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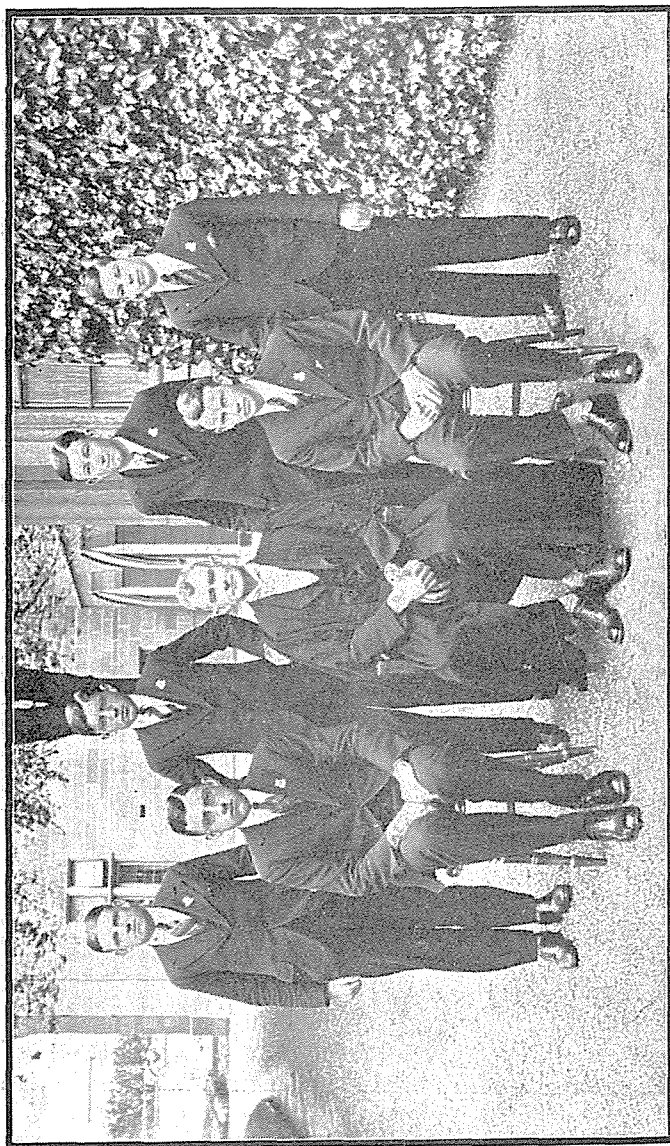
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**THE PREFECTS.**

D. Burbury. T. Clemons. R. Cruttendon. J. Stops.  
 H. Roberts (Senior Prefect). The Head Master. P. Johnstone.

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**Editorial.**

THE mid-Victorian books that were given to children of an earlier generation as Sunday School Prizes, often contained edifying descriptions of the hero or heroine conducting at the end of the year, a sort of stock-taking of successes and shortcomings during the preceding twelve months, and formulating with sundry pious invocations, a budget of good resolutions, in order to square the ledger during the forthcoming year. If we may be tempted to look back on the doings of 1929, we shall not be so foolish as to make any good resolutions. It is so humiliating when they are broken. Moreover, in looking back, it would seem that our only success in the realm of sport, at any rate, was winning the Swimming Championships early in the year. In football, tennis, athletics, we have had to be content with second or third place. However, we have the satisfaction of knowing that our teams always played the game in a true sporting spirit, which is, after all, the only success worth recording.

The coming year promises to be a success from several points of view. The formation of a Parents' Association, will be the means of enabling improvements to be made where necessary, and will bring the School into closer touch with the parents. The great increase in the membership and activity of the Old Boys' Association is another encouraging sign. By keeping in close touch with the School both the Old Boys and the School will benefit. As soon as boys are eligible for membership, they should join the Association.

Already we can note an improvement in the working spirit and the decrease of certain signs of laziness and selfishness amongst some of the boys at present in the school. They ought to realise before it is too late, that their school days will be pleasant now, and a delight to look back on later, only as they do all they can in work and in sport to keep up the good name of their School. A School is a place where co-operation counts most, and the boy who does most and gives most, gets most in return.

## School Notes.

**Essay Prizes.**—The Stuart Prize for 1929 was won by D. V. Giblin, and the Young Prize by D. P. Cruttenden.

**Weekly Collection.**—This term a collection has been made in each form every Monday morning, for the purpose of meeting any appeals that may be made, and as a substitute for the Lenten self-denial offering. The proceeds will be divided between the Australian Board of Missions, for its work among the blacks, and the maintenance of a cot at the Childrens' Hospital. A graph is posted on the notice boards, showing the weekly average of each form.

**Prefects.**—T. C. Clemons and R. G. Cruttenden have been appointed School Prefects.

**Parents' Association.**—At a meeting held in the Memorial Library during the first week of the term, it was resolved to form a Parents' Association in connection with the school. The following officers were elected:—President, Mr. L. L. Dobson; Vice-Presidents, Messrs. V. I. Chambers and O. H. Jones; Committee, Mesdames Bennison, Broinowski and Murdoch, Messrs. Pearce, Garrett and Hudson; Hon. Secretary and Treasurer, Mr. E. A. Eltham.

**Young Prizes for Geography.**—As a memorial to the late Mr. F. M. Young, Mrs Young has handed over to the school, a sum of money, the interest on which will allow of the establishment of two prizes for geography, to be awarded on the result of the Intermediate and Leaving Examinations respectively. The School is very grateful to Mrs. Young for her generous action, and is pleased to be the means of perpetuating the memory of one who, as Examiner in Geography and a member of various committees of the University, did so much for secondary education in Tasmania.

**Valete.**—Butler, H. C., Campbell, Cox, Parker.

**Salvete.**—Bradley, Brown, Davy, Foster, Gorringer, Stevens, White, F. H., Williams.

**Junior School Playground.**—In order to raise funds to improve the Junior School playground, the School Dramatic Society was revived, and under the direction of Mr. Collings, rehearsed a three-act play, "The New Boy," which was presented to a splendid audience in the gymnasium on October 26. The performance was a great success, and over £17 was raised. We desire to acknowledge the help given by Mrs C. Richardson, Mr. Ross, of the Humphrey Bishop Company, Mr. Johnson, who painted the scenery, Mr. Collis, who acted as electrician and many others who assisted in various ways. For the same purpose Miss Frizoni organised a concert which was held in the gymnasium on Saturday, November 9th. In spite of wet weather there was a good audience and an excellent programme was provided by some of Hobart's leading musicians. The financial result was about £20, so that the junior school boys will soon enjoy a playground that can be used in all weathers.

**Foundation Day :** The anniversary of the foundation of the school fell on Saturday, August 3rd, so that at morning assembly the day before the Headmaster gave an address on the history and tradition of the school. The next day the school flag was hoisted at sunrise by the scouts belonging to the school troop, and at sunset was hauled down with full scout ceremonial. In the evening the Old Boys' Association held in the gymnasium the most successful reunion which they have had so far.

**Armistice Day :** A special service was held in the gymnasium on November 11th. to celebrate armistice, and was attended by a number of parents and boys, as well as by the boys of Apsley House. The hymns were "O God Our Help in Ages Past," "The Hymn of Sacrifice" and "For All The Saints." The lesson was read by the Head Prefect, who also hung a beautiful floral cross on the Honour Board. The Headmaster read the names of the 74 boys who gave their lives in the war, and an address was given by Colonel Chisholm. The two minutes' silence was followed by the Last Post and the National Anthem, after which the entire school lined up in front of the school while the Reveille was sounded and the flag raised from half-mast to the full. This concluded a very impressive service.

**Acknowledgments :** In connection with the Boarders' dance, Mrs. Harris wishes to thank Mrs. Hill for cakes and flowers, Mrs. Crowther and Mrs. Edwards for flowers and Mrs. Clive for cream.

**Exchanges:** We acknowledge with thanks the receipt of magazines from the following schools:—Trinity Grammar, Melbourne Grammar, Geelong Grammar, St. Peter's College, and Prince Alfred College (Adelaide), Launceston Grammar, Perth High School (W.A.), Cranbrook, King's School and Sydney Grammar.

## PREFECTS' DANCE.

On Saturday, August 10th, the Prefects were the hosts at a very successful dance in the School Gymnasium. This was the first dance held at the school for some years, and it is hoped that it is the forerunner of many more. A home-made supper was provided, and the Prefects wish to thank Mrs. G. A. Roberts, Mrs. W. Stops, Mrs. Cruttenden, Mrs. Clive, Mrs. Walsh and Mrs. Vincent for so kindly donating supper dishes. They would especially like to thank Mrs. Harris for her help in taking charge of the supper, which was served in the school dining room. They would also like to thank the School Domestic Staff for the help they gave in decorating the supper tables, etc.

## House Notes.

### STEPHENS HOUSE.

Colours: Blue, Black and Gold.

House Master: Mr. R. H. Isherwood.

House Captain: P. M. Johnstone.

Vice Captain: M. Tuttle.

Sports Captains:

Rowing: H. C. Butler.

Athletics: S. A. Jarvis.

Tennis: D. V. Giblin.

THE year draws to a close with much rejoicing, and many feverish last-minute bursts of work. But fortunately lessons are not a house competition yet.

There is always a certain amount of satisfaction to be had from looking back at the job well done, and now we feel quite a tremor of it run through the House. Why this jubilant quaking? We have done what we set out to do at the beginning of the year—retain the House Shield. We are Cock House again, the second year in succession. Immediately our excited thoughts run on: Shall we win it next year?

### SCHOOL HOUSE.

Colours: Dark blue and light blue.

House Master: Mr. W. J. Gerlach.

House Captain: D. J. Burbury.

School Prefects: T. Clemons, D. Burbury.

House Prefects: E. R. Clive, F. A. Warner, D. E. Hodgson.

Sports Captains:

Cricket, Football, Rowing, Athletics, Fives:

F. A. Warner.

Tennis: E. R. Clive.

Cross-Country: J. H. Player.

Swimming: J. Thorold.

AT this stage of the year, it looks as if we shall have to take a second place to Stephens in the house competitions. We congratulate them heartily. We succeeded in defeating Buckland in the A football, but succumbed to Stephens. The B team, under the captaincy of O. Jones, played remarkably well, especially against the heavier Stephens boys, and succeeded in gaining first place.

In rowing, Stephens defeated us in both the A and B competitions. We were much more successful in athletics, winning both competitions. This we attribute to the manner in which our representatives trained. They showed great keenness in going to the Top Ground almost every day for weeks, the example being set by F. Warner, who won the open cup. We congratulate Harris on winning the under 15

cup, and also Isherwood (Stephens) and Bastick (Junior School) on gaining the under 13 and under 11 cups respectively. We have been beaten by Stephens at tennis and will probably lose to Bucks also. The B cricket is yet to be decided, but we have hopes of winning, and thus gaining the Nicholas Shield.

In concluding, we wish to thank Mr. and Mrs. Harris for the very enjoyable dance they gave us early in the term. We all enjoyed ourselves immensely and were very sorry when 12 o'clock came.

### BUCKLAND HOUSE.

Colours: Maroon and white.

House Master: Mr. J. C. Parish.

House Captain: B. Hood.

Vice Captain: J. Stops.

School Prefects: J. Stops, R. Cruttenden.

Sports Captains:

Swimming, Football and Athletics: B. Hood.

Rowing, Shooting and Debating: J. Stops.

Tennis: D. P. Cruttenden.

Cricket: N. Lewis.

AT the time of writing we find ourselves out of the running for the House Shield, as the position of Stephens House is impregnable. We congratulate them on attaining the coveted honour, and also School House on winning second place.

The cross-country championship was won by Hood, of Buckland House, Morgan of the same house being runner-up. Their efforts won for us first place in the "A" competition, and we were second in the "B" event.

In rowing we had to acknowledge defeat by both the other Houses, but we went down fighting. Lack of experience and insufficient training contributed largely to our lack of success, and it is to be hoped that in the future members of the House will put forward a greater effort than they have this year. In athletics, too, we were beaten, and we congratulate Warner and Harris on winning the open and under 15 championships respectively.

We are looking forward to a more successful season next year, and this can only be obtained with the co-operation of each member of the House. It should be the aim of everybody to represent the school, and in the achievement of such an object, the House to which each belongs will derive the benefit.

Again extending our congratulations to our more successful rivals, we would ask that the slogan of each member of the House for next year be "Buck up, Bucks!"

## House Points.

THE Bethune Shield has been won by Stephens House again this year, with School House runners-up.

The Wilkinson Shield for the Junior School has been won by School House.

The Nicholas Cricket Shield has not been finalised, but School are leading and are in the happy position of having two chances against Stephens' one.

Points for the House Shield to date are:—

Event		House		
		Stephens.	School.	Buckland
Cricket	A	8	16	—
	B	—	—	—
Swimming	A	8	—	16
	B	8	—	4
Football	A	16	8	—
	B	4	8	—
Rowing	A	16	8	—
	B	8	4	—
Athletics	A	8	16	—
	B	—	8	4
Cross Country	A	6	—	12
	B	—	6	3
Tennis	A	6	—	12
	B	6	—	—
		94	74	51

### SCHOOL CHAMPIONS.

Swimming: B. Hood                      Cross Country: B. Hood.  
Athletics: F. A. Warner.              Tennis: D. P. Cruttenden.



ALTHOUGH the School only finished third on the Premiership table, winning only three of the six roster matches played, every match was interesting, the first Clemes match being the only one in which we were beaten by more than two goals. The second round was by far the best, better football being played, and towards the end of the season our team seemed to get the co-operation that is so necessary in a football team. This shows us that we must get an earlier start next season.

The matches for the Southern Premiership provided many excellent games, especially those against St. Virgils, which we lost by four and nine points respectively. The second match against Clemes was perhaps the best match of the season, and although defeat spelt disaster to Clemes, the match was one that we expect to see in Public School football, being fast and open, and no matter what position the contesting teams occupy on the premiership ladder, the game is played for the game's sake.

We desire to congratulate St. Virgil's College on winning the State Premiership. They were a good team, well trained, well coached, and thoroughly deserved their victory.

At the beginning of the season S. A. Jarvis was elected captain and F. A. Warner was elected vice-captain. Mr. Wade once again kindly offered to coach the team.

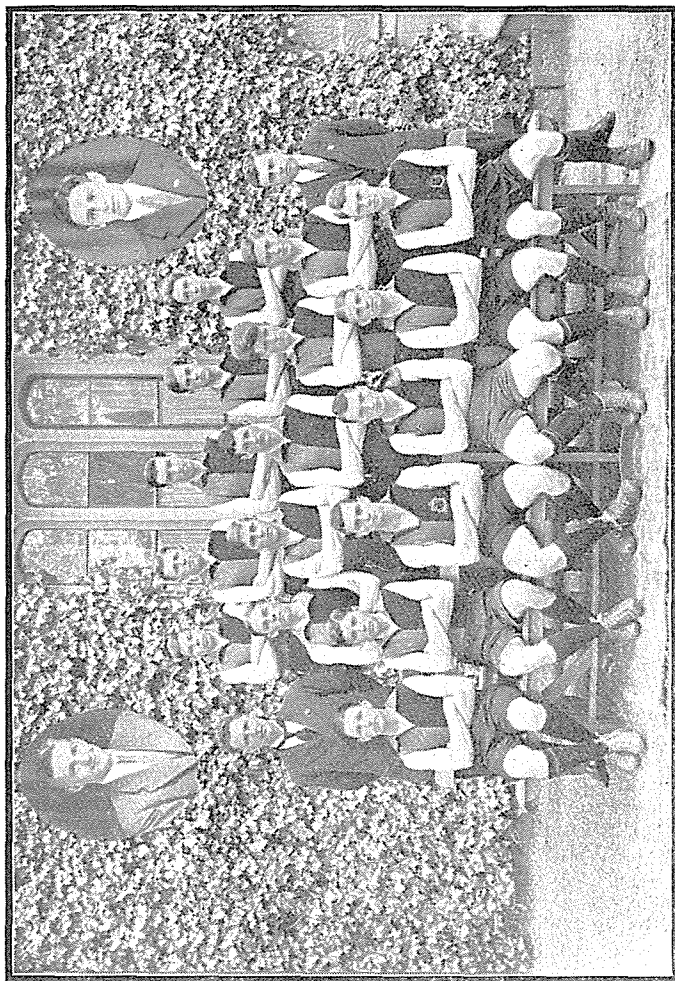
Practice was held at South Hobart ground on Monday and Wednesday of each week during the season and was well attended, as is shown by the fine percentage—82 per cent.

The Senior team played seven practice matches, three of which were won. The annual match against the Old Boys resulted in a win for the Old Boys, the first time for many years.

The junior team had a very successful season, losing only once to St. Virgil's, and twice to the Technical School Senior team.

The Thirds played two matches against St. Virgils. Honors were even as each School won a match each.

The House matches were very interesting this year, especially those between Stephens and School Houses. In the "A," Stephens won by 13 points, after School had led up to after three-quarter time. The "B" match was even closer. School winning by only four points. Stephens House were first in the "A", with School second, while in the "B" the positions were reversed, School winning with Stephens second.



Inset: Butler. Back row: Stops, Preece, Hay, Robertson, McKay. Inset: Hodgson. Mr. Rycroft (sports master), Tuttle, Welch, Lewis, Burbury, Whelan, Vincent. Lindus, Clemons, Warner (vice-captain), Jarvis (captain), Burbury, Johnstone. **SENIOR FOOTBALL TEAM.**

During the holidays between the second and third terms, the Melbourne Grammar School team, premiers of the Victorian Public Schools for the second successive occasion, visited Tasmania and played two matches against the Southern Schools, the school having six representatives in each team.

The following are the results of the matches played during the season:—

#### ROSTERS.

The roster commenced on the 24th June with the match against St. Virgils. Good football was out of the question owing to the wet state of the ground. Half times scores were level, but in the last half each team had its share as leaders. With five minutes to go Hutchins were leading, but a goal a couple of minutes before the end gave St. Virgils victory by two points. Scores:—

The School: 8 goals 8 behinds.

St. Virgils: 8 goals 10 behinds.

The second match was against Friends, which we won easily, although at three-quarter time we were leading by only one point. Scores:—

The School: 13 goals 16 behinds.

Friends: 6 goals 17 behinds.

The next match against Clemes was one of the hardest. Clemes led from the start and at one time in the last quarter were leading by thirty-six points, but the School were able to reduce this to sixteen before the bell went. Scores:—

The School: 8 goals 9 behinds.

Clemes: 10 goals 13 behinds.

The first match of the second round was played against St. Virgils on the New Town ground. The School led at three quarter time and had a good breeze in their favour in the last quarter, but St. Virgils were in better form, and won by nine points. During each of the preceding quarters the School had led by 25 points, but weakened in the last five minutes, which enabled Saints to catch up. Scores:—

The School: 8 goals 10 behinds.

St. Virgils: 9 goals 5 behinds.

Our next match was the return one against Friends. We were rather fortunate to win this, as we had only an eight point lead at the last change, but the Friends' shooting was very inaccurate. Scores:—

The School: 13 goals 12 behinds.

Friends: 8 goals 11 behinds.

The last match of the roster was against Clemes, and was the only match we played on the Top Ground. The large ground seemed to suit the team, who played brilliant football, and for the first time in the roster played together. Clemes were a brilliant team with the best system seen in the schools for some years and it was not expected that our team would be able to win, as Clemes had just previously walked

over St. Virgils. The match was a struggle right up to the bell. Clemes led by 17 points at quarter time, by three points at half. At three-quarter time the scores were level but the School finished in fine style, and piled on three goals in the last five minutes. Clemes were beaten, but in no sense disgraced. Clemes kicked two behinds in the first quarter, and one in the last. Scores:—

The School: 14 goals 11 behinds.

Clemes: 12 goals 3 behinds.

#### NON-ROSTERS.

The School defeated Friends' by 21 points. Scores:—

The School: 12 goals 11 behinds.

Friends: 8 goals 14 behinds.

The School lost to St. Virgils by 100 points. Scores:—

The School: 3 goals 4 behinds.

St. Virgils: 18 goals 14 behinds.

The School lost to Clemes by 15 points. Scores:—

The School: 9 goals 7 behinds.

Clemes: 11 goals 10 behinds.

The School lost to St. Virgils by 48 points. Scores:—

The School: 5 goals 8 behinds.

St. Virgils: 11 goals 20 behinds.

The School defeated St. Virgils. This match was played on the Saturday following the Clemes roster match. The School were minus six regular players, but defeated St. Virgils by 15 points.

The School: 12 goals 10 behinds.

St. Virgils: 9 goals 13 behinds.

The next match against State High was lost by 13 points. Scores:—

The School: 7 goals 10 behinds.

State High: 12 goals 5 behinds.

The Old Boys' match was the last match of the season, and was won by the Old Boys by nine points. Scores:—

Present Team: 9 goals 8 behinds.

Past Team: 9 goals 17 behinds.

#### JUNIORS.

The School Juniors, 32 goals 18 behinds, defeated Friends' Juniors, 3 goals 1 behind, by 191 points.

The School Juniors, 11 goals 12 behinds defeated St. Virgil's Juniors, 6 goals 9 behinds, by 33 points.

The School Juniors, 17 goals 17 behinds, defeated Clemes, 11 goals 5 behinds, by 48 points.

The School Juniors, 6 goals 8 behinds, lost to Technical School Seniors, 7 goals 19 behinds, by 17 points.

The School Juniors, 9 goals 19 behinds, defeated Technical School Seniors, 6 goals 8 behinds, by 20 points.

The School Juniors, 4 goals 8 behinds, lost to Technical School Seniors, 10 goals 24 behinds, by 52 points.

The School Juniors, 9 goals 3 behinds, lost to St. Virgils Juniors, 9 goals 9 behinds, by 6 points.

#### THIRDS.

The School Thirds, 3 goals 2 behinds, lost to St. Virgils' Thirds, 7 goals 4 behinds, by 26 points.

The School Thirds, 9 goals 9 behinds, defeated St. Virgils' Thirds, 8 goals 4 behinds, by 11 points.

#### HOUSE MATCHES.

##### "A"

School House "A", 9 goals 19 behinds, defeated Buckland House "A", 5 goals 7 behinds, by 36 points.

Stephens House "A", 21 goals 13 behinds, defeated Buckland House "A", 2 goals 5 behinds, by 122 points.

Stephens House "A", 11 goals 17 behinds, defeated School House "A", 10 goals 10 behinds, by 13 points.

##### "B"

School House "B", 20 goals 15 behinds, defeated Buckland House "B", 1 goal 4 behinds, by 125 points.

Stephens House "B", 11 goals 17 behinds, defeated Buckland House "B", 5 goals 7 behinds, by 70 points.

School House "B", 9 goals 4 behinds, defeated Stephens House "B", 7 goals 12 behinds, by 4 points.

#### REPRESENTATIVE MATCHES.

Combined Public Schools: 9 goals 11 behinds, defeated Old Hobartians, 9 goals 7 behinds, by 4 points.

Melbourne Grammar School: 16 goals 13 behinds, defeated Combined Public Schools, 8 goals 21 behinds.

Melbourne Grammar School: 14 goals 8 behinds, defeated Combined Public Schools, 4 goals 12 behinds.

The chief goal-kickers were: Tuttle 21, Hay, 19; Robertson, 9; Whelan, 5.

Once again we have to thank Mr. R. W. Vincent for his voluntary help in keeping these sporting records. As an Old Boy, Mr. Vincent's interest in the School Sports is of very great value in encouraging the support of other Old Boys, as well as being an inspiration to the teams he follows so closely.

## Shooting.

A SHOOTING Club has been formed in the School since mid-winter, with the following in charge:

Master in Charge: Mr. Parish.

Buckland House Captain: J. T. Stops.

School House Captain: D. J. Burbury.

Stephens House Captain: D. V. Giblin.

The club are the possessors of three rifles, and it is hoped that next year House Shooting will again be a competition.

The range was in great demand during the winter months but it has been found necessary to suspend shooting for the time being, as the Gymnasium is being used for different purposes almost every day.



# ROWING



Manager: Mr. Parish.  
 Captain: F. A. Warner.

Coach: Mr. W. B. Taylor.  
 Secretary: E. R. Clive.

THE House Rowing was held on the last Saturday in August. Greater interest was taken in the event this year, the crews having a more thorough preparation than usual through being well coached. Buckland House were the weakest, but they stuck to their task right up to the gun, and in the "B" races pushed the other Houses all the way through their very high rate of striking which averaged over 40.

This year four boats were used, the Hutchins III and IV being used by the "A" crews and Hutchins I and II by the "B" thus enabling the events to be got off quickly. The best race of the day was between Stephens and School House "A" crews. School took the lead after a quarter of a mile had been covered, and were leading by half a length when No. 2 lost his slide. This enabled Stephens to draw away and win by half a length. Mr. Bennison kindly acted as starter, while the Headmaster was the judge. Results:—

First race: Stephens House "A" defeated Buckland House "A" by three lengths. Stephens led throughout.

Second race: Stephens "B" defeated Buckland "B" by a length and a half. An even race.

Third race: Stephens House "A" defeated School House "A" by half a length. Stephens showed outstanding ability in defeating School, who had three of the School crew in the boat.

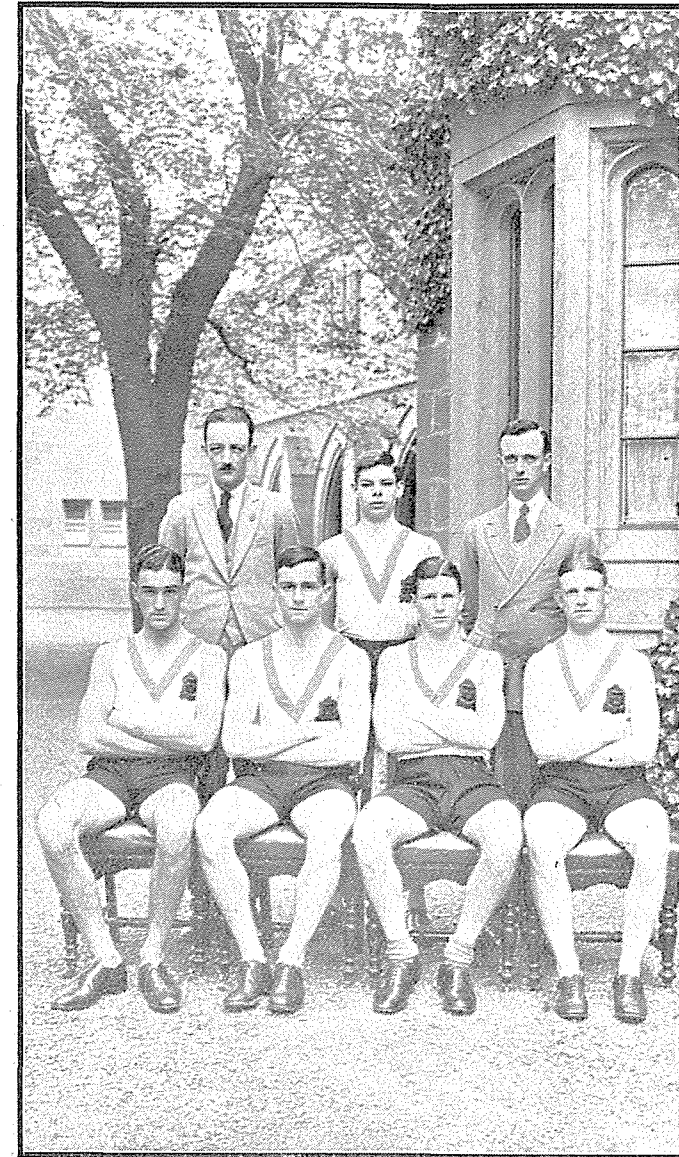
Fourth race: Stephens "B" defeated School "B" by a length and a half. Erratic steering robbed School of any chance they had, while the steering of Stephens cox was well nigh perfect.

Fifth race: School House "A" defeated Buckland House "A" by three and a half lengths. School led throughout. The form shown by the winners was the best of the day.

Sixth race: School "B" defeated Buckland "B" by a length. School struck about 28 to the minute throughout the race, while Buckland were striking as many as 45, and never below 40.

Great interest is being taken in rowing this term, as Mr. Taylor is already on the lookout for next year's crew. The following boys are training: B. Hood, E. R. Clive, H. Whelan, D. McPhee, C. Hudson, B. Piggott, D. Headlam, Norman, Thorold I., Dobson, Coxs, R. Rodney and P. Stops.

We are hoping to be able to sell Hutchins I and II, and get a new boat as nearly as possible the same as Hutchins III and IV, so that the House races will consist of only two races, an "A" and "B."



Mr. Parish (manager). Stops (cox). Mr. Taylor (coach).  
 Clive, Warner (stroke), Hood, Burbury.

**THE SCHOOL CREW.**

## Tennis.

THROUGHOUT the last term there has been great activity in this sport owing to the longer daylight and better weather. Competition for the school four was keen and after a number of challenges the team resulted as follows: Cruttenden II., Cruttenden I., Lewis and Walch. This "four" was somewhat unlucky in having to meet Clemes College in the first roster match, as at that early stage the boys had not struck their best form. The result was a win for the Clemes four, to whom we give our best congratulations on winning the premiership. The following are the results of the roster matches:—

### For Clemes.

Long and Davies beat Cruttenden II. and I., 4-6, 6-3, 6-3.  
Long beat Cruttenden II., 6-3, 6-2.  
Rothwell beat Walch, 6-3, 6-2.

### For Hutchins.

Walch and Lewis beat Rothwell and Palfreyman, 6-5, 2-6, 6-2.

### Hutchins v. Friends.

Cruttenden II. and I., defeated Crawford and Soundy, 6-4, 5-6, 6-2.  
Cruttenden II. defeated Crawford, 6-1, 6-2.  
Lewis defeated Harrison, 6-0, 6-3.  
Walch and Lewis defeated Harrison and Watson, 6-4, 6-3.  
The Cruttenden v. Soundy and Walch v. Watson matches each stood at set all when play ceased.

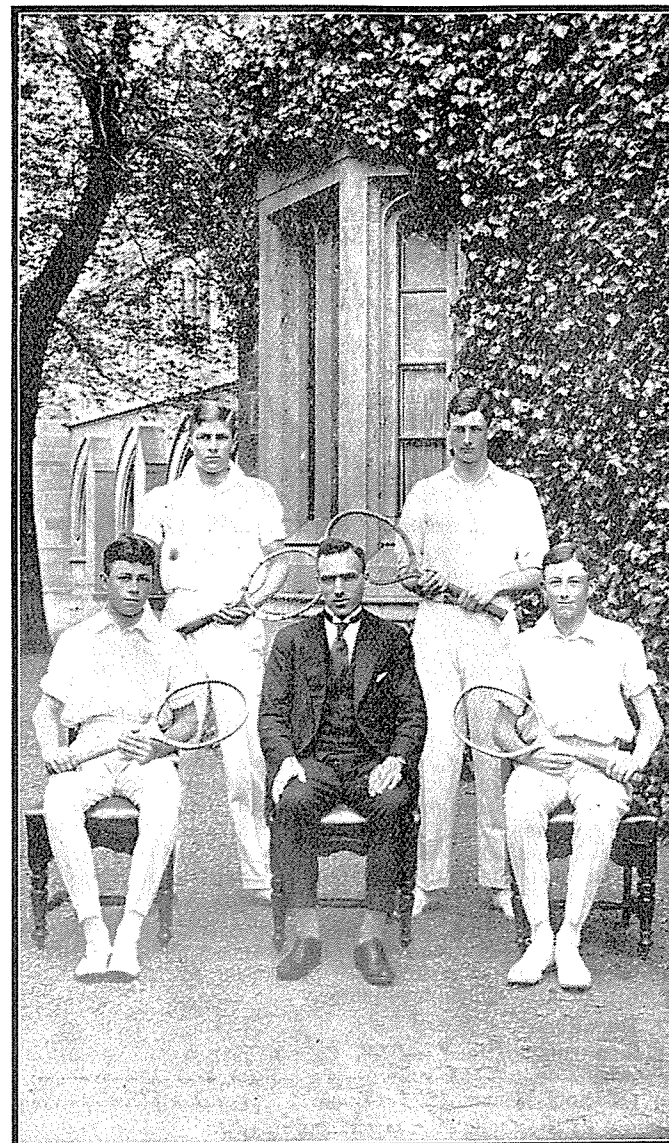
### Hutchins v. St. Virgils.

Cruttenden II. and I., defeated Conroy and Cullen, 6-0, 6-2.  
Cruttenden II. defeated Conroy, 6-0, 6-0.  
Cruttenden I., defeated Cullen, 6-3, 6-4.  
Walch and Biblin defeated Arthur and Halliday, 6-3, 1-6, 6-5.  
Walch defeated Arthur, 6-3, 6-2.

The House matches are at present incomplete, but indications are that Buckland will win the A with Stephens a close second. In the B grade, Stephens House seems to have best chances, while School and Buckland should have an interesting struggle for second. The boys showing most improvement in these matches are Edwards, Broinowski, Wood, Madden, Caink and May.

The School Championship for the McDougall Cup has now reached the semi-final stage, the four players left in being Cruttenden II., Walch, Cruttenden I., and Johnstone. The last-named did well to defeat Lewis in straight sets.

Early in the term four old boys, Walch, White, Beckley and Crick, all A graders in the local pennant teams, played the school four. The Old Boys won all the rubbers, but the present boys played well enough to make the games and sets close. Our thanks are due to the Old Boys for the good practice they gave the team.



A. Walch                      N. Lewis.  
D. Cruttenden.              Mr. Gerlach.              R. Cruttenden.  
SCHOOL TENNIS TEAM.

## Athletics.

FOR the first time in six years we have been defeated in the Combined Schools' Sports. We heartily congratulate St. Virgils College on again winning the Fitzgerald Shield, which they lost to us in 1924. St. Virgils owe their victory mainly to their strong under 11 and 13 teams, who lost only four points out of a possible thirty, and to the fact that their under 15 and open teams were able to hold their own. In fact they were a good all-round team, and thoroughly deserved their victory.

We also desire to congratulate R. Harrison, Friends High School, on his fine efforts.

The sports this year were by far the most interesting yet held. The fact that we lost has made us more determined to win next year, and it is up to all concerned to do their bit, so that we may regain next year the laurels lost to St. Virgils.

We wish to congratulate F. A. Warner on winning the open championship; F. Harris, the under 15; J. R. Isherwood, the under 13; and W. Bastick, the under 11.

### THE SCHOOL SPORTS.

ALTHOUGH School House were successful in winning both the "A" and "B" House Competitions at the Hutchins School annual sports held on the T.C.A. Ground, Hobart, yesterday, competition was keen throughout. The afternoon was perfect, although a slight sea breeze militated against fast times being recorded. There was a good attendance of parents and old scholars. A feature of the sports was the introduction of a 75 yards veterans' dash, as well as an old boys' handicap. Both events drew good fields, and after great excitement the 100 yards handicap was won by M. Tibballs, and the veterans' dash by H. A. Warner, in excellent time. The jumps were well fought out, the open being a tie between Walch (Stephens) and Hodgson (School), neither being able to raise 4 ft. 11 in. Le Breton won the under 15, clearing 4 ft. 9 in., and the under 13 went to Parsons, Shoobridge and Isherwood dead-heating for second place.

The outstanding performer in the open championships was F. A. Warner, who won the Godfrey Vizard Memorial Cup, a perpetual challenge cup presented by Mr. G. Dick, in memory of his late house-master.

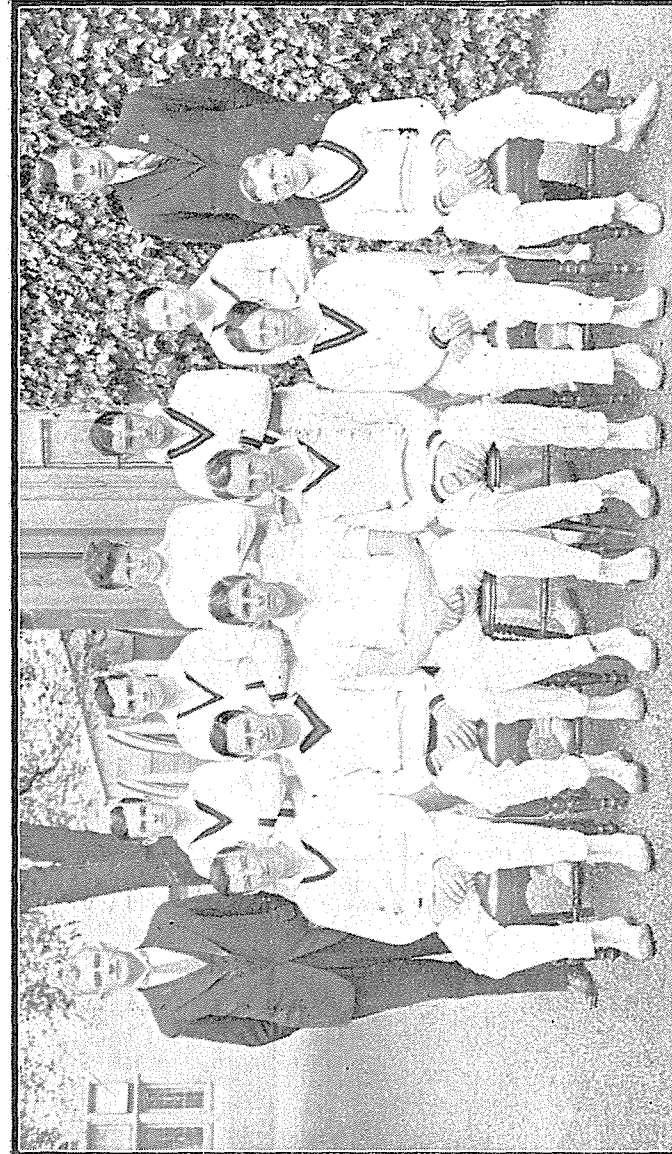
Results:—

House competitions:—"A", School House (37 points), 1; Stephens House (31 points), 2; Buckland (19 points), 3. "B": School House (27 points), 1; Buckland House (16½ points), 2; Stephens House (11 points), 3.

One mile open championship: Hood, 1; Player, 2; McPhee, 3.

One mile handicap: Nichols, 1; Richard, 2; Elliott, 3.

880 yards open championship: Hood, 1; McPhee, 2; Morgan, 3.



The Head Master, Robertson, Warner, Burbury, Clive, Lindus, Roberts (scorer), Hay, Hodgson, Walch (vice-captain), Johnstone (captain), Morrisby, Whitchurch.  
SENIOR CRICKET TEAM.

440 yards, open championship: Warner, 1; Robertson, 2; Whelan, 3.  
 440 yards, under 15, championship: Harris, 1; Morgan, 2; May, 3.  
 220 yards, open championship: Warner, 1; Preece, 2; Whelan, 3.  
 220 yards, championship, under 15: Harris, 1; May, 2; Le Breton and Simmons (dead heat), 3.  
 220 yards, championship, under 13: Isherwood, 1; McGowan, 2; Fridmore, 3.  
 120 yards, hurdle race, open championship: Walch and Hodgson (dead heat), 1; Miller, 3.  
 120 yards, championship, under 11: Bastick, 1; Ellis, 2; Richardson, 3.  
 80 yards, championship, under 11: Bastick, 1; Hansch, 2; Richardson, 3.  
 100 yards, open championship: Warner, 1; Tuttle, 2; Lewis, 3.  
 100 yards, championship, under 15: Final: Harris, 1; May, 2; Le Breton, 3.  
 100 yards, championship, under 13: Final: MacGowan, 1; Isherwood, 2; Warner, 3.  
 High jump, open championship: Hodgson and Walch (dead-heat), 1; Robertson, 3. Height, 4 ft. 11 in.  
 High jump, under 15: Le Breton, 1; Clemons, 2; Bayes and Simmons (dead-heat), 3. Height, 4 ft. 9 in.  
 High jump, under 13: Parsons, 1; Isherwood and Shoo-bridge (dead-heat), 2. Height, 4 ft. 1 in.  
 100 yards, old boys' handicap: M. Tibballs, 1; J. Nichols, 2; E. Reid, 3.  
 75 yards, veterans' dash: H. A. Warner, 1; A. J. Miller, 2; E. A. Brooke, 3. Time, 10 secs.  
 Open flag race: School House, 1; Stephens House, 2; Buckland House, 3.  
 Under 15 flag race: School House, 1; Buckland House, 2; Stephens House, 3.

#### COMBINED SCHOOLS' SPORTS.

THE T.C.A. Ground looked its best in the bright sunlight, the south-easterly breeze being too light to have any effect on the competitors. Recent rains had made the turf resilient, yet not soft enough to make the times slow. Clemes College were unfortunate in not having the services of their outstanding performer in the open events, A. Long, and their chances of figuring in the final result were thereby reduced very appreciably. R. E. Harrison, of the Friends High School, was the best individual performer of the day, winning the 220 yards, 440 yards, and the 880 yards open championships. T. Arthur, of St. Virgils College, won the mile and the 120 yards hurdles, and tied for first place with G. Payne, of Clemes College, in the open high jump. F. Warner, of the Hutchins School was successful in the 100 yards open championship. A new record was created in the high jump, under 13, P. Fitz-

patrick (St. V. C.) and C. Parsons (Hutchins School), dead-heating for first place, with an excellent jump of 4 ft. 4 in. A new idea was introduced in the 880 yards open championship and teams' race. Instead of these events being run as one, three races were started. In the first race each school entered its best runner for the distance, and this counted for the championship. The results of the other two races were included in the determination of the teams' competition. This was done to save congestion on the track, which has occurred in former years.

The championships points resulted as follows:—

St. Virgils College	62½
Hutchins School	42½
Friends High School	38½
Clemes College	22½

The following were the results:—

100 yards, open championship: F. A. Warner (H.S.), 1; M. Tuttle (H.S.), 2; R. E. Harrison (F.H.S.), 3.  
 100 yards, under 15 championship: J. Holiday (S.V.C.), 1; N. Lade (F.H.S.), 2; J. F. Harris (H.S.), 3.  
 100 yards, under 13 championship: D. McHugo (S.V.C.), 1; P. Fitzpatrick (S.V.C.), 2; D. Quinn (S.V.C.), 3.  
 80 yards, under 11 championship: G. Bryant (S.V.C.), 1; J. Devlin (S.V.C.), 2; G. Bloomfield, (C.C.), 3.  
 120 yards hurdles championship: T. Arthur (S.V.C.), 1; A. Walch (H.S.), 2; G. E. Hodgson (H.S.), 3.  
 Flag race, under 15: St. Virgil's College, 1; Hutchins School, 2; Clemes College, 3.  
 220 yards championship, under 15: N. Lade (F.H.S.), and J. Holliday (S.V.C.), dead heat, 1; J. L. May (H.S.), 3.  
 220 yards, open championship: R. E. Harrison (F.H.S.), 1; F. A. Warner (H.S.), 2; J. Fitzgerald (S.C.), 3.  
 High Jump, open championship: T. Arthur (S.V.C.), and G. Payne (C.C.), dead-heat, 1; F. Wicks (S.V.C.), 3. Neither Payne nor Arthur could get over 5 ft. 2 ins., and were dead-heated.  
 440 yards, open championship: R. E. Harrison (F.H.S.), 1; A. E. Palfreyman (C.C.), 2; F. A. Warner (H.S.), 3.  
 High jump, under 15 championship: G. Panitzki (C.C.), and G. Cullen (S.V.C.), dead heat, 1; R. Le Breton (H.S.), 2. Height, 4 ft. 9 in.  
 220 yards championship, under 13: D. McHugo (S.V.C.), 1; P. Fitzpatrick (S.V.C.), 2; J. R. Isherwood (H.S.), 3.  
 880 yards, open championship: R. E. Harrison (F.H.S.), 1; A. E. Palfreyman (C.C.), 2; Hood (H.S.), 3.  
 880 yards teams race—Second race: K. Gourlay (F.H.S.), and W. Cullen (S.V.C.), dead heat, 1; Keen (C.C.), 3. Third race: R. N. Robertson (H.S.), 1; M. Headlam (S.V.C.), 2; J. Soundy (F.H.S.), 3. Result of teams race: Friends High School, 1; St. Virgils College, 2; Hutchins School, 3.  
 440 yards, under 15 championship: J. Holiday (S.V.C.), 1; F. J. Harris (H.S.), 2; N. Lade (F.H.S.), 3.

High jump, under 13 championship: C. Parsons (H.S.), and P. Fitzpatrick (S.V.C.), 1; D. Quinn (S.V.C.), 3. Height, 4 ft. 4 ins., breaking the existing record by two inches.

120 yards championship, under 11: G. Bryant (S.V.C.), 1; G. Gallagher (S.V.C.), 2; G. Bloomfield (C.C.), 3.

Flag race, open: Friends High School, 1; Hutchins School, 2; Clemes College, 3.

One mile open championship: T. Arthur (S.V.C.), 1; B. Hood, (H.S.), 2; W. Cullen (S.V.C.), 3.

## Soccer.

AT the commencement of the season, our team was not quite good enough to beat St. Virgils or Friends, but in the second and third rounds we did much better, losing only two matches out of the six played. We ended up third in the premiership, St. Virgils and Friends tying for first place. St. Virgils won the play-off, and we congratulate them on winning the Storrs Cup for the second successive occasion.

A knock-out round was played at the conclusion of the roster. We were beaten by Friends in the final, who, we also desire to congratulate.

Our thanks are due to the Soccer Association for all the help they gave us during the season, also to Mr. Turner, who refereed most of our matches. We understand that a proposal has been put forward that the Soccer roster be controlled by the Schools Sports Association. Results.

### STORR CUP.

School, 0, lost to Friends, 2.  
 School, 0, lost to St. Virgils, 1.  
 School, 5, defeated Clemes, 0.  
 School, 1, drew with Friends, 1.  
 School, 4, defeated Clemes, 1.  
 School, 0, lost to St. Virgils, 2.  
 School, 1, lost to Friends, 3.  
 School, 2, defeated St. Virgils, 1.  
 School, 3, defeated Clemes, 2.  
 School, 1, lost to Friends, 2.  
 School, 0, lost to St. Virgils, 2.  
 School, 3, defeated Clemes, 1.  
 Played 12, won 5, drawn, 1, lost 6.

### KNOCK OUT CUP.

School, 3, defeated Clemes, 1.  
 School, 1, lost to Friends, 4.  
 Runners-up.

The chief goal-kickers for the season were Broinowski and C. Giblin, who kicked nine each.

## Honour Badges, 1929.

The following boys have been awarded School Honour Badges:—

F. A. Warner—Rowing, Cricket, Football, Athletics.

A. G. Walch—Cricket, Football, Athletics, Tennis.

G. E. Hodgson—Cricket, Football, Athletics.

R. N. Robertson—Cricket, Football, Athletics.

J. T. Stops—Rowing, Football, Cross-Country.

B. Hood, Rowing, Athletics, Swimming.

The following boys have been awarded school colours:—

Football—Jarvis, Warner I, Tuttle, Butler I, Clemons I, Burbury I, Stops I, Johnstone, Lindus, Walch, Hodgson, Lewis, Hay, Burbury II, Preece, Robertson I, Whelan I, McKay.

Cricket—Johnstone, Walch, Hodgson, Morrisby, Whitchurch, Robertson I, Hay, Warner I, Lindus, Clive.

Athletics—Warner I, Tuttle, Walch, Hodgson, Hood, Robertson I, McPhee.

Tennis—Cruttenden I, Cruttenden II, Walch, Lewis.

Cross-Country: Morgan, Player, Stops I.

## Science Jottings.

### TWO MILLION VOLT BATTERY.

AT the Trafford Laboratory of the Westinghouse Co., there is now in operation a two million volt battery. This battery is used for testing insulations, which are used on high voltage transmission lines. The pressure obtained is a unidirectional damped discharge, and is obtained by means of twenty groups of condensers. These are charged in parallel by means of thermionic power tubes, and are discharged in series. The spherical electrodes used in the measurements have a diameter of fifty-nine inches. The set is of great use in determining the design of cable and transformer insulation to withstand electric surges due to lightning or other causes. In addition to the electrical tests, the strings of insulators are subjected to a mechanical tension of 20,000 lbs.

### THE TESTING OF WIRE ROPES.

A METHOD of testing for mechanical flaws in wire ropes by magnetic method has been described in the Journal of the Institution of Electrical Engineers. The principle used is to employ a "search hand of magnetic flux" in conjunction with a search coil system. Any flaw in the rope alters reluctance in the circuit and produces a variation of the E.M.F. in the search coil system, which is at once detected by a recording instrument. By passing the rope slowly through the magnetic instrument it is possible to detect any flaw by the change in the recorder.

## CHEMICAL EFFECT OF CATHODE RAYS.

THE chemical effect of a cathode ray discharge on various gases has been dealt with in papers by Marshall, Busse and Daniels, in the American Chemical Society Journal. The first discusses the formation of ozone and the union of hydrogen and oxygen by means of such a discharge. The rays bring about the ozonisation of the oxygen and also the decomposition of the ozone, a steady state being reached with a concentration of one molecule of ozone to 1700 of oxygen. With hydrogen and oxygen, the reaction brought about by the rays formed hydrogen peroxide, water vapour and ozone as primary products. Busse and Daniels, in their paper on the effect of the rays on oxygen, air, nitric oxide and carbon dioxide, gave values for the numbers of molecules produced for electron crossing the cathode ray tube. The results show a close resemblance between the chemical effect of cathode rays and alpha particles.

## THE DISCOVERY OF ETHER.

THE discovery of diethyl ether is usually attributed to Valerius Cordus (1515-1544). In a critical account of Cordus' work, Dr. Darnistaedtu shows that the oleum vitrioli dulce prepared according to Cordus' account must have been diethyl sulphate, and not ether. Cordus mixed fuming sulphuric acid and alcohol, and allowed the mixture to stand for two months. After this time, it is gently distilled, thus removing the "alcohol originally added." The temperature then being raised, the distillate was collected and consisted of water and "sweet oil of vitriol" assumed by later writers to have been ether. It is pointed out, however, that this was the diethyl sulphate, and that the volatile ether was probably never suspected of being present.

## SOLAR ACTIVITY.

OBSERVATIONS of sun spots for the first half of 1929 show that the sun's activity is definitely declining towards minimum, which may be expected in four years' time. Although the sun's activity is lessening, occasional large sun spots may still appear. In the preceding cycle, for example, the most extensive spots occurred about three years after the maximum. A couple of large spots have recently been seen on the disc on opposite sides of the sun's equator, both being visible to the naked eye.

N. O. W.



## Junior School Notes.

WE have not very much to report for the magazine this time but we do want to let folks know we are still very much alive, even though we are not doing anything startling. We were very pleased to welcome Brown, Bradley and Williams to the fold at the commencement of the third term, and their coming has just enabled us to have sufficient members to compete in the house shield. We commenced with athletics, and had a very good day on the sports ground. The points at the end of the day gave W. A. Bastick the championship cup, and L. T. Boddam the under 10 cup, and little Peter Mortimer is the Kindergarten champion. We congratulate these boys, and trust that later on they will all be well to the fore in the senior school sports.

The following are the details of the sports meeting:—

100 yds. championship: Bastick, Brown, Gibson.

120 yds. championship: Bastick, Brown, Coogan.

150 yds. championship: Bastick, Brown, Hill.

220 yds. championship: Bastick and Coogan, Gibson.

Jump: Nicholas (3 ft. 4½ ins.), Harrison and Hansch.

80 yds. under 10 championship: Boddam, Fay, Tudor.

100 yds. under 10 championship: Boddam, Fay, Tudor.

120 yds. under 10 championship: Boddam, Fay, Davies.

Jump: Aitken and Tudor (3 ft. 1½ ins), Fay.

House flag race: School, Buckland, Stephens.

Three legged race: Hill and Pridmore, Gluschke and Eastman.

Sack race: Edwards, Eastman, Hansch.

The House points came to: School 44½, Bucks 33½, Stephens 14.

In football we played matches regularly every Friday, and we played and defeated Apsley House, and as a return we played them soccer, and there again we were victorious, even though we had only played the game about twice. Our thanks are due to Cyril Giblin, one of the senior boys, for his able coaching. In the soccer match, which we played on the Domain, Hansch and Nicholas were the outstanding players. Pridmore was laid out by getting a nasty kick on the leg, but took his place again on the field after a few minutes spell. Our first cricket match was against Friends High School on their ground. After our score had mounted up to the century we declared, and they went in and made 60 runs without losing a wicket. Up to the present only two House matches have been played, Bucks and Stephens, in which Bucks came off victorious, and Bucks v. School, which was easily won by School.

## Remove A Notes.

This term has been a hard one  
 For the busy Merit boys;  
 We've toiled and struggled with our sums,  
 And never made a noise.  
 And now the first exam. is done,  
 But looming black ahead,  
 The second one is coming on,  
 And this the one we dread.

We would like to mention the success of our naval College candidates. All except two passed the written test in Hobart and three survived the medical inspection. These three then went to Melbourne for a personal examination, the result of which we are now awaiting. We started off well in the weekly collection, but then forgot to bring our pennies, so that we were last on the list. When Mr. Waring gave us a reminder, you could hear pennies, shillings and florins jingling all over the room. We topped the list for the sale of programmes for the play and we are very proud of the way Watchorn, Jones and Clemons played their parts. We congratulate Lord on winning the Sharp Prize for his essay on "Tourist Traffic in Tasmania," and Isherwood for his performance in the sports. Finally we want to thank Mr. Waring for the good work he has done for us.

## Fifth Form Notes.

Our work this term has been performed to the accompaniment supplied by the City Council road-making equipment, and in between the learned expositions of our worthy masters we have pondered at the speed with which the City Fathers have re-conditioned a whole block of Macquarie Street. For three months, traction engines have careered up and down, motor lorries have let loose huge avalanches of stone, cement mixers have sung soothing songs beneath our windows and motor rollers have chugged about with explosions like minute guns, and wafted their sweet-smelling exhaust into the room to soothe our jaded senses when tormented by the subtleties of mathematics and foreign languages. Our persevering dominies developed stentorian voices to compete with the noise from without, but just as we were getting used to things, the engines of torture departed, leaving, if not a new heaven, at any rate a new earth—all save the cement mixer which still croons its lullabies in Barrack street, while its guardians raise glad hymns of praise in honour of the mysterious rites and ceremonies which they assist it to perform.

## A POEM ! ! ? ?

We now wear straw hats for the summer you see;  
 It's quite a good thing, I think you'll agree.  
 They'll shade our poor eyes from the glare of the sun;  
 If the weather be windy, they won't be much fun.

The perpetrator of the following assures us that the hero is purely an imaginary person.

There was an old man of the school,  
 Whom we thought to be terribly cool,  
 When he cried, "Take an hour!"  
 We all said, "Don't be sour,"  
 You nasty old man of the school.

We had some more "poetry" like that and would have printed it if the Editor had not limited our space. But just one thing before we close—What did Mr. Fox do? Maitre Renard se releva.

## Intermediate Form.

ONCE more we chronicle the happenings in the Form during the term, to whose eventful close we now draw near. Once more we tell the world what has come to pass in recent times. We are working, working hard, to meet the exigencies put before us by the Intermediate Exam. "Coming events cast their shadows before," and never was this truer than in the last term of the Intermediate year. We strive to conquer Euclid's wily intricacies, and to impress the facts of ancient, mouldy history on our tiring brains. All is very strenuous and fagging.

Though we do not possess more than two or three boys of outstanding knowledge in the orbit of our learning, we are proud of the cricketers, footballers, swimmers, athletes, and tennis players in our midst, and give an air of honour to the Intermediate room.

Of late, we have been greatly disturbed by the grunts and groans of shattered, battered, torn automobiles, and asthmatic motor vehicles crawling up the incline outside the windows of our class-room. The noises themselves are not so bad, but they swallow up the valuable words issuing from the lips of our faithful masters.

We are glad to announce to those who are ignorant of the fact that straw hats, commonly called "strawies" or "donkey biscuits," have once again been included in the regulation list of attire. Many of our comrades have adorned themselves in these, and look very smart. Someone has asked, "Why can't it be felt hats?"

Among the slight causes of merriment we have experienced, are the French translations of the Hon. William B——, such as, "A lady with a diary of a thousand words," instead of "A lady with a dowry of a thousand crowns." From his readings, we suggest he should write one himself.

Sports are progressing rapidly, according to one of our comrades. On the night of the Boarders' Dance, a prominent member of the form was found on the Fives Court looking for lost fives balls (?).

Just to let other forms know what we are like, we publish this short essay written by one of the form.

"The room which gets most of the noises from Barrack street was in an uproar. When the bell rang, every boy had dragged out his French books in preparation for a pleasant forty minutes—perhaps forty-three; but, as the minutes went by, the master did not enter the room. That meant there would be extra short recess. Accordingly, several members decided to make up for it. A fair-headed youth, who, earlier in the morning had shown how straw hats were worn in America, loudly addressed a much handsomer fellow, "Hey, Goggo! You're swotting too hard, aren't you?" That started it. The noise became louder and louder, and had reached its highest note when quick steps were heard outside. The noise miraculously subsided, and all the boys were looking studiously at their 'Longman's' when the master came in, put his books mechanically on the desk, and repeated the old familiar words, "Take your tablets."

Before closing these notes, we wish to thank our Form Master, Mr. Gerlach, for the way in which he has looked after us during the year. We are sure that he is as anxious as we are about our Exam.

### Literary and Debating Society.

THE Society had a very successful year and many interesting debates have been held. School House won the Senior Impromptu; Stephens, the Junior Impromptu and Junior and Senior House Debates, while the Junior Essay was won by Hood (Buckland House). Two junior debates against Clemes College were won by the School, the team being Connell (leader), White, Hood and Spencer. Sir John Evans, who adjudicated the second debate, wrote, "I am more than surprised that boys of such tender age should handle a debate in such a capable manner."

White and Smith tied for the first place in the Junior Impromptu. In the senior section, Piggott won the Senior Impromptu and Senior Orator.

### Library Notes.

AGAIN we have to record our thanks to those who have thought of our needs, and so generously sent along books or the wherewithal to obtain them. New novels have been added by Sabatini, Buchan, Deeping, Broster, Georgette Heyer and others. Our thanks are also due to the Scouts who have handed their library, 130 odd books, to the Memorial Library, and to the Butler brothers for a donation of three volumes each. A particularly beautiful and valuable gift has been made by Mrs. Payne as a further memorial to her son, Alan Field Payne, a former Head Prefect, a graduate of Tasmania and Oxford, Rhodes Scholar, and Lieutenant in the Pioneers and later in the Flying Corps. This gift is a handsome bookcase, skilfully carved in Tasmanian oak. The outstanding features are a wonderful frieze of oak leaves and acorns on the top of the glass doors, and the arms of Magdalen College, Oxford, the Hutchins School and the Payne family in the centre of the three doors. The rest of the front is simple and dignified, the only ornament being some plain fluting and few little circular designs based on oak leaves. The school is indebted to Mrs. Payne for a great deal already, and this new addition increases our indebtedness. It is placed near the entrance below the beautiful circular plaque which Mrs. Payne presented some time ago, and the two form a worthy memorial to an old boy of whom the school is justly proud. "Facta, non verba."

### "The First Straw."

(With Apologies to J. C. Squire)

There was a scholar, who had known no change,  
And played content upon the sunlit green,  
Wearing a cap. He saw an ugly strange  
Outlandish thing; the like he'd never seen.  
For on a head, where cap was wont to stand,  
As if by magic perched, upon one ear.  
A chaffy boater with a glaring band,  
It's putrid straw the tint of mellowed beer.

And rooted to the ground with blank surprise,  
He stood aghast, forgetting all his games;  
And fain would turn him round, or shut his eyes,  
Yet helpless stared; nor did he understand  
How noble youths of such exalted names  
Could sink to don the headgear of the damned.

—"Beaumont and Fletcher."



## OLD BOYS' COLUMN.

### ANNUAL MEETING.

WITH the object of reviving the activities of the Old Boys' Association about 50 Old Boys met in the War Memorial Library on Monday, 15th July, 1929. All Old Boys of Hutchins and those schools which had affiliated with, or merged into, the school were circularised or interviewed personally, with the result that at the Annual Meeting on Saturday, August 3rd, the attendance in the gymnasium was well over 200.

Mr. and Mrs. Harris received Old Boys at the door, on their arrival. The president, Mr. W. F. D. Butler in welcoming Mr. and Mrs. Harris, referred to the fact that Mr. Harris was an Old Boy of the School and was keenly interested in reviving the activities of the Association.

Mr. and Mrs. Harris were given a rousing reception on the Headmaster's rising to respond. He thanked the meeting for the manner in which it had received his wife and himself, and expressed pleasure at the large attendance. He outlined what he considered to be the aims and objects of the Association, and particularly welcomed old boys of the schools which had been merged into the Hutchins School. The annual report and balance sheet were read and adopted. Mr. A. J. Miller presented the report of the Old Boys' representatives on the Board of Management.

Various changes were made in the rules of the Association, the object being to increase its activity and to have representatives of all the schools in its list of officers. The election of officers resulted as follows:—

President: Mr. A. J. Miller.

Vice-presidents: Hon. F. B. Edwards, Dr. W. L. Crowther, Messrs. W. Arnold, J. R. O. Harris, C. T. Butler, R. Walch, S. Bisdee.

Hon. Secretary: Mr. J. C. Parish.

Hon. Treasurer: Mr. R. L. Collings.

Committee: The above, and Messrs. E. A. Eltham, A. White, L. Murdoch, O. H. Jones, I. Miller and D. H. Harvey.

Sub-committees:—Sports: Messrs. R. Vincent, R. Crick, H. C. Smith, D. Brain, C. Walch; Social: Messrs. G. Murdoch, A. Bidencope, E. Reid, R. N. Butler and Col. J. P. Clark.

It was resolved to send congratulations to Mr. R. R. Rex on his attainment of such a grand old age. It was also resolved to write to Rev. J. O. Buckland, expressing regret at the death of his brother, and informing him that a movement was already on foot to perpetuate his memory in a suitable manner.

The thanks of the Association were extended to the Scouts, who, under Mr. E. H. Stephens, were responsible for the decoration of the gymnasium.

His Lordship the Bishop (Dr. R. Snowden Hay) placed a wreath on the Honour Roll, members standing in silence. A motion of thanks to the retiring president (Mr. W. F. Dennis Butler) was carried by acclamation. It was decided that a minute be recorded expressing the thanks of Old Boys to past masters of the school. Members were pleased to have Mr. T. C. Brammall with them at the meeting.

Refreshments were partaken of, and over 120 members enrolled for the ensuing year. This number has since been increased to approximately 200 and is further advancing.

### PAST AND PRESENT FOOTBALL MATCH.

This match was played on the Top Ground on Wednesday, 23rd August, and for the first time for some years, was won by the Old Boys by the narrow margin of eight points. Scores:—

Old Boys: 9 goals 17 behinds.

School: 9 goals 8 behinds.

Best for Old Boys: Weller Arnold, D. Brain, C. Beckley, E. C. Spooone and F. Henry.

### ANNUAL DINNER.

THE Annual Reunion and Dinner was held at the Carlton Club Hotel on Wednesday evening, 23rd August, when about ninety Old Boys were present. The president (Mr. A. J. Miller), presided over what was in every way a very pleasant function. The following toasts were honored: "The King" (the president), "The School" (Mr. G. G. Becker, M.H.A. Reply, the Headmaster), "Kindred Associations" (His Lordship the Bishop. Reply, Messrs. F. Wells and A. Haley), "The Staff" (Hon. F. B. Edwards. Reply, Mr. R. H. Isherwood), "Absent Old Boys" (Col. D. P. Young and Col. A. C. Blacklow). Musical items were rendered by Messrs. C. Hughes and Allan Limb.

As well as the above-mentioned fixtures, the Old Boys have played a cricket and tennis match against the school, and won both. The scores of the cricket match were:—

The School—First Innings, 34; second innings, 8 for 50.

Old Boys—First innings, 10 for 63; second innings, 7 for 61.

The Old Boys' tennis team included Messrs Roy Crick, C. Beckley, Allan White, and Charlie Walch, and won by four rubbers to none.

### SMOKE SOCIAL.

A REUNION was held at Hadley's Hotel during Show Week, and in spite of a wet night was well attended, but it was hoped that more country Old Boys would have availed themselves of the opportunity of being present. Musical items were contributed during the evening by Messrs. J. Dixon, A. Paton, J. Paterson, E. A. Eltham, H. B. White, F. Purchas, and E. Hickman.

Among those present were Messrs. A. J. Miller, J. R. O. Harris, H. B. White, A. Mason, B. E. Boyes, R. Pocock, G. Bisdee, R. H. Isherwood, J. M. Butler, R. Richard, Weller Arnold, A. Pedder, R. Cumming, V. J. Chambers, R. N. Butler, E. A. Eltham, Col. D. P. Young, A. A. Reid, C. L. Pringle, Dr. W. L. Crowther and Col. R. P. Smith.

#### SCHOOL SPORTS.

**T**WO races were included in the School Sports programme for competition amongst Old Boys. A hundred yards' handicap event for the Golding Cup (presented by Mr. A. J. Golding) necessitated two heats, and after a close race was won by M. C. Tibballs, with J. Nicholls second, and E. Reid, third. A veteran's dash of 75 yards also provided a close race, and was won by H. A. Warner. A. J. Miller was second, and E. A. Brooke third.

#### NORTHERN BRANCH.

**M**EMBERS of the Northern branch of the Association assembled at the Enfield Hotel, Launceston, for the third annual Reunion Dinner. Dr. Hoskins (Longford) occupied the chair, and there was a fair attendance of members. The main organisation in the South was represented by the Hon. Secretary (Mr. J. Parish). The toasts honoured were: "The King," "The School," and "Kindred Associations", the latter being replied to by Mr. Parish, and representatives of the Old Boys' Associations of St. Patrick's College, Church Grammar School and Scotch College. Among those present were Dr. Hoskins, J. N. Arundel, J. M. Taylor, K. Atkins, D. Atkins, N. Watchorn, Bruce Law, and J. C. Parish.

#### PERSONAL.

**T**HE writer of this column would be obliged if old boys would send in items of interest of a personal nature for insertion. Mr. Brammall, who used to write them, was in close personal touch with the school for many years, and did not have the same difficulty in gleaning items of interest as is at present experienced. Any assistance in this respect will be gratefully acknowledged.

Mr. Archie McDougall has been awarded a Harmsworth Law Scholarship at Balliol College, Oxford. We offer our hearty congratulations.

Mr. J. K. Clinch has been appointed to the position of Assistant City Engineer at Launceston.

Mr. J. D. L. Hood obtained first-class final honours in the School of Philosophy, Politics and Economics at Oxford University. He has accepted a position on the Literary staff of "The Times," London.

After having been for 52 years in the State Public Service, Mr. T. P. Molloy recently retired.

Len. Nettlefold won the Golf Amateur Championship of Tasmania at Kings Meadows. We heartily congratulate him, and hope to see him Australian Amateur Champion again soon.

It was generally thought that Mr. R. R. Rex was the "oldest old boy" of Hutchins at present living, but it has been definitely established that Mr. R. Harris, of Garden Island Creek fills that category. His grandson is at present at the school.

#### HUTCHINS OLD BOYS' LODGE.

**T**HIS lodge, which was founded on the 80th anniversary of the school is now in its fourth year with a membership of over 70. Bro. R. S. Waring was installed as Worshipful Master for the current year on Wednesday, July 24th, and since the last installation, the following old boys have been initiated:—T. C. B. Moore, B. B. Richard, R. D. V. Herbert, and W. Arnold, while Bros. O. H. Jones, N. Eddington and J. R. O. Harris were accepted as joining members. Bro. C. C. Thorold resigned on his appointment as Headmaster of Barker College.

It is with great regret that we record the death of Wor. Bro. C. G. Rex, of New Norfolk, who was one of our foundation members. Several of our brethren attended his funeral and memorial service at New Norfolk, and the sympathy of the members is extended to his widow and family.

#### Toc H.

Probably not many boys of the school know that a branch of Toc H has been formed in the school, and that it is doing good, though unseen, work. Probably none at all know what Toc H really means and what its members stand for. It is one of the many great things born in the War. It stands for two great ideals—the reconciliation of man with God and no less of man with his fellow men. Its members—many thousands throughout the world—pledge themselves to strive:—

"To listen now and always for the voice of God;

"To know His Will revealed in Christ, and to do it fearlessly, reckoning nothing of the world's opinion or its successes for ourselves or this our family; and to this end,

"To think fairly, to love widely, to witness humbly, to build bravely."

Great aims, and he is a truly great man who lives up to them. The School Branch has had a small foundation, but out of this small beginning some great thing will arise. We have held our meetings regularly, and the attendance has been good. The Headmaster, whom we have to thank for much, has given us a small room in Christ College for our club room.

Our members will be sadly depleted at the end of the year, but to whoever joins up next year, we hand on the torch, and may they live up to the pledge they will make, standing strong for all those things that Toc H. stands for.

## 3rd Hobart (The Hutchins School) Scout Group.

### THE TROOP.

MUCH progress has been made since the last issue of the Magazine, but our activities have been greatly curtailed this term on account of the approach of the Public Examinations. The following will suffice as a brief report:—

**Recruits.**—Scouts Cane, James, Ibbott, Parsons and Second R. Crawford.

**Promotion.**—Leaders Nickolls, Hutchison and Low, Seconds Bennison, Blackburn and R. Crawford.

**Instruction.**—We were favoured with special lectures as follow: Commissioner Pearse, on sketching, Mr. F. A. Peterson, on bridge building and pioneering, and Mr. E. A. Bennison, on knotting and splicing.

**Renovations to Clubroom.**—Our den has been almost completely renovated, and most of it has been done by the scouts. The new patrol lockers, headquarters cupboard, etc., have made a great improvement.

**District Competition.**—A squad of volunteers, under Leader Nickolls, came second in a field day competition organised at Claremont by the Girl Guides.

**Camps.**—We have continued our camps since last June, and during the winter months have camped at Plenty, Brown's River, Blackman's Bay and Seven Mile Beach.

**Library.**—As our Scout Library was very little used, we presented the whole of the books to the School War Memorial Library.

**Church Parades** have been held at St. John's, St. Andrew's, and the Memorial Church (World Jamboree Service).

**Armistice Day.**—On the Sunday we sent representatives to the ceremony at the Cenotaph on the Domain, and for the school observance on the Monday, held a full Group Parade.

**Visits.**—We paid visits to the Moonah and All Saints Troops. They both proved very interesting and enjoyable.

**Donations.**—We are very grateful to our "Fairy Godfather" for his gifts of a beautiful Bible, inkstand, and polished blackwood mount for the Court of Honor badge.

**Group Committee.**—At the annual meeting a highly satisfactory report was tabled by the Secretary. Mr. Low, while the Treasurer, Mr. Collings, cheered us considerably by announcing a small credit balance. The parents have spent about £55 on equipping the cubs and Scouts with camping gear, etc., and this has all been raised by direct giving. The Headmaster Mr. J. R. Oberlin Harris, was unanimously elected President of the Group Committee for the ensuing year.

**Greetings.**—To all our Brother Scouts, Members of the Staff, and Fellow Scholars, we wish a very Happy Christmas and a most enjoyable Xmas vacation.

### THE WOLF CUB PACK.

WE have "Done our Best" to keep our ends up during this last term, and, as avideence of our success, have to report successful parades and outings, including several all-day parades, camps, continued development of Morris Dancing and new plays and stunts. All cubs are working well and looking forward to a jolly Xmas Camp.

An innovation has been the admission of boys from the Apsley House School (which is now affiliated with the Hutchins School) as members of our Pack. They are a bonza lot of chaps, and we give them a very hearty welcome indeed.

All our success and enthusiasm is, of course, caught from our worthy Cub-master, Mr. E. B. John, who has these complaints in a very severe form and they prove most infectious. One cannot be anything but a real cub with him as leader, and we wish to thank him for all he has done for us, and wish him the best of "Good Cubbing" in 1930.

## Tasmanian Birds.

AS a subject for original investigation, birds are a source of complete interest to a person with a little imagination. The wild birds of Tasmania, it seems, are coloured and varied according to the part of the bush in which they live. Those which build and spend most of their time in the tree tops are not as colourful as those which build in the small bushes and shrubs of the gullies. The brown owl which builds in the dark recesses of a hollow tree is not the flashing beauty that a parakeet or a goldfinch is. The parakeet builds in a hollow branch quite close to the ground, while the goldfinch chooses a briar hedge or a low tree as a rule, though nests have been found high up in pear trees. The pigeon hawk builds in a tree top, but the swamp hawk places its nest in the reeds near a swamp. The latter is brown and white, and has a hooked beak strong enough to kill a domestic fowl. The pigeon hawk has a habit of flying round with pigeons and leading them astray. When it has gone far enough, it singles out a plump bird and kills it. Among the birds of the gullies the firetail is a very pretty bird, with a short beak as red as fire and a tail of the same colour. The body is grey with a few white specks sprayed on it. Like many other small birds, it protects itself from intruders by the thorny bush in which it builds its nest. The yellow-tailed tit is a pretty bird, with a bright yellow tail and a grey and white body. The blue wren with its blue, flashing wings enchants one at first sight. He hops about with his little grey mate in the sunshine for hours at a time. One may search a long time for this small bird's nest without finding it, and then come upon it suddenly and unexpectedly right under one's very nose. The birds of the gullies are far prettier and brighter than those of the higher parts.

—D.P.S.

## "On Falling Asleep."

I WAS lying in bed some nights ago in that semi-conscious state between sleep and wakefulness, and my head being filled with great and lofty thoughts, as it is only when I am in that semi-conscious condition, I began to think of the mystery and wonder of the process of falling asleep.

The first point that I remarked was that the brain acts exceedingly swiftly when one is just about to lose consciousness in slumber. This point held my attention, particularly, for my brain in the ordinary routine of affairs, is very slow to act so that anything in the nature of an acceleration in its working almost startles me. I think my brain must be second-hand, or an old model, or one of those productions of this age of commercialism which are cheap, but efficient. Yes, I noticed that my mentality lacked some of its usual weakness as I neared sleep.

How unreal everything seems when one is falling asleep! How ghostly—how mysterious! Everything takes on strange and fantastic shapes. Wierd and uncanny noises are heard; imminent and menacing presences are sensed, and strange thoughts fill the mind. This is how the unreality of the semi-wakeful stage affects some people—late revellers and unwise diners. Those happier in health entertain ideas of spirits and plays—ghosts of dead ancestors. The timorous housemaid usually has an abject fear of lurking burglars.

When speaking of falling asleep, one usually thinks at once of falling asleep in bed. To do this is to fall naturally and luxuriously; to seek sleep at peace with the world. There are less pleasant ways of falling asleep. Consider the stout old gentleman of your acquaintance who dozes off at a public performance. He falls asleep under difficulties, and we enjoy his condition, but not his habit, for much as we enjoy sleeping we cannot honestly wish for the boon of falling asleep like this at odd and unexpected intervals. The tired business man is the one man whose habit of falling asleep at unusual hours is tolerated. Such is the business man who can go to sleep in his arm chair when he arrives home, without being disturbed by wife or children. I often wonder why sleeping people cause so much amusement. Children can amuse themselves for hours by staring at the distorted face of the sleeper. I cannot find anything amusing in the pastime. I have studied the faces of several of my best friends while they were asleep, and I must confess that I have seen prettier sights at the zoological gardens. I cannot confess to being amused, however. Ugliness has never amused me.

Falling asleep is a pleasant action and one that is welcomed by all, but consider the distress of those unfortunates who seek sleep, yet cannot fall into unconsciousness! Theirs is a state to be deplored. When sleep keeps at a distance, it keeps at an infinite distance, for when sleep does not come naturally, it rarely comes at the most devout

wooing. Doctors have tablets which cause patients to fall asleep, but such a method is regular and too monotonous—it savours too much of illness. The idea of counting sheep going through a style is very old, but has little effect. I tried it some nights ago, and after a great deal of miscalculating I began to count both the sheep and their legs at once. I counted twenty sheep and sixty-five legs, so that something must have been wrong. So excited did I become as a result of my counting that I got up and read "Little Women," and fell asleep after reading thirteen pages of that sweet book.

To fall asleep is very pleasant, not to be able to fall asleep is unpleasant to the same degree. To fall asleep in a comfortable bed is perfect bliss; not to be able to fall asleep in a comfortable bed is a torment to the mind. One becomes peevish, imaginative and mighty wrathful. I speak from experience. I could not fall asleep last night.

TIMOTHY PEABODY.

## Ancient History.

An Old Boy writes as follows:—

The following advertisement appears in *The Courier*, published on 4th September, 1847. *The Courier* was then issued only twice a week. One notes that the warden and fellows of Christ's College omitted to specify boots, coats and breeches, not to mention sundry other articles which the present students consider necessities.

### THE COLLEGE.

September 1st, 1847.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that inconvenience having arisen from the want of due information respecting the articles of clothing necessary for students resident in the College, the following regulation is published for general information.

Every student on entering into residence, will be required to produce the following articles, and they must afterwards be kept up at the expense of his friends. Four night-shirts and night-caps; eight white shirts; eight pairs of stockings; twelve pocket handkerchiefs; six towels; two pairs of sheets; two pillow cases; one clothes brush; one tooth brush; one hair brush and comb; one portmanteau or trunk. And every student will defray the expense of minor repairs from his own pocket money; for which purpose an additional allowance of one shilling per week during residence will be sanctioned from the 1st October next ensuing.

## Visit to Washington.

**O**F Washington, one hears much, and expects a great deal. When the Young Australia Boys stepped from their special train onto the magnificent Union Station at Washington, they certainly were expecting rather much, but that expectation was fulfilled. After a warm reception by City Commissioners and State Senators, the party moved to the Navy Yard where excellent quarters were provided for the first five days of the visit. The following day a pilgrimage was made to Mt. Vernon, the home and shrine of George Washington. A stop was also made at the famous Arlington Cemetery, where a wreath was laid on the Unknown Soldier's Tomb. The same day a visit was paid to the U.S. Capitol, where the boys were greeted by Vice-President Dawes, and later attended a session of the U.S. Senate. On the Sunday, a church parade was held at the National Cathedral, and here the tomb of President Woodrow Wilson was seen. A very beautiful drive was taken the same day, which included the Washington Memorial, where some of the boys felt energetic enough to climb the twelve hundred stairs to view the wonderful scene from the top. Lincoln Memorial was also visited. This exquisite piece of architecture and the Capitol were considered to be the finest yet seen. The drive was continued through the section where all the beautiful foreign Embassies are situated. President-elect Hoover's home was also seen in this fine residential part. March 4th was one of the greatest days of the tour, the date of the inauguration of Herbert Hoover as President of the U.S. The party paraded to the Capitol where a special stand was reserved on the roof for them. It was here that a historical event took place. It was the first time a foreign flag had flown over the Capitol, and many tongues wagged for days afterwards as to what flag was it, and what it was doing there; all because the Southern Cross flew over the head of the President, while taking the oath. The parade, which took two hours to pass, was truly marvellous, and the squads of airships and aeroplanes roaring overhead was a wonderful sight. In the evening the boys attended the inaugural ball, at which the Governors of every State were present, and the vice-president. A coveted souvenir was given the party in the shape of the Coat of Arms, which was above Hoover's head while taking the oath. Other interesting places visited were the National Museum, where Lindbergh's plane is kept, and the Bureau of Printing and Engraving, where all currency notes and stamps are printed. On March 6th the party was received at White House by President and Mrs. Hoover, who shook hands and spoke to each boy individually. The boys also were conducted over the White House. The same day the British Ambassador, Sir Esme Howard, entertained the party at the Embassy, which is a beautiful building. The last official engagement was a trip to Annapolis, the U.S. Naval Academy, where a very interesting day was spent. Washington is an incomparable city, and we hope Canberra may one day be equal to it.

M. C.

## Lives of Great Men.

### No. 1—JOHN HOGGET.

**H**OGGET evinced criminal tendencies at an early age by buying Tasmanian-made with his Sunday School money, instead of giving it to the heathen.

When he went to school, he learnt to do English from a Badger, whilst reading Edgar Wallace under the desk, so that he was altogether depraved when he left school.

Being naturally dishonest, he entered Parliament, where he proceeded to take the bread out of the mouths of the widows and fatherless with complete success. This fact alone proves he was a genius. He believed that life had many trials, but few convictions. Men said that the only thing that he had come by honestly was his adenoids, and then it was not his fault.

He got through more work in a week than the average man could in a day, yet in spite of his many activities, he found time to be a drunkard in his spare time. He had been addicted to the bottle since his youth—since the age of three months, to be exact. By the time he was thirty, he had swallowed so many corks, that he felt like a lifebuoy, and his secretaries said he was hollow inside and had blotting paper in his boots.

Hogget was a member of the Opposition, but when the Government heard how dishonest he was, they offered him a portfolio as State Treasurer.

Hogget never married; this was because he never met a woman who was so naturally dishonest and deceitful as himself. But it began to be whispered abroad that the Treasurer was fleecing the public far more than a successful Treasurer should. To keep their face the Government were forced to prosecute, though all agreed that if they made a false step it would prove a faux pas.

But the shock of this sudden desertion by his partners-in-crime had proved too much for Hogget. He collapsed, and half an hour later, his hands plucking feebly at the doctor's watch-chain, he passed furtively away.

R. H. L. R.



## The Eternal Feminine.

Then be not coy, but use your time,  
And while ye may go marry,  
For having lost but once your prime.  
Ye may for ever tarry.

**T**HIS is the last verse of a lyric by Robert Herrick, which contains some good advice. Women of Herrick's day took his advice and did go marry. Many of them were palmed off on to beaux garçons of some sixty years and without a spark left in them. Yet these unfortunates bore their load with patience and gleaned pleasure from life. Perhaps it was a case of necessity knowing no law—who can tell? Doubtless the maids of those days were coy; in fact it was considered meet and right so to be.

But what a change is there to-day! As far as one who leads a somewhat hermitic life may judge, the girls in vogue to-day are (with apologies to E. A. Poe) "brazen belles." They certainly do use their time, but could scarcely be called shy, and as for marrying —.

The colour of girls' hair does not seem to count for anything, though the Titian tinge finds a path through the soft hearts of many. But the colour of her face is of the utmost importance. If her face is not the right tinge, it is tinted by careful use of—perhaps the reader's imagination can supply the gap. This is one reason why I am sceptical about beautiful women. So many of them bear out the statement, "Distance lends enchantment to the view"; for, on close inspection, it becomes apparent that things aren't all they seem.

This art of cosmetics, one of the few in which our generation holds its own with past ages, is a very old and constantly practised one. Juvenal gives great details of Roman women's beautifying powders. Charles Reade, in a novel of the early 16th century, tells us that Phillip the Good, of Burgundy, dearly loved maids of honor. and indeed paintings of all kinds. The Elizabethans have left many epigrams commenting on the fact that Mistress X is pleasant and sweet to the sense, but how much of her beauty is true? The writers of the Restoration period, who seem to have been well acquainted with the boudoirs of their lady friends, speak of Helen in the sad predicament of being unable to find her eyebrow. It may be as well, then, that we do not penetrate as far as Charles II's courtiers did, or we might come away sadder (but wiser) men.

Let it not be thought that I am immune from passion. I only feel rather like Keats must have when he said:

"O, for a draught of vintage! that hath been  
Cool'd a long age in the deep delved earth."

O, for something untainted by this drab world.

And have I found my love? Yes; there is one who occupies all my susceptible mind. The name is of little import here or anywhere. Some may know of the "affaire"; but Heaven forbid that she should, for she is like that one Waller addressed when he bids lovely Rose

Tell her that's young,  
And shuns to have her graces spied .  
That hadst thou sprung  
In deserts where no man abide,  
Thou must have uncommended died.

Perhaps it is the very illusiveness of this Will-o-the-Wisp which makes her attractive. Then better let it remain so, for of such is the Kingdom of Heaven.

R. L. B.

## The Advantages of Being a Boy.

**B**OYS have many advantages over girls, the chief one being the thought that in after years they will be men, while girls will only be women.

Most boys despise girls because they are weak and gentle and not able to partake in their games because they are too rough; they may be hurt. [The printer had a shortage of "theys" after setting up this sentence.—Editor]. Boys can always, more or less, please themselves what they do and where they go, because they can take care of themselves. Girls, on the other hand, have to be protected because of their fragility and lack of judgment of what is right or wrong.

A boy is also able to take part in more sports than a girl, the reason being that men are more adapted for most sports than women, and therefore the boys follow in their fathers' footsteps, while the girls follow in mothers'. In many cases girls have shown that they are not far inferior to boys, chiefly in swimming, where they are, perhaps, more adapted than boys, through being of a lighter build and not being affected so much by the cold, owing to slight differences in construction. [Central heating system or web feet?]

At school, girls profess to have fun, but it is very pussy compared with that of a boys' school. The girls shriek and afterwards titter over their alledged joaks, which are generally rather feeble, while the boys amuse themselves by subtle joaks. The greatest drawback girls have in boys' sight, is that whenever in mixed company, they need chaperons. This is a great setback, and it handicaps boys very much socially.

However, the world would be a very dull place without girls, if it was in being at all, and we must thank our Maker for allowing us to be boys, but we must also thank Him for His thoughtfulness in making girls also. T. J. B.

[This essay was written during the last examinations, and its author did not intend it for publication. If any apologies are required for its insertion without the writer's permission, they are tendered herewith.—Editor].

## Thoughts on Education.

SOME thirty years ago, in the brave days of old, there appeared a book, which created a great stir in the world. It was the Letters of a Self-Made Man to his Son. Need we say it was American? This "Self-Made" man was a dealer in pork, his son was having a university education, and the general trend of the letters was that higher education and all that sort of bosh was very pleasant, but it was pure waste of time. To be a success in the pork line, said Monsieur Self-Made, one must enter the business young, and must think pork, eat pork, dream pork—in fact must become a living ham.

That was thirty years ago, and thirty years ago it was true. But to-day we might well say with Villon, "Mais ou sont les neiges d'antan?" For to-day the self-made millionaire is melting into air—into thin air. Perhaps not thin air, he is too fat to do that. Anyhow, their numbers are becoming less and less. The great magnates—to use the American term—are the men with a good education to back their ability.

Business is now carried on in such a large way that the men of half a century ago would be amazed at its proportions. It would require a very exceptional man to take a leading position unless he had been educated. An uneducated man of good ability may fight his way to the head of a department, rarely to the head of a firm. It may be said that higher education requires several years, in fact, many years with some, and a business career must be begun young. Even granting that, one must start when one's life is, so to speak, only a pup, there is nothing to prevent one finishing one's education. Masters can teach at school while doing a university course. Doubtless it makes them more irascible, but they do it. We venture to say that no business career is harder work than teaching, so what is to prevent any youthful business man from following his master's example? It is quite obvious that it would not be merely wasting time. Learning is worth money and work for its own sake, and how much more for the sake of a career? A pessimist might say, "What does a man in Roberts and Co. gain by muttering bits of Cicero?" Well, in the first place, most educated men do not flaunt their knowledge—only we schoolboys do that; secondly, if a man in Roberts and Co. should choose to mutter selections from the classics, he would be much more likely to mutter parts of Ovid or any of the poets who sang of "Cupidines Veneresque". and in this case he would, at least, gain an audience. The real gains of a higher education are not so much in the amount of knowledge amassed, as in the benefits gained by this know-

ledge. A brain educated at a university can surmount the little problems in business much more easily than the brain educated at the village inn. Then education gives a good rounding off in manner—this is, of course, if it has been real education, and not mere cramming; and a good manner goes a long way in the present day world, mainly because it is so rare.

Let us, then, think of education for the jewel it is and let us grasp it.

R. L. B.

## The Bath.

OR

### THE CONTEMPLATIVE RECREATION OF MAN.

"Then shall he bathe his flesh in running water and be clean."

THE reader of Old Walton will be surprised at his acquaintance with Natural History, as well as with his Biblical knowledge. He has extolled water, fish, and all sport connected with these two, with a minuteness which leaves little to be desired.

Bathing was as much known and appreciated by the ancients, as it is often lightly joked, at to-day. An argument had arisen in ancient times, which still remains unsolved as to whether the happiness of man consists more in contemplation or in action. Concerning this I will refrain from casting an opinion, but rest content in telling you my worthy reader, that these two meet in the quiet, honest, ingenious sport of bathing.

"The Father of Angling" influenced so many of his readers that several aspired to sit many hours by a stream trying in vain to secure the reaction of soul and body enjoyed by Isaak and his co-brethren of the rod. Many go to the Path to meditate, but, unfortunately, must needs play with bathing utensils, or be awakened by the cruel reality of our ineffective hot water system. The ancients were relieved of such cares.

Bathing dates from the first rotation of this earth. The old Egyptians regarded their baths as sacred, and I have even heard it murmured that the "Holy of Holies" contained a bath exclusive to the higher order of priests. Rameses, constructed, by the sweat of the oppressed Hebrews, at Pithome, numerous gorgeous baths. Authorities tell us of the consternation which befell the Egyptians and Pharoah when they were deprived of their morning bath in the Nile.

The Bath has seen in all times a scene of mighty happenings. Moses, the great Jewish Law-giver, was found by Pharaoh's daughter, on her way to the river, floating on the waters in an ark of bulrushes, and later in his manhood, he commanded the Israelites to wash seven days before approaching Mt. Horeb, in the presence of God.

Naaman, King of Israel, rejected Elisha's Command to bathe seven times in Jordan, and as a consequence was not healed of his leprosy.

Solomon, the Wise, and Herod, both built baths in their respective temples and palaces.

The Roman and Greek Gods required certain customary washings of their priests before they might consult oracles. Great characters in classical circles constantly retired to the Bath for contemplation.

Cicero wrote his speeches in the Bath, whilst Demosthenes, it is said, spent several days, before a climax, in close meditation, probably in the Bath-room. Certain historians have almost convinced me that Cicero's words to Cataline, "O, Cataline! How long will you abuse our patience?" hinted that it was near to his customary bathing hour. I must desist, however, with the advice to my reader that he will read Plutarch in this light.

Topellius, discoursing on Gustavus Adolphus, says that, that pious man made the following remarkable statement on an occasion of great importance: "It is best to wash oneself thoroughly clean when one is once in the Bath."—Hearken! Ye dreamers! However, Archimedes, when he forgot this essential, must have cut a strange figure in the public places half washed, and certainly not half dressed.

Baths of great men all remind us  
We can make our baths sublime.

My dear readers, the Bath is a blessed sanctuary—let no one interrupt it. It is a spring of peace, a comforter of all ills. All may enjoy the restful influence of a bath, and the ruddy ecstasy of a dry towel.

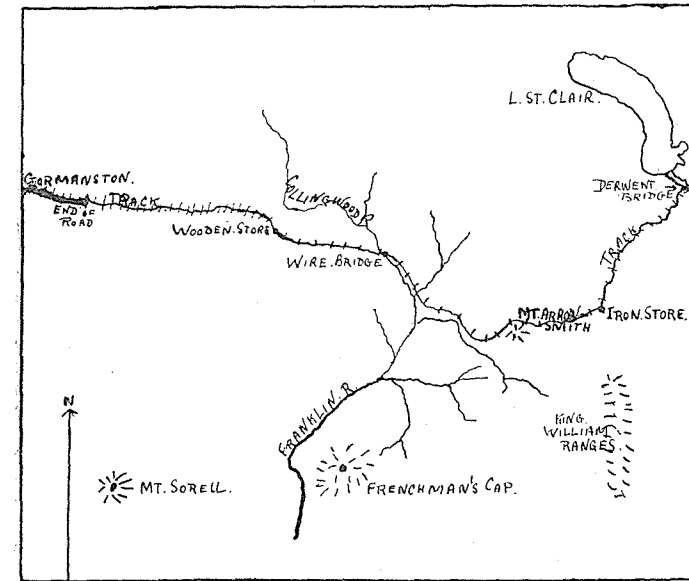
Bathing is an employment of our idle time that should not be idly spent. It is a rest to the mind, a cheerer of the spirits, a diverter of sadness, a calmer of unquiet thoughts, a moderator of passions, a procurer of contentedness.

J. B.P.



## A Walk to the West Coast.

LAST September holidays a party under the guidance of a surveyor, Mr. C. M. Pitt, set out to walk across from the Derwent Bridge to Gormanston, a distance of about 43 miles. The trip was to be done in three stages, thus taking three days. Taking a motor car the first day to Derwent Bridge, near Lake St. Clair, then walking to the Iron Store, a distance of about eight miles, was the programme for the first day. The second stage was to the Wooden Store, a distance of 18½ miles, and the third to the Gormanston road, a distance of 16½ miles. The map of the journey is shown in the following diagram.



Before such a journey could be undertaken, arrangements had to be made beforehand, and suitable equipment found. The equipment included a large pack, overcoat, waterproof sheet, blanket, leggings, change of clothing, such as spare trousers and socks. Other parts were the cooking utensils, and the most welcome inclusion of all in the equipment was that of a pair of light slippers to wear in the hut. The slippers were worn while the boots were drying. Having found this necessary equipment, then, on September the 2nd, about 7 o'clock in the morning we set out by car for the Derwent Bridge. This was the start of the first day on the walk.



Breakfast and dinner we had on the way to the Bridge, so that at about 2 o'clock in the afternoon we were able to set out on the walk from the Derwent Bridge. For the first eight miles our packs were carried on a horse, so that we were able to walk freely. Thus we were broken in gently. Bad weather was struck from the beginning, for when we arrived at Mt. Charles, where we procured the pack man, it had been snowing heavily. All the trees in the vicinity were dead; they had been killed by the frost. We were told that they had had a heavy fall of snow, then 13 consecutive frosts. Thus the outlook was anything but pleasing. It rained misty rain for the whole of the first day's walk. This prevented us from seeing any of the mountain ranges near us. There are three King William ranges, of which we saw only pieces, owing to the mist. Thus, rather wet, we arrived at the Iron store about 5 o'clock, and then we had to set about getting in wood for the fire. The wood lying around the hut was of no use for this because it was sodden with the rain; the wood for the fire being obtained by chopping down the dead trees. The task was not too warm, because there was about two inches of snow lying everywhere around. Tea being finished, we went to sleep early, in order to be ready for the long journey next day. The Iron Store, in which we slept, is very small, about 15 feet by 10 feet, and is made up chiefly of palings of King William pine strengthened here and there with iron sheeting, but composed mostly of wood.

We were awakened early next morning because we had to be on the track by seven o'clock. We were feeling rather stiff after having slept the night with only a waterproof sheet between us and the ground. No feather mattresses were provided, so we had to sleep on the floor. A few minutes after seven and we were again on the track, our packs being carried by horse to the foot of Mount Arrowsmith where we had to leave the packer and push on with the packs on our backs. As we crossed Mt. Arrowsmith, the snow was very thick, up to our knees in places on the track, but much deeper off the track. We lost many good glimpses coming over Mt. Arrowsmith, of the peaks in the distance, Frencham's Gap, and others, because of the driving misty rain. From the top of Arrowsmith to the Franklyn River is about  $3\frac{1}{2}$  miles, and in that distance the drop is about 2,000 feet, so that the going was rather steep. The Franklin River was crossed by a shaky bridge, which seemed hardly able to bear our weight. From now on the track was rather more overgrown than before, many trees having been brought down in the storms. But after having lunch at about twelve, the bridge across the Collingwood was reached about half-past three. The bridge is about forty yards long, and is made of stretching two thick wires from a large tree on each bank. The wires were about  $4\frac{3}{4}$  feet apart. Then, to cross you shuffle or slide along one wire, hanging on with your hands to the other. There is a drop of about forty feet, then a raging torrent, so the chances are not very bright if you fall in. The wooden store was reached

about five o'clock, and the same routine was gone through as before. The wooden store is made, except for the supports, entirely of iron sheeting. Thus the Iron Store is made of wood and the Wooden Store of iron.

We were aroused earlier the next morning in order to be on the track a little earlier than the previous morning. The track followed for many miles the course of the Collingwood, and the walking was thus easier than the day before, because the ascent was more gradual. We had dinner at the top of Pitt's Pass, which was a distance of about ten miles from the Wooden Store. Then, as we got over the rise, we heard the first sounds of human life since we had left Mt. Charles. We came upon the men building the West Coast road, and we followed the route of this until we came to the end of the metalled road from Gormanston. There we were met by some cars, which took us into Queenstown, where we had some well-earned hot baths. The weather had been bad the whole way, and in addition to making the walking unpleasant, it also prevented us from seeing any of the very fine views along the track. The mud on our puttees, trousers and boots did not come off for a few days, but as we had sent a complete change by railway to Queenstown, we were very glad to get into them after the hot bath. The journey ended by a well earned rest that night.

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"OUR sole intent is to add to golden numbers golden numbers."

Once more, dear friends, have we come into the breach to be filled by our spasms. The last attack of this affliction was somewhat severe, and has left rankling wounds in many a breast. We have had complaints from lovers of sundry kinds. To these we say that our love of pleasure is no less than theirs. If, then, these honourable men demand why we wrote against them, this is our answer—not that we love woman less, but that we love her more. She inspires the burden of our lays and make less our spasms. For who is there so base that would not be a lover? Or who is there so vile (with the insignificant exceptions of St. Godfrey and St. David), that would not kiss a woman? Speak, who dares! Then none have we offended.

This time have we sought our muse to relate to us the acts of daring of our beaux garçons. The exploits of our Gigantic Jew—Suss—we dare not mention. The more presentable ones will shortly appear on the Talkies, the milder censorship of which admits of broader sentiments (we do hope that everything will be quite proper!!) The deeds of the smaller fry are chronicled below; their pleasures not insinuated wherein they are worthy; nor their excuses exaggerated beyond their true extent. With this foreboding of the coming storm, we commit our Epic to your nobler selves, our fate to sympathetic hearts. Let him read on who feels his conscience clear.

#### AN EPIC.

“What men or gods are these? What maidens loth?  
What mad pursuit? What struggles to escape?  
What pipes and timbrels? What wild ecstasy?”

It's at Hutchins School and the clock strikes nine,  
And the tower is bathed in pale moonshine,  
And the chill dry breath of the mountain breeze  
Sighs in the leafless, sleeping trees.

Guests arrive severally, fresh for the ball ;  
Hosts stand to welcome them into the hall ;  
Motor-cars noisily empty and pass  
To run unobtrusively onto the grass.  
But he of the desert, lest someone may hear,  
Drives his dark caravan round to the rear.

Each gentleman patiently combing his crest  
Or frantically stuffing a stiff shirt to rest ;  
Each damozel daintily hitching her hose,  
Or in the confusion rougeing her nose,  
Or archly reviewing a ravishing pose,  
Or a smile which (forgive us), we venture to think,  
Would drive any prefect to murder or drink.

Half-an-hour after uproarious laughter  
Rings through the hall to the topmost rafter,  
For what in the name of the Lord looks daffier  
Than grey-saint first and damsel after?  
Compared to that beautiful dancer “Gorilla,”  
Flitting light-footed with olive-skinned ———;  
Or langurous Bruce with encircling feeler  
Clasping the shy reluctant ———.

Two of the midgets provoking a titter  
Are Bubbery (Dave) and Enrico (———).  
And Georgie, poor Georgie, so little suspecting  
His mistress' charms were suave Hamel affecting,  
Danced blissfully onward, his black hair a-glitter  
Mingled with auburn. (O memory bitter.)

Lo, John of Kempton, young, but yet he  
Dares to pursue abandoned ———,  
Whose tear-flushed cheeks and shapely leg  
Did ill withstand the fire of ———.

And black Sid Sandy's fiery crest  
Sparkling burns, though his fruitless quest  
Has quenched his fire and his face depressed,  
And he sighs for the love of a lady.  
But swarthy Hamel nothing daunting,  
Swoops on the Grocer, burning, flaunting,  
Flies from the eyes of the mob by haunting  
Places secluded and shady.

A moment later, enter Whelan  
Suffering from that wet-hen feelin'.  
The green grass soaked this promenader  
Damped his friend, his end, and ardour.  
These ardent amateurs, Harry and ———,  
Having got out and got under the moon,  
Had only that minute just started to spoon,  
When out of the darkness—some seconds too soon,  
Came Tilly, that loitering, lass-lorn loon,  
To start up in opposition.  
For, according to tradition,  
This eminent mathematician,  
A highly offensive and tactical bloke  
Will go to no end of a practical joke  
To spoil the whole position.

While Thor, for deserting his post as a host,  
Should be shot by court-martial and served-up on toast,  
His bones to be afterwards dried in an oast.  
And the laws should forbid, that even the ghost  
Of this highly uncultured and barbarous youth  
Should visit the cause of his lapse,—the fair ———.  
Though dammit, we scarcely can blame him, forsooth,  
She's fair to the eye and sweet to the tooth.

Some in pure nunnery white were sheeted;  
Some were in calico, hemstitched and pleated;  
Some were in crepe-de-chine prettily suited;  
Some were in taffeta scalloped and fluted;  
Some were in Liberty, ribbons or laces;  
Some were a species of very light braces;  
Some wore stockings, suspenders and boots,  
And covered their bodies with silky dress-suits;  
But all, we're happy to say, dressed then  
Accordingly as they were ladies or men.  
Of this fact we've not the least shadow of doubt,  
For during that time when the writers sat out,  
Since reporters made note of the habits of Youth,  
We're indebted to “Shelmerdene,” “Beckett's,” and “Truth.”

## The Budget of the Boarders.

AS usual the boarders have been spending the days lustily eating meals consisting chiefly of mass puddings, squashed fish and boiled rice. The mass pudding is a great feature, the renowned "Soapy" being the only Oliver Twist. "Pop Knopp" has done some great work at the table. He is one of those consistent blighters who finish a meal with a smile still on his face. His elder brother, "Twitter," also holds the open championship of two tables. At present meals are most interesting. Championships of the various tables have been formed, and good sport is witnessed. The youngsters show great promise under the able coaching of "Twitter." The various title holders are:—Champion of the House, "Soapy." Champion of the various tables, "Twitter," "Soapy," "Mullygrub." Champion mass eater, "Mudger." Best stayer, "Pop Knopp." Best single effort, "Little Rolph."

The boarders have also been wielding the willow, meeting with varied success. El Hamel has collected a great number of "ducks," and is closely followed in his tally by "Plair." Such men are a menace to our good name. While these two nefarious youngsters have been occupied in their trade, our budding batsmen, Patsy Hendren (alias Mudger), A. P. F. Chapman (alias Dub), and Arthur Mailey (alias Edgar), have been reaping a harvest of runs. Their averages are:—

Batsmen	Innings	Runs	Not Out	Average
E. P. Hendren .....	6	1	0	.17
A. P. F. Chapman .....	6	0	0	0
A. A. Mailey .....	6	0	0	0

The averages of Hamel and Plair are better, but they play parlour cricket. It is rumoured that they have girls to bowl to them. This should be brought before the W.C.T.U. or the R.S.P.C.A.

We have had many pleasures this term, the most enjoyable of which was the dance kindly given by Mr. and Mrs. Harris. At this bright function the youths of the house all struggled manfully round the floor. The choice of partners needed a little more practice, however. "Russell a' Tittlewong" was zealous enough to choose a partner who carried him around, and afterwards ordered him a bottle. "Soapy" had a most enjoyable evening, and quite kept up his reputation at the dainty supper provided. Amongst the boarders present were "Dub," "Kholiss," "Hamel," "Twitter," "Cazaly," "Ocker," "Father John," "Soapy," and "Mullygrub."

We are not often blessed with such a lot of social functions as we had this term. The whole house turned out to see our budding actors, "Dub," "Ocker," and "Pop Knopp," in the pretty little dramatic piece, Gadzooks, but the winsome "Ocker," did make a most charming lass. It is rumoured that "El Hamel" invited her to supper (a deux), but was informed of his misapprehension. "Pop Knopp" did enact the role of a policeman so realistically that there is every likelihood of his being made a prefect next year. "Dub" provided the entertainment of the evening, and he certainly gave the appearance of a well-fed schoolboy, and received more food after the performance. It is now rumoured that after his most terrifying acting his dormitory is the quietest (least rowdy) in the house.

This concludes the gossip from the house, but can you answer these questions ?

What is "Hamel's" favourite colour?

Is "Plair's" name Johnny?

Is "Woolly" willing?

Is "More Brain Than Body" white?

Is "Twitter" on good terms with the Board of Management?

Does "Fuzzy" blush?

Where is "Goggo's" attraction in Davey Street?

There is no prize for the correct solutions. We know them. Au Revoir.

