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Editorial.

THE war is still going on, and though there is much to make us believe that decisive days are at hand, and though our soldiers by their glorious deeds are already driving back the enemy from the fields of France, the pressure of the war is being felt more and more at home, and the need for endurance and economy is daily increasing in order that a victorious issue may be secured.

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An almost unprecedentedly bad harvest in various quarters of the globe, combined with the call for ships to keep our several armies supplied with food and munitions and all that they need and must have, and also the effects of the submarine campaign have led to food becoming dearer and scarcer.

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Everything approaching a luxury that has to be brought into the country must be curtailed in order to leave ships as free as possible to bring us the necessities of life. One of the consequences is a shortage of paper, and we feel that we ought to "do our bit" in economising with the *Erasmian*. It is only a little, but every little helps, and we are sure that our readers will approve of our action. We have, therefore, decided to cut down the size of the *Erasmian*, and to limit its contents to news connected with the School and with "Old Boys."

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We are quite sure our subscribers will recognise the need for this action, both as a patriotic duty and because of the increased cost of paper and printing, and we sincerely hope that it will not involve any diminution in the number of our readers whose support is necessary for the existence of the Magazine, and who have supported it so long.

Notes on Old Boys.

Since our last issue we regret to announce that the following Old Boys have fallen in the war:—

- H. T. Henley (1904-07), 2nd Lieut., Royal Irish Rifles, killed March, 8, 1917.
- E. W. P. V. Leach (1908-11), Capt., Royal Irish Rifles, killed January 2, 1917.
- H. A. Sloan (1893-99), 2nd Lieut., Royal Garrison Artillery killed January 21, 1917.
- Jas. Smyth (1903-05), Gunner, Royal Artillery, killed December 22, 1916.
- P. F. T. Burns (1908-13), 2nd Lieut. 13th King's Liverpool Regiment, killed March 21, 1917.
- A. F. Gibson (1910-12), 2nd Lieut. Leinster Regiment and Royal Flying Corps, killed March 24, 1917.

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We mentioned Henley in our December number as having gained distinction at Givenchy and being awarded the military medal. Captain Leach, who had gained rapid promotion, was mentioned in despatches in January, but the announcement only appeared in the papers after his death. Sloan and Smyth will be remembered as good athletes at school as well as gaining class distinctions. After he left Sloan became famous as, for the time, the finest Association football forward in Ireland, and represented his country in eight International matches—three times against England, twice against Scotland, and three times against Wales. He was Captain of the Bohemians for several years. He was recently married and leaves a widow and child, to whom we offer our sincerest sympathy.

Burns was a first-class scholar of the School and entered Trinity in October, 1913, with a Junior Exhibition and a Board Exhibition, and gave promise of winning many distinctions in the University. When Mr. Ellwood left us to join the army, Burns took his work for six months, from January to June, 1915, when he himself got his commission. Gibson joined the Leinster Regiment early in the war, but has lately been attached to the Flying Corps. He was killed on his twenty-first birthday.

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The following have gained distinctions:—

- H. St. M. Carter (1895-97), Major, R.A.M.C., who gained the D.S.O. at Ypres in June, 1915, has been awarded the Order of St. Sava (Third Class) by H. M. King of Serbia.
- E. H. Alton (1885-92), F.T.C.D., Captain, O.T.C., and H. V. Stanley (1892-1901), Captain R.A.M.C., have been awarded the Military Cross.

In addition to Captain Leach the following have been mentioned in despatches :—

- B. D. Anley, D.S.O. (1886-87), Major, Manchester Regiment.
- G. H. Day-Lewis (1897-99), Temp. Captain, A.S.C.
- D. L. Fletcher (1909-14), 2nd Lieut., Prince of Wales's Leinster Regiment.
- R. M. Reid (1909-12), 2nd Lieut., Highland Light Infantry.
- W. I. de C. Wheeler (1895-96). Hon. Major, R.A.M.C.

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The following Old Boys are now at Sandhurst :—

- W. E. Cunningham (1914-16).
- T. E. Flewett (1911-16).
- W. B. Gilligan (1903-12).
- H. A. Hinkson, (1912-14).
- R. E. Johnston (1910-16).
- H. S. Larkin (1906-16).
- F. S. Marchant (1911-15).
- H. J. A. Rea (1910-15).

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The following names should be added to our previous lists of Old Boys who have joined H.M.'s forces :—

- W. H. C. Stone (1904-12), 2nd Lieut., Royal Engineers.
- C. S. Campbell (1906-10), Royal Engineers.
- H. G. Carolin (1911-13), Cadet Battalion, Lichfield.
- J. C. Ferguson (1889-97), 2nd Artists' Rifles.
- I. E. Gibson (1897-99), R. E. Motor Transport.
- T. K. Greene (1913), O.T.C., Trinity College.
- A. J. E. McClean, O.T.C., Trinity College.
- G. C. Polson (1905), 2nd Lieut., Royal Irish Rifles.
- S. S. Weir (1890-96), R.E. (Motor Despatch Rider).
- H. G. Westropp (1892-94), Captain, R.A.M.C.
- H. T. Bird (1909-15), Royal Garrison Artillery Cadet School, Sussex.
- C. J. Conerney (1913-15), Lieut., R.D.F.
- C. C. Woods (1890-93), Corpl. 4th Leinster Regt. (Military Medal).

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Mr. Wyon has been appointed Lieutenant and Adjutant to the Second Battalion S. Staffordshire Regiment. The following is from a letter he wrote to the School on March 21st :—

"We have been in action again and had a lively time. I was appointed Adjutant on the 10th, and have had a busy time ever since. We were eight days engaged in active operations, and an Adjutant's job in action is no sinecure. Mud and rain are not lacking here and it is intensely cold. I got wet with mud up to

the thighs several times, and I was wearing brand new trouserings to make matters worse. My battalion did exceptionally well in the line. I had some wonderful escapes and am glad to be still in a position to write to you. I had my clothes off last night, first time in eight days. Officers' kits do not go into action and in many respects, during fighting bouts, we are worse off than the men. I had one march of 15 kilometres, at night, through shell-pitted area over trackless country. Heavy mud of the sticky glutinous type and had several spills. Boot nails of no avail. Strong wind and rain and pitch dark. Also no meal or halt. I was done in after four hours march and had a dinner on arrival at resting place which pulled me together. Slept afterwards on ammunition baskets just as I was, wet, with wet blankets over me and orderlies popping in all night with despatches."

R. G. Brewster (1905-07), has been appointed 2nd Lieut., South Irish Horse.

L. M. Bayly (1895-1902) has been wounded.

G. M. Bayly (1899-1902) has been transferred to the Royal Flying Corps.

R. N. Montgomery (1893-99), has left the R.A.M.C., and is now Second Lieutenant in the Royal Engineers.

Rev. W. J. Mayne, M.A. (1890-92), has been appointed Secretary to the Incorporated Society for promoting Protestant Schools, in succession to the Dean of Waterford.

Rev. C. C. W. Duggan (1896-1901), our School Catechist, has been appointed Rector of Tallaght. We also congratulate him on his marriage on January 1st to Miss E. M. Stritch.

Rev. John H. Thorpe (1870-75), B.D., T.C.D., Vicar of St. George's, Stockport, Rural Dean of Stockport, and Proctor in Convocation, has been appointed by the Bishop of Chester Hon. Canon in the Cathedral of Chester. The new Canon was formerly Curate of St. Luke's, Cork, and Rector of St. Peter's, Cork. He was the first Hon. Secretary of the City of Cork Church School Board, and has been Chairman and Hon. Press Secretary of the Church Schools' Emergency League. When the Church of St. George's, Stockport, one of the finest parish churches in England, was completed in 1896, he was chosen to be the first Vicar.

G. K. Carpenter (1908-1915) has been awarded the Second Jellett Prize in Trinity College.

C. J. D. Freeth (1883-1890), formerly Major in the Royal Artillery, was called to the Bar in the Middle Temple, London, in January.

MARRIAGE.

Green (1910) and Foott—At St. Stephen's, Dublin, by Rev. Harvey Stewart, Terence Kendal, eldest son of the late Captain Charles K. Green, The Buffs, and Essie Rosamond, only daughter of the late Dr. St. John Foott, The Mardyke, Cork.



School Notes.



THE School resumed work after the Christmas Vacation on Tuesday, 16th of January. The School will break up for the Easter recess on Wednesday, 4th April, and will re-open on Tuesday, 17th April.

The Headmaster has been elected President of the Classical Association of Ireland for 1918.

The Swimming Club intends to re-commence its natations after Easter.

We print elsewhere a list of Prize Winners at the School Examinations at Christmas.

Towards the end of March Mr. Bithrey, Intermediate Inspector, paid us a visit.

We print elsewhere a list of the successful candidates in the Scripture Examinations which took place last December.

In the Church of Ireland Division the School gained the first place in Greek Testament for the fifth time in six years, W. B. E. McCrea coming out on top, while for the third year in succession, one of our candidates—S. Smyth—was first in the Presbyterian Division. We also congratulate H. J. L. Armstrong, W. H. Thrift, and E. W. Scales on winning 1st prizes in Greek Testament.

At a General Committee Meeting held on Thursday, 8th March, the following officers were elected for the Cricket:—

Captain—S. SMYTH.

Vice-Captain—T. V. HARRIS.

Hon. Sec.—W. H. THRIFT.

The Swimming Officers were also elected:—

Captain—T. V. HARRIS.

Hon. Sec.—E. W. SCALES.

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We offer our heartiest congratulations to T. V. Harris and H. Bell, picked on the Leinster Schools' Team against Munster and Ulster.

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We congratulate F. L. Milligan (back), and J. I. Mackay (forward), on being awarded Football Caps for 1916-17.



Examination Results.



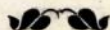
THE following are the Prize Winners in the Examinations held at Christmas:—

FORM VI.—English, W. E. Abbott; Latin, A. R. Ellis; Greek, W. B. E. M'Crea; French, E. W. Scales; History and Geography, W. E. Abbott; Mathematics, W. E. Abbott, I. Cornick; Experimental Science, W. E. Abbott.

FORM V.—English, D. M. Killingley, N. Shapira; Latin, N. Shapira; Greek, L. Hayman; French, N. Shapira; German, N. Shapira; History and Geography, N. Shapira; Mathematics, N. Shapira, A. Berman; Experimental Science, N. Shapira; Drawing, W. B. A. Russell, G. M'Kee.

FORM IV.—English (Up. Div.), I. E. Jones, L. B. Nulty; (Lr. Div.), R. D. Stephens; Latin (Up. Div.), P. Coleman; (Lr. Div.), F. G. Flewett; Greek, R. E. Maguire; French (Up. Div.), I. E. Jones; (Lr. Div.), F. G. Flewett; German, L. P. Sayers; History and Geography (Up. Div.), R. E. Maguire; (Lr. Div.), C. T. A. Harper; Mathematics (Up. Div.), I. E. Jones; (Lr. Div.), J. Ratthaus; Experimental Science (Up. Div.), P. Coleman, H. R. Bardon; (Lr. Div.), H. E. Child; Drawing (Up. Div.), G. H. A. Timms; (Lr. Div.), D. C. Russell; Commercial Subjects, S. F. M'Crea.

- FORM IIIA.—English, H. Montgomery; Latin, T. J. Mahon; Greek, T. J. Mahon; French, A. Cowan; German, A. Cowan; History and Geography, J. S. Keddie; Mathematics, T. J. Mahon; Experimental Science, C. A. Irvine-Andrews; Drawing, J. H. Hanan; Commercial Subjects, J. S. Keddie.
- FORM IIIB.—English, G. E. Dodds; Latin, J. Golding; French, T. B. Tickell; History and Geography, J. Hempenstall; Mathematics, J. Golding; Experimental Science, W. E. Roughsedge; Drawing, L. C. Hopkins; Commercial Subjects, L. C. Hopkins.
- FORM IIIC.—English, T. G. Squires; Latin, F. G. Reynolds; French, T. G. Squires; History and Geography, E. N. Bardon; Mathematics, F. G. Reynolds, E. J. Montgomery, M. Bell; Writing and Drawing, P. W. Hanan.
- FORM II.—Scripture, E. T. Tuckey, R. Tod; English, E. T. Tuckey; Latin, E. T. Tuckey; French, E. T. Tuckey, History and Geography, J. P. Thomson, G. S. Sloan; Arithmetic, E. T. Tuckey, G. S. Sloan; Writing and Drawing, J. P. Thomson, E. Wilson.
- FORM IA.—Scripture, M. F. E. Dobbin; English, W. S. Glover, W. H. Squires, E. E. C. Reeves; French, F. G. W. Fosbery; History and Geography, W. S. Glover; Arithmetic, W. S. Glover; Writing and Drawing, H. P. Mavston.
- FORM IB.—Scripture, E. A. Connolly, G. B. Thrift; English, E. A. Connolly; French, E. A. Connolly; History and Geography, E. A. Connolly, M. E. Bardon; Arithmetic, E. A. Connolly, G. B. Thrift; Writing and Drawing, E. A. Connolly, R. V. N. Sadleir.



Scripture Examinations.



CHURCH OF IRELAND.

- GREEK TESTAMENT—First Place: W. B. E. McCrea, 94.
First Class Prizes: H. J. L. Armstrong, 88; W. H. Thrift, 81; E. W. Scales, 71. Second Class Prize: T. V. Harris, 63.
- SENIOR GRADE—Passes—H. W. Clarendon, 62; A. H. R. Howell, 38½; C. S. Roberts, 45.

MIDDLE GRADE—Second Class Prizes: R. D. Stephens, 80; W. C. G. Proctor, 77½; W. Townsend, 75. Third Class: C. G. Digges, 73; R. C. Hewitt, 65. Passes—H. E. Child, 42½; C. H. Farmer, 55½; P. B. Foster, 37; R. G. Freeman, 59; R. E. M'Guire, 63; G. A. Mahon, 35; L. B. Nulty, 54; S. C. Taylor, 51½; G. H. A. Timms, 37; D. C. Towers, 47½.

JUNIOR GRADE—Third Class Prizes: H. Montgomery, 72; G. L. H. Macbeth, 70; E. N. Bardon, 69½; T. G. Squires, 68; T. J. Mahon, 67½. Passes—G. F. N. Gray, 63½; A. R. M. Hewitt, 63; E. J. Montgomery, 63; F. G. Reynolds, 61; H. C. H. Molloy, 60½; J. Hempenstall, 57½; G. E. Taylor, 54½; J. H. Hanan, 53½; H. Williams, 53½; C. W. Gibbs, 53; H. D. Gobbe, 52; R. W. Hanan, 49; W. E. Roughsedge, 48; G. E. Dodds, 44; J. E. Thrift, 39; A. S. D. Thom, 38½; E. M. Wright, 37; H. J. Byrne, 37; C. F. Dunne, 35.

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SENIOR DIVISION—Third Class Prize: H. Bell, 65. Passes—S. McL. Lawson, 53; G. McKee, 48.

MIDDLE DIVISION—Passes—R. C. Buchanan, 45; J. E. Keddie, 48; J. Keddie, 50.

New Testament, Greek—S. Smyth, 85 (First Place).

Third Class Prize: S. McL. Lawson, 60.



Football Notes.



Saturday, March 3rd—

HIGH SCHOOL (J.C.T.) v. BLACKROCK (J.C.T.),
at Belgrave Square.

Owing to an outbreak of measles in King's Hospital, we had to play Blackrock in the 2nd round of the Junior Cup. The match was played under very unfavourable weather conditions. Soon after the kick-off Blackrock scored a try near the corner which was not improved upon. After this High School pressed and in a loose rush McCrea picked up the ball and after a good run scored under the posts. The major points were not added. Before half-time Blackrock scored twice tries which were not converted. After half-time the play became more even, and consisted mainly of forward rushes, but before the end Blackrock scored again. The kick was again abortive. For High School, McCrea and Isaacson, in the forwards, and Freeman and Fielding, backs, played well.

Result—Blackrock College, 12 points.

High School, 3 points.

Wednesday, March 7th—

HIGH SCHOOL (S.C.T.) v. MOUNTJOY SCHOOL (S.C.T.)

This match was played at Lansdowne Road in fine weather. Mountjoy were much superior forward and as a result of this the High School backs got very few chances. The first half was very evenly contested, Mountjoy only scoring once in a forward rush just on half-time, per Nunan. In the second half the Mountjoy forwards, carrying all before them, kept the ball in the High School half practically all the time, scoring three tries, one of which was converted, and a dropped goal. Just on time Hillyard broke away for High School, and after a good run was just taken down on the line. The final whistle went soon after, leaving the score 21 points in favour of Mountjoy.

For the winners, Nunan, Butler, Hopkins, backs, and Kenny and Lees, forwards, played well. For High School, Harris, Smyth, Scales, backs, and Bell and Mackay, forwards, played best.



Cricket Notes.



ALL our readers, whether they like cricket or not, welcome the reappearance of the words "Cricket Notes," for are they not the harbingers of spring and a sort of "Good-bye" to winter? Longer evenings, more sunshine, and better weather will tempt us oftener to Belgrave Square, not only for play, but also to help with rolling and pitch-making and net carrying. It is not quite fair to leave all the work to the captains and secretary. If every boy gives a little help when and where required, the game will be improved. Cups are not to be won without properly combined efforts.

Now, although twenty-two boys will make up the two principal teams, yet there will be plenty of Form matches, etc., for the juniors. We look forward, therefore, to regular attendance for net practice.

We hope that as many supporters as possible will follow the Cup and League teams. Once or twice last season, however, "supporters" was not the word to apply to those boys who altered the telegraph numbers during a match without reference to the score or, indeed, the game. Then some small boys having lost interest in the game occasionally started to play "French cricket" in the no man's land between visitors and the game. Ignorance of the game may be "bliss," yet ignorance of "good manners" certainly ought not to be pleaded by any High School boy.

We are much more fortunate this year in survivals from last season's First Team. This year only two or three have left us. The following names occur to us as likely to champion our cause:—Smyth, Harris, Scales, Thrift, Bell, Hillyard, M'Crea, Foster, Wallen, Milligan, M'Guire.

Swimming Prospects.

OUR prospects for this year are fairly hopeful. Although only two of last year's squadron team remain, there is plenty of individual talent, and there will be very little difficulty in filling the vacant places. We do not look to the seniors alone for honours; there is no reason why the juniors should not acquit themselves creditably. There is a Junior Championship which might be won for the School. Training is essential to swimming and we recommend to our members the Pembroke Swimming Club for training during the summer vacation. The following names encourage our hopes:—Farmer, Harris, Hillyard, Mackay, Smyth, Scales, McCrea, Bell, McKee, Paisley, Stephens.

Our Contemporaries.

WE beg to acknowledge with thanks the receipt of the following Magazines:—Masonic Boys' School Magazine, Kilkenny College Magazine, Aberdeen Grammar School Magazine, St. Andrew's College Magazine, the Magazine of the Royal Academical Belfast Institution, The Christmas Budget, the Magazine of Forms VI., V., IV.

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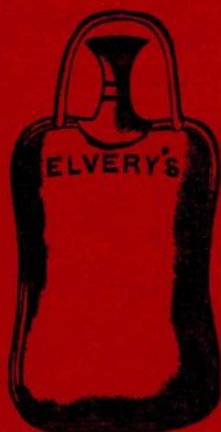
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