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## EDITORIAL.

 Presenting this, our last number for 1905, to our readers we do not find that a great flow of language is ready to express our 'editorial' thoughts. The School round proceeds on the even tenor of its way, and the near approach of the holidays is dimmed by the still nearer and less welcome examinations. Possibly it is the thought of the latter which has to a certain extent hampered the editorial staff in their efforts to provide entertainment for their readers, and we will take it kindly if any lapse observed by critical readers be ascribed to that cause. Our constant, and now almost pathetic, requests for original matter from some of our number meet with no satisfactory response, and we are told "What's the good of writing anything for you, you never put it in!" To whom we reply "Write something worth putting in and in it will go, but don't think we are so hard up as to put in anything we are given, regardless of literary merit." But—'back to our muttons.' We congratulate the shooting team on again defeating all the Sydney schools except the redoubtable Newington, and condole with them on having

such a shocking day for the Empire Competition. The absence of Mr. Carley (whom we are glad to see back in good health) was a great loss to the team during practice. Cricket is going ahead bravely, though the eleven find difficulty in getting matches owing to the extraordinary apathy of local cricketers and their inability to form a club to play senior cricket. The sports, which are fully described, were blest by a fine day, and were very successful in consequence. A full account will be found in our columns.

To all our readers: A Merry Xmas and a Happy New Year!

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### SCHOOL NOTES.

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The Revd. C. N. Mell, formerly a master in the School, and editor-in-chief of the Magazine, was married in September last to Miss Rhoda Tollis, of East Maitland. "Billy" Beeston supported the bridegroom. Mr. Mell is now working in the Tumut District. We wish him all happiness in his married life.

Numerous and varied were the experiences of the members of the football team at the ball to which they were invited when at Toowoomba. One member, it seems, to escape from the intent gaze of the young ladies (he must have been good-looking), is reported to have made his escape by the fire escape. Others had many compliments paid them chiefly about their large feet on which somebody seemed always to be treading, though if the truth were known the shoe was on the other foot. More than one poor individual was seen wandering round the room with a programme in his hand looking as if he has lost something good, and on being asked what is up, asks "do you no who this is?" and shows a programme with a name such as U.N.G., she had funny looking eye-brows and a green bow on a red dress, etc.

During the trip to Toowoomba one of the team, not satisfied with his achievements at football, tried to show his form at high jumping over a barb wire fence, with terrible results both to his trousers and to himself, for unfortunately he got hooked up like a trussed fowl, and had to be extricated with great difficulty by his mates.

Almost half the school went to the Hospital Ball this year, which happened to fall on the first night after the Michaelmas holidays were over; since this was so, several of our dancing artists who had not yet returned to school were unable to fulfil their engagements, much to the annoyance of their intended partners.

None of the editorial staff were present, so those who went had a good time free from the quizzing eyes of the paper-men.

During the term a sale of old cricket material took place. Our Premier George Rxxd was well to the fore with yes-no, but failed to buy anything suitable to his policy.

We can now fully understand the fascination of horse racing. On Saturday night, Nov. 18th, Blue Spec, our promising cow, was ridden to a standstill by one of our very best jockies. Right down the straight he came, followed by the shouts of thousands, but on reaching the judges' box, the jockey was requested to take his departure by his "chief." If horse racing is half so exciting, it is a grand sport.

We are very pleased to see "Billy" Gale and "Chuck" Wharton doing so well in athletics. Billy has been piling up mighty scores on the cricket field, while "Chuck" represented T.K.S. in the all schools mile team. We wish them every success at their new schools.

Gale and Blaxland also had the honour of being picked in the All Schools 1st XI. against University.

During the term the whole school, with the exception of three, went to hear a lecture on "The Gods of Japan" by Colonel Bell, who was, so we were told, the "silver tongued orator from across the Pacific." He told the boys in the front rows that he was very glad to see the future Premiers and Legislators of the Commonwealth had come to hear him, at which they did not quite know whether to feel flattered or insulted. George R—d was seen to blush when he mentioned Premiers.

Several fights have been in the air lately, and one indeed took place in the usual locale. It was very fierce and exciting, more especially for those who were looking on, for the combatants themselves did not seem to understand how amusing and interesting it was. Anyhow all the effects have gone down and things are resuming their usual colour again. The other fight which did not come off, however, would only have lasted a short time, as the challenger only offered to "take a round out of him," and he is noted for doing all he does with great quickness.

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The victorious team which went to Toowoomba had their photograph taken there. The artist enlarged it to such an extent that in order to show it off properly, a special room will have to be built so that it can be hung up on one of the sides as there would be no room for anything else.

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One of our budding chemists who was trying to discover the effect of sulphuric acid on the skin succeeded beyond his expectations, and can now safely affirm that it "burns and chars," the action being accompanied by some inconvenience to the discoverer.

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The plaiting industry has obtained a firm hold, and large companies have been formed which are quite willing to supply the whole of the civilised world if necessary with belts, watch chains, stock-whip handles, riding whips, braces, watch holders, knife cases, etc., all of the very best quality from the very best hides. The prices would of course vary with the "hide" of the seller.

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Swimming has already started, and the baths are always well attended on Saturday morning.

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At the present time G. W. Macartney is in the throes of the Senior Examination. He has all our best wishes, and we hope his spell in the sick-room immediately before the Examination won't have a prejudicial effect.

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We heartily congratulate Mr. Hartley on his recent success in his examination for Lieutenant. He obtained very high percentages in all parts, being distinguished in drill and tactics, and obtaining honours in topography and map-reading; below are the exact percentages of each subject:—

Drill—Theoretical .. ..	87 per cent.
Practical .. ..	87 "
Tactics .. ..	88 "
Regimental Duties .. ..	65 "
Topography and Map Reading—	
Theoretical .. ..	97 per cent.
Practical .. ..	83 "

We are very pleased to see the names of A. M. Martyn and C. A. Anderson figuring in examinations held at the same time. Martyn, of the Sydney University Scouts, passed for Captain, being 'distinguished' in tactics, and obtaining 'special mention.' C. A. Anderson, of the 1st N.S.W. Scottish Rifles, passed for 2nd Lieutenant.

#### SALVETE.

Form IV.—*R. W. G. Moxon.*  
*P. J. E. Demuth.*  
*K. D. Turton.*  
Form I.—*L. Turton.*

#### CHAPEL NOTES.

On Sunday morning, Nov. 19th, the following boys were confirmed by the Lord Bishop of the Diocese:—

H. Anderson, W. F. Buchanan, J. Chisholm, E. Creer, F. Curtis, T. de Burgh, A. Hooper, A. T. M'Dougall, J. B. M'Dougall, T. Pickburn, G. F. Stopford, F. Simpson, C. W. Taylor, O. Tooth, V. Turner, M. Williams, E. Young. The offertory amounted to £1 13s. 8d., half of which goes to the Church Extension Fund.

On Sunday, Oct. 22nd, there was a special offertory in aid of the Church Extension Fund, which amounted to £1 12s. 1d.

#### CHAPEL BALANCE SHEET, Dec., 1904—Nov., 1905.

RECEIPTS.			EXPENDITURE.		
	£	s. d.		£	s. d.
By Balance .. ..	23	11 5	Organist .. ..	4	4 0
Offertories .. ..	26	0 11	Paling .. ..	1	8 8
Boys' Subscriptions—			Lassetter .. ..	2	5 7
Ross Memorial	4	18 6	D. Jones .. ..	3	15 0
			Ryan .. ..	4	0 0
			Gas.. ..	4	0 8
			J. Richardson .. ..	6	9 0
			Choir, etc... ..	1	18 8
			Beard, Watson—Ross Mem.	5	3 6
			Balance .. ..	21	5 10
			Examined and found		
			correct.	£54	10 11
			W. FISHER.		
			N. W. BUCKMAN.		

## FOOTBALL.

On Saturday, Aug. 26th, the 1st XV, received a forfeit from Hillgrove, owing to that club not being able to get a team to make the journey.

On Sept. 2nd the Wallaroo were unable to get a full team to play the 1st XV, so by forfeiting the match, and prevailing upon some local players, they played us a scratch match, the game resulting in a win by 16-9.

From the start the Wallaroos pressed hard and School had to force several times in quick succession. Higinbotham relieved by a good kick down the line, the ball going out inside the visitor's 15. From a scrum at the centre, Arnott secured, transferred to Jenkins, to Higinbotham, to Henderson who scored in the corner. Jenkins failed to add the extra points—3-0. Soon after the kick out Arnott took a pot but it was unsuccessful, Wallaroos forcing.

After some loose play near the visitors' line, Dalzell picked up and crossed, White failing at goal. Half time, School 6, Wallaroos 0. Within 5 minutes of starting again Wallaroos scored but failed to convert—6-3 in favour of School. Jenkins used the line with good effect, putting in some fine kicks. Menzies marked near the 25 and Arnott kicked a fine goal—School 10, Wallaroos 3. Soon after the kick out Syme secured and after a fine run scored behind the posts when Jenkins missed an easy kick, School 13-3. Arnott taking a mark, White tried at goal but was unsuccessful. One of the Wallaroos following the kick out secured and after a good run, scored; no points were added—13-6. F. White and Arnott put in a nice bit of passing, resulting in Arnott scoring, Taylor missed an easy kick. Just before time Wallaroos again scored, but failed to convert. Though School won, the score should have been larger, since not one try was converted and several easy kicks were missed.

## VISIT OF THE 1st XV. TO TOOWOOMBA.

We arrived at Toowoomba at about 5 o'clock on Friday afternoon, Sept. 15th, to play our first football match against the Grammar School. It was a most enjoyable visit in every way. Mr. Purves and several of the Toowoomba boys met us at the

station. Jenkins ma, Young ma, and Williams stayed with friends in the town, but the rest of us and Mr. Skuse were all very kindly put up by the school, the boys sleeping at Miss Healy's boarding-house, which is quite close to the school, and going up to the school for meals. We were treated most kindly in every way. Mr. and Mrs. Purves, Mr. Leadbeater, Dr. Harris, and Mrs. Ward were particularly good to us throughout our visit, and we are very grateful to them for their kindness.

After tea we went to the Toowoomba Old Boys' Dance, and though we were tired after our long journey, had a good time. Twelve of the team danced and the rest looked on, but we all enjoyed being present and appreciated the Old Boys' kindness in inviting us.

The next morning and Sunday morning we spent in exploring the town and the district round, some of us going down the range.

On Saturday night, those of us who were wise enough not to go to the Chinese Opera, were entertained at a concert in the Big School. Mrs. Ward, Mr. Leadbeater, and the boys sang, and afterwards Mr. Purves showed us some lantern slides.

We left by the mid-day train on Sunday having had a splendid time all round.

## THE MATCH.

Macartney lost the toss, and White ma kicked off. A nasty wind was blowing across the ground, and it was some time before either side could do anything. The Armidale forwards, who were much heavier than the Toowoomba forwards, gradually worked the ball into their opponents' twenty-five, and Arnott almost scored. After 15 minutes uninteresting play Young secured from the scrum and passed to Arnott, to Higinbotham, to Jenkins, to Anderson, who dashed over the line and scored. It was a very pretty piece of combined play, quite the best in the first half. White failed at goal. Soon afterwards Arnott picked up and passed to Jenkins, who scored in a good position, but White kicked under the bar. Henderson intercepted a pass, and showing great pace made a dash for the Armidale line, but was unsupported. Just before half time Toowoomba were penalized, and White kicked a goal—9-0. Armidale attacked almost throughout the second half. Jenkins scored again, then Arnott, Syme ma, and lastly Menzies. Anderson made some fine runs

along the left wing, and only just failed to score three or four times. White ma kicked a fine goal from one try, but the other kicks were miserable failures, and the final score was 23-0. Of the backs Anderson and Arnott were the best, the former showing great dash, and the latter playing a really splendid game all round. He was easily the best player on the field. Higinbotham and Jenkins played fairly well, but their passes often went astray. Young ted Arnott well, and Syme made two good runs. The forwards all did good work, but they were often slow in heeling; probably the long journey, the dance and the hot day had a good deal to do with it. Macartney and Menzies were the pick; Walker ma showed out well, but he wouldn't pass. The Toowoomba team were greatly handicapped owing to their Captain being unable to play, and they were very light, but they played pluckily and got the ball from the scrum almost as often as Armidale did. They possessed plenty of dash, but practically no combination. Henderson, Cameron, Bernays and Kent all played well, especially Kent.

Mr. D. Allman refereed.

#### FOOTBALL CHARACTERS.

- C. V. Gale* ('05).—Full-back. Good kick and fair tackler; inclined to hold on too long. (Left at June).
- P. L. Taylor* ('05).—Full-back. Good kick and very fair tackler; picks up very cleanly.
- H. S. Anderson* ('05).—Wing three-quarter. Showed excellent form during the second half of the season; possesses any amount of dash, and takes his passes well; fair kick and tackler.
- E. J. Jenkins* ('05).—Centre three-quarter. Very promising for the future; good kick; fair tackler.
- H. Higinbotham* ('05).—Centre three-quarter. Also very promising; does not get going quickly enough; very fair kick and tackler.
- S. Syme* ('05).—Wing three-quarter. Lacks experience; possesses any amount of pace, and dodges well; poor kick.
- P. S. Arnott* ('05).—Half-back. A really good all-round player; kicks, tackles, and passes well.
- C. E. Young* ('05).—Half-back. Very promising; very fast; passes well at times.
- G. Macartney* ('03, '04, '05).—Captain. Forward. A good, hard-working forward and strong tackler; has done splendid work as Captain.
- R. D. Wharton* ('04, '05).—Forward. Good, heavy forward; very useful in the scrum. (Left at June).

- S. Menzies* ('04, '05).—Forward. A really good forward in the open; works hard; sets a good example in going back to the assistance of the outsides.
- B. White* ('04, '05).—Forward. Very good forward; pushes well in the scrum; strong tackler; splendid kick.
- D. P. Dalzell* ('05).—Forward. Very good in the open and on the line-out; dribbles well.
- S. Wiseman* ('05).—Forward. Hard-working; very useful on the line-out.
- M. Williams* ('05).—Forward; much improved; very useful on the line-out.
- B. Walker* ('05).—Forward. Good worker; should be very useful in the future.
- F. White* ('05).—Forward. Very promising; kicks and tackles well.
- M. Maxwell*.—Forward. Plays a good, sound game.

#### FOOTBALL RETROSPECT.

Though throughout the winter football has been much interfered with by sickness and accidents, we can congratulate ourselves on having had the most successful season for several years. Accidents prevented us from carrying out our Sydney tour, but we ended up the season by a most enjoyable and successful trip to Toowoomba. We did not play a match in August. Of 8 matches played, 5 were won, 2 drawn, and 1 lost. We scored 64 points against 20.

Gale at full-back played very promisingly, but he left us at June, and we were very lucky in finding such an excellent substitute in Taylor ma. Our three-quarters were all new to the 1st XV., but they quickly improved. Anderson ma showed excellent form, and so did Syme ma, but the latter lacks experience at present. Higinbotham and Jenkins ma were rather unreliable against heavy teams, but next year when they have more weight we expect great things of them. Arnott ma at half was a host in himself, and Young ma did well, considering the position is quite new to him.

The forwards, led by Macartney, Menzies, White ma, and Dalzell, always did good work, but they were decidedly slow in heeling the ball to their backs. Some of them, too, never attempt to tackle, and only a few can be relied on to go back to help the three-quarters. The way they worked, however, both in the scrum and in the open against teams much heavier than themselves was throughout the season extremely praiseworthy.

## ATHLETIC SPORTS.

Not for many years has training for the sports been carried out under such unsatisfactory conditions as this year. The usual winds were with us, if anything earlier than usual, and they never left us altogether. Trial heats day and sports day were both excellent days, and in this we were lucky, but we would have been so much better pleased if we could have had a little rain earlier in the season, to enable us to roll the track, which has never been so rough and hard. Our 'trials' for Sydney did not disclose talent sufficient to justify sending down a team. Having only Higinbotham of last year's representatives, new talent had to be discovered, and the early date of the all-school sports handicaps us very much in finding competitors. Our own sports showed us that next year we should have a good team available, as all our winners in open events are young enough to justify the hope that they may be with us one, if not two more seasons. Owing chiefly to the cold weather fewer boys than usual trained regularly, and never was the advantage of training more clearly exemplified. Particularly did this become evident on trial heats' day, when some of those whom cold and wind had not deterred from training surprised all by the good form they showed. Those who just turned out for the occasion, soft from aimless loitering and sitting on hot water pipes, found themselves with no powers either for staying or sprinting. Of the events which took place previous to the sports day the steeplechase provided a wonderful finish. Menzies, after being led all the way by Curtis, secured a victory on the post by a foot. The mile showed how running goes in families, being won by Sisson, whose brother won last year. Wiseman was close up, and Slade third, while Curtis from scratch ran into 4th place a few yards behind. The half-mile furnished a grand struggle between Jenkins (80 yds.), Wilson (90 yds.) They were neck and neck all down the straight, but Wilson held his own and shook off Jenkins every time he made an effort, winning by less than a yard. Maxwell ran 3rd from scratch, losing some yards by a stumble at the top corner. Sports day produced some excellent racing, particularly in the handicaps. The Senior Cup was early seen to lie between Higinbotham and Curtis, and resulted in a victory for the former by  $11\frac{1}{2}$  points, a margin of  $1\frac{1}{2}$  over Curtis. Higinbotham, who already holds

many records, has thus established another, being the first boy to win the Senior Cup the year after winning the Junior, and he is heartily to be congratulated on a fine performance.

The Junior Cup was an easy win for Maxwell i, who, in addition to the natural advantages of unusual size and strength for his years, trained very regularly, and improved immensely during training. His 100 yards in 11 seconds was a fine performance, and leads us to hope he may do well in the future. Perhaps his best performance, apart from this, was in the broad jump, where he cleared nearly 17 feet. Curtis i ran finely in the quarter, being only one-tenth of a second behind our School record. Next year he should do well, both in this event and the mile. The Obstacle Races caused the usual amount of amusement, while the Form Team Race was the best seen for many years, the flags being transferred without a single failure. The victory of the First Form was very popular. The Form Challenge Cup was seen to lie between the Sixth Form and the Third, and resulted in the victory of the former by four points only.

We wish to take this opportunity of thanking Mrs. Cooper for kindly presenting the prizes, and also all those ladies and gentlemen who generously contributed to the prize fund, and lastly all who by their presence at the Sports gave encouragement to the competitors, and testified to their interest in the School. We hope some of those who were successful this year will be with us again, and represent us next year in Sydney, and that others also will be found to emulate the achievements of those who have left us before next Michaelmas.

## THE SPORTS.

## SCHOOL HANDICAP, JUNIOR (120 yards.)

1. Maxwell i. 2. Richard. Time 13 secs.

## BROAD JUMP, JUNIOR.

1. Maxwell i. 2. MacDougall ii. Distance 16ft. 8in.

## 150 YARDS BETWEEN 15 AND 16 (Handicap).

1. Higinbotham and Tooth i (Tie). 3. Young i. Time  $15\frac{1}{2}$  secs.

## 120 YARDS HURDLES, JUNIOR.

1. Maxwell i. 2. MacDougall ii. Time  $20\frac{1}{2}$  secs.

## BROAD JUMP, SENIOR.

1. Higinbotham. 2. Young i. Distance 19ft.  $5\frac{1}{2}$ in.

- 220 YARDS JUNIOR FOOTBALL HANDICAP.  
1. Simpson. 2. Greenup. Time 25 $\frac{1}{2}$  secs.
- 220 YARDS SENIOR FOOTBALL HANDICAP.  
1. Tooth i. 2. White i. Time 23 $\frac{3}{4}$  secs.
- 100 YARDS JUNIOR.  
1. Maxwell i. 2. Anderson ii. Time 11 secs. (Record).
- 100 YARDS SENIOR.  
1. Young i. 2. Syme i. Time 10 $\frac{3}{4}$  secs.
- 150 YARDS HANDICAP UNDER 14.  
1. Ronald. 2. Maxwell ii. Time 18 secs.
- HIGH JUMP, SENIOR.  
1. Higinbotham and Scott i (Tie). Height 5 ft. 1 in.
- SCHOOL HANDICAP, SENIOR (120 yards).  
1. Young i. 2. White i. Time 12 $\frac{1}{2}$  secs.
- 100 YARDS, UNDER 13.  
1. Wilson. 2. Jenkins ii.
- 120 YARDS HURDLES SENIOR.  
1. Anderson i. 2. Higinbotham. Time 20 $\frac{3}{4}$  secs.
- 440 YARDS, JUNIOR.  
1. Maxwell i. 2. MacDougall ii. Time 63 $\frac{3}{10}$  secs.
- 440 YARDS, SENIOR.  
1. Curtis i. 2. Anderson i. Time 57 $\frac{1}{10}$  secs.
- HIGH JUMP, JUNIOR.  
1. MacDougall ii. 2. Maxwell i. Height 4ft. 6in.
- CHOIR 150 YARDS HANDICAP.  
1. Tooth i. 1. Stephen. Time 16 $\frac{3}{10}$  secs.
- MILE RACE, SENIOR.  
1. Sisson. 2. Wiseman. 3. C. S. Slade. Time 5 min. 22 secs.
- HALF MILE, JUNIOR.  
1. Wilson. 2. Jenkins ii. 3. Maxwell i. Time 2 min. 31 secs.
- STEEPLECHASE.  
1. Mendes. 2. Curtis i. 3. Higinbotham. Time 12 min. 40 secs.
- THROWING CRICKET BALL.  
1. White i. Distance 87 yards.
- SENIOR FOOTBALL KICK.  
1. Arnott i. Distance 55yds. 1ft. 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ in.
- JUNIOR FOOTBALL KICK.  
1. Simpson. Distance 45yds. 9in.
- THREE-LEGGED RACE.  
1. Scott ii and Slade.
- SENIOR OBSTACLE RACE.  
1. Arnott i. 2. Chisholm.
- JUNIOR OBSTACLE RACE.  
1. Eastick ii. 2. Young ii.

- FORM TEAM RELAY RACE, 600 yards.  
1. 1st Form. 2. 3rd Form. 3rd 2nd Form.
- OLD BOYS' RACE, 120 yards Handicap.  
1. Johnstone.
- SENIOR CONSOLATION RACE HANDICAP.  
1. Watt i.
- JUNIOR CONSOLATION RACE HANDICAP.  
1. Payne ii.
- FORM CHALLENGE CUP.  
1. VI. Form, 48 pts. 2. III. Form, 44 pts. 3. V. Form 27 pts.
- SENIOR CUP.  
1. Higinbotham, 11 $\frac{1}{2}$  pts. 2. Curtis i, 10 pts.
- JUNIOR CUP.  
1. Maxwell i, 25 pts. 2. MacDougall, 16 pts.
- TUGS OF WAR.  
Team A Right Half Company beat team A Left Half Company.  
" B " " " B " "  
Noncadets beat Band.  
Old Boys beat School.  
School beat Prefects.

## ATHLETIC SPORTS RECORDS.

SENIOR.			
Event.	Holder.	Time or Distance.	Date.
100 yards	J. B. Sandilands,	10 $\frac{1}{10}$ secs,	1902
440 yards	J. B. Sandilands, J. White,	} 57 secs.	1901
			1903
120 yds. Hurdles	P. S. Anderson,	17 secs.	1900
High Jump	K. S. Richards,	5ft. 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ in.	1898
Broad Jump	B. Rundle,	20ft. 10in.	1903
Kicking Football	P. S. Anderson	65yds. 2ft. 5in.	1900
Throwing Cricket			
Ball	F. W. Nivison	98yds. 2ft. 8in.	1902
Mile	D. S. Anderson,	5 min. 10 secs.	1904
JUNIOR.			
Event.	Holder.	Time or Distance.	Date.
100 yards	M. Maxwell,	11 secs.	1905
440 yards	F. P. McCabe,	61 $\frac{3}{10}$ secs.	1900
120 yds. Hurdles	H. Higinbotham,	19 $\frac{3}{4}$ secs.	1903
High Jump	H. Higinbotham,	5ft. $\frac{1}{2}$ in.	1904
Broad Jump	H. Higinbotham,	17ft.	1904
Kicking Football	H. Smyth,	53yds. 4in.	1898
Half-Mile	H. Higinbotham,	2 min. 23 secs.	1904

## ATHLETIC SPORTS BALANCE SHEET.

RECEIPTS.			EXPENDITURE.		
	£	s. d.		£	s. d.
By Balance ..	16	14 3	Prizes .. ..	22	4 2
Donations ..	30	5 0	Wykes, Cartage, etc. ..	0	12 6
Boys' Subscriptions ..	10	12 6	Engraving Cup ..	0	4 0
Sale of Rosettes ..	1	19 4	Cowles and Dunn ..	0	14 0
			Apples for Obstacle Race	0	2 6
			I.N.A., Hire of Flags ..	0	10 0
			Hardy (repairs to watch)..	0	11 3
			Braund & Co. ..	1	3 0
			Town Band ..	4	4 0
			Wright, Heaton & Co. ..	0	6 0
			Dimmock, Programmes ..	3	11 0
			Hern, timber and labour..	4	2 0
			Richardson, Rosettes, etc..	2	10 2
			Anderson, Flags ..	0	8 6
			Stamps and Exchange ..	0	12 2
			Unpresented Accounts ..	1	3 6
			Balance .. ..	16	12 4
	£59	11 1		£59	11 1

B. G. LAWRENCE.

Examined and found correct,  
(Signed) N. W. BUCKMAN.

## CRICKET.

## 1st XI.

To the time of writing the 1st XI. has played four matches, resulting in one defeat and three drawn games. Our defeat at Guyra was expected, as it was our 1st match, and their team was strengthened by all the best players of the district. Of the drawn games one would certainly have been a victory, one was even, and the other would probably have been a defeat. Our batting shows distinct evidence of strength, and has the great advantage of being well sustained, that is to say it is good and reliable throughout the XI. No big scores have so far been made, but many useful double-figure innings have been played by Dalzell, Morse, Payne, and White, while Arnott has shown good style, and is likely to get some good scores soon. Now, as to bowling: Tooth is doing well, and has much more stamina, as well as control of the ball, than he had last year. Taylor is bowling fairly well, though perhaps not as well as last season, and Arnott is also useful. Beyond these three there is not a boy who can really be called a bowler. Payne's improvement in batting has synchronised with a deterioration in bowling, and White alone of the others is even a change bowler. The fielding,

so far, has been fairly good, the team being keen for Mr. Payne's fielding prize, but some fatal catches have been dropped. The throwing-in has been noticeably better than usual.

## 1st XI. v. GUYRA.

Our opening match was played at Guyra on October 21st, when we met the Guyra team, considerably strengthened by the inclusion of three Chisholms, from Balderslie. Winning the toss, we elected to bat, but found the wicket very bad, ball after ball either bumping or shooting. Mr. Skuse, who went in with Dalzell, received a painful blow on his thumb, and then a severe crack in the ribs. The first wicket fell at 13, and two others quickly followed, but Payne rendered Dalzell useful assistance, till the latter fell to a shooter, having played well for his runs. Morse, who was making his first appearance, joined Payne, and played confidently from the start, in spite of a smack on the finger which he received shortly after his arrival. Our prospects improved, but Payne was bowled by Chisholm, and Morse did not stay much longer. None of the others did anything, and we only totalled 83. The batting of our side was satisfactory under the circumstances, as the wicket was positively dangerous. Guyra began fairly well, but we had three of them out for 43 before lunch. On resuming, we found it impossible to defeat the rest for a score smaller than ours, and their total reached 120. Arnott and Tooth both bowled in promising style, but Taylor did well in capturing the two Chisholms. Our 2nd innings showed how well we might have done had we knocked off Lecky and Chisholm in the first innings, as Guyra had no other bowler of any merit. Dalzell and Mr. Skuse started, and soon had 40 up. Payne secured a few, and when he left Morse was joined by Mr. Lawrence. Runs came very fast, and we were soon in a position to declare, leaving our opponents 120 to make to win. Mr. Lawrence was unlucky in being bowled by what would in any case have been the last ball of the innings. His score included 5 fours. Morse again played with great confidence, and though he gave two chances his display gives great promise of usefulness for the future. Payne's batting in this match was also very satisfactory, but he must learn to stand his ground. Guyra did not take their second innings seriously, and there was a great deal of delay in coming in. At the time for drawing stumps there were two runs required, and four wickets to fall, leaving Guyra victorious by 37 runs on the 1st innings,

SCHOOL, 1st Innings.		GUYRA, 1st Innings.	
Mr. Skuse, c. l.b.w., b H. Chisholm	4	J. Starr, c L. Taylor, b Tooth	15
D. Dalzell, b Leckie	19	H. Chisholm b L. Taylor	8
Mr. Lawrance, b H. Chisholm	0	Herb. Chisholm, b L. Taylor	7
C. Taylor, b H. Chisholm	4	J. Chisholm, l.b.w., b Tooth	39
S. Payne, b Leckie	23	C. Selden, b Mr. Skuse	8
B. Morse, c Griffen, b H. Chisholm	19	A. Leckie, b Mr. Skuse	0
P. Arnott, not out	5	S. Chaffey, run out	5
L. F. Taylor, b H. Chisholm	0	W. Collier, b Tooth	3
O. Tooth, b H. Chisholm	0	Roche, b Arnott	4
K. Turton, c H. G. Chisholm, b Leckie	3	Griffen, c Morse b Arnott	7
E. Marsland, b Leckie	0	Purser, not out	12
Sundries	6	Sundries	12
<b>Total</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>120</b>

Bowling Analysis.—Mr. Skuse, 2 for 45; O. Tooth, 3 for 25; L. Taylor, 2 for 22; Arnott, 2 for 16.

SCHOOL, 2nd Innings.		GUYRA, 2nd Innings.	
Mr. Skuse, b Leckie	29	H. Chisholm, b Arnott	21
D. Dalzell, b H. Chisholm	18	Herb. Chisholm, b Tooth	31
P. Arnott, b Leckie	1	C. Selden, b Mr. Skuse	35
S. Payne, b Leckie	11	J. Starr, b Mr. Skuse	13
B. Morse, not out	41	S. Chaffey, b Tooth	0
Mr. Lawrance, b Selden	52	Joe Chisholm, not out	3
C. Taylor, } Did not bat.		Griffen, c Dalzell, b Mr. Skuse	0
K. Turton, } Innings declared		Leckie, not out	2
O. Tooth, } closed.		Purser, } Did not bat.	
L. Taylor, }		Roche, }	
E. Marsland, }		Collier, }	
Sundries	6	Sundries	15
<b>Total</b>	<b>158</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>120</b>

Bowling Analysis.—Mr. Skuse, 3 for 22; O. Tooth, 2 for 24; P. Arnott, 1 for 24.

1st XI. v. URALLA.

This match was played at the School on October 28. Our opponents were only seven in number to start with, but eventually mustered eleven. Batting first Mr. Skuse and Dalzell made an excellent start, and they were over 80 before they were separated. At lunch the score was 100 for one wicket. After lunch Dalzell was soon out for a good innings of 43, but all who followed made runs, Morse and Payne showing good form again as against Guyra. White hit up 16 very quickly, and we were able to declare at 225 for 6 wickets. On Uralla going in our old opponents, Soane and Griffen, soon got going, though both might have been out fairly early. As it was we were unable to separate them till close on time, and the game ended in a draw. Our bowling was made to look pretty foolish, and it is evident that, while we can make nice scores ourselves, we shall want a good share of luck to dismiss our opponents cheaply

SCHOOL, 1st Innings.		URALLA, 1st Innings.	
Mr. Skuse, c sub., b Griffen	36	Soane, not out	61
D. Dalzell, b Johnstone	43	Griffen, b L. Taylor	76
Mr. Lawrance, b Soane	19	Snape, not out	0
B. Morse, c McAlpine, b McAlpine	31	W. McAlpine	
jun.	31	Johnstone	
S. Payne c Murray, b Griffen	38	Mackay	
P. Arnott, c Haroldstone, b McAlpine	13	McAlpine	
McAlpine, jun.	13	Harrison	
C. Taylor, not out	2	Murray	
B. White, not out	16	Edwards	
K. Turton	did not bat	McAlpine, (jun.)	
L. Taylor	Innings declared	Sundries	10
O. Tooth	closed		
Sundries	27		
<b>Total</b>	<b>225</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>147</b>

SCHOOL v. 15 of WEST END.

Played on Nov. 11th. The West End being a junior team were allowed to bring 15 men, but they had no need of them, owing to our kindness to Dix. Winning the toss, our opponents went in to bat, and we began well by getting rid of Ruthven, brilliantly caught at point with the left hand. Dix then came in, and should have been caught before he had made 20, a straight low catch to Dalzell at third man. Profiting by his escape, he batted freely, but was shortly after lucky enough to escape again, Taylor ii at mid-on being the offender. From henceforward he monopolised the scoring, and West End were enabled to declare at 202 for 5 wickets, leaving us 1½ hours to bat. We had little hope of getting the runs, but began fairly fast, till Dalzell was caught off a bumpy ball which he tried to pull. Mr. Lawrance was bowled shortly after by a leg break, but Morse and White both did fairly well. However, at time we had lost six wickets for 109, and so were not in a good position. The absence of Mr. Skuse sorely weakened our bowling, but as it was, had Dix been caught we would probably have got the rest of the side out easily enough.

WEST END, 1st Innings.		SCHOOL, 1st Innings.	
P. Ruthven, c Morse, b Tooth	6	Mr. Lawrance, b Cooper	27
W. Gardner, c Arnott, b L. Taylor	10	D. Dalzell, c W. Tolley, b Cooper	10
W. Dix, not out	137	B. White, b Dix	20
McAulay, c and b Tooth	14	B. Morse, st. Snell, b Dix	20
J. Tolley, c Dalzell, b Taylor	8	S. Payne, b McAulay	3
McGregor, c and b White	17	C. Taylor, not out	10
Cooper, not out	0	P. Arnott, c A. Gray, b Dix	2
W. Tolley, } Did not bat.		O. Tooth, not out	5
T. Snell, } Innings declared		L. Taylor, } Did not bat.	
H. Cannen, } closed.		H. Anderson, }	
A. Gray, }		K. Turton, }	
Sundries	10	Sundries	12
<b>Total</b>	<b>202</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>109</b>

Bowling Analysis.—Tooth, 2 for 43; Taylor i, 2 for 50; B. White, 1 for 32.

1st XI. v. URALLA.

Played at Uralla on Nov. 18th. White won the toss and elected to bat. Our opening pair again distinguished themselves, and had 90 up before Mr. Skuse was unluckily bowled off his body for a good innings of 43. Dalzell, who again played well, followed shortly after, but Mr. Lawrance and Morse made a good stand. They followed each other out, and left Payne and White together when another long stand ensued, both batting well for their runs. Eventually we declared at 252 for 7, a very good score. When Uralla went in we were jubilant at getting rid of Griffin in the first over. Snape, who followed, aided by considerable luck, made a big stand with Soane, and when Arnott bowled the latter there were only forty minutes left. So well did we do then, however, that, though McAlpine hit up 17 quickly we always had a chance to win, but were just unable to do so, the ninth wicket falling as 6 o'clock struck. The match thus ended, as our last match on the ground, in a draw much in our favour. Tooth and Arnott bowled well, the former with very bad luck.

1st XI., 1st Innings.	URALLA, 1st Innings.
Mr. Skuse, b Soane .. .. 43	Soane, b Arnott .. .. 49
Dalzell, c Griffin, b McAlpine .. 47	Griffen, c Tooth, b Mr. Skuse .. 0
Mr. Lawrance, b McAlpine .. 21	Snape, c Arnott, b Tooth .. 57
Morse, b Soane .. .. 16	McAlpine, jun., run out .. 0
Payne, c Soane, b McAlpine .. 36	McNamara, c White, b Arnott .. 5
White, c Johnstone, b McAlpine 24	McAlpine, sen. .. .. 17
C. Taylor, not out .. .. 16	Murray, c Creer, b Tooth .. 2
Tooth, b Soane .. .. 9	Burley, c and b Arnott .. 4
Arnott, not out .. .. 15	Johnstone, c White, b Tooth .. 8
Creer, { Did not bat—	Edwards, not out .. .. 6
L. Taylor, } Innings declared closed.	Stephenson did not bat
Sundries .. .. 25	Sundries .. .. 8
7 wickets for 252	Nine for 156

Uralla Bowling.—McAlpine jun., 2 for 61; McAlpine, sen., 2 for 31; Soane, 3 for 53.

School Bowling.—Mr. Skuse, 1 for 47; Tooth, 3 for 51; P. Arnott, 4 for 33.

SECOND XI.

The Junior Cricket Association is now subdivided into two grades, A. and B., and our Second XI. play with the former. They are hardly strong enough to win the Competition, but have so far done better than was expected of them. Mr. Cranswick is of great assistance to them, but, like the First XI., they are short of bowling. Stephen, when he gets a length, does con-

siderable havoc, but he is unreliable. Of the others Menzies is disappointing, while neither Higinbotham nor Marsland have improved since last season. Anderson i showed some fine hitting power in the Kelly's Plains match, and Jenkins' score v. Norwoods was put up by good cricket, such as we have always known him capable of, but so seldom get from him. Creer bats well, and has met with some success, while Maxwell ii and Slade should do well before the end of the season. The fielding is not good: many do not shape at all well to catches, and are very much afraid of their shins for ground fielding. This is not as it should be, and we hope to see an improvement very soon in this respect.

2nd XI. Matches.

SCHOOL v. DUMARESQ.

—SCHOOL, 1st Innings, 95.—

Mr. Cranswick 50, Green 3, Greenup 15, Daley i 0, Menzies 0, Maxwell ii 6, Scott i 0, Macartney 0, Stephen 6, Arnott ii 2 (not out), Sisson 0. Sundries 13.

DUMARESQ, 1st Innings, 139.

W. Frost 12, J. Gordon 12, A. Belfield 8, E. Killen 2, T. Mitchell 9, W. Colmer 56, W. Hare 13, W. Cook 21, A. Killen 0, D. Mitchell 4, A. Munday 2 (not out). Bowling Analysis:—Stephen 8 for 66, Mr. Cranswick 2 for 53.

SCHOOL v. KELLY'S PLAINS.

KELLY'S PLAINS, 1st Innings, 102.

A. Lasker 12, L. Cochrane 1, P. Sewell 6, J. Cochrane 7, J. Fenton 12, W. Holtsbaum 10, J. Faint 33 (not out), A. Post 6, A. Faint 1, R. Fraser 0, W. Post 10. Bowling Analysis:—Stephen 4 for 35, Marsland 3 for 22, Mr. Cranswick 2 for 26, Higinbotham 1 for 15.

SCHOOL, 1st Innings, 109 for 5 wkts.

Mr. Cranswick 27, Jenkins 4, Anderson i 37, Creer 25 (not out), Mr. Newbery 4, Greenup 5, Higinbotham 6 (not out).

SCHOOL v. NORWOOD.

1st Innings of NORWOOD, 216.

Grantham 8, J. Murray 0, J. Johnstone 95, Burton 25, J. Quinlan 65, B. Long 2, Mackay 11 (not out), Cooper 8 (not out). Bowling Analysis:—Mr. Cranswick 5 for 69, Stephen 1 for 61.

SCHOOL, 1st Innings, 190 for 4 wkts.

Mr. Cranswick 112 (not out), Creer 8, Maxwell ii 1, Greenup 5, Jenkins i 59, Slade 1 (not out).

2nd XI. v. DUMARESQ.

Lost by 34 runs on.

School batted first, but all made a bad attempt except Mr. Cranswick and Maxwell ii.

Mr. Cranswick played good cricket for half a century, and was the only one who played with anything like confidence. Maxwell ii though he only made 6, was in for upwards of half an hour, and kept the wicket up while Mr. Cranswick made runs. Greenup was very lucky in making 15, Stephen was the next best with 6.

Dumaresq at first looked as if they would roll down quickly, but a stand was put up for the 5th wicket and our score of 95 was passed before the last few batsmen came in. One Dumaresq man who scored about 60 runs was very lucky indeed. Stephen got best bowling average, taking 8 wickets for 66. He bowled throughout the innings, and this was a very creditable performance.

#### 2nd XI. v. KELLY'S PLAINS.

Resulted in a good win for us nearly on the stroke of time. When Mr. Cranswick and Anderson were together, it looked as if we must win with plenty to spare, some of Anderson's hits being very fine, but when they were out, Creer and Greenup went so slowly that time crept on fast, and it looked as if we would have to be satisfied with a draw. However, when Greenup got out, Creer livened up and hit a couple of fours to leg which settled matters. He batted well for his runs, but wants to be livelier between the wickets.

#### 2nd XI. v. NORWOODS.

November 11th. A great game. Norwood's declared at 6 for 216, but after three wickets had fallen on our side Mr. Cranswick and Jenkins went for the Norwoods' bowling in such style that they very nearly secured a victory. Mr. Cranswick played excellently for his century, and Jenkins made some fine hits, and altogether showed very good form. Had Johnstone been caught early, as he should have been, there might have been another tale to tell.

#### 2nd XI. v. WEST END.

Played on Nov. 18th, resulting in a severe defeat. Batting first the 2nd made only 109, Mr. Cranswick being top scorer with 27, Higinbotham getting 19, while Marsland, Greenup, and Arnott ii got 15 each. They made the mistake of going out to Dix's bowling, and, having an excellent wicket-keeper behind them, suffered the penalty. On West End going in to bat, the 2nds were much rejoiced at getting rid of Dix, who made 137 not out against the 1st XI. the previous Saturday, for 6 only. But there they stopped. Aided by an enormous reach MacGregor hit everything,

and our score was soon passed, the eventual total being 220 for 6 wickets. Stephen did well under the circumstances in getting 3 wickets for 19 runs apiece.

#### SCHOOL 1st innings.

Score:—Mr. Cranswick 29, Jenkins 0, Maxwell ii 0, Greenup 12, Anderson i 0, Scott i 5, Higinbotham 19, Arnott ii 12, Slade 5 not out, Marsland 12, Stephen 2, extras 12, total 108.

#### WEST END.

Gardner 0, H. Tolley 65, Dix 6, McGregor 113, J. Tolley 15, Gray 2, W. Tolley 10 not out, total for 6 wickets 220.

#### 3rd XI.

The thirds are playing B grade in the Junior Association, and have done very creditably. They are small but are triers, and considering that the teams they meet are composed in most cases of experienced men, they have nothing to be ashamed of in their record. Waley i is an excellent captain, and is well supported by Arnott ii, White ii and Scott i. There is other promising material, but here again, as with the 2nds, fielding is the weak point and needs much attention. Boys who are keen to get on and play in the school elevens should remember that in selecting teams the committee will always choose a boy who is a fair bat and good field in preference to one who is a good bat and a bad or slovenly fieldsman. This years cricket has already shown us more than once in the matches of all three elevens that fifty runs from the bat is often not as valuable a contribution as a safely held catch.

#### 3rd XI. v. DUMARESQ II.

Lost by 40 runs.

Score: SCHOOL 1st Innings, 65 (Maxwell 31). School Second Innings, 93 for 4 wickets (Young 36 not out, Waley i 37, Arnott ii 18 not out.

DUMARESQ, 1st Innings, 105 (Fraser 29, Munday 26).

Arnott and Sisson each took 3 wickets for 16 and 17 runs respectively.

Bad fielding lost this match, added to a lack of life in attacking the bowling. The 2nd innings showed up the third in a better light.

#### 3rd XI. v. FEDERALS.

Won by 68 runs.

Score: SCHOOL 1st Innings, 131 (Waley 32, Slade 31, White ii 18, Arnott ii 14.)

FEDERALS 1st Innings, 63 (Williamson 26). Federals 2nd Innings, 5 for 47 (Williamson and Grantham, 21 each). White ii took four wickets for 7 runs, De Burgh four for 23.

Excellent batting was shown in this match by Waley and Slade, and much improved fielding throughout.



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 THE CADET CORPS.
 

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The Cadet Corps has been engaged during this half in Field Training and Musketry, and good work has been done.

On November 4th, the Shooting Team fired in the Empire Competition. The day was one of the worst for shooting that we have had, and the score, 338, was far below the general average of the Team. Corp. Morse and Cdt. Anderson, J.S., did best.

The Shooting Team went down to Sydney again this year during the Michaelmas holidays to compete for the Rawson Cup and the Schools' Shield. In each of these events we gained second place, Newington College winning both the Cup and the Shield.

Musketry, according to the Military Regulations is now going on, and judging by the scores now made, there promises to be a large number of marksmen. Mr. Newbery and Mr. Shuttlewood have kindly offered a prize for the encouragement of good shooting, which this year will be decided by the Musketry course. The winners of the average medals are Cdt N. Hays, Cdt. C. W. Taylor, and Cdt. J. S. Anderson.

The highest score in the Rawson Cup was made by Cdt. A. B. Doyle of the King's School, who thereby wins the medal offered by Captain Hartley.

The officers and N.C.O.'s of the Company have undergone some changes lately, and the following is a list:—1st Lieutenant S. M. Menzies, 2nd Lieutenant G. Macartney, Col-Sgt. B. White, Sergt. E. J. Jenkins, Sergt P. S. Arnott, Sergt. H. S. Anderson. Corporals Higinbotham H., Morse B. S., White F. F., and Dazell D. P.

We are sorry to say that there has been no Camp of Instruction this year. In these camps a good deal is learnt, and it is a matter for regret that the weather or other arrangements have stopped them of late.

Lately the M. H. Carbines of the Company were called in and we thought we were progressing when M. E. Carbines were issued in their stead. However, the latter issue appears to be quite unreliable for shooting purposes, and it reflects a certain amount of discredit on the Military authorities, to have sent out such weapons from store.

The Shooting Team was coached this year by Reservist Price of the Armidale Shooting Club, and to him our best thanks are due.

We must also thank Captain G. F. Braund, and Lieutenant S. P. Crummer for superintending the shooting on the Range and at the Targets on Nov. 4th in the Empire Match.

We cannot end this account of the doings of the Cadet Corps during the last half-year without expressing our appreciation of the hard work and energy shown by Lieut. S. M. Menzies, who, as Captain of the Shooting Team and sole officer in charge of the Company for a considerable time, has gained the respect and admiration of all ranks.

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 THE SHOOTING TEAM IN SYDNEY.
 

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## THE RAWSON CUP COMPETITION.

This Competition was shot off on the Randwick Rifle Range on October 10th. Colonel Lyster D.A.A.G. superintended the match. Five schools competed.

- 1 Newington College, 539.
- 2 Armidale School, 513.
- 3 King's School, 509.
- 4 St. Ignatius College, 508.
- 5 Scot's College, 387.

## THE SCHOOLS SHIELD.

Shot off on Oct. 11th on the Randwick Range, was spoilt by a gale of wind and rain coming on at the 600 yards, and darkness overtaking the Shooters.

- 1 Newington College, 440.
- 2 Armidale School, 374.
- 3 King's School, 365.
- 4 St. Ignatius College, 353.
- 5 Scot's College, 289.

The Rawson Cup Competition is shot at 200 and 500 yards; 7 shots at each range per man in a team of 10.

The Schools Shield is fired at 500 and 600 yards.

A match was also fired against a team of the University Scouts, which our opponents won.

After the Schools Shield match on October 11th, the Team was entertained by the Old Boys at the Theatre.



*A. P. Dutton* has left Quirindi and is now at "Wanganui," Burren Junction.

*B. Rumble* is at Foxlow, Bungendore. He hopes to visit Armidale soon, and writes with much cheerfulness and affection for his old school.

The following extract from a letter of C. C. Dangar to his father will be of interest:—"I have been making a few runs of late, my last three scores being 51, 138 not out, and 85. All on matting wickets, which I like very much, not having played on them since my old Armidale School days." The letter is written from Poona, Western India, where C. C. D. is at present quartered with his regiment.

*J. B. Sandilands* is now off to Egypt, whence we hope he will bring back the latest tips on irrigation. He is having a real good time, and will be back in Australia in March after an absence of two years.

*D. S. Anderson* is working for Oxford University. He finds Greek a great stumbling block. He hopes to join Syd. Burdekin at Merton College next October.

*Eric Hyman* was one of the representatives of New England in the cricket week in Sydney. A damaged hand prevented him doing himself justice behind the sticks. He sailed on Nov. 18th in the Omrah for the old country, where he will stay for 5 or 7 years, in the Mile district, at Manchester.

*J. Johnstone* recently passed two further portions of his law examinations. He only has one more to pass now to be a full-blown solicitor. He has also been successful in a military examination, and represented New England at cricket in Sydney. So altogether he has done well, and we offer him our congratulations all round.

*E. Hargrave* paid Armidale a visit a few days ago. He is much broader and bigger than when we saw him last. He is working on his father's station near Inverell. He hopes to be up next year for the football match.

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#### NOTICE TO OLD BOYS.

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The Cricket Match against the School will be played on December 18th. We hope there will be a good roll up.

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#### OUR CONTEMPORARIES.

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We acknowledge with thanks receipt of the following exchanges:—*Torchbearer, Newingtonian, Melburnian, The King's School Magazine, Geelong Quarterly, Toowoomba G. S. Magazine, Sydneian.*