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Chapel Notes.

The special incident of the term to record under this heading has been the Confirmation Service. As the Diocese will be without a Bishop till December 21, the Administrator was dependent upon the help that other Bishops could give him for the Confirmation Services of those parishes which could not conveniently wait. It further meant that for the convenience of the visiting Bishops, the number of services had to be reduced to a minimum. All this will explain why the School Confirmation Service was not held this year in the School Chapel as usual, and why the boys of the School attended the service at the Cathedral. The service was held on October 29, the Bishop of Carpentaria administering the rite of Confirmation. The service was impressive and the Bishop's addresses were essentially spiritual and forceful. There were 23 boys confirmed from the School. This has raised the number of Communicants in the School to 52, all of whom were present at the early celebration of Holy Communion on November 12. The service, which was partly choral, gave indication of the added strength the School had received to enable it to realise the high ideals in our corporate and individual life which the School has always before it.

The Head Master preached on this aspect of School life in his evening sermon, emphasising that religion required we should not only bring our weaknesses to God, but dedicate our strength to purposes which we knew were His.

On October 22, the Rev. J. Forster, Warden of St. John's Theological College, preached in the School Chapel in the evening. We very much appreciated his visit. We are anticipating a further pleasure, as he has promised to visit us at the end of the term to dedicate the Altar-rails which are being placed in the School Chapel to the memory of John Moses.

We are grateful to Miss White, of Booloominbah (to whom we extend our great sympathy in her present illness), and to Mrs. Simpson, of "Meadowfield," for donations of flowers during the term for altar decorations.

The offertory on November 12 was donated to the Armidale Hospital.

The Roll of Old Boys in the School Chapel on Active Service now numbers 193. They are particularly remembered at every Eucharist and at our Special War Intercession on Wednesday mornings. Alas! that the Roll of Honour of those who have fallen in the great cause should also be lengthening! On November 22, the usual morning service in the School Chapel was made memorial in memory of Clyde Maxwell and H. E. Wren, who have met their deaths on the battlefield. Reference is made to them elsewhere. We take this opportunity of extending to the relatives of these gallant Old Boys our deepest sympathy, and pray that we may so follow their good examples of faithful service and endurance, even unto death, that with them we may be partakers of Christ's heavenly kingdom.

We congratulate the Diocese on the appointment of the Rev. W. F. Wentworth-Sheilds, M.A., as Bishop-Elect of the Diocese. The new Bishop is a scholarly and cultured man, and we are looking forward to the sympathy and help we know that we as a Church School shall receive from him when he has entered upon his work.

IN MEMORIAM.

Late Lieut. CLYDE F. MAXWELL, 9th Essex Regt.;
killed in action Aug., 1916, in France.

The late Lieut. Clyde F. Maxwell ("Yank"), was 24 years of age when he was killed leading his men in action in the Somme offensive in August. Being of American parentage, he was a citizen of the United States, living in his own country when the war broke out. He was at that time rapidly climbing the ladder of success, and left a very lucrative position, in order to shew his gratitude for the country which had protected and defended him since babyhood. This was in complete accord with the knowledge I had of his character. He was a boy, and a man, who, entirely forgetting self, thought only of justice, duty, and his conscience. It was nothing to him that he should be just at the beginning of his career, with all the possibilities of life before him; it was nothing to him that he should be a citizen of none of the belligerent countries: all he thought of was that he was reared, educated, and enjoyed liberty and protection under Britain's flag until he became a man,

and when Britain was in trouble he offered his help. An example to the world, particularly to Australia. He gives the true representation of that great quotation: "Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends."—T.K.A.

GUNNER HAROLD E. WREN.

Gunner Harold E. Wren, son of Mr. W. W. Wren, died of wounds in No. 6 General Hospital. Hal. Wren, as he was popularly known, was a fine specimen of manhood, and was within a month of his 30th year when he gave his life for his country. It is just twelve months since he left Australia as a gunner with the 12th Reinforcements of the First Brigade, Australian Field Artillery, and after putting in some time in Egypt he crossed over to France. It was characteristic of the man that, although he was offered a commission if he transferred to another arm of the service, he preferred to stick to his old comrades and remain a private. In France he took part in all the great fighting the Australians have been in, and his descriptive letters of life at the front, which appeared in the the press, were greatly appreciated. Hal Wren was a young man admired and loved by everyone, from those nearest and dearest to him to the men who worked for and with him. Comfortably placed, and with the brightest prospects in life, he might have led a life of ease, but early and late he was to be seen at work on his father's estate at Tarraganda, the management of which he had for some years before enlisting. He was both an expert and practical farmer, having had several years' experience at Hawkesbury Agricultural College before settling down. He was loth to leave the farm, but the call of duty reached him, and he went forth to do his bit for the Empire. His death is a cruel blow to his parents and brothers and sisters, to whom he was fervently attached, and a distinct loss to his district and country. In the field of sport, the late Hal Wren was also a popular and prominent patron. As a cricketer he was a top-notch batsman, and was one of the mainstays for some seasons of the old Bega Club. He was a keen coursing enthusiast, and was also an active member of the Bega Tennis Club. No young man in his community was held in greater respect, for it can truly be said that he was a model in all things, and, although we deeply mourn his death, a hero's death is a fitting and noble end to such a life. According to the brief particulars to hand, he was shot in the arm while on observation duty, and died in the hospital.—(From a Bega paper).

Obituary.

OUR UNFORGOTTEN DEAD.

For since by man came death: by man came also the resurrection of the dead.

P. S. ANDERSON	F. P. LACY
F. A. BONE	G. D. MACARTHUR
S. BURDEKIN	C. R. M'DOUGALL
G.-L. B. CONCANON	C. MAXWELL
E. CREER	C. W. L. PULLING
T. G. B. DIBBS	H. V. WOODFORD
D. P. DALZELL	H. E. WREN
C. S. GARLAND	J. WILLIS

List of Old Boys at the front who have gained Distinction.

Anderson, J., Major; Military Cross and French Honour.
 Chapman, R., Lieut.; Military Cross.
 Cropper, C. H. Capt.; Military Cross.
 Kaepfel, C. H., Lieut.; Military Cross.
 Bond, G., Capt.; Military Cross.
 Browning, R. H., Capt.; Military Cross.
 Lacy, F. P., Capt.; Military Cross (killed).
 Martyn, P. M., Lieut.; Military Cross.
 Richardson, C. R., Major; Military Cross.
 Martyn, A. M., Lieut.-Col.; D.S.O. and French Croix de Guerre.

MENTIONED IN DISPATCHES.

G. L. B. Concanon	O. PHILLIPS
O. W. TOOTH	C. W. L. Pulling
J. L. MORSHEAD	J. S. ANDERSON

P. S. Anderson

Old Boys on Active Service.

The following is a list of Old Boys who have volunteered for service. We appeal to all who can furnish further information, to do so as soon as possible.

1 ABBOTT, J. P.	4 ALEXANDER, C. H.
2 ABBOTT, T. K.	5 ANDERSON, J.; M.C.
3 ABBOTT, T. K.	6 ANDERSON, T. A.

- 7 **P. S. Anderson**
 8 ANDERSON, D. T.
 9 ALCORN, Dr.
 10 AINSLIE, J.
 11 BARRY, C.
 12 BLOMFIELD, C.
 13 BLOMFIELD, R. H.
 14 BONE, B.
 15 **Bone, F. A.**
 16 BONE, R. H.
 17 BOND, G.; M.C.
 18 DE BURGH, H.
 19 BRETT, G.
 20 BROMLEY, B.
 21 BROWNING, R.H.; M.C.
 22 BRUXNER, M. F.
 23 BROWN, W. R.
 24 **Burdekin, S.**
 25 BRAUND, E.
 26 BRAUND, G.
 27 BEESTON, S.
 28 BLAXLAND, F.
 29 BURROW, R. W. P.
 30 CAPEL, C. R.
 31 CAPEL, K. C.
 32 CAPEL, R.
 33 CARTER, A. C.
 34 CARTER, T.
 35 CROKER, C. R.
 36 CROWLEY, A. B.
 37 CHAPMAN, R.; M.C.
 38 CAY, J. S.
 39 CHAPMAN, E. W.
 40 CHARD, C. M.
 41 COOKES, J. C.
 42 **Concanon, G. L. B.**
 43 CROAKER, H. C.
 44 **Creer, E.**
 45 COX, H. C.
 46 CROWTHER, H. A.
 47 CUTCHER, H. L.
 48 CLARK, G.
 49 CALOW, P. F.
 50 CROPPER, C. H.; M.C.
 51 CHAFFEY, E.
 52 COOPER, A. E. H.
 53 CRAN, C. L.
 54 CADELL, T.
 55 CADELL, A. M.
 56 **Dibbs, T. G. B.**
 57 DRYSDALE, R. H.
 58 **Dalzeil, D. P.**
 59 DANGAR, H. V.
 60 DANGAR, C. C.
 61 DEBENHAM, F.
 62 DOWE, C.
 63 DOWLING, F. O.
 64 DONKIN, F. L.
 65 DOWE, G. S.
 66 DOYLE, E. D.
 67 DIXON, H.
 68 DU MOULIN, W.
 69 EDWARDS, W. R.
 70 FENWICKE, T.
 71 FENWICKE, C. M.
 72 FUTTER, R. L.
 73 FEANEY, T.
 74 FORSTER, J. R.
 75 FLANDERS, A. W.
 76 FLETCHER, R. H.
 77 FLETCHER, J. T.
 78 FULLER, —
 79 GANT, C. R.
 80 GORDON, D.
 81 GOLDSMITH, H. H.
 82 GADEN, S. A.
 83 **Garland, C. S.**
 84 GRIGSON, A.
 85 HASSELL, A.
 86 HIGINBOTHAM, L. H.
 87 HUTCHISON, L. C.
 88 HYMAN, A. H.
 89 HYMAN, E.
 90 HOLDEN, R.
 91 HALL, G. D.
 92 HALL, E. C.
 93 HARGRAVE, E.
 94 HARGRAVE, J. S.
 95 JENKINS, R.
 96 JENKINS, V.
 97 JENKINS, O. J.
 98 JOHNSTONE, J. L. G.
 99 JOHNSTONE, G. R. S.
 100 JOHNSTONE, F.

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| 101 KAEPPEL, C.; M.C. | 146 ROSS, L. |
| 102 KING, P.G. | 147 REMINGTON, H. |
| 103 Lacy, F. P. | 148 RAWSON, H. W. H. |
| 104 LACY, J. D. | 149 SHOLES, H. W. |
| 105 LOVEDAY, A. C. | 150 SLADE, C. |
| 106 Macarthur, G. D. | 151 SLADE, R. R. |
| 107 MACARTNEY, G. W. | 152 STEVENSON, J. E. J. |
| 108 MACARTNEY, E. E. | 153 STUTCHBURY, K. |
| 109 McDOUGALL, A. T. | 154 STRETCH, N. |
| 110 Macdougall, C. R. | 155 SIMPSON, F. L. |
| 111 MACLEAN, A. | 156 SIMPSON, E. |
| 112 MACKAY, F. R. | 157 SCOTT, H. V. |
| 113 MAGNUS, A. N. | 158 SNAPE, J. E. |
| 114 MARSLAND, E. F. | 159 SAUNDERSON, W. |
| 115 MARSLAND, J. | 160 SMITH, A. G. |
| 116 MARTYN, A. M.; D.S.O. | 161 SANDILANDS, J. B. |
| 117 MARTYN, P. M.; M.C. | 162 TAYLOR, C. W. L. |
| 118 McLEOD, S. | 163 TAYLOR, W. L. |
| 119 MENZIES, S. M. | 164 TAYLOR, E. L. |
| 120 MORSEHEAD, L. J. | 165 TAYLOR, P. G. |
| 121 MORSE, B. | 166 TEHEAN, H. J. |
| 122 MORSE, J. | 167 TOOTH, O. W. |
| 123 MAXWELL, M. | 168 TOOTH, A. N. |
| 124 Maxwell, C. | 169 TURTON, E. L. |
| 125 MOXON, R. W. G. | 170 TINDAL, L. W. L. |
| 126 MURRAY, A. J. | 171 TINDAL, A. W. |
| 127 NIVISON, F. W. | 172 VALLIS, R. |
| 128 NORTH, T. H. | 173 VYNER, C. A. |
| 129 NOEL, C. | 174 WALKER, H. V. |
| 130 NATHAN, G. | 175 WALKER, O. B. |
| 131 OGILVIE, D. | 176 Willis, J. |
| 132 OSBORNE, A. T. | 177 WRIGHT, C. |
| 133 PEARSE, E. W. | 178 WORTHINGTON, R. |
| 134 PEARSE, N. W. | 179 WALEY, R. H. |
| 135 PENGILLEY, J. | 180 WINDEYER, J. R. |
| 137 Pulling, C. W. L. | 181 WOODROFF, —. |
| 137 PHILLIPS, O. | 182 WHITE, H. F. |
| 138 PRINGLE, H. C. | 183 Woodford, H. V. |
| 139 PAYNE, F. M. | 184 Wren, H. F. |
| 140 PITMAN, H. J. | 185 WISDOM, F. A. |
| 141 RICHARDSON, C.R.; M.C. | 186 YOUNG, C. E. |
| 142 RICHARDS, R. R. | 187 YOUNG, T. C. |
| 143 RICKMAN, C. E. | 189 MACARTNEY, R. |
| 144 ROBINSON, W. M. | 188 MACKENZIE, W. |
| 145 RUNDLE, B. | 190 HARRIS, P. V. |

Names of those fallen in the War are printed in Gothic type.

War Notes.

Röles Gant has, we hear, been made a Sergeant. We congratulate him on his promotion, especially as we hear he declined the offer of a similar promotion some time ago, in order that he might join a party that was going out against the Turks.

Henry Croaker ("Dad" of affectionate memory) writes cheerfully from the trenches "somewhere in France." He tells a good story of a shell landing in a frying-pan and putting his fire out when he was on duty on one occasion as cook. Happily the shell was heard coming and the cook and his comrades were able to take shelter safely. On another occasion he was struck with a piece of spent shell, but was not hurt; and on a third occasion had his helmet dented by a shot from a sniper. May such good fortune be his to the end!

It appears that the School was not without representation in the Dublin trouble of some time ago. Geoffrey Clarke, who left here in 1913, was on the spot with the Irish Fusiliers and remained on duty with them till the disorder was quelled. From there he went to France and was soon gazetted 2nd Lieutenant in D. Battery, 119th Brigade, 38th Welsh Division of the R.F.A.

George Dowe writes from Camp at Seymour, Victoria, where he has been in training, with No. 3 Machine Gun Section of the 16th Depot Company. His sense of humour has not failed him and he finds much to relieve the monotony of camp life. He says that since the defeat of the Referendum proposal, the line of the song, "Australia will be there," has been changed to "Australia won't be there!"

"Dick" Cox writes from France that "everything is going all right." He had just seen Jack Johnstone, now Lieutenant in a Trench-Mortar Brigade; also he passed Tom North on a route march, and was able to have a few minutes' chat. "Toby" Brett, Tom and Morley Fenwicke are other "Old Boys" he has seen. He writes: "Toby gave me an 'Armidalian,' which I read from beginning to end; I don't think I missed a word, and enjoyed every bit of it."

Lieut.-Colonel Morshead's photograph appeared recently in the "Sydney Mail." He wears his customary cheery smile, we notice, in spite of a nasty accident which we were sorry to hear had happened to him, through his horse rolling on him. He wrote recently from Salisbury Plains to the Head Master and mentioned that he had several "Old Boys" in the Battalion which he commands (the 33rd). We have recently heard this Battalion has been broken up to make reinforcements. The Lieut.-Colonel will regret this, we feel, for he took particular pride in his men, who received special commendation in a recent review before the King. Our congratulations to the Officer Commanding!

George Lind Taylor writes from England reporting good progress on behalf of himself, his brother, and Dick Blomfield. He had seen Lieut. Calow, and Douglas Gordon just before writing, both of whom were well.

We were sorry to hear that Carl Taylor had been seriously ill, and trust he is now much better.

J. P. Abbott wrote from France and gave us a good deal of news of Old Boys he had come across. He mentions Clive Maxwell, whose sad death we record elsewhere in this issue. Clive was in the fight at La Boisselle, and was last seen wounded but rallying his men to make a bombing attack. The village was recaptured by the Germans that night, but was taken again by our men the following morning. "Clive Maxwell's body was not found and there are hopes, though very faint, that he may be a prisoner in Germany." We know now, alas! those hopes were not realised. Max Maxwell had been in heavy and successful fighting. With his Battery (Artillery), Lieut. Abbott himself was invalided to England, after being in hospital at Mudros. He had seen Arthur Carter in hospital in London, and Fred. Forster, who was then in training with the R.H.A. Lieut. Abbott is with a howitzer battery, and he says that firing high-explosive shells into the Hun trenches is exciting work, as they never fail to return the compliment.

Major C. C. Dangar wrote an interesting letter to the Head Master from near Egypt. He is acting as Brigade Major to the 3rd A.L.H. He was in "the move eastward" against the Turks, which proved such a great success. He says the Anzac Mounted Division did excellent work, and while they cannot take all the credit for the result, their bustling of the enemy was an important factor. The Major was anxious in his enquiries concerning the School.

Owen Tooth, of the A.L.H. (Lieut.) was in the Romani fight. In a letter written just before the battle, he was describing some of the difficulties and hardships of the reconnoitring, "the heat usually well over 100," one day 124deg., after going all night. Many of the men "went out" to it, he said. He mentioned that Arthur Hyman left the Light Horse and joined an Infantry Battalion. Eric Hyman was not far away with the 12th L.H.

Harry Dangar had the misfortune to be hit, taking part in an attack on Guillemont, and was for some weeks laid up in hospital in Surrey. Just before that he wrote to the Head Master and described an experience he and his section had just been through. "The other night we were shelled," he says, "with every shell imaginable, some of them being those murderous phosphorus shells which poison and make such bad wounds. One of my sergeants was killed and two men wounded; both my gun emplacements were smashed, though the guns only slightly damaged."

We are sorry to hear that the Rev. G. F. Stopford has been wounded. He was a Chaplain with the rank of Captain, and was stationed when we last heard from him with the 1st Division "somewhere in France." We have reason to believe that at the time of his appointment he was one of the youngest Church of England Chaplains in the British Army. Previous to going to France, he was with the Command Depot at Ripon, England.

Alec Magnus, with the Field Ambulance, writes from Egypt. His unit had a few encounters with the Turks, but "no big attack" yet. He had seen Gant, Cay, and Rickman at Tel-el-Kebir.

Major Bruxner, invalided from the front, having been injured by shell-fire in the trenches, now holds a position in England.

K. P. Stutchbury, who was O.C. in charge of the 5th Light Horse at Inverell, resigned his position in the City Bank last July, and sailed recently with the 4th Reinforcements to the 36th Battalion.

A. J. Rodgers is in camp at Warren, but expects to sail shortly. He had hoped to pay the School a farewell visit, but his "leave" did not permit of it. His friends of the VI. Form of last year—A. Murray and A. Tindal—have already sailed.

Angus Murray and Bob Fletcher both paid us a hurried good-bye during the term, before sailing for the front, and Arthur Cooper went shortly afterwards. Congratulations to Cooper on getting his B.A. degree, and Murray, Tindal, and Rodgers upon completing their first-year examinations at the University. Rodgers was also successful in his First Year Arts. We hope they will return fit and well to resume their studies, after helping to finish off matters on the Western Front.

Major Cliff. Richardson, M.C., has been appointed to the charge of a battalion of trainees at Sydney Showground.

Lieut. Max Martyn, M.C., has been promoted to the rank of First Lieutenant, in France.

Lieutenant-Colonel Athel Martyn, D.S.O., has just been united in the holy bonds of matrimony to Miss Swifte. The marriage was celebrated at St. Mary's, Abbots, Kensington, London.

Another Military Cross. Captain Humphrey Browning has just been awarded the Military Cross for gallantry in the field. Captain Browning is a son of Mr. R. H. Browning, and was Captain of the School in 1903-04. Afterwards he went to St. Paul's College, Sydney University, where he gained his football blue. He was afterwards articled to Mr. Consett Stephens (temporary secretary O.B.U. for a time). He enlisted from Bathurst, and went to Egypt and took part in actions at Zeitoum, Tel-el-Kebir, and Serapeum. He then went to France and was promoted to the rank of Captain. He was slightly wounded in the thigh, in September.

Gunner Wren (killed) writes:—"On Sept. 2nd, at 5.30 p.m., we left our position about ten miles behind the spot where we are at present in action. The staff and guns, with sufficient men for each, then worked our way up to the spot I believe is to be our home for some time, perhaps for the winter. Though I cannot name my position, it is one that some time or other belonged to the highest family of a ruined nation. The ruined homesteads surrounding us, with glorious gardens and parks battered to pieces, still present a picture, indicating what a glorious place this must have been. Though we are a lot closer to the front trenches, we lost no opportunity to hunt round these grounds, battered towns and chateaux. To-day we got a few pieces of wall paper off a once-noted residence, which I am enclosing as souvenirs. Yesterday two of us walked into a once-famous town that has borne its full share of Hun brutality, and though an enormous place, has not one solitary sound house, which shows you how intense artillery fire can get. You can see where the whole of one wall in two and three-storey houses have been removed, leaving the floors and rooms all exposed to the street. One magnificent Cathedral has been knocked all shapes. We went into one that still had the altar and scores of fine images left, but scores had their heads cut off for souvenirs."

"Jones" Marsland writes to a friend: "Just a few lines to let you know I'm still alive and kicking. I've been over in England for two months now, but I can't say I'm in love with it. Have been up to London and had a very good time. It's a wonderful city, but I would not like to live there, though a fine place for a holiday. I was up there again yesterday, when they had that last Zepp. raid—the biggest on record—and when a British aeroplane brought down one of them. There was a frightful lot of noise, but I slept through it all. Algy Grigson, "Breezy" Windeyer, "Circus" Hall, and two of the Taylors are over here, besides Mr. Morshead and Mr. Calow. We expect to go to France very shortly, and I won't be sorry. Remember me to all at T.A.S."

A. G. Smith is at Exeter, training for a commission in the R.F.A. He was at Oxford for a term and joined the O.T.C. there, and expects to get his commission in three or four months. He came across Mr. Hutchison, an old master, at Oxford.

Lieut. R. W. Chapman, M.C., writes from Egypt, after returning from Gallipoli:—"We are back in the land of sand and sorrow, but we expect to get a move soon—mounted, perhaps—to Suez Canal, or some other place. [He is now in France]. I may as well describe some of my life on the Peninsula. The climate is something like Melbourne, but it was very cold sometimes, with westerly blizzards. . . I will never forget my birthday on Gallipoli. I started out on patrol work in the early morning at about half-past twelve o'clock and got back at dawn. There was a cut in my boot and the snow got in and

made my foot throb for some days. . . . I wasn't wounded, but I had a very narrow escape. A bullet went through my sleeve and struck the trench behind me. I dug it out and kept it as a souvenir. I was one of the lucky eight picked out of our squadron to stay in the trench after the rest had evacuated."

We deeply regret to hear that J. Willis has died of wounds at Mudros Hospital; that S. Burdekin has been killed in action at the battle of Loos; and that H. E. Wren and C. Maxwell have been killed in France. We deeply sympathise with their relatives.

We may mention that as soon as the news of an Old Boy's death comes through, the School flag is flown half-mast, and the Dead March is played at the morning service in the Chapel. Mention is made of this in the Chapel Notes.

The following are additions to the Old Boys' Active-Service List, which now totals 193:—F. L. Donkin, G. Bond, P. V. Harris, W. McKenzie, R. Macartney, A. M. Cadell, J. T. Fletcher, E. Braund, G. Braund.

"Bill" Taylor writes from the Royal Flying Corps Club at Netheravon, England:—"I joined the Royal Flying Corps two months ago, and am going through my training now. . . . If I get on well, I intend to take it up as my profession after the war in the Australian Flying Corps. . . . I have been here ten days now and am having my first experient of flying, which has quite come up to my expectations. . . . I have not been up myself yet, but have been flying the machine with an instructor to check the controls if I make a mistake. . . . The Australian Camp is quite close, and I have seen several men I know, including Lt.-Colonel Morshead, and Grigson, who is in the 7th A.F.A. Brigade. Hall is with him, but I haven't seen him yet. There are a lot of Armidalian in the camp, whom I am going to look up when I get time."

Jack Snape writes: "We are still caged up with mumps, and are very well treated, as are all Australians in England, but it is becoming very monotonous. We had our Referendum vote taken to-day, and I think there will be very few votes for 'No.' When I say we, I don't mean myself, but the boys who have a vote. I wish I could vote to bring these 'hotel-posters' along. These 'tanks' are wonderful inventions; they are impervious to anything except a high-explosive shell—and even that has to get them in the right place. They stroll all over the 'shop,' walk through a brick wall, down a mine-crater and up again—in fact, there is hardly any obstacle to stop them, but 'tank' sickness is worse than sea-sickness, I believe."

Carl Taylor, of Terrible Vale, says: "I have got on wonderfully well, and my wounds are nearly healed, but I think I will be lame for a time. I was wounded on the 19th September, at Ypres. We were having tea, when shells began to fall. I man-

aged to dodge some for a time, but was finally hit in the stomach and hip. I was sent back to the dressing-station, and finally on to a Canadian station, where I was operated on." He is now at Herne Bay Hospital, in Kent, England. His brothers, Walter and George, write cheerfully from France.

Lieutenant P. S. Anderson, who was killed early in the war, we have just heard was mentioned in dispatches. Through the courtesy of Mrs. Anderson, we are able to print the following message received from His Majesty the King:—"I have it in command from His Majesty the King to inform you, as next-of-kin of the late Lieut. Patrick Sinclair Anderson, that this officer was mentioned in a Despatch from General Sir Ian Hamilton, dated 22nd September, 1915, for gallant conduct in the field."

His brother, Captain J. S. Anderson, was also mentioned in Despatches, and the following is a copy of an extract from Army Corps Routine Order, dated 2nd February, 1916, relating to the conspicuous services rendered by him:—"The Army Corps Commander is pleased to place on record his appreciation of the capable and satisfactory manner in which Capt. J. S. Anderson carried out his duties during the evacuation from Anzac."

Colonel Sir Peter Bam's battalion contains a big percentage of "colonial" officers, many of them being Australians, among whom is an Old Boy, E. W. Pearse, son of the Editor of the "Pastoral Review." When so many men from divers parts of our Empire rub shoulders thus, in the closest of intimacies, it should give each one a clearer idea of the dominions from which their comrades spring and help towards closer union.

Stewart Menzies, we hear from his father, was promoted to a 2nd Lieutenancy in the trenches at Gallipoli (Sept. 9, 1915), and was further promoted to 1st Lieutenant in Egypt last March.

O. J. Jenkins is a Lance-Corporal in the "British East African Mounted Rifles," and has served under General Smuts.

Lieutenant J. E. G. Stevenson, who won a prize for his humorous prose story, "An Australian at Home in 1930," in the famous "Anzac Book," writes cheerfully from France. He describes the gas helmets as being useful, but very prone to cause perspiration, and describes even the firing-line as "not too bad."

Captain A. Alcorn is also responsible for "The Perfectly True Parable of the Seven Egyptians," which appears in the "Anzac Book."

Victor Jenkins, whose portrait appears in this issue, was wounded in the battle of Pozieres in July of this year. He was at the time attached to the Lewis-gun Section of the 20th Battalion. The wound is proving very troublesome, though the latest reports are that he has been sent to a convalescent hospital. It will be remembered that Jenkins sailed to Egypt in February, and thence to France in April, and was at once sent into the firing-line. It is not known whether his rumoured promotion has been gazetted.

Library Notes.

The Library has been well patronised this term, despite the imminence of examinations. The new books, in particular, have been in great demand. Of those ordered last term, and unprocureable then, eight have recently come to hand, and are now in circulation. A considerable number of volumes have been sent to the binder to be re-bound, and the last two years' weekly copies of the "Illustrated London News" have also been forwarded; they will be bound in half-yearly volumes.

We are indebted to Mrs. W. P. Wilson for about twenty interesting books forwarded to us during the term. They form a welcome addition to the shelves, and we thank her sincerely for her kind thought.

To Dowe i, our constant supporter, our thanks are again due; this time it is a volume entitled "The Man Who Wrought."

We have for many months past been regularly in receipt of "The Scientific American" and "The Pastoral Review," the former through the kindness of Mr. A. Fletcher, of Armidale, and the latter through the generosity of the publishers. We earnestly thank the donors for their gifts, and assure them that, though we have inadvertently omitted to acknowledge them of late, we have enjoyed and appreciated them, nevertheless.

The Library Committee desire to acknowledge the following records, and thank the donors for them: "Selections from 'The Geisha,'" The Head Master; "Rigoletto," Mrs. Perkins; "Barnyard Selections," Bigg; "Dollar Princess," Counsell; "In the Shadows," Macgregor; "Count of Luxemburg," Croker.

Cadet Notes.

Quite early in the term the military authorities called in all cadet rifles, and, as a consequence, drill has since been chiefly confined to squad-drill without arms. To avoid monotony, frequent short route marches have been made, and some shooting at the miniature range indulged in.

One notes with joy that the Band has considerably improved during the term in its rendering both of calls and marches. It now seldom sets our teeth on edge with a false note, nor do we any longer have to run to keep step with it.

The Everett Cup, given for the best section, will be competed for on the last Friday of term. The calling-in of rifles has necessitated the omission of movements for which rifles are needed.

"Medicine-balls" and skipping ropes have been purchased for developing the muscles of the Junior Cadets. The acquisition of a drum and bugle for Junior Cadets will make possible the training

of one or two of them with a view of reinforcing the Band next year.

COX CUP.

The competition for the Cox Cup (awarded to the best shot in the School took place on 7th December. Of the 35 who entered, 13 were previously eliminated in the qualifying round. The weather proved ideal, both from the point of view of shooting and of comfort. The match was fired at 200yds., 300yds., and 500yds. at match bulls-eye targets. The second range proved the downfall of a large proportion of the competitors, and Barnes i looked safe to win the Cup. At the third range, however, he got only 24 out of the possible 35, and Thompson finishing strongly with 28 tied with his total of 79 for the day. As it was provided that, in such an event, the decision should favour the boy obtaining the highest score at the longest range, the Cup goes to Thompson, with Barnes i as close a second as he could possibly be.

The Headmaster kindly sent a cartload of soft drinks, and as by the time it arrived the sun had done its work, the refreshments were hailed with much delight.

Our thanks are also due to Mr. Harvey, who spent the afternoon at the targets to check the working.

Sports Day.

In spite of decidedly inclement weather, a large number of people showed their interest in the School by coming on Thursday, the 28th of September, the day fixed for the Twenty-third Annual Athletic Sports Meeting. Previous to this, all heats of Kicks, Throws, Putt, 880yds. Championship, and 880yds. Handicap (under 16) decided.

The Sports Committee, consisting of Mr. Harvey, Findlay i, Croker, Counsell, Hingst i, Barnes i, and Brett, had put in decidedly good work before the eventful day, with the result that everything was in good order. Under the Head Master as President, Messrs, W. Oxford, R. N. Hickson, R. Vyner, F. J. White, and F. A. Jennings acted as judges, Mr. H. Morse took charge of the starter's somewhat erratic pistol, Mr. F. Gale fulfilled the duties of check-starter, Messrs. S. H. Bethell and E. A. Harris made admirable stewards, Mr. W. A. Hirschberg and Captain Timbury held the stop-watches, and Mr. Harvey held the posts of Secretary and Referee.

The first event was run off to time under a threatening sky, and soon afterwards it started to rain, developed into a heavy downpour, and when less than a dozen events had been run off, wrote "Finis"—for that day at least—to the proceedings.

The spirits of both visitors and boys were considerably cheered by an adjournment to the Big School, which the Matron, with characteristic thoroughness, had transformed into an attractive refreshment-room. Flags and bunting decorated the walls, the colours of the various Forms were represented by carefully-grouped flowers. The Headmaster announced that the successful competitors would receive their rewards, although the programme was less than half completed. It would be, he hoped, completed during the following week. The prizes this year would, owing to the war, be similar to those of last year, namely, medals, which Mrs. Johnstone had kindly consented to present. He would like to thank her for coming in spite of adverse weather conditions to present the prizes, and would take the opportunity of thanking, also, those who had forwarded donations in money or kind—which had not this year been solicited—and the friends of the School who had shown their friendship and encouraged the competitions by their presence. The medals were then awarded.

Mrs. Johnstone was accorded three hearty cheers by the School, as were the visitors also,

The sports were continued on the following Tuesday, which was a beautiful day. A fair number of visitors arrived, and the remainder of the programme, with the exception of the Old Boys' Race, which was scratched through lack of entries, was successfully carried out.

Mrs. Perkins kindly presented the medals, tug-of-war cake, and Form Cup, and was thanked on behalf of the School by Mr. Jennings, the boys demonstrating their approval in the usual unmistakable way.

It is gratifying to note that this year three new records were established: 880 Yards (Elliot), 220 Yards (Elliot ii), and 220 Yards, Under 16 (Smith i); while the 120 Yards Hurdles, 90yds. Hurdles, and 880 Yards Under 16 were under standard time.

The results were as follows:—

Broad Jump Championship: Croker (17ft. 10½in.) 1, Elliot ii (17ft. 5in.) 2, Findlay (17ft. 1in.) 3.

Broad Jump (under 16): Smith i (15ft. 8½in.) 1, Zillman (15ft. 4in.) 2, Sheehy (14ft. 1½in.) 3.

Putting the Shot Championship: Everett (27ft 10in.) 1, Carter i (27ft. 5in.) 2.

The Throw Championship: Findlay i (84yds. 0ft. 7in.) 1, Hingst i (76yds. 2ft. 11in.) 2, Waters i (75yds. 2ft. 11in.) 3.

The Throw (under 16): Bigg (75yds 1ft. 6in.) 1, White (72yds. 0ft. 6in.) 2, Macgregor (68yds. 0ft. 6in.) 3.

880yds. Championship: Elliot i 1, Croker 2, Hingst 3. Time, 2min. 14 4-5th secs.

880yds. Handicap (under 16): Elliot i (scr.) 1, Harris ii (60yds.) 2, Decent (55yds.) 3.

The Kick (open): Hingst i 1, Findlay i and Hingst ii (aeq.) 2. Distance, 52yds. 0ft. 7½in.

The Kick (under 16): Baldwin and White (aeq.) 1, Macgregor and Sheehy (aeq.) 2. Distance, 57yds. 1ft.

100yds. Championship: Elliot ii 1, Croker 2, Dowe ii 3. Time, 11 1-5th secs.

100yds. Championship (under 16): Smith i 1, Elliot i 2, Carter i 3. Time, 11 4-5th secs.

100yds. Championship (under 14): Decent 1, Findlay ii 2, Borthwick ii 3. Time, 13secs.

100yds. Handicap (under 12): Smith ii (scr.) 1, Livingston ii (1yd.) 2, Wilson ii (3yds.) 3.

120yds. Hurdles Championship: Elliot ii 1, Croker 2, Hingst ii 3. Time, 18 4-5th secs.

90yds. Hurdles Championship (under 16): Smith i 1, McIntosh 2, Elliot i 3. Time, 15 1-5th secs.

100yds. Handicap (under 14): Allison (4yds.) 1, Mackenzie i (4yds.) 2, Coupland (5yds.) 3.

100yds. Handicap (under 16): Smith i (scr) and Zillman (7yds), aeq. 1, Bigg (3yds.) 3.

100yds. Handicap (open): Dowe ii (scr.) 1, Loder (2yds.) 2, Waters ii (2yds.) 3.

High Jump Championship: Hingst i 1, Elliot ii 2, Croker 3. Height, 4ft. 10in.

High Jump Championship (under 16): Elliot i 1, Zillman 2, Smith i 3. Height, 4ft. 5in.

High Jump Championship (under 14): Mackenzie iii 1, Livingston ii 2. Height, 3ft. 9½in.

220yds. Championship: Elliot ii 1, Croker 2, Findlay i 3. Time, 24 3-5th secs.

220yds. Championship (under 16): Smith i 1, Elliot i 2, Allan 3. Time, 26secs.

220yds. Championship (under 14): Decent i, Findlay ii 2, Smith ii 3. Time, 29 1-5th secs.

220yds. Handicap (Open): Dowe ii (5yds.) 1, Thompson (9yds.) 2, Livingston i (7yds.) 3.

220yds. Handicap (under 16): Bigg (4yds.) 1, Nivison (6yds.) 2, Wyndham (7yds.) 3.

440yds Championship: Croker 1, Elliot ii 2. Time, 59 1-5th secs.

440yds. Handicap (under 16): Allan (9yds.) 1, Nivison (7yds.) 2, Wyndham (7yds.) 3.

Form Teams' Race: V. (scr.) 1, IV. (5yds.) 2, IIIA. (15yds.) 3.

Obstacle Race (open): Findlay i 1, Williams 2, Hingst ii 3.

Obstacle Race (under 16): Carter i 1, Macgregor 2, Allan 3.

880yds. Championship (under 16): Elliot i 1, Hill 2, Harris ii 3. Time, 2min. 28 4-5th sec.

Mile Championship: Croker 1, Hingst i 2, Thompson 3. Time, 5min. 40 3-5th sec.

Mile Handicap: Blomfield (225yds.) 1, Livingston i (100yds.) 2, Decent (200yds.) 3.

Tug-of-War (Non-Coms. v. Privates): Privates.

The winner of the Senior Championship was Elliot ii, who scored 24 points against Croker's 21.

Smith i secured the "Under 16" Championship with 17 points, against 14 scored by Elliot i, while the "Under 14" went to Decent with 6 points, Findlay ii coming second with 4 points.

Gostwyck Trip.

On November 15th, the Wool-classes had their usual trip to the Gostwyck wool shed. We left the School at about 1.15 p.m. and arrived at the wool-shed at about 2 p.m. We were unlucky in missing seeing some of the best sheep shorn, but we were able to see some of their wool, which was a great credit to Gostwyck. After looking over the shed and seeing the wool, and having a few points shewn us in classing and piece-picking, we went down to the shearers' huts, where the cook had some afternoon-tea ready for us, which was enjoyed by everyone. When leaving the hut we gave the cook three cheers, and then started home via Uralla. Two of the cars were unlucky in having punctures, but not being so anxious to get back as we were to get out, it did not matter, and we arrived home, after a very enjoyable trip, about 6 o'clock.

Valets.

- C. A. STACY. Entered School February, 1913; left December, 1916—House Prefect; Member of Library and Debating Society Committees; Dramatic Club; 1st XV., 1915-16 (half-colours, 1915-16); Corporal in Cadets; Choir. Form VIIb.
- L. R. OLVER. Entered School February, 1915; left December, 1916—Captain of the School; Junior Prefect; Member of Debating Society, the Library, Magazine, Football, School Club, and Camera Club Committees; Dramatic Club, 1916; 1st XV., 1915-16 (full-colours, 1916); Platoon Sergeant in Cadets; Choir. Form VIa.
- J. R. BARNES. Entered School February, 1913; left December, 1916—Member of School Club, Camera Club, Athletic, and Swimming, and Debating Society Committees; Dramatic Club; 1st XV., 1915-16 (full-colours 1916); 1st XI., 1916; Private in Citizen's Forces. Form V. (Commercial).
- J. A. LODER. Entered School February, 1914; left December, 1916—1st XV., 1916 (half-colours, 1916); Private in Cadets. Form IIIb.
- O. BALDWIN. Entered School Easter, 1913; left December, 1916—Private in Cadets. Form IIIb.
- R. P. WHALLEY. Entered School June, 1914; left December, 1916—Member of Camera Club and Dramatic Club; 1st XV., 1916; 3rd XI.; Band. Form V.

Cricket.

This has been a season of many disappointments. In the first place, none of the town teams have formed this year, and matches have consequently been hard to get. Indeed, without out old opponents, La Salle, we should have been badly off. And the weather has been so wet and cold, that of seven First Eleven matches arranged, we have been able to play four; and some of those were played under uncomfortable conditions.

Nevertheless, in many ways it has been a very satisfactory season. For the first time for many years, the School team has been entirely a boys' team, which is very desirable when practicable. When playing in the Senior competition it was necessary to strengthen the team by including some masters; and this helps to keep the team together, and gives the Captain the benefit of the experience of an older head. But a School team should be, if possible, a team of boys.

The slackness among the Juniors, of which we have complained so often, has disappeared, and whether at practice or in matches everybody, senior and junior alike, has usually done his best. Some of the junior fielding has been a treat to watch; when the early batsmen have failed, the tail usually managed to get runs; and the bowling has seldom been careless.

Again, it is long since the pitches and the ground have been so well looked after. When work has been needed, somebody has seen that it was done without waiting to be told to do so. More care has been shown in the use of material; and in many other ways it is evident that the spirit we have tried to encourage has come; so that the school may look forward to having cricketers worthy to uphold its honour for some years to come.

Very much credit for this satisfactory state of affairs is due to captains, net-captains, and especially to the committee, who have worked heartily.

CRICKET CHARACTERS.

HINGST i (Colours 1916) has rather failed as a bat this season, principally through not picking the right ball to hit. Should do better later. Has bowled well; fast medium, with some whip from the pitch. Keel in the field, and as Captain has handled the team well, and set a good example to his men.

COUNSELL (Colours 1916) has batted forcibly and correctly, and shown the form he seemed to lose last summer. Fair field.

BRETT (Half-Colours 1916) has also shown improved form. With care, should make a sound bat. Quick and hard-working in the field.

COX (Colours 1916) is developing into a sound and correct bat, and getting power into his strokes without effort. Is beginning to use his head in bowling, and improving rapidly. Slow but safe in the field; weak in fielding his own bowling.

MACGREGOR (Colours 1916) shows fine batting ability; has good defence, and begins to get power. Slow on his feet; when he learns to use them, he will be fit for any company. Slow in the field, but safe. May make a useful change-bowler later.

HINGST ii (Colours 1916), the most improved bat in the team until his illness, and a fine field.

DOWE ii, a useful bat, with good hitting power. As good a long-field as we have had for several years.

THOMPSON, an unformed bat, with much to learn. Is learning, and picks the right ball to hit. Slow in the field.

ELLIOT ii—Poor bat, but gets a few runs. Useful bowler, the fastest we have; is improving fast. Has taken fine catches in the out-field.

HARRIS i shows good enough batting form to get more runs. Has kept wickets creditably, allowing few byes.

BORTHWICK i and BARNES i have also been tried in the First Eleven. The latter shows great improvement, both as batsmen and bowler.

FIRST ELEVEN.

v. LA SALLE, October 28th. Won by 40 runs.

The opening match of the season, played on the School ground. La Salle batted first, and though several of their batsmen looked dangerous, none went very far. Cox bowled well, and was well backed up by the field; and when Elliot ii took Hingst's end he finished the innings summarily, taking three wickets for six runs. For us, Macgregor played a fine, patient innings for 45, and was unlucky in not getting his half-century, being caught close in off a fine, hard on-drive. Hingst ii (21) and Dowe ii (19) did best of the remaining bats, Hingst's innings being particularly attractive. The La Salle bowling was very accurate, and

our score only a moderate one. In their second attempt, La Salle lost six wickets for 30 runs. Scores:—

La Salle, 1st innings.	
Fleming, c Elliot ii, b Cox	... 5
Herden, c Hingst ii, b Hingst i	... 2
Crossin, b Cox	... 0
Buxton, c Hingst ii, b Cox	... 17
McShane, c Elliot ii, b Cox	... 9
Ward, c Elliot ii, b Cox	... 8
Britton, c Dowe ii, b Elliot ii	... 25
Rooney, b Cox	... 2
Marsh, b Elliot ii	... 5
Rummery, b Elliot ii	... 3
Barnes, not out	... 0
Sundries	... 4
	78

Bowling: Hingst i, 1 for 3; Cox, 6 for 35; Elliot ii, 3 for 6.

La Salle, 2nd innings.	
Rooney, c Brett, b Hingst i	... 3
Barnes, b Hingst i	... 0
Ward, b Cox	... 1
Fleming, c Elliot i, b Cox	... 2
Buxton, c Hingst ii, b Cox	... 7
Crossin, b Borthwick	... 2
McShane, not out	... 13
Sundries	... 2
	30

Bowling: Hingst i, 2 for 15; Cox, 3 for 12; Borthwick, 1 for 2.

School, 1st innings.	
Macgregor, c Rooney, b Buxton	... 45
Brett, b Herden	... 3
Counsell, b Buxton	... 10
Hingst ii, b Buxton	... 21
Borthwick i, b Crossin	... 0
Cox, run out	... 8
Hingst i, b Crossin	... 4
Harris i, b Buxton	... 0
Dowe ii, c Rooney, b Marsh	... 19
Elliot ii, c Rummery, b Crossin	... 5
Elliot i, not out	... 9
Sundries	... 3
	138

v. CAMP, November 11. Won by four runs.

Camp, who were shorthanded at starting, batted first. Bailey, who went in first, carried his bat for a safe, but slowly made 20. Powell (15) was the only man to stay with him, until Parr, who came in last, hit up 26 vigorously before a nicely-judged change of pace by Cox beat and bowled him.

The Camp bowling was unexpectedly good. Donohoe was quite in his best form, and Parr's leg-breaks were too much for the less-experienced of our batsmen. Macgregor again played nice cricket for his 23, Hingst ii (17) was batting excellently when he was bowled off his pads, and Counsell batted confidently and vigorously for 33 not out, when runs were badly needed. The rest did little, and we had the barest of wins by four runs only. Scores:—

Camp.	
Bailey, not out	... 20
Donohoe, c Elliot ii, b Hingst i	... 8
McGinty, c Dowe, b Cox	... 0
Powell, b Cox	... 15
Godfrey, b Hingst i	... 8
Schmutter, c Hingst ii, b Cox	... 2
McShane, b Hingst i	... 0
Granger, b Hingst i	... 0
Watson, c Thompson, b Cox	... 8
Parr, b Cox	... 26
Sundries	... 1
	84

Bowling: Hingst i, 4 for 42; Cox, 5 for 38.

School.	
Thompson, b Schmutter	... 1
Macgregor, l.b.w., Parr	... 23
Hingst ii, b Donoghue	... 17
Counsell, not out	... 33
Brett, b Parr	... 3
Hingst i, b Parr	... 0
Cox, b Parr	... 3
Dowe ii, c and b Parr	... 4
Borthwick i, b McShane	... 0
Harris i, b McShane	... 1
Elliot ii, c Schmutter, b Parr	... 1
Sundries	... 2
	88

v. TOWN TEAM, November 25th. Won by innings and 23 runs.

This team was not a weak one, but their players had had little practice, and were out of form. They won the toss and sent us

in. Although the bowling was not good, our batting failed, only three men getting double figures. Barnes i signaled his first appearance with the first eleven by making a vigorous 37 not out when runs were badly wanted.

The town batsmen could do little with Cox, and the fielding was again safe and keen. They made only 34. Bailey (19) played steadily for his runs, but went as soon as he tried to hit Cox. At their second attempt they did little better. Macgregor made a successful debut as a bowler, and Barnes showed promise with his slows. Scores:—

School.	
Macgregor, b O'Connor	... 8
Counsell, c —, b Dulling	... 29
Thompson, run out	... 3
Hingst, b O'Connor	... 11
Brett, c —, b Henderson	... 2
Cox, b O'Connor	... 3
Hingst i, b O'Connor	... 0
Dowe ii, c and b O'Connor	... 0
Harris i, c —, b O'Connor	... 9
Barnes i, not out	... 37
Elliot ii, b Bailey	... 1
Sundries...	... 6
	109

Town, 1st innings.	
Bailey, c Elliot ii, b Cox	... 19
McGinty, b Hingst	... 0
Dulling, c Hingst i, b Cox	... 4
Oliver, c Barnes i, b Cox	... 5
Godfrey, b Cox	... 2
Medhurst, b Cox	... 0
MaShane, b Cox	... 1
O'Connor, b Hingst i	... 0
Giles, b Hingst i	... 0
Henderson, not out	... 0
Sundries	... 3
	34

Bowling: Cox, 7 for 13; Hingst i, 3 for 17.

Town, 2nd innings.	
Dulling, b Macgregor	... 0
Godfrey, c Elliot ii, b Barnes i	... 5
Henderson, c Elliot ii, b Cox	... 11
Giles, st Counsell, b Barnes i	... 22
McShane, b Macgregor	... 1
O'Connor, c Barnes i, b Elliot ii	... 3
Bailey, not out	... 6
McGinty, b Macgregor	... 0
Granger, abs.	...
Medhurst, b Elliot ii	... 1
Sundries...	... 3
	52

Bowling: Macgregor, 3 for 16; Barnes i 2 for 22; Cox, 1 for 0; Elliot i, 2 for 7.

School.	
Macgregor, b Buxton	... 20
Counsell, b Hiscox	... 22
Thompson, b Hiscox	... 0
Hingst i, b Crossin	... 12
Cox, b Crossin	... 56
Brett, b Buxton	... 11
Hingst i, c McShane, b Buxton	... 4
Dowe ii, c Ward, b Crossin	... 22
Barnes i, c Britton, b Crossin	... 5
Harris i, not out	... 13
Elliot ii, b Herden	... 0
Sundries	... 8
	173

Bowling: Cox, 6 for 16; Hingst i, 4 for 9.

v. LA SALLE, December 2nd. Won by 147 runs.

In thundery and showery weather, we met La Salle for the second time. Cox and Hingst i were undeniable, the field made no mistake, and La Salle were all out for 26. Macgregor and Counsell made 40 for the first wicket, the former in very good style, the latter rather flukily. Hingst ii (12), Dowe ii (22), and Harris i (13 not out) all batted well; while Cox followed his bowling performance with a neatly-made 56. Scores:—

La Salle.	
Crossin, b Cox	... 7
Herden, c Hingst i, b Cox	... 0
Fleming, b Hingst i	... 10
Buxton, c Elliot ii, b Cox	... 4
Britton, c Macgregor, b Hingst i	... 0
McShane, c Macgregor, b Hingst i	... 1
Rooney, b Cox	... 0
Rummary, b Cox	... 2
Ward	... 0
Marsh, c Barnes i, b Hingst i	... 0
Hiscox, not out	... 0
Sundries	... 2
	26

School.	
Macgregor, b Buxton	... 20
Counsell, b Hiscox	... 22
Thompson, b Hiscox	... 0
Hingst i, b Crossin	... 12
Cox, b Crossin	... 56
Brett, b Buxton	... 11
Hingst i, c McShane, b Buxton	... 4
Dowe ii, c Ward, b Crossin	... 22
Barnes i, c Britton, b Crossin	... 5
Harris i, not out	... 13
Elliot ii, b Herden	... 0
Sundries	... 8
	173

SECOND ELEVEN.

v. LA SALLE 2nd XI., Oct. 28th. Won by innings and 95 runs.

La Salle made a disastrous start, losing five wickets before a run was scored, and totalling only 35. Our batsmen did better, reaching 155 (Livingstone, 32 not out; Tooth, 29; Croker, 22; White, 21). La Salle's second innings produced only 25, leaving us easy winners.

Bowling:—Barnes iii, 6 for 23; Barnes ii, 4 for 9; Findlay i, 6 for 8; Barnes i, 4 for 12.

v. LA SALLE (Mixed 1st and 2nd), Nov. 11th. Won by 15 runs.

This was a much closer and more enjoyable match. School, 1st innings, 77 (Findlay i, 27; Tooth, 13). For La Salle, Buxton played a good innings for 30, and almost won the match for his side. Total, 62. Our second try yielded 121—Tooth (51 not out) and White (20) showing good form.

Bowling:—Barnes iii, 2 for 30; Barnes ii, 4 for 18; Barnes i, 4 for 8.

v. LA SALLE (Mixed 1st and 2nd), Nov. 18th. Lost by 65 runs.

After disposing of La Salle for 57, a very good performance, our batting failed badly. We lost three wickets without a run; Barnes i (11) and Barnes ii (11 not out) were the only batsmen who showed any form whatever, and our total was only 40. The bowling and (in some cases) the fielding were good enough to dispose of La Salle at their second attempt for 86; but our batting again went to pieces. No man reached double figures.

Bowling:—Barnes iii, 6 for 49; Barnes ii, 5 for 34; Barnes i, 2 for 36, Elliot i, 6 for 20.

v. LA SALLE 1st and 2nd, Nov. 25th. Lost by 23 runs.

The bowlers again did their work well, disposing of La Salle for 71 runs, though the fielding was slack and many catches were dropped. Findlay, 5 for 15; and Elliot i, 3 for 11, were most successful. Our batting was very poor. White (12), Livingstone i (9 not out), and Tooth (8) alone showed any form. The other eight made 10 runs between them, and the total was 48.

v. LA SALLE 2nd, Dec. 2nd. Won.

School batted first and made 78 (Barnes iii, 17; Barnes ii, 14; Findlay i, 13; Croker 11). La Salle replied with 44, of which Mahony made 21, the only double-figure score. Barnes ii and Barnes i divided the wickets.

La Salle followed on, and principally through Schmidt (41) ran up 75, leaving us 42 to get to win. We lost three wickets in doing this, Croker (13) and Findlay (21 not out) making most of the runs. Won by seven wickets.

THIRD ELEVEN.

v. PUBLIC SCHOOL 1st XI., Oct. 24th. Won by 20 runs.

School 42 (Elliot i 21 not out, Livingstone i 10 not out). Public School, 22 and 8 for 47. Elliot i took 7 wickets, Livingstone 10 wickets.

v. LA SALLE (Mixed 2nd and 3rd), Nov. 11. Lost by 4 runs.

A very exciting match. School were nine runs behind on the first innings (50 v. 59), and, doing better in the second, declared with 78 for eight wickets. La Salle just managed to get the runs, being all out for 73.

Harris ii, 22 and 19; McIntosh, 14; Elliot i, 16; Smith i, 16, batted best; and Elliot i took eight wickets, Findlay ii seven, Davidson i three.

v. PUBLIC SCHOOL 1st XI., Nov. 18th. Won by 94 runs.

School made 143 and one wicket for 23; Public School 49 and 129. Our batsmen were in good form; Fraser 35 not out, McIntosh 37 not out and 11 not out, Booker 22, and Fisher 20, made most of the runs. The wickets were divided, but in the Public School's second innings the bowling was noticeably slack.

v. PUBLIC SCHOOL 1st XI., Nov. 25th. Won by 86 runs.

First innings, School 80 (McIntosh 22, Booker 13), Public School 92. Our bowling in this innings was lazy. At the second attempt we got 113 for one wicket (Booker 50, Fisher 45 not out, Fraser 12 not out) and declared. This time our bowlers made no mistake, and the Public School second inings totalled only 15.

v. LA SALLE 3rd, Dec. 2nd. Won.

La Salle were disposed of in their first innings for 35, though several easy catches were missed. Findlay ii bowled well. We got 88 (McIntosh, 23; Davidson i, 17; Smith i, 14) and dismissed La Salle at their second attempt for 21, Davidson i assisting Findlay ii with the bowling. Won by an innings and 32 runs.

 BIG JUNIORS.

v. PUBLIC SCHOOL, Nov. 7th. Won by an innings and 6 runs.

School 122 (Smith i 26 not out, Findlay ii 25 not out, Davidson i 13 not out). Public School 53 and 63. Findlay ii took 10 wickets, Davidson i 5.

v. PUBLIC SCHOOL, Nov. 14th. Lost by 70 runs.

A complete reversal in form from last match. Neither our batsmen nor our bowlers could do much. Scores: School 36, Public School 106.

JUNIORS.

v. PUBLIC SCHOOL, Oct. 25th. Lost by 10 runs.

School 60 (Hill 26 not out, Wilson ii 10), Public School 70. Campbell, Dowe i, and Coupland divided the wickets.

v. LA SALLE JUNIORS, Oct. 28th. Won by 19 runs.

School 73 and 65 (Hill 21 and 13, Campbell 14, Morrison 19 not out, Wyndham 15). La Salle, 55 and 64. Campbell took 7 wickets, Morrison 9.

v. PUBLIC SCHOOL, Nov. 8th. Lost by 22 runs.

School 42 (Campbell 12 not out), Public School 64. An uninteresting match, in which neither side did well.

v. LA SALLE JUNIORS, Nov. 11th. Lost by 24 runs.

Our success in getting La Salle out for 21 in the first innings led to over-confidence and subsequent downfall. Scores: La Salle 21 and 125; School 43 and 79 (Sheehy 14, Abbott 13 and 23, Wyndham 15). Dowe i took 11 wickets.

v. PUBLIC SCHOOL, Nov. 15th. Won by 30 runs.

After two beatings, this team succeeded in getting a good win from the Public School Juniors. School 65 (Borthwick ii 24, Campbell 13, Blomfield 13); Public School 35. Campbell took 6 wickets.

v. LA SALLE JUNIORS, Nov. 18th. Won by 31 runs.

School 95 (Hill 18, Morrison 15 not out, Zillman 15, Dowe i 11). La Salle 74. Blomfield took 6 wickets.

v. LA SALLE JUNIORS, Nov. 25th. Won by 52 runs on first innings.

This was Campbell's match. He took six wickets and made 65 runs in the first innings. The second innings was disastrous. Zillman was the only man who could bowl, nobody at all could bat. We were lucky in that time saved us from being beaten.

Boxing.

The Boxing Tournament was successfully brought to a close at the beginning of this term. Findlay i is champion of the School, Hingst i middleweight champion, Livingston i lightweight champion, Harris i bantam-weight champion, and Campbell feather-weight champion.

Mr. Harry Morse (an Old Boy) refereed throughout, and at the

end of the tournament was given three cheers for his valuable and generous aid.

Following are the contests continued from last issue:—

HEAVY-WEIGHT (Final).

Findlay i v. Elliot ii.—Findlay i easily out-matched his opponent and won easily.

MIDDLEWEIGHT.

Hingst i and Waters ii.—Won by Hingst i, after a good bit of give-and-take; very good contest.

Counsell, owing to weak back, forfeited to Hingst, who was declared champion.

LIGHT-WEIGHT.

The lightweight championship was finished last term, and won by Livingston i.

BANTAM-WEIGHT.

Sheehy v. Hawke.—Won by Sheehy.

Harris v. Sheehy (Final).—This contest was looked forward to, as they had met before and boxed a draw. After a very good bout, Harris i won, to the mutual satisfaction of everyone. Harris i was therefore declared champion of his weight.

FEATHER-WEIGHT (Final).

Campbell v. Borthwick ii.—Won by Campbell, who was declared feather-weight champion.

Tennis.

Mr. Roberts has taken Mr. Ritchie's place as tennis master this term, and has been trying to arrange matches for the four. So far, he has been unsuccessful. Evidently, the other teams consider our four too strong.

The competitions were proceeded with, and the Senior Doubles Handicap was won by Stacy and Barnes ii from Harris and Cox. The Junior Doubles Handicap was won by Harris ii and Booker and Senior Championship by Croker.

The second round, semi-finals, and finals have been completed in the Senior Championship. Croker won from Williams, after a very close game in final, and so became Captain.

The following is the result of the Senior Championship:—

Second Round:

Croker v. Brett—6-3, 6-4.
 Borthwick v. Hingst i—6-4, 6-1.
 Williams v. Barnes ii—6-2, 6-1.
 Macgregor (a bye).

Semi-final:

Croker v. Macgregor—6-5, 6-2.
 Williams v. Borthwick i—6-5, 7-5.

Final:

Croker v. Williams—6-5, 5-6, 8-6.

Camera Club.

Meetings have been regularly held during the term, and monthly competitions have also been carried out.

Lantern slides have been hired on Saturday nights from Lean and Co., Sydney, and lantern evenings have been held and have been very well attended. The proceeds go to the Belgian or any other War Fund. Waters i is the operator, and Olver and Dowe ii have taken turns in lecturing. Several good series have been obtained, but perhaps the best were a series of "The Present War." Our thanks are due to the Matron and Miss Ingall for the fine, large sheet with which they have provided us.

Two competitions have been held so far—

- (1) Any Phase of School Life.
- (2) Landscape.

The first has been won by Davidson ii, with Thompson second. The second has not yet been judged.

Some felt has been bought for fixing up the Dark-room, and two red glasses or the Dark-room lamps.

Waters i and Thompson, assisted by other members, have succeeded, with the aid of the felt, in making the Dark-room dark again, and Waters i has fitted up the enlarging apparatus.

The membership of the Club at present is very large, there being about thirty members. This is perhaps the largest membership the Club has ever had, and we hope it will be the same next year.

Mr. Harvey very generously gave the money for the prizes of the second competition, and we thank him heartily.

Office-Bearers.

Head of the House—C. A. Stacy.

Captain of the School—L. R. Olver.

Senior Prefects—C. A. Stacy, H. C. Hingst.

Junior Prefects—J. P. Findlay, F. Brett, L. R. Olver,
C. M. Counsell.

School Club Committee—L. R. Olver (ex officio), H. C. Hingst,
C. M. Counsell, J. P. Findlay, J. R. Barnes, J. A.
Croker, F. Brett.

Captain of Cricket—H. C. Hingst.

Cricket Committee—H. C. Hingst, F. Brett, C. M. Counsell.

Tennis Committee—H. C. Hingst, C. M. Counsell, J. A. Croker.

Captain of Tennis—J. A. Croker.

Swimming Committee—J. R. Barnes, F. G. Elliot, R. V. Barnes.

Library Committee—C. A. Stacy, L. R. Olver, H. C. Hingst.

Magazine Committee—The Editor (F. A. Jennings, Esq.), L. R.
Olver, P. S. Dowe (Secretary).

Camera Club Committee—President, The Headmaster; C. C.
Harvey, Esq., L. R. Olver, F. G. Elliot, J. R. Barnes,
K. C. Waters, P. S. Dowe (Secretary).

N.B.—All communications with regard to Cricket should be sent to Mr. Oxford; Swimming and Tennis, to Mr. Roberts; Library and Cadet Corps, to Mr. Gale; T.A.S.O.B. Union to Mr. R. G. K. Waley, 63 Pitt-street, Sydney; "Armidalian," to the Editor (F. A. Jennings).

Lieutenant F. R. Foster, whose portrait appears on another page of this issue, was Captain of the School and winner of the Rawson Cup in 1909. Since leaving the School, he has been at Abington with his father, recently taking over the management. He sailed for England at the end of last year, and entered the Officers' Training Corps of the R.F.A. In the final examination he was placed very high on the list, and all through his career gained special commendation. He was wounded in an artillery engagement only two weeks after going to the front, but after three weeks in the Hospital has returned (some six weeks ago now) to the firing-line. His career at School was a distinguished one, and when he was leaving the then Headmaster said of him in his Report: "Australia need never fear while she breeds such sons." He has the best wishes of the School that he may yet perform many valiant feats with the "18-pounder" that he has at present under his management!

School Notes.

We regret to have to chronicle the departure of Messrs. Oxford and Bethell. The former has been with us for 5½ years, and has been invaluable in work and cricket. In School he has worked hard and successfully, and in cricket he has taken great interest in all the teams and has brought the cricket standard up to a high pitch, while the performances of the Dramatic Club under his able direction have been a noteworthy and most enjoyable feature of our Mid-Winter reunions. Mr. Bethell has only been here a short time, but he has worked hard and brought up the standard of the French language. Mr. Oxford goes to Melbourne Grammar School, and Mr. Bethell is going to offer his services to the French Government as an interpreter. We wish them both the very best of luck.

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Congratulations to Elliot ii on gaining his Full-Colours for Athletics.

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We wish to thank Mr. and Mrs. Cox (Gostwyck) for the most enjoyable time they gave the wool-classing boys on the 15th November.

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The end of the term will be made interesting this time by two events: the competitions for the Everett and Cox Cups. The Everett Cup is for the best squad in the Cadets. Several practices have been held out on the range in connection with the Cox Cup on Saturday mornings. On the whole, the scores were very fair, considering the ammunition was at times faulty.

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Once again we are able to indulge in swimming. It will be remembered last year our swimming was interrupted by the shortage in the water supply. This year, however, with all the rain, we should have an uninterrupted season. The School have jointly rented the baths with De La Salle College, and we are able to go down three times a week. Owing to the delay in commencing, the carnival has been postponed till next term.

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The Camera Club has given some very interesting lantern lectures on Saturday nights, the proceeds going to the Belgian Fund. They are spoken of later in the Camera Club Notes.

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Owing to the Exams., the Debating Society has been rather neglected. However, we hope to see it revived again after Christmas.

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Congratulations to Barnes i, Elliot ii, and Barnes ii on their election to the Swimming Committee.

This year we sent candidates to both Leaving and Intermediate Certificate Exams. We wish them all the best of luck.

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Owing to the coal strike, the First XI. were unable to enjoy their annual visit to "Ollera." The team, however, wish to thank Mr. and Mrs. Everett for the nice lot of cakes they most generously sent down to them.

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At the last Sports, Mrs. Johnstone very kindly consented to present the prizes, and we wish to thank her very much. After the presentations Miss Dorothy Perkins presented Mrs. Johnstone with a bouquet of flowers (the School colours) tied with a streamer of School ribbon. Mrs. Johnstone was then given three cheers.

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On the night of our Merit Holiday, the Head allowed us to go to the pictures to see Rex Beach's book, "The Ne'er Do Well," screened. We all enjoyed ourselves very much indeed. A certain well-known critic on "movies" remarked that Nos. 1 and 2 Dormitories "were far too young to understand it."

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Again our Q. Babies have been amusing themselves. This time, by playing trains. When the coal strike was on, they very seriously thought of offering themselves as engines; and were practising assiduously in the dorms. by running up and down making noises they supposed were like engines. We hope they'll soon recover from their disillusion.

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It is rumoured that a certain well-known identity of the School—the "School Muck-up"—has taken to sleeping in the printing-room.

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The cherry season has come again. We have noticed that some of the smaller boys haven't been looking too cheery about it.

Answers to Correspondents.

"Day Go."—Cruel of you to speak of your "marshall" friend's waist measurement. Who is minus a chest? So Tim is best at Maths. now. Well! well!

"Nig."—Your medley quite spoilt when you refer to a class-mate as a "ginger-haired pup."

"Abo."—"Big, bulgy bear" is certainly alliterative; otherwise, your effort quite non-sensical. More lines about "chest," which seems to be becoming as great a nuisance as the "Town-clock" used to be.

"A.P.F."—Who is the ice-cream specialist? Glad you've found another warbler—there is still room in the choir.

"P. Soll."—Now Forms IV. and V. have learnt to box the compass: you should be quite all right. Otherwise the Editor's blue-pencil goes through most of your effusion.

"K. Seen O."—So Armidale is the "whole" of the North, eh? Perhaps your spelling is faulty, judging from your remarks about the "donkeys who wish to live there."

"Gerald."—Glad you think the "Masters are not a bad lot." We quote two of your lines:—

"Y stands for Yah, who likes his ki-ki,
Z stands for Zillman, who hails from Mackay."

Beautiful!

"Mermaid."—"X stands for exertion: oh! for a fan," is at least ingenious in a rhyming alphabet. Thank you, I'm quite well, though rather tired of "Z stands for Zillman."

"Tennis Expert."—Perhaps his numerous toilet accessories helped to ensure his success. Anyhow, Alpine Snow at least sounds cooling, and the gentleman comes from a warmish place.

"Peter."—Not even a goat would try your cure for swollen head.

"A.L.N."—Verses very flowery, but below your usual standard.

Editor's Note.—A very creditable number of contributions were forwarded, but continual references to "chests," "uniforms," "unloaded cameras," "condescension," "ears," etc., kill the few attempts at originality.

The Armidale School Old Boys' Union.

Objects: To encourage intercourse and fellowship among all past members of the School, and to promote in any way possible the interests of the School.

The subscription is 5s. a year. Life-membership costs £5.

Every member of the Union receives, without additional subscription, the School magazine, published four times a year.

Boys upon leaving School should leave their names for enrolment as members with the Head Master, or they should communicate with the Hon. Secretary, Mr. R. K. Waley, 63 Pitt-street, Sydney, or with the Armidale Branch Secretary, Mr. H. J. Morse, Beardy-street, Armidale.

Exchanges.

Alleynian, Ascham Charivari, Brisbane Grammar School Magazine, Brisbane University Magazine, Corian, Christ's College Register, Excelsior, Haleburyian, Hawkesbury Agricultural Journal, King's School Magazine, Melburnian, N.E.G.S. Chronicle, Nelsonian, Newingtonian, Pauline, Pegasus, Record, St. Peter's College Magazine, Sydneian Southportonian, Torch-bearer, Waitakian (2).

Special Notice.

The Editor will esteem it a favour if any old scholar not in regular receipt of his magazine will communicate, giving full name and address, with

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