social Science."

And so Mr. Bibby preaches "Advancement" in an exceedingly pleasant and popular fashion, collecting together famous pictures and giving scope to the talent of modern writers. In the introduction he says that he brought out the magazine first to express "certain thoughts and ideals concerned with ethical and social problems." Having now expressed these feelings, he intends to withdraw, and this year's number will probably be the last. That will be a pity, and the Annual will be missed far and wide, in literary circles and by the hearth. However, he will retire with the knowledge that he has done his duty towards his fellow-men.



Results of Scripture Examinations,

December, 1921.



CHURCH OF IRELAND.

Greek Testament.—First Class: R. H. Colwill, 84 (2nd place). Third Class: W. S. Cunningham, 57; R. P. McGarrigle, 56; T. G. Squires, 55; E. J. Montgomery, 53; H. Montgomery, 52; D. B. W. Good, 51. Pass: C. W. Gibbs, 30.

Senior Grade.—Pass: E. T. Tuckey, 48½; E. R. C. May, 47.

Middle Grade.—Pass: A. L. Riley, 62; W. H. Squires, 60; B. T. Warren, 57½; W. A. H. Walker, 56½; H. G. Yates, 56; L. B. Harris, 55½; C. H. A. McCauly, 52½; J. L. Gray, 47½; M. F. E. Dobbin, 45½; G. J. Boucher, 45; E. A. Connolly, 43½; J. W. R. Fleming, 38½; V. E. Kerr, 37; H. E. P. Anderson, 35.

Junior Grade.—Second Class: A. W. H. Breakey, 79; R. K. Craig, 75; J. A. W. McKee, 75. Third Class: A. Cunningham, 70½; D. G. McCauly, 69½; H. A. E. Egan, 68. Pass: J. S. Carroll, 64½; R. W. B. Armstrong, 62; C. G. Monson, 62; C. H. Mills, 61½; H. B. S. Montgomery, 60; T. N. Richardson, 59½; C. A. T. Darling, 58½; R. W. Reynolds, 56½; F. Sykes, 56½; W. G. Johnston, 56; G. F. Dalton, 55½; H. F. Lyster, 55½; E. A. H. Molloy, 55½; J. O. Early, 55; H. C. Woodcock, 55; S. E. Lenchan, 54; G. H. Maynard, 52; S. D. Peake, 50½; G. P. Pearse, 50; P. Begley, 49½; F. G. Bestall, 49½; L. Green, 49½; H. C. McCauly, 49½; W. H. L. Waddell, 48½; H. E. Conlan, 48; A. H. Whiteside, 47½;

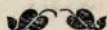
C. S. Coe, 47; G. Stewart, 47; J. M. Manson, 46½; W. F. Doak, 45½; W. E. Jackson, 45½; H. W. Love, 43½; G. W. Whiteside, 38½; J. S. Middleton, 38; A. F. Smith, 36½; F. Doble, 35. K. Douglas, 38; and T. S. Mason, 26½, only took two papers.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

Greek Testament.—Second Class: M. Bell, 68.

Middle Grade.—Second Class: W. S. Glover, 83. Pass: J. E. P. Martin, 58; A. W. Robertson, 55; G. R. Hope, 52; V. G. Maxwell, 51; W. F. Taylor, 49; V. J. Fielding, 48; H. McHoul, 43; A. B. Taylor, 42.

Junior Grade.—Third Class: D. Mitchell, 73. Pass: H. M. Glover, 59; J. M. G. Buchanan, 44; F. H. Ballagh, 43; W. R. Whelan, 42.



Football Notes.



Taking the results on the whole, our Senior Cup Team has had a most successful season. Out of the twenty-six matches we played, fifteen were won, one drawn, and ten lost. We would have had more matches only play was often impossible owing to the inclemency of the weather. This year we renewed our fixture with one of the Belfast Schools, namely, Methodist College. Our team travelled to Belfast on November the 12th, and after a good match, were defeated by 27 points to nil. We were at a decided disadvantage, because the Northern schools can play boys up to nineteen years of age, whereas in our case the age limit is eighteen. On the day of the International between England and Ireland at Lansdowne Road, our return match with the Methodist College was played, and resulted in a win for them by fourteen points to three points. The match was played early so as to give the Belfast boys the opportunity of seeing the International.

In the first round of the Senior Schools Cup we were drawn against St. Andrew's College, last year's winners. The match was played on the Donnybrook ground, and resulted in a lucky win for St. Andrew's College by 2 tries to 1. We gave the St. Andrew's team probably the hardest match they have had this season, and they were extremely lucky to get their winning try in the last five minutes of the game.

This Season's Senior Cup Team was probably one of the best the School has had for a long time, and it was very unfortunate to get knocked out of the cup in the first round.

Now let us turn to the Junior team, which, we are sorry to say, did not at all approach the standard which it attained

in previous years. During the whole season we could never actually get a proper Junior Cup Team to turn out. On many occasions boys who were listed to play failed to turn up and left the team short. The natural result followed, and we were beaten in the Junior Schools Cup by Belvedere College by the big score of 17 points to nil.

This year, in addition to the Senior and Junior teams, we ran a 2nd fifteen for boys ineligible for the Junior team and for those not on the Senior. Many matches were played, and this experiment proved a great success.

In conclusion, we wish to thank all those masters or old boys who took an interest in the football this season.

S.C.T. MATCHES PLAYED.

			Score.		
			Result.	H.S.D.	Opponent.
Oct.	1	Lansdowne 3rd	... W	11	6
"	5	Wesley College	... L	3	11
"	8	St. Andrew's	... L	5	6
"	12	Clontarf Schoolboys	... W	11	6
"	15	Clontarf 3rd A	... W	16	6
"	19	C.U.S.	... W	15	3
"	26	St. Columba's	... L	0	3
"	29	Blackrock College	... L	6	14
Nov.	5	Masonic	... L	3	9
"	9	King's Hospital	... W	6	5
"	12	Methodist College	... L	0	27
"	16	C.U.S.	... W	38	0
"	23	Palmerston 3rd	... W	39	3
"	30	E.H.S.	... W	13	5
Dec.	3	Clontarf 3rdA	... L	3	5
"	7	Lansdowne 3rdA	... W	6	5
"	17	Old Weslev 3rd	... W	17	3
Jan.	18	Blackrock College	... D	3	3
"	21	Belvedere	... W	16	11
Feb.	4	Bective 3rd	... W	15	0
"	8	Andrew's	... W	9	3
"	11	Methodist College	... L	3	14
"	22	Andrew's (Cup)	... L	3	6
March	11	Earlsfort House School...	W	24	3

St. Andrew's College S.C.T. v. High School S.C.T.,
at Donnybrook, on Feb. 22nd., 1922.

This match proved what the High School team is capable of doing considering that we were drawn in the first round

against St. Andrew's, the winners of last year's Senior Cup. This was one of the hardest matches that we have played this year, the pace being very fast from start to finish. At half-time there was no score, but on resuming Sanderson, gathering a miskick by D'Alton, fell over the line for an unconverted try. After this D'Alton retrieved himself by scoring High School's only try. Bell had hard luck with the kick. In the last five minutes, after a nice bout of passing by the St. Andrew's backs, Dunbar raced over for an unconverted try. St. Andrew's were undoubtedly lucky to win.

Methodist College, Belfast, S.C.T. v. H.S.D. S.C.T.,
At Belgrave Square, on Feb. 11th.

On "International Saturday" we had as visitors Methodist College, Belfast. The match was played in the morning, to enable the boys to see the International against England. As the age limit for the S.C.T. is 19 in Ulster, our opponents were at a decided advantage. Early on the "Methodist" wing picked up and ran over for an unconverted try. This was soon added to by another unconverted try by the centre. Half-time arrived with M.C.B. leading 6 point to nil. After this a combined attack of our forwards and backs led to Williams "worrying" over for a try. Jolley failed with the kick. After this the Belfast team succeeded in scoring two more tries, and ran out winners by 14 points to 3. The score by no means represented the play, High School being unlucky all the way.

Belvedere College J.C.T. v. High School J.C.T., played at
Donnybrook, on February 21st.

Our Junior team suffered defeat in the first round at the hands of Belvedere. The match was a poor display from High School's point of view. We were defending practically all the time, and no attempt at attack was made. Suffice it to say that we were beaten by a heavier and better trained team. For High School, Ellis at full was the best back on the field. Fielding and Ballagh were good in defence. Of the forwards none worked harder than Good, Anderson and Bardon.

Grammar School, Drogheda, J.C.T., v. High School J.C.T.,
played at Belgrave Square, Saturday, 11th March, 1922.

In this match our team played very nice, combined football. Our forwards attacked strongly at first, and several times the Grammar School line was in danger. The first score went to us, Squires finishing a clever back movement by racing half the field to score far out. Anderson's attempt at the kick failed. Drogheda came away with a rush, but could

not hold our boys, who worked back to their "25." Here from a "line-out" Stafford got over for an unconverted try. Shortly after this from a scrum Squires fell over for a try, and with a good kick, Hopkins converted from far out. At half-time we led by 11 points to nil. On restarting the Drogheda boys played up more strongly and crossed our line twice. They were unlucky not to convert their first score. Play now moved from one end of the field to the other, and from a scrum Fielding slipped over for a try, but failed with the kick. A hard-fought, strenuous game ended in a victory for High School by 14 points to 6.

NOTES ON PLAYERS.

McGarrigle, our "last line of defence," always plays a very sound game, tackles well, and has a very good length in his kick.

Wright is, without doubt, one of the fastest "wings" playing in school football, but got very little chance this season of using his pace to advantage.

Abbott, although quite good in defence, should remember not to "hold on" so long.

Cunningham, although playing "Rugger" for the first time, has shown himself to be possessed of speed and initiative.

Jolley on this season's play we consider to be the best all-round three-quarter in the school.

Ballagh at out half plays a very sturdy game, and should be worth his "trial" next year.

May, in defence, is probably the "pluckiest" player we possess, but he should remember to get the ball away quickly.

Bell, our Captain, has upheld the reputation left by his brothers, and leads the "pack" with dogged perseverance.

Williams works hard in the scrum, and is a thoroughly reliable forward.

Bardon, though good in the loose, should remember to use his weight in the scrum.

Archer, like Cunningham, playing football for the first time, has turned out a success, and shines in play "out of touch."

In **Walker** and **D'Alton** we have excellent "wing-forwards," whilst **Boyce** and **Anderson** are good all-round workers.

We congratulate M. Bell on being chosen for the Probables in the Interprovincial Trial, and Jolley, Wright and Williams for the Possibles. May was also chosen as a substitute.

The High School War Memorial.



The School War Memorial was unveiled on Armistice Day, November 11th, by the Provost of Trinity College. There was a very large attendance of parents and old boys. The following Governors were present:—Mr. J. A. Maconchy, J.P. (Chairman); the Provost of Trinity College, Lord Holm-Patrick, D.S.O.; Professor W. E. Thrift, F.T.C.D.; Rev. Principal H. Kingsmill Moore, D.D.; Mr. E. H. Alton, F.T.C.D.; Mr. R. A. P. Rogers, F.T.C.D.; Rev. Professor Lawlor, D.D.; Mr. A. Purser, Mr. R. C. De Versan, the Dean of the Chapel Royal.

A special apology for his inability to be present was read from His Grace the Lord Primate, and apologies were also sent by the Archbishop of Dublin, the Lord Chief Justice, the Bishop of Meath, the Bishop of Clogher, Mr. J. Andrew, and Captain Carden, D.L.

Before the unveiling ceremony the annual prize distribution took place, and the Headmaster read his report as follows:—

As the Prize Distribution is this year to be followed by the more important ceremony of the unveiling of the War Memorial, I shall make this report, dealing with our work for the past year, much briefer than usual.

The record for the year is one of steady and continuous progress. The number of boys on the roll shows a marked increase. It is larger now than at any time during the past twenty-five years, and after Christmas an addition will be made to the staff.

There have been three changes among the masters during the year. In December last Mr. Magill was ordained and left; in March Mr. Faloone, our senior Mathematical Master, died, to our great loss and amid general regret; and at mid-summer Mr. Richardson resigned. These vacancies have been filled by Mr. Simpson, Mr. Doak, and Mr. Butler.

Our results in external examinations were appreciably better than in any previous year. In the Scripture Examinations held under the direction of the Church of Ireland Synod and of the Presbyterian Assembly 81 boys passed and won 38 prizes, as compared with 67 passes and 30 prizes in the previous year. Of Church boys 10 passed in Greek Testament, 3 in the Senior Grade, 17 in the Middle, and 40 in the Junior; and 11 Presbyterian boys passed. In Greek Testament the First Place and Silver Medal were won by I. E. Jones, and the first place among Presbyterian boys in the Junior Grade by

W. S. Glover. In the Intermediate Examinations held last June 35 boys passed—our highest total under the present system. Last year the number was 33, and the year before 30. The total was made up of 8 boys in the Senior Grade, 10 boys in the Middle, and 17 in the Junior. Eight boys passed with honours. The Intermediate Board gave a much smaller number of distinctions this year, but among our awards I. E. Jones gained the Medal for first place in Greek in the Senior Grade, First Prize for Greek Composition, and a Classical Exhibition; and in the Junior Grade two boys who were a year under the qualifying age obtained Exhibitions, W. S. Glover in Science, qualifying also for one in Mathematics, and D. W. B. Good in Classics, gaining as well a prize for Greek Composition.

At the Examination for Sizarship in Trinity College last June three boys were successful in three different subjects: I. E. Jones won the First Sizarship in Classics, E. J. Weinberger the First in Modern Languages, and W. C. G. Proctor the Second in Mathematics—a record for this school. At the Junior Exhibition Examination this time last year P. Coleman gained second place and the High School Exhibition; and R. E. McGuire fourth place and a First Class Junior exhibition; and he was also awarded an Erasmus Smith Statutory Exhibition by the Governors of the School. P. Coleman also won First Entrance Prize for Greek Prose. This year the High School Exhibition has been won by I. E. Jones with third place, and a First Class Junior Exhibition by W. C. G. Proctor with fifth place. E. J. Weinberger has obtained the First Entrance Prize in French and the same in German, and I. E. Jones has obtained four Entrance Prizes in Greek and Latin Prose and in Greek and Latin verse.

Of former pupils who have gained distinction in Trinity College mention should be made of N. Shapira, who has won a Classical Scholarship; G. S. B. Mack, Classical Moderatorship; A. V. G. Killingley, Sanscrit Prize and First Class Honours in French; W. M. FitzSimons, a Special Certificate in Engineering; F. W. Synnott and W. J. E. Dawson, Downes' Prizes in the Divinity School; and among several in the Medical School, E. C. Smith especially, who passed first on high marks in the Final Examination in Surgery, and was remitted the fees for the B.Ch. degree.

I shall mention two or three other distinctions outside Trinity College. E. R. Colwill has passed into Sandhurst. In the Royal College of Science R. D. Stephens has gained an Exhibition of £50 a year for four years; and H. S. Scales First Prize for Mechanics in the first year. W. E. Abbott has completed his successful course there by winning in his final year three First Prizes and one Second; he has been

made an Associate of the College, and also an Associate of the Institute of Chemistry in London.

Finally, I would call attention to the following:—A. S. Larkin and W. B. Gilligan have been appointed to the Indian Civil Service; W. H. B. Mack has been appointed by the Foreign Office to the Diplomatic Service at Constantinople; Professor H. H. Jeffcott has been elected Secretary to the Institute of Civil Engineers in London; J. Sealy, K.C., has been acting County Court Judge in Tipperary; E. V. Longworth, O.B.E., has been made a K.C.; Surgeon-Commander T. W. Myles, R.N., has been given the O.B.E. for rescue work in South Russia and the Black Sea; Rev. F. W. O'Connell, Professor of Irish in Queen's University, Belfast, has been given the honorary degree of Ph.D. in Paris; Rev. J. C. Forrester, formerly head of the Chota Nagpur Mission in India, has been appointed Church of Ireland Chaplain in Trinity College; C. G. White, B.Sc., Demonstrator in Engineering in the Royal College of Science; E. S. O. Dunlop an Intermediate Clerk in the Health Ministry in London; and lastly, Dr. A. J. Barnes has been elected President of the Pharmaceutical Society of Ireland.

I have not said anything about our games or physical education; but if any of you were present at our Gymnastic Display in May, or at the Annual Sports at Lansdowne Road in June, or at the Swimming Gala at the Iveagh Baths in October, or if you will visit Belgrave Square any afternoon in term time during the football or cricket season, you will be fully satisfied that this side of our school life is not neglected; and where both the work in school and at home and the games out of school are well looked after, you need have no fears as to the healthy spirit and good tone of the school in general; and even though a boy wins no prizes and is not distinguished in games, he is yet deriving great benefit from his education in this school.

The prizes were then distributed, and the Chairman of the Governors, Mr. J. A. Maconchy, having delivered a brief address, in which he expressed the satisfaction of the Board at the progress of the School, and congratulated the Headmaster and his staff on their excellent work, the ceremony of the unveiling of the memorial began.

Professor W. E. Thrift, F.T.C.D., formally presented to the Governors of the school on behalf of the old boys the memorial window and tablets. When the call came, he said, High School boys answered well, and of those who joined the Colours sixty-eight gave up their lives. The old boys felt it incumbent on them to see that the memory of those who went from the High School and gave up their lives should not be forgotten.

Lord HolmPatrick, D.S.O., M.C., accepting the memorial on behalf of the Governors, mentioned that nearly one thousand old boys from the High School joined up for the war. How many of those boys, he asked, had in July, 1914, the slightest idea of joining the Army? He thought that they could probably count them on the fingers of one hand. But they heard the call of duty and they rallied at once. If the present members of the High School took those old boys as their example they would not go far wrong in life. "Keep them in mind," Lord HolmPatrick concluded, "and you will always turn up when the call for duty comes."

The names of the sixty-eight who had fallen were read by Mr. Thompson, the Headmaster, all present standing:

C. H. Alexander	...	Capt., Australian Infantry.
H. M. Anderson	...	Lieut., Northumberland Fusiliers.
W. D. Appleyard	...	Royal Dublin Fusiliers.
A. H. Bailey	...	New Zealand Infantry.
L. Barron	...	Lieut., Border Regiment.
L. M. Bayly, M.C.	...	Capt., Royal Irish Rifles.
W. F. Benson	...	Sub-Lieut., R.N. Volunteer Reserve.
James Black	...	Border and Lothian Horse.
John Black	...	Argyle and Sutherland Highlanders.
R. G. Brewster	...	Lieut., South Irish Horse.
W. Buckley	...	South Irish Horse.
P. F. T. Burns	...	Lieut., King's Liverpool Regiment.
C. S. Burrows, M.C.	...	Capt., Northumberland Fusiliers.
G. V. Butler	...	Lieut., Lincolnshire Regiment.
I. M. Craig	...	Capt., Royal Engineers.
G. H. Cross	...	Capt., Royal Army Service Corps.
N. F. Currall	...	Lieut., East Lancashire Regiment.
T. A. D. Deane	...	Lieut., Royal Marine Light Infantry.
C. J. Dodds	...	Capt., Royal Munster Fusiliers.
G. G. Duggan	...	Capt., Royal Irish Fusiliers.
J. R. Duggan	...	Lieut., Royal Irish Regiment.
J. G. St. J. Ellis	...	Lieut., Royal Engineers.
A. C. Edwards	...	Australian Artillery.
C. A. Findlater	...	Sergt., Royal Dublin Fusiliers.
G. Finney	...	Flight Cadet, Royal Air Force.
D. L. Fletcher	...	Lieut., Leinster Regiment.
G. R. Fox	...	Sergt., Canadian Infantry.
W. J. Francis	...	Corpl., Army Cyclist Corps.
A. F. Gibson	...	Lieut., Leinster Regt. & Royal Air Force.
G. J. Gibson	...	Canadian Cavalry.
E. E. Glorney	...	Lieut., Royal Air Force.
W. O. Halpin	...	Capt., Royal Army Medical Corps.
J. H. Hancock	...	Lieut., Royal Engineers.
N. L. Hannon	...	Lieut., King's Liverpool Regiment.
F. A. Harrison	...	Lieut., Leinster Regiment.
H. T. Henley, M.M.	...	Lieut., Royal Irish Rifles.
A. B. E. Hillas	...	Capt., Gordon Highlanders.
H. H. Hopkins	...	Lieut., South African Infantry.
J. Kelly	...	Corpl., Royal Dublin Fusiliers.
C. A. Kinnear	...	Lieut., Royal Field Artillery.
E. W. P. V. Leach	...	Capt., Royal Irish Rifles.
L. C. Le Bas	...	South Irish Horse.

J. H. F. Leland	...	Lieut., Royal Welsh Fusiliers.
P. Mandeville	...	Capt., West Yorkshire Regiment.
E. M. Mangan	...	Canadian Infantry.
C. S. Marchant	...	Lieut., Royal Dublin Fusiliers.
R. S. Mills	...	Lieut., Canadian A.S.C.
G. F. Lambert-Porter	...	Capt., West Yorkshire Regiment.
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R. T. Reper	...	Major, Dorsetshire Regiment.
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C. R. Young	...	Royal Army Medical Corps.
H. A. Young	...	Royal Army Service Corps.

[A sixty-ninth name has since been added—D. P. W. Carter, Lieut., Royal Engineers, who fell on the Somme, December 12th, 1916. He was at the school in 1908 and 1909].

The unveiling ceremony was then performed by the Provost of Trinity College. He was grateful, he said, for the privilege that had been given him of taking a small part in the reverent and dignified ceremonial of that memorable occasion in the history of the school. The Erasmus Smith High Schools had for their proud motto, "We are faithful to our trust."

He supposed that faithfulness never had had so severe a testing as it had during the dreadful years of war, and the boys who went forth from the High School went forth, like so many thousands of other boys from other schools, simply because their manhood called them. He was sure they would have found it difficult to explain exactly why they went.

"But we know," the Provost continued, "that their breeding and their tradition called them, and they felt, unconsciously it may be, that faithfulness to their citizenship demanded that they should fulfil their citizenship at any hazard of ease, of interest, of life itself. And we ought not to forget that the boys from Irish schools who went forth in this way were volunteers, not conscripts."

Continuing, he compared them to Greatheart in Bunyan's "Pilgrim's Progress." Some of them had not come back, but they could never be forgotten by those who came after them.

Last summer in the South of France he saw a plain, ugly tablet on which were a number of names, and below in Latin: "Their life is changed, it is not taken away." They could not express more simply the splendour of the Christian hope.

He trusted that from generation to generation that window might inspire the boys who looked upon it to think high thoughts and to give themselves to high endeavour, remembering that its perpetual lesson was, and always must be, that it was by sacrifice, and not by self-seeking, that men reached their highest, and that it was through sacrifice alone that their human life was enriched and redeemed.

In conclusion he said: "The boys will remember that this window symbolises above all things the dignity and splendour of self-sacrifice, of giving oneself."

After the unveiling the National Anthem was sung, and the Provost pronounced the Benediction.

A DESCRIPTION OF THE MEMORIAL.

The Memorial consists of a three-light stained-glass window, on either side of which are placed on the wall brass tablets inscribed with the names of the sixty-nine Old Boys of the School who lost their lives in the war. Above is a scroll, adorned with palm-leaves, and bearing the words: "To the glory of God, and in memory of the Old Boys of this School who lost their lives in the Great War, 1914-18."

Each tablet measures six feet by two.

The first tablet, which bears the inscription: "Death is swallowed up in victory," contains 35 names. The second bears the inscription: "Their name liveth to all generations," and has 34 names.

The window has three lights; the centre and largest represents Victory, and the two side ones represent Justice and Peace. Peace is gained by the triumph of Justice. "Righteousness and Peace have kissed each other." In the centre light the chief figure is a youthful knight in full armour, who, having fought the good fight, now rests upon his sword. He typifies the young heroes who cheerfully answered the call of duty and honour, scorning all toil and sacrifice; while the angels above offering gifts and laurel leaves signify that those who gave their lives will be held in proud and lasting memory. In the background another knight on horseback carries on high the School banner in the glorious triumph which public school traditions and training did so much to achieve. Underneath are the School arms, with children holding out the School motto: "We are faithful to our trust." The window on the left represents Peace, surrounded by symbolic doves, and raising aloft the Torch of Learning.

Underneath is the inscription "In Terra Pax," and below is David's conquest of Goliath. The window on the right represents Justice, with scales and sword. Underneath is the inscription "Fiat Justitia," and below is the last stand of Horatius defending the bridge.

The whole work has been designed and executed by Mr. W. MacBride, of the Craftworkers, Ltd. It has been admirably conceived and beautifully carried out. The general impression, especially when seen in the sunlight, is that of a richly jewelled and sparkling translucent screen, but the window is also remarkable for the wonderful colour of the robes, the marvellous intricacy of the pattern, and the variety and richness of the glass in the borders.



The New Rugby.



Owing to the difficulty of procuring grounds which comply with the revised Rugby Football regulations as issued by the Minister of Athletics, only one game has been played in accordance with the new requirements. To a spectator of this match who has sufficiently recovered to give some account of his experiences, we are indebted for the following report: We may add that the Minister of Athletics acted as referee in order to elucidate some of the more obscure rules. Various Cricket, Golf, Billiard and Put and Take clubs were, as interested parties, represented by counsel.

Shortly after kick-off the ball came to the Munster full-back, who dropped a clever goal from his own line. The enthusiasm which greeted this opening score was quickly hushed by the referee, who emerged from his dug-out, giving loud blasts on his trombone and shaking his megaphone violently. "Naag macscoire" (no score), he said, in Grafton Street Irish. "The ball did not pass between both posts, but only between one." This decision aroused a certain amount of grumbling. But the matter was soon compromised, the goal being allowed to count 2 points. The Minister of Athletics gave the signal to resume (three blasts on the harp), and retired to his periscope turret, S.S.W. of the 2nd bunker.

For a while the play was even, vigorous attacks being made now at one end, now at the other, and sometimes at both simultaneously. Suddenly the Leinster right wing, using his kilt dexterously, trapped the ball, and negotiating the last bunker with extraordinary brilliancy, bounded towards the Munster full-back. This unexpected appearance round the edge of the bunker gave his opponent little time to load his

elephant gun. As it was he could not take deliberate aim. He succeeded, however, in bringing his man down.

When a new ball had been obtained, the injured right wing was brushed into four biscuit tins and removed: a Free State kick was awarded against Leinster for lying on the ball. The ruling was disputed by the mourners, who, with their touch-line supporters, pointed out:

- (i.) That as the ball could not be found, the right wing could not be accused of lying on it.
- (ii.) That the *de iure* right wing, having lost his identity, ceased *de facto* to be a player.
- (iii.) That the referee had better have a care to his health.

Testing the edge of his dagger on his thumb nail and finding it a trifle dull, the Minister of Athletics said that he recognised the force of these arguments. He had no desire to give offence to anyone, and would therefore have great pleasure in blowing the trombone for half-time.

During the interval, while the pitch was being rolled and ironed by the marker, the crowd sang the "Wearin' of the Green" with much spirit, and tried by artificial perspiration to bring round the contents of the biscuit tins.

The second half was only a third. It opened tamely with a good drive off the tee straight down the fairway towards the Leinster wicket. Taking his cue, his time, a glance at the ball, and a suitable position, the Leinster full-back fielded well. But as he had forgotten to chalk his cue, his attempt to find touch failed, and a scrum was ordered.

There seemed to be great difficulty in getting the ball out. For ten minutes the struggle continued: then suddenly there was a cry of "ball out." But no, it was not the ball. It was the referee. He gave one feeble mournful sob on his trombone, laid it lovingly on the ground and crawled into it. He is to be buried next Tuesday.



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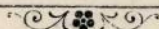
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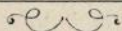


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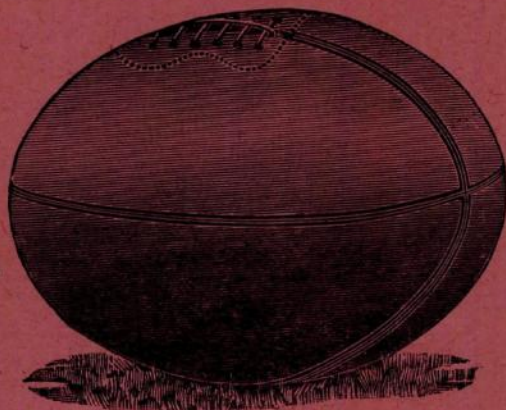
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