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"Non scholae sed vitae discimus."

SCHOOL OFFICERS, NOVEMBER 1911.

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Cadets : Lieutenants—R. Christie, E. Dobbie, E. Ryburn. Colour-Sergeants—J. Hinton, N. Stead. Sergeants—Frew, Bon-thron, Carter, Hamilton, Anderson, Imlay, Catto, Forrester. Buglers—Cockroft, Kingsland.

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Middle School—

- (A) Captain, A. Reid.
- (B) Captain, G. Wild.
- (C) Captain Soar.
- (D) Captain, C. Davies.

First Year—

- (A) Captain Soar.
- (B) Captain Dobie.
- (C) Captain C. Marshall.

Football : First XV—Captain, N. Stead; Secretary, D. Frew.

Second XV—Captain, C. Carter.

Third XV—Captain, J. Imlay. Sec., S. Lamont.

Hockey : Captain, E. Ryburn; Secretary, E. Dobbie.

Fives : Secretary, N. Stead. Q. Christophers.

Middle School—Millar.

First Year—Dobie.

Library : L. Bennet.

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Editorial.

What is the function of a School Magazine? We have a clear conception of that, ourselves, if others have not. Our conception is that it should be the organ of the School, recording faithfully its annals, and also acting as a medium of expression for any contributors, be they present or past pupils. As the organ of the School it links the present with the past, strives to keep warm in the breasts of loyal Old Boys a pride in their alma mater, and we hope a continued interest. Of course we realise that Old Boys grow out of touch with the rising generation, and we are not surprised when from time to time their interest wanes; what pleasantly surprises us is the continued loyalty of distant Old Boys. May it long continue!

We have been moved to a consideration of our function by two letters from Old Boys who within the last two years have found themselves in the larger world beyond the school playground. Both, good fellows they are, express their disappointment with the last number of the "Southlandian." We, too, felt a disappointment; but what is a poor Editor to do if there is nothing forthcoming? One

advocates the use of scissors and paste. But we are not quid nuncs! We are not on the market vying with other periodicals for popularity. We do not seek subscribers beyond our own circle. As it is, we just pay our bills; no more. We have cut out the disfiguring advertisements that certainly brought a little to our funds. We are glad of assistance, both in articles of interest and in subscriptions. Send them along, make us richer, and then we shall make a better "Southlandian." Our other correspondent wants us to make our magazine more literary, less gossipy. Now its gossip is one of the necessary features of a School Magazine. Without it, the magazine fails to be a School Magazine. Cut that out and aspire to be purely literary, then we should have to go on the market for open competition—an action we cannot contemplate for a moment. The whole secret of their complaint we believe is that they have been making comparisons, and comparisons are odious. There are some decidedly ambitious, from the point of view of bulk, school magazines in New Zealand; meritorious contemporaries they are, but we shouldn't like to pay for them out of the subscriptions. The financial aspect has not troubled our contributors; it unfortunately troubles us. We cannot publish a magazine of nearly a hundred pages and from half-a-dozen to a dozen illustrations and sell it at a shilling. Nor can anyone else. Someone has to pay for these big magazines; we are glad we have not.

Let us be candid: No one is asked to subscribe. We are glad of subscribers; if anyone is failing in his interest let him pay his subscriptions up, and have an easy conscience. We shall not be offended.

We direct the attention of present boys especially to the Old Boys' Column. There they will find that ex-pupils have since our last number been distinguishing themselves equally in athletics and football and in the University Halls. The Rector has always been an advocate of the development of a complete manhood, mind and body. Apparently these recent Old Boys are embodiments of his preaching. At Otago University and at Lincoln Agricultural College, both in sports and football and in the class-room they have been more than holding their own against others. It would be invidious to mention their names; but read of their doings, imitate them while you remain, and when you go forth.

The visit of Captain Thoms has revealed to the cadet non-coms. a new method of inspection, viz., individual fitness to command. We rather like the idea, even if we do shake in our shoes at the ordeal. "What can I do for England?" We can do this: endeavour to make as good section-commanders as we can. Many of us at the head of the

school are quitting school for other walks in life, the University or commerce or the workshop. Wherever we are, under the new order, we have to undergo our training with the Senior Cadets or the Territorials. In Otago alone, according to the newspapers, there are to be sixty-eight cadet corps. Who is going to officer all these? Surely there is a chance for those who, as we, have had some training and know something, however infinitesimal that may be! We can and ought, it seems to the writer, to volunteer as non-commissioned officers, if not as commissioned officers. We have received the benefits of a higher education; there are examinations to be passed. We ought to have a chance, and to take it, of doing something for our country.

And so ought those who have gone out from these walls before us. We know that some are doing their duty and are preparing to assist in this great national movement. It can do us no harm; it can do us a great deal of good. Captain Thoms is looking for officers. Old Boys! This is your country as well as ours. Come forward and help it to a realisation of the blessings of universal military training and consequent preparedness for home defence. In doing the duty that lies nearest us, we shall be doing the larger duty of helping our King and Empire.

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SCHOOL NEWS.

The Staff.

At the end of June the School suffered the loss of a popular master in the person of Mr J. Pow. Apart from his school duties Mr Pow connected himself with the outdoor exercises of the boys, and especially among the juniors, was an enthusiastic coach in both cricket and football. A soldier himself, he was also enthusiastic about the cadets and their shooting; and in his capacity as captain, he enjoyed the respect and confidence of all in the ranks.

It was befitting then, that on his departure to Dunedin, we should present him with some souvenir of the esteem in which he was held here. And so on his last day amongst us, we assembled to bid him good-bye; the prefects on behalf of the school presented him with a Lancashire writing desk. Anderson and McKenzie addressed Mr Pow, referring respectively to his indoor and outdoor capacities, and Dobbie made the presentation. Little Miss Pow was not forgotten, for Mr Pow was handed a brooch for her. After the Rector had spoken, Mr Pow in reply made a most interesting speech dealing mainly with his experiences during his connection with the School. Before concluding he drew a graph representing in a continually ascending line, the successes gained by pupils each year. He exhorted the

scholars, especially the seniors, to see to it that the part of the line representing that year should be particularly steep. Needless to say, on resuming his seat, he was applauded to the echo. His speech will long be remembered in the school.

We were pleased to see Mr Pow again when he came down with the Otago Junior Football team. He has interested himself in junior football at the O. B. H. S. and was instrumental in bringing about the match; still it sounded very strange to hear our old sports master "barracking" against Southland.

During July Mr Budd temporarily filled Mr Pow's place; but at the end of that time he left for Lincoln College, where he now has a position as a science master. In the short time he was with us he became popular in the junior classes which he took.

Mr Struthers, a stranger to New Zealand, began his duties with August, and has already taken a keen interest in our sports. Mr Struthers has already a reputation as a tenor soloist, and the two songs which he contributed to the programme of the Gymnastic Display were greatly appreciated and enthusiastically encored. We desire to congratulate Mr Struthers upon the success he achieved in this direction at the recent Musical Union concert. We hope Mr Struthers' stay in Invercargill will be a pleasant one.

During August Mr Williams was so unfortunate as to contract a rather severe attack of influenza. He was absent on this account for about a fortnight. We were all glad to see him in his place again.

A fair number have contracted mumps during the third term, some much more seriously than others. There has also been a mild epidemic of sprained wrists and ankles.

Departures.

W. King, Hyde, Dawson, Jim McQueen and Quested have gone on the land; Gibb and Hughes are blacking their faces in engineering; Cramond and Salamonson have left for pastures new; S. Irving, M. King and D. Robertson are in Banks; McKillop has joined the Civil Service in Christchurch; Ivan Findlay has become a dominie; G. McKenzie, E. McKenzie, Ferrar, Edwards, F. Dixon, Strang, and Neas have entered commercial life. Little Watson is still absent on sick leave; while Rose has not yet returned from his visit to George V.

Invercargill Competitions Society. Results of pupils of this School:-

Senior Mental Arithmetic (Open).—2nd, J. G. Anderson 76 per cent; 3rd, E. M. Ryburn, 68 per cent.

Spelling (Open).—1, L. Bennet; 2, G. Cody; 3, A. Baxter.

Junior Spelling.—1, E. Marshall.

Junior Freehand Drawing.—1, E. Marshall.

Composition (Open to those under 17 years).—Unprepared Theme: "New Zealand a Hundred Years Ago and Now": 1, E. McKillop; 2, J. Hinton; 3, L. Bennet.

Original Letter (Boys).—1, R. McCredie.

Scripture Essay ("The Life of Joseph") under 15 years of age.—1, Eric Marshall.

Open Essay.—Theme: "Is Compulsory Military Training a Sound National Policy?": 1, J. G. Anderson; 2, R. R. McGregor.

Rev. Mr Spencer's Visit.

On Monday, 16th October, we received a visit from Rev. F. H. Spencer, agent for the British and Foreign Bible Society, and we had the pleasure of listening to a brief address upon matters connected with that Society. What Mr Spencer had to say was heard with interest, since it is always both instructive and entertaining to hear of the doings of such a world-famed Society as he represents. A collection was made and a small amount handed to Mr Spencer as a contribution towards the Bible Society's funds.

Mr Bligh's Visit.

In the last week of April Mr R. H. W. Bligh, lecturer for the White Cross League, again visited the School. Many of us had heard Mr Bligh on his previous tours, and at once recognised him. Although his visit was a hurried one, he gave us his usual instructive address and was attentively listened to by all.

Dr Anderson and Mr Gill, the Inspectors of the Education Department, paid us in October, their usual unobtrusive visit. A certain Latin proverb said to have been quoted by Dr Anderson has certainly taken the fancy of the Vth form, and they trot it out on every possible occasion: "Parce, puer, stimulis et fortius utere loris."

23rd October.

Labour Day was granted us as a holiday. As this fell two days before our sports, and meant the absence of the usual weekly half-holiday for the town, there were not as many spectators as usual at our sports. It also militated against the attendance of Old Boys. Notwithstanding, there was a fair attendance, under ideal weather conditions, both of friends and Old Boys. Cody proved a veritable "dark horse" to the handicappers, not requiring any of their well-meant assistance in annexing the two junior jumps.

We were grateful to the Rector for allowing us the opportunity to see the various representative football matches played here during the second term.

Schoolroom Humour.

"Poll-tax is a tax levied on Chinese, because they use poles to carry their baskets on."

"Multis insignibus clarus pugnis" was, shortly after the mid-winter boxing tournament, rendered: "He was famous for his victories in fistic engagements."

Rudyard Kipling writes in his "School History," recently published, in this graphic style:—"If Napoleon had attempted invasion of England in 1803 with his flotilla of boats, unguarded by warships, the English would soon have made 'a red rice-pudding' of them."

F. G. is a notorious specimen of the lack of the historic sense. "Sennacherib was a Greek soldier, who had charge of the Greek army. At the battle of Sennacherib eighteen million five hundred troops were destroyed in one night. After his battle Sennacherib, who lived from 1810 to 1872, went over to help the Egyptian and Jewish armies in one of their battles."

"The molecular theory is a glass tube filled with iron filings."—
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"All of knightly rank fight on horseback." This was translated by one of our number into Latin in the following way: "Omnes ex ordine (nocturno) ex equis pugnant."

By a little mistake in the position of vowels another produced the following: "Competitions incite men to higher things till finally they reach the gaol of their ambition."

We are glad to have in our midst an authority on tennis who informs us in French that all that is required: "Sont une raquette et une fillette" (a racquet and a little girl). No doubt he meant a fillet (net), but the greatest sometimes make "faults."

Master: "Is the following right or wrong?" Pupil: "No, sir."

In a piece of translation from French into English one of the VIIth burst into poetry, but becoming tired of the hard work, of making the metre fit, he wrote the following:—

"The Muse no more inspires my lyre;
So confound the poor without a fire."

Mr Dakin gave him a little helpful advice, also in verse:

"The Muse will still inspire his lyre,
Who is no shirker, but a trier."

Old Boys' Column.

Thanks to the members of the Christopher and Wild families, we have been enabled to complete the set of "The Southlandian" for ex-Southlander, Mr R. McNab, Palmerston North.

We have pleasure in acknowledging and printing two articles from Old Boys, one from Mr Alex. Lindsay, of Montreal, descriptive of Canadian sports and pastimes; the other from Mr Norman Millard, descriptive of a hunting trip in the King Country.

Dr George Lancelot Deschler, D.D.S., Pennsylvania Univ., 1909, is now demonstrator in the Dental Graduate School, Pennsylvania. We understand that Dr Deschler is the first New Zealander to hold a position in the teaching faculty of the above University.

Dr Mehaffey, after a few months sojourn in Nightcaps, was farewelled by the Nightcaps Collieries' Medical Club, on the eve of his departure for Invercargill, to act as locum tenens for Dr Hogg. He was the recipient of a handsome dressing-case, a brief bag, and a framed testimonial.

Dr Ernest Lindsay, having spent June in New Zealand, returned to London.

Dr MacGibbon returned to New Zealand in October.

J. W. H. Bannerman, on leaving the literary staff of the Southland News, was presented by his colleagues on the staff with a solid leather suit case and a shaving set. After three years with "The News," Mr Bannerman takes control of the "Bluff Press."

Chas. Macan is now reporting for the Otago Daily Times.

A. Chrystal has entered the offices of Messrs Moore, Moore and Nichol, barristers and solicitors, Dunedin.

C. S. Brown passed his final examinations as a solicitor last November, and is now with Messrs Wake and Gow, solicitors, Eltham. Mr Brown will be missed as a member of the Musical Union Orchestra, The Invercargill Cricket Club, the Y.M.C.A. Hockey Team, and the Y.M.C.A. Debating Society.

Mr J. V. Hanna, formerly Gymnastic Instructor, was appointed in October to a similar position at the Levin Boys' Training Institute.

R. G. MacGibbon is studying electrical engineering at Glasgow.

Mr S. Jackson was transferred at the end of September from the Upper Shotover to the Otautau School. As he was being farewelled, he received a purse of sovereigns from the chairman of the School Committee, to mark the esteem in which he was held by the residents of the district during his three years' stay there.

G. Agnew was placed second in New Zealand for Blackboard Drawing in the D examination.

Mr Pritchard has been transferred from the South to the Bluff School.

O. Webber has returned to Southland, to take charge of the Drummond School.

Norman Cowie has been appointed to Wairio.

Ivan Findlay is P.T. at the South School.

Frank Simon is now in residence at Trinity College, Dublin. His rooms are in "Botany Bay," on the spot formerly occupied by Goldsmith's. In the entrance examination he was placed highest in English Composition. The feature, he found, was an oral in every subject. Before going over to the Emerald Isle, he spent five weeks in London and two in Oxford. Of Trinity, he says:—"About 1200 students attend lectures, and of these, say, 400 reside in Coll. All extra-mural students must live in registered houses, liable to be inspected by Coll. authorities at any time. Internal students have further restrictions imposed. All the latter must attend Commons in term, and breakfast and lunch are prepared in their own rooms. A "skip," corresponding to Oxford "scout" and Cambridge "gyp," lights fires, makes beds, and washes up dishes. Students attending lectures must wear academicals. Medicals attending medical lectures need not."

Les. McCartney has been transferred from the Invercargill to the Wellington branch of Messrs Wright, Stephenson and Co. Good luck, Les!

A. Gordon Macdonald, Associate of the Otago School of Mines, and formerly holder of a Research Scholarship, has been appointed an inspector of mines in far Malay. We understand it is a lucrative position.

S. Slocombe has entered the Education Department, Wellington.

Frank Simon had an entertaining article in the Southland News in August, describing in his usual graphic style, an exhibition of work by the Women's Health Association of Ireland.

Ernie George, of the Bluff, has obtained his certificate as a third engineer.

Doug. Anderson is doing very well at Lincoln. In his report for the second term of this year, which we had the pleasure of reading, we noticed that he was dux of his class of seventeen second year students, coming first in five subjects, second in two, and third in one.

Norman Adamson, of the Agricultural Department, Wellington, visited the School while on furlough in September.

Stan. Hanan passed the entrance pharmacy examination in October.

Frank O. V. Acheson, of the Lands and Deeds Office, Dunedin, was admitted in November by Sir Joshua Williams, as a barrister and solicitor.

Geoff. Henderson has left Messrs J. G. Ward and Co.'s office to enter Messrs Henderson and Co'. offices as Insurance Expert.

As a result of their meritorious wins at the Inter-Collegiate Sports last Easter A. S. Reid won gold and bronze medals; while Millard carried off two gold medals, a challenge shield for the high jump, and the ladies' cup for most points. Unfortunately the committee laughed at Millard when he asked them to extend the pit in the broad jump; for the consequence was that he strained a muscle of the ankle while still two jumps to go.

Football.

D. MacGibbon, Jack McQueen, and Doug. Anderson were all members of the Lincoln Agricultural College First XV this year—"Davy" scoring nearly every match.

Mr Edmondson represented Southland in several matches, but had the misfortune to dislocate his elbow before the close of the season.

C. Sutherland also gained interprovincial honours as a member of the forward division.

In Otago University and Otago Interprovincial teams, our Old Boys have been making their mark. At one time four out of the seven University First XV backs were Southlanders; N. Millard, E. Cockroft. Mat and W. Alexander all being there and doing yeoman service. Millard and Cockroft both represented Otago in the back division in several matches. W. Alexander would probably have been there too had he not broken his collarbone. Millard again strained his ankle weakened in Auckland, and for some weeks was unable to play. All four represented Otago University against Canterbury College.

F. Miles is a coming forward in Otago University Second.

Jack Hewat also played for the Second University.

In the final match that decided the Otago premiership in favour of the University, Millard again took the field, scoring two out of the four tries; while W. Alexander scored another. It was in this match that the latter had his collarbone broken.

Bert. Christophers played for Wellington First XV during the season.

In local Senior Football, H. Strang, S. Cupples, and J. D. Spiers were conspicuous.

Athletic Sports.

Our representatives at Lincoln Agricultural College have again been worthily upholding their old School at this year's sports.

Jock McQueen won the 10 mile bicycle ride, the obstacle race, and ran second in the half-mile.

Davy MacGibbon was 1st in the long jump (about 18ft 9in). and 2nd in the 440 hurdles.

Doug. Anderson won the 440 yards, 220 yards, and 100 yards (dead heat), and was in the winning relay team.

The latter in writing says:—"Taking it all round we came out fairly well." We rather think they did, and begin to wonder what the other chaps got.

INTER-FACULTY SPORTS OTAGO UNIVERSITY.—Aug. 30th.

- J. N. Millard—3 firsts, 2 seconds, gold medal for competitor winning most points.
 2nd 100yds Championship, 1st 440yds' Hurdles Championship, High Jump (2nd), 5ft. 3in., 1st 120 Hurdles, 1st Long Jump, 20ft. 1in.
 A. S. Reid.—1st, Putting the Shot, 36ft. 10½in., 2nd, Throwing the Hammer, 89ft 4½in.; Exhibition Throw, 95ft 9½in.; 1st Wrestling Championship.
 W. Cody.—3rd in Wrestling.

MARRIAGES.

- BROWN—LUXFORD.—On 26th April, at Wanganui, Cyril Palmer Brown to Maude Luxford.
 JONES—McQUARRIE.—At South Shields, England, in May, George E. Jones, chief engineer of the gas-driven vessel, Holzapfel I., to Ethel McQuarrie, of the Bluff.
 BROWN—JAMES.—Douglas Brown to Miss James.

OTAGO UNIVERSITY.

TERMS EXAMINATION.

In the following list of successful Southland students 2nd means Second-class Certificate, and similarly 1st and 3rd:—

- F. F. Adamson—2nd Mechanics; 2nd Sen. English.
 J. O. Prentice—3rd Senior Latin; 2nd Education; 3rd Political Economy.
 L. A. McKenzie—3rd Sen. Latin; 3rd Education; 2nd Junior Political Economy.
 John Watson—3rd Sen. Latin; 2nd Education; 3rd Political Economy.
 Jas. Stobo—2nd Jun. Latin; 1st Junior Mathematics.
 W. W. Millar—2nd Jun. Latin; 3rd Junior Mental Science.
 N. S. Joyce—3rd Jun. Latin; 2nd Junior Mathematics.
 G. Cody—3rd Jun. Latin; 1st class Junior Mathematics.
 W. Grieve—3rd Jun. English; 2nd Composn and Rhetoric; 2nd Education.

J. P. Hewat—1st Senior English (dux of First Year Students, Dr Gilray's prize); 2nd French Phonetics; 2nd Senior French; 1st Senior Mathematics.

- A. S. Reid—2nd Sen. English; 3rd Education.
 K. G. Fraser—1st Honours English; 2nd Honours French.
 N. D. Gilchrist—3rd Eng. Composition and Rhetoric.
 F. F. Miles—1st Advanced French; 1st Advanced Mathematics.
 J. N. Millard—2nd French Phonetics; 2nd Senior French; 2nd Junior Political Economy.
 E. A. P. Cockcroft—3rd French Phonetics; 3rd Mechanics; 2nd Junior Physics; 2nd Jun. Practical Physics.
 J. M. Boyne—3rd Jun. Mental Science; 3rd Jurisprudence; 1st Constitutional History.
 A. Bain—3rd Senior Mental Science; 2nd Jun. Political Economy.
 W. Cody—1st Senior Mathematics; 2nd Mechanics; 2nd Palaeontology; 2nd Junior Geology.
 F. C. Lopdell—3rd Senior Mathematics.
 H. Gray—3rd Senior Mathematics; 3rd Inorganics Chemistry; 3rd Pract. Inorganic Chemistry.
 W. H. Young—3rd Junior Physics; 3rd Jun. Practical Physics; 2nd Inorganic Chemistry; 3rd Practical Inorganic Chemistry; 2nd Organic Chemistry; 1st Practical Organic Chemistry; 2nd Biology; 3rd Practical Biology.
 W. A. Alexander—1st Advanced Physics; 1st Adv. Pract. Physics; 1st Advanced Geology; 2nd Petrography.
 M. Alexander—1st Honours Physics; 1st Electricity.
 T. R. Ritchie—1st Biology; 2nd Pract. Biology; 2nd Junior Anatomy; 2nd Junior Physiology; 2nd Pract. Physiology.
 F. J. Mulholland—3rd Junior Physiology; 3rd Pract. Physiology.
 B. H. Gilmour—2nd Pathology; 3rd Junior Medicine.
 H. Rattray—2nd Mech. Dentistry; 1st Dental Mechanics Lectures (Senior); 3rd Dental Materia Medica; 3rd Physiology;
 A. B. Spite—3rd Mech. Dentistry; 1st Dental Mechanics Lectures (Seniors).

VICTORIA COLLEGE.

- G. H. Seddon, 1st year's terms—2nd Junior Latin; 2nd Junior Mental Science; 2nd Experimental Physiology; 3rd Constitution History.

- A. M. Palmer, 3rd year's terms—1st Senior English; 1st Senior Botany; 2nd Pract. Botany.

CANTERBURY COLLEGE.

- J. Collins and D. Cameron are sitting for their Engineering Entrance Examination; G. Macindoe is sitting for First Section of B.Sc. in Engineering.

Sports and Pastimes in Canada.

A few words about the sports and pastimes of Canada, differing as they do considerably from those of New Zealand, may be of interest to High School boys to whom all forms of athletics, judging from the columns of the "Southlandian," evidently appeal strongly.

The most striking features about athletic games in Canada are: their number and varied character, the shortness of the playing season for each, and the strenuous manner in which they are played.

The first two features are attributable directly to the climate here, with its great extremes of heat and cold and rapid changes of season; while the third seems to be an outcome of the "get there" or "win at any price," spirit which characterises the people of this continent in all their undertakings. Both in the spring and fall we have almost two months when outdoor games are but little indulged in—a sort of interval between the coming and going of summer and winter. This interval cuts down the playing seasons of the summer and the winter games, which are quite distinct, to four months at the most and in most cases the season is very little longer than three months.

It is difficult to single out any games here which stand out above the rest so prominently as do football and cricket in New Zealand. Baseball and ice hockey probably come nearest to occupying such a position.

The principal summer games are baseball, cricket, lacrosse, tennis, golf, association football, and field sports. Perhaps I should say a few words in defence of baseball, for I rather fancy a good many of you have ideas of baseball very similar to what mine used to be—a sort of rounders, a game for girls. Not a bit of it! If you have not seen a keen game between two crack baseball sides, you can have no idea of what team work or combination really means. And a wide awake cricketer could not fail to pick up a few good "pointers" on fielding from a good baseball game.

Cricket, strange to say, is not played to any great extent, though the game has been increasing in popularity during the last few years.

Lacrosse is the modern form of an old Indian game. It is played with sticks having a net at one end in which the ball is caught and passed from player to player. It is an extremely fast and open game, and very interesting to watch.

Association football is played in the spring and fall, but not during the very hot weather in the middle of summer.

It might be said here that baseball, lacrosse and ice hockey have been introduced into England by the Rhodes scholars of this continent, and seem to have found some measure of public favour there.

The great navigable rivers and lakes of this country offer unsurpassed opportunities for motor boating and yachting, and these forms of recreation are very popular.

Rugby football is played only during the fall and has a very short season. The game here differs very considerably from English Rugby. It is not so fast and open and is much more strenuous, due to the use of mass plays, flying wedges, and other combination plays. The players are padded all over, and wear head gear, nose protections, etc. The number of men laid out in a hard game is quite startling to the newcomer but, like everything else, one soon gets used to it.

Winter sports here are, of course, very different from those in New Zealand. The intense cold and heavy snowfalls provide conditions for sports impossible in your more temperate land. Tobogganning, skating, skiing, snowshoeing, ice-boating, and hockey are the most popular winter sports.

Hockey is played on skates on a comparatively small sheet of ice measuring about 50 yards long by 30 yards wide. The "puck", which corresponds to the ball in field hockey, is a rubber disc about four inches in diameter and $1\frac{1}{4}$ inches thick. This is pushed along the ice and passed from player to player with a stick with a thin flat blade on the "business" end. Hockey is the fastest and most exciting game to watch which I have ever seen. The big games are those between the professional teams, the members of which are paid very high salaries—as much as £400 (2000dols) for a three months' engagement.

The example set by the professional element in baseball, lacrosse, and hockey is responsible for much of the strenuous character of the play so common in all competitive games here. These high-priced teams are expected "to make good"—they must win at all costs and hence there is often a tendency to play the man rather than the ball—a tendency which the miserable inadequacy of the penalties meted out for rough play does nothing to check. For acts which would, I hope, secure disqualification for life in New Zealand, a player here often suffers no greater punishment than to be relegated to the "side" for from 3 to 15 minutes.

Another thing which strikes one very forcibly is the intense local partisan feeling displayed in big athletic events of all kinds. Even in college games, where one might reasonably expect otherwise, the most brilliant play by the visiting team often passes without the least applause while minor successes of the home team are frantically cheered.

In general the tone of athletics here is not as healthy as I believe it to be in New Zealand. There is too much of the "win at all costs" spirit, too little of "sport for sport's sake." Men go in for athletics more for the honour and glory to be obtained by success therein than for the sake of the recreation.

In conclusion if I may be allowed to give a word of advice, probably unnecessary, to the High School boys of to-day, I should say, "Be loyal to your school and your teams, support them by every means in your power, but do not let your feelings run away with your sense

of fairness. If the honours of a game or a contest really belong to the other fellows, give them the credit with as much heartiness as you would your own men. A game lost on the field may mean a greater game won in the battle of life, when taken in the right spirit."

A. LINDSAY.

After Wild Cattle.

IN THE KING COUNTRY.

We were a party of six—four Maoris and two pakehas. Each of us had a sound little Maori pony under him; and the leader, Peeti, with an old snider carbine slung over his shoulder, was surrounded by a troop of dogs of all breeds of which that of the bulldog predominated.

A sharp canter of three miles on a narrow track through the scrub brought us to the foot of the only track by which escape from the valley of Waihaka is possible. A short spell in which to tighten the girths of our saddles, and the climb commenced—sometimes riding sometimes driving, and sometimes dragging our horses, we made our way up the worst possible track that a man could be fated to scale accompanied by a horse. However the horses were equal to the occasion and we arrived safely at the top. We were then 1000ft above one of the very few valleys to be found on the west side of Lake Taupo. Below was our camp, now only white dots, and beyond was the Lake, at this point a twenty mile stretch of calm clear water. On our left Raupehu raised its snow-clad peaks into the blue sky, and the cone-shaped Ngaruahoe, with its smoking crater, completed a fine picture. Before us lay desolate looking country, for the most part covered with dry scrub.

Through this our leader struck straight north-west for the higher bush land on the edge of the King Country. Now and then small mobs of wild horses, some of them generalised by fine looking stallions, galloped away from in front of us; but we had no time for such one-sided sport as wild-goose chases. We had gone some miles when a squeal in front announced the presence of wild pigs. A mild gallop through the scrub and we were in the midst of a heap of dogs fighting and quarrelling over a huge sow that they had overwhelmed by sheer weight of numbers. However, as the Maoris said, she was no good for "kai," so she we earmarked and set at liberty. The next victim was more unfortunate, he was a fat little chap, and he was promptly roped and left lying until we should return the next day.

By this time we had penetrated a good distance into the wilds and after another stiff climb we dropped down on to a fertile plain of

about 3000 acres covered with natural grass and scrub and surrounded on all sides by cliffs and bush. Here the first thing we sighted was a wild bull; but he was only about a year old. The dogs gave him no chance and the Maoris soon had him roped and tied to a tree. Then we made straight for the other end of this huge natural paddock. But it was growing dusk before we reached it, and although we sighted two small mobs of cattle, it was too dark to follow the dogs after them into the bush; so we hunted up a suitable place for a camp, tethered our horses, and soon had a huge fire going which lit up the whole place and enabled us to arrange our tea in comfort.

Tea over, we two pakehas, being dead beat, rolled ourselves into a blanket and with our feet to the fire were soon fast asleep. At intervals we would be awakened by the dogs moving about the camp as they came in from their fruitless hunt after the cattle that we had been forced to abandon, and as each dog trotted in, there always seemed to be a Maori on the watch to secure it. That was a memorable night. I can still see the ghost-like forms of the trees around the camp, and hear the constant monotonous cry of the morepork, and the occasional dull roars of the bulls as they piloted their small herds through the bush tracks in search of food. But gradually the intervals of awakening became further and further apart, and then it seemed no time before I awoke to find grey streaks already in the eastern sky and to see one of the Maoris arranging the fire for breakfast.

Breakfast was soon over, and before it was properly light, we were in the saddle again. This time we struck straight into the bush, Peeti, the leader, ahead guiding us through beautiful maiden bush, sometimes slashing a track for us, and when our horses wouldn't face the undergrowth, making wide detours. We must have continued this for about two hours without seeing any signs of cattle except footprints, when suddenly the dogs gave tongue and we were in amongst a mob of several cows and a bull. I had been wondering all morning what method the Maoris would employ to capture a cow alive, and great was my experience when Peeti singling out the animal that was hardest pressed by the dogs, slipped off his horse and waiting for a favourable opportunity, jumped in from behind, seized her by the tail, and with one swing threw her to the ground. Peeti left her to the other Maoris and soon had another cow down and roped. The other cows and the bull had made good their escape, so we all lent a hand to rope the two captives securely, and short-tether them, so that they would be much weaker before they would be led home in two days' time. All this took some considerable time, and as we wanted to vary the day's sport with a gallop after wild horses, we mounted to the saddle once more and struck straight out to the open country.

We had no sooner emerged from the bush than we noticed fresh signs of horses, and in a few minutes we came upon them suddenly

near the mouth of a blind valley that stretched into the bush for some short distance. We drove them into this three times but always they broke back on us. The third time they apparently escaped, but on following them, we found that they had shut themselves in a natural trap. Maddened with fright they had galloped along a narrow ridge hemmed in on all sides by thick bush matted with undergrowth. At the extreme end they had been forced to take to the bush, and there they found their career blocked by a precipice. They were now at our mercy. They could not move freely among the trees and they were hemmed in on all sides. Two were lassoed and the others allowed to escape. The stallion made his way among our saddle horses, biting and kicking all that he could get near, but we drove him away before he had caused any more damage than a few broken bridles. Our captives again were roped and tied to trees.

It was now long after mid-day, but the Maoris were not yet satisfied. A half hour's hard gallop through scrub took us to the spot where we had emerged from the bush earlier in the day. Here we had seen fresh tracks of a bull. The dogs picked up the scent quickly and scattered into the bush in pursuit. We followed on horse back as best we could until fierce yelping and barking told us that the dogs had come up with their prey. Then we slipped off our horses and guided by the sounds of the fight that was evidently going on we made for the spot with all haste. Being quite used to bush work I managed to keep up with Peeti, the leader, and as I was his pakeha guest he handed me his carbine. We came upon the bull surrounded by the dogs in a low place where he had evidently been resting. He was a huge animal and pure white, and he was charging and tossing the dogs in all directions. At sight of us he charged but we scampered behind trees and the dogs claimed his attention before he had time to fix his mind on any particular one of us. I was trying all the time to get in a shot but either the dogs or trees seemed to get in the road. At last I pulled the trigger but I had been too excited or frightened to pull back the hammer. Again the bull charged but the dogs turned him at the gallop off one of the more venturesome Maoris, and as he showed for a second between two trees, I fired. First a huge bound and then a trickle of blood showed that the bullet had found its mark. He continued his gallop for a short distance but the dogs now gradually got the better of him. By the time we got near him again he was on his knees, with the dogs all clinging to his throat and nose. Blood was flowing freely from behind his shoulder and he was dead in a few minutes.

This excitement seemed to satisfy the Maoris, and right glad I was of it. It was three o'clock and we had eaten nothing since five in the morning. We all made the meal of our lives, and at four o'clock we were in the saddle again making for home. We made quick progress

until we reached our tethered horses. These we took in lead and when we reached the young bull he joined the procession too. It was pitch dark long before we reached camp, but the horses knew every inch of the country. They picked their way through the scrub in a bee line for home; scrambled down the cliffs to the river when in front seemed to us like a bottomless abyss; and at last they threaded their way down the bank of the river into camp and thus concluded the most enjoyable, novel and thrilling outing it has ever been my lot to participate in.

N. MILLARD.

Is Compulsory Military Training a Sound National Policy?

When we review the history of the British nation during the 19th century, we cannot help noticing the amazing progress she has made in every direction. The English-speaking race has increased from 25 millions in 1805 to more than 400 millions at the present day. A century ago the area of the Empire was 150,000 square miles, now British territory covers an area of over 12 million square miles. In the same way British commerce has grown enormously; in 1800 British exports and imports were valued at 79 million pounds; to-day their value exceeds 1500 million pounds! Yet, strange to say, contrasted with this astonishing progress, the effective forces for the defence of the nation show a corresponding decrease. While Germany and France, for instance, could at any moment pour into the field between two and three million trained men, England, with all her wealth and commerce, would have merely 700,000 armed men at her disposal. It is obvious then, that as a nation, we are wholly unprepared for war, and we shall endeavour to show that compulsory military training is undoubtedly a sound national policy.

Up till the present time, our internal protection has been provided by the services of volunteers, the defects of which system were most strikingly revealed in the late Boer war. In the first place, the volunteers failed to supply the requisite number of men, thus prolonging the duration and increasing cost of the war. Moreover, when the required number was raised, the majority were taken from the proletariat, who, having previously undergone no systematic training, were absolutely unfit for the duties of war. In a stirring address Lord Roberts emphatically stated that the Volunteer system was an egregious failure, and urged the introduction of Universal Military Training.

Stated briefly, the object of universal training is to render every ablebodied man capable of defending his country in any case of national emergency. We often hear ignorant people say: "Teach every

man to use a rifle; that is all that is necessary." On this subject Stonewall Jackson once said: "Numbers of men, even if they amount to millions, are worse than useless, without training and organisation. The more men that are collected on the battlefield, the more crushing and far-reaching will be their defeat." We have only to revert to the stupendous, but at the same time, fruitless, efforts of the French Republic in 1870-71, to see the truth of this statement. Enormous armies were equipped; the ranks were filled with brave men; yet, time after time, they were defeated by the far inferior forces of their seasoned opponents. It is also related that, in the recent Boer War, the Dutch leaders attributed their ultimate defeat largely to the lack of training and discipline.

Besides requiring well-trained men in our army, we also need skilful and efficient officers. No commander who is not perfectly acquainted with his work can expect his men to rely on him in difficulties. Even the most heroic officers, unsustained by knowledge, are practically useless on the battlefield; they must be men of tact, men who thoroughly understand their duties, men who are respected by their fellow-soldiers. A recent historian, speaking of the American Volunteers, said:—"As individuals, they behaved with admirable courage, yet as organised units they were practically worthless,"—due to the lack of well-trained officers. Does not this emphasise the urgent need for training, organisation, and discipline in our forces? It is a pleasing notion that whenever war comes money can buy for the nation all that it requires. Gold will certainly buy a nation powder, pills and provisions, but no amount of wealth, even when supported by a patriotic willingness to enlist, can buy discipline, training, and skilful leading. Without these things, there can be no such thing as an efficient army, and success in the field against serious opposition is merely the idle dream of those who know not war. Compulsory military training furnishes the only just and adequate means that could be devised to meet this necessity.

Let us now consider a few of the advantages that would result from the adoption of this system. In the first place it would mean security from invasion, the protection of our trade, and the surest possible guarantee of peace, especially when the wealth and extent of our Empire, ill-defended as they are, are a perpetual incentive to attack on the part of such ambitious nations as Germany. Moreover, it would immensely improve the physique of the nation, for such training is admirably adapted to develop the whole body just at the time when such development is most necessary. Anyone who has observed the transformation effected in the physically fit, but heavy, slouching labourer by undergoing military service, and has seen the smart, alert, bright-eyed, straight-backed, broad-chested fellow he leaves the ranks, must have wished that this boon could be extended to England and her colo-

nies, where moral depravity is frequently the cause as well as the effect of physical degeneracy. In addition to this the training of the whole manhood of the nation in discipline, duty, obedience to authority, manliness and self-mastery would prove a moral factor of untold value in the life of the people. It would imbue them with a feeling of personal responsibility, with a spirit of self-sacrifice. It would give us a patriotism of the truest kind. There is, in fact, nothing more calculated to kill jingoism and the boastful spirit of aggressiveness than a consciousness of strength coupled with a patriotic feeling of individual responsibility.

We cannot do better at this stage than illustrate our remarks by making reference to nations, both ancient and modern, where the system of universal military training has prevailed. In Sparta, for instance, it was a state law that every boy from the age of seven should undergo rigorous training to prepare him for the defence of his country; and, when we remember the heroic bravery and unflinching courage of the Spartans, and the long list of successes they achieved, we are forced to recognise the merits of this system. Look also at the numerous victories a mere handful of brave and disciplined Greeks gained over the mighty hosts of Persia! In England itself our ancestors realised that readiness for defence was necessary for industrial progress, and every citizen was compelled to serve in the national army or Fyrd. These were the men that won for us the brilliant victories of Crecy, Poictiers, Agincourt, and raised England to the highest pinnacle of military renown. Looking at modern nations we find that in every instance where compulsory training exists, it meets with unqualified success. Germany and France, for example, are not overwhelmed with debt, but on the contrary are in a highly prosperous condition. It was this system that enabled that little Oriental nation, Japan, only a few years ago, to rise to the occasion, and, to the astonishment of the world, practically annihilate the mighty army of Russia.

One of the chief objections raised against the adoption of the Universal Training is that it is an interference with the liberty of the British subject. The words which Burke, more than a century ago, employed when referring to England's dignity, may not inaptly be applied to her liberty. It is, indeed, "a terrible encumbrance" to her. The British citizen possesses a distinct liberty of his own—"the liberty not to fight for his country." Immunity from training is a privilege peculiar to us—it is an indefeasible right. We can expand, colonise, conquer, and annex territory, and yet remain free from any responsibilities which such acquisition entails. This repose of satisfaction is not an auspicious attitude for England to adopt, nor is the decadence of the spirit of militarism a hopeful sign. Let us once more revert to history. When were the ancient world-kingdoms most powerful?

When were Greece and Rome strongest? Was it not when they were actively engaged in foreign warfare? It was then that they felt their united power. The same also applies to Carthage. It was when she grew rich and effeminate and employed mercenary troops to fight her battles that she was obliged to succumb to a more energetic Power. The palmiest days in English history were in the 14th, 15th, and 16th centuries, when her citizens realised their duty to the nation, and learned to serve in their country's defence. Never was Germany more powerful than at the present day, simply because she has learned the lesson of preparedness and stands armed and ready to meet any emergency.

A great number of people consider Universal Training as absolutely unnecessary, and are placidly content to rely on the Navy for their protection. It is true that England is essentially a maritime nation; but we must also bear in mind the fact that Germany has also a very considerable navy, little inferior to our own, and at the same time very little external territory to protect compared with the enormous extent of the British Empire. If Britain were successfully invaded by Germany, in her present defenceless condition, what would become of her fine liberty, her wealth, her commerce and her oversea possessions? We might cite an analogous instance from history. In the 16th century the Dutch held the naval supremacy; they were, like many Britishers, too self-reliant on their navy. Yet her sea power perished simply because of her military weakness when compared with the overwhelming power of France. Is England going to accept a similar fate at the hands of some more warlike and ambitious nation?

Many other equally untenable objections have been raised by those who are always ready to shrink from any national responsibility. Some people kindly inform us that "war is a relic of the barbarous past," and gently propose to settle all international disputes by arbitration—an utterly impossible idea. Others are afraid that the introduction of compulsory training would lead to an unnecessary spirit of militarism and aggressiveness! We may well ask: "What is the British Empire coming to?"

In spite of her apparent wonderful prosperity, England has attained the zenith of her greatness, and already shows signs of that decadence which attacked and ultimately proved the ruin of the great world-empires of the past—growth of wealth at the cost of idleness, luxury, love of pleasure, effeminacy, and a studious dislike of all duty and responsibility. It is true that we have a full sense of the splendour of our Empire; that we are anxious to extend its bounds and, above all, maintain our liberty. But as a nation, we are wholly unprepared for war. We are disunited; we are untrained; we are over-confident; we are strongly averse to war; we are still more strongly attached to our own ease and freedom. We do not want to fight; we do not want

to worry. If ever there were men who failed to realise their responsibilities, it is we Britishers of to-day. What are we doing to defend our liberties and our privileges, to maintain our supreme position among the World Powers? Absolutely nothing. We prate about peace and about the glorious might of the British Navy; we invent any excuse; we advance any plausible lie rather than do our plain duty. The volunteer system is inadequate and unjust; the compulsory system is without doubt a sound national policy, firstly on the ground that it is an imperious necessity, and secondly because of the many benefits its adoption would confer on the nation. Yet if we refuse to accept the teaching of the past and the present, we must, as a nation, inevitably decline, and, like the other great and wealthy Empires, be gone for ever. Are we prepared to see this mighty Empire perish before our eyes simply through refusing to recognise the responsibilities which greatness implies? Byron's lines, which are well worth quoting in this connection, contain a subtle warning to England:

"A thousand years scarce serve to form a State,
An hour may serve to lay it in the dust."

A grave crisis is imminent. As a recent writer has truly said: "We shall have to make one grand, united effort, and make it now, or we shall be crushed." Let us then rise to the noble sacrifice of personal military service to the Empire, and thus remain strong and self-reliant among the nations of the world.

J. G. ANDERSON.

FOOTBALL NOTES.

SENIORS.

Captain, Stead; Deputy-Captain, Christie; Hon. Secretary, Frew.

As is usually the case, upon the return of the football season, it appeared to us that our team would not be so good as last year's, as several of the best players had left school. However, as the time for the matches drew near, our prospects seemed to improve as new players were thought of, and we were able to put in the field a fairly strong team. In the Pennant Matches we have not been so successful as we were last year. In these games we could well have done with MacGibbon, Wilson, and the two Hewats in our backs, while among the forwards McQueen's solid play and encouraging voice were much missed. However, we still had with us Stead, who was elected captain in place of MacGibbon. Dobbie also remained, and Houston, who is a much improved player, and did some good work as half-back. Mr McGrath, again coached the team, and the thanks of all the members of the First XV are due to him for the unselfish way he devoted all

his spare time to the team. We are, indeed, fortunate in having such a persevering coach, and one who knows the game so thoroughly. Mr Edmondson, who practised with us occasionally, also helped to improve our play by showing us how to tackle effectively, and also how to put up a good defence. Mr Edmondson deserves the hearty thanks of the Second Fifteen, to whom he gave valuable coaching and in whom he made a great improvement.

THIRD GRADE MATCHES.—FIRST XV V. WAIKIWI THIRD.
WON, 16—6.

This match was played upon the Western Reserve upon a fairly wet ground. This made the ball greasy, and very difficult to handle, but still Houston managed to start several fairly successful passing rushes. Stead scored first for School, and converted. Soon after Waikiwi scored twice, but failed in both kicks at goal. Before the close of the first spell McKenzie scored near the corner from a passing rush; shortly after the whistle went for half-time. On the re-commencement of play, Waikiwi began to press, but they were unable to cross our line. About half-way through the spell MacGregor scored after a good passing rush. McKenzie converted. Dobbie had hard luck in slipping after passing all the Waikiwi backs, thus losing a sure try. Shortly after McKenzie again scored. After an unsuccessful kick at goal the game ended, School being the winners by 16 points to 6.

Before this match Stead was unanimously elected captain of the First XV for the ensuing season.

FIRST XV V. SOUTHERN II.—WON, 11—3

The first Saturday after our return from the term holidays, the First XV met the Southern II on the Western Reserve. The ground was fairly good, and the ball easy to handle, but not many good passing rushes were made. In the first spell both sides had to force-down, but no score was made. Shortly after half-time, Bonthron got in near the corner from a passing rush, and scored. The kick at goal failed. Soon after a good dribbling rush caused Southern to again forcedown. This was followed by another rush from which McQueen scored. Stead converted. From the kick-off the ball was again carried back to the Southern twenty-five. Some line play took place here, and then School were awarded a penalty kick. Stead drop-kicked a good goal. A few minutes after this Southern scored, but failed at goal. Uninteresting play followed and the whistle sounded with the ball at half-way. In this match the forward play was not very good, probably owing to the holidays interfering with the practices.

FIRST XV V. WAIKIWI III.—WON, 3—0.

This was the first match played in the second round. The match was played on the Western Reserve on a fairly wet ground. Several times School were very near scoring, but always some mistake was made that spoiled the movement. In the first spell neither team scored, although Waikiwi were several times forced down. After half-time School were several times on the Waikiwi line, but could not score. Once we were sure we had a score, as two of our men were on the ball, but the referee, who could not see it very clearly gave a force-down. Not long before time a free-kick was given to School, near the Waikiwi goal, when Stead drop-kicked a goal. Soon after the whistle sounded.

FIRST XV V. INVERCARGILL III.—LOST, 5—0.

In this match we met with our first defeat. The game was played on the Eastern Reserve, which was very wet and heavy on account of the rains. This, of necessity, made the game a forward one, as it was impossible to handle the ball well. The Blues' forwards were very strong and the wet ground was to their advantage. In the first spell no score was made, although the ball had been travelling up and down the field, and both sides had forced down. In this spell McKenzie had hard luck in being pushed out at the corner when he had a good chance of scoring. About half-way through the second spell a Blues' forward picked the ball up from a scrummage on the School line and scored. The goal was kicked. After this neither team was able to score, and the game ended with Blues the winners by five points to nil.

FIRST XV V. STAR III.—LOST, 8—0.

This match also was played on a wet, slippery ground. Stead was unable to play owing to an injured knee, and his absence was very noticeable amongst the backs. Irving also did not play. In the first spell the play was fairly even, and at halftime neither team had scored. Towards the end of the second spell, however, Star secured a try and converted. A rally was made by School but no score resulted, and the ball was soon back on their line again. Star scored again, and an unsuccessful kick at goal was made. School made another effort, but it was not successful, and the whistle sounded with the ball about the Star twenty-five.

FIRST XV V. ATHLETICS III. WON BY DEFAULT.

The day on which this match was to be played was very wet, and Athletics failed to turn up. School thus won the match. We were not very sorry at not having to play, for the ground was like a bog, and it rained, off and on, all the afternoon.

FIRST XV V. SOUTHERN II.—WON, 18—3.

We played this match on the South School ground on a fine afternoon. The ball was in a better condition than in any of the previous matches. Southern attacked fiercely and scored within the first five minutes. For some time they continued to press, but soon they tired and School got them down into their own territory. Here Dobbie registered our first try. Stead failed with the kick. Shortly afterwards MacGregor scored and Stead converted. Before half-time Dobbie was very near scoring again, but slipped when he had only one man to pass. After half-time School again attacked, and Stead scored after a good run, converting his own score. Southern then invaded the School twenty-five, but were unable to score. At this stage of the game some good dribbling rushes were made by the School forwards. Some time later Dobbie again scored. Stead converted, and the whistle sounded time. As the referee failed to put in an appearance, Mr Galloway kindly controlled the game to the complete satisfaction of both teams.

FIRST XV V. INVERCARGILL III.—WON, 16—6.

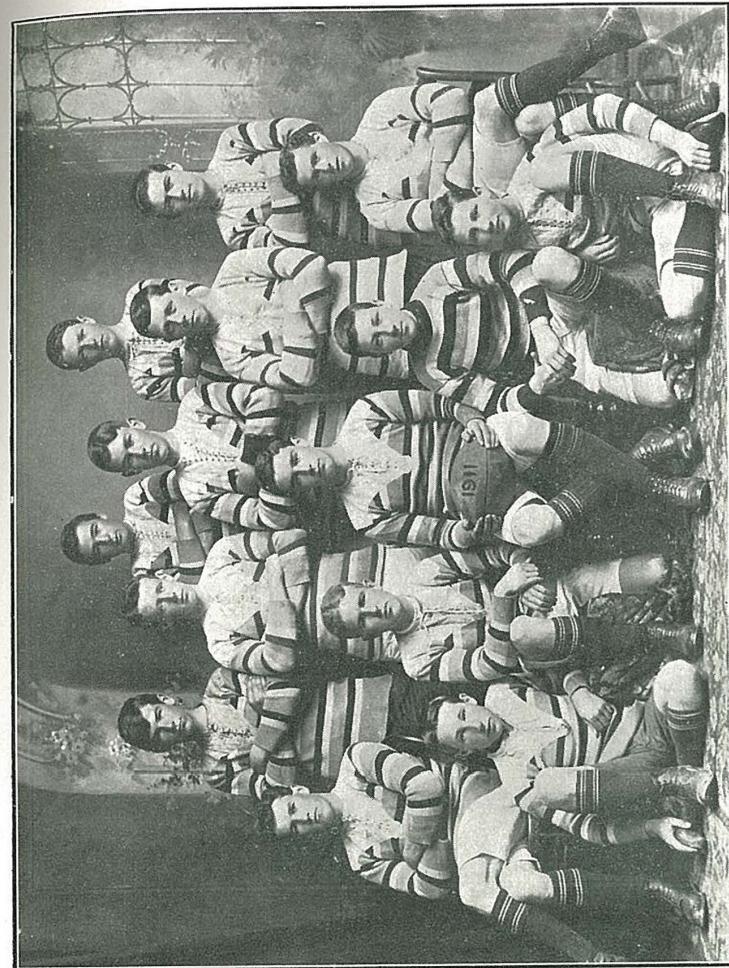
This was the last of our pennant matches before the match with Otago High. The Eastern Reserve was in good condition, being almost dry, and there was little or no wind. School were the first to score, Stead getting over near the corner. The kick at goal failed. Blues then attacked and secured a try that was not converted. Shortly after Stead again scored, this time between the posts and kicked the goal. School again attacked and before half-time Dobbie had added three more points to the score, scoring near the corner. When play recommenced, School attacked and Dobbie again scored, Stead converting. This was followed by some play up and down the field, and Blues finally scored, but failed to convert. School were then on the defensive till the whistle sounded, leaving them winners by 16 points to 6. In the absence of the referee Mr McGrath kindly took charge of the whistle, and gave complete satisfaction.

SOUTHLAND HIGH SCHOOL V. OTAGO HIGH SCHOOL.

LOST, 16—6.

Saturday, 5th August, is a day to be remembered by Old Boys of the School resident in Dunedin. It was the day of the renewal of old ties; the genial presence of two very popular masters was welcomed by our Old Boys, while Present and Past Pupils once more met in friendly talk.

Carisbrook ground saw a large number of Old Boys who would rather incite the Old School to noble efforts than spend the morning in the halls of the 'Varsity. Old Boys were there in force—players and non-players. Old captains came to witness the standard of football now prevailing in the school; old forwards came to renew their



acquaintance with a well-taught pack; and old-backs came to look once more on the characteristic merits and weaknesses of the School backs. As the School team filed on to Carisbrook's muddy, slushy, ground, they were greeted by their Old Boys with a vigorous and rousing haka. That was their method of expressing their best wishes for the success of the School in the match about to commence,, and though the method of expression changed, the same good wishes followed them throughout the game.

The game was all through very interesting. The first spell saw vigorous forward rushes by one team followed by a determined counter-rush by the other, excellent following up by the forwards, and some tackling, and splendid line-kicking by the backs.

Otago attacked from the jump, and their big forwards rushed the ball to Southland's territory, but Houston's plucky and effective rush-stopping, and Stead's heady play and fine kicks soon put Southland in an attacking position. The forwards were in grand trim; sure line work, splendid packing, and good solid play time and again gained superiority over Otago. Catto was the best forward in the team, quick, sure and resolute, tackling his man with delightful certainty. Always to the fore in attack and in fast following up, he nevertheless found opportunity to aid in defence. Laurie, the lock-man, was a tower of strength; his work was not of the gallery order, but he put in every ounce of his great weight, and by his solid, conscientious work made himself an opponent to be reckoned with. Christie, as wing forward, was good in the first spell; but as a forward he did very good work. The frequent whistles kept him from getting round the scrum, and his able opponent took advantage of this. Otherwise his play was good; he made some clever openings and tackled in determined style. On the whole the forwards are a magnificent lot, the best for some years. Time and labour has certainly not been mis-spent on them, for in the first spell, except for the first 15 minutes, they took charge of the game. Their combined rushes were irresistible, and from one of these Catto obtained a well-deserved try. So far the backs had not been over-worked, but what they had to do they did well. Houston's rush-stopping and defence generally was wonderful, while his quick attack sent Stead on several brilliant runs, one of which almost bore fruit.

The second spell saw Otago attack determinedly. But for a while the defence was sound. At this stage Southland was very frequently penalised, and seemed suddenly to go to pieces—only for 15 minutes, but that 15 minutes lost them the game. Stead was playing a splendid game, kicking and running with great power. Houston was overwhelmed by the opposing wing forward, and had no chance to open out the play. Dobbie was good on attack, but his defence was at times weak. McKenzie was one of the best backs on our side,

but in our humble opinion was being wasted on the wing. He had comparatively little to do, but that he did excellently. His kicking showed power and effectiveness, and his running great judgment, while in defence he was equal to Stead and Houston. McGregor was slow for a five-eighths, but very cool and very safe.

On the day's play Otago deserved to win, but we think that there was not the margin between the teams that the score indicates. Our forwards were undeniably better, and during the greater part of the game held the mastery. But Otago's backs were better than ours. Where was the combined play usually associated with the School backs? There were good individual players—Stead was, perhaps, the best back on the ground, while O'Shea (Otago) and Houston were good seconds. But our passing always seemed to break down. The Otago backs passed well, and they were assisted by our attempts at cutting off passes instead of going for the man with the ball. Yet they did much good work, and in general the defence was sound. The Southland forwards, however, were the admired of the crowd, and they deserve our deepest gratitude for the high state of efficiency they reached.—(Contributed by J. P. H.).

CRITIQUE OF FIRST XV.

BONTHON : Fast on wing and good tackle.

CAMERON : Hardworking forward; good on line; fair dribbler.

CATTO : Steady tackler; very good dribbler; fast and fearless.

CHRISTIE : Wing forward; very sure on line; fearless tackler; opens up game well.

DOBBIE : Scoring man in passing; takes ball excellently.

FORRESTER : Full-back; improved in kicking and collaring.

FREW : Solid forward; was handicapped by weak ankle.

GIBB : Front row and a good one; quick and fearless and always on the ball.

HOUSTON : Half-back; good in defence and in attack; collars with determination for a light player; keeps his backs going.

IRVING : Fast forward in following up.

LAURIE : Very good lock; good tackler and dribbler; always on the ball.

MacGREGOR : Five-eighth; good kick and excellent take; passes well.

MCKENZIE : Speedy wing, and played some determined games.

STEAD : Captain; first five-eighth; brains of the backs; an 'All Black' copy.

THOMSON : Front row; gave his team plenty of ball; solid in forward work; threw out ball well.

McQUEEN, JAMES : Good on line; strong and determined; played an up-hill game well.

We regret that our first fifteen could not agree to be all ready at the same time for a photograph. This remissness prevents a permanent record of their hard faces.

JUNIOR FOOTBALL.

OTAGO H. S. II V. SOUTHLAND H. S. II.

(Referee, Mr I. Jenkins.)

As the teams took the field the Otago boys appeared sturdier and of more even build than our players, and as events proved they played a much more even game.

From the kick-off Otago became aggressive, and soon had Southland in trouble. Our backs were hustled and could not keep their places, while the forwards had not yet found their feet. Otago secured the ball cleanly from a scrum in front of our goal, and Green-slaide, cutting in, beat our backs and scored a fine try. The kick at goal failed—3—0.

Our forwards now realised that they were expected to save the situation. Shaking themselves together they charged in a series of loose rushes to the Otago 25. Reid secured the ball from a long throw-in, and was over the line but was called back for a knock-on. Our backs attempted passing, but lost ground every time. Then Baxter failing to find touch, followed up fast and kicked over the Otago goal line, but was beaten for the ball. Shortly after the Otago forwards broke away to our 25. Then the ball came out to their backs, and three men in a line bore down on Baxter, who tackled the back in possession just outside the goal-line. Our forwards rallied and at half-time the ball was in neutral territory.

Early in the second spell Southland commenced a strong attack, but were met with stubborn defence by the Otago backs who went down to rushes in great style. Dawson had a shot at goal. Two Otago men went for the ball, spoiling each other's attempt to save. Our forwards were on them before they could recover, and Wills scored under the posts. Reid converted.

In turn the Otago forwards came away with a loose rush, our backs making very feeble attempts to stop them. Then Southland broke away from a line-out, carrying the attack right up to the Otago line, where Millar missed a chance to score. Otago rallied and swept back to the Southland line, Angus scoring. No goal resulted. Otago, 6—5.

For the remaining few minutes Southland kept up a hot attack, but lost chances by kicking over the line. The game ended with the score Otago 6, Southland 5.

The game was a splendid one to watch, and full of exciting incidents from beginning to end. The Otago backs really won the game

for their side, and were unlucky not to score more points. They ran and kicked well, and went down to rushes in fine style, a point in which our backs with the exception of Millar and Ryburn, were woefully deficient. The Otago forwards played a steady game, but met with little opposition when once away from our forwards.

Our forwards played splendidly, their work being all the more meritorious when the defence of the Otago backs is considered. They shoved Otago in the tight, and were superior in line-out and loose work. They packed well on their own side of half-way, but when near their opponents' line, were apt to take things too easy. On the whole all played well, but special mention must be made of McDonough on the line-out, and of McCaw, Duncan, and Milne in loose work, Milne at wing-forward was in his element, his dribbling, tackling, and dash seriously disconcerting the opposing backs.

Of our backs, who made a very feeble showing, little can be said. They seemed unable to take the ball cleanly. Baxter and Dawson kicked well. Reid was clever at times, but neither Dawson nor he care to stop forwards. Ryburn did not have much chance to show his ability, but stopped a few rushes really well. Millar was easily the best of our backs, and played a hard if not especially clever game.

GORE HIGH SCHOOL FIRST XV V. SOUTHLAND HIGH SCHOOL SECOND XV.

(Referee, Mr W. Dey.)

The match was played on the Western Reserve on Wednesday, August 23rd. The ground was in a very bad state, while the frequent showers that fell during the course of the game did not add to the comfort of players or of spectators.

Playing down-hill with a favouring wind, Southland was soon making a strenuous attack on the Gore 25, but the effort failed, mainly through the idea possessed by some of the Southland forwards that they were five-eighths, while a few of the backs fancied themselves forwards. After the first ten minutes the Gore boys held their own comfortably, giving the impression that they would win easily on changing round.

At the beginning of the second spell the Southland forwards swept away with a loose rush. For once the Gore backs were caught napping, and before they could recover Duncan scored. No goal resulted. Thence to the end of the game the Gore forwards had the better of the play, and seemed as if they might score any minute. At last they gained the reward of their consistent work. The ball was dribbled over the line near the goal posts. The Southland full-back unwilling to get his clothes muddy, attempted to speculate. A Gore forward, less fastidious, scored a simple try. The kick was unsuccessful.

For the remainder of the game Gore continued to attack, but luck was against them, and the match ended in a draw, 3 points each.

On the day's play the Southland boys were lucky not to lose, for Gore was undoubtedly the better team. Considering the state of the ground and the slippery nature of the ball the backs fielded and kicked really well. The forwards were better than ours, one or two of them dribbling in fine style. Their play was certainly much better than their luck.

In the first spell our backs were weak on defence, but improved somewhat in the second half, though at times they were badly out of place. They were never dangerous on attack. Except for one or two flashes, the forwards were not very convincing, too many of them shirking the tight work. Their packing was very poor; in fact, they could hardly be recognised as the dashing set that played against Otago.

FOURTH GRADE.

SECOND XV (A Team).—Anderson, Baxter, Christopher, Carter, (Capt.), Dawson (Deputy-Captain), McCaw, Duncan, Findlay, Hughes, Hamilton, King, Milne, McDonough, Millar, Laidlaw, Reid, Wills, Ryburn, Hinton.

THIRD XV (B Team).—Ballantyne, Brass, Dobie, Imlay (Captain), Lamont, Marris, Huffadine, Dixon, A. R. McKenzie, Marshall, Lopdell, McKillop, Baxter, B. Smellie, Treseder, Wesney.

This season only two teams were entered by School in the Fourth Grade Competition, as against four last season. These proved strong combinations, and were better matches for the strong outside teams.

SECOND XV V. MIDDLE.—WON BY 5 TO 3.

In the first spell Wills secured a try and Dawson converted. Middle scored early in the second spell; and after an even game throughout School won by the narrow margin of 2 points.

SECOND XV V. SOUTHERN.—WON, 4 TO NIL.

As anticipated Southern had a heavy team out, and as the ground was heavy, the back play was very weak. Attacking from kick-off, School failed to pierce the stubborn defence of their opponents, and it was not till two minutes before time that Dawson, who had been playing a great game throughout, potted a very fine goal from the field.

This game was played on No. 2 ground on a very wet afternoon.

SECOND XV V. THIRD XV (B TEAM). WON, 42 TO NIL.

The following scored for A Team: Milne 4, Ryburn 2, McCaw 2, Carter 2, Millar, Duncan, and Wills.

SECOND XV V. MIDDLE.—DRAW, 3 to 3.

This was the hardest of the Club matches, and School very narrowly missed defeat. In the first spell the backs played well, and Findlay secured a clever try. In the second spell a defensive game was played, the opponents scoring on time.

SECOND XV V. SOUTHERN.—WON, 10 to 5.

Early in the game from a passing rush, Dawson potted a goal. After a series of unsuccessful shots at goal, Duncan scored from a loose dribbling rush. In the second spell Milne scored.

SECOND XV V. THIRD XV.—Won, 62 to NIL.

The Seconds were two heavy for the Third Fifteen, and an easy win resulted. Scores as follows: Milne 5, Ryburn 3, Millar 2, Carter 2, Wills McCaw, Duncan, Anderson.

THIRD XV V. MIDDLE.—DRAWN, 3 to 3.

Dawson kicked a goal from a mark.

THIRD XV V. SOUTHERN. LOST, 23 to NIL.

As it was a holiday, B had difficulty in getting a full team, and in consequence paid the penalty.

Gymnastic Display.

After an interval of three years, the two Schools combined to give a display of gymnastics in the theatre on the night of August 22ⁿ. The weather was dirty, but despite it there was an excellent attendance, a tribute to the popularity of Mr Galloway as an instructor. The long programme was achieved in excellent time, without any hitch at all. Relief was afforded by Messrs Struthers and Every, who each rendered a song in each part of the programme. Miss Morrison acted as accompanist; Mr McGrath as business manager, and Messrs L. Christie and N. Stead as honorary secretaries.

From a lengthy notice in the "Southland Times" we extract the following:—

"Parents have not the same opportunities of noting the progress of their children's instruction in physical culture as they have in the matter of their mental development. Unless they are privileged to attend the gymnasium the value of gymnastic training must be to them to some extent a matter of conjecture. Such a display as that of last night presents the opportunity for forming a judgment. On the stage was presented each of the various exercises which combine to form a complete course of physical development. No better proof of the value of such a course could be forthcoming than the appear-

ance and deportment of the dozens of boys and girls who participated in the display. Smartness and activity were their most prominent characteristics. No round shoulders or sunken chests were there. As each team came along to carry out its part of the programme it presented a picture of youthful vigour and energy which must have brought a flush of pride to parents' cheeks. The senior boys were responsible for some showy and daring work on the horizontal bar, on the parallel bars, and on the vaulting horse. The work was marked by cleanliness and intrepidity. A number of tableaux, too, formed a striking feature of their performance and earned the unstinted applause of the audience. The younger boys gave a fine display of dumbbell exercises and physical drill with rifles. They entered into the spirit of the thing with enthusiasm, and their movements were marked with precision. The girls took part in a number of complicated marching movements, splendidly arranged and well executed. They also performed several exercises with bar-bells, dumb-bells, and Indian clubs, all of which were loudly applauded. A pretty lantern march culminated in an effective tableau in which the letters H. S. were represented. During this tableau the girls sang their new school song, the words of which were written by Miss Farnie, and the music by Mr Chas. Gray. Miss Kay Macdonald performed an 'electric club solo,' which produced a novel and pleasing effect, and was heartily encored. Despite the length of the programme the performance came to a conclusion at a reasonable hour. This was due to excellent management and to a punctual commencement. To Mr I. G. Galloway is due a large measure of praise for a most enjoyable entertainment."

PROGRAMME :

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| 1. HORIZONTAL BAR— | Boys |
| (Physical Judgment and Courage). | |
| 2. BAR BELLS— | Girls (Form III B) |
| 3. PHYSICAL DRILL WITH ARMS— | Cadet Squad No. 2 Coy. |
| 4. Song— "Macushla" (McMurragh) | Mr Struthers |
| 5. ELECTRIC CLUB SOLO— | Miss Kay Macdonald |
| 6. DUMB-BELLS— | Girls (Form IV A and IV B) |
| (General Health and Physical Development). | |
| 7. SONG— "Boys of the King" (James) | Mr Ernest Every |
| 8. PARALLEL BARS— | Boys |
| (Physical Judgment and Muscular Control). | |
| INTERVAL. | |
| 9. LANTERN MARCH— | Girls |
| 10. DUMB-BELLS— | Junior Boys |

11. TENOR SOLO—"Maid of Athens," (Christabel)
 Mr Ernest Every
 (With Violin Obligato by Mr Phil. Poole).
12. FREE ARM EXERCISES—Girls (Form III A)
 (Physical Development and Deportment.)
13. TENOR SOLO—"My Ain Folk," (Lemon) Mr Struthers
14. INDIAN CLUBS—Girls (Form V and VI)
 (Grace and Physical Development).
15. VAULTING HORSE—Boys
 (Courage and Agility).

Dumb-bell Squad:—Dobie, Dewe, Ferrar, Fraser, C. Greig, Harrington, Hazlett, Jackson, Mills, A. McDonald, C. Marshall, Pay, Ramsay, Stuck, A. Timpany.

Physical Drill with Arms (No. 2 Co.):—Sergt. Catto, Corps. Reid, Davies, H. Ryburn, Pvts. Dewe, Dobie, C. Greig, Hinton, C. Marshall, E. Marshall, Miske, A. McDonald, Pay, Ronaldson, Soar, Stuck, Wild.

Gymnastics:—J. G. Anderson, Ballantine, Bonthon, Catto, Cockcroft, Christie, Davies, Frew, Forrester Huffadine, Imlay, Mabson, Millar, McCaw, Melvin, Macgregor, E. Ryburn, H. Ryburn, A. Reid, Stead, Wesney.

ATHLETIC SPORTS.

The annual athletic sports, held on Wednesday, 25th October, on the Queen's Park, were favoured with fine weather; there was abundance of sunshine and an absence of wind. A start was made at 1.30 p.m., Mr McGrath as Ground Steward, along with the Sports Committee and the Sixth Form having got everything in readiness during the forenoon. There were some large fields, especially in the shorter distances. The pleasant weather put competitors and spectators in a good humour, so that everything went off with a zest. Mr Galloway improves every year with his starting, having an excellent pistol with a good report. The handicapping was on the whole good; there were, of course, one or two dark horses among the first year boys—an inevitable state of affairs. Most of the finishes were very close, only inches separating those winning places, so that the handicapping committee deserves every congratulation for their good work.

Afternoon tea was dispensed as usual by the wives of the staff and a body of fair assistants, under the superintendence of Mrs Pearce. The thanks of the school are due to those parents who so kindly supplied the refreshments for the occasion.

It is pleasant to record that the two records for the High Jump were broken, the Junior by T. Cody, the Senior by R. L. Christie. The latter also equalled the record in the 100 yards.

There was a keen fight for the Championship, particularly between E. Ryburn, the winner and Bonthon. All depended on the last of the Championship events. Had Bonthon won it, the 440 yards, these two would have been equal, but Ryburn just struggled home, Bonthon being an inch or two behind him, after a magnificently sustained spurt. It was a great race for a settlement of the Championship.

One of the pleasant features of the 1911 meeting was the harmony that prevailed; both masters and boys working so well together, that all the present school events were over before five o'clock.

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OFFICE - BEARERS :

Judges—Messrs C. Todd, J. H. Treseder, J. Miles, Rev. R. M. Ryburn, Rev. J. Shaw.

Ground Steward—Mr J. S. McGrath.

Press Stewards—L. Bennet, I. Imlay, G. Tangney.

Starter—Mr I. Galloway : Asst. Starters—Mr P. Edmondson and E. Dobbie.

Timekeepers—Messrs J. Williams, J. P. Dakin, and J. B. Struthers.

Handicappers—Messrs P. Edmondson, E. Dobbie, L. Christie. Old Boys' Events : Messrs C. Webber, C. Reid, W. Sawers, W. Sampson.

Committee—The Rector, Messrs J. Williams, J. P. Dakin, J. S. McGrath, J. Struthers, I. Galloway, P. Edmondson, L. Ballantine, J. Catto, E. Dobbie, E. Ryburn, N. Stead.

Hon Sec. Old Boys' Events—Messrs C. Webber, C. Reid.

Hon. Secretaries—R. L. Christie, R. Mabson.

SPECIAL COMPETITIONS.**OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP.**

Names	100 yds	220 yds	440 yds	Mile	High Jump	Long Jump	Total
Anderson, J. G.	—	1	—	—	5	1	7
Ballantine ..	—	—	1	5	3	—	9
Bonthonron ..	3	5	3	—	1	3	15
Catto ..	1	—	—	3	—	—	4
Ryburn ..	5	3	5	1	—	5	19

TODD MEDAL.

Names	100 yds	220 yds	440 yds	Mile	½-mile	Total
Forrester ..	—	—	5	5	5	15
Christie ..	5	5	—	—	—	10
Christophers ..	—	—	3	—	—	3
Thomson, C.	3	1	—	—	—	4
Mabson, F.	—	3	—	—	—	3
Reid ..	—	—	—	—	3	3

CHRISTIE MEDAL.

Names	100 yds	220 yds	440 yds	High Jump	Long Jump	Total
Millar ..	3	5	5	1	3	17
Cody, T.	—	—	—	5	5	10
Greig, C.	—	—	3	3	—	6
Greig, L.	5	3	—	—	—	8

The following are the results:-

Wrestling (Cumberland style) under 9st. 7lbs : 1 B. Baxter, 2 Rice. Six competed. Over 9st 7lbs : C. Thomson. Two competed.

100yds Championship (School record, 10%secs., N. Millard, 1908) : E. Ryburn 1, Bonthonron 2. Five competed.

Long Jump (under 15) (School record, 17ft 8in, R. L. Christie, 1908) : T. Cody (includ. 21in handicap), 17ft 8½in, 1, Millar, scratch, 15ft 2½in 2. Ten competed.

100yds Handicap (under 15), (School record, 11secs, S. Reid, 1906). First heat: 1 L. Greig. Second heat: 1 G. Mabson, 2 McLeod. Third heat: 1 Cody, 2 Millar. Final: 1 L. Greig, 2 Millar. Thirteen competitors. Time, 11%secs.

Long Jump Handicap and Championship (School record: 22ft, N. Millard, 1908) : Duncan (27in), 18ft 10½in, 1; E. Ryburn (scr.), 18ft 6½in, 2. Ten competed.

220yds Handicap (under 15). First heat: Millar, scr. 1; A. McDonald, 15yds, 2. Second heat: L. Greig, 4yds, 1; T. Cody, 13yds, and Meffan, 16yds, dead heat, 2. Third heat: McLeod, 4yds, 2. Final: J. Millar, scr., 1; L. Greig, 2. Time, 27secs. Thirteen competed.

100yds Handicap (open). First heat: Thomson, 8yds, 1; F. Grant, 10yds, 2. Second heat: Anderson, 7yds, 1; Christie, scr., 2. Third heat: McCaw, 10yds, 1; Wills, 9yds, 2. Fourth heat: Catto, 5yds, 1; Christophers, 9yds, 2. Semi-final—First heat: Anderson, 1; Christie, 2. Second heat: Catto 1, Thomson 2. Final: Christie, scr., 1; Thomson, Syds, 2. Time, 10%secs. Eighteen competed.

High Jump (under 15) (School record, 4ft 7½in, L. Ballantine, 1910). T. Cody, 6in, 1; C. Greig, 3in, 2. The winner was an easy first and then attacked the school record, establishing new figures of 4ft 8in. Nine competed.

High Jump Handicap and Championship (School record, 5ft 1in, N. Millard, 1906). F. Grant (includ. 3in), 5ft 3in, 1; R. L. Christie, scr., 5ft 2¾in, 2. Although he did not succeed in winning the event, Christie set up a new record. In connection with the Championship Anderson jumped 4ft 9¾in. Ten competed.

Potato Race. Decided in heats. McCaw 1; Witting 2. Thirty competed.

440yds Handicap (open). Forrester, 18yds, 1; Christophers, 20yds, 2. Time 57%secs. Won by 20 yards. Only two starters.

220yds Championship. (School record, 23secs., T. Baird, 1908). Bonthonron 1; E. Ryburn 2. Won by a yard after a good race. Time, 25½secs. Five competed.

Sack Race. First heat: Bingham 1; Timpany 2. Second heat: A. McKenzie, 1; Soar, 2. Third heat: Reid, 1; Ramsay, 2. Final: Reid, 1; A. McKenzie 2. Twenty-eight competed.

Forms' Relay Race (half-mile). Form IV A, (Ballantine, Bingham, Christophers, Forrester, 15yds start), 1; Form IV B, (Mabson, Millar, R. McKenzie, Duncan, 25yds start), 2. Time, 1min 48%secs. Each man of the respective teams ran 220 yards, which accounts for the fast time recorded. Five classes competed.

120yds Hurdles Handicap, (open). (School record, 18secs, J. Moore, 1906; N. Millard, 1908). Duncan, 2yds behind scr., 1; F. Grant, 4yds behind scr., 2. Time, 21secs. Nine started and finished. A grand race.

Half-Mile Handicap (open). Forrester, scr., 1; Laurie, 35yds, 2. Time, 2min 18secs. Won by a narrow margin. Five competed.

220yds Handicap Open. Christie, scr., 1; Mabson, 12yds, 2. Won by eight yards. Time 23½secs. Eight competed.

440yds Handicap (under 15). Millar, scr., 1; C. Greig, 25yds, 2. Time, 60 $\frac{1}{2}$ secs. Six starters.

Obstacle Race. First heat: Smith 1; Ross 2. Second heat: Ford 1; Rowe 2. Third heat: McKay 1; Melvin 2. Final: Ross 1; Ford 2. Smith was caught napping and lost second place. Thirty starters.

220yds Handicap (under 14 $\frac{1}{2}$). Kingsland, 10 yds, 1; C. Greig, 4yds, 2. Time, 26 $\frac{1}{2}$ secs. Eight competed.

Putting Weight (16lbs). MacGregor, 24ft 11 $\frac{1}{2}$ in, 1; Laurie and Thomson tied for second place. Six competitors.

440yds Championship. 1 Ryburn; 2 Bonthon. Time, 58 $\frac{1}{2}$ secs. Four starters. A tough struggle.

Mile Handicap and Championship. (School record, 4min 56secs. T. Baird, 1909). Forrester, scr., 1; Ballantine, scr., 2. Time, 5min 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ secs. This event was run on October 19. Eleven starters.

Throwing the Cricket Ball (decided, October 20). MacGregor, 80 yds 2 $\frac{3}{4}$ ft, 1; N. Stead, 2. Four competed.

Old Boys' Events.

100yds (Amateurs). L. Handan, scr., A. McDonald, scr. A dead heat. Time, 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ secs. Four starters.

400yds (Amateurs). E. Stout, 35yds, 1; A. McDonald, scr., 2. Won by ten yards. Time, 52 $\frac{1}{2}$ secs. Six starters.

Half-Mile (Amateurs). S. Irving, 35yds, 1; W. Sampson, 30yds, 2; A. Dallas, 65yds, 3. Three started. Time, 2min 11secs.



HOCKEY, 19II.

Hockey was ushered in this season with a little more support than it had received previously. Town boys are beginning to wake up to the fact that some game must be played on Saturday afternoons, and as Invercargill can support this game alone, it must be played. The season has been a very successful one, although we did not win the championship. Comparing ourselves with the other teams in the competition, we are much younger and less experienced. About the end of the first term a meeting of those interested was called, and it was then decided to enter a team for the Junior Competition. Appended are the results of the matches played during the season.

SCHOOL V. CIVIL SERVICE. (Won, 7 to 11).

This was the opening match of the season. We had great difficulty in mustering a team, for most of the good players were ill. Nevertheless we won easily. The game was very fast and open. Civil Service did not get going very well in the first spell, for School scored 6 goals. But the second spell was very even, the ball going



from one end of the ground to the other. Service scored 1 goal and School one in this spell, thus leaving us victors, after a very good game, by 7 to 1.

SCHOOL V. WAREHOUSEMEN. (Lost, 3 to 2).

This match was played in the term holidays, and as most of the players were out of town, our team was not the best. We made a very good showing however. Hanan played a good game for School, shooting both our goals. Warehousemen had the better of the game the first spell, but School make up in the second spell, the backs passing very well to the forwards.

SCHOOL V. CIVIL SERVICE. (Won, 6 to 2).

Again we succeeded in defeating Civil Service. This match was played on Biggar Street ground. It had been raining very heavily during the morning and the ground was in bad condition. Civil Service broke away from the bully and scored first. This made our men wake up, and with a sweeping rush down the field Ryburn shot the ball into the net. The first spell was very even, both sides scoring 2 goals. School had much the better of the second spell; we added four more goals to our score. Thus the game ended, School 6, Civil Service 2.

SCHOOL V. WAREHOUSEMEN. (Lost, 5 to 4).

In this match we had our best team and were all-out to win, and as Warehousemen had defeated us before, we were all anxious to turn the tables on them this time. As the press put it: "This match was a ding-dong go, and it is a pity that the referee made a mistake in his ruling." The matter was considered by the Hockey Association and it was decided to play the match over again. Warehousemen had the better of the first spell, but school out-classed their opponents in the second. Baxter (in goal), McCaw (half), Reid (full-back), played very well for School. The forwards all played well.

SCHOOL V. CIVIL SERVICE. (Won, 4 to 1).

School were again successful in defeating Service. School owed their win to combination, the backs feeding the forwards in great style. All the goals were scored in the first half. The backs were on the defence most of the second half. McCaw (full-back) did very good work, saving us time after time. We were leading in the competition after this match, with 6 points to our credit.

SCHOOL V. WAREHOUSEMEN. (Lost, 4 to 2).

This match was played on July 1st. The ground was in fine condition and a good game was expected. The School played their most scientific game of the season, the passing being less erratic than usual. School started off by a rush into their opponent's backs with the result that Hanan shot a good goal for School. The combined play of both sides was a feature of the game. Warehouse recorded 3 goals in quick

succession. Our backs were not doing too well at the end of the first spell. The game in the second spell was much scattered, and although Warehousemen found it very hard to pass our backs who were playing much better at this stage, succeeded in notching another goal. School with a final rally scored again. Thus a good game ended with Warehousemen victorious by 4 to 2.

SCHOOL V. CIVIL SERVICE. (Lost, 8 to 2).

On 5th July we met Service again, and as we had defeated them in every match we had played, they were determined to win this time. They had an exceptionally good team in, including some of last season's seniors. They had much the better of the first spell, piling up 7 goals by half time. Our backs were again very weak, and if it had not been for the good defensive work by McCaw (1) the score would have been much greater. The second spell was more even, Service scored 1 goal while School scored 2.

SCHOOL V. WAREHOUSEMEN. (Won, 6 to 3).

School showed much better form in this match. We attacked strongly from the start. Ryburn broke away from the bully, and carried the ball into the circle when MacGregor shot a nice goal. A little later School scored again from a passing rush but immediately Warehousemen carried the ball right through our backs and scored. The second spell the School forwards worked very well together, passing being almost perfect. This was the only match in which our forwards could get past Warehouse full-backs. Goals were scored by Hanan, MacGregor and Dobbie.

SCHOOL V. CIVIL SERVICE. (Drew, 2 all).

This match was played during a thunder storm. The ground was in such a condition that the game had to be shortened. School had the better of the first spell with the wind and rain at our backs. But in the second with wind and rain against us Service equalized the score. Thus a most uninteresting game ended in a draw, 2 all.

SCHOOL V. WAREHOUSEMEN. (Lost, 5 to 4). FINAL.

This most exciting game ended in Warehousemen winning the Junior Championship. This match decided whether School or Warehousemen won the Shield. It was played in the second term holidays, and one of our best backs was unable to play. This was a real good go. Ryburn started off with a score for School, but no further score was recorded before half-time. After the spell Warehousemen pressed our backs, but McCaw and Reid repeatedly saved the situation. Dobbie next scored for School. Our forwards after much exertion pressed into their opponent's circle, but Warehousemen broke away and scored. They scored again. Then the score was even. MacGregor scored for School. Warehousemen now livened up and rushed down the field, running in another goal to their credit. School now

became quite demoralised, and the opposing forwards succeeded in scoring another two goals. School rallied again, when Hanan shot a good goal from the edge of the circle. Soon afterwards time was called.

CRICKET.

SENIORS.

Captain. E. Ryburn. Hon. Sec., J. G. Anderson. Committee—
E. Ryburn, J. G. Anderson, E. Dobbie.

This season cricket commenced a little earlier than usual, yet with the return of almost all last season's team, we were anticipating more success in our club matches. So far as success is concerned, our expectations have been fully gratified. We have played but two fixtures, and in each case we have had the good fortune to achieve a creditable victory. We say "good fortune," designedly, for there is such a thing as luck in cricket and our success was not in any way the result of consistent practice. It is true that the unfavourable weather and the proximity to the sports to a certain extent interfered with the practices, yet that is no excuse for the entire desertion of the cricket ground. There exists among the seniors, a lamentable lack of interest and enthusiasm in participating in this invigorating pastime. It was stated in a previous number of this magazine that "the whole tone of the school cricket needed improvement," a remark which is specially applicable to the present despicable condition of cricket in the school. We have plenty of material at our disposal and some promising players in our midst. All that is required is enthusiasm. It is indeed a regrettable fact, and at the same time disheartening to the committee, that only half a dozen members of the 1st eleven are loyal enough to attend the practice. Yet, now that the sports are over, we trust that we shall have no further cause for complaint in this connection.

There are a number of boys in the School who, while being eligible for inclusion in the 1st Eleven, yet take a pride in earning distinction, or at least endeavouring to do so, among the Juniors. That is commendable enough in its place; but, when a boy is called upon to practice with the Seniors, it is his duty to respond willingly to the request. Let such boys remember that it is this year's Juniors who will chiefly constitute next year's 1st XI.

The most serious loss to the School team was that occasioned by the unexpected departure of McKenzie. Since 1908 McKenzie has been a member of the School XI, being captain in 1909, and a Junior

Southland rep. in 1910. At the beginning of the year, however, he declined to take any active interest in Senior cricket, and even conceived the noble idea of strengthening the Junior team, of which he was captain in 1907. At the end of the season, he regularly attended the practices, and, being a forcible bat, and a good high-flight bowler, he will be much missed in the team. This season he will be playing cricket elsewhere. We wish him success.

Following is an account of the matches played this season:—

The season was opened by a match with the Juniors, who were considerably strengthened by the inclusion of five masters. Batting first, the latter made 97 runs, of which Mr McGrath contributed 34, while Wild batted well for 11 runs. The Seniors experienced no difficulty in passing their opponents' total; Stead (44), McGregor (22), and Christophers being the principal scorers. Bonthon, with 6 wickets for 19, was the most successful of the School bowlers.

1st XI. V. Y.M.C.A. "B."—Won by 87 runs.

This was our first club match, and as the Y.M.C.A. proved to be a very weak team, the School secured a rather easy win. Y.M.C.A. on going to the wickets, were soon dismissed for 38 runs, Houston taking 5 wickets for 15 runs, Bonthon 3 for 17, and McGregor 2 for 0. The batting of the School was much superior to that of their opponents, and resulted in the creditable total of 125 runs. Anderson (30), Ryburn (retired, 21), Stead (retired, 20), Christophers (15), McGregor (retired, 13), Houston (11). Generally speaking, the fielding of the School was good.

1st XI V. APPLEBY.—Won by 42 runs.

This was by far the strongest team in the Junior grade competition, and included several players of unquestionable merit, and long experience, yet, contrary to expectation, the School team, possibly through lack of practice, were again successful. Batting first, the School made a poor start, and wickets fell rapidly until Houston and Christophers became associated—the partnership producing 62. The innings eventually closed for 86; Houston giving a delightful exhibition for 47 runs; while Christophers, by patient playing, compiled a serviceable 19. The School were even more successful with the ball, and dismissed their opponents for the small total of 44 runs. McGregor bowled splendidly, obtaining the exceptional average of 6 wickets for 9 runs, while Houston took 3 for 25, and Wild, a promising junior, 1 for 0. The fielding of the School was again very good, considering the inclement weather that prevailed. Stead and Christophers each bringing off two good catches.

We are deeply grateful to Mr McGrath for his continued interest in our cricket.

JUNIOR CRICKET.

We welcome the interest being taken by some gentlemen of the town in School cricket. They have formed a Schools' Cricket Association, to which Mr McGrath is our delegate. After several meetings we are glad to record that the juniors, at least first year boys, are no longer to be penalised for coming to the High School. Three teams are to play matches against teams from other schools in and around Invercargill. This grade is to be known as the Schools' Senior Grade.

Between first year boys and the First Eleven there are many boys unable to have their interest aroused by competition with outsiders. To bring these interest in cricket, the Schools' Association has asked that a Secondary Grade be formed, that we conduct matches within the school as for a tournament, putting four Middle School teams into the field, and a combined team from the Juniors. If all these teams are forthcoming and maintain a zealous interest, there is good ground to entertain hopes of next year's cricket. Let everybody enter into our summer pastime, and play up, and play the game!

FIRST YEAR CRICKET.

Team.	Captain.	Deputy-captain.
A.	Soar	Ronaldson.
B.	Dobie	Lopdell.
C.	C. Marshall	I. Greig

MIDDLE SCHOOL CRICKET.

A.	A. Reid	—
B.	G. Wild	—
C.	Soar	—
D.	C. Davies	—

Library Notes.

During the second term the membership was exceptionally high, and this term, in spite of the approaching public examinations, it is highly satisfactory. During the term over thirty volumes have been added, and as they are all excellent works and suit a variety of tastes, they have obtained a great deal of attention. We have now on the shelves well over 500 volumes, the accommodation of which is becoming so serious a problem that new shelves will soon be required for them.

Since our last report the following volumes have been placed on the shelves:—"The Pickwick Papers," "David Copperfield," and "Sketches by Boz," by Dickens; "Pendennis," "The Newcomes," and

"Henry Esmond," "English Humorists," and "The Four Georges," by Thackeray; "Cap'n Eri," and "The Depot Master," by Joseph C. Lincoln; "She," and "Ayesha," by H. Rider Haggard; "The Impregnable City," by Max Pemberton; "A Middy of the Slave Squadron," by H. Collingwood; "The Sweep of the Sword," by Alfred H. Miles; "On Foreign Service," by T. T. Jeans; "McGlusky, the Reformer," by A. G. Hales; "Lilamani," by Maud Diver; "By Canoe and Dog train" by the Rev. Egerton R. Young; "Don Quixote," by Cervantes; "Running Recollections, and How to Train," by A. R. Downer; "Scientific Boxing and Self-Defence," by Tommy Burns; "Boxing," by R. S. Allanson-Winn; "Ringcraft," by Jim Driscoll; "The Book of Cricket," by P. F. Warner; two books on "Gymnastics," by Staff-sergeant Moss; "The Army Pageant"; Pictures of Old England," by Paull; "Birds of the Water, Wood and Waste," by H. Guthrie Smith; "Principles of Agriculture," by Bailey; and a series of books on Natural History, compiled by various writers and artists: "Birds." "The Sea Shore." "Nests and Eggs," "Flowers," and "Trees."

We are indebted to Mr Dakin for the presentation of "Beau Brocade," a stirring romance by Baroness Orczy, and to C. Macdonald for "The Log of a Cowboy," by Andy Adams.

FIVES.

Secretaries: N. Stead, L. Christophers. First year, Dobie
Second year, Millar.

Last term, owing to the football season and the rough weather, the courts were not much in use. But this term, now that the weather is good, they present an animated scene. They are attended in large numbers throughout the day, especially by the juniors. Most of the boys have been putting in consistent practice, in anticipation of the coming championships to be held this term. There will again be the three grades, and a good tournament is expected.

The following are the results of the Handicap Tournament held this year:—

1st YEAR SINGLES (1st Round).—

McCredie beat Mehaffey.

L. Greig beat C. Greig.

Dobie beat Pay.

Harper beat Ronaldson.

H. Macdonald beat Dewe.

SECOND ROUND.—

H. Macdonald defeated Jackson

A. McDonald defeated Greig.

Dobie defeated Harper.

Stuck beat Timpany.

Swale beat McKay.

A. McDonald beat Mills.

Jackson, a bye.

Stuck defeated McCredie.

Swale a bye.

THIRD ROUND.—

H. Maedonald defeated A. McDonald.

Dobie defeated Swale. Stuck, a bye.

SEMI-FINAL.—

Dobie defeated Stuck.

Macdonald, a bye.

FINAL.—

Dobie defeated H. Macdonald (21—20).

2nd YEAR SINGLES 1st Round).—

Lindsay defeated Rice.

Cockcroft defeated Hinton.

Wild defeated Mitchell.

H. Smith defeated Melvin.

O. Smith defeated Edwards.

Wesney defeated Mabson.

SECOND ROUND.—

Lindsay defeated Wild.

Cockcroft defeated H. Smith.

Wesney defeated O. Smith.

SEMI - FINAL.—

Wesney defeated Cockcroft.

Lindsay, a bye.

FINAL.—

Wesney defeated Lindsay (21—20).

SENIOR SINGLES (1st Round).—

Stead defeated Baxter.

Cameron defeated Christophers

Reid defeated McGregor.

McDonough defeated Bennet.

Anderson, a bye.

SECOND ROUND.—

Stead defeated Cameron.

Anderson defeated McDonough

Reid, a bye.

SEMI - FINAL.—

Reid defeated Anderson

FINAL.—

A. Reid defeated Stead (by default).

SENIOR DOUBLES (1st Round).—

Christie and Ryburn defeated Anderson and Dobbie.

Reid and Chirstophers defeated Cameron and Bonthron.

Stead and MacGregor defeated Robertson and Frew.

SEMI - FINAL.—

Reid and Christophers defeated Christie and Ryburn.

Stead and MacGregor. a. bye.

FINAL.—

Reid and Christophers defeated Stead and MacGregor. by default.

Reid and Christophers defeated Stead and MacGregor (by

Cadet News.

During the second term, Capt. Pow, our zealous and efficient officer, transferred to Dunedin, where we believe he is in command of a company in the Otago High School. We were sorry indeed to lose his services. He was an enthusiastic drill and inspired interest in those under his command. His place has at last been filled by Mr Struthers. Lieut. George McKenzie has also gone—the best of our officers. He will probably continue as an officer of the Senior Cadets at the Bluff. We miss them both, but wish them continued success in the cause of defence.

To bring us into conformity with the new regulations, we have seen some changes. N.C.O.'s must be over 16 years of age, lieutenants over 18 years.

Six half-holiday or three whole day parades must be held during the year.

Fines for loss of accoutrements may be made, with a maximum of two pounds. Punishment may take the form of extra drills.

Capitation for Senior Cadets is half a crown per annum.

Uniforms are to be supplied by the Government.

The scheme for instruction has not yet come to hand, but from what we can gather, the object of it will be thoroughness and discipline. In musketry it has been suggested that the maximum range be 300 yards, most firing being done at shorter ranges; indeed, that with recruits most firing be on the miniature range.

After all, we seem a long way off a realisation of the new Defence Scheme. We resumed the old blue and red uniforms on our return in June. The polishing up did them a service they had long wanted.

During the winter steady practice has been indulged in with the .22 rifles; now that the weather is warmer, .303 carbines can be used.

On the 22nd June, 100 represented the School at the Coronation parade. The applause from the public as the two companies marched past the pavilion in Post Office Square was a gratifying indication that we were in good step and line. Many congratulatory remarks from leading citizens reached us as to our efficiency.

Capt. Thoms inspected the cadets in September. His inspection tested the knowledge and power of command of the sergeants. All except one acquitted themselves satisfactorily. He was delighted with the work of our little signallers who sent and received their messages with speed and accuracy.

There are to be sixty-eight Senior Cadet corps in the Otago District. We are to be known in future as companies No. 6 and No. 7.

Sergt. Armourer Buckley made his annual inspection of arms on October 9th and 10th. Beyond the usual rustiness, he found no defects of a serious nature.

The medical inspection made at the end of July by Drs Gregg and Crawford did not impress us very much. It seemed to be too hurried altogether.

Class firing has been going on steadily. There promises to be keen competition in November for the championships. It has been decided that three days' shooting at two ranges shall determine, in the aggregate, the Senior School Championship, while two days shall suffice for the Juniors.

Among the Seniors.—Bingham, Brass A., Christophers, Dale, Davies, Forrester, Hinton (i), Huffadine, Hamilton, Lamont (i), Marshall, McDonough, E. Ryburn, A. Reid, H. W. Smith, Stead, and G. Wild have put on good scores.

Among the Juniors.—Ballantyne, Calbraith, Murrell, A. McDonald, McCredie, Ramsay, Stuck, and E. Timpany have shown that they can shoot straight.

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