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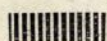
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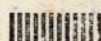
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Editorial.

There are some things that the Editor of a School Magazine ought to say. Many, indeed, that he would like to say, few that he can, fewer still that he does say. So he consults his fore-runners, those ancients who, in his opinion, when a third or fourth former, could express the wisdom of a Plato with the wit of a Dr. Johnson. We, too, in our last (and first) effort explained, you may remember, how we went to our predecessors seeking help and finding none. In similar plight for this our next (and last) production, it was from the columns of our contemporaries that we sought aid. We admire the genius of one editor who is able to fill up considerable space on the subject "Nothing." He has nothing to say, and says so most conclusively. In another very progressive magazine there is no space available for anything so old-fashioned as an Editorial. The solution of the difficulty had not occurred to us before, but we cannot bring our conservative nature to take this step.

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It is difficult indeed to realise that the time draws near when no longer the well-known bell shall summon us to the Clock Room at half-past nine. No more shall we explore the mysteries of science in the Lab., nor become acquainted with Sophocles and Cicero in the Boardroom. After eight years in school and square we go with mixed feelings of sorrow and joy to join the great host of Old Boys. A school has a personality that lives on, although each autumn sees an array of new faces at its gates. The High School has a reputation which it is every boy's duty to maintain.

We do not advocate in any way the renowned "Public School Spirit." The public schoolboy's pride in his school depends almost entirely on its history, on its famous scholars and athletes of the past. The pride the Erasmians should

feel in the High School is due to its present activities as much as to its past records. Let us never forget the honour of our school; let us always remember our motto, "We are faithful to our trust."



School Notes.



School will re-open after the Summer Vacation on Thursday, September 1st.

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The Examinations of the Ministry of Education for the Leaving and Intermediate Certificates began on Tuesday, June 14th.

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The French Government has, through Monsieur Blanche, the Consul-General for Ireland, presented two splendid volumes, which will be awarded for French to the two boys who obtain the highest marks in these two Examinations respectively. The School is greatly indebted to the French Government and to the Consul-General for these prizes.

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We greatly regret to announce the death of Rev. W. S. Kirkpatrick, B.A., at The Manse, Greystones, on April 25th, after a long illness. He had been Presbyterian Catechist to the School for the past seven years, and had won the affection and esteem of all his pupils. He did excellent service to the School, and was most interested in his work. During his illness and since his death his classes have been taken by the Rev. T. Byers, M.A., of Ormond Quay Church.

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Our Annual Sports are being held at Lansdowne Road on Friday, June 24th. This year, instead of the Tug-of-War between Sixth and School, a Relay Race is being held. A full account of them will appear in our next number.

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Both the Rugby and Cricket Teams have given good accounts of themselves this year. The Rugby Team reached the semi-finals, when it was beaten by Blackrock; the Cricket XI. play the final in the Senior Schools Cup against Belvidere on the Leinster Ground on June 27th and 28th. We wish them every success.

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R. J. Ross, of the Lower VI., won the Medal for First Place in the Senior Organ Solo Competition in the Feis last April.

Mr. Wilson had on exhibition this year at the Royal Hibernian Academy a bust entitled "Nance—Head in Plaster."

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At the Co. Dublin School Athletic Competitions, held in May, R. W. Reynolds won the 100 Yards in 11 secs. W. R. Prescott and N. C. Walker were second in the High Jump and Mile respectively.



Notes on Old Boys.



Two important distinctions have been won by old boys in the Far East. In the New Year's Honours there appeared the name of Joseph Hosford Kemp, K.C., C.B.E. (1889-91), Attorney-General of Hong Kong, on whom a Knighthood has been conferred, with the Order of St. Michael and St. George.

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Colonel A. A. Gibbs (1887-88), Honorary Physician to the King, has been promoted to the rank of Major-General in command of the Indian Medical Service in the Punjaub. He served during the War in India and Mesopotamia.

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Two old boys had pictures hung in this year's Exhibition of the Royal Hibernian Academy. Mr. J. B. S. McIlwaine (1871-74), R.H.A. 1911, A.R.H.A. 1893, had several pictures there as usual, the largest and most important being entitled "Close of Day, the Last Load," an evening scene, depicting the end of a harvest. Mr. McIlwaine is very proud of the fact that he acted as the Engineer for the "Conan" Fuse, making the first accurate and reliable fuse for exploding depth charges under water; the principle was established at Woolwich Arsenal in March, 1913; was tested officially at Lydd in the following September, each shot being marked correct, and its purchase was ordered by the Ordnance Board. It was of great use during the war. He also invented an automatic range finder and many tools in connection with fuses, and was a member of the Fine Art Committee for the Ulster Pavilion at Wembley Exhibition.

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W. S. Coomber (1917-22), a new exhibitor, had three pictures accepted: "Killiney from Carrickmines," "Cliffs at Bullock, Co. Dublin," and "In County Dublin." He also distinguished himself at the Dublin Feis by winning a Silver Medal for Baritone Solo Singing.

We have observed the following promotions in the Church of Ireland:—

Rev. Canon Forrester (1887-93), Chaplain of Trinity College, Dublin, to the Rectory of the Parish of Killoran, in the Diocese of Achonry.

Rev. H. M. C. Hughes, M.A. (1890-94), to the Incumbency of Enniskeen and Ardagh, in the Diocese of Meath.

Rev. K. M. Dunlop, M.A. (1891-96), of Chapelizod, has been appointed to the living of Athy.

Rev. W. J. E. Dawson, M.A. (1905-15), Curate of St. George's, Dublin, has been appointed by the Primate to the charge of the Union of Ballymoyer and Belleek, in the Diocese of Armagh.

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Our warmest and proudest congratulations to D. B. W. Good (1915-25) for the splendid distinction of First Classical Scholarship in Trinity.

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W. S. Glover (1916-25), Kidd Scholar T.C.D., has been accepted as a student for the Ministry of the Presbyterian Church of Ireland.

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We congratulate M. W. Dalton (1917-23), who has just finished a successful course of Agriculture with a diploma at the University of North Wales, on getting his 1st XV. colours for Bangor College, which won the Welsh University Championship in Rugby.

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G. S. B. Mack (1906-16), in partnership with J. F. Devlin, won the Men's Doubles All-England Championship this spring at the Royal Horticultural Hall, London.

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Leonard Hirsch (1916-17), of the Halle Orchestra and the Catterall Quartette, gave his first violin solo performance in Dublin last January. His recital of classical music was highly praised by the Press, and he clearly has a distinguished future before him.

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H. Montgomery (1913-22), having gained his Associateship in the Royal College of Science, is now doing a post-graduate course at the Electricity Station at Pigeon House Fort.

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Rev. H. J. L. Armstrong, M.A. (1910-18) has been awarded a prize by the Church of Ireland for an essay on "The Story of the Creation in the Light of Modern Science."

Gavin S. Thomson (1921-26) has obtained a Clerkship in the Bank of Montreal at Duncan, Vancouver Island, B.C. His eldest brother, A. E. (1921-25), is working in Vancouver on a chicken farm, while Gordon (1921-26) is going to the High School there.

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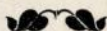
A. M. Coulter (1922-25) has obtained a Clerkship in the National Bank of Commerce in New York.

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H. R. Ardill (1896-1904) paid us a visit a month or two back. He is home for a short holiday from Brownshing, Quebec, where he makes dynamite.

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H. Burchill (1918-25) has obtained the Mulligan and Mechanic Institute Scholarships in Bolton Street Technical Schools.



MARRIAGES.

STONE (1904-13) and PELISSIER—November 5, 1926, at Rathfarnham Parish Church, by the Rev. E. G. Sullivan, M.A., William Henry Copeland Stone, B.A., B.A.I., son of the late William Henry Stone and Mrs. Stone, 57 Grove Park, Rathmines, to Ida Alexandra Pelissier, eldest daughter of the late Edward Alexander Pelissier, of this city (late of Helena, Montana, U.S.A.), and of Mrs. Pelissier, Shrewsbury.

STANTON (1904-05) and WILKINSON—December 23, 1926, at All Saints' Church, Windsor, Geoffrey Reeves Stanton, of the Museum, Bristol, son of the late Rev. James Stanton, D.D., R.D., Rector of Mayne, Diocese of Meath, and of Mrs. Stanton, 27 Serpentine avenue, Dublin, to Harriet, eldest daughter of the late Clement J. Wilkinson, M.R.C.S., and of Mrs. Wilkinson, 3 Osborne Villas, Windsor.

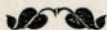
SEALY (1886-94) and HYDE—May 14, 1927, at St. Ann's Church, Dublin, by Rev. Canon Crozier, James Sealy, K.C., Circuit Judge, St. Margaret's, Donnybrook, to Mary Una, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Douglas Hyde, Adelaide Road, Dublin, and Ratra, Frenchpark (Dungar), County Roscommon.

BARDON (1913-18) and FOSTER—March 26, 1927, in London, Harold Rice, Royal Air Force, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. James Bardon, Glandore, Dartry Road, to Marjorie Kindred, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Foster, The Corner Cottage, Wimbledon, London, S.W.

DEATHS.

BROWNE (1910-13)—September 2, 1926, at "Netherton," Carmyle, Glasgow, William Henry (Willie), dearly-loved son of Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Browne, late of Ashdale Road, Terenure, aged 29 years.

- SMITH (1920-21)—April 6, 1927, suddenly, at his father's residence, 36 Annesley Park, Rathmines, William Desmond, aged 22 years, darling and younger son of William H. and May Smith. "God moves in a mysterious way, His wonders to perform."
- LYSTER (1921-24)—April 10, 1927, Hector Frederick, aged 19 years, of 48 Upper Mountpleasant Avenue, Rathmines, and 33a Ranelagh, Dublin, second eldest son of George and Jane Lyster.
- CAROLIN (1907-10)—June 7, 1927, in London, Charles George Sinclair Carolin, M.C., B.A.I. (T.C.D.), A.M.I.C.E., Mechanical Engineer, Madras Port Trust, much-loved eldest son of the Rev. J. S. Carolin, B.D., of Dublin.
- WARBROOK (1901-04)—June 11, 1927, Alfred G. Warbrook, 2 Wolsley Street, S.C.R., son of the late James and Annie Warbrook; deeply regretted by his sister, relations and friends.
- KIRKPATRICK—April 25, 1927, at The Manse, Greystones, County Wicklow, Rev. William Speers Kirkpatrick.



SPRING.

Roaring winds and blust'ring rain,
 Swelling seas and surging main,
 All join together company
 To welcome Spring on land and sea :
 Winds are howling in the trees,
 Spruces bending to the breeze,
 Oaks are groaning as they strain
 Before the blast and pelting rain.
 Days are passing short and dark,
 Bells ring early in the park,
 Homeward turn the shivering folk
 Rapt in shower-proof or in cloak.
 March is nearing towards the end
 And her last black clouds descend,
 Looming dull like lurking foes
 Downward on the earth to close.
 Rapt in great fast floating clouds,
 March leaves covered in dark shrouds.
 April enters brisk and gay,
 Driving cold and dark away
 With her first few sunny days,
 But once more the grey clouds chase
 Across the sky to bring more rain
 To moisten lightly field and lane;
 Little buds begin to shoot,
 Ere long all Nature blossoms out,
 The sun shines through, with watery ray,
 The short showers blessing every day

The bursting soil with thin cool showers
 And making fresh the forest bowers.
 The sun grows warmer every hour,
 Then lifts its head each blooming flower,
 As though in love it would not miss
 The sweetness of the sun's soft kiss :
 And all the world grows bright and gay
 To welcome in pink-blossom May.
 The wild birds flitting to and fro
 Sing loud and long to let us know
 That everything would be quite wrong
 If they forgot to sing their song.

W.G.K. iv. 1r.



Football Notes.

The following table shows the results of matches played during the season:—

	Played	Won	Drawn	Lost	Pts. for	Pts. Agst.
S.C.T.	25	10	1	14	190	179
2nd XV.	9	5	0	4	109	56
J.C.T.	15	5	2	8	122	98
"Under 13" ..	4	3	0	1	48	32

We are glad to be able to report an improvement this year, though it is not very evident from the above table. Several matches, however, were lost by very small margins.

We started the season without an old "Cap," but with seven of last year's S.C.T. On this foundation a strong team was built up. We noticed that the team was much keener on training than before, though this still left something to be desired. Both Mr. Simpson and Mr. Newman were extremely helpful during the season in this respect, and we take this opportunity of thanking them heartily for their services.

A great improvement was made in our Cup matches. In the first round we had an easy victory over a weakened Roscrea team, thus breaking our three-years-old record. In the next match we reached our best form in defeating St. Andrew's College by the narrowest of margins after a very dour struggle. We met our doom in the semi-final, where, after sustaining some injuries, we were beaten by Blackrock, the Cup winners.

The J.C.T. was a bit disappointing. They always gave the impression of being off form, and were lacking in combination. Still there is plenty of good material among them.

This year we travelled to Galway and Belfast. After a hard struggle we beat the Grammar School, but Methodist College, the Ulster Cup-winners, proved too strong, although we ran them close.

At the close of the season the caps for the best back and forward were awarded to Reynolds and Prescott respectively. Caps were also presented to Stafford, Ballagh, Fox and Ellis. All six worked hard during the season and heartily deserve them. We have to thank Mr. Simpson and the Bell brothers for kindly presenting caps.

NOTES ON PLAYERS.

Full Back, G. Pearse.—A sure field and an excellent kick. Tackling much improved, but weak in anticipation.

Left Wing, R. W. Fox.—A fine attacking wing, fast and strong, with a good hand-off. Tackling safe, but kicking weak.

L. Centre, R. E. Wynne.—Developed into a good defensive centre, with a strong run on occasion. Has little sense of position.

R. Centre, R. W. Reynolds (Capt.)—Sound in defence, fast in attack, and quick to take an opportunity. Needs to use his weight and speed more.

R. Wing, H. A. E. Egan.—Has shown unexpected talent in defence; should remember to run straight for the corner flag.

Out Half, F. H. Ballagh.—A very useful half, quick to cut through and tireless in defence; possesses a good drop-kick.

Scrum Half, H. Stafford.—Fast from the base of the scrum, a deadly tackler and quick smotherer; a first-class scrum half.

Forwards: W. Prescott.—Led the pack splendidly. A fine all-round player, fast in the open, with safe hands. A fine place kick.

M. Ellis.—A strong scrummager, useful in the line out. Works hard, but is slow in the loose.

G. Johnston.—Light but clever, hard-working. Plays with his head.

S. H. Boyce.—A strong, heavy forward, fast in the open and good in the tight.

- H. W. Stephenson.—A keen young player, who promises much in the future. Very clever with his feet.
- D. M. Mitchell.—Works hard in the scrum and line-out, yet fast in the open; rather inexperienced.
- N. Walker.—Fast and strong when he likes, but too much inclined to "wing" and get offside.
- H. B. S. Montgomery.—Heavy and strong, but slow in the open.

CUP MATCHES.

S.C.T. v. MT. ST. JOSEPH'S, ROSCREA.

Our opponents were handicapped by having several men off. After five minutes' play Reynolds sent Fox in for a try. A few minutes after Stafford worked the blind side and scored again, followed by Johnston. Then Roscrea replied with a score by Hyland, which was converted. However, Fox, Walker and Stafford scored later, and we ran out easy winners by 18 points to 5.

S.C.T. v. ST. ANDREW'S COLLEGE.

We had somewhat the better of the first half, and after a fine run by Fox, Stafford scored for Prescott to convert. The second half, however, playing against the wind, we found more strenuous. For the last twenty minutes Andrew's were pressing hard, and twice crossed our line without being able to score. Finally Shaw scored on the wing, but the kick was missed. Good defence by our backs kept them out, and Andrew's retired defeated by 5 points to 3.

S.C.T. v. BLACKROCK COLLEGE.

This match was played in hot and sunny weather, which gave the fast and clever Blackrock backs—four of whom are Inter-provincials—a decided advantage. We held them well in the first half, only two tries being scored. Soon after half-time, however, Cussen landed a fine goal from an offside. We had the great misfortune to lose Pearse, our full back, with a broken collar-bone; he had taken a large share in the defence. Thus weakened, we were unable to cope with the Blackrock backs, and before full-time three more scores were registered. We retired beaten, but not crushed, by 20 points to nil.

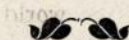
J.C.T. v. MORGAN'S SCHOOL.

The team was perhaps a bit disappointing in this Cup match. The forwards were always on top, and thoroughly

beat their opponents; the backs, however, did not make full use of their chances, and shone only individually. The first half, in which Morgan's had the advantage of wind and hill, was fairly evenly contested, and we crossed over only three points down. After some pressure Anderson tried a drop at goal, which went wide; but Kirwan following up scored. However, our attack did not last, and Commiskey, our opponents' captain, ran over for two more tries. We were finally defeated by 11 points to 3.

The following matches have been played since Christmas:—

S.C.T.			
	Points.		Points.
Jan. 19—C.I. Training College	3	High School	 0
Feb. 2—Presentation Coll., Bray	15	High School	 8
Feb. 9—King's Hospital School	17	High School	 5
Feb. 17—Skerry's College	 8	High School	 3
Feb. 19—High School	 13	Players'	 0
Mar. 5—Wesley	 9	High School	 5
Mar. 8—High School	 18	Mt. St. Joseph's, Roscrea	5
Mar. 18—High School	 5	St. Andrew's College	3
Mar. 25—Blackrock College	 20	High School	 0
Apl. 2—Methodist Coll., Belfast	15	High School	 5
J.C.T.			
Jan. 19—High School	 6	Terenure College	 3
Jan. 29—High School	 24	St. Columba's Coll J.C.T.	3
Feb. 19—Drogheda Gram. Sch.	6	High School 2nd XV.	5
Mar. 2—Morgan's	 11	High School	 3



A Poet Passes. BY D. L. KELLEHER.



A REVIEW.

This is a little book of about thirty poems by Mr. Kelleher, who was a Master on the School Staff, doing duty for nearly three years, teaching French and German during the war for Mr. Wyon, who was at the front. His former pupils will retain a very kindly recollection of him. Mr. Kelleher has published descriptive books in Dublin and Paris, but we believe that here we have his first published poems. They are all quite short, none of them having so many as fifty lines, but two of them at least should have an interest for the School. "For Some I Knew, Killed in the Wars," is reminiscent of the I. Room.

Boys that were mine in a schoolrom by day
 Till a strange Man called and took you away,
 Whither, He did not say,
 But smiled
 As He beckoned each child,—
 Oh, children gleaned for Paradise,
 In your soul's device
 Did a word I taught, or a dream I told,
 Fust ever to gold?
 Did I give to the young soul in you then
 A faithful message? Tell me, men,
 Do I share in the very least degree
 The shaping of you immortally?

The question is one many a teacher must have asked. One of his colleagues at that time was Mr. John Bennett, the Senior Classical Master, now Headmaster of Sligo Grammar School. To him the following is addressed:—

FOR JOHN BENNETT.

A man asked me to tell him what Italy is like;
 I answered him in this way:
 "If you lived in a grape and saw the sun strike
 Flames upon it at setting,
 And powder it with gold at rising,
 Wouldn't you be nearly forgetting
 What to say?
 Well, I have lived in the heart of a grape
 And I have seen the world in the shape
 Of a jewel from there, and I prizing
 The Lord who made it rich and round,
 And, of His goodness, holy ground."

One of the best poems is that which gives its title to the book: "A Poet Passes":—

I saw him driving last night
 A team of horses
 Faster and faster, and then
 As sure as I hold this pen,
 Horses and bridle and all went white;
 He called up his last resources
 Of strength, but could not check
 Their speed, racing;
 His white neck
 Plunged and the whole team vanished,
 And a meteor bounded
 Into the desert of air, effacing

The privacy of fields and tombs
 And little rooms;
 And the whole earth was hounded
 With light,
 And the age of reason banished.

The worst, we think, is this :—

Browning.
 You say I copy Browning
 (Loud laughter.)
 He came first and I came after
 (Time did the clowning).



Cricket Notes.



The following officers were elected for the season :—

Captain—F. H. Ballagh.

Vice-Captain—J. E. Scarff.

Hon. Secretary—D. M. Mitchell.

Cricket, which for the last few seasons has not been very bright, has taken a decided turn for the better this season; we hope it will continue to improve. The 1st XI. has played 13 matches, of which we won 8, drew 2, and lost 3. In the League matches we drew with Sandford Park and beat Masonic, Wesley and King's Hospital, thus qualifying for the Final. This match will take place on June 28th at the Leinster Cricket Club, Rathmines. We appeal to all boys to be present to encourage the team. The chief contributors to our success have been Ballagh, playing his fourth year on the S.C.T. and Hughes, who has shown himself a real batsman. We congratulate them both on being picked for the Inter-Provincial Trial Match. This year we again suffered from a want of change bowlers. The whole of the bowling had to be shared between Ballagh, Stephenson and Hennessey.

The Juniors won all before them till their Cup Tie, when, greatly to our surprise, they were beaten by 10 runs by St. Gerard's, Bray. There are certainly the makings of good cricketers among them. We should like to thank Mr. Yorke for the keen interest he has taken in the game and for umpiring so regularly. To V. E. Kerr, our ex-Captain, we are indebted for his kindness in umpiring.

High School v. Masonic School. League Match. Played at Clonskeagh :—

MASONIC.

Beamish c Ellis b Ballagh	...	27
Deane c Scarff b Stephenson	...	3
Fluke lbw b Stephenson	...	8
Gill b Ballagh	...	30
MacIlveen lbw b Stephenson	...	29
McLoughlin b Scarff	...	2
White b Ballagh	...	4
Murray b Scarff	...	0
Latimer not out	...	2
Extras	...	15
Total (for 8, declared)	...	120
Did not bat—Rothwell, Coghlan.		

HIGH SCHOOL.

Ballagh c McLoughlin b Fluke	...	89
Hughes b MacIlveen	...	19
Buchanan c Coghlan b Gill	...	0
Stephenson c MacIlveen b Gill	...	4
Hennessey c White b Gill	...	4
Scarff st Beamish b Gill	...	2
McConnell b Murray	...	2
Lewis c MacIlveen b Fluke	...	33
Ellis b Murray	...	1
Reynolds not out	...	5
Mitchell not out	...	1
Extras	...	3
Total (for 9)	...	163

High School v. Wesley College. League Match. At Belgrave Square :—

1st Inns.	HIGH SCHOOL.	2nd Inns.
Ballagh b Hanna	... 24	b Armitage... 3
Hughes c Armitage b Hanna	... 4	hit wkt b Cornish ... 5
Buchanan b Armitage	... 5	not out ... 2
Stephenson c Armitage b Armstrong	... 0	b Armitage ... 2
Hennessey c Cornish b Armstrong	... 3	b Armstrong ... 0
Lewis b Armitage	... 5	c Armitage b Cornish ... 0
Scarff not out...	... 14	b Armitage ... 24
Reynolds run out	... 2	b Armitage ... 0
McConnell lbw b Cornish	... 1	c Armstrong b Armitage ... 0
Ellis c and b Cornish	... 0	b Cornish ... 3
R. Ballagh b Hanna	... 1	c Cornish b Armitage ... 0
Extras	... 4	Extras ... 2
Total	... 63	Total ... 41

1st Inns.		WESLEY.		2nd Inns.	
Sutton lbw b Ballagh	...	0	lbw b Ballagh	...	7
Cornish lbw b Ballagh	...	2	c R. Ballagh b F. Ballagh	...	12
Armstrong b Ballagh	...	0	run out	...	0
Armitage b Stephenson	...	0	b Hennessey	...	5
Hyman b Hennessey	...	5	run out	...	0
Sutton b Hennessey	...	1	c McConnell b Hennessey	...	1
Gibson b Ballagh	...	1	not out	...	12
Lysaght b Ballagh	...	0	not out	...	12
Sutton c Hennessey b Ballagh	...	0			
Hanna c McConnell b Hennessey	...	1			
De Courcy not out	...	1			
Extras	...	8	Extras	...	8
Total	...	19	Total (for 6)	...	57

High School *v.* Sandford Park School. League Match.
 Played at Sandford:—

SANDFORD PARK.

Skeffington c Ballagh b Hennessey	...	32
Noble b Ballagh	...	27
Grimes b Ballagh	...	22
Whiteside b Hennessey	...	4
McHoul b Hennessey	...	24
Pilkington c Ballagh b Stephenson	...	3
Smith b Scarff	...	4
McCormack run out	...	36
Sterling not out	...	3
Reddington b Ballagh	...	0
Extras	...	22

Total (for 9, declared) ... 177
 Did not bat—Walshe.

HIGH SCHOOL.

Ballagh b Skeffington	...	22
Hughes b Skeffington	...	63
Buchanan c Pilkington b Skeffington	...	12
Stephenson lbw b Skeffington	...	0
Hennessey b Skeffington	...	9
Scarff not out	...	20
Lewis b Skeffington	...	4
McConnell b Skeffington	...	0
Reynolds not out	...	0
Extras	...	19

Total (for 7) ... 149
 Did not bat—Ellis, R. Ballagh.

High School *v.* The King's Hospital. League Match. Played
 at Blackhall Place:—

1st Inns.	HIGH SCHOOL.		2nd Inns.
Ballagh c Johnston b Harty ...	2	b Simmons ...	5
Hughes run out ...	11	b Shaw ...	1
Buchanan c Stewart b Simmons ...	3	b Simmons ...	13
Hennessey b Simmons ...	7	b Simmons ...	15
Stephenson run out ...	0	run out ...	0
Scarff c Stewart b Harty ...	22	c Godsil b Simmons ...	10
Lewis c Stewart b Mansfield ...	19	c Johnston b Mansfield ...	11
Ellis c McLoughlin b Mansfield ...	1	run out ...	7
McConnell not out ...	3	not out ...	9
R. Ballagh c Johnston b Mansfield ...	0	b Simmons ...	2
Reynolds b Simmons ...	4	b Simmons ...	0
Total ...	73	Total ...	77
1st Inns.	KING'S HOSPITAL.		2nd Inns.
McGlaughlin lbw b Ballagh ...	0	run out ...	4
Stewart c and b Hennessey ...	2	b Ballagh ...	1
Johnston b Ballagh ...	12	c and b Stephenson ...	16
Taylor b Ballagh ...	7	run out ...	6
Shaw b Stephenson ...	11	run out ...	2
Simmons c Scarff b Hennessey ...	1	b Stephenson ...	5
McCollam b Hennessey ...	8	c Ballagh b Stephenson ...	0
Mansfield run out ...	1	not out ...	4
Godsil run out ...	3		
Johnston not out ...	4	c Hennessey b Ballagh ...	2
Harty b Ballagh ...	5		
Extras ...	8	Extras ...	6
Total ...	62	Total (for 8) ...	47

Swimming Notes.

At a recent meeting of the Athletic Committee the following officers were elected for the coming season:—

Captain—F. G. Bestall.

Vice-Captain—J. A. W. McKee.

Hon. Secretary—R. W. Reynolds.

We open the season with the usual enthusiasm, notwithstanding the depredations time has made on our band of swimmers. Prescott and McKee are both over-age for the Squadron and Polo Matches, and others have left. Still we look forward to having as successful a season as usual. Under Mr. Burke's capable tuition both Seniors and Juniors are progressing rapidly, and several are developing the speedy "crawl." Our Water Polo Team is very promising. In our first match we were beaten 3—1 by Mountjoy, the holders of the Cup, but we gained an easy victory over Wesley College by 2 goals to nil.

We have once more to thank Mr. Wilson for his regular attendance and encouragement at all our practices.

The Haikai.

The Japanese, always far removed from European thought, developed their poetical impulses on very different lines. They delighted in brevity. Their "sonnet" was composed of thirty-one syllables, arranged in five phrases. Even this proved too long, and in the ninth and tenth century A.D.—their Golden Age—a shorter form became prevalent. The *haikai*, as it was called, consists of only seventeen syllables. It gives merely a hint, a gentle flick to fire the imagination, yet with such skill was it used that the image is as living and complete as if it had been described in minute detail. It is impossible in translation to follow the same form, and yet preserve the charm and delicacy. An early example is this:—

Thought I, the fallen flowers
Are returning to their branch;
But, lo! they were butterflies.

Several gems have come from the pen of Matsura Basho, the greatest master of the *haikai*.

The cry of the cicada
Gives no sign
That presently it will die.

I came aweary,
In search of an inn—
Ah! these wistaria flowers.

Here is Basho's description of the full moon:—

'Twas the new moon!
Since then I waited . . .
And, lo! to-night!

The *haikai* is not always swift-moving and gay. Reflection is also found, as in

The evening's cold
Touches the pallid lily's skin
Before it touches me.

The clearness and delicacy of these tiny portraits is remarkable. It is as though the poet has caught and drawn his very first sense before his mind has had an opportunity of enlarging on it. Yet these gems breathe the very spirit of poetry.

R. W. R.

The Annual Gymnastic Display.

The Annual Gymnastic Display took place on Friday, May 27th, at 5 p.m., in the Swedish Gymnasium. The programme, which took an hour and a half to get through, consisted of five events:—1. Swedish Free Standing Gymnastics and Apparatus by Junior Boys; 2. Game: Obstacle and Football Race; 3. Swedish Free Standing Gymnastics and Apparatus by Senior Boys; 4. Jumping; and 5. "Skit on Gymnastics," which was very amusing. After the display the medals were distributed by Mrs. Watson. The awards were as follows:—

- Form V.—G. C. F. Henry. Highly Recommended, R. L. Burgess, F. G. Mitchell.
- " IV. up.—F. E. V. Keating. Highly Recommended, J. G. Glazier, G. G. McNeice.
- " IV. lr.—S. Boothman. Highly Recommended, T. C. Hammond, R. C. Armstrong.
- " IIIA.—G. A. Coomber. Highly Recommended—C. G. Morton, J. C. Hutson, R. M. Graham.
- " IIIB.—A. W. Saunders. Highly Recommended, R. J. Walker, E. G. Flynn, J. M. Bryson.
- " IIIC. up.—G. A. D. Brewster. Highly Recommended, C. H. Williamson, F. M. Cathcart.
- " IIIC. lr.—C. V. Boyle. Highly Recommended, J. Gibney, J. Hazlett.
- " II.—R. E. Ferguson. Highly Recommended, A. D. Goff, L. B. Hutson.
- " IA.—T. W. Bamford. Highly Recommended, T. J. Early, D. A. Huggard.
- " IB.—R. E. Boothman. Highly Recommended, R. G. Love, J. W. C. Wilkinson.

Great praise is due to Miss Hitchins and her assistants not only for the display, but also for their training of all the boys during the year.

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D. B. W. Good—Sen. Fr. (1915-25), 2nd rank, Classics.

G. J. Boucher—Sen. Fr. (1920-25), 3rd rank, Mental and Moral Philosophy.

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J. R. W. Fleming—Sen. Fr. (1917-25), 3rd rank, Classics.

A. W. H. Breakey—Jun. Fr. (1920-26), 1st of 1st rank, Classics.

LAW.

HILARY TERM.

E. J. Montgomery (1913-23)—Passed Roman Law Class Examination, and Term Examination in International Law.

MEDICAL.

HILARY TERM.

L. B. Harris (1917-23)	}	Passed Intermediate Medical Examination, Part II.
G. B. Thrift (1906-16)		

R. W. T. Stewart (1910-11)	}	Passed Final Medical Examination, Part II. (M.B.).
N. J. U. Mather (1912-20)		

H. Dundon (1914-17)	}	Passed Final Medical Examination, Part II. (M.A.O.).
I. F. Ratthaus (1916-19)		

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E. J. Montgomery.

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E. A. Joyce (1920-26)—Passed Preliminary Examination.

H. T. G. Westropp (1919-25)—Passed Final Professional Examination.

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M. W. Dalton (1917-23)—University Diploma in Agriculture.

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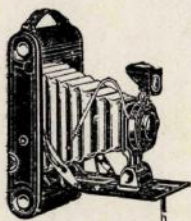
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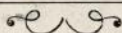
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