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Editorial

The Fourth Term and the School year will end on Thursday, December 16th. We are glad to be able to announce that the ceremonies of Speech Day will take place this year at home, instead of in a public hall as in recent years. The gymnasium is to be furnished with a dais, and the necessary seating accommodation provided for the occasion. The Visitor is to present the prizes.

As the present number is being published before the term closes, those who wish to see their names "writ large" in the prize lists will have to possess their souls in patience till our next issue, when full justice will be done them.

As usual at this time of the year, we have to bid a regretful farewell to many of our senior boys. In doing so, we would remind them that the reputation of the School is in their hands. A tree is known by its fruits. A School is judged by the men it turns out. We trust they have learned—

"To set the cause above renown,
To love the game beyond the prize,
To honour, while you strike him down,
The foe that comes with fearless eyes;

To count the life of battle good,
And dear the land that gave you birth,
And dearer yet the brotherhood
That binds the brave of all the earth."

We wish to draw the attention of boys who are leaving to the fact that the Old Boys' Association is waiting with open arms to receive them. At the present time the Association boasts a membership of about two hundred. If every boy who leaves becomes a member, it will not take long for this number to double itself. Hitherto the sole means of admission has been by payment of a sum not less than a pound to the Old Boys' Fund. All those who have fulfilled this condition become, ipso facto, life members. This method of securing membership is still open, and has this to commend it: that it provides the Board of Management with funds which will be spent on the School. Moreover, it makes one a member for life, without any further payment whatever.

For those who find this method of joining the Association impracticable or inconvenient, provision has now been made in a way that should render it easy for everyone to avail himself of the privilege of becoming a member. A new clause in the Constitution admits as a member any old boy, or past or present master of the School, on payment of

an annual subscription of half-a-crown to the Association's funds. Amounts raised in this way do not go to the Old Boys' Fund referred to above, but will be used to defray the expenses incurred by the Association.

Subscriptions may be forwarded to the Hon. Secretary of the Old Boys' Association, Mr. R. N. Butler. If it is found more convenient to hand them to the Editor of the "Magazine" he will undertake to pass them on to the Secretary.

Another hint to boys who are leaving. Hitherto the School "Magazine" has been placed in your hands without any effort on your part. It will not come to you automatically any more. Before you go away you should see that your names are put on the subscribers' list. It will be almost as good as coming back to School to get the familiar "Mag." every quarter! And the more new subscribers we get, the sooner shall we be able to enlarge and improve the "Magazine."

As we go to press earlier than usual, our December exchanges have not yet reached us. We tender the compliments of the season to our contemporaries.

The Public Examinations are in full swing as we go to press. The absorbing question in the select circle of the Sixth is, "Who will top the list for the Mathematical Scholarship?" Each paper seems to make the answer to this question more difficult. Even the Science Tutor, when asked for his opinion, sadly shakes his head and says "Non Possum." No one will be surprised if it is a dead heat. In addition to the Senior and Junior Public Examinations, there are fresh laurels to be gained this year, in the form of State Bursaries. The Senior Bursaries will be awarded on the results of the Junior Public; an examination arranged by the Education Department has taken place for Junior Bursaries, but the results are not yet published.

The usual Christ's College Scholarships are offered for competition, and they also will be awarded on the results of the Junior

Public. Younger boys are provided for by the Newcastle Scholarships. For these special examinations are being held.

We sent in two candidates for the Military College Entrance Examination in October; we are still in suspense as to the success of their efforts.

One of our boys, M. Urquhart, has passed the entrance examination of the Royal Naval College.

The gymnasium has already justified our predictions as to its usefulness. It is not to be allowed to degenerate into a mere play room. Regular classes are held daily in physical drill, under the direction of Mr. Champion, who has thrown himself with characteristic enthusiasm into the work, with excellent results. All the forms below Va. are provided for in the School timetable. Forms VI. and Va. have to devote all their time in School hours to the mental gymnastics required by the Examination Syllabus. We would like to see classes formed for their benefit if a suitable hour could be arranged. So far, we are rather short of apparatus, but we understand that an attempt is to be made to supply the funds necessary for this purpose by entertainments. The Old Boys' Association recently made use of the room for a meeting, and members were loud in their praises of it. It has also been used with success for a lantern lecture.

The tennis-court is in daily use. Most of the players have a good deal to learn, but the games are strenuous, if not always scientific, and we shall no doubt turn out some good players in time. A set of rules has been drawn up by the Sports Committee, under whose direction everything runs quite smoothly.

We have just learnt that the Rev. E. G. Muschamp, who was Headmaster from January, 1907, till June, 1908, has offered himself as a chaplain to the A.I.F., and expects to leave Tasmania very shortly. The School wishes him God-speed.

Lieutenant Margetts' many admirers will be glad to know that he is now Captain and Adjutant of the 12th Battalion.

Roll of Honour

KILLED.

Anderson, Kenneth H.
Benson, John Errol.
Bethune, Alexander Douglas.
Brown, William John Alder.
Giblin, Eric Lewis.
Rex, Percival Hugh.
Sams, John Clive.
Walch, Bryan James.

DIED OF ILLNESS.

Brain, Edward George.

WOUNDED.

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| Belstead, Andrew. | Moore, K. F. |
| Butler, G. T. | O'Kelly, A. R. |
| Butler, H. N. | Richard, R. N. B. |
| Davies, G. G. | Sale, Aubrey. |
| Foster, J. A. | Salier, E. L. |
| Kelly, H. G. | Snowden, R. E. |
| Lamph, A. | Wylly, G. G. |
| Marshall, N. | Williams, C. E. |

The Empire's Call

This list, with additions and corrections where necessary, will be published in each issue of the Magazine while the War lasts. The Editor will be grateful to any of our readers who will supply us with any names or other details not included below.

Abbott, Paul, Corp., A.A.M.C.
Abbott, Percy, Lieut.-Col., Lt. Horse, N.S.W.
Abel, W. T., Gunner, R.F.A. Reinforcements.
Adams, Waynflete, N.S.W.
Anderson, Donald, Pvte., 2nd. Batt. Infantry.
Anderson, G. H., Signalling Corps, Vic.
Anderson, K. H., Lieut., 15th Batt. Killed.
Atkins, C. N., Capt., Aust. Clearing Hospital.
Bailey, Alan, Pvte., A.S.C. Sick.
Bailey, Guy, Capt., A.A.M.C. Sick.
Bailey, Roy, Pvte.
Barclay, David.
Bayes, W., Mining Corps.

Belstead, A. Returned wounded.
Benson, J. E., Corp., 11th Batt. Died of wounds.
Bethune, A. D. B., Corp., 8th Lt. Horse. Killed.
Bethune, F. P., Sergt.
Bibby, Lionel.
Bisdee, G. S.
Bisdee, J. H., V.C., Capt. Lt. Horse.
Boyer, Charles.
Boyes, John.
Brain, E. G. Died at sea.
Brown, W. J. A., Pvte., 14th Batt. Killed.
Butler, Angus, Sergt., Nigerian Forces. Promoted to Lieut.
Butler, Bryan, Pvte. Sick.
Butler, C. T., Lieut., Dorset Yeomanry.
Butler, G. T., Lieut., R.F.A. Wounded.
Butler, H. N., Maj., 3rd Field Ambulance. Wounded.
Butler, J., Trooper, Lt. Horse, Queensland.
Butler, L. A., Sergeant.
Butler, L. T.
Butler, Hedley.
Cameron, D., Major, 21st Battery, Motor Machine-gun Corps.
Cameron, C.
Chalmers, R. H.
Chancellor, C.
Champion, H. C., Lieut., R.A.F.A.
Charlesworth, J.
Clark, C. I. Sick.
Clark, A. I.
Clark, J. P.
Clarke, N. A.
Colbourn, F. R., Pvte., 4th Co., A.S.C.
Colbourn, K., Pvte., A.A.M.C.
Cox, Guy, Lieut., Somerset Lt. Infantry.
Crick, A. T., A.S.C., Eng.
Crisp, A. P., Lieut., A.F.A. Promoted to Capt.
Crosby, A. W., Sergt., Lt. Horse.
Crosby, W. M., Pvte.
Davies, G. G., Bombardier. Wounded.
D'Emden, Max, Pvte., A.S.C.
Douglas, Bruce, Pvte., A.A.M.C.
Elliston, C. W., Trooper, Lt. Horse.
Elliston, V. G., Corporal, Lt. Horse.
Farmer, B. C.
Farmer, C. G., Lieut., 4th Co., A.S.C.
Farmer, I.

- Foster, J. A., Lieut., 12th Batt. Infantry. Wounded.
- Fitzgerald, G., R.F.A. Reinforcements.
- Fox, E. C.
- Giblin, E. L., Capt., A.M.C. Killed in France.
- Giblin, W. W., Lieut.-Col., A. Clearing Hospital. Mentioned in Despatches.
- Hardy, A. W., Pvte., 4th Co., A.S.C.
- Harris, J. R. O., Capt., 4th Batt. Infantry Reinforcements.
- Hill, T. A., Lieut., Royal Sussex.
- Hughes, S. L.
- Jones, K.
- Kelly, H. G., Pvte. Wounded. Invalided to England. Returned to Front.
- King, C. S., Lieut., Battery 96, R.F.A.
- Lamph, A. Wounded in New Guinea.
- Lindley, Trevor.
- Lines, E. W. L., Lieut.
- Lucas, C. D.
- Lucas, R.
- Maxwell, D. S., Trooper, C. Squad, 3rd Lt. Horse.
- Mathers, Keith.
- Marshall, Norman. Wounded.
- McIntyre, F., Capt., A.A.M.C.
- McIntyre, G. L., Sergt.
- McIntyre, W. K., Lieut., R.A.M.C. (France).
- McLeod, L. B., Sergt., Lt. Horse.
- McLeod, T. B., Lieut., 3rd Lt. Horse. In Hospital, Malta.
- Moore, B. R., Corp. Invalided to England.
- Moore, K. F., Pvte., 3rd Field Amb. Wounded.
- Moore, T. C. B., Lieut., Infantry Reinforcements.
- Morriss, Dudley, Corporal, 1st Reinf., 26th Batt.
- Morton, K., Pvte., 3rd Batt.
- Murdoch, John, 3rd Lt. Horse.
- Murdoch, Alan.
- Nicholas, H. C., 3rd Lt. Horse.
- O'Doherty, J.
- O'Kelly, A. R., C Squad., 3rd Lt. Horse. Wounded.
- Page, L. F.
- Peacock, J. E., A.A.M.C. Reinforcements.
- Perkins, Colin, Lieut.
- Pretyman, E. R.
- Pritchard, N.
- Ramsay, P. M.
- Radcliffe, B., Trooper, Lt. Horse, Queensland.
- Rayner, C. S. W., Lieut., Oxford and Bucks Lt. Infantry.
- Read, C. H., Lieut.
- Reid, J. A., Pvte., 3rd Field Ambulance. In Hospital.
- Reid, F. W., Sergt., Pay Corps.
- Rex, P. H., Pvte. Killed.
- Richard, R. N. B., Pvte., 12th Batt. Wounded. Invalided Home.
- Richard, N., Pvte., 12th Batt. In Hospital, London.
- Sale, A. Wounded.
- Salier, E. L., Major, Royal Northumberland Fusiliers. Wounded.
- Sams, J. C. Killed.
- Sargent, D.
- Sharland, C. F.
- Snowden, R. E., Maj., 15th Batt. Wounded. Returned to Front. Wounded 2nd time.
- Sorell, Mervyn, H.M.A.S. Melbourne.
- Steinbach, R., Royal Aviation Corps.
- Swan, Raymond.
- Thinkell, G. L. A., Lieut., 3rd Field Engineers. Invalided home.
- Thinkell, R. W., Lieut., 8th Infantry Reinforcements.
- Todd, R., Pvte., A.A.M.C.
- Tressider, L., N.Z. Exped. Force.
- Uren, H., Sergt. 12th Batt. Sick. Invalided home.
- Uren, L., Corp.
- Walch, J. C., Maj., 68th Battery, R.F.A. Mentioned in Despatches.
- Walch, B. J., Lieut., 4th Essex Regt. Killed.
- Walker, Huon, Corp., A.A.M.C.
- Williams, C. E. Wounded. In England.
- Wood, Robert.
- Weaver, R. N., Trooper, Lt. Horse.
- Webster, A. A.
- Wright, P. L., Capt.
- Wylly, G. C., Capt., V.C., Indian Cavalry. Wounded.
- Youl, J., Pvte., 12th Infantry Batt.



CAPTAIN J. R. O. HARRIS, A.I.F.

An Old Boy and Master of the School who has recently left for the Front in charge of Reinforcements from N.S.W.

(From a block kindly lent us by the Editor of "The Torchbearer.")

Old Boys' Column

BIRTHS.

EDWARDS.—On October 10, 1915, at Westbank, Burnie, the wife of Frank Bathurst Edwards: a son.

VAUGHAN.—On November 11, 1915, at Derby, Tasmania, the wife of Rupert M. Vaughan: a son.

MARRIAGE.

GOULD—STEPHENS.—On the 14th October, at Lindisfarne, by the Ven. Archdeacon Whittington, James Hardy, only son of Mr. James W. Gould, Hobart, to Doris Maud, eldest daughter of Mrs. and the late Mr. W. F. Stephens.

DEATH.

WALCH.—Died of wounds on October 28, at the Dardanelles, Brian James Walch, Lieut., 4th Essex Regiment, in his 22nd year, second son of William Crosby Walch.

Old Hutchins Boys turn up everywhere. We learn that Ronald Todd was among the Australians on the "Southland," who showed such heroism when their ship was torpedoed. In a recent letter he says:—"I will not be able to tell you very much, as we are limited to one sheet each letter, and are also subject to very strict censorship. Well, by this time you will have heard of a boat being torpedoed by a submarine. I happened to be on the boat at the time the torpedo struck her, and, unfortunately, was down below, tying up my kit. I had just finished fixing things when the torpedo struck us directly underneath where I was sitting. I was thrown off the table by the concussion, and had my trousers torn and my back cut just a little. It was nothing much at all, only made me rather sore and bruised. After I recovered myself I made my way to the stairway, but this was blown away, and, as I could not see for the smoke, I fell down the hold. After I had fallen some little distance I struck water, and it began to come right over my head. I struggled, and managed to come up to the top again, and got out by way of the iron ladder, and, after some difficulty, secured a lifebelt, and left the ship in the last boat. We were about

three hours drifting about, until we were picked up by the various boats which answered our calls of distress. We were picked up by —, and very kindly treated. My scratch was dressed, in case of any poisoning, and we had a good feed and some rum—pretty strong, too. Then we were taken into the port of —, where we now are, and transhipped to a boat waiting there. Am very well, and not at all affected by the exciting experiences of the past few days."

Lieut. C. T. Butler was also on the "Southland." He remained on the ship after the last boat left, and was taken off by a Hospital ship. He concludes that he was not born to be drowned.

Another old boy turns up in the Friendly Isles, where he is quite a personage, as the following paragraph testifies:—

"Mr. George Scott, younger son of Mrs. Scott, Raeburn, Sandy Bay, and of the late Hon. J. R. Scott, M.L.C., has been appointed Acting-Chief Justice of Tonga, during the absence of the Chief Justice on sick leave. He was articled to the Hon. Henry Dobson, of the firm of Messrs. Dobson, Mitchell, and Allport, and, on passing his examination, proceeded to Tonga. Old members of the Lefroy Football Club will remember him, as he was captain of this club for some years."

News is to hand of the rapid advancement of an old Hutchins boy in the English Army. Nineteen months ago Major D. N. Cameron, youngest son of Mr. Norman Cameron, of Bentley, who was a lieutenant in the 26th Australian Light Horse, in charge of the Chudleigh and Deloraine squadron, left on a visit to England. He was instructed to report himself for sixteen days' drill with an English regiment. He did so, and was then instructed to drill with King Edward's Horse, shortly known as the King's Colonials—at that time practically a yeomanry regiment. When war was declared he offered his services to the War Office, and was accepted. He was made a lieutenant in King Edward's Horse. Some three months afterwards he was given command of a battery of four Maxims and forty men raised to work with the regiment. Shortly afterwards he passed a brilliant examination with honours,

and when King Edward's Horse was sent to France he was transferred to the regular army and appointed one of the officers to instruct young officers in gunnery duties. Three months afterwards he was promoted to the rank of captain and the command of the 21st Battery Motor Machine Gun Corps. Since then he has been again promoted to the rank of major, his colonel reporting him to be the best officer he had ever had under him during his time of service. Major Cameron is just 28 years of age.

Mr. Roy McArthur, son of Captain McArthur, Harbourmaster, has been appointed a shift engineer in the Hydro-Electric Works. Mr. McArthur is the holder of a port engineer's certificate, Tasmania, and of a first class land enginedriver's certificate. He served his apprenticeship with Messrs. F. Rowntree and Sons, engineers, of Hobart, and afterwards obtained experience as a fitter and turner with the Mt. Lyell Co. and other firms. Then he worked as an assistant in the Hobart Gas Co.'s electric light station, and later as shift engineer on the same plant. For the first five years he has been in the New South Wales Government Railways and Tramways Department, first as shift electrician in sub-stations, and latterly as charge engineer, both at sub-stations and at the new Government power house at Newcastle. Mr. McArthur has lately been working on the erection of the power station plant of the Hydro-Electric Department at Wadlymana.

Private C. E. Williams, who was wounded in August, writes from an English hospital describing his experiences. We quote one interesting paragraph:—"It was here that myself and a party of some of our fellows were very nearly cut off from our battalion. We gave chase to a party of Turks, and lost ourselves in the darkness, although we got some of the Turks. It was also here that I received a bayonet wound on my knee (which was merely a scratch), and very nearly lost my life. While pursuing these fellows, I ran very nearly into the arms of one; he was behind a bush, and was watching me coming; it was fairly dark, so he waited till I was very nearly on to him, then he stood up and

fired at me point blank. The bullet went through the peak of my cap, but never touched me. Before I knew where I was, I was on him, and my bayonet through his throat. He dropped his rifle, and the bayonet on the end of it caught my knee as it fell, and just cut the flesh over the knee-cap. Up to this day I don't know how I did it; but there is no knowing how people do things when their life is at stake. It was a case of me or him; fortunately, it was him. After this, with some difficulty, we managed to find our way back to the battalion, although, before we reached them, they mistook us for a party of Turks, and opened fire on us. It was dawn now. We managed to inform them of our identity. I must say that chase was very exciting, and I quite enjoyed it. It is funny, but in such times of excitement as these one can never realise the danger."

The "Torchbearer," the Magazine of the Sydney Church of England Grammar School, publishes with a full page portrait the following appreciation of one of our old boys, J. Oberlin Harris, who left Sydney for the Front in September:—

"By the departure of Captain J. O. Harris for the Front, the School has for a time lost one to whose energies she owes more than can be decently committed to cold print.

"It would be difficult to decide where he will be missed the most. The Common-room will be duller for his absence, a Lower IV. form room will remember his strenuous ways, 'The Observatory' (the house of which he was in charge) will look with eagerness for his letters, the parade ground will not be the same place without him, the cricket and rifle teams will look with longing for his return. 'Strenuous' is the epithet which fits him best. Nothing that he undertook to do remained half done; and, moreover, he was not contented, as some strenuous men are, with doing hard work himself—those who followed him he expected to share his enthusiasm, and he had in generous measure that quality of leadership that compelled this enthusiasm. The School can feel that in lending him to his Country she is lending one who possesses in an unusual degree the qualities that are most needed at the present

time. He carries with him the best wishes of us all for a safe return and well-earned laurels."

Captain Harris is a son of the late Rev. J. Oberlin Harris, formerly Warden of Christ's College. He won a Junior Public Exhibition and a Classical Scholarship, and took First Class Honours in the Final Classical School of the University of Tasmania.

At the No. 4 Officers' Training School at Claremont, in October, Captain S. L. Hughes headed the list, being the only officer to gain a "very good" certificate. Captain A. Cruickshank passed "good," and Sergt. G. L. McIntyre also passed.

Charlie King, the Tasmanian Rhodes Scholar for 1911, is now in the thick of the fighting in France, after nine months' training as a subaltern in the Royal Field Artillery. He is attached to the 96th Battery R.F.A., of the 21st Division. This division left for France in September, and participated in the attack on Loos. Charlie, writing of his experiences, gives details of his work as an artillery officer. He had been in the front line trenches, situated about 50 yards from the German trenches, taking his spell as Forward Observing Officer. Each officer has to take it in turn to do a forty-eight hours' stretch in the trenches, telephoning the range and movements of the enemy to his battery in the rear. The officers of the 96th were billeted in a house which was hit by German shells, and completely destroyed. Fortunately, all the officers and other inmates were out at the time. Charlie shares his dug-out with a sundry and miscellaneous family of rats and mice, which are not the least of the inconveniences of life at the Front. He says he never felt better in his life, and his battery was giving it to the Germans hot, and doing good work.

Early History of the School

(Continued.)

At the opening ceremony, on August 3rd, 1846, after the speech of the Headmaster, which we quoted in a previous number, an eloquent and lengthy address was delivered by the Warden of Christ's College, the Rev.

J. P. Gell, M.A. The first portion of the Warden's Speech deals with the theory of education in general, and is, therefore, not of particular interest to the lay reader. The concluding portion has a direct bearing upon the School, so we have thought it best to print what we believe to be a *verbatim* report, if not the actual manuscript of what was evidently a written speech.

"If, as I have every reason to hope, the public opening of Christ's College at Bishopsbourne will take place upon the 1st of October, I shall then have a more appropriate opportunity of detailing the present state and future prospects of our plans as they refer more especially to the College. But with regard to the Hutchins School, I must say a few words as a colleague and a friend of the Headmaster, and a few more will be due to his memory whose name the Institution bears.

"As a colleague in one combined system of education, brought up under the same master, imbued with the same views, it will be my chief anxiety to render every aid, and share every labour which can be shared, with my Reverend friend at the head of this establishment. The judgment which I have formed from experience may possibly be ascribed to partiality; but I wish to record it here, as it is my bounden duty to do, that I know of no one in our common profession to whose claims for practical ability and method as a teacher, I would more readily postpone my own. I have said, and I will say so now, that the College authorities will not bestow upon the Hutchins School any special preferences or privileges, knowing that all these things may be better won in the open field of honourable competition, and that what is most hardly won is ever most honorably worn. But it is with no feeling of indifference that this is uttered: When I lately placed at the Bishop's disposal a sum which the liberality and justice of the Secretary of State had awarded me, it was with a delicate consideration for what he deemed would be grateful to my feelings, as much as to his own, that the Bishop proposed and determined to give it to his School, founded in memory of Archdeacon Hutchins. And

if ever our Legislative Council should be able to vote that £1,000 a year towards liberal learning, which they once were accustomed to do, I trust that it will not be confined to this denomination or to that, to this School or to the other: but that it may be expended as a common encouragement to the most worthy, in exhibitions to scholars of Tasmanian birth, with leave to pursue their studies for a certain time in any University they choose. And long may the Hutchins School maintain such a pre-eminence in learning that there shall be no greater favouritism to be desired for it than to bring its pupils into open competition, before unbiassed examiners, with all who may seek to rival them.

"This School will perpetuate the name of one of the best and holiest men, whose bones as yet consecrate the soil of Tasmania. This day, and every future day, in which the School shall celebrate any public act, will be in some sort a commemoration of the departed father of our Church, whose eulogy it becomes not me to pronounce when worthier lips have undertaken the grateful theme.

"But, inasmuch as I was among the nearest of his friends, so near that the key of his tomb is now in my custody, I may likewise be permitted in some sort to consider myself as among the authorised guardians of his memory, and not without cause to be interested in the present undertaking for his honour. That key, I trust, will remain in the keeping of the Masters of the Hutchins School, long after I am gone, to remind them of the early origin of their commission; to bid them work for eternity as well as for time; and to imitate the steadfastness, the resolution, the cheerful industry, the genuine piety of the first Archdeacon of our Church. Half the difficulties of establishing good institutions for learning are overcome when we can thus connect them with the past, and infuse into them some of those good influences which, whether noticed or not, remain for ever in the land which has once been trodden by the footsteps of deceased worth and virtue.

"After dwelling so long on the advancement of learning in this Colony, I may pass more briefly over the remainder of my sub-

ject. That peculiar connection in which I am placed with my fellow colonists, as the delegated guardian and chief instructor of the very flower and prime of the coming generation, reminds me that I am now standing before you, as I have often done before your late Lieutenant-Governor, as friends who must be persuaded of all that I feel most important myself before I can expect success; friends, I trust, no less generous nor less intelligent than he was, nor less desirous for the advancement of learning. Formerly Her Majesty's Government commended me to him, and under him I never once lost sight of the assurance of ultimate success. Now, the Church, over which Her Majesty rules by another and a holier tie, commends me to you; bids me thank you for your new awakened zeal in the cause of learning, and point out to you all the important consequences of what you have done, and are now doing. When you see rich lands lying wild, you are content to settle down upon them far from friends and comforts, and to sink all, and more than all, your worldly means in improvements sure that in years to come the generous soil will more than reward your labour. When you hear of the rich produce of distant lands to be had at an advantage what care and thought, what toil and risk will you not spend because you hope for good reward. And how much does the welfare and importance of the whole country besides gain by your industry and enterprise. But we have a field to be cultivated upon which nature has showered ten thousand times richer gifts than any of those alluded to: that field is the mind of our rising youth—all other products and returns fall into insignificance compared with those which industrious cultivation may here expect to reap. Let something then be sunk in improvements here; and what trade, after all, can vie in its manifold returns with that carrying trade of wisdom between us and ancient ages in which the learned are engaged? Does not all history tell us that in arts and wealth, in power, age, and in happiness, too, those nations have borne the palm who have set the noblest example of that careful regard for learning, and for instructing the young with liberality,

which we now are called upon to follow. Ever increasing exertion is demanded of us; let us bring somewhat even of enthusiasm to the work, and each make some effort at least to stock the libraries, to increase the opportunities, to relieve the expenses of the youthful scholars of Tasmania."

School Roll

(Continued.)

Entered 1851.—C. E. Cox, J. V. Bentley, J. G. Fleming, Henry Dobson, Peyton Jones, Brian Webb, J. E. Bonney, F. P. Wilkinson, Peter Wilson, Richard Murphy, C. P. Davis, W. F. Bishop, J. J. Clinch, J. B. Poynter, G. C. Meredith, F. R. Lovett, J. T. Firth, Edwin Webb, H. W. Evans, Augustus Smales, Bryan Haggitt, C. W. Landale, J. Sherwin, A. L. Jones.

1852.—J. W. Abbott, W. G. Smith, T. W. Mason, George Woollett, Samuel Lyons, B. L. Evans, Fred. Milne, H. J. Babington, W. W. Perkins, J. L. Mort, John Lucas, J. H. Ivey, R. J. Carns, C. B. Allison, G. P. Fitzgerald, J. C. Johnson, F. B. Chalmers, E. A. Chalmers, C. A. Wilmot, W. H. Babington, A. N. Anstey, T. H. Anstey, G. A. Anstey, E. J. Macfie, H. B. Chapman, C. W. Chapman, Chas. Boyes, F. E. Rowcroft, W. J. Redler, John Mills, J. G. Davies, Arthur Perry, William Perry, A. Bradbury, Thos. Priest, E. L. Crowther, W. G. Marr, T. H. Downes, T. F. Cooke, Edward Nicholas, E. B. Goldie, W. G. Goldie, R. W. Franks, F. B. Henslowe, E. J. Cleary, C. G. Bastian, J. James, John Cadden, Simon Cadden, E. D. Scott, W. B. Pybus, William Fisher, W. Pascoe, T. A. Bird, J. J. Conway, J. T. Jackson, Cecil Barrow, Edward Eyre.

1853.—L. Bowden, H. Fisher, T. M. Evans, E. G. Worley, M. Chapman, C. A. Crisp, H. Murphy, N. Willis, F. D. Taylor, G. Stokell, G. W. Rex, Robert Rex, H. Downer, J. Pearson, R. Lavender, W. Sly, C. Martin, D'Arcy Haggitt, R. J. Ramsden, B. Lewis, F. A. Brock, J. Hildyard, Louis Dobson, H. W. Firth, George Ivey, Duncan McIntyre, J. T. Read, A. G. Stuart, G. J. Stuart, J. Turnbull, G. Murtagh, W. Jackson, John Price, James Price, Thomas Price,

J. H. Smith, W. H. Fisher, J. J. Welch, W. Welch, D. Short, E. Kenny, J. McNall, T. M. Clarke, R. Aherne, D. Aherne, T. S. Brown, G. Kenny, T. Luttrell, C. Wilkinson, F. Wilkinson, B. Stoney, H. Stoney, J. Wilkinson, R. Pitcairn, E. A. Crombie, C. J. Chalmers, A. F. Kemp, F. Mortyn, J. Solomon, H. Solomon, W. Barnes, C. E. Davies.

Old Boys' Association

The annual meeting of the Hutchins School Old Boys' Association was held in the school gymnasium on Friday, December 3, there being a fair attendance. Mr. L. F. Giblin, M.H.A., was voted to the chair.

Apologies were received from Messrs. E. H. Butler, W. B. Walker, A. W. Garrett, H. Garrett, C. E. Webster, Private R. N. B. Richard, and K. Bailey.

Mr. W. F. D. Butler recited the events leading up to the meeting, and outlined for the benefit of those who had not been present the proceedings at the previous ones.

The record was confirmed.

On the motion of Mr. T. C. Brammall, seconded by Mr. R. L. Dunbabin, a resolution was passed sympathising with the President of the Association (Mr. C. W. Butler) in his illness, and expressing hopes for his speedy recovery.

The Chairman, as the Association's representative on the Board of Management, delivered his report on the past year's happenings. He explained that the present meeting should have been held in August, but it had been decided to alter the date. It had been intended to hold an entertainment on the opening of the new gymnasium, but it had finally been arranged that the meeting should be a purely formal one. The financial side of the Board's work during 1915 was explained with considerable detail. The amount expended had been £5,315, in addition to £191 expended on the new gymnasium, a sum which was not yet found. £1,599, with £46 interest, had come from the Hutchins School Fund. Receipts from sale of land, etc., made a total of £4,220. This left £1,285 to be found, of which £1,050 had been raised by debentures.

The School had a total of 161 boys, a figure which must be considered satisfactory in view of the depression resulting from the War and last year's drought. The examination results showed that the work of the School had been progressing very satisfactorily. At the last Senior Public Examination, out of ten candidates who had qualified for science scholarships, eight, including the first three, had come from Hutchins. In addition, Hutchins had gained first and fourth positions on the Classical List. (Applause.) In sports the School's record had been creditable, though it had not stood out in this respect. Financially, the School was holding its own. Some progress had been made towards bringing salaries up to a fair standard, and repairs to the buildings had been kept up. Largely by the help of Christ's College, £200 per annum had been found to meet capital expenditure. The proposal to erect a retaining-wall for the playground must be left to a future date, though the fine new tennis court built by Christ College was of some service in this respect. They had plunged as far as was safe in the matter of expenditure, and it would not be advisable to launch out just now on any extensive works. In addition to the three members of the Board appointed by the Old Boys, two others were also past students at the School. He was pleased to say that their attitude, and, what was more important, that of the Headmaster, was all that Old Boys could desire. (Applause.) He invited discussion on the report.

Mr. R. L. Dunbabin, in moving the adoption of the report, said he thought that members would agree that the ground had been so fully covered that nothing remained to be said.

Mr. W. H. Hudspeth, in seconding the motion, paid a tribute to the work that had been done by the new Vice-Master (Mr. Smith).

Mr. Erskine Watchorn thought that the matter of recording the names of those who had gone to the front should not be left out of the Annual Report.

Mr. W. F. D. Butler thought that it would be better to wait, as this would render it possible to draw up a full list. It could safely be said that over 120 Old Boys had enlisted.

The motion was carried unanimously.

The next business was the election of officers, which resulted as follows:—Hon. secretary, Mr. Raymond Butler; hon. treasurer, Mr. Vere Chambers; hon. auditor, Mr. Erskine Watchorn.

Mr. Brammall brought up the question of supporting the School "Magazine," in connection with which some loss had been incurred. The expenses of publication ran into about £30 a year, half of which was derived from the subscriptions of the boys at School. To make up the deficit, he wanted 150 subscribers among the Old Boys, while members could also assist with literary contributions. One of the features of the "Magazine" was a list of the Old Boys who had enlisted. Over 120 names had already been collected, but he was confident that if all were known the total would be well on towards 200. Out of this number nine had laid down their lives for their country, sixteen had been wounded, and many were ill. He read the list of names, and several additions were made on the suggestion of members.

Mr. Brammall moved that the following addition be made to the rules of the Constitution governing membership:—Rule 4a—"Old Boys and past or present Masters of the School may become members by payment of an annual subscription of 2s. 6d. to the funds of the Association; but such members shall not be entitled to vote in the election of representatives on the Board of Management."

There were many boys just leaving School who, though desirous of becoming members of the Old Boys' Association, were prevented from doing so by the £1 subscription fee, and he thought that by altering the Constitution as suggested a great increase in membership would result.

Mr. E. C. Watchorn moved as an amendment that the subscription fee be 5s.

The amendment was lost, and the original motion carried.

Mr. W. F. D. Butler urged the desirability of getting into touch with boys leaving School. This would provide a regular source of revenue, sufficient for the carrying out of small repairs.

Mr. Lindon agreed. He had spoken of the necessity of joining the Association to the boys at School, and would endeavour to impress the matter upon them as occasion arose.

A vote of thanks to the Chairman concluded the meeting.

Sixth Form Spasms

The evanescent year of 1915 having passed, many of our worthy members will be departing; and the peaceful dignity of the Sixth disturbed by the incursion of the Junior Public Class. Perhaps next year some genius amongst them may be writing these notes and launching mighty volumes of sarcasm and censure on the present perpetrator of this quarterly column of literary (?) bombast. The majesty of the Sixth will be, alas! no more, but those of our members who return will no doubt soon teach the newcomers the error of their ways. And now for one more effort to record the term's occurrences, with remarks, wise and otherwise.

Billy has recently passed from youth to manhood by adding a greater length of material to his nether garments, and has celebrated the occasion by taking a few months' holiday. However, next year no doubt he will continue to run a close second to the noble Bruiser, who still holds the record for daily lateness. However, if rumour does not lie, perhaps Bruiser will be leaving this year, and then Billy will have that high distinction all to himself.

It is with great regret that we are forced to contaminate this column by mentioning

that most odious of institutions, the Fifth Form. Owing to their extreme aversion to paying up for the Belgian Fund, they have conceived a device by which they make things unpleasant for the unfortunate collector, and so try to intimidate him from performing his appointed duty. It is with this object that they give vent to such inane remarks as "Kaiser Bill Payne," "Y' ain't goin' ter git nothink out o' moi," and so forth. Perhaps whatever mental capacity they do happen to possess might be employed in a worthier cause.

Polly has come to the final conclusion that Latrobe is quite the nicest place in Tasmania, and is likely to remain so. Perhaps those clever little boys, who spread undesirable rumours about this matter, and make sneering, underhand allusions to badges, will hereby take the hint, and keep their misshapen little mouths closed in the future. Polly also says that after the Senior no longer will he burn midnight oil over his Latin, and that his troubles will be little ones.

That was great presumption on the part of Reggie and that "Classical" boy when they had the audacity to implant their massive frames on the lordly Possum's seat. Such precocity needs to be effectively quelled, and the Science Class is here to see that this is carried out! (Loud cheers!)

Wiggy is now a well-known and favourite figure on the tennis court, and during his many fine exhibitions of "how the game ought to be played," he treats the bystanders to a lyrical description of an imaginary maiden who "had such beautiful eyes" and of an old farmer, who on his first visit to New York becomes entranced by the gaieties of the city, and greets his wife's frequent requests for his return with the placid remark, "This is the life for me."

Space forbids relating the following news at greater length:—

Cummo says that Daisy Jerome got the words wrong in her song success, "Always take a girl named Daisy." Who shall say

that Beaugarde's style is too euphuistic now that his essays have been so highly commended? In connection with essays, the bare thought of Teddy's "release" on "Clothes" makes us shudder! Having acquired universal fame through his gorgeous socks, Bill intends to seek still wider renown by embarking on a trench-digging career. Reynolds and Masterman are keen rivals in studying for journalism; Pастey will adopt the penny-a-line principle, while Jimmy will confine his work to writing blasphemous and seditious letters to "The Mercury." Gussie talks a lot about other people down at the Gold Rush, but he needn't have done Bundle out of his job, anyhow! By the way, Gussie is getting very busy lately, and Nana goes emerald with envy if anyone mentions on what dashing lines the handsome Dagger conducted himself. What a pity Nana isn't in for the Senior.

Among the Departure List for 1915 are Payne, Clinch, Ross, Oldmeadow, Barnett, Rout, Vaughan, Crisp, and Wiggins. And now we rise to remark, with Shakespeare:

"If we meet again we'll smile indeed,
If not 'tis true this parting was well made"

T. K. C.

Boarders' Notes

The time has come round for our scribe to take his pen in hand once more. Owing to the near approach of the exams., the boarders generally have quietened down, and have been devoting themselves to their work with zeal quite unprecedented!

It is about time some hot weather came round, as all of us are looking pale about the gills, and want browning up.

Oh! What rejoicing among the boarders and what a depletion in their ranks! The lucky ones who are coming back next year will have to keep up the boarders' reputation

in sport and school work. Follow your chief, and always act on the square, and he will do the same to you.

Captain Cook made a voyage on his "auto-gobike" at mid-term, but owing to some error in calculating latitude and longitude he struck an uncharted rock, and had to return by the "fastest train in Tasmania"!

Several attempts have been made to raise enough money for Shady to get his hair cut, but we find it has grown so long that it would require a fabulous sum to get it cut all at once. However, he is getting it cut by degrees, and in consequence it is taking a bucket shape.

Come and have a look,

Come and have a look what I've done!

This is Fatty's cry at bed time, when he comes forth with his riddles freshly composed in prep.; if you think this is any good, ask him for some more.

British Tommy: If a dead German sat up in his grave what would he see?

White Gurkha: A grave outlook.

N.B.—For the sake of the ignorant, a white Gurkha is what the Turks dub the Australians, but from all accounts the Australians are as black as the Gurkhas themselves.

Poor old Jack's love affairs have been grossly interrupted, and, sad to relate, he is still without a wife. We suggest he puts notices in all newspapers.

One says he has seen an advertisement for Cobra boot polish, illustrating "Chund goes to war"; great doubt is felt as to the truth of this.

Once again I wish to bring to your notice the one and only Jerry; he now stands eleventh on the list, and Fatty's five shillings is at zero.

Bill, we are assured on good authority, attended the official opening of the Blue Bird Tea Rooms. He personally recommends them, and says he will always attend on Red Cross Days. He also eulogises one of the waitresses, and says he quite adores her.

We hear there is going to be a divorce case soon, as Fatty has not been treating his wife with all the respect due to ladies.

Jenny has been seen of late wandering round with a small Webster's Dictionary. It is rumoured that he has intentions of writing a letter to "The Mercury."

And now it is time that I laid down my pen, but, first, let me wish all the boarders and house masters a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year, and good luck to the next generation of boarders.

B. P.

Cricket

Following is the table showing positions of Schools in Secondary Schools premiership of the South:—

| | Played. | Won. | Lost. | Position. |
|--------------------------|---------|------|-------|-----------|
| Friends' High School .. | 6 | 5 | 1 | 1 |
| Leslie House School ... | 6 | 3 | 3 | 2 |
| Hutchins School ... | 6 | 3 | 3 | |
| St. Virgil's College ... | 6 | 3 | 3 | |

The season has been an interesting one, and at times quite exciting. The batting and bowling of our team has been quite up to a standard that would have enabled us to win a majority of our matches had it been supported by adequate work in the field.

The ground fielding on the whole has been quite good, but a deplorable number of catches has been dropped, and on at least

three occasions the team has allowed a game to literally slip out of their hands when in a winning position.

Notable exceptions in the field have been Payne, Wiggins, and Barnett, while the feature of the term has been the meteoric rise

of C. Henry as a batsman. Richardson, in the second half, made a zealous and efficient captain, and often batted very nicely, and bowled in much improved style.

Naturally we shall have to part with some of our team at the end of term, but there is plenty of good material left, and the second team have shown that they will be ready when called on to take their places a step higher up in the cricket world.

HUTCHINS SCHOOL v. LESLIE HOUSE SCHOOL.

Won by 74 runs.

Leslie.—First innings, 78 (Pitt 21, Archer 19, Crosby 17). Bowling: Wiggins, 5 for 42; Richardson, 4 for 28.

HUTCHINS.—First Innings.

| | |
|---|------------|
| F. Richardson, c Hallam, b Heritage ... | 41 |
| R. Barnett, b Pitt ... | 1 |
| A. Clinch, b Pitt ... | 14 |
| R. Cumming, b Heritage ... | 17 |
| E. Lilley, st Crosby, b Heritage ... | 13 |
| C. Whitesides, c and b Heritage ... | 6 |
| L. Payne, c Crosby, b Pitt ... | 2 |
| C. Wiggins, b Pitt ... | 0 |
| T. Loane, c Skinner, b Crosby ... | 4 |
| S. Croft, lbw, b Pitt ... | 0 |
| C. Henry, not out ... | 33 |
| Sundries ... | 21 |
| Total ... | 152 |

HUTCHINS SCHOOL v. ST. VIRGIL'S COLLEGE.

Lost by 12 runs.

St. Virgil's.—First innings, 89 (Fisher 33, Parer 10). Bowling: Wiggins, 0 for 42; Richardson, 4 for 25; Barnett, 2 for 11; Henry, 3 for 10.

HUTCHINS.

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|-------------------------------------|-----------|
| F. Richardson, b Kremmer ... | 23 |
| R. Barnett, b West ... | 0 |
| A. Clinch, b Davis ... | 6 |
| R. Cumming, b West ... | 10 |
| C. Whitesides, c Parer, b ... | 0 |
| E. Lilley, c Fisher, b Kremmer ... | 7 |
| C. Wiggins, c Fisher, b Kremmer ... | 9 |
| C. Henry, not out ... | 24 |
| L. Payne, b Kremmer ... | 0 |
| T. Loane, b Kremmer ... | 0 |
| S. Croft, c Parer, b Davis ... | 1 |
| Sundries ... | 6 |
| Total ... | 77 |

HUTCHINS SCHOOL v. FRIENDS HIGH SCHOOL.

Lost by 3 wickets.

Friends'.—First innings, 7 wickets for 159 (Pringle 66 not out, Colvin 30). Bowling: Wiggins, 5 for 63; Richardson, 2 for 58; Barnett, 0 for 20; Henry, 0 for 17.

HUTCHINS.—First Innings.

| | |
|-----------------------------------|----|
| F. Richardson, b Coleman ... | 26 |
| A. Clinch, b Pringle ... | 7 |
| C. Henry, c Clarke, b Pringle ... | 30 |
| R. Cumming, b Coleman ... | 5 |
| E. Lilley, b Pringle ... | 9 |

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|--------------------------------------|------------|
| R. Barnett, c Pringle, b Coleman ... | 47 |
| C. Whitesides, b Coleman ... | 1 |
| C. Wiggins, b Coleman ... | 16 |
| T. Loane, not out ... | 7 |
| L. Payne, c Cooper, b Coleman ... | 2 |
| S. Croft, b Coleman ... | 5 |
| Sundries ... | 1 |
| Total ... | 156 |

Bowling: Pringle, 3 for 59; Coleman, 7 for 96.

JUNIORS.

The Junior Eleven have played three matches this quarter, winning the three of them.

H.S. Second Eleven v. St. Virgil's Second Eleven. Won by 33 runs. H.S., 64 (C. Henry 23). St. Virgil's, 31 (Oakford 10). Norman 5 for 5; C. Henry 3 for 4.

H.S. Second Eleven v. S.H.S. Second Eleven. Won by 35 runs. H.S., 51 (Norman 31 not out). Second innings, 57 (Norman 20). S.H.S., 16 (A. Bisdee, 5 for 13; C. Norman, 5 for 3). Second innings, 50 (Bisdee, 4 for 8; Norman, 3 for 22).

H.S. Second Eleven v. L.H.S. Second Eleven. Won by 85 runs. H.S., 118 (Crouch 53, Norman 19). L.H.S., 25 (A. Bisdee, 4 for 16; Norman, 6 for 8).

THIRDS.

The Thirds have played three matches without being beaten this quarter. The following are the scores:—

Against State High School.—H.S., 64 (C. Long 30 not out). S.H.S., 30 (Alexander, 3 for 15; Thomas, 2 for 1).

Against State High School.—H.S., 149 (C. Bisdee 46 not out). S.H.S., 47 (Goodfellow, 2 for 7; Long, 3 for 9).

Against Friends' High School.—H.S., 95 (Hammond 20 not out). F.H.S., 64 (Goodfellow, 5 for 28; Alexander, 3 for 17).

HUTCHINS PAST v. PRESENT SCHOLARS.

PRESENT—First Innings.

| | |
|---|-----------|
| Richardson, c L. T. Butler, b E. L. Butler | 2 |
| Bullock, c sub., b E. L. Butler | 10 |
| Henry, c L. F. Giblin, b E. L. Butler | 16 |
| Barnett, c L. F. Giblin, b Facy | 3 |
| Whitesides, c W. F. Butler, b Dixon | 20 |
| Clinch, c E. L. Butler, b Dixon | 4 |
| Wiggins, b Dixon | 0 |
| Cumming, b L. F. Giblin | 5 |
| Lilley, b L. F. Giblin | 1 |
| Loane, c L. T. Butler, b L. F. Giblin | 0 |
| Payne, not out | 2 |
| Croft, c Hudspeth, b Dixon | 0 |
| Sundries | 5 |
| Total | 68 |

Bowling.—E. L. Butler, three wickets for 17 runs; Facy, one for 19; Giblin, three for 16; Dixon, four for 9; Hudspeth, none for 2.

PAST—First Innings.

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|---|------------|
| W. F. D. Butler, c Croft, b Richardson | 15 |
| Lord, b Wiggins | 14 |
| Hudspeth, c and b Wiggins | 6 |
| Madden, b Wiggins | 4 |
| L. T. Butler, retired | 47 |
| Facy, c Cumming, b Barnett | 17 |
| R. M. Butler, run out | 4 |
| Giblin, not out | 3 |
| Dixon, c Whitesides, b Wiggins | 0 |
| E. L. Butler, retired | 52 |
| Sundries | 4 |
| Total | 166 |

Bowling.—Wiggins, three wickets for 40 runs; Richardson, two for 69; Barnett, one for 37; Henry, none for 5.

Batting Averages for Season 1915.

| Name. | Position. | Total runs. | Innings. | Highest score. | Not out. | Average. |
|--------------|-----------|-------------|----------|----------------|----------|----------|
| Henry, C.... | 1 | 103 | 4 | 33* | 2 | 51.5 |
| Richardson | 2 | 127 | 7 | 41 | — | 18.1 |
| Barnett | 3 | 69 | 7 | 47 | — | 9.9 |
| Cumming | 4 | 40 | 5 | 17 | — | 8 |
| Wiggins | 5 | 48 | 7 | 23 | — | 6.9 |
| Whitesides | 6 | 27 | 4 | 27 | — | 6.75 |
| Lilley | 7 | 31 | 6 | 13 | 1 | 6.2 |
| Loane | 8 | 11 | 4 | 7 | 1 | 3.6 |
| Clinch | 9 | 49 | 6 | 14 | — | 3.5 |
| Payne | 10 | 18 | 7 | 8 | 1 | 3 |
| Croft | 11 | 8 | 7 | 5 | — | 1.1 |

*Not out.

Bowling Analysis.

| Name. | Position. | No. of overs. | Maiden overs. | Runs. | Wickets. | Average. |
|------------|-----------|---------------|---------------|-------|----------|----------|
| Henry | 1 | 10 | 1 | 32 | 3 | 10.7 |
| Wiggins | 2 | 88 | 6 | 271 | 17 | 15.9 |
| Richardson | 3 | 72 | 10 | 256 | 14 | 18.3 |
| Barnett | 4 | 29 | 3 | 136 | 6 | 22.7 |

N.B.—Henry has not bowled enough balls in order to win the medal for bowling average.

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