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### EDITORIAL.

The first decade of the twentieth century is drawing to its close. Just after its opening Victoria the Great and Good passed away ; and now we have lost King Edward the Seventh, the Peacemaker. His reign has been short, but influential — influential in the best of directions, in the establishment of friendly international feeling and the maintenance of world-wide peace. Edward the Seventh was a well-beloved Sovereign. In many ways he was a typical Englishman. He was broad-minded, tolerant, every inch a gentleman. Never perhaps was prince so well trained for the position of a constitutional monarch. For forty years he represented his mother in public functions, and before that had received a special education to fit him for his position. He thoroughly understood the difficult position of limited monarchy ; never meddling in party politics, but judiciously honouring all statesmen of whatever party. He was an upholder of clean sport, was a good sportsman himself, a good farmer, a good landlord. He interested himself in all charities and philanthropic projects. Everywhere his cheerful presence, sound common sense, and courteous considerateness as host or guest won him universal respect and welcome. And, last of all, he was a good father ; for we may feel assured that King George V was instructed and trained for the highest position in the realm by the practical wisdom of his father. Some of us have



seen our new Sovereign and feel a closer loyalty to him by reason of that experience. Long may he be spared to guide our destinies along the paths of peace and justice !

Our new Governor, Lord Islington, has been visiting and addressing some of the northern schools. We like the trend of his addresses. He has dwelt particularly on the use of schools as character-builders. He has pointed out that school is not merely for the acquisition of knowledge ; that school is more than that, a world in miniature where we may learn lessons of the greatest value. He has dwelt specially on the influence of games ; how they develop and mould ; how they teach indirectly corporate life and co-operation. The Bishop of Liverpool recently delivered an address in eulogy of football, with the frank admission that he himself had not been a player. He showed to his audience its use as a teacher in self-restraint, in unselfishness, in loyalty to comrades, in co-operation, and in endurance. We who have played the game are sure of these influences ; we pass his sentiments on to any slackers, convinced that they will do better in school and in after life the harder they play up and " play the game."

The successes of our Old Boys, as recorded in the Old Boys' column, ought to inspire the younger generation to a rightful emulation. In whatever department of life they enter they are doing well. Kingsley sang the praises of the hard grey weather of the north ; is it the hard weather of Southland that is breeding hard Southerners ? Foster Fraser professed to see or imagined he saw a difference between the northern and southern New Zealanders. It is questionable if any difference is to be detected. Southland breeds good horses, sheep, and cattle ; we believe it is breeding men of grit. In the halls of the University, in Law, Medicine, Science, Engineering, and Architecture, in farming and commerce, Southlanders are holding their own. We hope that they will continue to do so. Many of us will say farewell to our School this year. As we go forth let us cherish its memory, uphold its fair fame, and together shout " Vivat Southlandia !"

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## A BISHOP ON FOOTBALL.

### THE BENEFITS AND EVILS OF THE PASTIME

At the opening meeting of the new session of the Liverpool and District Referees' Association, an address was delivered to the members by the Lord Bishop of Liverpool, Dr Chevasse.

Referring to the reason for his appearance, the Lord Bishop stated that although he himself had never been able to play football, even

when at Oxford, yet the fact that the game had advanced in popularity to an extent that it might be termed national, gave him the right to express his views upon it.

In dealing with football as a sport, and in general terms, Dr Chevasse enumerated the benefits to be derived from participation in it. The manner in which it was played told on the national character and the development of the people of this country. It gave great benefit physically and morally, and created a sound mind in a sound body. Football was a remedy for loafing, and beneficial in every respect, for it fostered soberness and generosity of spirit. The Lord Bishop claimed that football developed courage and daring, that it encouraged self-effacement, and the sinking of one's individuality for the benefit of his side. It encouraged courtesy and chivalry to an opponent, and helped the player to learn how to take a defeat calmly and with good grace. Character was strengthened by it, for self-control and discipline were necessary adjuncts, and by its influence on mind and body, football sent its devotees back to their work better citizens, workmen, and men.

In the second portion of his address the Lord Bishop referred to the evils of football, and his opinions, which were listened to without dissent, were subsequently discussed by various speakers. One of the evils, he declared, was that football was regarded as a business in many quarters, and not as a recreation. There was a tendency to allow football to interfere with work, which was greatly to be deplored. Sunday football should be discountenanced at all costs. He was sorry to learn that so many men were earning a livelihood through football, and though professionals were permissible in such comparatively quiet games as cricket and golf, they were undesirable in football. Violent scenes were witnessed, which led to fighting and rowdiness, betting had become an epidemic, and passions were aroused which might tend towards personal danger to the referee. He wished to see more football played and less watched, and hoped that the local Association would use their utmost endeavour to remove these evils and make the game pure.

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## SCHOOL NEWS.

Our congratulations to Mr Williams on being elected a member of the Chemical Society, England.

We congratulate Mr Edmondson on his representing Southland so well in all the representative matches this season. Without his solid defence Southland would have fared much worse than it did in its northern tour.



### Mr McCarthy.

We are sorry to lose Mr McCarthy, who goes to Houipapa, in the Catlins district. He will be particularly missed by the juniors of the Cadets. On Friday afternoon, the 29th October, we said good-bye to him, the Rector in a few words conveying to him our appreciation of his interest in the School, and asking him to accept from boys of the two lowest forms a leather-bound edition of R. L. Stevenson's works. The staff gave him as tokens of their esteem a maximum and minimum thermometer and a barometer. We wish him success in his new school.

Our late master, Mr Munro, was only trying to throw dust in our eyes at his departure; he no longer is a blissful bachelor.

We desire to express our deepest sympathy with Matheson, of III B, in his prolonged illness, and to hope that he will soon be with us again.

Dr Anderson and Mr Gill, of the Education Department, were with us for two days in October, inspecting and examining our work. Their cheerfulness renders their visit a pleasure and not an annoyance.

Mr Brownlie, of the Technical School, kindly photographed the first XV for the Magazine.

We were favoured with fine weather for our sports, although they were held earlier than usual this Spring. While the fields were good, it is strange the spirit, or rather lack of spirit, shown by some boys, good footballers, in not competing in handicap events. Are they always going to act like this, take no part in the interests around them? They may not know it, but such lackadaisical spirits were called by the Greeks **idiots**.

**Departures.**—Of boys at school in May, Frank Findlay, Neas, and R. Baird are farming; Clive Hamon is with Dalgety and Co.; Roy Angus is at the Government Workshops; J. Sawers is in the Union Bank; N. Adamson is with the Tourist Department, Wellington. Other departures: Begg, Compton, Pay, Petrie, W. Dixon, Skeet, Lennie, Cavell.

**Entrances.**—Fisher; Stan. Hanan returned to school in June to prepare for the Pharmacy Entrance Examinations; Charles and Alfred Paterson entered in October from Dollar Institute, North Britain.

The Cocoa Club was a success this winter, Neas making an admirable treasurer. Gimblett, Neas, Imlay, and W. King acted as a committee.

The treasurer of the "Southlandian" desires to acknowledge his thanks to J. Collins and G. McKenzie for collecting outstanding subscriptions, and to congratulate them on their efforts.

The first term concert was given by the senior forms of the school. The quality was excellent, though perhaps the quantity was rather small. After the Rector had spoken suitably in an opening address

to the boys, McCaw read a humorous selection from W. W. Jacobs, an author ever popular with the school-boy. When the applause crowning Milky's efforts had died down, Gray, in a recitation, told of the feelings of the student on the eve of a degree exam. Boyne then took the floor, and in his sonorous voice gave a splendid comic reading, which met with great approval from his attentive and appreciative audience. As we had an instrument which received the dignified name of piano, Hewat consented to make a joyful noise thereupon, and in fine "picture" style thumped out a lively quickstep which was well received and loudly applauded. McQueen, McCaw, and Gray gave other items.

Before we dispersed, the five prizes for a handicap tournament were distributed. Stead and D. MacGibbon were the winners of the senior doubles, and Seddon the winner of the senior singles. In the juniors, Reid and Christophers proved victorious in the doubles, while Reid gained the place of distinction in the singles. They were all awarded with suitable prizes of no small value, which, as they all played well, they deserved.

Mr Asher, the first dux of the School, in an address gave us his motto, which we consider to be excellent: "Take care of what you are, and what you do will take care of itself." This is a piece of good advice—advice of which we, as High School boys, should take heed.

There seems to have been a special mania lately of window-breaking, and, in consequence, the windows and the boys' pockets have suffered materially. Baxter began by putting a cricket ball through the glass of the skylight in the gymnasium, and following in his footsteps Baxter secundus did likewise. MacGregor, in attempting to establish a record throw, put a ball through No. 5 class room window. We all admit it was a record throw; but, considering the replacing of the window cost him "some," it quite spoiled the effect of the throw.

On Trafalgar Day we were assembled on the lawn to be addressed by the Rector, who spoke in terms appropriate to the occasion. The flag was hoisted on the School, and, turning towards it, we loyally addressed it "Flag of England, I salute thee." Then three hearty cheers were given for King George V.

Gibb, in the M.U.I.O.O.F. sports, came in first in the relay race. He also won the 135 yards Junior Sheffield off scratch. For these successes we wish to extend to him our heartiest congratulations.

After the match against Dunedin, Catto was wandering round with a towel and a doleful, despairing expression. He had lost his trousers, and the dinner to the team was to take place in half-an-hour. Isn't that enough to make any chap feel dismal? He caused no little laughter when he appeared that afternoon in cadet trousers. Rumour hath it that he is still seeking the blood of the person who took those trousers.



A particularly dangerous habit is the riding of bicycles from the shed right across the pavement. One rider in doing this ran over a little girl, but fortunately she was not seriously injured. The Rector quickly put down this habit, which might easily end seriously. Henceforward all boys must mount their machine on the road.

An innovation was introduced into the School this term in the way of taking five minutes off the lunch hour and letting the School out at 3.55. This is very handy, as all boys have ample time in which to catch their respective trains, but the percentage of "lates" has visibly increased—to their discomfort.

The School was particularly successful this year in the Invercargill Competitions. James Anderson secured first prize in the open essay, and the second and third places were also filled by the School. Walter Cody was first in the essay under seventeen years, the judge (the Rev. Mr Shaw) remarking that it was a marvellous composition for one of his years. Collins took first honours in the mental arithmetic (open) out of a large entry.

It is the first year the School has supported the local Competitions, and it is extremely gratifying that they should have done so well, as it will help to foster the feeling in the School of the duty of supporting local institutions.

#### **Invercargill Competitions.**

School results are as follows :—

Written Composition (under 17 years)—1, W. Cody ; 2, J. G. Anderson.

Original Letter (under 15 years)—1, E. R. McKillop ; 2, G. Stewart ; 3, J. Thompson.

Essay (amateurs)—1, J. G. Anderson ; 2, J. P. Hewat ; 3, J. M. Boyne.

Original Story (amateurs under 21 years)—1, E. R. McKillop.

Drawing Competition (under 16 years)—1, Irving ; 2, H. Cramond.

Spelling Contest (open)—2, W. Cody.

Mental Arithmetic (open)—1, Collins ; 2, J. G. Anderson ; 3, W. Cody.

For the first time of late years we got a whole holiday on Labour Day. The School supported the sports on that day. Seddon has our sincerest sympathy in losing the mile after running an excellent race on the heavy track.

Dominion Day was not recognised as a holiday this year, much to the disgust of the juniors, and, shall we say it, of some of the seniors also. There was a parade of the Cadets on the Sunday, but there were many defaulters. These defaulters and those country boys who were unable to parade on Sunday were made parade on Monday evening. Some seventy-nine cadets, under Lieuts. Boyne and Hewat, were

present at the commencement of the parade. The dark side streets, however, proved too alluring for some of the members of the corps.

During last term Mr Lowe approached the Rector with a view to establishing a class for teaching dancing. However, the attendance was very small. Many lessons were lost also owing to football practices, etc. Thus only a half term could be got, but we hope the three solitary survivors benefited from their experience in the terpsichorean art. We hope that Mr Lowe will not be discouraged at the lack of support accorded him, and that he will open a class again next year, but earlier.

### :o:— **FORM NOTES.**

#### **III.**

Master : "Why are you last to come in?" J.K.J. : "Please, sir, someone has to be last."

A boy in this form has a great affinity for "hogs" and "ham." Who is he?

It is a saying that boys go wool-gathering in school, but we have one "who lines his nest with paper."

A.H. would look more attentively at his book if it were a mutton-bird.

Tinge is becoming well-known as a budding naturalist on the banks of Puni.

Master : "How would you distinguish the carnivorous animals?" B.W. : "By their skins."

#### **IIIB.**

"Giblet Pie" thinks that os, ossis means a hoss.

In the annual eating competition "Sambo" maintained a strong lead throughout, and won uncomfortably by three cakes and two sandwiches from "Snorge." Phew!

"Porky" again failed to catch the escaped prisoners.

The criminal investigation department has been busy this term, and several prominent athletes have been detained by the finger print expert.

"Snorge," a very fine (?) type of a boxer, has issued a challenge to box any bantam-weight over 13 stone. Miske or C. Paterson preferred.

"Big Jim" is improving at gymnastics, and he has a big chance for last in the championship.

Bruce's trousers were made of a "rava" weak textile one Friday.

"Photo" was knocked out in the fifth round by "Snorge."

## II.

At Science.

Look at "Alec" dreaming,

Prick him with a pin,

Wake him up, shake him up,

Stick it further in.

When he's asked a question, note the dreamy stare,

Unimportant Physics—what need "Sandow" care?

We have in our midst a certain bigoted person who firmly declares that reading is more beneficial and broadening to the intellect than travel. Probably the literature he reads is of so sensational a character as to make him thankful he can stay at home.

The afternoon classes in Algebra have proved a great success.

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## Old Boys' Column.

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### Old Copies of "The Southlandian"—

Hon. R. McNab, so patient and persevering an enquirer into the early history of New Zealand, particularly the southern portion, Murihiku, is desirous of obtaining a complete set of "The Southlandian." He has been supplied with all but the issues of 1902 and 1903, and the first number of 1904. If any Old Boy has no use for these back numbers, and will kindly forward them to the Editor, he will see that they are forwarded to Mr McNab. It is this gentleman's intention to establish an historical library of N.Z. publications. Ex-pupils of 1902-1904 might search for these numbers and let us have them.

Elsewhere will be found an interesting sketch contributed by a distant Old Boy in the Far East of "A Little Malay Boy." Our contributor maintains touch with the School through the Magazine. We thank him heartily for his contribution.

### Rhodes Scholarship Selection—

We are indebted to the Press for the following particulars of an Old Boy, **Mr David S. Smith**:—Mr David S. Smith, the student selected as Wellington candidate for this year's Rhodes scholarship at Oxford, is the eldest son of the Rev. J. Gibson-Smith, pastor of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Wellington Terrace, and formerly of First Church, Invercargill. Of Mr Smith's career the Wellington Post gives the following particulars. Mr David S. Smith has had an interesting scholastic and athletic career. He was born in Dunedin in 1888, and

subsequently attended the Central School, Invercargill, where he was dux in 1901. In the same year he obtained a scholarship to the Invercargill Boys' High School. In August, 1903, Mr Smith came to Wellington and attended Wellington College, where he passed both his Solicitors' General Knowledge and Matriculation Examinations. He was also placed first equal for the Liverton History Prize. In 1905 Mr Smith entered Victoria College, and studied for his L.L.B. degree. In keeping first year's terms, he was placed in the first-class in Latin, Mental Science, Constitutional History, and Jurisprudence. In the following year Mr Smith passed his degree examination in these subjects, completing the course in 1909. He has been working this year for his Honours Degree in Law, but will not take the examination until next year. In 1906 Mr Smith won the new Speaker's Prize in the Victoria College Debating Society, and later won the Plunket Medal. He was also one of the members of the successful debating team which competed at the Easter Tournament Debate.

Since 1905 he has been a member of the Victoria College Christian Union, and this year he is president of that body. Since 1908 he has been one of the New Zealand representatives on the General Committee of the Australasian Christian Union.

Mr Smith has taken a keen and practical interest in various sports since the time when he was in both the football and cricket teams of the Southland High School. He has played hockey for Victoria College since 1906, and was on the Hockey Committee in 1907 and the following year. He is now club captain and vice-captain of the senior team. During the years 1907, 1909, and 1910, he has represented Wellington on the hockey field. Since 1905 Mr Smith has played in the Victoria College tennis teams, and during the season 1906-7 he was secretary of the Tennis Club. In 1908 and 1909 he was runner-up for the men's tennis championship, and this year he won it. During the years 1907-8-9-10 Mr Smith represented his college at the Easter tournament; in 1908 in the three-mile, and in the two following years in the mile and three-mile races.

### An 1899 Boy : MR GEORGE JONES—

Mr George Jones, son of Mr E. B. Jones, is making excellent progress in his profession as an engineer, and has now secured an excellent position in a company which has taken in hand the enterprise of adapting the gas engine to marine purposes. Mr Jones sat for his certificate as chief engineer a month earlier than is usual in such cases, and passed a very successful examination. Thirteen candidates presented themselves, and only two passed. The Chief Examiner was so favourably impressed by Mr Jones's work that he recommended him to the Holzapfel Marine Gas Power Syndicate. This company controls German inventions which are said to have overcome the diffi-



culties that have hitherto prevented the use of gas engines for the propulsion of ships. The concern at the back of these inventions is the famous Vulcan Engineering firm, of Stettin. At present two ships are being built, a small vessel named "Holzapfel I," and a large vessel of more than 2000 tons. Mr Jones has received the appointment of Chief Engineer to the Holzapfel Syndicate. At the time of writing he was superintending the construction of the gas engines at Bourton, Dorset. Towards the end of this month he will proceed to Germany to the Vulcan Engineering Works at Stettin, where the turbine and hydraulic power transformers are being built. After that he goes to Stockton-on-Lees, where the gas plant is being constructed, and then he proceeds to South Shields, on the Tyne, where the ship is being built. There he will superintend the installation of the engines and machinery. The trials will be carried out under his direction, and if the smaller of the two vessels is a success Mr Jones will hand her over to an assistant and take over the control of the larger ship. The engineers and inventors hope that the new ship will be the pioneer of a new era in marine propulsion, and if success is attained Mr Jones expects to benefit by his good fortune in being so early in the new field.

#### Old Boys' Association, Dunedin Branch—

Old boys are becoming so numerous in Dunedin, particularly in the halls of the University, that they have formed a Dunedin branch of the Southland High School Old Boys' Association. Forty-four members have been enrolled, with the following office-bearers:—Patron, Rector of Southland Boys' High School; president, Mr Gordon Macdonald; vice-presidents, Messrs Roy MacGibbon and W. Brownlie; secretary, Mr Frank Simon; committee: Messrs K. G. Fraser, A. L. Dolamore, B. H. Gilmour.

The object of the Association is set forth in the constitution as "to promote and foster a spirit of fellowship among ex-pupils of the Southland B.H.S." Frank Simon is making an energetic secretary.

#### Otago University Inter-Faculty Sports—

N. Millard and A. S. Reid were in great form, carrying off several events. Syd Reid put up two new records, throwing the hammer 94 feet and putting the shot 34 feet 6½ inches. Norman Millard put up a new record in the long jump, covering 20 feet 3 inches. His other performances were: First place in 100 yards, 120 yards hurdles, 220 yards; and second place in the high jump. The track was under water in places, and the weather cold and piercing. Millard's times were 11 secs., 20 secs., and 25 3-5th secs.

Our heartiest congratulations on these meritorious performances.

#### Football Notes—

In a match in June at Invercargill between the Otago Training College and Southland Teachers, C. Lindsay, S. Reid (capt.), L. Wild, and N. Cowie were playing for Otago, while T. Baird, D. Brown, J. McQueen, and Messrs Galloway and Edmondson were among the Southlanders.

Syd. Reid and N. Millard were in great form in the Otago University team this season. Reid sprained his ankle halfway through the season. Millard played five-eighths, and achieved a good reputation in the North.

W. Stead as a Five-Eighths Footballer.—The Otago Daily Times football correspondent "Full Back," reporting on the Otago v. Maori match, has this to say:—"All Black Billy Stead: "I have had my last tour and played my last game—this finishes me." In the match on Saturday, Stead gave a fine exhibition of football, reminding one of his best days. . . . All Black Billy Stead, wonderful old player and wily general, was the head-piece of the Natives. He it was who saw the big holes in the defence, and whipped the ball out to his men to see them simply tear through the opposition. . . . The veteran All Black is something of a wonder. He has lost none of his resource, only a little of his pace, and is still a fine general." We say: Fitting praise for the closing scene of a great career.

C. S. Brown, of Invercargill, gained first prize in the senior essay competition at Christchurch, the subject being "The Evolution of Patriotism."

C. J. Brodrick, architect, achieved a record in rate of building, when he saw the King's Hall Skating Rink, with a frontage of eighty-five feet and a depth of one hundred and ninety-five, built in brick in eight weeks.

T. Neave, LL.B., at school from 1895 to 1897, was appointed in the middle of the year Assistant Law Officer in the Crown Law Office, Wellington. We understand the post carries a good salary.

J. G. and H. McKay are captaining cadet corps at Nelson Boys' College this year. Harry McKay has been playing his usual vigorous football for the Old Boys' Club, and has gained his place in Nelson representative football.

W. C. N. Willcox, of the N.Z. Shipping Co., has been transferred from the Invercargill to the Wellington office.

D. M. Scandrett, after many years in the local branch of Messrs Sargood, Son, and Ewen, has been transferred to Dunedin.

Norman Forsyth recently spent October in Southland, and attended our annual sports. He is looking remarkably well.



Charlie Macan finds Dunedin a big change from Invercargill. He has received substantial promotion in the office of the great morning paper, the Otago Daily Times.

Malcolm McCartney, of the Post and Telegraph Department, Wellington, was in town during July.

Geo. McIndoe is looking much better than he did six months ago.

Doug. Anderson played three-quarter back for the first fifteen of Lincoln College this year.

J. A. Erskine is still in charge of the engineering side of the Central mine, Broken Hill. He does not care for the place as a residence, however great the lead and zinc mines are.

Claude Hamilton has been articled to Mr C. J. Brodrick, architect.

H. Fannin is practising as a solicitor in Wyndham, representing Messrs Armstead, Hunter, and Tait.

Bert Christophers is enjoying a roving life on the N.Z. railway staff in the North Island, passing from Wellington to Napier, up the Main Trunk at various places, and now stationed in Auckland province, with Auckland as headquarters.

Leslie Mitchell, of the Lands Office, has been transferred to Wellington. He contemplates an instructorship under the Defence Office.

Leon Wild, B.A., is business manager for the Otago University Review.

A. W. Jones has left Messrs Lillicrap and McNaughton, and is now in the Municipal Offices as assistant Town Clerk.

Cec. Webber has left the National Bank for Law with Messrs Hall, Stout, and Lillicrap.

Allan Carmichael is with Messrs Wright, Stephenson and Co.

Norman Churton tours England as solo basso in an English company. At the conclusion of his engagement he has under offer an appointment to a Sydney syndicate as a leading base.

Eustace Russell, with his wife, spent a pleasant holiday in the autumn in a trip to Australia.

Mrs H. O. Stuckey (nee Carswell), with her son, is on a visit to her mother this spring.

Alfred Russell Dolamore was admitted as barrister in June of this year.

Arthur B. Taylor was last heard of in Scotland.

James B. Gilmour, on the occasion of his marriage, was presented by the Roxburgh Presbyterian Church with a handsome silver-mounted conductor's baton and a purse of sovereigns. These were expressions of goodwill and esteem and recognition of services as choirmaster. Mr Gilmour came to the School from Winton during 1893 and 1894.

Geo. Bain, of the Bank of New Zealand, has been transferred from Hawera to Balclutha.

Alex. McNab (1884-86) has bought Beaven's farm at Waianiwa, having quitted Otama.

W. J. Grigor has bought Sunnyside Station, Waiau.

Cedric Salmon, who is on service with the Public Works Department near Tauranga, gives us some interesting particulars of life in those parts. "Although it is now the middle of winter, mosquitoes, not to mention centipedes (they are two inches long, and, for want of a better name, are so called), walking-sticks, and wekas, are very numerous. The former have not yet been civilised according to the present day law because they are cannibals. The so-called 'centipedes' are terrors for burrowing into you. They run about your blankets as if they, and not you, owned them. . . . . Nothing can be left within three or four feet of the ground; because wild pigs, Maori dogs, and wekas, as well as wild cats, abound. The pigs have deprived me of a cake of Cuticura soap, two candles, and half a boot. Will this combination produce fat, lean, or streaked bacon?"

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INVERCARGILL COMPETITIONS. — Results: Violin Solo: 1, W. Miller. Prepared Speech: 1, F. R. Ball; 2, H. Macalister. Oration (set): 3, H. Macalister. Impromptu Speech: 1, F. R. Ball; 2, F. Simon.

#### Medicos—

A. Bonar Lindsay completed his M.R.C.S. and L.R.C.P. examinations in July last, and is now on the staff of "The Infirmary," St. George in the East, London.

T. S. Fleming distinguished himself in the practical operative surgery class of the summer session at Glasgow University.

Dr W. S. Baird, after a residence of twelve years at Otautau, sold out a few weeks ago. Before his departure he was feted by the local Lawn Tennis Club, and presented with a framed photograph of the members; Mrs Baird received a well-equipped dressing-case. Dr Baird was also entertained by Lodge Wallace, of which he had been a member since its inception. Just at this moment he is relieving in the Waimeas, Nelson.

Ernest C. Lindsay gained his M.B., Ch.B., London, at the close of last year. He has been acting as assistant pathologist in the London Hospital this year, and intends gaining his F.R.C.S.

Dr MacGibbon, son of T. MacGibbon, Esq., Mataura, disposed of his practice in Hawera last May, and left for the Old Country to specialise in surgery.



**Law—**

Messrs Arnold and Herbert Macdonald, barristers and solicitors, have dissolved partnership from the 1st of November, the former taking new chambers in the building next door, the latter carrying on in the old premises of the firm.

Mr Robert Kennedy, M.A., LL.B., is studying at Victoria College for his LL.M. He is also taking advanced lessons in accountancy with a view to beginning his practical career next year. He holds this year the Jacob Joseph scholarship of the value of £60. given for research work.

Mr Elias Martin, formerly with Messrs Watson and Haggitt, is now in Paeroa, Auckland, with Messrs Porritt and Mueller, barristers and solicitors.

**Teachers' Movements—**

W. Pay and A. Petrie have been appointed pupil teachers at the South School, their former school.

H. Galt has received an appointment at Hamilton Burn.

Norman Millard has been engaged as tutor by an English gentleman, an enthusiastic angler, who frequents the Taupo fishing grounds in the summer and autumn.

Nelson G. Saunders has received his first appointment, sole teacher at Feldwick school.

Maitland Leith is sole teacher at Mimiha.

Frank Lopdell has been appointed assistant at Invercargill Middle School.

S. Jackson is now in charge at Upper Shotover, via Queenstown.

L. Wild, B.A., has received an appointment for 1911 at Wellington College.

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Alex. M. Lindsay gained his B.Sc., with honours, in Electrical Engineering at McGill University, Montreal, Canada, after a brilliant career in his classes. He refused a demonstratorship in Physics, preferring practical life. In a letter to a friend in Invercargill Mr Alex. M. Lindsay, son of the Rev. George Lindsay, casually gives some particulars of the position he now holds in connection with the tramway system of Montreal, Canada. In Canada, tramways are always referred to as street railways, and Mr Lindsay mentions that the Montreal Company operates 750 cars and the daily earnings average £2500. The track of mileage is about 200 miles, mostly double track. The cars are all single deck. It is much too cold in winter for double deck cars, and even the single cars have double windows, the outer windows being put on in the autumn and taken off again in the spring.

The staff have a fairly heavy task in winter to keep the track going, as the snowfall in Montreal is anything from 7ft to 14ft every winter. The Company's snow fighting equipments consist of one scoop plough, operating at 35 miles per hour on suburban lines, four rotary ploughs, and 35 sweepers, besides levellers, etc. In this large concern Mr Lindsay is now assistant to the superintendent of rolling stock. It may be mentioned that Mr Lindsay served his apprenticeship with the firm of James Macalister, Ltd., Invercargill. He then went to Glasgow, and subsequently to the McGill University, Canada, to study electric engineering. It says something for the industry, ability, and enterprise of the young Invercargillite that he should have attained the position of assistant to the superintendent of rolling stock in a tramway company whose receipts are not far short of the total receipts of the railways of New Zealand from passenger traffic. Mr Lindsay mentions that the use of electric power in Canada has developed at a remarkable rate, and over 1,500,000 h.p. is actually in the course of construction at the present time. Mr Lindsay mentions that he is likely to be permanently located in Montreal. He likes the country and the city of Montreal is growing so rapidly that splendid opportunities of advancement are bound to offer.

**MARRIAGES.**

Munro—McGill.—On September 1st, at Milton, W. F. J. Munro, M.A., to Jean McGill, of Milton.

Gilmour—Baird.—On June 17th, at Invercargill, James Bruce Gilmour, of Roxburgh, to Edith Mary, youngest daughter of the Rev. James Baird.

Watson—Royse.—At Alexandria, Egypt, Robert Nimmo Watson, M.R.C.S., Harrowgate, England, youngest brother of Messrs Thomas, George, and J. L. McG. Watson, of this city, to Nora Royse, formerly of Dunedin, and sister of Mrs James Watson, Invercargill.

Fannin—Batchelor.—At Palmerston North, Ernest J. Fannin, of Messrs Dalgety and Co., Palmerston North, to Lillian Batchelor, of Fitzherbert.

**OTAGO UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS**

The following is a list of successes of Southlanders at the recent term examinations of the Otago University :—

**BOYS.**

F. F. MILES—Second class Senior Latin ; 1st Senior French : 1st Senior English (Dr Gilray's prize for best first year student) : 2nd French Phonetics ; 1st Advanced Mathematics.

J. N. MILLARD (Fortrose)—2nd class senior Latin ; 2nd Junior Mental Science ; 2nd Jurisprudence.

A. BAIN—2nd class senior Latin ; 3rd French Phonetics ; 1st Junior Mental Science ; 1st Education. \* James Clark Prize (£7 in books) in Mental Science.

J. O. PRENTICE (Wild Bush)—2nd class Junior Latin ; 2nd Junior English ; 3rd English Composition and Rhetoric.

L. A. McKENZIE (Bluff)—3rd class Junior Latin ; 3rd Junior English ; 3rd English Composition and Rhetoric.

D. J. A. LYTTLE (Gore)—3rd class Junior Latin ; 3rd class Junior Mathematics.

ERIC COCKROFT—3rd class Junior French ; 1st class Junior Mathematics.

JOHN WATSON (Winton)—3rd class Junior Latin ; 3rd English ; 3rd English Composition and Rhetoric.

COLIN LINDSAY (Springbank)—3rd class Junior Latin ; 3rd Junior English ; 3rd English Composition and Rhetoric.

STANLEY C. MILLAR (Dipton)—3rd class Junior Latin ; 3rd class Constitutional History.

FRANK C. LOPDELL—3rd class Junior Latin ; 2nd class Junior Mathematics.

JOHN H. MURDOCH—1st class Senior English (James Clark prize £7 in books) ; 1st class Honours English ; 1st class Honours French ; 1st class History of Philosophy.

K. G. FRASER (Lumsden)—2nd class Senior English ; 2nd Advanced English ; 2nd Advanced French ; 1st Education.

F. F. ADAMSON (Orepuki)—2nd class Senior French ; 2nd French Phonetics ; 1st Senior Mathematics ; 1st Inorganic Chemistry ; 1st Inorganic Chemistry (pract.)

THOMAS R. RITCHIE—2nd class Junior Physics ; 2nd Practical Physics.

FRANK SIMON—Medical Intermediate Physics (pass) ; 3rd class Junior Pract. Physics ; 3rd Inorganic Chemistry ; 3rd Organic Chemistry.

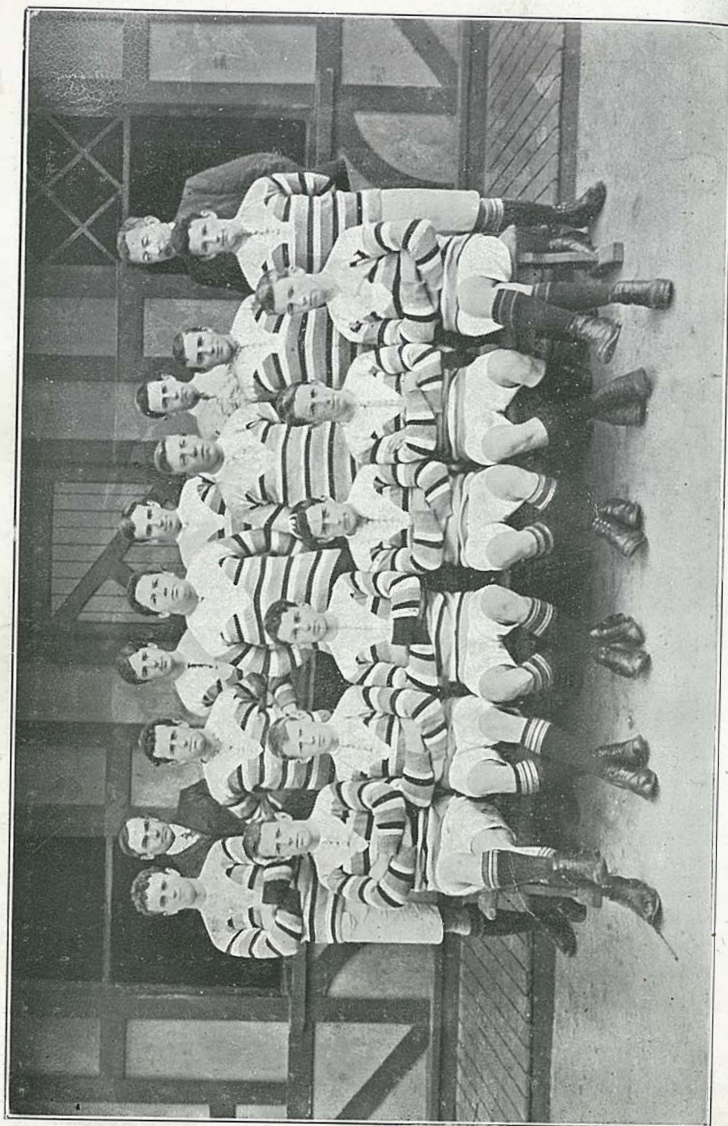
LEON. J. WILD—2nd class Pract. Inorganic Chemistry ; 2nd Senior Geology ; 1st Petrography ; 1st Mineralogy ; Ulrich Memorial Prize.

FRANK O. MacGIBBON (Gore)—3rd class Junior Anatomy ; 3rd Junior Physiology ; 3rd Practical Physiology ; 2nd Practical Histology ; 2nd Organic Chemistry.

BERT. H. GILMOUR (Winton)—3rd class Medical Jurisprudence ; 3rd Public Health.

A. SIDNEY REID—3rd class Senior French ; 3rd French Phonetics ; 2nd Political Economy ; 2nd Senior Mathematics.





Back Row : Mr Galloway, A. Hewat, E. Dobbie, N. Stead, Mr McGrath.  
 Middle Row : L. Christie, S. Hanan, W. Cody, C. Thomson, T. Wilson, J. Catto.  
 Front Row : J. McQueen, F. Wilson, J. Hewat, D. MacGibbon (capt.), S. Irving, W. McCaw.

N. A. M. COWIE (Winton)—3rd class Education ; 2nd class Senior Mathematics.

F. J. MULHOLLAND—2nd class Political Economy ; 3rd Senior Heat, Sound, and Light ; 3rd Senior Heat, Sound, and Light (pract.)

WILL. A. ALEXANDER (Gore)—1st class Mechanics ; 1st Junior Physics ; 1st Junior Practical Physics ; 2nd Palaeontology ; 1st Junior Surveying

MATT. ALEXANDER (Gore)—2nd class Mechanics ; 1st Senior Electricity and Magnetism ; 1st Senior Electricity and Magnetism (Practical) ; Beverly Scholarship in Advanced Physics (£50.)

JOHN G. FULLARTON—2nd class Junior Physics ; 2nd Junior Practical Physics.

#### DENTAL FACULTY.

H. RATTRAY—Organic Physics (pass) ; 3rd class Anatomy ; Junior Clinical Dental Surgery.

A. B. SPITE—Organic Physics (pass) ; 3rd class Anatomy ; 3rd Physiology ; 3rd Senior Dental Mechanics. Junior Clinical Dental Surgery.

#### N.Z. PHARMACY EXAMINATION.

Final—Oswald Findlay, J. Gilbert Findlay.

#### GLASGOW MEDICAL SCHOOL.

T. A. WYLIE—First Professional.

## FOOTBALL.



#### SENIORS :

Captain : D. MacGibbon ; Deputy-Captain, J. Hewat ; Committee : D. MacGibbon, J. Hewat, E. Dobbie ; Secretaries : S. MacGibbon and R. McGregor.

Football, in the opinion of the majority, is the acknowledged king of games. This opinion is formed not only on account of its great pleasure-giving qualities, but also on account of its being a wonderful teacher. Every muscle is fully exercised, self-control is taught, while all individual desire is put aside for the sake of the benefit of the side. And our schoolboys are not slow to recognise the great advantages of football ; after school is over the grounds are never idle ; crowds of young athletes are prepared to participate in the enjoyable game of the season. The seniors always made the most of every opportunity, while the juniors had this season the advantage of fourth grade mat-



ches to increase their enthusiasm. This enthusiasm among the footballers has been the potent factor in the success of the season. Without enthusiasm the best of coaches could not bring success to our team, but on account of the zeal of the players, their efforts have been crowned with success. For this extremely gratifying condition of affairs our warmest gratitude is due to Mr McGrath, who considered no sacrifice too great for the promotion of the welfare of the team. To him we give the credit of the high pitch of perfection to which we have this season attained. Mr McGrath's knowledge of the game is very extensive; not even the finest point escapes his experienced eye, and this knowledge he bestows on us to his utmost ability. To Mr Edmondson, too, we are grateful for helping us so much in practices. From his skill as a back we have learnt a great deal, while his effective rush stopping and deadly collaring have been a revelation to us, and taught us more than many theoretical lessons. We congratulate him most heartily on his inclusion in the Southland team which defeated Otago, and afterwards toured north.

On looking over our team of last year, we found that a good number had left our ranks, some of them excellent players. Brown, last year's captain, is no longer with us. His duties as captain he had fulfilled in a worthy manner, while his play was of a very high order. He was a splendid man on defence, and time and again, by getting down to the ball, he stopped dangerous rushes and countered with a splendid attacking movement. Baird, last year's deputy-captain, has also left us. He is a first-class player, very quick off the mark, very versatile, always doing the unexpected. His tricky running was missed this season. With the loss of Carmichael we have been deprived of the services of one whose place cannot adequately be filled. Not only was he a splendid hooker, but in tight work and loose he was always to be found in the thick of the fray. He was the last of the famous pack of two years ago, which contained Lopdell, McIntyre, and Miles. An excellent dribbler, he was in addition the real type of a hard-working, dashing forward. Smith, too, was missed for his splendid line work and excellent place kicking. He won many a match for us by his magnificent kicks, while his long line-finding punts saved the forwards many a fruitless run. However, we still had some first-class footballers with us. D. MacGibbon, who has captained us with great success, was this year happily sound in limb. MacGibbon has taken Millard's place in the attacking and defensive movements of the game. Brilliant on attack and sound on defence, he has been the mainstay of the team, and his sound judgment has been a great factor in bringing victory to his side. Stead, too, was with us again. Of him it will be sufficient to say that he is a miniature of his brother J. W. Stead, the famous "All Black." Stead and MacGibbon have been perhaps the best pair of five-eighths the

school has possessed for some years. Both born footballers, they knew how to make the best of every chance, and their play always inspired confidence in the team. A few of our forwards had returned, and the rest were taken from last year's emergencies. McQueen was the mainstay, his line-out work especially being of great use. Our forwards were heavier than last year's, but seemed to require more training. Every spare moment they were at it. Besides the Monday practices, scrum practices, dribbling, and line-out work, and passing practices were indulged in during every interval.

Our team, as did last year's team, took every opportunity of making the game open. In all round attack we were quite as sound, if not as brilliant, as last year's team; and this year, particularly towards the close of the season, showed good defence — a quality almost entirely absent from last year's team. As is usual, there is still a disinclination among the majority of the forwards to follow up fast, but this improved as the season progressed. And often, when following up, forwards forgot that the only way to prevent a return of the ball was to follow up in a line across the field, not bunched together within two yards.

In the Third Grade matches we have been very successful. Out of eight matches played we have won seven and lost one; and in addition we crowned our efforts by defeating Otago High School by 10 to 3 after a most interesting display. We desire to most heartily congratulate D. MacGibbon on his successful captaincy of the team, leading them to victory in our only inter-collegiate match. Next year he will be playing football elsewhere. We wish him all success.

#### THE OTAGO MATCH.

The chief fixture of our season is the annual match with Otago. Not only do we have the pleasure of visiting other schools and of receiving visits from them, but in our inter-collegiate match we participate in a game played in the proper spirit. It is a common saying that school football is the best, and anyone who saw the match with Otago High School would have this opinion more firmly fixed in his mind. We had had an enjoyable game with them last year, and this year we were eagerly looking forward to the contest, which was to be decided on Rugby Park on the last Saturday of the second term.

The Otago boys arrived by the first express on Friday, and we conducted them to the residences kindly prepared for them by our friends.

Friday was cold and blustering, and held out very little promise of a fine day for Saturday. However, the morning broke fine, though a little dull. The ground was on the whole in good order, albeit a little heavy in places. At 10.30 sharp both teams lined out for play.



The Southland team was as follows :--A. Hewat ; E. Dobbie, J. Hewat, F. Wilson ; D. MacGibbon (capt.), E. Stead ; T. Wilson ; J. Catto, C. Thomson, W. Cody, L. Christie, E. Irving, J. McQueen, W. McCaw, S. Hanan.

We reprint the report of the match as it appeared in the next day's paper :—

#### SOUTHLAND v. OTAGO.

There were about 200 spectators and there was a good deal of enthusiasm shown. Teams :—

OTAGO (blue and white.) — O'Shea ; Ross, McCallum, Don ; Black, Herbert ; Baxter ; Cook, McInnes, Reid, Andrews, Le Cren, Whyte, Hay, and Hutchison.

SOUTHLAND (red, white, and blue.) — A. Hewat ; F. Wilson, J. Hewat ; E. Dobbie ; D. MacGibbon (capt.), N. Stead ; T. Wilson ; J. Catto, C. Thomson, W. Cody, L. Christie, E. Irving, W. McCaw, J. McQueen, and S. Hanan.

Otago kicked off and the first movement was a nice forward rush by Southland headed by Christie and McCaw, who rushed the ball immediately to the Southland line where Ross (wing) got into trouble. O'Shea cleared for the moment, however. The Southland wingers were getting all over the Otago half and the visiting backs starved for a sight of the ball. T. Wilson put in a nice run for Southland and passed all except O'Shea, and the Otago full-back duly upset him. For unnecessarily rough play Hanan (Southland) was cautioned by the referee. From a pass from Stead, MacGibbon cut in beautifully and "streaked" until well tackled by Don. He passed to J. Hewat, however, and that player registered a try. MacGibbon goaled. Southland 5—0. Southland attacked strenuously back and forward, and Otago were sorely pressed. Hanan looked like scoring after a good run but kicked instead of running on, losing a certain try. McInnes, with a fine dribbling rush, took play for Otago to the Southland twenty-five, and the backs rallied round the Southland goal. Things were warm for a couple of minutes, but McCallum put an end to the movement by unsuccessfully "potting," Southland forcing. Southland returned to the attack with a fine passing rush by T. Wilson, Stead, MacGibbon, J. Hewat, and Dobbie, the last named sprinting past through the opposition and scoring behind the posts. MacGibbon goaled. Southland 10—0. Catto and Thomson dribbled right to the Otago line, but McCallum managed to force in time. Just on half time O'Shea forced for Otago again from a long kick by Hanan.

Otago put out two wingers in the second spell, and so gave their "half" a chance. A passing rush by Stead and MacGibbon took play to the Otago 25 where MacGibbon had a good, though unsuccessful,

shot from a free kick, the ball going under the bar. On resuming Don looked dangerous in a strong run, but F. Wilson brought him down. A pretty passing rush by Baxter, Herbert, and Black saw the last-named race clean through Southland with a grand run, but slipped on jinking the full-back, and lost a certain try. The visiting backs were playing up well and Don put in another good run until tackled by A. Hewat. A centre by Baxter saw Southland in distress and four scrums in succession took place on the Southland line, a force down resulting. Stead, Wilson, MacGibbon, and Hewat retaliated with several dashing passing rushes, which terminated in MacGibbon unsuccessfully potting. O'Shea forced. Black was responsible for another clinking dash, but A. Hewat managed to bring him down with a fine tackle. Otago continued to press and from a scrum on the line Baxter (half) dashed round and scored. Reed's kick failed. Southland 10—3. Le Cren headed a fine dribbling rush on resumption and Don made a couple of good runs, but the tackling of F. Wilson and A. Hewat was too sound. Black got going again from a pass from Baxter and Herbert, but Stead brought him down. Otago were going to some purpose. Hay dribbled nicely through the Southland backs, but A. Hewat charged him down. The Otago boy was rendered unconscious with a knock on the head, and had to be carried off the field. Several fine passing rushes by Black, McCallum, and Don were the features of the concluding stages and Southland were forced down just as Referee Galbraith sounded time.

Southland High ..... 10 points.

Otago High ..... 3 points.

Mr J. Galbraith refereed very satisfactorily.

#### —Previous Games.—

1902—Otago won by 42 to nil.

1905—Otago won by 48 to nil.

1907—Southland won by 14 points to 12.

1908—Otago won by 9 points to nil.

1909—Otago won by 17 points to 3.

1910—Southland won by 10 points to 3.

#### A CRITICISM OF THE TEAM.

##### —Backs.—

A. Hewat.—Full-back. Sure tackler, kicked fairly well.

F. Wilson.—Wing three-quarter. Strong runner and deadly in tackle.

J. Hewat.—Centre three-quarter. Good collar, fair kick, and strong in combination. Took ball well.

N. Stead.—First five-eighth. Fine kick and tackle, has copied his brother (W. Stead), and gives great promise.

D. MacGibbon.—Captain and second five-eighth. Fine kick and tackle. Strong and dodgy runner. From Stead's openings and his own scored often for his team.

E. Dobbie.—Wing three-quarter. Takes very surely. His great speed makes him very dangerous in a passing game.

T. Wilson.—Half-back. Feeds his backs well. Stops every rush he gets near. Strong and very determined.

—Forwards.—

J. Catto.—Front row. Friend of the backs. First in the open and always on the ball.

C. Thomson.—Front row. Quick into his place and likes the thick work.

L. Christie.—Very good on the line. Latterly has developed into a fine tackler.

W. Cody.—The lock. Does his tiresome work faithfully. Loose play fair.

E. Irving.—Good in loose and very helpful in a back rush

J. McQueen.—Excellent on the line. Great in getting the pack around him. Puts heart into the forwards by always working.

W. McCaw.—Throws out the ball. Good loose player Watchful.

S. Hanan.—Wing forward. Fast. Great spoiler. Handles ball very well.

After the match both teams sat down to a well-earned dinner, and after appropriate speeches had been made, the Otago boys took their places on the express and departed amid the cheers of the Southlanders.

### GRADE MATCHES.

#### FIRST XV v. BLUES.

Won by 20 to 8.

This was our first match of the season, consequently our team was a bit raw and more in the light of an experiment. The day was fine and the ground in good order, but lack of training told on both teams. After a good deal of uninteresting play, which, however, was marked by the good work of McQueen and T. Wilson, the latter, after some pretty play on the line-out, from whence he dribbled almost half way down the field, enabled Seddon to score. The Blues then asserted themselves, and for the rest of the spell kept our backs busy in defending. In the second spell we were playing down hill and had the best of the play. MacGibbon scored two fine tries; Irving obtained one, and J. Hewat (from a forward rush) another. Our notable defects were weakness in the passing amongst the backs and bad line

work at packing by the forwards. MacGibbon was easily the best of the backs, while McQueen, T. Wilson, and McCaw stood out among the forwards.

#### FIRST XV v. WAIKIWI.

Won by 14—0.

The ground was wet and the ball very greasy, which militated against good passing. However, a great improvement was noticed in the general play of the team; a greater inclination to pack was shown by the forwards. At no time was our line really in danger, which was, in a great measure, due to the good defence of Stead and MacGibbon. Soon after the kick-off Dobbie obtained the ball, and after a good run scored. Other tries were obtained by McQueen and J. Hewat, and MacGibbon, despite the heavy ball, kicked a penalty. Christie excelled in the line-out work. Stead and MacGibbon deserve special mention for their play in the backs.

#### FIRST XV v. ATHLETICS.

Won, 9—6.

This was played amidst cold sleet showers on a very slippery ground. The most noticeable change was that of Dobbie to wing forward, while A. Hewat made his first appearance as full-back. The Athletic forwards were much heavier than ours, and the result was that on the wet ground they obtained an advantage, but their backs were very weak, and failed to make use of their chances. Athletics scored their six points in the first spell, while Hewat scored a try for the School. Immediately after half-time Dobbie scored a good try, bringing us level. Then both teams strained every nerve to gain the upper hand, and almost on time Hewat scored. All the forwards played well; of the backs MacGibbon and A. Hewat. Dobbie's play at wing forward was of a very high order, and his best performance in this place for the season.

#### FIRST XV v. SOUTHERN.

Won, 24—3.

This match was productive of some pretty displays of passing and excellent runs. The School had an easy win, and in every department showed their superiority over the Southern and an improvement on their previous matches. From a scrum early in the first spell T. Wilson, as half, gave the ball to Stead, who worked the blind side beautifully, the result being an excellent try by Irving. The most noticeable play in the remainder of the match was MacGibbon's fine runs. He scored two tries, and others were obtained by F. Wilson and Hewat. D. MacGibbon kicked three goals. McQueen and Irving were the best of a good pack.



## FIRST XV v. INVERCARGILL.

Won, 6—3.

At this period our team was very much disorganised by the influenza fiend, Stead, A. Hewat, and Dobbie being absent, while a number of the others were really not fit to play. In addition the ground was very heavy, so the effect of ill-health was soon felt amongst our men. The first spell was very even, no points being scored. T. Wilson obtained a try early in the second spell, but the Blues soon retaliated with an equally good try. Just on time MacGibbon scored a grand try after beating all the opposing backs. The packing by the forwards was splendid; McQueen and Christie being most prominent. MacGibbon was the only back to play up to form.

## FIRST XV v. STAR.

Won, 6—4.

This was the hardest match the School had so far played; for in the Star team we met bustling forwards and backs who could tackle as solidly as ourselves. The first spell, for the most part, saw the School attacking with great fervour; the packing of the forwards was more than pleasing, while the tackling of the backs was a treat to watch. No score resulted before half-time. Soon after resumption of play Star worked the ball up to our twenty-five and potted a goal. School then put forth every effort to equalise matters, but the defence of our opponents was very sound. There were only five minutes to go and the ball was in School territory. The forwards, by a beautiful piece of combined play, took the ball right down to our opponents' line. Here a scrum was ordered, and Houston, working the blind side, transferred to Ferguson, who scored to the accompaniment of tremendous cheering. The kick failed, leaving us with a point to gain. The kick-off brought no relief to Star; play still centred in their territory, and F. Wilson, securing the ball, scored on time, amidst loud and uproarious applause from the excited spectators.

The team were well rewarded by the generosity of our worthy coach, Mr McGrath, who entertained them at Raeside's tea rooms with a magnificent banquet.

## FIRST XV v. PIRATES.

Lost, 3—0.

It was a grand day, and those who wished to see an exciting match were by no means disappointed. The game proved to be the hardest match of the season; Pirates had a hard-working and heavy set of forwards, and their backs were only a little inferior to those of the Star. On the other hand, we had not our best team, one or two forwards being absent. The game was very willing from the start, the

forwards played for all they were worth, giving no quarter and asking none. Late in the first spell Pirates were awarded a penalty exactly in front of the goal posts, and successfully gained the coveted three points. In the second spell we opened up the game to a much greater extent, and some good passing rushes were indulged in, but no score resulted. Catto made his first appearance, and he and Cody were the pick of the forwards, along with Gray, who worked like a Trojan.

## FIRST XV v. WAIKIWI.

Won, 31—0.

This was the last of the grade matches and was played in splendid weather. It proved to be a fast open game, and one in which the School had entirely the upper hand. Our play was, without doubt, a fine exhibition of combined play. Tries were obtained by MacGibbon (two), F. Wilson (two), Dobbie (two), Cody, Hanan, and J. Hewat. Mr Galloway refereed to everybody's satisfaction.

## FIRST XV v. OLD BOYS.

Won, 12—0.

This match was played on the same afternoon as the Canterbury match, consequently the game did not last long. We had many of our "stars" against us, but they were neither fit nor had any combination, otherwise the score might have been different. The game was fast and open. Dobbie obtained two tries, MacGibbon one, and J. Hewat one. Mr McGrath refereed, and undoubtedly pleased the Old Boys.

## SECOND XV v. GORE.

Won, 25—0.

The match between the S.B.S.H. Second XV and Gore High School was played at Gore on Saturday, 20th August. The ground was damp, due to the recent rain, but the surface was strong and firm, the only disadvantage being that the ball was slippery and somewhat difficult to handle.

Hanan kicked off for Southland, and the ball was returned to the half-way mark. Southland attacked immediately, and after a few minutes' play a passing rush by the backs enabled Mackenzie to score between the posts. Hanan failed to convert.

Southland 3, Gore nil.

Gore livened up after this reverse and their forwards rushed play down to the Southland line. Stead relieved, but the Gore forwards again attacked, yet could not break through. Eventually the Southland vanguard assumed the offence, and caused Gore to act on the defensive. A forward rush took the ball to the Gore line, where Hanan picked up and scored. The scorer goaled.

Southland 8, Gore nil.

Southland continued to press, Catto and Wilson putting in good work, but they could not improve the score. Gore rushed down to half-way and attempted a passing rush, but lost the ball, and Southland relieved. A period of uninteresting play in the Gore 25 followed, and half-time came with Southland attacking.

Southland commenced the second spell with a dribbling rush, Gore forcing. Southland attacked again, and Findlay scored from a passing rush. Hanan's kick failed.

Southland 11, Gore nil.

Immediately after the kick-off Wilson led the Southland forwards in a loose rush, but the ball went into touch. From a scramble following the throw-in Catto scored. Baxter failed to convert.

Southland 14, Gore nil.

Southland were pressing strongly, and from a long throw-in Mackenzie secured and transferred to Bonthron, who was tackled, but passed neatly in again to Mackenzie, who scored. Stead made a splendid kick, and had hard luck in getting only a "poster."

Southland 17, Gore nil.

Gore was constantly pressed, but a couple of free kicks brought relief. Not to be denied, Southland came back again and Wilson scored. Mackenzie's kick struck the bar, but bounded over.

Southland 22, Gore nil.

A passing rush a little later by the Southland backs enabled Ferguson to cross the line. He failed to convert his try.

Southland 25, Gore nil.

Gore broke away after this, but were soon sent back, and when the whistle blew for time the ball was in the Gore territory.

### JUNIOR FOOTBALL.

In order to increase the interest of football among the juniors, the Rector made representations to the S.R.F.U. concerning Fourth Grade football. His mission was successful, and the School entered four teams, Star one, and Middle School Old Boys one. At first the matches went off well, but it was soon seen that to enter four teams had been a mistake against the bigger players of the outside clubs. Consequently we did not make a very good showing. However, a start has been made with this very necessary grade in football, and it is to be hoped that it will continue its existence next year.

As usual, the juniors have been divided into four groups, A, B, C, D; and on Mondays played the matches of the Intra-School Tournament.

The following captained the teams: A, Carter; B, Catto (till promoted), L. McCaw; C, Davies; D, A. Reid.

These made excellent skippers, rallying their teams and endeavouring to their best to keep them together. But we undertook too big a project in entering four teams for the fourth grade; absences and casualties made inroads and weakened too much each team. Next season three teams ought to suffice for outside matches.

The result of the Intra-School Tournament was as follows:—

Team	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	Pts. for.	Pts. agst.	Competition
						Points.
D	6	0	2	63	15	14
A	4	2	2	43	23	10
C	3	5	0	48	54	6
B	0	6	2	18	77	2

Davies, who kept the records admirably, deserves the thanks of the juniors for his work. Juniors who stood out in scoring, in good steady play, and in improvement were: Catto, who, by his brilliant following up, soon received translation to the first fifteen; A. Baxter, whose kicking was good; Bonthron, a dashing three-quarter of fine speed; L. McCaw, an excellent forward; Dawson, a very promising three-quarter; Lamont and Millar playing well for their age and size; Forrester and Cameron, hard-working forwards; Findlay; Dixon; Jim McQueen; Gibb, a great grafter; McDonough; Dixon, A. Reid. There is some promising material here, both back and forward. Play the game, hard and keen; don't be slack, and let no one else be. We look forward with interest to next year's developments.

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## Cricket.

### SENIORS:

Captain: J. Hewat; Deputy-Captain, J. Collins; Secretary: E. Ryburn.

In a former Magazine there was noticed an article entitled "Nothing—but Practice." It was written for the benefit of the footballers; but, as we consider that cricketers could also apply its moral, we here reprint a portion of it. "Lately notices have been posted requesting full practices for senior cricketers. Why are there no more than five or six members of the First XI honourable and keen enough to turn up for combined practice in anticipation of the coming matches? Only two more practices before the first match, and not one good day's work done yet! It is pretty disheartening for those who do turn up, and



also for their trainer to come down and find that there are always two or three 'old women' who think they can come and go as they please, regardless of the honour of the School in the cricket field. One is in detention, another disappears unaccountably, a third has to go down town, and so on. Well, if a boy were at all keen for the game he would keep out of detention. 'Down town' seems to cover a multitude of sins. It sounds quite innocent, but seldom does his supposed place of business see the sinner. More likely he is simply shirking his duty, and in this he is acting in a manner doubly despicable, for he not only loses practice himself, but he makes it all the harder for those who do practice. Now these fellows want to pull themselves together and put just a little more enthusiasm into their games. Football was far from being slow; let cricket be the same. We have the makings of a good team; all it requires is hard training and plenty of enthusiastic practice. The practices have commenced; let us get in as many good practices as possible. No boy in the School, we think, need be afraid of hurting himself with too much practice. Full musters and hard work are the only way to victory. Shirking certainly is not, and fellows who shirk should be immersed in the waters of the Puni till regular attendance is assured."

Cricket was late in beginning this season, owing to the bad weather experienced at the commencement of the term. The sports, too, affected practice to a larger extent than they should, for the majority of those training for the sports were not cricketers. However, this distraction is now over, so full practices are expected.

We are glad to welcome Mr Edmondson to our cricket field. He has already shown his interest in us by his attendance at our practices, and proved his worth as a cricketer by his sound advice. We desire, too, to thank Mr McGrath and Mr Galloway for their continued interest in us. Neither will be playing for us this season in our matches, but Mr Galloway's assistance at practice has been appreciated. We are glad that his accident resulted in nothing more serious than a discoloured eye.

Most of last season's team are back again. We shall miss Smith's wicket-keeping and fierce hitting, Hamilton's stylish batting and bumpy ball, and Baird's "slows," his sound batting, and his quick running between the wickets. With the rest of the team back we hope for a successful season. The public examinations will be on very soon, and that will take away some of the first XI. So we wish others besides the actual eleven to attend practice, in order, not only to take the places of the absentees during the exams., but also to gain knowledge of the game from our teachers. But, although the approach of the exams. will not allow of our best team playing, still this should not deter us from participating in this beautiful, invigorating game. All boys who have the interests of the game at heart should still play the

game for its own sake. Because we have yet had no club matches, it is no justification for the present desertion of our cricket fields. Enthusiasm is the keynote of success. Let us be enthusiastic and attain success.

## THE VOICE OF THE CRICKET BAT.

(By Ernest G. Hayes, Surrey XI.)

If you want your bat to be good to you, return the compliment, and it will show you no lack of gratitude.

There are several things that it does not like. And if possessed of the power of speech would probably say:—

"I will be a good servant and hit the ball for you if guided aright; but remember you must wash my face occasionally with raw linseed oil, or it will get wrinkled.

Do not make me fight my worst enemy, a new ball, straight off; let me have a go at some of the softer fellows until my muscles are hardened. But if you really insist upon the recruit doing the work of the hardened veteran, put me into training by rubbing me down with oil and then punching my face all over with a hammer, not forgetting to round my edges, sides and bottom. I can trust your discretion to make the blows evenly to face me in; but I can't trust that new ball, it is naturally vicious.

And don't forget that when you try to cut a ball, be sure to use my face. I have heard some relations say that a careless player sometimes chops with the under edge; well, you know that is hitting below the bat, which always makes trouble. If you do have an accident, put me under surgical treatment at once. If you broke a rib you wouldn't go on fighting. The damage would increase, and serve you right. A bone broken is always stronger after repair. So be just, and do not blame me or my maker if I am submitted to a foul blow and get damaged. I'm quite good enough for a fair fight. Although only a piece of wood, I have my dignity, and object to being considered such a 'hardened' thing as a sledge hammer. If you try it on, I'll jib, and you'll be sorry."

## HOCKEY, FIVES AND TENNIS.

### HOCKEY.

Although it was stated in our last number that hockey was prohibited, yet the Rector, on finding out that it need not encroach on the recognised school games, graciously removed the ban. The inaugural meeting was a great success, thirty boys expressing a willingness to



take up the game. Two committees were formed, one for the seniors and one for the juniors. Seniors : Dobbie, Ryburn, Seddon ; juniors : Huffadine, Davies, Munro. Collins was unanimously elected secretary. Unfortunately the Saturday grade matches were in full swing, and so we were not able to join in. In our one match against "Bank Juniors" we were lucky enough to secure a win by twelve goals to nine. Great things are expected of this game next year.

### TENNIS.

The final match of last season was played on the last day of the term, and so was not included in our last issue. This was the game in which our B team so signally distinguished themselves against the S.G.H.S. The team — Ferguson, MacGibbon D., Christophers, Anderson, Chrystal, and McKenzie — were unfortunate inasmuch as they were compelled to forego the term concert. We must congratulate the girls on their victory as regards games, although the boys won on points. The boys were quite outclassed in the doubles — the strong point of the veterans of A team. The following are the games :—

Ferguson .....	26	Miss D. McHutcheson .....	30
MacGibbon, D. ....	30	Miss N. Brass .....	19
Christophers .....	27	Miss E. Stout .....	30
Anderson .....	25	Miss E. Bain .....	30
Chrystal .....	30	Miss E. McDowell .....	27
McKenzie .....	30	Miss D. Lovett .....	12
Ferguson and MacGibbon ....	26	Misses D. McHutcheson and N. Brass .....	30
Christophers and Anderson ..	25	Misses E. Stout and E. Bain	30
Chrystal and McKenzie .....	15	Misses E. McDowell and D. Lovett .....	14
Total .....	237		212

Owing to training, shooting, cricket, and the fives tournaments, the tennis court has not been used very much of late.

### FIVES.

During the winter months the courts were unusually free from moisture, a condition readily availed of by players. As soon as school is over there is a great rush for the courts. If the Board has any surplus funds they could not be better spent than on another court. A little plaster on the back and side-walls would not come amiss, as occasionally balls do not come off straight owing to mortar having worn away. The present spell of fine weather is being taken advantage of to play off the senior championships, singles and doubles.

## Athletic Sports.

Our annual sports were held in Queen's Park on Wednesday, 19th October, in ideal weather. There was a good attendance of friends of the pupils and of Old Boys. Thirty-four items were got off during the afternoon, the preliminary bouts of the wrestling, the mile run, and the throwing of the cricket ball having been previously decided. The fields were very satisfactory and the finishes close, the result of good handicapping. As usual, afternoon tea was provided for the visitors, and was dispensed by the wives of the staff, assisted by friends. Everything went off without a hitch, so that our visitors were pleased with the afternoon's sport. Our champion, Dobbie, was in good form, carrying off both the championship and the Todd medal for the handicap events. There was a close contest for the junior championship, Ballantine defeating Mabson by one point. Only one record was broken, Ballantine clearing 4ft 7½ in. for the junior jump. A detailed account follows :—

Judges : Messrs R. A. Anderson and J. Carswell ; Wrestling : W. Murdoch.

Ground Steward : Mr J. S. McGrath.

Press Stewards : L. Bennett, J. Imlay.

Starter : Mr Galloway, with Mr Pow as assistant.

Timekeepers : Messrs J. Williams, J. P. Dakin, J. D. Gilmore.

Handicappers : Messrs Galloway, J. Hewat, D. MacGibbon.

Committee : The Staff and J. Hewat, D. MacGibbon, S. Hanan, J.

McQueen, J. Boyne, E. Dobbie.

Old Boys' Events :

Handicappers : Messrs C. Webber, C. Reid, W. Sawers.

Secretaries : C. Webber, C. Reid.

School Secretaries : J. Collins, R. L. Christie.

Wrestling (under 9½ stone)—A. Chrystal 1, J. Catto 2.

Wrestling (over 9½ stone)—Paterson 1, F. Wilson 2.

100 Yards Championship—E. Dobbie 1, Catto 2 ; time, 10½ secs.

Long Jump (under 15)—Ballantine (4in) 1, Christophers (9in) 2.

The winner jumped 15ft 1in.

100 Yards Handicap (under 15)—First heat : Stevens 1, Mabson 2.

Second heat : Dawson 1, Brodie 2. Third heat : Jameson 1, Dixon 2.

Fourth heat : Christophers 1, C. McQueen 2. Semi-final—First heat :

Mabson 1, Stevens 2. Second heat : Jameson 1, C. McQueen 2. Final :

A. Jameson (2yds) 1, Mabson (3yds) 2 ; time, 12 3-5th secs. This was

a close finish.



Long Jump Handicap and Championship—Christie (scr) 19ft 7½ in, 1; Dobbie (scr), 18ft 4½ in, 2.

220 Yards Handicap (under 15)—First heat: Ballantine 1, Mabson 2. Second heat: Howie 1, Christophers 2. Final: Mabson (6yds) 1, Ballantine (10yds) 2. Time, 27½ secs.

100 Yards Handicap (open)—First heat: Catto 1, Dobbie 2. Second heat: J. Hewat 1, McGregor 2. Third heat: T. Wilson 1, F. Grant 2. Fourth heat: J. Collins 1, Christie 2. Fifth heat: Ryburn 1, A. Hewat 2. Semi-finals—First heat: Dobbie 1, Catto 2. Second heat: Collins 1, Christie 2. Final: J. Collins (10yds) 1, E. Dobbie (½yd) 2. Time, 10 3-5th secs. Won by two yards.

High Jump Handicap (under 15)—Ballantine (scr) and L. McCaw (4in), tied for 1st place; Mabson (3in), 2. The winner jumped 4ft 7½ in, beating the school record by 1½ in, held by R. L. Christie, 1908.

High Jump Handicap and Championship—F. Wilson (5in) and J. Anderson equal. Christie made a good jump, 4ft 11in.

Potato Race—C. Carter 1, J. Wesney 2.

440 Yards Handicap (open)—Christie (scr) 1, Seddon (8yds) 2. Time, 57 secs.

220 Yards Championship—Dobbie 1, Catto 2. Time, 26½ secs. There were only three entrants, but the event was interesting, the winner having about 4 yards to spare, while two yards separated 2 and 3.

Sack Race—Final: E. Bonthron 1, A. Reid 2. This contest was run in four heats, and created much excitement.

Forms' Relay Race (half-mile)—Form III. A (Catto, Dobbie, MacGibbon, Wilson), 25yds, 1; Form III B (a) (Gibbs, Forrester, Christophers, McKenzie), 25yds, 2. Won easily.

120 Yards Hurdles Handicap (open)—Bonthron (2yds behind scr) 1, T. Wilson (3yds behind scr) 2. Time, 19 3-5th secs. Won by 8 yds; very little separated 2 and 3.

Half-mile Handicap (open)—Dobbie (scr) 1, Seddon (10yds) 2. Time, 2.14 4-5.

220 Yards Handicap (open)—First heat: Dobbie 1, J. Hewat 2. Second heat: Christie 1, Seddon 2. Third heat: Hewat 1, Catto 2. Final: Christie (scr) 1, Dobbie (scr) 2. Christie got off the mark very suddenly and finished with a lead of about eight yards. Only inches separated second and third.

440 Yards Handicap (under 15)—Millar (4yds) 1, C. McQueen (4yds) 2. Time, 1.7; hard finish.

Obstacle Race—H. Ibbotson 1, A. Jameson 2. There was a large entry for this event, which was run in five heats and created great amusement.

440 Yards Championship—Jno. McQueen 1, Catto 2. Only two competitors.

220 Yards Handicap (under 14½)—First heat: Millar (scr) 1, Melvin (12yds) 2. Second heat: Dixon 1, O. Smith 2. Final: Millar (scr) 1, Dixon (14yds) 2. This race was keenly contested and resulted in a very close finish.

Putting Weight (16lbs)—W. Cody, 32ft 8½ in, 1; Paterson 2.

Mile Handicap and Championship, run previous to sports—Seddon (scr) 1, Dobbie (scr) 2. Time, 5 min. 5 3-5th secs.

Cricket Ball—N. Stead 1, G. McKenzie 2. This event was also contested prior to the sports; 83yds 2½ ft.

100 Yards Amateur Old Boys—First heat: A. McDonald 1, McCartney 2. Second heat: R. L. I. Paull 1, Hall 2. Final: McCartney (9yds) 1, Paull (9yds) 2. Time, 10½ secs.

100 Yards Inter-Collegiate—A. McDonald (Christ's College), 4yds, 1; B. Timpany (Xavier College, Melbourne), 8yds, 2. Time, 10 2-5. A good race. Three starters.

440 Yards Amateur Old Boys—A. McDonald (scr) 1, E. Horan (20yds) 2. Time, 54 secs.

One Mile Amateur Old Boys—W. Sampson (25yds) 1, Horan 2. Five starters.

The special competition winners were:—Open championship: Dobbie, 25 points, 1; 2, Catto, McQueen, 14 points each. Todd Medal (most points in running handicaps): 1, Dobbie, 14 points; 2, Seddon, 11 points; 3, Christie, 10 points. Christie Medal (most points in junior handicaps): 1, Ballantine, 13 points; 2, Mabson, 12 points.

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## Gymnastics.

In the evening of July 28th the School gave a gymnastic display to parents and friends, when, despite the stormy evening, there was an excellent attendance. Jack Hewat opened with a pianoforte solo. Then class exercises followed, interspersed with individual work on the bar, the parallels, and the horse. An old boy of the School, Mr Fred Ball, gave us two spirited recitations: "The Amateur Rider" and "Laska's Last Ride." Later on Mr Inglis Todd relieved the gymnastic work with a violin solo. Mrs Galloway kindly played the accompaniments to the exercises. At the close, on the call of the Rector, three



cheers were given for the assistance rendered by the ladies and the above gentlemen. Mr Galloway was not forgotten by us, for we appreciate the excellence of his tuition. Our friends seemed surprised at and delighted with the exhibition. Two pyramids were formed during the evening. Of course Mr Galloway gave a fine exhibition of difficult work on the parallels and on the horizontal. The horse work was well done by the class, particularly the long vault and the long leap frog over three boys sitting on the horse. Then the clear somersault was twice done by Gray, Boyne, and Collins. From the programme below it will be seen that each class took up a different set of exercises. Altogether the exhibition was a decided success.

#### PROGRAMME :

1. Pianoforte Solo ..... Master Hewat
2. Clubs, Ladders, and Ropes ..... Form III A.
3. Horizontal Bar ..... Seniors
4. Physical and Deep Breathing Exercises ..... Form I.
5. Recitation ..... Mr Ball
6. Bar-Bells ..... Form III B.
7. Parallels and Pyramids ..... Seniors
8. Violin Solo ..... Mr Inglis Todd
9. Dumb-bells, Ropes, Ladders, and Blackboards ..... Form II
10. Vaulting Horse by ..... Southland Boys' High School Pupils

GOD SAVE THE KING.

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## Cadet News.

Since last issue we have had several changes in our Cadet officers. Mr Edmondson, who came to us with a good reputation for drill, succeeded Mr McGrath in command of No. 1. At the beginning of this month Mr McCarthy left us to drill recruits at Houipapa, in the Catlins district. We were very sorry to lose both Mr McGrath and Mr McCarthy, as they proved efficient officers. Since assuming command, Mr Edmondson has shown us that he is a capable officer, knowing his drill thoroughly.

During the winter months we drilled outside in the yard. The routine followed each drill day was for each company to take half the drill period for physical exercises and the rest for practising company movements. At the beginning of the second term we lost our junior bugler, Barlow. Since then, however, we have unearthed a substitute in Cockroft.

Seventy-four all told of our Battalion, under Captain Pow attended the services held in the Theatre on May 20th — the day of our late Sovereign's funeral. As this happened during the term holidays, our parade was, of course, confined to the town members of the Battalion.

At last we are beginning to master the intricacies of the double rank drill. This is not the kind of drill for dreamers — no more follow the leader."

During this term we have been practising extended work in view of our fast-approaching and long-hoped-for camp.

At the beginning of this term the Defence Department, through Staff Sergeant-Major Bishop, kindly lent us a military tent for practice in pitching and striking. Every dinner hour and every night nothing could be heard in the yard but the strike, strike, of mallets, and now and then "We'll lose marks if our pegs are not opposite the seams."

We think that our practice in pitching will prove helpful during camp.

On the wet drill days in winter we went through a course of musketry, and on one occasion Staff S.M. Bishop gave us a lecture on "The Firing Exercise."

On Sunday, September 25th (Dominion Day), a detachment from our Battalion, 55 strong, under our Major, attended divine service along with the Territorial Forces in the First Church. The following night a detachment of 71, under Lieuts. Hewat and Boyne, represented the Battalion in the Dominion Night "March Out."

Thus the Southland Times on our tent pitching squads :—A tent pitching and striking competition was the succeeding attraction, the High School Cadets being engaged in it, and six teams (of seven boys each) competing. Tents had been pitched, and after having been examined by the judges for neatness and order had also to be struck, time thus bearing an important part for points. Considerable amusement was caused by the youths in several cases being over-eager in their efforts, but for the most part the work was done with military precision.

At the moment of penning these notes our rifles and bayonets are undergoing their annual inspection at the hands and eyes of Armourer-Sergt. Buckley. The rifles and bayonets are reported to be in fairly good order. Two broken springs (due to carelessness) formed the list of casualties.

#### ATTENTION !!

Where has our drummer boy gone ?

One of the essentials in scouting is to see and not to be seen. Who are the two champion scouts of No. 1 Company during extended work in No. 1 ground ?



It is rumoured about the School that the Battalion will be uniformed next year in a serviceable khaki. Let us hope it is true.

The small boys of No. 2 Company are becoming real misers. We overheard some of them planning what they were going to buy for camp with their hoarded up treasures.

Ask George why the local tea rooms were out of cakes on Saturday, the 22nd, just after the tent pitching competition.

It is rumoured about town that we were beaten by both the Middle School and the South School in the march past. Oh, no! We were on exhibition only—not allowed to compete.

Corporal Anderson's team easily had the best pitched tent at the Navy League demonstration. The gale of wind was almost too much for the wee men from B Company.

### THE NAVY LEAGUE DEMONSTRATION.

As we had applied for the use of Queen's Park for our sports on Wednesday, October 19th, the Navy League demonstration was held the following Saturday. Owing to the double rank drill the number of companies on parade was less than last year. Our Battalion was represented by one company, 70 strong, under Captain Edmondson. Our company headed the Battalion in the march past, but did not compete for the prize—we were on exhibition only. The first prize was awarded to the Middle School, with the South School second. Six teams from our Battalion had a tent pitching competition for a prize donated by the Navy League.

After a strenuous fight with the teams from A Company, Lieutenant Dobbie's team from B Company won first prize, with Corporal Anderson's team from A Company second. The winning team was: Lieut. Dobbie (in charge), Col.-Sergt. Collins, Sergt. Carter, Privates A. Reid, G. Munro, J. Jameson, and Bugler Findlay.

After the tent pitching was over, our company gave the public an idea of how an advance is made under fire. A skeleton enemy was sent out, and the remainder of the company pushed home an attack. As every boy was carrying 20 or 30 rounds, there was plenty of din and smoke in the Park for nearly half an hour. The public took a keen interest in this mimic battle.

### SHOOTING NOTES.

During the winter we had shooting practice in the gymnasium at our miniature range. We think this is a splendid way of breaking in a recruit. He must be taught to shoot as well as to do sums. On the whole, the shooting was decidedly creditable.

Our Major is very busy just now coaching the best shots of the Battalion for this year's matches. We fire our annual match against Otago at Gore on Saturday, 12th. Good luck to our boys.

The Navy League has again kindly presented £1 for the team of 10 men putting up the best score at 200 yards and 500 yards — seven shots at each. So far, the winners of this match are: 1908, C Company; 1909, A Company.

Our Major has wisely decided to hold a series of special matches for the School Championship. There will be matches on three different days. On each day each competitor will fire seven shots at 200 and seven at 500. Who is going to have his name inscribed on the Champion Shield for 1910?

The range prize winners this term are: Col.-Sergt. Collins, Pte. W. McCaw (2), Col.-Sergt. McQueen (3), Bugler Ferguson, Pte. James McQueen, Pte. Hanan, Pte. Frew, and Sergt. Stead.

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## Library Notes.

The third term is essentially a term of "swot," and so exceptional membership could hardly be anticipated. However, we are pleased to announce that the number of subscribers has come up to our expectations. By additions in the form of purchases and presentations we have now on the shelves 460 volumes, completely engaging the accommodation provided for them at present. To those whose kindly consideration for the wants of the School has evinced itself in the form of handsome donations, we beg to accord our heartiest thanks.

Since last issue the following volumes have been added: "The Yellow God," by H. Rider Haggard; "Peter," by F. Hopkinson Smith; "The House of the Wolf," by Stanley Weyman; "Micah Clarke," by A. Conan Doyle; "Vanity Fair," by W. M. Thackeray; seven volumes of Scott, "The Abbot," "The Monastery," "The Heart of Midlothian," "Anne of Geierstein," "The Antiquary," "The Bride of Lammermoor," and "Guy Mannering"; "The Count of Monte Christo," two volumes, by Alexandre Dumas; "The Student's Flora of New Zealand," by T. Kirk; "Old Mortality," by Sir Walter Scott; "The Black Tulip," by Alexandre Dumas; "New Zealand Neuroptera," and "New Zealand Moths and Butterflies," by G. V. Hudson; "Hypatia," by Charles Kingsley; "A Book of Golden Deeds," by Miss C. M. Yonge; "The Buccaneers of America," by J. Burney; "The Young People's Microscope Book," by S. N. Sedgwick; "Aerial Navigation of To-Day," by Charles C. Turner; "Heroes of Modern India," by E. Gilliat; "In Australian Tropics," by Alfred Searey; "With Milton and the Cavaliers," by Mrs



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### SCHOOL HUMOUR.

"Diapred like the discoloured mead" was explained by an Upper School boy : "It had figures worked on it like diaper, such as are sometimes seen in the froth of the Mead." Query : Had he been out to the Waihopai bridge ?

H.W.S. defines transitive verbs as "verbs that carry the mind across distances."

#### Some Chips from the Laboratory—

1. Chlorine is a greenish yellow gas which has a pungent yellow smell.
2. An element is a substance which cannot be found in a simpler form.
3. Graphite occurs as lead pencils.
4. Oxygen is the great restorer of life.
5. An element is a substance that consists of nothing else but itself.
6. Chlorine is distinguished from hydrochloric acid by its bleaching agency.
7. Oxygen is a very lively gas.
8. Sulphuretted hydrogen is a gas with a very pungent inoffensive odour.

One way of expressing the charm of poetry. — "There is an inexpressible charm in the smooth flow of the syllables, and if a word failed to rhyme in its proper place, the feeling would be that a brick was dropped on one's head."—J.M.

Mathematical master : "Stick at that problem, now." Voice from tired one : "I am stuck at it, sir."

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### "KETCHIL" : A LITTLE MALAY BOY.

What his name is we none of us know, and probably never shall. We just call him "Ketchil," meaning in Malay "little," the word being used in that tongue as the French use the adjective "petit." Ketchil dresses in a sarong, or native skirt, of which the prevailing hue is bright red ; a khaki coat, and red handkerchief artistically arranged as a turban. From the crown of his little oily head to the sole of his dirty little foot he is as brown as a berry (only more so, as the Yankees say.) But for all his colour, Ketchil has a handsome face, with clear-cut features, a pair of soft dark brown eyes like a startled deer's, and pearly teeth which makes one break the Tenth Commandment. He gives his age as "sepuloh taun" (10 years), but as the natives calculate differently from what we do, he would probably be 12 by our reckoning. Ketchil's school days ended two years ago when his parents learned that he could earn three dollars a month. Three dollars, that is to say seven shillings, was a fortune to the household. So good-bye to the madrissah (school) where he had just begun to learn to read, and away to the godown (office) of a big English company.

What could such a little ignoramus do in an office, you ask ? Well, he is just punkah-wallah. All day long, from 9 a.m. until 6 a.m., he must keep moving the punkah fixed over the desk of the Tuan Besar (manager.) His chair is placed about 6 ft behind that of the manager's, and here he sits all day long. From the punkah runs a rope, the end of which is attached to Ketchil's right foot, and by swaying the foot he keeps the punkah moving. But the work is exceedingly monotonous, and as the day wears on poor Ketchil often falls into a sound slumber. For a while the foot keeps working backwards and forwards, then gradually it moves slower, and slower, then stops — and with it the punkah. Then woe betide poor Ketchil, for the manager will seize whatever first comes to hand, book, india rubber, or ruler, and let it fly with unerring aim at the sleeper. Ketchil knows I have a weakness for stamp collecting, and surreptitiously smuggles into my hand whatever specimens he can gather from the waste paper basket. In return I present him with 10 cents, equal to 2½d. With this fortune he buys atrocious looking messes from hawkers in the street, and feeds right royally for a whole day.



But Ketchil is not without his pleasures. Saturday comes with unfailing regularity, and with it shorter hours. By three o'clock he is out on the padang (open grass space) indulging in his favourite recreation. For Ketchil loves football even as a New Zealand boy loves it, and with skirt tucked up and bare feet, plays, with other larrikins, as good a game as one could wish to see. Or, sometimes, it is a hari besar (fete day.) Then the Darul Adub Football Club contest with other Malay teams for the splendid shield presented by an English Magistrate who, loving football himself, delights to encourage those who also love it. Such a splash of colour as the natives make is surely never seen except in the gorgeous Orient. And of one thing you may be sure. Amongst the onlookers, foremost in the ranks, brilliantly attired, the gayest of the gay, the noisiest of the barrackers, you will find our little friend, the punkah-wallah "Ketchil."

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