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FIRST TERM, 1923.

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Company Sergt.-Major.-Sergt.-Major Brown.

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Assistant Q.M.S.—Corporal D. G. Grant.

Orderly Room Corporal.—Corporal G. E. Lomas.

No. 1 Platcon.

Platoon Commander.—Lieut. G. Bertrand.

Platoon Sergeant.-Sergt. J. D. Mackay.

Section Commanders.—Corporals J. E. Eaves, B. B. Mahraj, J. Patterson, J. M. McCallum.

No. 2 Platcon.

Platoon Commander.-Mr. M. Fowler.

Platoon Sergeant.-Sergt. H. P. Mitcalfe.

Section Commanders.—Corporals L. Christie, A. Moss, C. Strombom, C. Saxton.

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Platoon Commander .- Mr. H. L. Calder.

Platoon Sergeant.-Serge, S. F. Fookes.

Section Commanders.—Corporals C. Dinniss, J. F. Lysaght, B. Lash, M. Bree.

No. 4 Platocn.

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No. 5 Platoon.

Platoon Commander .- Mr. G. Johnson.

Platoon Sergeant.-Sergt. J. T. Shaw.

Section Commanders.—Corporals H. A. Insull, M. C. Lysons, A. L. Herdman.

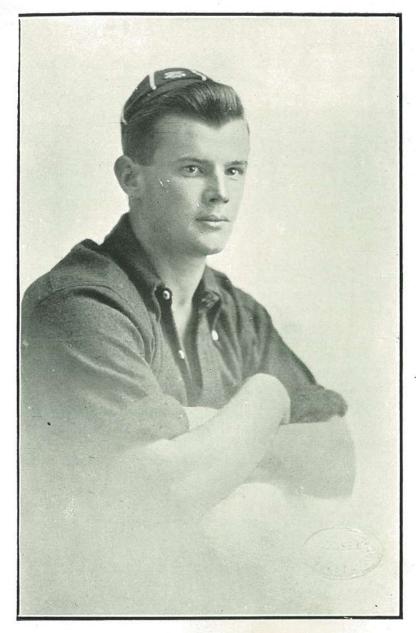
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Platoon Sergeant.-Sergt. A. D. Guy.

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H. W. BROWN. Head Boy 1923.

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EDITORIAL.

(R. M. Dolby.)

NE of the most important parts in the scholastic life of a secondary or even a primary school boy is played by examinations. Almost every boy who has spent three or four years in a secondary school has his progress tested at the end of that time by some examination, usually matriculation. It is generally supposed that examinations are a comparatively modern innovation, but this is not really the case, for they have been practised in China for many centuries. It is only in the last fifty years or so, however, that competitive examinations have been largely employed as a means of deciding appointments in the public service. Such positions were formerly obtained either by influence or by social standing. It was obvious that some alternative to this unjust and ineffective system must be employed, and up to the present examinations are the only method in use; but of late years they have been severely criticised. The chief substitute proposed for examinations in deciding appointments in the Civil Service or as a test on leaving school or on entering the university is the leaving certificate. In its simplest form this is a certificate awarded by the inspector and teachers to all those pupils who are considered to have spent their time at school profitably. To be of any great practical use, however, there should be a number of certificates of different grades for each branch of school work.

It is now necessary to consider the different aspects of the question more fully. In support of the system of examinations there is much to be said. In awarding scholarships or deciding appointments a competitive examination provides a definite and more or less accurate method of arranging the candidates in order of merit. Again an examination is a goal to aim at and thus is an incentive to a certain amount of hard work even if only for a time before the examination. In preparing for an examination a large amount of memorising has to be done and this provides excellent training in committing any facts to memory, an exercise which is somewhat neglected. Another advantage is that a certain standard of teaching is necessary and the syllabus fixes exactly what work is to be done in each subject which is taught.

On the other hand examinations have great disadvantages. They encourage the cramming of facts which may not remain in the memory for long after the examination. This, as we have mentioned before, may be useful training for memorising facts which have not to be retained for long but is not of great utility for any other purpose. As there is a set syllabus of work the candidates tend to confine themselves rigidly to these limits. This, however, is not an unmixed evil. Another objection is that an examination often does not give a true estimate of the abilities of the candidate in the particular subject or subjects taken. It is apt to test memory rather than understanding, theory rather than practice. Again, an examination tests the last period of the school-life of a candidate. By sudden great concentration and hard study a boy may pass an examination without having any solid groundwork to act as a foundation to his claims. If one boy passes an examination it does not in every case prove that he possesses more intelligence or ability than another who has failed. The latter may have quite as extensive a knowledge of the subject and yet have failed through inability to express his knowledge concisely or because he has not happened to study some points of the subject which the questions concern.

A suggested alternative to such a system is the leaving-certificate. Instead of encouraging sudden short-lived activity just before the examination it is an incentive to steady work throughout school life. A leaving-certificate certifies to the amount of work done during the whole of the boy's

studies instead of testing mainly work of the last few months. A leaving certificate is also a record, not so much of the boy's ability to memorise, as of his capabilities in all the branches, both theoretical and practical, of the work which he has done. In an examination a candidate may suffer from nervousness and therefore not do himself justice; this cannot, however, happen under a leaving-certificate system.

On the other hand this system has many disadvantages, one of the greatest of which is the introduction of the question, how and by whom shall the certificates be awarded? A staff of inspectors, and either various grades of certificates or a method of assigning a number of marks for each subject, would be required. Again, this system is of very little use in deciding which, out of a large number of candidates, is fit to receive a scholarship or obtain a position. This difficulty would be partially overcome by certificates with marks for each subject; but it would be very difficult to assign such marks fairly and accurately.

On the whole examinations seem to be the more satisfactory system, for it may safely be said that even if many of the candidates who fail in an examination are neither stupid nor lazy, nevertheless almost all those who pass are of at least average attainments. Much of course depends on the nature of the questions set. An examiner may set a question which could be answered only after close and careful study, or he may set one which can be answered by anyone possessing intelligence and some knowledge of the subject. In fact examiners may test memory or ability to The most satisfactory solution of the difficulties seems to be a combination of leaving-certificates and sensible examinations. As such a twofold system would need a great deal of development and thought it is to be hoped that the problem will be taken up by educational enthusiasts and experts who will evolve a method which, while eliminating the weaknesses of each system, will combine the advantages to produce a workable scheme. In the meantime it is gratifying to notice that examiners are aiming at setting papers which test intelligence rather than mere memory. Finally let us remember that it is not the passing of an examination but the knowledge gained in the preparation that is of real value.

BREAKING-UP CEREMONY.

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(M. Heycock.)

The prize-giving and breaking-up ceremony took place on Thursday evening, December 14. Mr. Fox, chairman of the Board of Governors, presided. Others on the stage were: His Honour Mr. Justice Chapman, Mrs. Fox, the Mayor and Mayoress (Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Wilson), Messrs. E. P. Webster, A. E. Washer, L. C. Sladden, F. W. Atkinson, L. A. Nolan, and Dr. Fookes (members of the Board), Mr. Lash (secretary), Mr. Moyes (Principal), and members of the staff.

The proceedings opened by the singing of the National Anthem, led by the School Orchestra. During the evening the Orchestra played several selections and the School song, "Forty Years On," was sung by the boys.

CHAIRMAN'S ADDRESS.

The Chairman extended his welcome to all present, and he said their numbers were an indication of the increasing popularity of the School. He thanked the Old Boys, who had erected the Memorial Gates, and Mr. Strong for the interest he had taken in the spiritual welfare of the boys. The hospital, he said, had greatly reduced the number of cases of sickness, a fact which reflected great credit upon the management of the matron (Mrs. Law). In concluding he complimented Mr. and Mrs. Moyes on the work they had done for the School and said the School would stand as a lasting memorial to their great labour.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT.

In presenting the annual report of the School, Mr. Moyes said it was with pleasure that he had to report that 1922 had been a most successful year for the School. In all branches of activity marked success had been achieved, and the past year stood out as perhaps the most successful in the history of the School.

The roll number for the year was approximately the same as that for 1921. There had been, however, a falling off in the number attending the Preparatory School, with a corresponding increase in the Upper School.

The personnel of the staff had undergone some change. Mr. A. R. Ryder, M.A., left at the end of 1921 to take up a position at the Auckland Grammar School, and Miss J. McLeod, M.A., had taken up a position in Dunedin. The

vacancies were filled by Mr. A. G. Johnson, M.Sc., and Mr. R. O. C. Marks, M.A.

The results of the 1921 examinations were satisfactory, affording ample proof that the work done in the class-rooms was in no way interfered with by over-indulgence in sport.

In the Junior University Examination, W. Aldis gained fifth place for New Zealand, while M. Barak annexed a National Scholarship.

Twenty-four boys passed the matriculation and allied examinations and seventeen gained partial passes. Of the seventeen who gained partial passes no fewer than twelve were in their third year and in his opinion scarcely advanced enough for the examination.

H. M. I. McIvor and R. M. Dolby won Senior National Scholarships and E. G. Smith, R. Julian, and D. Jillett gained part of their teachers' D certificate. L. Dinniss passed his first terms in English, Latin, jurisprudence, and constitutional history.

In the Preparatory School eighteen boys gained proficiency, three gained competency, and three failed. Mr. Pope, who had charge of Standard VI., was to be congratulated on the progress he had made with the standard. P. Grover won the Bayly Memorial Scholarship, with H. Fookes second.

Success of the Old Boys.—K. C. Roberts was awarded the Smeaton Research Scholarship in science; D. Denny-Brown was prominent in the examination lists; R. Syme gained first-class passes in all his subjects, while M. Barak had been awarded an exhibition in mathematics and C. Noble a premium in chemistry.

At outdoor activities the School particularly distinguished itself on the football field. The School First Fifteen were winners of the second grade championship, while the thirds annexed the fourth grade competition. The First Fifteen also defeated Wanganui and Nelson Colleges.

The standard of cricket had shown a marked improvement and the First Eleven for the first time defeated Wanganui College.

In shooting, the School teams had again won success. The Governor-General's trophy was won by the School, and the teams in the Imperial Challenge Competitions gained

fifth, ninth, tenth, eleventh and thirty-first places in the senior, and thirteenth, twentieth, twenty-eighth and thirty-ninth places in the junior.

In life-saving and swimming, two boys qualified for honorary instructors' certificates, one for teacher's certificate, two gained bronze medallions, nine proficiency certificates, and fifteen elementary certificates. In addition forty boys qualified for the certificate for long-distance swimming.

The School Orchestra deserved a special word of praise. The boys comprising that had done particularly good work and had by their unselfishness and keenness given many hours of pleasure to the rest of the School. He also complimented the Concert Club on their splendid work.

For some years past the system of self-government had been to a certain extent adopted in the School, but that year had seen a further development in that direction. Punishment had been reduced to a minimum, detention had been abolished, and the prefects' powers had been extended.

In concluding he wished again to thank many friends and parents for donations and prizes. In particular their thanks were due to Mr. J. C. Morey for a valuable collection of lantern slides; to Mr. G. W. Palmer for numerous trophies for the First Fifteen and the First Eleven; to Mr. Fox for a challenge cup; to Mr. Osborne and to Wisden's for cricket bats; to Mr. E. Chivers and Mr. Harman for challenge trophies; and to Miss Percy Smith and Mr. F. Kelly for donations of books. For donations of prizes they had to thank Messrs. L. C. Sladden, H. Collier, H. B. Gibson, F. W. Atkinson, and E. A. Washer. He also wished to express his appreciation for the support tendered him by the masters and prefects.

JUSTICE CHAPMAN'S ADDRESS.

His Honour, on rising, congratulated the parents on the healthy and cheerful condition of the boys, who would be, he said, a great assistance in the near future to the town and province. In order that he might congratulate the School on its general tone, he compared it to his Alma Mater, the Melbourne Grammar School, which he attended during the first year it opened. He then gave his ideas on education, in which he suggested that while education should tend to specialise in some things there should be generalisation to a certain extent, for he liked boys and men to keep a little out of the groove. He sympathised with the backward boy,

but, he said, if that boy once realised he was backward he was half-way towards remedying that defect. He emphasised the fact that we must look forward not merely to our own careers but to the great things that are going on around us and that no matter what opposition we have we must "stick to our job" and like a true Englishman "never say die." He ended his speech by remarking that he would feel himself fully rewarded if anything he had said was of interest or use to his listeners.

PRESENTATION OF PRIZES.

Mrs. Fox presented the scholastic prizes and Mrs. Wilson the sports prizes. The prize-list was as follows:—

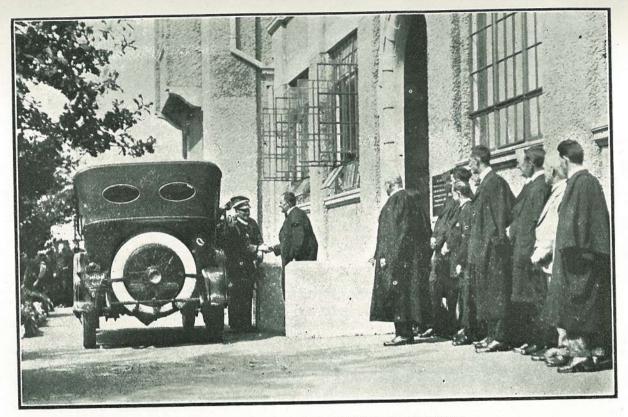
Preparatory School.—Form 1b: T. Western 1, A. Field 2. Form 1a: H. Law 1, P. Moyes 2. Form 1: H. Thomson 1, C. Stronge 2. Form 2b: N. Brookman 1, D. Jackson 2. Form 2a: T. Bayly 1, M. McLean 2. Form 2: P. Grover 1, A. Wilson 2. Special prizes donated by the Misses Campbell.—Form 1a: Oral work, P. Moyes; general excellence, J. Mackay. Form 1: Oral work, V. Okey; diligence, J. Davies and D. Nolan. Form 2b: Spelling: N. Brookman; diligence: R. Mahraj. Form 2a: Spelling: N. Brookman; diligence: R. Mahraj. Form 2a: Spelling, T. Bayly; oral work, A. Washer; diligence, A. Hutchen. Prizes donated by Mr. Atkinson and Mr. Washer for best kept agricultural plots: A. Washer 1, M. McLean 2. Music Certificate of the Associated Board (elementary division): A. Wilson. Music Certificates, Trinity College Junior Division pass in piano playing: W. Buchanan and J. Sutton.

Upper School.—Form 3d: A. S. Richardson 1, B. Murdoch 2. Form 3c: S. McCann 1, A. K. Jackson 2; languages and literature, S. McCann; mathematics and science, A. K. Jackson. Form 3b: N. Lealand 1, F. Trueman 2; languages and literature, F. Trueman; mathematics and science, A. Sampson. Form 3a: E. Wilson 1, R. Buick 2; languages and literature, E. Wilson; mathematics and Third Form agriculture: R. Buick. science, E. Wilson. Third Form book-keeping: W. Buchanan. Drawing: A. E. Read. Form 4b: D. Lee 1, K. Fookes 2. Form 4a: C. H. Strombom 1, H. A. Insull 2; languages and literature, W. J. Mountjoy; mathematics and science, C. H. Strombom. Fourth Form agriculture: T. W. Hair. Fourth Form bookkeeping: C. E. Baunton. Form 5c: S. G. Bellringer 1, D. P. McLean 2; mathematics and science, V. A. Tait and J. H. Blair (equal). Form 5b: M. D. Bree 1, M. C. Lysons 2; languages and literature, G. R. Webb; mathematics and science, M. D. Bree. Form 5a: M. H. Heycock 1, E. L. Brokenshire 2 (Mr. Sladden's prizes); languages and literature, H. P. Mitcalfe; mathematics and science, E. L. Brokenshire. Fifth Form agriculture: H. W. Brown. Form 6: R. Bellringer 1, A. Brodie 2; languages and literature, R. Bellringer; mathematics and science, R. Bellringer. Mr. Collier's prize for progress in music: D. Guy. White Memorial Prize: R. Bellringer. Bendall Memorial Prize: A. W. Griffin. General Excellence Cup: H. W. Brown. Head boy for the year: T. Foden. Dux for the year: R. Bellringer.

SPORTS PRIZES.

Shooting Cups, etc.—Searle Cup and pewter (miniature range, .22, senior): T. L. Penn. Hamblyn Cup and silver medal (.22, under 16 championship): V. Tait. Loveday Cup and silver medal (.22, under 15 championship): R. Fletcher. McLeod and Slade Cup and silver medal (.22, under 14 championship): A. E. Reed. Kelly Cup and silver medal (highest score in Devenish Shield competition): T. L. Penn and W. H. Mason (equal). Lady Godley Cup and silver medal (.303, 25yds., senior): H. W. Rickard. Lady Godley Cup and silver medal (.303, 25yds., junior): W. A. Foote. MacDiarmid Belt and pewter (long range, 500yds. and 200yds., 20 rounds, two practices): A. D. Guy. N.C.O. Cup for best N.C.O.: H. W. Brown. Gold medal (highest aggregate, group rifle meeting at Rewa Rewa): W. Blair.

Athletic Sports Cups.—Senior championship (Old Boys trophy): H. W. Brown. Junior championship: C. Gilmour. Under 14 championship (Mr. Bennett's Cup): P. Grover. Under 12 championship (Carter Cup): A. Washer. Under 10 championship: H. T. Thompson. 120 Yards Senior Hurdles (Mr. Noakes' Cup): H. W. Brown. 880 Yards Senior (Mason Memorial Cup): H. W. Brown. 440 Yards Senior (Old Boys' Shield): H. W. Brown. 100 Yards Junior (Beckbessinger Cup): C. Gilmour. 440 Yards Junior (Mrs. Bothamley's Cup): C. Gilmour. 440 Yards Handicap (Mr. Harman's Cup): A. C. Woodham. Mile Senior (Dr. Fookes' Cup): E. G. Smith. Fastest time Senior Steeplechase (Bryce Cup): E. G. Smith. Senior Steeplechase Cup: D. Robertson. Junior Steeplechase (Mr. Noakes' Cup): A. Field. Old Boys' Race (Mr. Pridham's Cup): L. B. Webster. First boy to win three grade championships (Mr. B. Allan's medal): C. Gilmour, whose record is: 1919, under 12 championship; 1920, under 14; 1922, under 16.



HIS EXCELLENCY MEETING THE STAFF.

Athletic Medals.-H. A. Insull (long jump senior, 150vds. open), A. Petty (long jump junior), L. Richardson (880yds. junior, mile junior), P. Grover (100yds. and 220vds. under 14, 100vds. under 15, fastest time junior steeplechase), P. Kidson (high jump junior), H. Thompson (50yds. under 11, 50yds., 75yds. and 100yds. under 10), H. W. Brown (440yds., 880yds. and 120yds. hurdles senior), C. Gilmour (440yds. junior), C. D. Collins (high jump senior), J. Perry (100yds. and 150yds. under 12), T. Fookes (100yds. junior), A. Washer (50yds. under 12), J. Medley (75yds. under 14), J. McMahon (100yds. senior), D. McLean (120yds. hurdles junior), E. G. Smith (mile senior, fastest time senior steeplechase), D. Robertson (senior steeplechase), A. Field (junior steplechase), E. McGinty (75yds. under 13), D. Wilson (440yds. senior handicap), A. C. Woodham (440yds. junior handicap), F. Read (three-legged race), H. S. Knuckey (three-legged race), J. D. Revell (220yds. open), K. Mauri (potato race over 15), C. Strombom (potato race under 15), T. C. Bellringer (sack race), I. W. Palmer (throwing cricket ball, senior). D. Crawford (throwing cricket ball, junior). Invitation Race: M. Grav (Hawera Technical School). Boys' Race: L. B. Webster.

Swimming Cups.—Sykes' Cup and pewter (senior championship): T. N. Foden. Junior championship and silver medal: J. D. Revell. Fox Cup and silver medal (under 14 championship): P. Sladden. O'Halloran Shield for Relay Race: Form 3c (H. Hawkins, P. Sladden, C. R. Murdoch, S. Peyton). Smith and Easton's Life-saving Cup: T. N. Foden.

Swimming Medals.—J. J. Jackson (33\frac{1}{3}yds. open handicap), T. Bayly (33\frac{1}{3}yds. preparatory handicap), C. Tate (66\frac{2}{3}yds. open handicap), H. Marshall (new boys' race), D. McDougall (learners' race), C. Robb (33\frac{1}{3}yds. breaststroke, 66\frac{2}{3}yds. preparatory handicap), G. Fookes (100yds. open handicap), M. Fletcher (33\frac{1}{3}yds. backstroke), H. W. Brown (long plunge, ribbon dive), E. L. Brokenshire (diving for plates), J. Penman (corfu dive), D. Ballantyne (greasy boom), T. N. Foden (220yds. open handicap), J. W. Palmer (awkward entry), A. Petty (open dive). Old Boys' Race (33\frac{1}{3}yds.): C. Kyngdon and E. Coleman (dead heat).

Football.—Mr. H. B. Gibson's book, "The Hill," for boy scoring most points in the Kaponga seven-a-side tournament: T. N. Foden (16 points out of 22).

Cricket.—Mr. A. Osborne's bat for most improved player in batting, bowling and fielding: K. Taylor.

Boxing Cups, etc.—Lepper Cup (senior championship): H. W. Brown. Kidd Cup and silver medal (junior championship): E. D. Gibson. Chivers Cup and silver medal (under 10st. championship): L. Ennis. Kenny gold medal for most scientific boxer: A. Field. Under 7st. championship: A. C. Walker. Under 6st. championship: A. Field. Under 9st. championship: S. H. Hutchen. Under 8st. championship: H. Marshall and R. Fletcher (equal). Under 5st. championship: T. Barlow. Gold medals won at the Taranaki Boxing Association's tournament: R. Fletcher (under 8st.) and E. Gibson (under 9st.).

Tennis.—Tennis Cup: D. Ballantyne.

General Excellence.—General Excellence Cup: \mathbf{H} . \mathbf{W} . Brown.

THE MAYOR'S REMARKS

His Worship the Mayor said it was his pleasure and duty to congratulate all connected with the School on the high standard reached that year, and he stated that he wished to remind the boys that the success achieved was due to both individual and collective effort. Mr. Wilson then concluded by wishing the boys a pleasant holiday.

The singing of the National Anthem brought the proceedings to a close.

HOUSE NOTES.

(J. D. Mackay and H. M. I. McIvor.)

This year School re-opened on Tuesday, February 6, when a large number of new boarders assembled. The total number on the boarding roll is now about 149.

This term two new resident house masters have joined us. They are Mr. T. M. McDonald, M.A., of Dunedin, and Mr. M. Fowler, B.Sc., of Greymouth. We extend a hearty welcome to them both and hope that their stay with us may be a long and pleasant one.

Mr. H. L. Calder, an Old Boy of the School, is at present teaching till the arrival from Nelson College of Mr. Kerr, who will take up residence here next term. We take this opportunity of congratulating Mr. Calder upon gaining his B.A. degree in the November examinations of last year.

Mr. R. O. C. Marks, M.A., our resident master last year, has this year taken up an appointment on the staff of Scots College, Wellington.

During the Christmas vacation five dormitories in the Old House were completely renovated and thus they now present a very clean and tidy appearance. We hope that in the near future the remainder of the dormitories will be renovated in a similar manner.

A new laundry block is being erected at the rear of the new house. As a large drying room is to be included this will be a great asset in wet weather. When this building is completed there will be great rejoicing among the prefects, for then—so it is rumoured—they will be able to have at least "one" study.

On the evening of the swimming sports, on March 9, the new boys' concert was held. Of the varied vocal items, some were rendered in very good style whilst some were of such a character as to cure insomnia. Some good bouts of boxing were given by those who did not feel inclined to sing

Mr. Moyes allowed the boarders to go down to the Baths on two Saturday evenings to see swimming carnivals in which some of the better swimmers were competing.

Much greater interest has been shown by the boarders this term in cricket and tennis, but in the latter game we have been badly handicapped by the shortage of courts, which shortage, however, will be rectified during the year.

At the beginning of the football season basket ball came into vogue among many of those enthusiasts who wished to become fit for the coming season. Accordingly the lower tennis court was marked out for a basket ball court, which was well patronised each night after school.

Amongst the house prefects the administration of corporal punishment has been lessened considerably this term, with the result that each week-end finds many unfortunate youths on the "gated" list.

Unknown to many we had a secret society in our midst and therefore it came as a great surprise to all when an effective coup was made of the members of the "Red Circle" gang. Their headquarters had been established above one of the class-rooms in the loft, where many a happy hour had oeen spent by these ingenious miscreants. Access was gained to their quarters by means of a rope, which was afterwards pulled up out of sight. To further provide for their

comfort they had made an attachment to an electric light holder and wired their commodious lodge room, and had provided themselves with a table and chairs. After the "coup" the leaders were next morning cross-questioned before the assembled school at roll call.

The annual cricket match against Wanganui was this year played at New Plymouth in fine weather. The match, which was the most exciting one yet played against Wanganui, resulted in a win for School. Considering that we had established a good lead in the first innings we should have won by a much greater margin. As it was we were lucky to win at all.

School again entered a team for the seven-a-side tournament which was held at Kaponga on Saturday, March 31. Although to get into training for this tournament meant starting football early in the season, the School team practised enthusiastically, and although beaten by Joll's team acquitted themselves creditably.

On the evening of Saturday, April 28, the Concert Club presented to an enthusiastic audience of pupils of the School, their relations and friends, the first concert of the season and one of the best yet presented. Our thanks are due to the Concert Club for relieving the monotony of Saturday evenings for the boarders, and for providing an excellent entertainment for both boarders and day boys.

One night about nine o'clock the brave garrison of No. 4 dormitory got out of bed and, after arming themselves with pillows, knotted towels and belts, these stout hearts crept along the corridor. Valiantly they entered No. 2 dormitory to show what they were made of. The combat began! Bravely the defenders of No. 2 tried to ward off the attack, but they were no match for the attacking party. On this subject, however, reports differ so that we feel obliged to refrain from making an unqualified statement lest we be charged with partisanship. In the midst of the fight, however, a dark and imposing form could be dimly seen coming through the doorway. This shadow then became the focus of many well-directed pillows, and no doubt recollecting Falstaff's advice, "Of valour the better part is discretion," it moved towards the door again. But did it disappear? Oh no! It turned its hand to the electric light switch and immediately in the bright light assumed a human shape-a master! Next morning many were on the mat and considered themselves extremely fortunate to get off with a severe admonition and a promise of something worse next time.

Archimedes we are told rushed into the street forgetting to slip on even the soap. Someone from No. 2 dormitory, however, in giving a practical demonstration of the principle of Archimedes in the bathroom, did not neglect to do what the great scientist forgot. He proved the truth of the theory of displacement and almost inundated the lower dormitory.

"Dugouts" have once more become popular and with longer evenings and colder week-ends, increasing numbers of boarders find their way over the hill to disappear in recesses in the hill-side. Some are worthy of a greater name than "dugout" for they are as luxurious as a parlour. The walls are covered and adorned with pictures and coloured prints; a fire burns briskly in an improvised fireplace, and the light of the fire is rendered insignificant by the brightness of electric light.

One dormitory this term has been favoured with a visit from a real ghost, who with slow stealth slid unchallenged the length of the room. It stopped still silent before a bed whose occupant was awake and staring. He at last gasped tremulously, "Dear Ghost, please go away." It went. But the order of its going was not as its coming. Some in that dormitory, in spite of what they have read recently in class, have no faith in ghosts. One ghost is a sadder and a wiser spirit.

A new boy thus recounts some of his impressions: "On the first day at school everything seems so unfamiliar to the new boy. One often sees groups of new boys standing around looking as if they had lost a five pound note." Of exams. he says: "Another tremendous obstacle to overcome is the term exam. One has the feeling of going down in a lift to the bottom of the class never to come up again." Verily, O New Boy, you are not alone in this respect.

TENNIS NOTES.

(P. Mitcalfe.)

The end of a very pleasant tennis season is fast approaching. The new asphalt court has been in great demand throughout the year and has been the scene of many interesting and keenly contested games.

BOXING NOTES.

The championships were decided during the term. The first two rounds were played off on the asphalt court. Through the generosity of the committee of the town courts we were allowed to play the finals on the Vivian Street courts. Some very fine games were witnessed in the finals. The results were:—

Senior Singles Championship.—J. Shaw. Junior Singles Championship.—J. Pease. Doubles Championship.—Mitcalfe and Christie.

The final of the senior singles, fought out between Shaw and Mitcalfe, afforded a very good game. Mitcalfe won the first set 6—2, in which hard hitting by both players was the chief feature of the set. Shaw managed to secure the next two sets 6—3, 6—3, after long rallies.

Mitcalfe and Christie won the first set of the doubles from Mackay and Brown by 6—0. Mackay and Brown retaliated by winning the second set 6—4. Both pairs played well in the last set, which resulted in a win for Mitcalfe and Christie by 7—5. The last set was characterized by fine net-play on both sides.

Pease beat Strombom in the final of the junior singles, after a long and hard-fought match, by 10—8, 4—6, 6—3.

We commenced two matches against the masters, but we were unable to finish either of them. In the first match we won eight out of the twelve matches played. Our team was: Mitcalfe, Shaw, Christie, Mackay, Brown, Alexander, McIvor, Pease and Strombom. The following are the results of the matches which we had time to finish:—

Mr. Johnson beat Mitcalfe 9-4.

Mr. Rockel lost to Shaw 5-9

Mr. Diprose beat Christie 9-8.

Mr. Eggleton lost to Brown 2-9.

Mr. Dobson lost to Alexander 0-9

Mr. Calder lost to McIvor 1-9.

Mr. McMahon lost to O'Halloran 1-9.

Mr. Calder and Mr. Wilkie lost to McIvor and Strombom 1—9.

Mr. Eggleton and Mr. Dobson lost to Mackay and Brown 0—9.

Mr. Diprose and Mr. Johnson beat Christie and Mitcalfe 9—5.

Mr. Rockel and Mr. Papps beat Shaw and Alexander 9-3.

The following team of six represented School v. Masters in our second match:—Shaw, Christie, Mitcalfe, Mackay, Brown, Pease. The results of the games which were completed are as follows:—

Mr. Bottrill beat Shaw 9—5.

Mr. Papps beat Mackay 9—3.

Mr. Johnson beat Christie 9—1

Mr. Wilkie lost to Pease 2—9.

Mr. Diprose and Mr. Bottrill beat Mackay and Brown 9-5.

BOXING NOTES.

(H. Brown.)

The large number of parents, Old Boys, and friends of the School who attended the boxing championships on Thursday night, November 16, and the enthusiasm shown by the boys themselves, goes to show that boxing is still a popular form of sport in the School.

Boxing classes are held every Thursday morning at 7 o'clock, and we have to thank Mr. Eggleton, our instructor, for the high standard which the boxing has now attained, and also for the many hours he has sacrificed in instructing us.

We are indebted to the Taranaki Herald for the following account of the championships:—

All the bouts were keenly contested, and while one or two of the boys did not display a great deal of science, they nevertheless made matters willing, mixing things very freely. The arrangements were admirable, the officials all carrying out their duties in the same thoroughly satisfactory manner which is customary with functions held by the School.

The principal bout of the evening was that for the School championship, in which H. Brown got the verdict after a very strenuous three rounds with J. Brodie, who had previously defeated J. Palmer. There was very little difference between the two boys in the first round, the second was slightly in favour of Brown, but Brodie got in some most effective work in the third round, Brown being punished rather severely by a series of well-judged upper cuts. While Brown was awarded the fight it could have only been by the very narrowest of margins that he won. Gibson, who is under 10st., fought in the class for boys under 11st., and

annexed this championship after two bright bouts in which he showed great promise, defeating Foden and Rickard. The under 10st. was won by Ennis, and S. Hutchen annexed the under 9st.

The best fight of the evening was that between Fletcher and Marshall in the final for the under Sst. championship in which they fought a draw. There was not a great deal of variety in the work of the lads, but they stood toe to toe and delivered blow for blow to the face, both lefts and rights, until punches which at the outset were full of sting had no vim in them at all, both fighting themselves to a They had a great ovation. Walker won the under 7st. championship after two good bouts. This lad also shows a great deal of promise. Field, who won the under 6st. event, proved himself very popular with crowd. He was wonderfully nimble on his legs, and the way he would rush in, land a blow and get away from trouble was a treat to see. His style, while not altogether scientific from a boxer's point of view, was very clever, and he well deserved the medal presented by Mr. J. C. Kenny for the most scientific boxer.

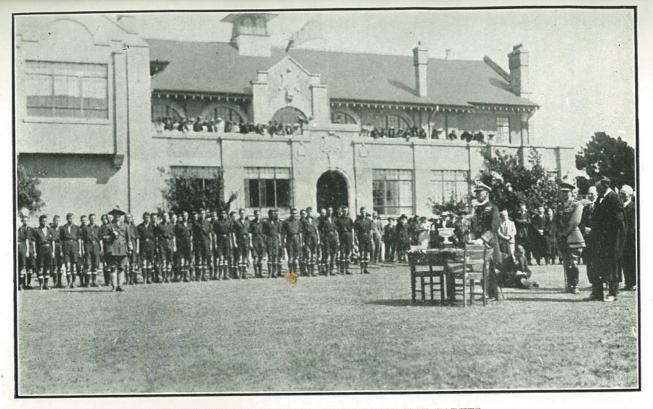
The ring was kindly lent by the Taranaki Boxing Association and was erected by Mr. R. Inch. To both the association and Mr. Inch the School wishes to extend warm thanks for their kindness. The officials were: Referee, Mr. T. Thompson; judges, Messrs. F. J. Eggleton and J. Connell; medical examiner, Dr. Milroy; finals, Mr. Marks; glove steward, Mr. G. H. Pope (head), assisted by H. McIvor and R. Syme; timekeeper, Mr. G. Bertrand; call steward, Mr. A. J. Papps; seconds, J. D. Mackay, W. Alexander, R. Christie, and T. Penn.

Details:-

UNDER 6st.

A. Hutchen defeated H. Fookes.—Fookes had slightly the best of matters in the first round, but in the second and third rounds Hutchen was responsible for most of the leading and gained the verdict.

A. Field defeated L. Barlow.—Barlow had the advantage in height and reach, but this did not deter Field, who danced around and rushed in from all unexpected directions. Barlow has a nice style, but appeared to refrain from taking full advantage of his weight. At the end of the third round the referee was unable to separate the pair and ordered anextra minute round. Field, who was wonderfully fit, made the pace willing and won.



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Final.

Field defeated Hutchen.—Field was again the smaller of the two, but he kept Hutchen very busy all through, leading well throughout and putting up a good defence. He frequently connected with Hutchen's face, whereas the latter found it almost impossible to break through Field's guard. Field won, the verdict being enthusiastically received.

'UNDER 7st.

A. Walker defeated G. Grant.—This bout was conspicuous for some hard hitting. Walker was inclined to ignore cover and walked straight into Grant, as it were, putting all he knew into rights and lefts. Grant now and again rushed in wildly, but Walker succeeded in punching him off again. He had the best of the three rounds.

· A. Sugden a bye.

Final.

Walker defeated Sugden.—Sugden showed good style, but Walker was too strong for him and got the verdict after a lively three rounds.

UNDER 8st.

R. Fletcher and H. Marshall a draw.—This bout caused a great deal of excitement. In each of the three rounds the boys landed lefts and rights to each other's face in lightning-like succession. Towards the close of the second round things appeared to be turning to Fletcher, but Marshall was equal to the occasion in the third, and the referee could not part them. He ordered an extra minute, but as the boys had fought such a strenuous battle later decided to declare it a draw.

UNDER 9st.

- K. Robinson defeated S. Smith.—This was a vigorous three rounds, both lads hitting out very hard and freely connecting. Robinson won by a narrow margin.
- S. Hutchen defeated A. Brodie.—Hutchen did most of the leading, hitting out freely, whereas Brodie did not put much ginger behind his blows.

E. Mason a bye.

Semi-final.

Mason defeated Robinson.—The first round was somewhat tame, but in the second and third there were many lively exchanges, Mason having slightly the best of matters.

Final.

Hutchen defeated Mason.-Mason had slightly the best of the opening round. The second was fairly even, but in the third Hutchen showed up to much better advantage and won.

UNDER 10st.

L. Ennis defeated F. Grey.—A vigorous three rounds, in which Ennis frequently punched Grey to the ring-side, the latter being inclined to wait for an opening to get in a knock-out. Once or twice he very narrowly missed, on one occasion just grazing Ennis' jaw with a stinging right. Ennis won.

UNDER 11st.

E. Gibson defeated T. Foden.—Gibson, it was announced, was under 10st., but had entered in this division in order to make up a competition. He displayed greater knowledge of the art and did some very effective work in attack, while also successfully coping with Foden when the latter attempted to force things.

H. Rickard a bye.

Final.

Gibson defeated Rickard.—The first two rounds were fairly even, though Gibson again displayed the better style. He outboxed Rickard in the third round and won the fight.

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J. Brodie and J. Palmer.—Palmer had the advantage in height, weight, and reach, but Brodie was wonderfully active, and generally succeeded in keeping him off. stopped some well directed blows, but Brodie gave the better exhibition and won.

Final.

H. Brown defeated J. Brodie.—The first round was a lively one and both lads got in good work. Brodie early landed a right and left, but Brown more than evened matters and the round ended slightly in his favour. The second round was very fast, Brodie landing upper-cuts and Brown straight lefts and rights. This round was even. In the final round there was some hard hitting, Brodie again landing with well judged upper-cuts, while Brown was hitting hard to the body. Brown gained the verdict, but it must have been, as already intimated, by the very narrowest of margins.

PREPARATORY NOTES.

(C. Pope.)

Since the last publication of the School Magazine the following boys, "Hatchy," "Bonar Law," "Roman Nose," and some twenty others have been promoted to the Upper School. Besides these several, including our well-beloved "Katey," have left.

The newly-admitted boys this term are: -K. Andrews, C. Tait. B. Somerville, H. Beckbessinger, E. McCallum, G. Kenny, J. Durham, Wynn Johnson, Wyvern Johnson, G. Reakes, J. King, L. Harris, J. Stevenson, A. Garmonsway, N. Fitzgerald, W. Walker, P. Raymond, A. Lile, A. Le May, E. Wilson, W. Henderson, J. Fairbrother, L. Wilson.

Prep. retained their scholastic record and obtained very successful results in their annual examination by the Inspectors.

We have not played any competition cricket matches this term. The Primary School Competition was won by West End School.

At the School swimming sports, which were held at the New Plymouth Public Baths on March 23, Prep. came second in the School Relay Race, being beaten by the Sixth Form. We also won the McHardy Shield. The team was: R. Fletcher, E. McCallum, E. McGinty, A. Hutchen. McCallum won the Primary School Handicap.

Football has commenced, and our first shield match was on April 21 against Waitara. We have two teams and play practice games on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Prep. now assemble at the Racecourse, because the Upper School is overcrowded, but when the new wing is completed we shall return to our old quarters, and although we shall be glad to leave we shall have regrets in losing such a splendid playground, and shall always have pleasant memories of the days when we were camping at the Racecourse.

SCHOOL NOTES.

(H. Bellringer.)

Tuesday. February 6, saw the beginning of the first term-a term which has been satisfactory to masters and boys alike, for, although there have been a few interruptions, school-work and sport have "pursued the even tenor of their wav."

SCHOOL NOTES.

On account of so few having left last year and because of the large number of new boys the roll has increased to such an extent that the School has been raised to a higher grade. To comply with this, the Preparatory Department relinquished their rooms in the old Gymnasium, to be quartered at the Racecourse buildings, which were generously placed at the School's disposal by the Taranaki Jockey Club. As a further result of the pressure for room two new classrooms are in the course of being erected.

During the holidays Mr. R. O. C. Marks, M.A., our recent French master, resigned his position here to join the staff of Scots College, Wellington. We take this opportunity of wishing Mr. Marks success in his new position.

This term has seen an addition to the personnel of the staff in the persons of Mr. MacDonald, M.A., and Mr. Calder, B.A. Mr. MacDonald, who is from the South Island, has taken up his duties as French master. Mr. Calder, who happens to be an Old Boy of the School, was teaching here three years ago, and then left for the University. We extend a cordial welcome to them both.

Mr. Fowler, whom Mr. McMahon was relieving, has arrived, and took up his duties as junior French master on March 30. We venture to express the hope that his stay with us will be a pleasant one.

Mr. Kerr, of the Nelson Collegiate School, will be here at the beginning of the second term.

Towards the beginning of the term the annual swimming sports were held at the Municipal Baths. Thanks to Mr. Moyes and the masters who so ably assisted him, the sports were conducted with their usual efficiency. Although a number of people viewed the handicaps, the championship events attracted a far larger number of interested spectators.

On Wednesday, February 14, we were granted a half-holiday to visit the Sports Ground, where there were sports in which the American athletes took part. We were interested if not greatly impressed by the excellence of the prowess displayed by the visitors. Most of the boys were more impressed by such events as casting the discus, throwing the hammer and the javelin, than by the "sprint" events.

On Tuesday, February 20, the School was the scene of an impressive ceremony. It was the occasion of the visit of his Excellency Lord Jellicoe, who had come to present to the School the shooting trophy which he had given for competition. He at the same time presented medals won by members of our teams in the Imperial Challenge Shield Competition. Advantage of his Excellency's visit was taken to get him to unveil the Memorial Gates, which had been erected to the memory of "Old Boys" who fell in the Great War.

Once more School has been victorious in the annual cricket match with Wanganui College. After having sustained four defeats, we made an attempt to turn the tables, and, in the last two years, have succeeded beyond all expectations. Last year the Collegiate met with a defeat by ten wickets, and again this season, after an exciting finish, School won by two wickets. As the match was finished in the morning of the second day, the afternoon was taken up by a visit of both teams to the mountain. In the evening both teams were entertained at a most enjoyable fox-trot party, arranged by Mr. and Mrs. Barthorp and held at the residence of Captain MacDiarmid.

We take this opportunity of congratulating Mr. C. G. Bottrill, I. Palmer, and C. Lash, all of whom played with meritorious success in the North Taranaki—Wellington match. The experience gained should be of material assistance to them in future seasons.

Once more the "tramp of the thirty good men" is heard on the numerous football grounds of the Racecourse. The first fifteen have played two benefit matches in Pukekura Park, one against the Old Boys, the other against Tukapa seniors. Although defeated in the latter by a narrow margin, they show remarkable promise, since both teams are two grades above School. Competition matches started on Saturday, April 28.

Considerable work has been done in the Gully by the various classes and football groups. Everyone has worked like the proverbial Trojan, with the result that the swamp is well on the road to being completely filled in. On this splendid site the School will one day have a fine sports ground, the sides of which will be terraced. It needs very little imagination to foresee what a valuable asset to the School this will be.

During the Easter vacation, School sent a team to Kaponga on Saturday, March 31, to take part in the Easter seven-a-side tournament. School played a good game, but were beaten by Joll's team.

CADET NOTES.

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Term examinations started on April 16 and finished on April 20. The exams, as usual have been the source of many "howlers":—

"Lloyd George was the general over both Irish and English soldiers in the recent Great War.

"Pope Gregory persuaded the Britons to give up the worship of tin gods."

"When Gray speaks of 'rude forefathers' he is saying about the pheasants (peasants)."

Apparently Pegasus is not dead yet for one boy in an essay says:—"We borrowed two of his horses and set sail up the 'gulies."

"In Anglo-Saxon period the 'Times' was circulated."

"Canon Law was a law drawn up by the King that stated that cannons were to be kept only by the King. This enabled the King to subdue his turbulent Barons by making 'breeches' in their walls."

Even in the "dizzy heights" of the Sixth Form mistakes can be made as is shown by the following:—

"A dowager was a present or gift given to a person very often on marriage."

"The Prince of Orange was William the Conqueror, who came to England and having beaten Harold became King and introduced French laws and customs."

Fires have once more made their appearance in the class rooms and the weather is cold enough for them to be appreciated. Autumn has quickly given way to winter since Mount Egmont on April 8 received its first blanket of snow. For a week after that the weather was so dry that the ground continued dangerous for football, but since that again we have had rain which has softened the ground to such an extent that football practice is now in full swing.

On Wednesday, April 25 (Anzac Day), the School Cadet Company fell in on the cricket ground to march down the street to join the procession to the park, where the Anzac service was held. The general parade and procession was the best Anzac parade that has yet taken place here.

The motor-cycle races were for some days a fruitful subject for much learned discussion and speculative comment in the company of motor enthusiasts, who were very decided in their opinions concerning the most likely type of machine and the most satisfactory carburettor to employ.

The Jockey Club's autumn meeting also provided a topic of conversation for at least a few days. One youthful enthusiast of about ten years asked his mate: "Which horse would you back in the Cup, Bill?" "Oh! I don't know. I was going to back Fleabite but it's been scratched."

CADET NOTES.

(W. A. Brodie.)

When we were assembled this year it was found that we numbered 347, the largest number of cadets we have ever

Only five of last year's N.C.O.'s remain, with the result that at first squad drin was rather weak, but it is much to the credit of the officers and N.C.O.'s that even with such a large company we expect to attain the efficiency displayed in previous years.

The great event of the term was the visit of Lord Jelli-A guard of honour consisting of a hundred picked cadets practised daily for a fortnight previous to his arrival, and in that short time accomplished wonders in bayonet drill, to which the majority of them were strangers. On the night of Lord Jellicoe's arrival we paraded to the station, where he inspected us. He also expressed his appreciation of our parading on such a boisterous night, adding that he was delighted with the physique and steadiness of the company on parade. On the following day the guard formed up on the edge of the School grounds and were again inspected by his Excellency. The guard was then moved in hollow square with the rest of the School and we received the presentation of the shooting trophy won by the cadet corps in 1921. Finally the guard lined the drive to the Boardinghouse to await his Excellency's departure.

We are again indebted to our old friend Sergt.-Major Bell for the beneficial N.C.O. class held every Friday.

For a fortnight before Anzac Day much attention was given to marching, in which there is much room for improvement owing to the younger cadets in the rear finding it hard to keep up.

The vacancy caused by the leaving of Sergt.-Major Foden has been ably filled by Sergt.-Major Brown. Alexander is again Q.M.S. this year. The platoon sergeants are: No. 1 Platoon, Sergt. Mackay; No. 2 Platoon, Sergt. Mitcalfe; No. 3 Platoon, Sergt. Fookes; No. 4 Platoon, Sergt. Moyes; No. 5 Platoon, Sergt. Shaw.

AGRICULTURE NOTES.

(C. Saxton.)

NOTES ON THE POTATO MANURIAL TRIAL.

The area of each plot was seventy square yards. A space one foot wide was left unmanured between each pair of plots.

In 1921 the ground was ploughed out of old pasture and a crop of oats was taken off. During the winter of 1922 it was ploughed, disced and harrowed. No manure was applied to the oats. The soil is a sandy loam typical of North Taranaki. It has practically no shelter from southerly winds.

The potatoes were planted on September 29, 1922. The variety used was Sutton's Supreme. Intercultivation and earthing up was continued until the Christmas holidays.

The phosphorus and potash manures were applied at planting time; the nitrogen manures were applied when the plants were above ground.

To control the blight, Bordeaux mixture 4-4-40 was sprayed on December 8, 1922. During the holidays blight appeared.

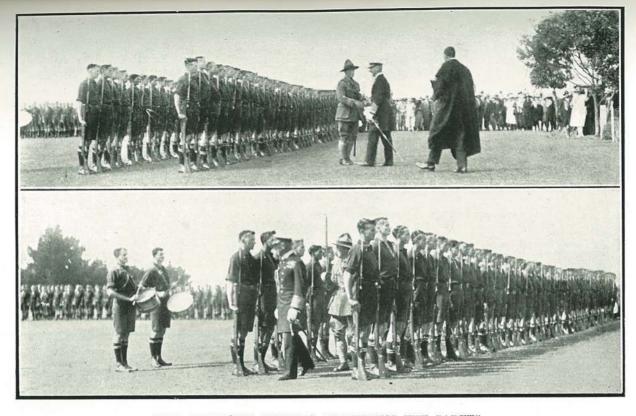
The crop was dug on February 10, 1923. A small portion of tubers was found to be affected with blight. No plot appeared to be attacked worse than another.

POTATO MANURIAL TRIAL, 1922-1923.

As the tabulated detailed results of this test cannot conveniently be set out on these pages the reader will be able to follow the results by reading in the following order:

Plot; Class of Manure; Form Applied; Cwts. per Acre; Yield in Tons per Acre of Large; Small; Total; Increase over Control; Cost of Manure per Acre; Value of Increase; Gain per Acre; Place.

- 1. Nitrogen; Nitrate of Soda; 3cwt.; 2.7 large; 1.7 small; total 4.4; 1.7; £4 4s; £6 16s; £2 12s; sixth.
- 2. Phosphorus; Superphosphate; 6cwt.; 6.4 large; 1.3 small; total 7.7; 5.0; £2 4s; £20; £17 16s; first.
- 3. Potash; Sulphate of Potash; $2\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.; 3.3 large, 1.1 small; total 4.4; 1.7; £2 10s; £6 16s; £4 6s; fifth.



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- 4. Nitrogen and Phosphorus; Nitrate of Soda and Superphosphate; 2cwt. and 4cwt. respect.; 6.1 large, 1.3 small; total 7.4; 4.7; £4 5s; £18 16s; £14 11s; third.
- 5. Nitrogen and Potash; Nitrate of Soda and Sulphate of Potash; 2½cwt. of each; 3.0 large; 1.7 small; total 4.4; 2.0; £5 10s; £8; £2 10s; seventh.
- 6. Phosphorus and Potash; Superphosphate and Sulphate of Potash; 4cwt. and 2cwt. respect.; 6.4 large; 1.6 small; total 7.5; 4.8; £3 9s; £19 4s; £15 15s; second.
- 7. Nitrogen, Phosphorus, Potash; Nitrate of Soda, Superphosphate, Sulphate of Potash; 2cwt., 4cwt., 2cwt. respect.; 5.3 large; 1.7 small; total 7.0; 4.3; £6 5s; £17 4s; £10 19s; fourth.
- 8. Control; no manure; 0cwt.; 1.8 large; .9 small; total 2.7; increase 0; cost 0; value 0; gain 0; eighth.

The potatoes in the experimental plots were dug at the beginning of the term and the plots were measured out and prepared for an experiment in green manuring. The following crops have been sown:—

A: White lupin-Lupinus albus.

B: Blue lupin-Lupinus angustifolius.

C: Mustard-Brassica alba.

D: Crimson clover—Trifolium incarnatum.

E: Oats-Avena sativa.

Several annual species of the genus lupinus are cultivated on the Continent as farm crops for green manuring. They are exceptionally rich in nitrogenous constituents and grow well on poor sandy soils, which are greatly enriched when the lupins are ploughed in. In New Zealand the Blue Lupin has given excellent results in parts of the Nelson Province, while the White Lupin is commonly used in the orchards in the Bay of Plenty. Crimson Clover is an annual of little value except as a green manuring crop. Mustard can be ploughed in six weeks after sowing.

As last year's manurial trial indicated that phosphates are of special value as a fertilizer for potatoes, we intend carrying the trial a step forward this year. Plots will be planted in potatoes and various phosphatic manures alone will be added. In this way we hope to find out the best phosphatic manure for North Taranaki.

CRICKET NOTES.

The usual cow-judging competitions were held at the New Plymouth show grounds. The following are the successful competitors:—

Secondary Schools.—J. D. Mackay first.

Primary Schools.—E. W. McCallum third, H. Gordon fourth, J. Shaw fifth.

In the open competition, D. Ballantyne, who left school last year, gained second place.

CRICKET NOTES.

(B. Mahraj.)

This term has seen the end of another successful season of cricket. The First Eleven not only met with success in the local competition matches, but also proved victors in the College match. At the end of last year I. Palmer, K. Taylor and J. Brodie left us, and consequently we were considerably weakened. However, new boys came to light and performed creditably.

The high standard reached is due largely to the excellent coaching given by Mr. Lambert, and to the keen enthusiasm shown by the eleven itself. We take this opportunity of thanking Mr. Lambert. The eleven also wish to congratulate our coach on his excellent performances against the Englishmen, and I. W. Palmer and C. Lash on their creditable performances in the Wellington match.

THE WANGANUI MATCH. (March 6-7.)

This year the annual match against the Wanganui Collegiate School was played on the School grounds, and after a very exciting game resulted in a win for School. On account of the hot weather the wicket proved a little fiery and greatly assisted our fast bowler.

The toss was won by Wanganui, and Hare decided to take first strike. The wicket, however, was a bit too fast and all were dismissed for a very low score of 30. Their only player to reach double figures was Harcourt, who by solid play made 10. It was expected that School would put up a good tally, but all were disposed of for 64. Palmer, who carried his bat for 21, employed stone-walling tactics,

and again showed that he is the right sort of player for epening. The other man to obtain double figures was Lash, who knocked up a breezy 15.

In their second venture Wanganui gave a much freer display of batting. At the end of the day the board showed 119—8—25. The next morning the remaining two wickets fell cheaply and the Wanganui innings terminated for 120. Thus School needed 87 to win, which was accomplished for eight wickets, thanks to Brown, who by sparkling cricket added 37, thereby pulling the game out of the fire.

The following are the scores:-

WANGANUI COLLEGE.

First Innings.	1000			
Craig, b. Mackay				3
Ritchie, b. Mackay				0
Traverner, b. Mackay				1
Hare, c. Jeffries, b. Mahraj				3
Harcourt, b. Jeffries				10
Tatham, c. Alexander, b. Mackay			***	4
Lance, c. Palmer, b. Brown				2
Ormond, not out				5
Judd, b. Brown				1
Swainson, b. Jeffries				1
Ludbrook, b. Jeffries				0
Extras				0
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Total				30
Bowling.—Mackay, 4 for 12; Jeffr	ies.	for	5:]	Brown.
2 for 2; Mahraj, 1 for 11.	7.70 M.S.			
Second Innings.				
Craig, c. Brown, b. Moyes				38
Ritchie, c. and b. Brown				
Traverner, l.b.w., b. Mackay				
Hare, c. Fookes, b. Alexander				
Harcourt, b. Mackay				5
Tatham, b. Mackay				6
Lance, l.b.w., b. Moyes				10
Ormond, c. Stevenson, b. Mackay				25
Judd, l.b.w., b. Mackay				10
Swainson, hit wicket, b. Mackay				0
Ludbrook, not out				0
Extras				4
Total			1	20
Bowling.—Mackay, 4 for 35; Brow	4	P	10.	Alarram

Bowling.—Mackay, 4 for 35; Brown, 1 for 16; Alexan der, 1 for 5; Moyes, 2 for 10; Mahraj, 1 for 34.

SCHOOL.

First Innings.

Mahr'aj, b. Lance		7
Palmer, J., not out	*****	21
Alexander, c. Traverner, b. Swainson		
Brown, c. Ormond, b. Lance		 4
Jeffries, c. Ormond, b. Swainson		 0
Lash, l.b.w., b. Lance		 15
Mitcalfe, c. Hare, b. Lance		 1
Mackay, c. Lance, b. Tatham		
Stevenson, c. Traverner, b. Tatham		
Fookes, b. Tatham		
Moyes, b. Tatham		
Extras		
m		
Total		 64

Bowling.—Swainson, 2 for 17; Lance, 4 for 36; Tatham, 4 for 11.

Second Innings.

Mahraj, run out				0	
Palmer, J., c. Lance, b. Tatha	m			1	
Alexander, b. Swainson				10	
Brown, l.b.w., b. Lance				36	
T 00 1 T 1 TT				0	
Lash, b. Hare				10	
3 1.1 10				2	
Mackay, not out				4	
Stevenson, did not bat				0	
Fookes, c. Hare, b. Tatham				4	
Moyes, c. Traverner, b. Lance				0	
Extras				13	
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Total for 8 wickets				88	
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Bowling.—Lance, 2 for 24; Tatham, 2 for 24; Swainson, 1 for 13; Ludbrook, 0 for 8; Hare, 2 for 7.

The second and third elevens showed a marked improvement in their cricket, and maintained their enthusiasm right to the finish. The inauguration of the junior competition, in which they played, will do more to help the game in the School and province than anything else.

The following are the results of competition matches:—

SCHOOL v. OLD BOYS (Oct. 28).

Won, 163 to 78. Best bowling: Mahraj, 5 for 27; Palmer, 3 for 24. Best batting: Palmer, 100 not out; Taylor, 36,

SCHOOL v. URENUI (Nov. 18).

Won, 187 to 59. Best bowling: Brown, 4 for 8; Palmer, 4 for 28. Best batting: Mahraj, 91; Brodie, 35; Clarke, 25.

SCHOOL v. WAITARA (Nov. 25).

Won, 82 to 43. Best bowling: Mahraj, 6 for 20; Palmer, 2 for 23. Best batting: Palmer, 27; Brown, 18.

SCHOOL v. NEW PLYMOUTH (Dec. 2).

Drawn, New Plymouth 165, School 78 for 4 wickets. Best bowling: Palmer, 5 for 68; Mahraj, 4 for 61. Best batting: Palmer, 32; Brown, 24 not out.

SCHOOL v. INGLEWOOD (Dec. 16).

Won, 95 to 57. Best bowling: Palmer, 5 for 25; Brown, 5 for 9. Best batting: Mahraj, 24; Brown, 23; Taylor, 22.

SCHOOL v. WAITARA (Jan. 13).

Won, 171 to 93. Best bowling: Palmer, 5 for 56; Mahraj, 4 for 35. Best batting: J. Palmer, 47 not out; Brodie, 28; I. Palmer, 44; Mahraj, 25.

SCHOOL v. WESTERN PARK (Feb. 23).

Lost, 61 to 87. Best bowling: Mahraj, 6 for 20. Best batting: Palmer, 20.

SCHOOL v. URENUI (Jan. 20).

Lost, 73 to 93. Best bowling: Mackay, 7 for 22. Best batting: Brodie, 18; J. Palmer, 15; Mahraj, 24.

SCHOOL v. NEW PLYMOUTH (Feb. 10).

Lost, 71 to 88. Best bowling: Mahraj, 4 for 40; Brown, 3 for 3. Best batting: Taylor, 27; Mahraj, 14.

SCHOOL v. OLD BOYS (Feb. 17).

Lost, 112 to 152. Best bowling: Mackay, 4 for 49; Moyes, 3 for 16. Best batting: J. Palmer, 37; Brown, 32.

SCHOOL v. WESTERN PARK (Feb. 23).

Won, 112 to 61. Best bowling: Mahraj, 3 for 21; Jeffries, 2 for 9; Brown, 2 for 9. Best batting: Mahraj, 37; Lash, 12; Alexander, 11.

SCHOOL v. INGLEWOOD (March 7).

Won, 106 to 32. Best bowling: Brown, 5 for 17; Mackay, 3 for 8. Best batting: Alexander, 42; Mason, 28 not out.

FIRST ELEVEN AVERAGES (1922-23).

BATTING.

Name.	Innings.	Runs.	Not out.	H. Score	Average
Palmer, I. W	9	292	. 1		The second second
Mahraj, B. B	19	391		100*	36.4
Brown, H. W	17	100000000000000000000000000000000000000	0	95	20.5
Clarke, H.	11	288	2	60	19.2
Polynon T	5	55	2	25	18.3
Palmer, J	15	170	3	47*	14.1
Brodie, J	9	103	1	35	11.4
Taylor, K	12	119	1	36	10.8
Lash. B	7	52	1	15	
Alexander, W	12	103	Ö		8.6
Mackay, J. D	11	60		42	8.6
Moyes, A. M	11		4	19	8.5
Jeffrice E	9	48	1	18*	6.0
Jeffries, E	17	84	1	22	5.2
Stevenson, H. Y.	6	26	1	.12	5.2
Fookes, K.	8	30	1	9	4.3
Mitcalfe, P. H	9	25	2	12	A Property and
Brodie, A	8	24	ō		3.5
Mason, E. B	3	30		9	3.0
		ALL DESCRIPTION OF THE PARTY OF	1	28*	15.0
	*Indica	tes not	out.		

BOWLING.

Name.	Runs.	Wickets.	Overs	Maidan	A
Brown, H. W	161	29	47	5	
Jeffries, E	71	11	28	5	5.5
Mackay, J. D	217	32	68	10	6.5
Moyes, A. M	50	7	13		6.8
Mahraj, B. B	562	51	130	1 9	7.1
Palmer, I. W	323	29	81	8	11.0

ANNUAL SWIMMING SPORTS.

The annual swimming sports were held on Friday, March 9, under ideal weather conditions.

We take this opportunity of thanking the judge of the diving events (Mr. P. Mathieson) and the timekeepers (Messrs. F. C. Ferry and J. Bennett, jun.) for the very efficient manner m which they carried out their duties.

The officials were: Starter, Mr. W. H. Moyes; marksmen, Messrs. G. Bertrand and F. J. Eggleton; call steward, Mr. A. J. Papps; judges, Messrs. R. H. Rockel, C. G. Bottrill, G. Pope, and P. Mathieson; stewards, Messrs. A. Johnson and J. Dobson (diving), W. Wilkie, T. McDonald and McMahon (luncheon), J. Connell (result), and H. L. Calder (final); official recorder, Mr. A. Diprose; time-keepers, Messrs. F. C. Ferry and J. Bennett, jun.; committee, Mr. F. J. Eggleton, H. W. Brown, A. M. Moyes, A. L. Herdman, E. Gibson, C. Tate, L. Christie, and E. Brokenshire.

Results:-

331 Yards Open.—First heat: O. Moore (4sec.) 1; eight started; time, 23sec. Second heat: Rawson (5sec.) 1; eight started; time, 23 2-5sec. Third heat; D. Hetherington (6sec.) 1; nine started; time, 24 2-5sec. Fourth heat: Bowen (6sec.) 1; nine started; time, 23 1-5sec. Fifth heat: S. Hutchen (1sec.) 1; eight started; time, 26sec. heat: Watts (Sec.) 1; nine started; time, 25 2-5sec. Seventh heat: Gibson (scr.) 1; eight started; time, 26 2-5sec. Eighth heat: H. W. Brown (scr.) 1; eight started; time, 27 3-5sec. Ninth heat: Collinge (6sec.) 1; eight started; time, 27 3-5sec. Tenth heat: Simcock (3sec.) 1; eight started; time, 26 3-5sec. Eleventh heat: Spiers (4sec.) 1; nine started; time, 26 4-5sec. Twelfth heat: Ford (5sec.) 1; nine started; time, 27sec. Thirteenth heat: Baunton (4sec.) 1; nine started; time, 27sec. Fourteenth heat: Lysaght (3sec.) 1; eight started; time, 25sec. Fifteenth heat: De Loree (6sec.) 1; nine started; time, 27sec. Sixteenth heat: Wyborn (3sec.) 1; nine started; time, 28sec. Semi-final-First heat: Bowen 1, D. Hetherington 2, O. Moore 3; time, 25sec. Second heat: Lysaght 1, Spiers 2, Ford 3; time, 27 2-5sec. Final: Bowen 1, Lysaght 2, Hetherington 3; time, 23 4-5sec; all who qualified started.

333 Yards Preparatory Race.—First heat: R. Fletcher (scr.) 1, S. Hutchen (2sec.) 2, Gordon (4sec.) 3; seven started; time, 31sec. Second heat: D. Hetherington (6sec.) 1, Sommerville (4sec.) 2, McCallum (scr.) 3; six started; time, 28sec. Final: Hetherington 1, Hutchen 2, Sommerville 3; time, 28sec.

663 Yards Open.—First heat: C. Tate (scr.) 1; nine started; time, 55 2-5sec. Second heat: Ogle (1sec.) 1; nine started; time, 59sec. Third heat: Hawkins (scr.) 1; nine started; time, 58sec. Fourth heat: Christie (scr.) 1; ten started; time, 58 2-5sec. Fifth heat: Rawson (10sec.) 1; ten started; time, 56sec. Sixth heat: Sladden (scr.) 1; ten started; time, 59 3-5sec. Final: Tate 1, Hawkins 2, Christie 3; time, 55 4-5sec.

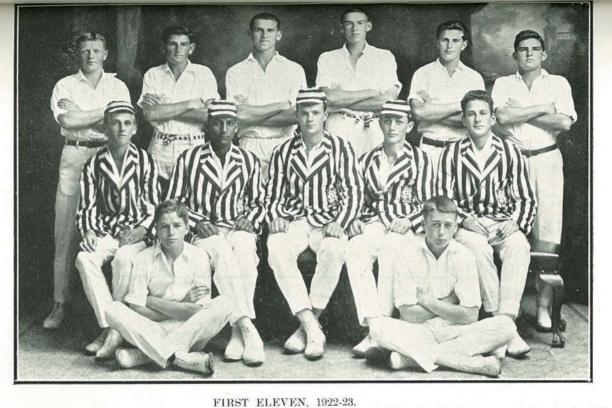
New Boys' Race, 33\frac{1}{3} yards.—First heat: Rawson (6sec.) 1, Beaven (3sec.) 2; eight started; time, 27 3-5sec. Second heat: J. Thompson (2sec.) 1, R. Field (3sec.) 2; nine started; time, 28sec. Third heat: Wigg (2sec.) 1, E. Sommerville (3sec.) 2; eight started; time, 29sec. Fourth heat: Spiers (1sec.) 1, W. Penman (scr.) 2; nine started; time, 27sec. Final Rawson 1, Penman 2, Wigg 3; time, 26sec.

Learners' Race (across the bath).—First heat: Clive Shaw 1, D. Hetherington 2. Second heat: Johns 1, Gordon 2. Third heat: Morgan 1, de Loree 2. Final: Morgan 1, de Loree 2.

33½ Yards Breaststroke.—First heat: J. Pease (2sec.) 1; seven started; time, 36sec. Second heat: S. Hutchen (scr.) 1; seven started; time, 35sec. Third heat: Sladden (scr.) 1; seven started. Fourth heat: Sutherland (scr.) 1; eight started; time, 34sec. Fifth heat: Morgan (3sec.) 1; eight started; time, 36sec. Sixth heat: Robertson (scr.) and Robb (scr.) dead heat 1; eight started; time, 34sec. Seventh heat: Grant (3sec.) 1; eight started; time, 35sec. Eighth heat: Hill (4sec.) 1; seven started; time, 36sec. Final: Sutherland 1, Grant 2, Pease 3; time, 33 2-5sec.

100 Yards Open.—Bowen (18sec.) 1, Peyton (16sec.) 2, Saxton (12sec.) 3. Twelve started. A good race and close finish, Bowen winning by a touch from Peyton, with the third man close up. Time, 1min. 35sec.

 $66\frac{2}{3}$ Yards Preparatory Race.—A. Hutchen (7sec.) 1, R. Fletcher (scr.) 2, E. W. McCallum (scr.) 3. Eight started. Time, 63sec.



W. Alexander, D. McLean, D. G. Mackie, A. Moyes, H. Mitcalfe, E. B. Mason, Oakley Studio, N.P. J. Palmer, B. Mahraj, H. W. Brown (captain), E. Jeffries, H. Y. Stevenson. B. Lash, K. Fcokes.

33\(\frac{1}{3}\) Yards Backstroke.—First heat: Insull (scr.) 1; six started; time, 34sec. Second heat: Baunton (7sec.) and Prideaux (4sec.) dead heat 1; six started; time, 39sec. Third heat: Saunders (4sec.) 1; six started; time, 37sec. Fourth heat: Noonan (1sec.) 1; six started; time, 38sec. Fifth heat: Galbraith (3sec.) 1; six started; time, 41sec. Sixth heat: Groombridge (5sec.) 1; six started; time, 40sec. Final: Saunders 1, Insull 2, Prideaux 3; time, 37sec.

Diving for Plates (ten thrown in).—W. Penman (10) 1, Robb (9) 2.

Inter-form Relay Race, four laps of 33\frac{1}{3} yards.—First heat: Form 5a (Christie, Ogle, McLean, S. Hutchen), 8sec., 1; time, 1min. 45sec. Second heat: Form 3d (J. Law, Wigg, Anderson, Black), 16sec., 1; time, 1min. 41sec. Third heat: Form 6 (Brown, Robertson, Herdman, Evans) ser., and Form 4b (Noonan, Murdoch, Petty, Penman), 6sec., equal, 1; time, 1min. 41sec. Final: Form 3d 1, Form 5a 2; time, 1min. 41sec.

Greasy Boom.—A. Fookes 1, Euston 2, D. Wilson 3.

25 Yards, under 14.—First heat: Pankhurst 1, H Fookes 2, Dickie 3; time, 22sec. Second heat: Lawrence 1, Anderson 2, Steffensen and Bullock (equal) 3; time, 23sec. Final: Pankhurst 1, Lawrence 2, Anderson 3; time, 23sec.

220 Yards Open.—Ogle (6sec.) 1, Hawkins (scr.) 2, Herdman (scr.) 3. Time, 3min. 26 2-5sec. Four started. Ogle won by a third of a length, Hawkins beating the third man by about two yards.

CHAMPIONSHIPS.

The championships were decided at the Municipal Baths under favourable weather conditions. Some keen tussles were witnessed by the spectators. The officials were the same as those for the sports, with the addition to the judges of Mr. A. R. Standish. We wish to express to him our thanks for acting in this capacity. Results:—

25 Yards Championship (under 14).—A. Hutchen 1, N. McCallum and Anderson dead heat 2. Time, 17sec.

25 Yards Junior Championship.—First heat: D. O'Halloran 1, P. Sladden 2, J. Penman 3; time, 16sec. Second heat: C. Tate 1, E. Gibson 2, W. Ogle 3; time, 15sec. Final: P. Sladden 1, C. Tate 2, W. Ogle 3; time, 15sec.

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25 Yards Senior Championship.—H. Hawkins 1, L. Christie 2, H. Brown 3. Time, 15sec.

Open Dive.—A. Petty 1, O. Evans 2, W. Penman 3.

50 Yards Championship (under 14).—Anderson 1, N. McCallum 2, A. Hutchen 3. Time, 39 4-5sec.

50 Yards Junior Championship.—First heat: J. Penman 1. P. Sladden 2. D. O'Halloran 3; time, 37sec. Second heat: C. Tate 1, E. Gibson 2, W. Ogle 3; time, 34sec. Final: E. Gibson 1, C. Tate 2, W. Ogle 3; time, 35sec.

Old Boys' Race.—D. Sykes 1, R. Howell 2, K. Taylor 3.

50 Yards Senior Championship.—L. Christie 1, H. Hawkins 2, L. Herdman 3. Time, 33sec.

Awkward Entry off Shute.—E. Gibson 1, B. Pease 2

75 Yards Championship (under 14).—Anderson 1, N. McCallum 2, A. Hutchen 3. Time, 66 3-5sec.

100 Yards Senior Championship.—H. Hawkins 1, L. Herdman 2, L. Christie 3. Time, 80sec.

100 Yards Junior Championship.—First heat: G. Fookes 1. P. Sladden 2, J. Penman 3; time, 84 4-5sec. heat: C. Tate 1, W. Penman 2, W. Ogle 3; time, 82sec. Final: C. Tate 1, P. Sladden 2, W. Ogle 3; time, 85sec.

Ribbon Dive.—C. Murdock, 7ft. Sin., 1; A. Petty, 7ft. 5in., 2.

Corfu Dive.—J. Penman 1, S. Wyborne 2.

200 Yards Senior Championship.—H. Hawkins 1, L. Herdman 2. L. Christie 3. Time, 3min. 15sec.

Long Plunge.—C. Robb. 51ft., 1; L. Ennis, 48ft., 2; H. Brown, 45ft., 3.

Aggregate Totals.

Senior Championship and Sykes Memorial Cup.—H. Hawkins, 18 points, 1; L. Christie, 10, 2; L. Herdman, 7, 3.

Junior Championship.—C. Tate, 11 points, 1; P. Sladden, 8, 2; E. Gibson, 5, 3.

Under 14 Championship.—Anderson, 12 points, 1; N. McCallum, 8, 2; A. Hutchen, 7, 3.

EXAMINATION RESULTS.

DECEMBER, 1922.

University Entrance Scholarships Examination.— University National Scholarship: R. W. Bellringer, 1650 marks. Taranaki Scholarships: A. Brodie 1533, A. W. Griffin 1494, J. Brodie 1276.

Matriculation and Allied Examinations (M. means passed matriculation; S., solicitor's general knowledge; P., medical preliminary; A., accountant's preliminary; Comp., completed partial pass; P.P., partial pass; P.P.A., partial pass in accountant's preliminary): -M.S.P.: M. D. Bree, C. D. Collins, M. H. Heycock, E. G. Lomas, H. P. Mitcalfe. M.S.: W. E. Alexander, F. B. Blundell, O. A. Evans, B. G. Lash, M. C. Lysons, M. R. Robertson, M.: R. H. Caughley, R. W. Syme, A. J. D. Revell. E. R. Brewster, J. Brodie, J. E. Eaves, H. W. Martin, A. M. Moyes, J. V. McMahon, J. W. Thompson. Acc.: I. W. Palmer. P.P.: S. G. Bellringer, E. L. Brokenshire, H. Clarke, C. E. Dinniss, J. E. Jackson, F. James, J. G. Prideaux, J. T. Shaw, K. R. Taylor, R. G. Webb, D. M. Wilson. P.P.A.: H. W. Brown, K. P. Mauri, J. W. Palmer, O. W. Rainger.

Senior National Scholarship.—C. H. Strombom.

Proficiency.—L. Barlow, T. Bellringer, B. Cooke, G. Corney, R. Dalziel, H. Fookes, R. Forsyth, C. Gilmour, W. Griffiths, P. Grover, J. Law, R. List, G. Lucena, T. Morgan, W. McLean, H. Olson, B. Pease, C. Robb, H. Stevenson, J. Stronge, E. V. Smith, A. Wilson.

Competency.—D. Johns, C. Linn,

FORM AVERAGES.

FIRST TERM, 1923.

Form VI.—Not placed as some are doing special work. Form VA.—1, J. L. Simcock, 77.6; 2, H. Hunt, 71.2. Form VB.—1, C. H. Strombom, 80.3; 2, J. Mountjoy, 73.7.

Form Vc.—1, G. Bayly, K. Fookes, 66.8; 3, E. Gibson, 64.1.

Form IVA.—1, C. Calvert, 80.5; 2, E. Fauchelle, 79.8.

Form IVB.—1, H. Insull, J. Miller, 73.6; 3, A. Fookes, 72.8.

Form IVc.—1, E. Jeffries, 63.4; 2, D. Somerville, 59.5.

Form IIIa.—1, H. Latter, 84.1; 2, R. Carey, 79.2.

Form IIIB.—1, G. MacDiarmid, 76.2; 2, J. Ewart, 70.3.

Form IIIc.—1, J. Stronge, 72.9; 2, R. Forsyth, 64.8.

Form IIIb.—1, H. George, 66.9; 2, L. Rowe, 66.5.

PREPARATORY SCHOOL.

Standard VI.—1, S. Allhusen, 83.9; 2, O. Davies, 80.5 Standard V.—1, N. Brookman, 84.7; 2, D'A. Jackson,

Standard IV.—1, P. Fairbrother, 77; 2, C. Stronge, 75.8.

Standard III.—1, C. Kenny, 79.2; 2, H. Law, 77.6.

Standard II.—1, J. Fairbrother, 81.5; 2, T. Western,

Standard I.—1, T. Le May, 67.4; 2, A. Lile, 54.

LORD JELLICOE'S VISIT.

PRESENTATION OF THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL'S CUP.

UNVEILING OF THE MEMORIAL GATES.

(S. Fookes.)

February 21, 1923, was a red-letter day in the history of the School, for two reasons, first because Lord Jellicoe was here to present his coveted shooting trophy, and secondly because it was the occasion of the unveiling of the Memorial Gates erected to the memory of Old Boys of the School who fell in the Great War.

The School has established a record of consistently good shooting, which has been attended on two occasions by special successes. In 1916, by annexing both the senior and junior trophies in the Empire Challenge Shield Competitions, the School secured first place for the Empire. Again in 1921, the School secured premier position for New Zealand, and by entering a large number of successful teams, won the handsome challenge cup presented by the Governor-General (Viscount Jellicoe), and thus gained the distinction of having New Plymouth Boys' High School engraved upon it, on the first occasion on which it was presented.

The presentation ceremony, at which his Excellency Lord Jellicoe was present in person, took place at the School grunds in the presence of a large number of interested spectators. On arrival at the School, his Excellency inspected the guard of honour, which was under the command of Captain A. J. Papps. At the conclusion of the inspection, all the School cadets were drawn up along three sides of a square, facing the School.

THE PRESENTATION.

Mr. Moves, in addressing those assembled, said that he wished to express his thanks to Lord Jellicoe for being present that day. It had been difficult for his Excellency to leave Wellington and the School keenly appreciated the kindly thought that had prompted him to come to New Plymouth and make the presentation in person. The School had been the first New Zealand school to win the Governor-General's trophy, but the presence of the Governor-General himself was a still greater pleasure, and all the boys present would always look upon that day as a memorable occasion. On behalf of all those connected with the School, the speaker thanked Lord Jellicoe for the great personal interest he was taking in the schoolbovs of New Zealand. The School would try again to win the trophy and hoped that the present would not be the last occasion on which the Governor-General would visit New Plymouth to make the presentation.

HIS EXCELLENCY'S ADDRESS.

Lord Jellicoe, in reply, said he wished first of all to express the gratification it afforded him to give to the New Plymouth Boys' High School his trophy. The history of the Imperial Challenge Shields Competitions was possibly not known to everybody. The competitions had been started in 1910 by Lieut.-Colonel Ffennell, and ever since its inauguration the New Plymouth Boys' High School had consistently occupied a very high place in the competitions. On nearly every occasion since the competitions commenced the School had occupied premier place in New Zealand, and in 1916 the School was the highest placed in the whole of the British Empire. (Applause.) His Excellency expressed the hope that the trophy he was presenting would be again won by the School, and he ventured also to hope that the School would beat its 1916 record and head again the whole of the schools in the British Empire.

"It's up to this School to show the other schools in New Zealand how to do it, as you have done it already," proceeded his Excellency. In 1921 seven out of the fifteen New Zealand prizes had been won by the New Plymouth Boys' High School. He had received a letter from the secretary of the Imperial Challenge Shields Competitions, who, after observing that on general results South Africa stood easily first, stated that New Zealand, by an extraordinary effort, had bounded into second place, having entered 378 teams, of which 286 competed in 1922, as compared with 130 in 1921. New Zealand had won thirty-three prizes, whilst Australia, which had hitherto been pre-eminent ever since the competitions started, went back to third or fourth place, tieing with Great Britain. "New Zealand may well be proud of having beaten the Mother Country so handsomely." said Lord Jellicoe. That was the record of the 1922 competitions, in which New Plymouth had been beaten by Nelson, but his Excellency said he did not imagine for one moment that New Plymouth was going to sit down under that beating. He hoped that the competition between New Plymouth and Nelson would result in one of the two-he hoped it would be New Plymouth-being the top school in the British Empire, and in that case no one would give more hearty congratulations than himself. (Applause.)

"I know this School has records in other ways than shooting," said Lord Jellicoe. "Last night and this afternoon I have witnessed the steadiness of the guard of honour on parade, and if that is any criterion of the spirit pervading the School I say that spirit is very high, and, as his Majesty's representative, I have to express pride in what I have seen of this School."

The cup was then presented by his Excellency to the School through the head boy, H. W. Brown. The trophy is a handsome one, which any school should be proud to treasure. On it is engraved its title, "The Dominion of New Zealand Challenge Trophy in connection with the Imperial Challenge Shields." Underneath is the inscription, "Presented by his Excellency the Governor-General, Admiral of the Fleet, the Viscount Jellicoe, O.M., G.C.B., G.C.V.O., 1922." On a silver shield on the base of the trophy are the words: "1921—New Plymouth Boys' High School Cadets."

Bronze medals were then presented by the Governor-General to the following, who were members of teams which occupied high positions in the 1922 Imperial Challenge Shields Competitions:—Quartermaster-Sergt. Alexander, Sergeants Brown and Mackay, Corporals Moyes and Mitcalfe, Cadets V. Fookes, Rampton, Morey, Christie, Rainger, H. Stevenson, Guy, O'Halloran, Guild, Bree, W. Brodie, McIvor, S. Bellringer, Foote, H. Bellringer. Sixteen other boys qualified for medals, but these have left the School.

Three ringing cheers for his Excellency concluded the ceremony.

UNVEILING THE MEMORIAL.

The unveiling of the Memorial Gates at the Boys' High School on the occasion of the visit of his Excellency Lord Jellicoe, brought to the School a large and representative gathering of the citizens of New Plymouth.

The Memorial Gates, which have been erected at the entrance to the School, were provided by the Old Boys, as a perpetual and silent witness to the devotion and unselfish sacrifice of their country's call to duty. The ceremony took the form of a short memorial service, in which the singing was led by the School Orchestra, which occupied the same position before the right wall of the gates, as the dais from which the service was conducted, did on the left. Immediately in front of these were seated the parents and friends of those Old Boys to whose memory the gates are erected. The gathering of citizens then closed in against the School Cadets, who formed a line four deep behind the seats.

On the dais erected before the gates were the Governor-General (Viscount Jellicoe), the Mayor (Mr. F. E. Wilson), th Ven. Archdeacon Evans, Mr. W. H. Moyes (the headmaster), Mr. A. Bewley (President of the O.B.A.), Mr. L. C. Sladden (representing the Board of Governors), and the Governor-General's private secretary (Captain Curtiss).

Mr. Austin Bewley then briefly announced the purpose for which they were gathered that day, and expressed gratification that his Excellency had conferred upon Old Boys the honour of accepting their invitation to unveil the gates.

His Excellency then addressed the assembly, and said that although he felt deeply the significance of those war memorials with which the Dominion was dotted, they were also a source of great pride to everyone in the Dominion, because of what they represented, and no memorials were of greater importance than those attached to New Zealand's schools. A school lived on its history and traditions, which were important factors in moulding the characters of those in the school. Of all things that went to form character, the spirit of self-sacrifice was most important, and what did this represent but that spirit shown by those gallant fellows who had served their King and country, and had suffered, fought, and died for others. In our lives we could to some extent follow their example. "God forbid," he said, "that you should have to follow their example in war!" His Excellency then, turning towards the tablets on which were engraved the names of the fallen, dedicated the gates to the memory of Old Boys and Masters of the School. As he concluded, he released the Union Jack which had covered the tablets and the memorial stood unveiled.

Bugler P. Shepherd then sounded the "Last Post," and as the last notes died away above the bared heads of the assembled people, while his Excellency stood at the salute, the scene created on the minds of those who witnessed it an impression that would not soon be lost.

Prayers were then offered by the Ven. Archdeacon Evans, after which the ceremony concluded with the sing-

ing of Kipling's "Recessional."

THE SPORTS DINNER.

(H. M. I. McIvor.)

On the last Saturday evening of the year the most popular event of the School year, the Sports Dinner, was held in the Dining Hall. There were present about 150 boys who partook of an excellent repast, after which a large number of toasts were honoured and replied to, whilst intermingled with these were musical items by the Orchestra under the able baton of E. Lomas, and songs by Alexander, Davies and Peyton, all of which were encored.

The toast list was as follows: "The King," Mr. Moyes; Orchestral selection; "The School," J. Brodie—response, Mr. Moyes; song, W. E. Alexander; Eirst Fifteen and First Eleven, H. Mason—response, H. W. Brown (First Fifteen) and I. W. Palmer (First Eleven); Orchestral selection; "Sports Champions," W. E. Alexander; song, B. Davies; response, T. N. Foden; Orchestral selection; "Boys Leaving," J. D. Mackay—response, H. W. Rickard; song, S. Peyton; "The Masters," R. W. Bellringer—response, Mr. Rockel; Orchestral selection; "School Institutions," J. W. Palmer—response, Mr. Wilkie (Magazine), T. L. Penn (shooting), R. W. Syme (Library), E. Lomas (Orchestra); "Auld Lang Syne."



THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL, VISCOUNT JELLICOE, Presenting to the School his trophy, "The Jellicoe Cup."

THE ROLL.

The roll now stands at 389, of whom 149 are boarders. In the Upper School there are 317 boys, of whom 121 are boarders; in the Lower School the numbers are 72 and 28 respectively. The following is the complete roll:—

STANDARD I.

Le May, A. M. *Lile, A. B.

STANDARD II.

*Black, L.
*Field, A. G.
Fairbrother, J.
*Fitzgerald, N. C.
Henderson, W. E.
Saunders, G. B. L.
Wilson, E. F. M.
*Western, T.

STANDARD III.

*Barlow, T. J.
Brookman, R. W.
Garmonsway, A.
Greenwood, D. M.
Kenny, C. J.
*Law, H. D.
Mackay, J. F.
Moyes, P. S.
*Stevenson, J. F.
Whitcombe, D. N.
*Walker, G. N.

STANDARD IV.

Davies, E. J. Fairbrother, E. H. Hetherington, J. Le May, K. H. Nolan, D. *Perry, J. Stronge, C. R. Thomson, H. L. *Yorke, T. H. Okey, V. G.

STANDARD V.

Bennet, A. K. Brookman, W. N. S. *Gordon, H. H. Hains, R. L. *Hardwick, J. H. W. Hetherington, A. Jackson, D'A. G. *Johnson, G. W. N.
*Johnson, W. S. N.
*King, A. J.
*Mahraj, R.
McGinty, E. B.
*Reakes, G. C.
*Shaw, J. V.
Stewart, J.
Waddle, I. B.
Palmer, F. L.

STANDARD VI.

*Andrews, K. Allhusen, A. S. Beckbessenger, H. W. Clarke, O. W. Cresswell, R. M. *Duigan, J. D. Davies, T. O. S. *Durham, J. B. *Fletcher, R. *Gray, J. D. Griffiths, C. Hetherington, D. W. Hine, E. J. Hutchen, A. K. Jackson, E. R. C. Kenny, G. A. *McCallum, E. W. McLean, M. D. Pope, C. H. Simons, H. G. *Somerville, B. E. *Tait, C. V. W. Washer, A. W. *Wilson, L. H.

FORM IIID.

Bullock, D.

*Cooke, B. E.

*Dalziel, R. W.

*Dobson, H.

*Easton, G. M.
George, H. V.
Holmes, J. N.
Jenkins, A. R.

*Johns, F. D.

*Johns, B. G.

*Law, J. D.

Le May, I. E.
Linn, C. B.
List, T. R.
*Lucena, G. L.
McCormack, L. C.
*McLean, R. W.
Penman, W.
Plumtree, C. H.
*Rowe, L. W.
Staples, R. C.
Taylor, P. R.
West, A.
*Windelburn, J. A. R.
Wray, A. G.

FORM IIIc.

*Anderson, G. S. Baker, P. S. Black, S. A. *Carter, W. H. *Clegg, K. Crudis, F. L. *Davidson, J. W. *Forsyth, R. J. Gilmour, F. C. Griffiths, W. O'C. Harris, R. T. *Hilliard, J. G. Hodge, C. A. Johns, H. F. Locke, A. R. *Martin, R. C. Morgan, T. D. J. Parkin, D. R. *Parrot, W. D. Pelham, H. N. *Penny, L. W. *Robb. C. S. *Sheard, I. J. B. Spiers, S. D. Stronge, J. S. Telford, J. F. Smellie, H.

FORM IIIB.

*Barlow, L. R.
Berryman, A. R.
*Betts, V. C.
*Beaven, J. H.
Browne, R.
*Buist, E. W.
Campbell, C. G.
Chivers, P. L.
Cleland, F.
*Corkill, C. A.
Dickie, I.
Evans, A. E.
Ewart, J. W.

*Hayton, T. S. D. Hill, N. R. *Honeyfield, E. L. Lawrence, R. G. *MacDiarmid, G. C. *O'Dea, R. J. *Pease, B. H. Rawson, T. W. Rogers, J. F. Sampson, S. H. Sarten, W. H. Steffensen, F. O. Wyatt, H. F.

FORM IIIA.

*Baxter, R. J. Bensley, F. E. Billing, S. Bree, R. H. Carey, R. J. Davis, F. L. Elder, B. D. Eustace, J. C. Field, R. L. Fookes, H. F. Gorringe, H. H. Grover, P. G. Gruszing, H. K. *Hollings, M. C. *Hooker, N. J. Jones, W. O. *Latter, H. B. McMahon, P. Olson, H. E. Pankhurst, R. D. Pepper, M. D. Rogers, M. L. Scott, A. W.
Thomson, J. S.
*Utting, W. C.
Vile, C. F. Warner, J. E. *Wigg, E.

FORM IVc.

Allen, T.
Bellringer, T. C.
Bithell, R. M.
*Collins, C. S.
Cottier, S. W.
*Crawford, D. O.
Corney, G. A.
*Davies, W. B.
*De Loree, R.
*Eaves, T. W.
*Fox, D. A.
Goldsworthy, F. R.
*Hastie, R.

Hawkings, J. G. Hawkins, H. D. Jeffries, E. G. *Knuckey, H. S MacDiarmid, N. S. Martin, R. A. McNeill, C. A. McNeill, H. Meredith, P. Palmer, J. *Peyton, S. *Pillay, V. M. S. Sampson, R. H. Shute, G. F. Sladden, P. *Smith, H. N. *Somerville, D. Thomas, A. H. Thompson, L. J. Webster, N. J. Woodham, A. C.

Anthony, H. J.

FORM IVB.

Abraham, J. E. Burgess, L. D. Bowen, E. A. Collinge, B. E. H. *Ennis, L. *Fookes, A. C. *Green, C. Geddes, M. Godfrey, T. H. Hill, L. T. Insull, J. E. Jackson, A. K. *Miller, J. R. *Moore, O. G. *Murdoch, R. McCann, S. *Noonan, R. *O'Dea, J. K. Penman, J. J. Petty, A. *Pease, J. Richardson, S. A.
*Read, F. L.
*Ritter, W. H.
*Smith, N. G. *Sutton, J. H. Sampson, A. N. *Sherwood, N. J. Sugden, A. J. *Stevenson, H. Y. Wright, D.

FORM IVA.

Bailey, T. L. *Barak, V. S. *Batger, R. J.

*Batger, S. A. Beverley, S. E. Brewster, W. D. *Buchanan, W. G. Burgess, M. R. *Buick, R. F. Calvert, C. G. *Fauchelle, E. Garner, H. L. *Hammonds, J. K. *Harman, E. G. *Jones, T. O. Lealand, N. P. Leech, E. M. Medley, J. S. *Olson, H. F. Rakau, T. Rawson, W. R. *Read, A. E. Robertson, Don. Roebuck, N. E. Shaw, C. F. *Saunders, G. I. *Silson, T. *Syme, T. *Tonks, E. W. Trueman, F. L. Tuffery, L. B. *Wells, G. L. *Wyborn, S. R.

FORM Vc.

Baylv G. Bleakley, K. Broom, D'A. Brown, Hbt. *Carman, P. Duffin, J. Doull, A. Fookes, G. Fookes, K. Fookes, V. *Ford, N. *Fletcher, M. *Gibson, E. Kedgeley, H. Leech, A. McMillan, N. Noble, W. *Patterson, J. Rampton, K. Russell, S. Sutton. F. Shaw, I. *Stewart. R. Tate, C. *Walker, A.

*Wills, C.

FORM VB.

*Banks, D. V. Bates, R. W. Baunton, C. E. Bellringer, H. E. Benjamin, C. B. Brodie, W. A. Cartwright, G. A. Crawshaw, H. *Foote, W. H. Galbraith, J. *Grant, D. G. Groombridge, W. M. Hill, C. *Hutchinson, J. M. Insull, H. A. Jackson, C. L. *Knuckey, D'A. W. *Lee, D. P. *Mahraj, B. B. *Mason, E. B. *McCallum, J. M. Morey, G. C. Mountjoy, W. J. Moverley, A. W. *O'Halloran, D. C. Shaw, C. G. *Strombom, C. H. *Sutherland, D. G. Woodhouse, G. C. *Watts, L. B.

FORM VA.

Avery, D. L.
Burgess, C. C.
*Christie, L.
Cottier, R. B.
Crofts, C. J.
Erlandson, F. H.
Fookes, T. C.
Geddes, J. H.
*Guy, A. D.
Hoby, B. W. G.
Hoby, R. P.
Hutchen, S. W.
Hunt, H. D.

Kidson, A. L.
Lovegrove, N. S.
McLean, D. P.
*Ogle, J. W.
*Read, H. C.
Robertson, R. M.
Roch, N. T.
*Saxton, C. L.
*Simcock, J. L.
Smith, G. P. S.
Smith, G. T. L.
*Tiplady, S. A.
Thomson, H. M.

FORM VIB.

Bellringer, S. G.
Blundell, F. B.
*Brown, H. W.
Lomas, G. E.
Golding, E. H.
Dinniss, C. E.
*Moss, A. R.
Moyes, A.
*Prideaux, J.
Robertson, M. J.
*Rainger, O. W.
Webb, G. R.
Wilson, D. M.

FORM VIA.

*Alexander, W. E. Bree, M. D. Brokenshire, E. L. Dolby, R. M. *Eaves, J. E. Evans, O. I. Fookes, S. F. Herdman, A. L. *Heycock, M. H. Julian, T. B. R. Lash, B. G. *Lysaght, J. Lysons, M. C. *Mackay, J. D. *McIvor, H. M. I. *Mitcalfe, H. P. Shaw, J. T.

*Indicates Boarder.

The following entered during the first term:—*Anderson, G. S.; *Andrews, K.; Baker, P. S.; *Batger, R. J.; *Batger, S. A.; *Baxter, R. J.; Beckbessinger, H.; *Beavan, J. H.; Bensley, F. E.; *Betts, V. C.; Berryman, A. R.; Billing, S.; Black, S. A.; Bree, H. R.; Browne, R.; *Buist, E. W.; Bullock, D.; Campbell, C. G.; Carter, W. H.; Chivers, L. A.; Cleland, F.; *Clegg, H. G.; *Corkill, C. A.;

Crudis, F. L.; *Davidson, J. W.; Davis, F. L.; Dickie, I.; *Dobson, H. W.; *Durham, J. B.; Elder, B. D.; Eustace, J. C.; Evans, A. E.; Ewart, J. W.; Field, R. L.; Fairbrother, J.; *Fitzgerald, N. C.; Garmonsway, A.; George, H. V.; Golding, E. H.; Gorringe, H. H.; Gruszning, H. K.; Harris, R. J.; *Hayton, T. S.; Hill, N. R.; *Hilliard, J. G.; Hodge, C. A.; Holmes, J. N.; *Hooker, M. J.; Hains, P. L.; *Hollings, M. C.; Henderson, W. E.; *Honevfield, E. L.; Jenkins, A. R.; Johns, H. F.; *Jonas, B. G.; *Johnson, G. W. N.; *Johnson, W. S. N.; Jones, W. O.; Kenny, G. A.; *King, A. J.; *Latter, H. B.; Lawrence, R. G. A.; Le May, A. M.; *Lile, A. B.; Locke, R. A.; *Martin, R; MacDiarmid, G. C.; McCormack, L. C.; *McLean, R. W.; *McCallum, E. W.; McMahon, P.; *Noonan, R.; Olson, H. E.; *O'Dea, R. J.; Parkin, D. R.; *Parrot, W. E.; Pankhurst, R. D.; *Penny, L. W.; Pepper, M. D.; Penman, W.; Pelham, H. N.; Plumtree, C. H.; Rawson, T. W.; Rogers, F. J.; Rogers, M. L.; *Reakes, G. C.; *Rowe, L. W.; Sampson, S. H.; Sarten, W. H.; Scott, A. W.; *Sheard, I. J. B.; Smellie, H. J.; *Stevenson, J. F.; Spiers, S. D.; *Somerville, B. E.; Steffenson, F.; *Saunders, G. I.; Staples, R. C.; *Tait, C. V. W.; Taylor, P. R.; Thomson, J. S.; Telford, F. H. J.; *Tiplady, S. A.; *Utting, W. C.; Vile, C. F.; Warner, J. E.; *Walker, G. N.; West, A.; *Wigg, E.; *Windelburn, J. A. R.; *Watts, L. B.; Wilson, E. F. M.; Wray, G. A.; *Wilson, L. H.; Wyatt, H. F.

*Indicates Boarder.

The following left at the end of last term: -Aubrey, R.; Abbott, L. H.; Bayly, W. A.; Bayly, T.; Barrack, F.; Burwell, F.; Baddeley, J. R.; Bellringer, R.; Brewster, R.; Brodie, A.; Brodie, J.; Blair, J. H.; Brindle, S.; Burton, J.; Blair, W.; Carter, S.; Collins, C. D.; Caughley, R. H.; Christie, R.; Clarke, H.; Curtis, J. A.; Christian, A.; Cooke, C.; Dinniss, L.; Deare, C.; Dowsett, D. C. F.; Foden, T. N.; Grey, F. V.; Griffin, A.; Gowan, W.; Holden, G. H.; Hair, T W.; Harris, J.; Hammonds, O.; Jackson, J. E.; James, F.; Jensen, T. A.; Jones, T.; Jillett, D.; Knuckey, F. L.; Kebbell, G. M.; Keith, O. A.; Kenny, J. H.; Lealand, S.; Marshall, H.; Martin, H.; Mauri, K. P.; Mitchinson, V.; Mason, H. W.; Mills, C. B.; McMahon, J.; Morris, C.; O'Shea, B.; Palmer, I. W.; Palmer, J. W.; Palmer, F.; Penn, T.; Pope, P. O.; Pease, P.; Rickard, H. W.; Robinson, K. E.; Revell, J. B.; Richardson, L.; Smith, E. V.; Smith, E. G.; Standish, M.; Syme, R. W.; Steffensen, C. L.; Sutton, A. M.; Steven-

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son, A.; Tait, V. A.; Telford, P.; Taylor, K. R.; Thompson, J. W.; Veale, C. C.; Waugh, A. Le F.; Wilson, A.; Wilson, E.

Left during last term.—Smith, S. E.; Clifford, G.; Fraser, J.; McDougall, D.; Sinclair, R. H.

Left during present term.—Brokenshire, E. L.; Guild, J. M.; Smith, N.

SHOOTING NOTES.

(H. P. Mitcalfe and W. E. Alexander.)

The vast changes made in the conditions for the Imperial Challenge Shield Competition have necessitated an early start with the shooting this term. Under the altered conditions the average score of the unit is judged by the average score obtained by each individual member of the unit. This means that, to obtain a good average, every boy in the school must fire in the competition. Although this makes it more difficult for a large school like ours, we hope, under the able supervision of Mr. Bertrand, to retain the high positions held by our teams of previous years.

In order that each boy may have the required amount of practice, it has been necessary for us to purchase three new rifles and to extend the range a considerable distance so that six boys are now able to shoot at the same time. We have also prepared another range which we shall use later for the final coaching of the more advanced teams.

The results of the Imperial Challenge Shield of last year have come to hand and it can be seen that the School teams have again obtained high positions.

The MacDiarmid Belt was fired for during the third term at Rewa Rewa. This match consisted of ten rounds at 200 yards and ten rounds deliberate at 500 yards on the first day, to be repeated on the second day, making two practises of ten rounds at each range. Slings and aperture sights are allowed, but as these were not available the competitors shot without them. The best scores were:—

Name.	200yds. (40	500yds. (40)	200yds. (40)	500yds. (40)	Total. (160)
Guy		35	26	31	117
Palmer		33	28	35	116
Penn		34	26	32	112
Jackson	25	34	19	34	111
Mason	2200	29	27	32	111
Alexander	21	35	25	30	111

At the conclusion of the long-range shooting it was decided to provide a competition for the markers in appreciation of the assistance they had rendered. Five rounds deliberate were fired at the three ranges, 200, 300 and 500 yards. The best scores were:—

Name.	200yds.	300yds.	500yds.	Total.
Aubrey	. 16	10	12	38
Fletcher, R	12	10	15	37
Ritter	13	14	9	36
Stewart	13	8	12	33

Some boys were unfortunate and were unable to register a hit at any range.

The long-range shooting in the third term of last year was under the efficient supervision of Mr. Marks. Owing to the proverbial inclemency of our weather and the near approach of the examinations, the team which was to have fired in the Devenish Shield Competitions was unable to attain the required efficiency, and did not compete for the shield.

In connection with this the Kelly Cup, which was to be won by the highest score in this match, was fired for on the Rewa Rewa range and resulted in a tie between T. L. Penn and W. H. Mason. The match consisted of five deliberate shots at 500 yards, the second five shots rapid at 300 yards, and the third five shots at a silhouette figure at 200 yards. The scores were:—

The state of the s	500yds.	300yds.	200yds.	Total.
Name.	(20)	(20)	(15)	(55)
Mason		14	15	39
Penn	. 14	13	12	39
Christie, R	. 6	16	15	37
Jackson	. 15	13	6	34
Robinson		13	9	33
Guy	. 11	12	3	26
Rickard	. 7	4	12	23

In both the senior and junior competitions for the Lady Godley Cup the standard of shooting did not compare favourably with the results of the previous year, which was due no doubt to lack of practice. The competition consists of five rounds deliberate, five round snap at the target, five rounds snap at the figure, and ten rounds rapid, making a possible total of 115. The best scores were:—

			(115)
H.	W.	Rickard	 83
H.	W.	Mason	 82
R.	H.	Christie	 80

The Junior Cup, which is usually fired with .22 rifles, was this year competed for with .305 rifles and consequently the scores are not so good. The best scores were:—

W.	Foote	80
D.	O'Halloran	79
W.	Ritter	78

The results of the team which competed for the Weekly Press Shield were very satisfactory. The team obtained third place for the Dominion and second place for the North Island with an average score of 65.9 out of a possible of 68.

The following letter of congratulation was received from Lieut.-Colonel R. M. Ffennell in connection with the Imperial Challenge Shield Competitions:—"I write to congratulate your School and your Cadets most heartily on the excellent results obtained by them this year in the Imperial Challenge Shield Competitions. The quality of their shooting, as in past years, is almost beyond praise. I have not failed to notice that in the senior competition they have won fifth, ninth, tenth, eleventh, and thirty-first prizes, and in the junior competition thirteenth and twentieth prizes. The total average of 93 points per boy out of a possible of 100 is quite extraordinary and unequalled, as shown on the final page of the report, where detailed scores are given of the units throughout the Empire that have most distinguished themselves. I am sure, however, as an old friend I may be allowed to point out the one comparatively weak spot, which is that only 29 per cent. of the total strength of your Cadets was firing. I hope that in the near future no unit in any part of the Empire will have a chance of winning the challenge trophy of the Governor-General unless it enters practically the full 100 per cent. of its strength. You will, I am sure, agree with me that efforts should be turned in the direction of training all and of not training only some. In this way the highest efficiency will be achieved. I am looking forward to the return of 100 per cent. from you for next year."



SECOND ELEVEN, 1922-23.
R. Fletcher, H. McNeill, C. Strombom, G. Grant.
R. Buick, D. McLean, S. Fookes (capt un), C. E. Dinniss, A. Petty.
Absent: R. Batger, R. Cottier.

The following letter of congratulation was received from his Excellency the Governor-General:—"The challenge trophy in connection with the Imperial Challenge Shield Competitions which I have obtained from England, has now arrived here and is being forwarded to you by the Defence Department, the New Plymouth High School Cadets being awarded the trophy for the first year of competition, 1921. I send my heartiest congratulations to the New Plymouth High School Cadets for their fine performance, which I believe they have beaten this year, and I hope they have put up a score which will take a lot of beating, in order that the whole standard of Cadets' rifle shooting in New Zealand may be raised. I know that this High School has a great reputation for rifle shooting and long may it continue."

ESSAY COMPETITION.

In a letter to the headmaster of the School, Mr. T. C. List writes as follows:—'For some time past, as you know, I have been desirous of encouraging your boys to take a keener interest in the history of their own country, and particularly of Taranaki, so rich in events of importance and interest. To this end I would like to present to you a couple of prizes, a first and a second, for the boys who show next year the best knowledge of New Zealand history, with special relation to Taranaki, the adjudication to be made by the masters, with or without consultation with myself, as you desire, and the essays to be published in the 'News.' If there is any other way in which I can help in the boys paying greater attention to this important subject suggesting itself to you, kindly advise me and I will be pleased to consider it.''

We wish to express our sincere thanks to Mr. List for his kindly offer and trust that the competition will meet with the enthusiastic reception it deserves.

CONCERT NOTES.

(A. Kidson.)

As vivid memories of the new boys' concert still exist it will be sufficient to remark that this year's performance was as usual a howling success. It must not be thought, however, that the value of this function lies solely in providing merriment, for it is from such performances that new singers are drawn. The personnel of the Orchestra has undergone a great change, for of course each year takes its toll from the old players and brings fresh ones to step into their places. The present members are as follows:—Conductor, G. Lomas; piano, D. Guy; first fiddles, A. Brodie, H. McNeill, S. Cottier, A. Moverley and Rogers; flutes, J. Lysaght and T. Fookes; piccolo, D. O'Halloran; second fiddles, V. Fookes, A. Groombridge, Bell and Hodge; violas, Stronge i. and D. Robertson; 'cello; Stronge ii.; drums, R. Jeffries; cornets, H. Dobson and A. Kidson. Such a large number gives promise of good results. If this institution and the rest of the Concert Club work together with their customary enthusiasm, much may be done to wile away the long winter nights and make school life brighter.

Saturday, April 28, saw the Assembly Hall filled with an expectant crowd. That the number of parents and friends of the School was the largest that ever attended our concerts speaks well for the popularity and merit of the performances. The following programme was rendered:—Selection, Orchestra, "The Original Fox-trot"; song, Alexander, "Drake's Drum'; recitation, Davies, Kipling's "If"; selection, Orchestra, "Sweet Jasmine"; pianoforte duet, by Mr. Dobson and Guy; song, Davies, "I've got a Possie"; song and chorus, Alexander, "Pip pip! Toot toot! Good-bye-e!"; violin solo, by Cottier; selection, Orchestra, "Waltz Danseuse"; song, Anderson, "Let the Rest of the World Go By"; quartette, "Won't you bring back those happy days?"; song, Davies, "If you're going back to Dixie"; pianoforte solo, by Rainger; violin duet, by Brodie and McNeill; selection. Orchestra, "Colonel Bogey"; chorus, "Ching Chong"; other choruses by "The Bhoys"; National Anthem. Most of the items were well received and duly encored, while the audience seemed especially pleased with a new singer, Anderson. As Peyton had a bad cold on the night of the concert he was unable to sing. Not the least entertaining feature of the programme was the pantomime wedding, which was staged during one of the choruses. The bride carried a bouquet which looked suspiciously like a cabbage, while it is even rumoured that the ribbon which bound it had seen service as a lab. duster.

MUSIC JOTTINGS.

It is pleasing to note that interest in music is becoming more universal in the School. At one time the mastery of the latest ragtime or comic song was regarded as the very consummation of musical efficiency. Now, however, more thought and study are given to passing examinations and entering into the realms of classic compositions, In the music exams, held in December last the following pupils of Mr. Dobson were among the successful candidates: T.C.L. (junior practical), J. Sutton (honours), Somerville (honours), Wyborn (honours), Buchanan (honours), Buick (honours), Wells (pass), Fookes (pass).

OLD BOYS' ASSOCIATION.

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The matter of compiling these notes is a difficult one and the work of the Editor would be considerably less if Old Boys would forward any notes of interest to Old Boys. An effort is always made to make these notes interesting, but it is impossible to keep in touch with all Old Boys, and consequently there are a lot of Old Boys who move about the country and their addresses not being communicated to the Association they are, as far as the Association is concerned, lost sight of. It is desired that this should not happen and where Old Boys are moving it would be a great help to the secretaries if they would forward their new address. It is hoped during this year to hold reunions of Old Boys in Auckland and Wellington, and possibly Dunedin, and if this is done it is hoped that all Old Boys who can will be present at the functions.

Will members please note that the address of the Editor is now P.O. Box 169, New Plymouth.

The Old Boys' Ball will this year be held in the first week of July and the committee are open to receive any suggestions for the running of the ball.

There are a large number of Old Boys who left at the end of last year who have not yet paid their subscription to the Association. The subscription is 5s and should be forwarded to the Secretaries, Box 169, New Plymouth,

OLD BOYS' NOTES.

Ted Foden, last year's head boy, is attending lectures in law at Victoria College and is in the office of Mr. A. Dunn, solicitor.

Michael O'Callaghan is farming in the Bay of Plenty district.

As usual Old Boys acquitted themselves well in the November examinations, and a list of the successful Old Boys appears in another portion of this issue.

J. McMahon was relieving on the staff of the School this year.

Len. Abbott is on the staff of Macky, Logan and Caldwell in town.

Clive Veale is working in the office of the Union S.S. Company.

Frank James is on the staff of L. A. Nolan and Co. Other Old Boys in the same office are Farel Sole, J. Eva, and Phil. Atkinson.

J. W. Palmer, who lett School at the end of last term, is now attending Hawkesbury Agricultural College, Richmond, Sydney.

Colin Mills and Mayo Kebbell are in the main office of Newton King, Ltd., in town.

P. Pope, who left at the end of last year, and J. Wooldridge are in the warehouse office of the same firm.

We recently received a letter from Denis Bell, who is farming near Hamilton. He reports seeing "Sugar" Candy in Hamilton on occasions.

Gordon Beck (1911) is in the District Engineer's Office of the Railway Department at Wanganui.

J. W. Thompson is farming with his father on the Fraser Road at Hawera.

We have recently heard from Rob Hair, who is farming at Taoroa, near Taihape.

Ned Smith, who left at the end of last term, is teaching on the staff of the Central Infant School in town. Clifford Hawkes and Douglas Jillett are on the teaching staff at West End, and T. Jensen is teaching at Warea.

Edgar Coleman is now attending the Training College at Auckland,

Arthur Betts is farming at Okaiawa. He supplies us with the following notes:—The following Old Boys are farming at Okaiawa: Andrew Hastie, Aubrey Stevenson, Claude McKay, Sefton Herbert, Ron. Wells, J. Riddle, and the Snowdon brothers. R. Christie is in Greaves' chemist shop. H. Clarke is on the staff of the Manaia School.

Lionel O'Halloran, who is with Jackson, Russel, Ostler and Tonks, solicitors, of Auckland, was in New Plvmouth on holidays last month. He supplies us with the following notes of Old Boys in Auckland:-"Bill" Harrison. Bert Boon and Edgar Coleman are attending the Auckland Training College and taking lectures at the University for their degrees. Charlie Noble has completed his B.A. degree and is at present teaching at Grey Lynn and taking lectures for his M.A. Eric White is in Milne and Choyce's, and attending accountancy lectures at the 'Varsity. "Bill' Silson is working for Robertson Bros. Jack Clemow is still with Nicholson and Gribbin, solicitors, and succeeded in gaining a section for his degree last year. Ron. Sinclair is with Reyburn, McArthur and Boyes, solicitors, and last year passed in four subjects for his degree. He is playing football for 'Varsity seniors this year. Noel Airey is in Archibald, Clarke and Co.'s and plays for College Rifles. Noakes, Charlie Noble and Lionel O'Halloran are in the College Rifles second team this year. John Terry is doing well with Nicholson and Gribbin and is taking a good deal of their court work. Owen Bayly completed his LL.B. degree last year and is now taking lectures for his B.A. He is still with the Coaching College. Eric Chivers is with L. D. Nathan's and is shortly being moved to Fiji. Ron. Syme is now assistant-lecturer in classics at the University College. Keith Clemow has completed his course of engineering at Canterbury Engineering College and has lately been working up at Kawa Kawa. Dave Penman is with J. J. Craig, Ltd. Kev. O'Halloran succeeded in obtaining another section for his B.A. degree and is at present teaching at Broadwood, in the Hokianga district. Harold Grayling is on the Auckland staff of the Bank of New Zealand. Jim Revell is also in the Bank of New Zealand.

Henry Rickard writes to say he is working in the Lands and Survey Department, Wellington. He travelled with the Wellington seniors to Christchurch at Easter and played wing-three-quarter for that team.

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We have recently received a letter from Jack Brodie, who is attending lectures at the Canterbury College. He and Eric Smart have been selected to go with the New Zealand University team to Australia this year. Congratulations to them both! Jack supplies the following notes of Old Boys in Christchurch:—D. G. D. Mackie and Keith Clemow completed their final exams. in electrical and civil engineering respectively last year. Harry Lucena is finishing his civil associate exams. this year. Eric Smart obtained engineering entrance last year, and this year takes his first professional. Monty Barak obtained a section in pure mathematics, physics and chemistry last year, and this year is taking the advanced subjects. "Mick" Hughson obtained a section of his degree last year. Alex. Brodie is taking lectures for his B.A. and B.Sc. degrees.

We have recently received a letter from Ted Foden, who is with Mr. A. Dunn, solicitor, Wellington, supplying us with the following notes of Old Boys in the windy city:— "Bully" Dinniss is in the Public Trust and is attending lectures at 'Varsity. Arch. Griffin is also at 'Varsity and is in the 'Varsity thirds. Colin Smart is playing half for the 'Varsity seniors and Malcolm Sutherland is their full-back. Ken. Robinson, who left last year (after nine years at School) is junior in the Commercial Bank of Australia. Grange Waterson is still in the office of the Gear Meat Co. Arthur Christie is doing well at football and plays five-eighth for the Hutt seniors. Ted is playing for the Old Boys Club.

Ted Pope was in town recently on holidays. He sat for his final law exam. in March and now has received word that he was successful in passing in all subjects.

Eric Cole, who is with Mr. W. Strange, chemist, in Hawera, supplies us with the following notes of Old Boys in Hawera and district:—Don. Jury is working with his father in town. Maurice Osborne, who has been in the local branch of the Bank of New South Wales, has now been moved to Dannevirke. Frank Grant is in the National Bank and plays senior football this year. R. Tait is in the Farmers' Co-op. Trevor Hasell is in the Bank of Australasia. R. Austin is in the Bank of New South Wales.

We have recently received a note from Howard Richmond, who is a solicitor in Auckland. He states that he will always be glad to meet Old Boys in Auckland, and suggests that a meeting of Old Boys should be held there when the School team plays Grammar this year. He is president of the Auckland Law Society and captain of the Auckland Golf Club.

Phil. Grey, who has been practising as a solicitor in Auckland, is now in partnership with his father in New Plymouth. He was runner-up in the Taranaki golf championship held at New Plymouth at Easter time.

W. Aldis, who is attending lectures at Victoria College, supplies us with further news of Old Boys in Wellington:— Jack Henderson (head boy 1921) is keeping terms at 'Varsity, in the arts course, and plays football for the Training College seniors. G. Smith and J. Burton are attending Training College and 'Varsity. The following are keeping terms in law subjects at the College: C. Winfield, Dan. Rawson, H. Honeyfield, M. Sutherland, L.Dinniss, and A. H. Christie. L. H. Richardson has succeeded in taking his B.Sc. degree and is at present working on his thesis for his M.Sc. Seymour Clifford and Owen Johns are in the Eastern Extension Cable Company.

We have recently heard from Bill Noakes, who is in the National Insurance Company in Auckland. He is playing for the College Rifles second fifteen. He supplies us with the following additional notes of Auckland Old Boys:—Bob Bothamley, who has been in the local office of Henry Berry and Co., has been transferred to Wellington.

Twys Forbes is at present assistant-treasurer to one of J. C. Williamson's plays and was recently in Auckalnd.

Jim Hine, who attended lectures at Canterbury College for the past two years, succeeded in passing another section for his degree last year and is now in the firm of Hine, Vernon and Howarth, solicitors, Te Kuiti. He was in town for Easter and seems to like Te Kuiti.

Herbert Martin, who left at the end of last year, is in Duff, Wynyard and Mackley's, public accountants, in town

E. Brien is in the warehouse office of Newton King, Ltd.

Charles Collins is in the office of Mr. L. M. Moss, solicitor.

Ron. Greiner, who completed his LL.B. degree last year, is now in Croker and McCormick's office, in town.

Ken. Taylor is in the Bank of New Zealand. Other Old Boys in the same bank are Ron. Blundell, Dick Doile, T. L. King and Sam. Corkill.

Tom Corkill is in charge of the insurance department in Burgess, Fraser and Co., and at the Easter shooting meeting at Rewa Rewa he succeeded in winning the championship belt. Eric Colson, who has been in the New Plymouth branch of the Union Bank for the past six or seven years, has recently been transferred to Te Araroa, in the Hawke's Bay district, where he occupies the position of accountant-teller.

Surrey Alleman, who is in the office of Mr. J. S. Cummings, architect, Auckland, was successful in completing his first professional examination in architecture, passing in six subjects in the November exams.

Norman Bellringer, who is now a qualified accountant, has commenced practice as a public accountant and auditor in New Plymouth.

J. S. Connett, who has been chairman of the Taranaki County Council for some years, was this year again reelected chairman.

Vaughan Kirkby, who has been farming at Pungarehu, is at present in town.

- D. G. D. Mackie, who has been attending Canterbury Engineering College last year, succeeded in passing his final examination for the degree of Bachelor of Engineering.
- D. P. Evans, who for some years has been headmaster of the West End School, has been appointed headmaster of the Central School.

Gordon Beck, who is in the Railway District Engineer's Office at Wanganui, has received advice that he passed in Sections A and B of the examination of the Institution of Civil Engineers, England.

Henry Calder, who has been filling a vacancy of the School staff, was successful in completing his B.A. degree at the November exams.

At the life-saving competition for the Tabor Shield held at Ngamotu in February two teams from the Old Boys Life-saving Club were entered and were successful in gaining first and second places. The teams were as follows:—B. team (first place): Edgar Coleman, Sam. Corkill, Ron. Boon, Ian Renaud, R. Macauley, Len. Abbott, Len. Frethey. A team (second place): Ron. Morrison, Dave Sykes, Charlie Collins, Reg. Howell, A. Blennerhassett, I. McHardy and W. Brown.

Bracken Wilson, who for the past four years has been on the staff of Duff and Wynyard, public accountants, in New Plymouth, has recently obtained a position in the main office of Newton King, Ltd. He was successful at the November exam. in completing his accountancy examinations.



THE UNVEILING OF THE MEMORIAL GATES. February 20, 1923.

I. Palmer, captain of the First Eleven last year, is in the Borough Engineer's office in town. W. Mackay is farming outside of Hamilton.

Alan Matthews is traveller for a firm in the Waikato district and has his headquarters at Pukekohe.

B. Hughes is farming at Omata.

Jack Willis, who was successful in completing his degree last year, is in the office of G. Grey, solicitor.

Loftus Russell, who is in the Eastern Extension Cable Company, is now situated at Banjoewangi, Java. In a letter received recently he gives a very interesting description of the country and people.

Dick Wilson, who has a farm in the Masterton district, was in town recently.

Gerald Webster, who is working in the Awakino district, was in town lately.

Stanley Grayling, who is in the office of Weston and Billing, was successful at the March examinations in completing his law professional examinations.

Maurice Cachemaille is attending lectures at the Dunedin 'Varsity this year.

W. Crawshaw is on the local staff of the Bank of New South Wales.

W. Guild is in the National Bank in town.

L. B. Inch, who was successful in passing a section of his law professional exam. in November, is now attending lectures at Victoria College and has a position in a solicitor's office in Wellington.

Frank Kelly, lately on the staff of the Taranaki Herald, is at present visiting England and the Continent. He was for some months on the staff of the Manitoba Free Press in Winnipeg, and afterwards went to England, where he was on the staff of the Wolverhampton Express and Star. He recently spent two or three weeks in Germany and France, and in his recent letters he states that he will be returning in September. We shall look forward to having an article for The Taranakian from him.

G. Newell, formerly on the local staff of the Union Bank and for several years in a similar position in Te Araroa (East Cape), has been transferred to Wellington. His place has been taken by another Old Boy, Eric Colson.

For B.A. and LL.B. English.—Owen Bayly (Auckland), W. C. Aldis (Wellington).

For B.A. and B.Sc. Applied Maths.-K. O'Halloran (Auckland), A. R. Ryder (Auckland).

For LL.B. Philosophy.—L. G. O'Halloran (Auckland).

For B.A. and B.Sc. Economics.—Owen Bayly (Auckland), J. W. Jillett (New Plymouth), D. W. Saxton (Dunedin).

For B.A. and B.Sc. Latin.-W. C. Aldis (Wellington).

First Professional Examination in Architecture, in six subjects.—S. S. Alleman (Auckland), Accountancy; L. W. Lovell, Economics, Book-keeping I.; J. B. Wilson, Rights and Duties.

LL.B. Degree and Law Professional.-L. B. Inch. Contracts, Property I., Criminal Law and Torts; Harold W. Kirkby, Criminal Law and Torts; F. S. Grayling, Contracts, Property II., Torts and Procedure; C. White, Torts and Procedure; T. F. Merron, Evidence, Criminal Law and Torts; J. D. Willis, Property II., Evidence, Criminal Law and Procedure; W. C. Rea, Criminal Law.

For Medicine, Dentistry and Agriculture (Intermediate Exam.).-E. W. B. Griffiths (Dunedin), Inorganic Chemistry; T. G. Fouhy, Biology and Inorganic Chemistry; J. H. Nicholson, Biology and Organic Chemistry; D. W. Sutton (Canterbury), Intermediate Exam. for Bachelor of Agriculture.

Physics, B.A., B.Sc., Pass Grade.—A. R. Ryder (Auckland), M. Barak (Canterbury), E. C. Smart (Canter-

Inorganic Chemistry for Engineering Entrance Examination.—E. C. Smart (Canterbury), Medical Intermediate; E. W. Griffiths (Otago), Biology, Physics, Organic Chemistry; A. A. Huse (Otago), Organic Chemistry.

Dental Intermediate.—L. M. Cachemaille, Physics, Inorganic Chemistry; T. G. Fouhy, Physics; J. H. Nicholson, Physics, Inorganic Chemistry.

Unfortunately the results of the November Law examinations at Wellington and Auckland have been mislaid, but the following obtained passes in various subjects:-C. W. Winfield, M. Sutherland, L. O'Halloran, J. D. Clemow, Owen Bayly, A. Christie, and A. B. Wilson.

UNVEILING OF MEMORIAL GATES.

The memorial arch and tablets which have been erected at the entrance to the New Plymouth Boys' High School by Old Boys in memory of those of their old School comrades who fell in the Great War were unveiled by his Excellency the Governor-General on March 21, 1923. The weather was beautifully fine and there was a large and representative attendance, the ceremony being a most impressive one. A platform had been erected alongside the arch, and accompanying his Excllency were his Worship the Mayor (Mr. F. E. Wilson), Chaplain-Colonel Evans, Mr. L. C. Sladden (representing the High Schools Board of Governors), Mr. A. Bewley (president of the Old Boys' Association), Mr. W. H. Moves (principal of the School), and Captain Curtis (private secretary to his Excellency). Seating accommodation was provided immediately in front of the memorial for relatives of the men whose memory was being honoured, and the returned soldiers on parade stood alongside the platform. Pupils of the boys' and girls' schools were present.

The School has a record in the war of which it may justly feel proud. A total of 282 old boys, including several masters, answered the call in the Empire's hour of need, and they saw service in most theatres of the great world's conflict. Of these 45 paid the supreme sacrifice, and 64 were wounded. The unveiling ceremony took the form of a short service, which was conducted by Chaplain-Colonel Evans.

Proceedings commenced with the singing of the National Anthem, led by the School Orchestra under the conductorship of G. Lomas.

The hymn. "O God our help in ages past," was then sung and Chaplain-Colonel Evans read the lesson, which was taken from the Wisdom of Solomon, third chapter.

Mr. A. Bewley, president of the Old Boys' Association, explained the purpose of the gathering, saving that the memorial had been erected by the association in memory of those whose names appeared on the tablets-old boys and members of the staff of the School who answered the call of duty when England and the Empire were plunged in the greatest war the world had ever seen. Many had returned safely and unharmed, some would bear the wounds they received until the day of their death; others had remained behind, and many little white crosses under other skies marked

the places where they fell. It was in honour of these last that they had met together on this occasion. To the present generation no memorial was really necessary to remind them of these boys who would never return. Their memory would always remain fresh with them, but in the interests of future generations of boys who would pass through the School it was felt that some memorial should be erected to remind them of the sacrifices made on their behalf. The result was the erection of the memorial gateway. It was to be hoped it would serve as a perpetual reminder of the duty they owed both to their King and country and perhaps make them lead less selfish lives and sacrifice themselves for others. Mr. Bewley concluded by saying the Old Boys' Association felt it had had a great honour bestowed upon it by the acceptance of his Excellency of the invitation to unveil the memorial.

HIS EXCELLENCY'S ADDRESS.

His Excellency said he wished first of all to express his gratification at being able to accept the invitation with which he was honoured when asked to perform the unveiling ceremony.

"I feel deeply, as I am sure everybody else does, the significance of these war memorials with which this fair Dominion is dotted. Up and down the length and breadth of the land we see everywhere memorials such as that which I am about to unveil. These memorials are signs of sorrow and broken hearts, but they are also a source of great pride to everybody in the Dominion because of what they represent. No memorials to my mind are of greater importance than those attached to New Zealand schools, because of all places in a country there is none where the spirit of loyalty and self-sacrifice can be better implanted in the minds of future generations than in the atmosphere of the school, and of all memorials in schools I can think of none more fitting than the one I have the honour to unveil here.

"Boys perhaps do not think very much about the past or the future, but while they may not be aware of what is forming their character they are insensibly affected by the atmosphere in which they live, and I do not think the boys of the present or future generations of New Plymouth can pass daily through this memorial arch without being insensibly affected by what it represents, by the spirit which

has given birth to this memorial. A school lives on its history and its traditions. It is the traditions of a school which go so far to mould the character of those who are in it, and after all that is what a school is for, to mould a boy's character so that he may be fitted for his future life. Of all the things which go to form character there is none of greater importance than the spirit of self-sacrifice, and what does this memorial represent but the spirit of self-sacrifice of those gallant fellows who at the call of duty were ready to give up everything for their country and their King? They went and the lesson which we have to learn through their going is that of unselfishness and thought for others. They suffered for others; they fought for others; they died for others, and the best way in which you who follow after them can honour their memory is by endeavouring to live up to their example. In peace you can do that by thought for others and unselfishness in your own behalf. In your daily lives you can to some extent follow the example set by those whose names are recorded upon this memorial. (fod forbid that either you or those that come after you should ever have to follow their example in war, but should that dire necessity ever arise this memorial will be a reminder to you of the example of those who went before you, and will show you how you should live and how you should die in order to be worthy of the sacrifice which they made for you."

His Excellency then performed the unveiling ceremony, saying: "In honoured memory of the men from this school and staff who gave their lives in the Great War for King and country, and in the cause of freedom and righteousness this memorial is creeted. May their names ever be held in honour in this place, and may their sacrifice inspire those who come after them to deeds of service and love for their fellow men. With these thoughts in mind I unveil this memorial."

Bugler P. Shephard then sounded the "Last l'ost," and special prayers were offered by Chaplain-Colonel Evans, after which the hymn "God of our Fathers" was sung.

Later his Excellency left the platform and shook hands with the relatives of the fallen boys, and also the returned soldiers on parade.

THE MEMORIAL.

The structure of the gates is most appropriate, immedi ately impressing upon one's mind the object for which it has been erected. It is massive, but at the same time its lines are pleasing and in keeping with the architecture of the school itself. The arch stands 27ft, high and is supported by massive columns. It is set back some little distance, and on each side is a circular wall 8ft. to 10ft. high, terminating in two more massive columns on the boundary of the footpath. The walls and archway are surmounted by a panelled cap moulding, while the concrete is plastered with white Atlas cement, lined out to imitate stone work. each of the two main pillars are affixed large panels containing the names, in prominently raised bronze lettering, of the fallen, while above in white plaster are two laurel wreaths. the School crest, also in white plaster, being the centrepiece of the arch itself. The wall on either side of the arch is panelled, while immediately above where the walls join the arch are two large scrolls which add to the general attractiveness of the design. Just below the moulding of the wall there are in bronze letters the words: "Erected by the Old Boys of the School in remembrance of their comrades who fell in the Great War, 1914-1918."

NAMES OF THE FALLEN.

The names on the tablets are as follows:-

Ambury, A. Atkinson, S. A. Baily, R. H. Bendall, G. E. Bollinger, G. W. Bollinger, H. Brown, D. B. Burkhardt, A. P. Collis, D. Crone, C. Dustow, E. A. Evre. L. G. Grey, J. Grant, E. Griffiths, S. J. Guild, W. A. Hall, V. J. B. Harle, D. A. Hoby, S. Kidd, R. D. Kelly, T. B. Kimbell, E. Kirton, C.

Lepper, H. M. Mason, E. F. McDonald, M. A. Moore, W. E. Mullov, W. Newell, R. D. Okey, R. L. Okey, S. M. Okey, A. Paul, S. Potts, C. H. Quilliam, R. P. Quilliam, C. W. Rider, F. H. Rowlands, F. J. Serpell, T. L. Sole, L. P. Stoddart, J. H. Taylor, G. B. S. Thomson, B. Warren, L. A. White, R. W.

The fifth annual meeting of the New Plymouth High School Old Boys' Football Club was held at the Soldiers' Club on the evening of Tuesday, March 13, 1923. The President (Mr. R. H. George) presided over an attendance of about fifty members. In moving the adoption of the annual report and balance-sheet, the Chairman remarked with pleasure on the enthusiasm accorded the activities of the Club as evidenced by the large attendance.

The election of officers resulted as follows:—Patron:
Dr. E. F. Fookes (re-elected). President: A. Bewley,
Esq. Vice-Presidents: Drs. Davie, Home, Wade and
Brewster, Messrs. R. H. George, H. R. Billing, E. P. Webster, A. E. Sykes, W. H. Moyes, P. J. H. White, F. N.
Whitcombe, A. M. MacDiarmid, A. R. Standish, A. N.
Bradbury, R. H. Quilliam, F. Willis and J. B. Cresswell.
Hon. Auditor: J. B. Wilson, Esq. (re-elected). Hon. Secretaries: Messrs. R. G. Howell and A. C. Fookes. Delegates to Taranaki Rugby Union: Messrs. Wynyard and
Eggleton. Club Captain and Manager: F. J. Eggleton,
Esq. Executive: Messrs. D. Doile, R. Blundell, P. Wright,
I. McHardy, C. H. Wynyard, and Messrs. R. G. Howell
and A. C. Fookes (ex officio).

It was decided to nominate four teams for the local competitions, one team in each grade, and the opening day for practice was fixed for March 31.

The meeting by resolution recommended that the incoming executive endeavour to make arrangements for an annual match to be played with representatives of another Old Boys' Association, preferably with an Old Boys' Club such as Wanganui.

Mr. F. J. Eggleton kindly offered his services as coach for the ensuing season, and also intimated that the High School team were agreeable to play Old Boys in the opening match of the season. This match was accordingly arranged and resulted in a win for the School by 18 points to 11.

At the date of compilation of these notes the season has seen about three weeks' competitive football, and the

OLD BOYS' CRICKET CLUB.

Old Boys' Club teams have met with varying success. The following is a summary of the matches played by the respective teams up to the date hereof:—

Seniors-

- v. Okato, at Okato; won, 14 points to 3.
- v. Inglewood, at Inglewood; lost, 9 points to 3.

First Juniors-

- v. Tukapa, at New Plymouth; lost, 18 points to 3.
- v. Clifton, at New Plymouth; won, 8 points to 3.

Second Juniors-

- v. Lepperton, at Lepperton; won, 24 points to nil. Third Juniors
 - v. Technical College B; drawn, 6 points.
 - v. Star, at New Plymouth; won, 34 points to 3.

OLD BOYS' CRICKET CLUB.

The following is a summary of the matches played by the Club. In the North Taranaki Competition the Club was runner-up. The following members of the Club represented Taranaki and North Taranaki in various matches:—C. G. Bottrill, C. Lash, A. H. Osborne and I. Palmer.

On October 14, 1922, against High School, at School, lost — School 163 (Palmer 100 not out), Old Boys 78 (Hughes 26 not out, Papps 23).

On November 4, 1922, against Waitara, at Waitara, won—Waitara 47 and 56, Old Boys 133 (Lash 35, Marks 31, Pearless 24).

On November 18, against Inglewood, at Inglewood, won—Inglewood 41 and 35 for 5 wickets, Old Boys 4 wickets for 181 (Bottrill retired 104, Lash not out 62).

On November 25, 1922, against Western Park, at Western Park, lost on first innings—Western Park 89 and 58, Old Boys 79 (Marks 26 not out) and 3 for 26.

On December 2, 1922, against Urenui, at Urenui, won—Urenui 153, Old Boys 7 for 156 (Lash 45, Bewley not out 33, Osborne 27).

On January 20, 1923, against New Plymouth, on the Sports Ground, lost—New Plymouth 97, Old Boys 63 (Eggleton 14, Palmer 13).

On January 27, 1923, against Urenui, on the Racecourse, won—Urenui 35, Old Boys 113 (Palmer 27, Osborne 31 not out).

On February 3, 1923, against Inglewood, on Sports Ground, won—Inglewood 27, Old Boys 5 for 251 (Palmer 48, Papps 28, Eggleton 58, Monteath 55).

On February 10, 1923, against Western Park, on the Sports Ground, won—Western Park 44 and 71, Old Boys 158 (Bottrill 32, Monteath 39 not out, Osborne 8).

On February 26, 1923, against High School, at High School, won—High School 112, Old Boys 152 (Bottrill 32, Palmer 29, Lash 38).

AVERAGES FOR SEASON 1922-23.

BATTING.

	Runs.	No. of innings.	Not out.	Average.
Palmer	133	5	0	26.60
Lash	230	11	2	25.55
Bottrill	200	8	0	25.00
Marks	70	4	1	23.33
Monteath	156	9	HT1	19.50
Papps	54	3	0	18.00
Eggleton	88	6	0	14.66
Hughes	40	4	1	13.33
Osborne	93	8	1	13.28
Bewley	97	10	1	10.77
Greiner	34	5	1	8.50
Pearless	51	8	1	7.28
Willis	12	7	1	2.00

BOWLING.

	Overs.	Runs.	Wickets.	Average.
Eggleton	50	114	15	7.60
Hughes	41	119	15	7.93
Bottrill	77	285	32	8.91
Osborne	0.1	288	31	9.29
Greiner	15	32	2	16.00
Palmer	22	87	3	29.00

- WILSON.—At New Plymouth, on January 22, 1923, to Mr. and Mrs. T. Wilson, a son.
- MOVERLEY.—At New Plymouth, on December 22, 1923, to Mr. and Mrs. Baden Moverley, a daughter.
- FRASER.—At New Plymouth, to Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Fraser, a daughter.
- FOOKES.—At Stratford, to Mr. and Mrs. Noel Fookes, a son.

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ENGAGEMENTS.

- COLSON—GREATBATCH. The engagement is announced of Eric D. Colson, only son of Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Colson, of New Plymouth, to Miss Lilian Greatbatch, second daughter of Mrs. E. Greatbatch, of New Plymouth.
- PUTT—HORNE.—The engagement is announced of Charles E. Putt, of Uruti, to Miss D. A. Horne, elder daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Horne, of Auckland.
- MONTEATH—CUTHBERTSON.—The engagement is announced of R. M. Monteath, only son of Mr. and Mrs. McL. Monteath, of New Plymouth, to Miss M. Cuthbertson, elder daughter of Mr. T. Cuthbertson, of Stratford.
- GRAYLING—PROSSER.—The engagement is announced of Harold G. Grayling, younger son of Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Grayling, of New Plymouth, to Miss Prosser, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Prosser, Remuera.
- BROKENSHIRE—GEORGE.—The engagement is announced of Reginald Brokenshire, eldest son of Mrs. Brokenshire, of New Plymouth, to Miss D. George, elder daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. George, of New Plymouth.
- BECK—McNEILL.—The engagement is announced of Gordon McL. Beck, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. T. F. Beck, of New Plymouth, to Miss Jean L. McNeill, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. McNeill, of New Plymouth.

- GIBSON—BOYLE.—On February 7, 1923, at Stratford, Harold B. Gibson, only son of Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Gibson, of New Plymouth, to Moya Boyle, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. Boyle, of Cardiff.
- WILSON—HUNTER.—On April 12, 1923, at Masterton, Richard, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Wilson, of Auckland, to Nancibel, daughter of Mrs. Hunter, of Masterton.

DEATHS.

- BELLRINGER.—On April 6, 1923, at New Plymouth, Fred Cornelius James, beloved husband of Alice Thurza Bellringer and second son of the late James Bellringer; aged 55 years.
- KILPATRICK.—On December 17, 1922, at Foxton, Ronald William, son of Mr. and Mrs. Kilpatrick, of Palmerston North; aged 18 years.
- AVERY.—On February 25, 1923, at New Plymouth, Cedric Mason, second son of W. and D. Avery, of Awakino, and grandson of John Avery, New Plymouth; aged 18 years.

F. C. J. BELLRINGER.

It is with sincere regret we have to record the death at his residence, New Plymouth, on April 6, of Mr. F. C. J. Bellringer, one of the principals of Bellringer Bros., Ltd. Although the late Mr. Bellringer had been in indifferent health for some time past he had been able to attend his business and carry out the duties associated with different public positions he held up to within the last few days. In fact it was only on the Tuesday that he took to his bed and at that time there was little thought among members of his family and a wide circle of friends that the end was so near. His condition became gradually worse, however, and he passed away early on the morning of April 6. The late Mr. Bellringer was in his 55th year and was the second son of the late Mr. James Bellringer and Mrs. Bellringer, of Fitzroy. He had resided in New Plymouth all his life and had taken a prominent and active

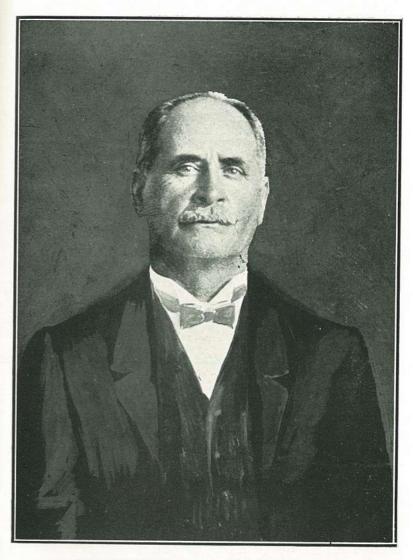
part in connection with many public institutions. nearly 40 years he had been a member of the New Plymouth Fire Brigade and for the greater part of that time had occupied the responsible position of superintendent. He was keenly interested in the work and was one of the best known and most popular fire brigadesmen in the Dominion. For some years Mr. Bellringer occupied a seat on the New Plymouth Borough Council and rendered valuable service to the town as chairman of the works committee. occupied with marked success the position of chairman of the Hospital Board for some years. He was a director of the New Plymouth Gas Company, and of the New Plymouth Investment Society, and a trustee of the New Plymouth Savings Bank. He was a prominent Mason and at the time of his death was secretary of the Egmont Lodge. He was also prominently associated with the Oddfellows' Society and was a past provincial grand master of the order. Mr. Bellringer was a keen bowler and only on the Saturday before his death skipped a New Plymouth Club rink in a match against the West End. Frederick Bellringer was one of the original pupils of the School, being the second pupil entered on the roll, commencing at the formation of the School in 1822. He always took a keen interest in the School and he will be greatly missed by all Old Boys. The late Mr. Bellringer leaves a widow and a family of three sons and two daughters, who will have the sympathy of a wide circle of friends in their sad bereavement.

RONALD WILLIAM KILPATRICK.

It is with deep regret that we have to record the death of Ronald William Kilpatrick. While bathing at Foxton on December 17 he suddenly disappeared and his body was not recovered. Ronald was at School in 1919 and was very popular with all his school-mates. We extend our heartfelt sympathy with his parents.

CEDRIC AVERY.

It came as a great shock to us to hear of the death on February 25 of Cedric Avery, of Awakino. He had undergone an operation for appendicitis the previous week and was progressing favourably when he suffered a relapse and passed away on the Sunday morning. He was at School in 1919 and left at the end of 1921 to go on to his father's farm at Awakino. Sincere sympathy is felt with Mr. and Mrs. Avery in their great loss.



THE LATE MR. F. C. J. BELLRINGER.

One of the original pupils of the School.

Died April 6, 1923.

DONATIONS.

We have to thank the following gentlemen for donations received:—Dr. Fookes, cricket screens; Mr. Palmer, £1 1s for cricket trophy; Mr. W. D. Skinner, cricket bat; Mr. Osborne, cricket bat; Mr. Lambert, cricket bat; Mr. List, prizes for an essay competition.

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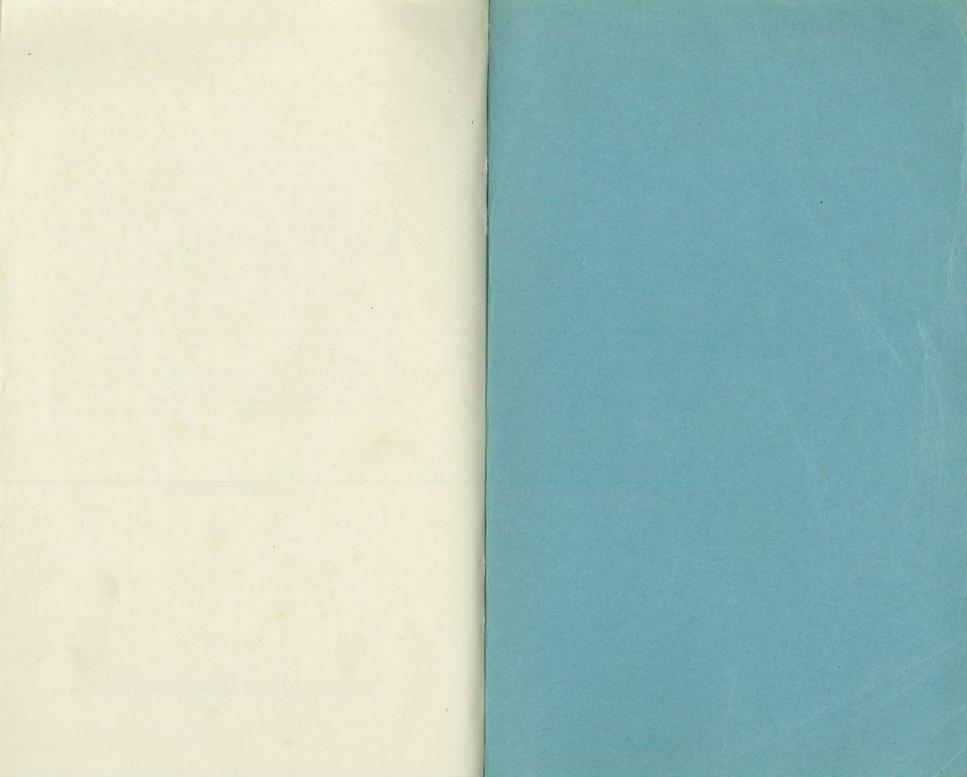
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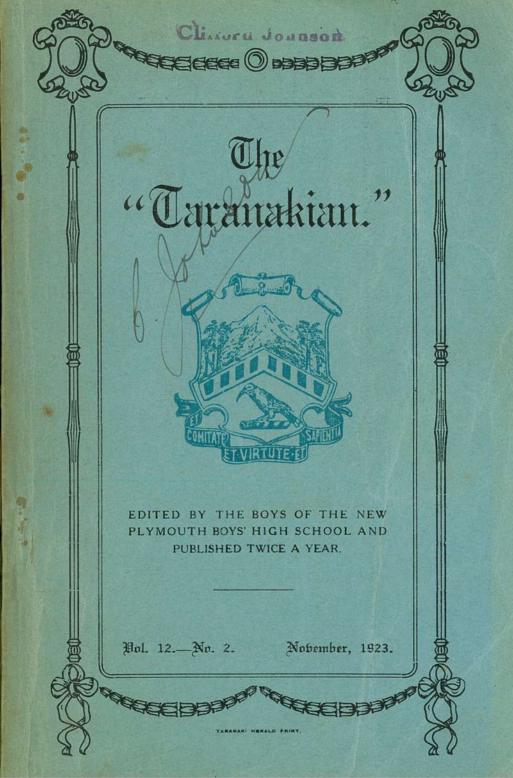
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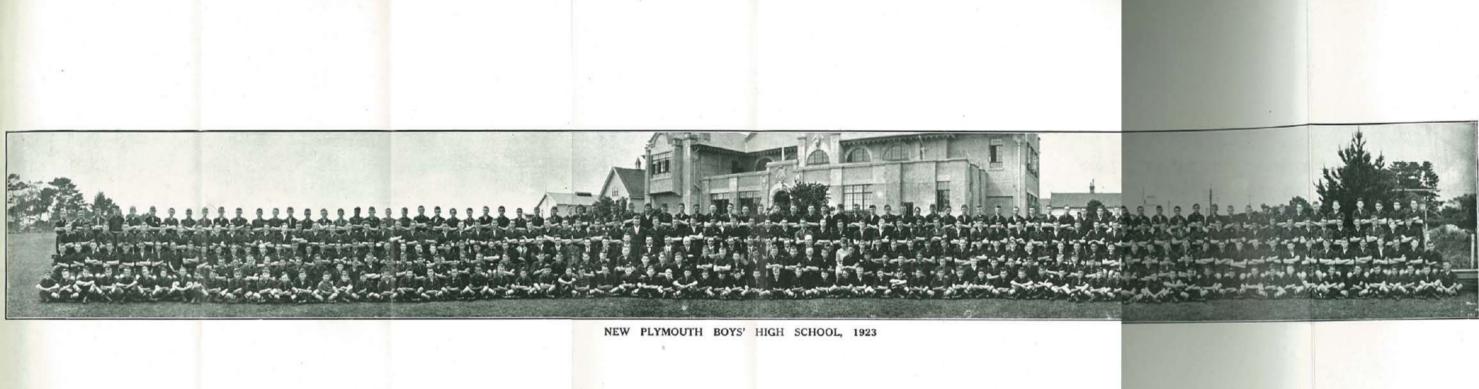


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EDITORIAL.

(R. M. Dolby.)

UR system of education is at the present time undergoing changes more numerous than at any other. The proposed abolition of the examination system, the institution of Junior High Schools and the amalgamation of the technical and High Schools, are all factors in this alteration. With regard to the latter there are many opinions both for and against the union. In one of the smaller centres such as New Plymouth only one large institution for secondary education is necessary. Under the present system where high schools and technical schools are separate establishments, there is necessarily much overlapping. schools were originally instituted with the chief purpose of providing night classes for accountants, clerks and craftsmen to advance themselves in their particular calling. Soon day classes were also held, and these were extended to cover all branches of technical education. In doing this it was thought advisable to be able to prepare pupils for the matriculation examination. It is here that the worst overlapping lies. In order to comply with the demand of parents for a more practical and less professional course of training the secondary schools also extended their limits of work. result of this was that the high schools included in their subjects commercial and agricultural instruction. In this way the present state of affairs was reached. The proposed solution is the amalgamation of the technical and high schools.

On examination such a union appears to offer many advantages, the chief of which is the elimination of the deplorable overlapping just mentioned. As the technical schools are equipped for vocational training it is obvious that they cannot efficiently teach the professional side. To do this it would be necessary to have a large staff of competent instructors in each of these branches, which is of course out of the question. Again the high schools cannot hope to give instruction in the more practical side without being equipped with the necessary workshops and apparatus. It is, moreover, desirable that even a boy who is about to enter a profession should have some manual training which would undoubtedly prove useful. This training cannot be given by most secondary schools.

Many boys have an aptitude for practical work such as carpentering or engineering. In an ordinary secondary school these pursuits could not be continued. A boy would thus be compelled either to take a completely professional course or, if he was determined to follow the more practical vocation, to confine himself to a purely technical course. This disadvantage would be obviated by the combined technical and high schools. Again an advantage would be that by the education of coming professional men and craftsmen at the same school the feeling would be removed that is harboured by some professional men who consider themselves superior to men who engage in a trade.

Another point is that each school would be able to utilize the facilities now possessed by the other. technical schools do not have access to very extensive playing fields while almost all high schools have adequate grounds for considerably more than the number of boys making use of them. These grounds could advantageously be used for the combined schools. Again the technical schools have connected with them the workshops which are necessary for instruction in engineering and handicrafts. number of boys who are taking engineering courses do so at a high school in order to facilitate the continuance of their studies at a later stage at a university. It is most desirable that these should have a certain amount of training in the practical work which the technical school provides. A third item is the fact that many high schools are equipped with boarding accommodation which would be made available for pupils attending the technical schools.

Another of the chief arguments in favour of the amalgamation is the economy which would be brought about in the costs of organization. At present both the technical and

high schools are equipped to give instruction in science. This necessitates the provision of fully equipped laboratories in each institution and consequently much unnecessary expense is entailed. Again greater efficiency would be gained especially in subjects at present studied by only a few pupils, for the larger classes would enable a master to devote more of his time to that particular branch. Thus a reduction in the necessary staffing and consequent saving would also be effected.

To counter-balance these good points there are several very distinct disadvantages. One of the chief of these is the fact that in most cases the buildings of the two schools are situated at some distance apart. This would cause considerable inconvenience and loss of time until the buildings were all provided on the same site. Another difficulty is that many technical schools are mixed schools, although this difficulty could be solved fairly satisfactorily by transferring the girls to the girls' high school and the boys to the boys high school. There would also be at first some considerable difficulties in the organization of the combined schools. The result of this would be that when a pupil left the primary school he would have a wide choice of courses thrown open to him. If on having entered upon this course he were to find that another was more suited to his abilities he would be able much more easily than at present to transfer himself to the desired branch. A mistaken choice at the beginning is an all too common happening and if it cannot be rectified it may cause the whole of the boy's future prospects to be blighted. It is the aim of modern education to prevent such occurrences and send forth every student well equipped for the profession for which he is most fitted.

SCHOOL NOTES.

(H. Bellringer.)

The second term commenced on Tuesday, May 29. This was a very broken term, and because of the amount of illness prevalent it was decided to abandon the usual term examinations. School commenced for the third and last term of the year on September 10, and there is every indication that this term will be almost uninterrupted until the examinations.

It is our pleasant duty to welcome Mr. V. E. Kerr, B.A., of the staff of Nelson College, and to express a hope that his sojourn with us will be a long and pleasant one.

SCHOOL NOTES

Two additional class rooms have been erected to cope with the ever-increasing demand for more space that must ever accompany a growing institution like the School. The room on the top floor is occupied by Form IVc., while that on the ground floor is temporarily used for the Library.

Owing to the prevalence of influenza towards the end of the second term it was found impossible to hold the usual examinations. Although it was a mild form of the usual seasonal influenza, so many boys were affected by it that school-work was suspended for a week. This epidemic came most inopportunely, since the match against Auckland Grammar School for the Moascar Cup was only a few days off. The team was kept in strict quarantine at Mr. Papps' residence, and although several of the members were slightly affected they were able to travel when the time came.

To aid the New Plymouth Beautifying Society in its beneficial work a number of boys have volunteered to work on Saturday afternoons if they are free. Afternoon tea is provided at Marsland View and a very enjoyable time is spent in cleaning up the glens and banks of the Huatoki stream. It is, of course, almost unnecessary to add that the afternoon tea forms the main attraction.

At the beginning of October a photograph of the masters and scholars was taken with a panoramic camera. The dimensions of the finished article are 46in. by 24in., and a copy of it is, we understand, to be sent to the Empire Exhibition, while yet another is to be presented to the Taranaki Club.

It is very gratifying to hear the encouraging comments made on the work of the School Orchestra. They have given a number of items at functions outside the school and have been received with comforting response on all occasions. A visit was paid to the Public Hospital to cheer up Bill Foote, who is an inmate there at present, while, besides performing at the concerts of the West End Public School, an enjoyable evening was spent at the Savage Club. This is very pleasing to the members of the Orchestra, since they give much of their spare time in practice, and we express the hope that future School orchestras will uphold the fine reputation that the present one has attained.

To comply with the new regulations of the Imperial Challenge Shield Competition it has been necessary for every cadet to shoot. This has entailed a great amount of toil for Mr. Bertrand and the Shooting Committee, who are to be complimented on the results they have obtained. Selected teams are now practising for the Weekly Press Shield Competition, while the matches for the Lady Godley Cups, the Hamblyn Cup, and the MacDiarmid Belt are to be held in a short time.

The annual contest between School and Wanganui College occasioned a great deal of interest throughout the Taranaki and Wanganui districts. The whole School journeyed to Hawera, where they were entertained by the generous citizens of the town at a sumptuous luncheon and tea. The game was hard fought from beginning to end, and was a contest between the heavy Wanganui forwards and the fast backs of the School team. Up to half-time it was doubtful whether the ashes would go north or south, but in the second spell the quick passing rushes of the backs won the day with the score at 22 to 13. Before the match the Winter Show proved to be a great attraction both because of our success in the Secondary Schools' Essay Competition and of the fine display of 'British-made goods' that were on exhibition.

Perhaps the most successful football season in the history of the School has but lately closed. The team journeyed to Auckland and, although several members went on the field while they were still suffering from the effects of the influenza, brought back with them the Moascar Challenge Cup. Later, during the second term holidays, they successfully defended it against Te Aute College and Palmerston North Boys' High School. The Maori Agriculture College meanwhile challenged us, but the New Zealand Rugby Union, following the decision of the Director of Education, declared them ineligible on the grounds that they were not a secondary school, and, after reversing this decision twice, awarded the cup to School.

We take this opportunity of congratulating H. W. Brown, who played with such conspicuous success as a Taranaki rep., and was nominated for the North Island team. The experience thus gained should be of immense value to him after he has left School.

The annual Steeplechase was held on September 27 at the Ngamotu golf links, which the club very kindly placed at our disposal. The conditions under which it was run were admirable both from the point of view of the spectators and that of the competitors, and contributed largely to the very fine performance put up. A remarkable feat was accomplished by D. Wilson, who lowered the record by over three minutes. Many people naturally believed the timekeepers to be mistaken, but the course was measured and found to be only 3 miles 55 chains in length, which proves that the time taken was not impossible. Besides, the amount of training done by the competitors this season far exceeds anything done in previous years, while the several compulsory paper-chases that were held before the Steeplechase afforded an excellent opportunity for cross-country running. The junior race was won by S. Parkin; Bowen won the senior event, while D. Wilson, a scratch man, finished second.

Much of the spare ground in the rear of the boarding establishments has been converted into grass tennis courts. Tennis, for some considerable time past, has been seriously hampered through the lack of a sufficient number of courts and it is to be hoped that the additional space thus provided will greatly facilitate the progress of the game in future.

Cricket has again commenced, and once more small parties of boys are seen diligently parting the long grass and probing furze bushes on the hill-side, while a solitary master pensively regards the lonely stumps. It is too early in the season as yet for the competition matches to have started, but the Old Boys defeated the School in the annual match.

It is not often that a Welshman is taken unawares, but the exception to the rule was made when a master asked "Are you a Welshman?" "No, sir," was the thoughtless reply, "but my mother is."

"Have you ever slept in a bed that was not made?" asked the exasperated master. "Yes, sir," was the reply. "Still asleep," the master retorted hopelessly.

CADET NOTES.

(W. A. Brodie.)

In order to create a favourable impression on Anzac Day we were given a good deal of route marching, so that by the time it arrived we were back to our old form. Captain Papps being indisposed, the company was in charge of Lieutenant Bertrand. We assembled at the School and marched to the Post Office, where we joined the procession to Pukekura Park. After the march past the usual impressive memorial service was held. We were pleased to have a fine day so that we were not forced to have the despised "overcoat" parade.

During the second term drill was much interfered with by bad weather and the prevalent influenza epidemic. Owing to the soft condition of the cricket ground work had to be conducted on the road, so that not much progress resulted.

Mr. Calder has left, so No. 2 Platoon is under the command of Mr. Kerr.

The commencement of the third term saw us back to the cricket ground again amid subdued cheers from all interested, as it is much easier to work there than on the road. As a result of this there has been a marked improvement in the drill.

An N.C.O.'s class, under Sergt.-Major Bell, has been conducted as usual, and one drill day each week is devoted to squad drill in which each section leader has complete control of his section.

Company drill has been started and even in a short time has reached a very satisfactory standard.

Wet weather as usual has interfered with physical drill We were forced to drill on the road with boots, so there was not much scope for improvement. As the weather improves we hope to reach last year's standard.

Class-firing has commenced and boys over 17 fire with .303 rifles and those under that age with .22. It is to be hoped that the company obtains satisfactory averages. What would otherwise be a proceeding void of interest has been brightened by competition for the Lady Godley Cups, which are awarded to the highest scores in this firing.

Since our last issue the following promotions have been made to replace boys leaving:—Corporal L. Christie to be sergeant; Cadets McLean, Kidson, Brodie, and Simcock to be lance-corporals.

AGRICULTURE NOTES.

(C. Saxton.)

As there is always difficulty in selecting a good mixture of grass seed for a cricket ground, it was decided to try to form a successful lawn on the plots. The mixture selected consisted mainly of Brown Top with Chewings' Fescue and Crested Dogstail. The lawn is quite successful so far, but it has yet to withstand the hot summer weather and continual mowing and rolling.

A number of boys who had plots in connection with the Boys and Girls' Agriculture Club, entered the best samples or roots obtained by the results of their efforts in the Taranaki Agricultural and Pastoral Show. G. H. Simons and M. McLean gained first and second prizes for their samples of roots. A. Washer gained first prize in the Plot Competition.

An experiment to find the best depth for planting broad beans is now in progress on the experimental plots. The first row was planted two inches deep and the succeeding rows two inches deeper than the preceding one until a depth of sixteen inches was obtained.

In another plot two rows of radish, turnip, peas, beans and parsnips were planted. One row of each vegetable consisted of large and the other of small individual seeds. By this method we hope to find which is the better seed to plant, large or small.

As there is often a controversy as to the best individual "seed" potato to be planted, one row of each of the following samples has been planted:-Average sprouted potato, potato eyes, sprouted potatoes cut in halves, small sproute. and large sprouted potatoes.

During April the experimental plots from which pota toes had been dug were worked up and crops of White Lupin Crimson Clover, mustard and oats were planted. crops were dug in during August and September in preparation for root crops. Results: The White Lupin made excellent growth and instead of being dug in it is to be kep! for seed. The Blue Lupin was an absolute failure, due partly to a fungus disease called lupin wilt. The Crimson Clover was coming on well when dug in, but it made little growth during the winter. The mustard was a failure owing to bad germination. The oats were a good crop with plenty of bulk.

In the main plot the following crop rotation has been practised. Old pasture land was ploughed in and a crop of green oats taken off. The ground then lay in fallow for some months and later a crop of potatoes was produced on the plot. Green manuring crops were then followed by shallow rooted vegetables.

We are indebted to J. L. Simcock for taking the photographs of the experimental plots.

On account of the bad weather conditions and the approaching athletic sports, it has not yet been possible to indulge in much cricket, although the annual match against the Old Boys had to be played. The result, as was anticipated, was that Old Boys secured a substantial win. The inauguration of two-day matches in the senior competition

will, no doubt, vastly improve the standard of the game. The following are the detailed scores of the Old Boys' match, which was decided on the first innings:-

SCHOOL

	SCHOOL.	
	Mahraj, B. B., b. Mr. Bottrill	3
	Palmer, J., b Mr. Eggleton	21
	Mason, E. B., b. Mr. Eggleton	4
	Brown, H. W., c. Willis, b. Mr. Kerr	13
	Lash, B., c. Jeffries, b. Mr. Osborne	4
	Fookes, K., b. Mr. Osborne	0
	Mackay, J. D., l.b.w., b. Mr. Palmer	6
	Hammerton, c. Mr. Greiner, b. Mr. Osborne	14
	Strombom, C., b. Mr. Osborne	0
	Stevenson, H. Y., c. Mr. Willis, b. Mr. Greiner	4
	Christie, L., not out	0
	Extras	3
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	Total	72
r]	Bowling.—Mr. Osborne, 4 for 5 runs; Mr. Egg	leton,

2 for

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Mr.	Palmer, c. Lash, b. Strombom	34	
Mr.	Kerr, b. Mackay	21	
Mr.	Jeffries, l.b.w., b. Strombom	0	
Mr.	Lash, c. Lash, b. Strombom		
Mr.	Taylor, b. Strombom	4	
Mr.	Lloyd, c. Fookes, b. Mackay	0	
Mr.	Osborne, b. Mackay		
Mr.	Greiner, b. Mackay	4	
Mr.	Willis, not out	7	
Mr.	Eggleton, b. Mackay		
	Extras	3	

Bowling.—Mackay, 4 for 26 runs; Strombom, 6 for runs.

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LIBRARY NOTES.

The Library has again been shifted, and is now esconsed in one of the new rooms which is easily the best room that has ever been set apart for the Library. The Library Committee has been fortunate in securing the help of Mr. McDonald as chairman.

Since the last issue of the magazine very few books have been added, but is expected that a large number of new ones will be bought next year. The new books are as follows:—"Beltane the Smith," "Black Bartlemy's Treasure," "Martin Conisby's Vengeance," by Jeffery Farnol; "Peter Jackson, Cigar Merchant," by Gilbert Frankau; and a small edition of Prescott's "Conquest of Mexico."

A very pleasing feature in connection with the Library is the marked increase in the day boy subscribers. Compared with last year the number of subscribers has been increased by sixty new members. This is very gratifying, considering that previously the boarders have been practically the only supporters.

PREPARATORY NOTES.

"Prep." has broken up its camp on the racecourse, and is once more domiciled at School. We find the change a very agreeable one. Our rooms have been painted and renovated, and we are out for the prize for the tidiest room.

Our football season was a very successful one. We were runners-up for the Primary Schools' Championship, besides which we were unbeaten in all inter-form matches. Several of our players were selected in the North Taranaki primary reps., while R. Fletcher was elected captain of the Taranaki reps.

The annual steeplechase was a very enjoyable event, a coincidence being that Don. Wilson finished second in the seniors (incidentally establishing a School record), while his brother Ern. Wilson, in Lower Prep., came second in the junior division.

Cricket has not yet seriously started, but Prep. will be playing for the Primary School Shield, matches for which will begin shortly.

Some of the "duds" were rather grateful to "Influenza." He's a great personage! He is the fellow who said "No term examination"; but now we are working assiduously, and every boy in Form II. hopes, and hopes very much, to gain his proficiency certificate.

Since last writing, the following new boys have been admitted to the "Prep." School:-Mercer, J., Hempton, K., Bartlett, R., Madgwick, V., Stanford, F., Andrews, R.

THE ANNUAL STEEPLECHASE.

(H. A. Insull.)

The annual steplechase was held on Thursday afternoon, September 27, at the Waiwakaiho golf links, on the same course as in the past few years. Several paper-chases were held before the steeplechase, and the results attained prove that they did much towards making this year's race the most successful yet held. Of course other things contributed to this end, for the weather was ideal and the track hard and fast, while the sand for the 600 yards along the beach was quite firm. Even when all these favourable conditions are taken into account great credit is due to Don. Wilson, who succeeded in lowering by 3min. 21sec. the record for the senior course, established last year by E. G. Smith. As the distance is 3 miles 55 chains, Wilson's time, 20min. 59sec., is an average of 5min. 41 3-5sec. per mile, a record which should be hard to break.

THE JUNIOR EVENT.

In the Junior Steeplechase there were 59 competitors. The limit boys started at 2.30, and the scratch competitors 14 minutes later. When the leaders came into view, it was seen that Parkin was in advance, with E. Wilson and Olson close at his heels, while Rogers, L. Barlow and Field (last year's winner) were following in a bunch. Wilson made an effort to catch Parkin, but Parkin finished just ahead of him with the others not far behind. The rest followed in a steady stream at very short intervals. The fastest time was made by D. Parkin and M. Rogers, who covered the course in 13 minutes. The following were the first ten:-

D. Parkin (10sec.), 13 minutes	1
E. Wilson (40sec.), 13min. 31sec	2
H. Olson (30sec.), 13min. 22sec.	3
M. Rogers (scr.), 13 minutes	4
L. Barlow (scr.), 13min. 10sec	5
A. Field (scr.), 13min. 11sec	6
R. Bartlett (10sec), 13min. 22sec.	7
H. Gruszning (10sec.), 13min. 23sec.	8
T. W. Rawson (40sec.), 13min. 54sec	q
H. Law (40sec.), 14min. 6sec.	10
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The next in order were:—C. Griffiths (scr.), 13min 27sec.; O. Clark (scr.), 13min. 28sec.; A. Hetherington (40sec.), 13min. 39sec.; R. Hudson (10sec.), 13min. 40sec.; S. Alhusen (scr.), 13min. 35sec.; R. Cresswell (20sec.), 13min. 56sec.; S. Batger (scr.), 13min. 37sec.; B. Cooke and W. Carter (both scr.), 13min. 38sec.; H. Thomson, 14min. 25sec.; Beamish, 13min. 47sec.; Sampson, 13min. 50sec.

THE SENIOR EVENT.

Over 250 boys started in the Senior Steeplechase. About a mile from home Morey, D. Wilson, Telford and J. Penman were leading, but when about half a mile from the finishing post Bowen took the lead. Don. Wilson then made a great effort, and although he succeeded in passing Morey on the flat and reducing Bowen's lead, he was unable to overhaul the leader himself. Bowen finished just ahead of Wilson, with Morey, Penman, Brewster and Palmer following in quick succession. All the starters finished. Details are:—

E. Bowen (80sec.), 22min. 18sec	1
D. Wilson (scr.), 20min. 59sec	2
G. Morey (20sec.), 21min. 50sec	3
J. Penman (80sec.), 23min. 10sec	4
W. Brewster (60sec.), 23min	5
J. Palmer (20sec.), 22min. 28sec	6
E. Jackson (90sec.), 23min. 41sec	7
*C. Hodge (150sec.), 24min. 47sec	8
C. Hill (40sec.), 22min. 58sec	9
L. Tuffery (50sec.), 23min, 20sec	

The next in order were:—R. Brown (100sec.), 24min. 13sec.; D. Robertson (scr.), 22min. 45sec.; E. Jeffries (30sec.), 23min. 16sec.; J. Prideaux (60sec.), 23min. 50sec.; T. Bellringer (80sec.), 24min. 11sec.; B. Lash (60sec.), 23min. 56sec.; *R. Baxter (90sec.), 24min. 30sec.; J. Mackay (scr.), 23min. 2sec.; *M. Ford (80sec.), 24min. 23sec.; P. Grover (60sec.), 24min. 10sec.; J. Hutchinson (50sec.), 24min. 2sec.; *R. List (90sec.), 24min. 43sec.; *H. George (100sec.), 24min. 53sec.; *S. Spiers (70sec.), 24min. 23sec.; *R. Bree (80sec.), 24min. 35sec.; D. Crawford (scr.), 23min. 16sec.; W. Alexander (20sec.), 23min. 37sec.; *W. Sarten (100sec.), 24min. 58sec.; C. Benjamin (50sec.), 24min. 14sec.; *J. Telford (90sec.), 25min.

Following came: H. Knuckey (30sec.), 24min. 1sec.; W. A. Brodie (20sec.), 23min. 58sec.; W. R. Rawson, C. Stronge, D. Johns, H. Fookes, R. Forsyth, A. L. Herdman. R. Mahraj, L. Christie (20sec.), 24min. 19sec.; J. Gray, E. Mason, S. Billing, J. Lysaght, W. Griffiths, M. Bree, V. Betts, J. T. Shaw, R. Buick, J. Ewart.

*All the above except those marked with an asterisk and those whose times are not given put up times faster than E. J. Smith's record of 24min. 20sec.

CHAMPIONSHIP POINTS

The points gained by the competitors in the respective championships were as follows:—

Senior Championship.—J. Mackay 5, D. Crawford 3, H. A. Insull 1.

Junior Championship.—R. Brewster 5, P. Grover 3, C. Holmes 1.

Under 14 Championship.—M. Rogers 5, L. Barlow 3, O. Clarke 1.

Under 12 Championship.—E. Wilson 5, H. Law 3, H. Thomson 1.

Under 10 Championship.—G. Saunders 5, T. Thomson 3, A. Lile 1.

HOUSE NOTES.

(H. M. I. McIvor and J. D. Mackay.)

Since the last issue went to print Mr. V. E. Kerr, B.A., late of Nelson College, has joined the staff as a resident house master. To him we extend a hearty welcome and hope his stay with us will be a long and enjoyable one.

At the end of last term the following boarders left us:—A. M. Moyes, J. M. McCallum, D. L. See, R. Hastie, N. Sherwood and S. Peyton. The following boys have joined us: T. Revell, L. Roche, C. Holmes, A. Cotterill, J. Mercer, D. Bartlett, V. Madgwick, and K. Hempton.

It was with deep regret that we learnt of the serious indisposition of W. Foote, necessitating his removal to the Public Hospital. His leg, which was poisoned badly, had to be operated upon several times; but now he is well on the road to recovery. It will, however, be some time before he will be about again.

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Near the end of the second term we, like many other boarding schools, were stricken by the ravages of the influenza epidemic. As this was but a week before the match with Auckland Grammar School the authorities decided to close the school for a few days and quarantine the boarders so that the infection would not spread. At first the hospital was able to cope with the patients, whose isolation, for a time, stopped the spread of the 'flu amongst us. At length, however, in spite of the precautions of gargling and isolation, the number of cases increased to such an extent that first one dormitory and then another had to be turned into isolation wards with a trained nurse in charge. The influenza itself was fortunately of a mild type, so there were no serious cases amongst us.

It is confidentially reported that the musical airs emanating from the precincts of the orchestra room on Saturday nights have been disturbing the slumber of one of the duskier inmates of No. 5 dormitory. After intercessions on behalf of our friend by one of the house masters the matter has been seriously considered and it has now been deemed advisable that the orchestra should stop its melodious refrain at an earlier hour so that our dark friend's sleep may not be interrupted.

It is rumoured that at least one matric. student "swotted" sincerely for his term examinations. In preparation for the Algebra exam. this particular boy studied until the early hours of the morning and was up again 'ere the crow of the rooster. Sad to relate, in spite of his assiduous toil, his Algebra paper failed to produce a double figure percentage.

Although many a boy has been the victim of the unseemly behaviour of the califont, it is very seldom that a master is concerned in its violent eruptions. One day a terrific explosion burst forth from the sanctuary of the master's bath-room, and on investigation the unfortunate victim was discovered recuperating his shattered nerves, with the doorpost as a support.

It is certainly rather early in the year for the swimming season to begin, but many have already tested the temperature of Te Henui. Some who found it rather cooler than was expected must have thought that the South Pole had been shifted, but a brisk rub-down soon restored their circulation. Owing to the coldness of the river at present, it has been deemed advisable to prevent boys from bathing until further notice is given that the water has become slightly warmer.

Amongst the inmates of the "New House" there is at least one noted sonambulist. One night this particular boy had the misfortune to find himself, not in his bed, but cosily tucked into one of the rifle cases in the basement. The astonishment this boy experienced upon his awakening can be better imagined than described.

At the close of the football season keen disappointment was felt in Rugby circles when it became known that the annual match between the Day Boys and Boarders would not eventuate. As we have ten representatives in the School fifteen we were confidently looking forward to upholding the sporting traditions of the boarding school. The Day Boys, however, were equally confident of upsetting the already long series of Boarders' successes, more especially as some of their ranks are noted for their pugilistic attainments.

As the outbreak of the 'flu epidemic was so near to the Moascar Cup match with Auckland Grammar School it was decided that all the fifteen should be quarantined at the School. Thus we had the pleasure of entertaining the day boy members of the team at our lowly board. The week prior to the departure for Auckland was spent in strenuous training. Several long tramps were made, and one, supposed to be six miles, but later found to be about eleven miles, had dire effects on several, for, on their return, they found their feet covered with large blisters. In the evenings circlos was played in the Assembly Hall and community sings were conducted in the orchestra room.

This new game, called circles, was introduced during the second term. One morning a demonstration was given by the travelling representative of the game. It is a species of quoit tennis, played over a net five feet in height on a court marked out either on grass or on an indoor floor. Instead of balls, elastic rubber circlets are used. As alertness and speed are essential the game is excellent for training purposes. Many of the boys acquired great efficiency and consequently strenuous games were often contested.

The ever inventive mind of certain of the boarders devised a set of quoits with which to while away their leisure hours. The quoits were constructed of strands of fencing wire and served their purpose admirably. As much practice was indulged in several boys soon became well-nigh experts and rumour hath it that the "Darkie" combination was for some time invincible. Shortly after the production of the original set numerous replicas were to be seen among the smaller fry.

On June 4 the boarders were allowed to go to the pictures, where the "Queen of Sheba" was screened.

A number of us had the pleasure of being present at the pianoforte recital given by M. Andre Skalski, the celebrated Polish pianist. All enjoyed the performance, which was of outstanding merit.

This year our dancing class was under the able control of the Misses Bedford and Humphries. The introduction of the one-step and fox-trot was evidently the chief attraction (apart from the fair maidens) for an unusually large crowd of youths was to be seen each Friday evening striving to master the intricacies of jazz-steps and endeavouring to keep off their partners' toes as much as was possible. Owing to the closing of the School at the end of the second term the long night dance has not yet been held.

During the winter three grass tennis courts were laid down in the section adjoining the laundry block at the rear of the New House. They are now covered with a good sward of grass, which augurs well for the forthcoming tennis season.

Three rather youthful boarders had a unique experience whilst they were hunting for crabs one Sunday afternoon at the East End beach. One of the number was in the act of catching a huge crab when he perceived a small octopus under a nearby rock. This produced in him a sensation of uneasiness and necessitated a retreat. As there is strength in numbers the party combined and with the aid of a spear and stones returned, undaunted to the attack, which turned out quite successfully for they captured their quarry, which was proudly displayed to all and sundry at the pavilion. The tentacles of this monster of the deep measured 2 feet 9 inches in length, so no wonder these boys had the "wind up" at first.

It happened that a certain master was remonstrating with a particular sixth form boy for his slowness in answering questions in class. This sluggishness became more pronounced as the period progressed until, at last, in desperation the master asked the boy if he had ever seen a snail. "Yes, sir," replied the unsuspecting lad. "Well," was the witty reply, "you must have met it, for you could never have caught up to it."

One dark winter morning a particular prefect, who was on duty for the day, awoke at an early hour, when he visited a neighbouring dormitory to ascertain the time, but as he did not have the "sleep out of his eyes" he mistook the hour for 6.10 a.m., when in reality it was only 5.10 a.m.



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upon he proceeded to have a shower and dressed himself, but thinking it seemed still rather dark he again betook himself to the watch, which, much to his discomfiture, registered the hour of 5.30 a.m. Thinking it was "rather" early to call the boys he sadly returned to "bunk."

Many day boys may consider the life of a boarder as one of pleasure, but a certain member of their ranks who sampled the boarding-life for a few weeks has evidently learnt that it can also be one of misery, especially for the first night. This particular boy was the butt of many a joke on the first evening of his sojourn, which, however, he suffered quite bravely and now is none the worse for his ordeal and is one of the ''happy initiated.''

Some of the small fry evidently take a delight in scaring their smaller friends with ghost stories, but they are not always successful. The members of one dormitory were telling a rather "nervous" boy that ghosts were accustomed to prowl round the precincts of the house, when suddenly one of their members, garbed in white sheets, appeared at the doors. A gym. shoe, well directed at the ghost by the supposedly nervous boy, had the desired effect of exterminating ghosts. This ghost no longer indulges in "ghostly" pranks.

Fishing for eels seems to have become rather a popular pastime with some and so it is not an uncommon sight to see several boys enjoying a nice fat "tuna" for breakfast. Some also are expert anglers, but although others have even ventured as far as the Stony River for a day's fishing it seems that they have not yet met with any success.

With designs upon the lives of a few of the many birds which frequent the School property, many boys constructed shanghais from odd pieces of rubber. As the ranks of the feather kind were not depleted, these marksmen turned their talent (?) to chalk combats in class-rooms. The sequel to these fights was the confiscation of all shanghais.

It is said that there is at least one budding genius who is seeking a scholarship this year, for during an English period one morning in "the dizzy heights" a little "rapid fire" was being indulged in by the form master, who asked this particular genius to complete the proverb: "You can take a horse . . ." "By the fetlock," was the astounding answer. A few minutes later this same boy was asked to complete another one, this time: "Man proposes . ." "Woman accepts," came the reply, this time amidst roars of laughter. The victim blushingly said that this was not his own personal experience.

(A. L. Kidson.)

Preparations and practices for the usual end-of-term concert were in full progress when the untimely visitation of our old enemy, the 'flu, intervened to nullify all our efforts. The customary "long-night" dance which marks the termination of the dancing classes was, for the same reason, abandoned. After much vacillation and its consequent disappointment, the date for this all-important function was fixed at October 20, on the Saturday preceding the third term exeat.

On the Monday afternoon prior to the conclusion of the second term, a party from the School visited the New Plymouth Public Hospital for the purpose of entertaining the patients. The rumour attributing this visit to the fact that the inmates of the institution were effecting too speedy recoveries, is strongly denied. Songs were contributed by Alexander, Anderson, Banks, Davies and Peyton. These, together with a pianoforte solo by Mr. Dobson, a violin duet by McNeill and Brodie, and several selections by the Orchestra, were enthusiastically received by the numerous patients.

The West End School again secured the services of our School Orchestra for their annual concert. This year, however, in addition to the rendering of the usual selections, they were required to furnish accompaniments for many songs and dances. This concert appears to be increasingly popular. for on both nights of this year's performance the capacity of the Empire Theatre was taxed to its utmost.

With anticipation not unmixed with misgiving on behalf of the smaller members of the Orchestra, our concert party awaited the advent of September 6; for on that night they were to provide entertainment at a korero of the local Savage Club. The entire absence of war-paint and weapons from the equipage of the formidable Savages, however, eliminated any uneasiness felt by the more imaginative of the party. Indeed, the atmosphere of wit and good humour which characterised the whole procedure was found quite refreshing. The School Orchestra opened the evening with the National Anthem and continued with selections. These were interspersed with songs by Anderson and Alexander, a recitation by Davies, and piano solos by D. Guy and Mr. Dobson. A stringed quartette, consisting of Thomson (violoncello), Cottier and McNeill (violins) and Lomas (piano), also gave an item, while a violin solo was played by Brodie

On Monday, October 22, the New Plymouth Ladies' Life-saving Club organised a musical evening in connection with their Art Exhibition. Our Concert Club was on this occasion asked to furnish a complete programme, which was as follows:—National Anthem; march, "Under the Double Eagle," Orchestra; song, "Plymouth Hoe," Alexander; selection, "Sweet Jasmine," Orchestra; song, "Yaaka Hula Hicka Doola," Banks; selection, "The Divertisement," Orchestra; violin solo, "Serenade," McNeill; song, "Let the rest of the world go by," Anderson; selection, "Everybody calls me Honey," Orchestra; pianoforte solo, "L'Automne," Guy; finale, "Mimi," Orchestra.

Let the necessity again be urged for new boys of talent or accomplishment to fill up the ever-depleting ranks of singers and players; for with concert work, as with every other School institution, efficiency and success are won only by the expense of time and energy and by the acquisition of experience and practice.

As the hand of Time will this year remove from among us our orchestral leader, Geo. E. Lomas, it may not be out of place to mention the work of our colleague who, since the departure of Mr. Day several years ago, has wielded the baton with marked success. It will be readily agreed that his undertaking was no sinecure and that his successor will have his energies taxed to emulate the performance of the present conductor.

FOOTBALL NOTES.

(H. W. Brown.)

It is with much pleasure and some degree of pride that we record the School's success on the football field during the 1923 season. Starting with only six of last year's team, which was regarded as the best team that the School had had up till that time, we were very dubious of attaining the standard reached last year, but fortunately we had the two five-eighths and centre three-quarter of last year back at School, and around this nucleus was built a team which has gained the distinction of being the cleverest side the School has yet produced. The success has been gained too under some severe handicaps. In the first place the team is the lightest the School has had for some years; secondly, every member was seriously enough hurt to require medical attention some time or other during the season; and thirdly, the influenza epidemic played havoc with the team. That the fifteen triumphed over all these obstacles is greatly to its credit.

We again entered the First Fifteen for the Taranaki Junior Championship, which we annexed for the first time last year. By the time the middle of the second round had arrived the team was much disorganised by injuries and influenza, and so, although we held a commanding lead in the Northern Division, we withdrew from the competition in order to gain some respite before the Moascar Cup matches commenced. During this period we played Wanganui Collegiate School, and after what was generally considered the most brilliant game yet seen between the two schools, we emerged victorious by a margin of seven points. before the date set down for our trip to Auckland, influenza got a grip of the School, and we were doubtful right up to the last whether we could get a team away. Fortune smiled. however, and we were enabled to send up almost our best team. Needless to say everyone thoroughly enjoyed the trip and the good game that ensued. Mr. Drummond, his masters and boys, did all they could to make our stay enjoyable, while many Old Boys were present to cheer the team on. Returning with the Moascar Cup we had a bare fortnight to prepare for the Te Aute and Palmerston matches. but during that time the team improved in every respect, and in these two games, by giving its best exhibitions of the season, was successful in maintaining its hold of the cup.

The strength of the team lay in the scoring capacity of the backs. The inner backs showed initiative and cleverness throughout the season, and enabled the extremely fast threequarter line to get into action and score most of the points gained by the team. The forwards improved gradually throughout the year and although always outweighted displayed a doggedness which often found them superior to their opponents in the last fifteen minutes of a match. The hookers, too, were successful in gaining more than their share of the ball in all the matches except that in Auckland. This of course was partly due to the way in which the rest of the scrum used their weight. The defence of the team was only fair in the early part of the season, but at the end was admirable, as in the three Moascar Cup matches played it had its line crossed only once, although for long periods in all these matches its line was being hotly attacked.

The junior teams have also had a good season. The Second Fifteen as usual was scarcely ever at full strength owing to members being required to fill vacancies in the firsts, but it put up good fights in all its matches, and what is more important, was always able to stand up to the First

Fifteen and give it worthy opposition in practices. The Third Fifteen was well up to the standard of previous years and put up some splendid performances. The combination of the backs in this team augurs well for the future football of the School. It won the fourth grade championship of the Northern Division, but was defeated in the final by a Stratford team. The Fourth Fifteen were runners-up to the thirds in the northern end of the fourth grade.

A new method of dealing with the football of the remainder of the School was adopted this year. For the first half of the season it was divided into groups of thirty with a master in charge of each group, which had two practices a week. These practices were conducted on the same lines as those on which the First Fifteen were coached, with the result that we have adopted a similar style of football throughout the School, and with most pleasing results. During the latter half of the season, teams of fifteen were picked and competitions started, but the influenza epidemic prevented these being completed.

In conclusion, we wish to thank the masters who have organised our games and devoted much time to the coaching of their teams; Dr. Fookes and Dr. Milroy, who helped us in every possible way throughout the season; and the Board of Governors for the message of congratulation on winning the Moascar Cup.

FIRST FIFTEEN.

The First Fifteen opened the season with two strenuous practice matches. On Saturday, April 14, we played Old Boys' Seniors and defeated them by 18 to 11. The match was played in fine weather and proved a great struggle. For School, Paterson, Shaw, Moyes and Brown scored, the latter converting three. Sykes, Atkinson and Bayly scored for Old Boys and Doile converted one.

On the following Saturday School were matched against Tukapa, who were the winners of last year's senior grade. This match was played in the Recreation Grounds, and although the School forwards were up against great weight they played well and stuck to it until the end. The weight however had its effect towards the end of the game and Tukapa were victorious by 14 points to 10. Mackay and Brown scored for School and the latter converted two, while Stohr, Ennis, Hooker and Johnson scored for Tukapa and Morrison converted one.

COMPETITION MATCHES.

On April 28 we journeyed to Waitara and played our first competition match against Clifton. The weather was fine, but the play was somewhat ragged. However, we managed to win by 17 to 3. Mackay, Moyes and Fookes scored tries, while Brown converted one.

v. TUKAPA.

(May 5-Won 23 to 3.)

The game was played in the Recreation Ground and proved an easy victory for School. The backs threw the ball about and time after time pierced the opposition's defence. Moyes scored two tries, Mackay and Paterson one. Brown converted four and kicked a penalty.

v. LEPPERTON.

(June 2-Draw, 3 all.)

We went to Lepperton and played on a very greasy ground. Alexander, who was on the sick list, was replaced by Jeffries, while Mason played behind the scrum. The forwards played a great game, but the backs were below form. Brown scored for School.

v. STAR.

(June 9—Won 14 to 3.)

Star entered the field with a strong team, with the result that the game was very strenuous. The School team were without Petty, who was suffering from a sore knee, and Guy took his place at full-back. For School, Moyes scored two tries, Mackay and Fookes one, and Brown converted one.

v. CLIFTON.

(June 16-Won 34 to 4.)

This marked the beginning of the second round and proved to be the best game the School team had played up to date. The match was played in the Recreation Ground in fine weather. The forwards, who were at full strength, played dashing football, and although up against great weight the hookers obtained the leather with commendable regularity, which enabled the backs to flash towards the line with unerring precision, to score many brilliant tries. Mackay and Brown each scored three tries, Fookes and Shaw one. Brown converted five.

v. OLD BOYS.

(June 30—Won 32 to nil.)

This match was played on the Racecourse in very wet weather, which of course prevented good football. Mackay and Paterson scored two tries, Moyes, Morey, Jeffries, Fookes and Brown one each. The latter converted one and kicked a penalty.

v. RAHOTU.

(July 14-Won 19 to 14.)

The School team did not play at all well. The defence was very weak and the tackling poor. However, we managed to win by 5 points. Paterson, Mackay and Golding scored tries. Brown scored two and converted two.

v. LEPPERTON.

(July 21-Won 18 to nil.)

Again School put up a very poor exhibition. The team seemed to be stale, as everyone was slow and lazy. The team was weakened by Mackay being unable to play. Guy filled his place at wing three-quarter. Out of the eighteen points there was only one try. Shaw scored, Mason dropkicked a goal, and Brown drop-kicked two and kicked a penalty.

v. STAR.

(July 28—Lost 11 to 6.)

Owing to the Auckland trip coming off in a week's time, and as several members were on the sick list, the School team was very weak. Golding, Ennis and Christie were absent from the forwards and Alexander and Brown from the backs. Paterson played first five-eighth, Petty centre and Guy full-back. Fookes had to retire owing to a severe cut on the head. Mackay and Fookes scored for School.

WANGANUI COLLEGE MATCH.

On July 7, in a special train, the whole School journeyed to Hawera to witness the annual match against Wanganui. As expected the game was very even and strenuous, and it was not until the latter stages of the game that School were superior. It was a matter of fitness that won the game, more than scientific play. We are indebted to the Taranaki Herald for the following account:—

The teams were:-

Wanganui College (white). — Full-back, W. H. McKenzie; three-quarters, E. E. Carroll, A. W. Jull, A. R. Ormond; five-eighths, J. Scanlan, H. D. Blyth; half-back,

J. A. Duncan; forwards, W. R. Gaddum, F. B. Tatham, H. G. Hare (captain), K. G. Fairbrother, W. G. Levin, J. H. Young, A. Bremner, D. W. Lance (rover).

High School (black and white).—Full-back, Petty; three-quarters, Moyes, Brown (captain), Mackay; five-eighths, Alexander, Shaw; half, Jeffries; forwards, Eaves, Christie, Golding, McCallum, S. Fookes, Gibson, Ennis, Paterson (rover).

Though possessing the advantage of a slight breeze blowing down field, High School had to contend with a troublesome sun in the first spell. The School scrummagers immediately gave the ball to the half-back, Jeffries, but he was smothered quick as lightning by Hare. Penned on the left wing in his own twenty-five, Moyes, High School's winger, ran into the ruck, and Carroll, who swerving in from his wing position received from Blyth and raced unsupported up the side-line. He was blocked, and with a penalty kick Brown lined at half-way. Jeffries was getting the ball regularly from the pack, but the Wanganui forwards gave him little peace, smothering his pass to Alexander time and again. Duncan whipped up the ball from his forwards, and Ormond, flashing in from the wing, sprinted away, only to slip when endeavouring to avoid Mackay. The football was very fast, and Wanganui forwards were greatly helping the backs by getting amongst the High School backs. Duncan effectually blocked a movement by Alexander, and Fairprother worked through the scrum and was almost over under the posts when Alexander recovered and whipped the leather to Brown, who kicked high down field. McKenzie recovered and lined. A splendid individual effort was made by Duncan from the throw-in, but being unsupported a good opportunity was lost to Wanganui. High School being penalised Tatham took a shot at goal, but was short. Wanganui were having much the better of the game at this stage. The High School backs were handling very poorly though their play was keen. With a splendid kick down the line and a fast follow-up which put his side out of danger, Brown was upon McKenzie before he could clear. Wanganui were penalised for off-side play, but Brown's shot at goal did not rise. Mackay fielded the return and came across. Moyes returned infield to Brown, who kicked low. Receiving smartly from the scrummage Jeffries gave a bad pass to Moyes, and High School's first opportunity was lost. Alexander fumbled from the line-out which followed, but Brown, dashing in from the rear, caught the ball on his toe,



FIRST FIFTEEN, 1923. Winners of Moascar Cup. Oakley Studio.

Back Row: L. Christie, E. Jeffries, S. F. Fookes, J. M. McCallum, H. A. Insull, E. H. Golding, W. B. Davies, J. E. Eaves.

Middle Row: E. Gibson, W. E. Alexander, J. A. Paterson (vice-capt.), H. W. Brown (capt), J. D. Mackay, J. T. Shaw, L. Ennis.

In Front: A. Petty, G. Morey.

Absent: A. M. Moyes.

and fielding a favourable bounce, was in by the post for an unexpected try, which he converted.

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Play was very hard. Lance and Bremner burst through the scrummagers at half-way, supported by Hare and Young, and the crowd rose in expectation, but Alexander marked Young's kick and found touch again at half-way. Carroll dashed off down the touch line, passed Moyes rather easily, but coming to Brown passed in to the forwards. The ball went awry, but Hare recovered. A pass to Bremner and another well in to Tatham and the last-named was over, diving near the past as he was tackled by Brown. With his own kick Tatham levelled the scores:

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Intense excitement prevailed on the stands as Mackay sped down the touch line to field a high ball, which he took at top speed, only to be grassed by Ormond ten yards short of the line. For a while neither side was in the ascendant. Smart following up by the School pack brought trouble to McKenzie, but the College forwards quickly suppressed Jeffries' attempt to set his backs in motion. McKenzie made few mistakes, however, and he effectually deart with Moyes when a little later this speedy winger, skirting touch, streaked for the line. Cutting in nicely, Shaw let Brown through supported by Moyes, only to be grabbed, ball and all, in a practically open field, by Carroll. Wanganui immediately retaliated, Tatham thrusting through with Hare into School quarters. Petty got Hare and Carroll getting the pass was jammed into touch when almost over. After Tatham had touched down a long kick from Mackay, Bremner made a beautiful opening, but lost a great opportunity by holding on instead of handing on to Hare, who supported him. Half-time arrived soon after, the scores still 5 all.

When the teams returned play was even faster than in the first spell. School backs opened out immediately and Brown, punting high, streaked up the line after Tatham, who, effecting a brilliant save, touched down in the corner just as Brown was upon him. At half-way Alexander cut in. Scanlan stopped him and Duncan streaked around the scrum to get in a good run before passing to Young to score from a fine piece of play. Tatham was unable to improve the try.

Wanganui's play was impressive, and with the assistance of a slight wind it appeared as though they had taken the lead for good. The sun, however, was more trouble-some to them. It was not long before the School pack gave it again to Jeffries. It went through the five-eighths to Brown like a flash, and almost as quickly, following a great run in, he dived past two opponents to score near the posts. His kick was a poster.

Wanganui	 8
High School	 8

Instantly, from a penalty in School's quarters, Tatham sent the ball over the bar with a splendid kick from near the touch line at quarter-way.

Wanganui		11
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Hard, strenuous play followed. The School backs were showing improved form and indulged in some capital passing rushes, which Wanganui stopped with deadly tackling, which became even more so as the game advanced. Golding. Eaves and Paterson broke through the defence, but Eaves elected to pass when he should have gone on, and Ormond returned play to School's twenty-five, where the White forwards set up a determined attack, from which High School managed to escape, after a most brilliant exhibition of sound tackling from both sides. Soon after Alexander, who received a nasty blow on the leg early which had affected his play throughout, retired and Morey came on behind the scrum, Jeffries taking Alexander's position at five-eighths. Carroll and Jull momentarily threatened School's line, but a fine tackle by Christie put his side out of danger. Later Brown made rather a poor attempt to pot and Wanganui forwards booted hard down field to fullback Petty who, swinging across the field fast from halfway, nearly ran through Wanganui's defence, being thrown into touch near the corner. His effort put School within striking distance and from a scrummage Morey lost no time in sending the ball out. Jeffries sent it to Shaw, who made a fine straight run and drawing the men whipped it on to Brown, whose terrific speed carried him over by the posts. in spite of opposition, to score a great try, which he converted.

High	School	***************************************	13
Wang	anui		11

Had Wanganui continued at the pace they had set they would have maintained their lead. Though they pressed hard on occasions their forwards had lost a good deal of their sting; also the half was much too inclined to solo efforts and practically starved his men in the dving stages. On the other hand High School showed no signs of tiring and if anything were infusing greater dash into their game. Blyth, Wanganui's first five-eighth, went off and B. Scanlan filled the vacancy. With only two points' difference between the teams the game was still in doubt and Wanganui set up a determined onslaught in an endeavour to again lead. Shaw, Paterson and Morey cleared to half-way, where the teams lined out. Taking the ball from Paterson, McCallum burst through, supported by Golding. Sprinting down the touch line, Paterson drew up with Golding in time to take his pass when he was collared and streaked off for the corner, diving for the try as Ormond, who moved in very fast, fell on him. It was a fine piece of forward play and the combination was a treat. With a good kick Brown added the extra points.

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Wang	anui .	 	 		 	 		 11

From this on School had the better of the game, the change in the backs having improved the combination, whilst the forwards never once eased up. Brown and Shaw made some fine runs, but the Wanganui lads' defence was very solid, and though in a race for the ball they were once compelled to force, the game ended without alteration to the score—

High Schoo	1	18
Wanganui	•••••	11

Mr. A. H. Guy was referee.

RECORD OF MATCHES.

1920: Wanganui won, 11-3.

1921: Wanganui won, 13-8.

1922: High School won, 9-6.

1923: High School won, 18-11.

Wanganui: Two matches, 41 points. High School: Two matches, 38 points.

MOASCAR CUP MATCHES.

N.P.H.S. (6) v. AUCKLAND GRAMMAR SCHOOL (0).

Our first match for the Moascar Cup was against Auckland Grammar School, who won it last year. The match was fixed for Saturday, August 11, and on Thursday, 9th, the First Fifteen, together with a large number of Old Boys, caught the Rarawa for Auckland. After the match we were entertained at a dinner, and enjoyed ourselves to the utmost. We take this opportunity of thanking all those people who were responsible for giving us such an enjoyable time.

The following represented the School in Auckland:—Backs: Petty, Moyes, Brown, Mackay, Shaw, Alexander, Jeffries, Morey. Forwards: Ennis, Gibson, McAllum, Golding, Fookes, Christie, Eaves, Paterson, Insull, Davies, Banks.

We thank the Taranaki Daily News for the following account of the match:—

The New Plymouth High School team to-day won the Moascar Cup, defeating Auckland Grammar School by six points (two unconverted tries) to nil. The New Plymouth boys well deserved their victory, though the losers are to be congratulated on the plucky fight they put up. The game was interesting throughout, though the play was hardly as spectacular as inter-collegiate matches usually are. The School pack was somewhat disorganised by the absence of McAllum (lock) and Paterson (rover), and they also appeared to be suffering from the effects of recent illness, not getting properly into their stride till the second spell. Then the School backs threw the ball about in good style, but they were confronted by a solid wall in the Grammar defence.

School at once attacked, but the tackling was solid. Butterfield headed Grammar in what looked a dangerous movement, but Petty gathered up and kicked well down field. Again Grammar forwards pressed hotly and their backs also opened out, but the bout broke down. Now School made the pace willing, but found the tackling very solid, the fast tactics of the home team breaking down their passing. Eaves came through, ball at foot, and aided by Brown, Alexander and Mackay, took play to Grammar's twenty-five, where Matheson (the local full-back) lined beautifully.

Then followed some exhilirating bouts on both sides. Finally McLaren broke through and started a reverse pass move that looked dangerous, but it was spoilt by a pass forward. Twice School infringed and McLaren had resultless shots. Here Colgan was injured, Johnstone taking his place. Grammar continued to have the better of play, McLaren being prominent. Then Shaw, Brown and Mackay set up a passing movement, which Christie and Eaves carried on at the head of a forward rush, that culminated in a scrum, from which Fookes forced his way over. Brown's shot just missed.

School were now playing up better, but like a flash Grammar turned defence into attack. Sure collaring kept Grammar out, and the defence stood the strain. Finally Petty, who was playing a fine game, kicked high, and School, following up fast, were again attacking. Back came Grammar to School's line, but the defence stood the strain, and play worked back to midfield. Grammar were securing from the scrums, and concerted play by Olson and McLaren had Grammar attacking hotly again. The School backs failed badly to pick up and Grammar swept right to the line, where Brown was very lucky to save by kicking to touch just on half-time. The spell ended:

High Sch	ool	9
Grammar	School	0

School opened by attacking hotly, Jeffries setting Alexander and Brown moving, and they got to within striking distance before an infringement stopped the advance. Grammar were kept busy, but the defence was very solid, and penalties let Grammar clear. Then Brown was temporarily put out of action. Then Hutchinson had another shot, which just failed, and from the kick-out School assumed the upper hand, but the treacherous nature of the ground, aided by good tackling, spoilt their passing bouts. Bright passing enabled the School backs to attack again, and Grammar were forced. Again the ball travelled nicely through all the backs, and Mackay was just pushed out.

Grammar temporarily broke through, but School, who were now well into their stride, came back again, Insull getting clear, but his pass went wide. After more spectacular play by the School backs the Grammar forwards removed play to half-way. This was the scene of play for some time, though occasionally School invaded Grammar's territory. Both teams now appeared to be tiring, and play was of a scrambling nature. Suddenly Jeffries shot the

leather to Brown, who cut in beautifully, beat a couple of men, and handed the ball at the right moment to Mackay, who ran over and scored in a handy place. Brown's shot failed. There was just time for resultless passing bouts on each side before time was called, with the score:

High Sch	oollool	6
Grammar	School	0

Mr. Hall refereed.

Later the Moascar Cup was presented to Brown, captain of the School team, in front of the grandstand by Mr. I. Arneil, president of the Auckland Rugby Union.

N.P.H.S. (18) v. TE AUTE (8).

After returning from Auckland we had little time in which to prepare for the Te Aute match. The Te Aute team arrived on Friday night, August 24, and from their appearance looked a very solid combination.

Saturday turned out to be a perfect day, much to the delight of the School team. The game, which started at 1.30, was a curtain-raiser to the Taranaki—Hawke's Bay match, and proved to be a stirring contest.

The following account of the match appeared in the Taranaki Daily News:—

The teams were:-

Te Aute (red and black).—Full-back, Wa Aranga; three-quarters, Ruru, Smith, G. Leach; five-eighths, Nuku, Araru; half-back, Potaka; rover, Waretini; forwards, Ruawai, J. Leach, Wanoa, Kereopa, Tibble (captain), Ereuti, Mackey.

New Plymouth (black and white).—Full-back, Petty; three-quarters, Moyes, Brown (captain), Mackay; five-eighths, Alexander, Shaw; half-back: Jeffries; rover, Paterson; forwards, Eaves, Christie, Golding, McAllum, Fookes, Ennis, Gioson.

Te Aute came away with a burst from the kick-off, the backs quickly jumping into their stride, and a bright passing rush, which was ended by a knock-on by G. Leach, brought play well into New Plymouth's territory. A free kick brought the home team temporary relief, but the Te Aute forwards were charging down in splendid style, Shaw saving

well. Holding their ground, the visitors were awarded a free kick near the twenty-five line, and Wanoa drew first blood with a well-placed goal after the game had been in progress three minutes.

Te Aute		3
New Plymouth	***************************************	0

Near half-way Alexander set the New Plymouth backs in action for the first time, a bright passage ending when Aranga lined near the twenty-five flag. The High School backs were not yet into their stride, however, knocks-on bringing promising bouts to nought. Te Aute were tackling well, this further spoiling New Plymouth's back play. Receiving the ball from a lightning heel-out, Jeffries whipped it out to his backs, and Brown made a dash through, but Mackay failed to accept the pass out. The Te Aute twenty-five was the scene of a lively passing bout by High School, a "pot" by Brown failing to rise. From loose play the ball was thrown clear out to Moyes, who raced for the line, cut in past Aranga, and dived over near the corner flag. Brown's shot at goal turned in flight and rebounded from the post.

Te Aute	3
New Plymouth	3

Snapping up the ball smartly, Paterson made a good run, but passed forward, and a free kick was awarded Te Aute just outside the twenty-five, but Wanoa could not goal. Fast up and down play followed, both sets of backs throwing the leather round in grand style. One minute Kereopa and Leach, leading a Te Aute rush, had New Plymouth in danger, and the next Mackay and Paterson were following up a long kick by Brown, two Te Aute men being caught with the ball a couple of yards from the line. A scrum was followed by a free kick to New Plymouth, Brown trying to goal but missing by a narrow margin, and Te Aute forced.

The Te Aute forwards were doing excellent spoiling work, but the New Plymouth backs slipped through their hands on several occasions to delight the crowd with spirited passing rushes. But the trend of the game was far from being one-sided. Te Aute, with Kereopa and Ruru in the van, stormed New Plymouth's goal. A scrum followed, and from the loose Smith gathered up, threading his way

through the opposing team to dash over between the posts. Waretini had no difficulty in converting.

Te Aute		 	 8
New Ply	mouth	 	 3

Carrying play into Te Aute's half, New Plymouth set up a counter-attack, Shaw cutting in brilliantly and sending Brown off, with Mackay in attendance, in a slashing run for the corner, but he trod on the side-line. Missing the ball, Potaka allowed Paterson to burst through, a bright effort falling short of its objective by a few yards only. Brown and Mackay were once again allied in a brisk passing bout, when Te Aute swept down in a forward rush, only to be driven back again. Potaka cleared in good style, and Wanoa kicked hard downfield, a mark by Petty giving timely relief. Tibble was caught with the ball, and New Plymouth attacked again. Backs and forwards combined in an irresistible passing rush, Golding crossing near the posts, and Brown evened the scores with a good kick.

Te Aute	 8
New Plymouth	 8

Cutting in brilliantly, Shaw sent Brown and Mackay away on another gallop, which took play well into Te Aute's twenty-five. From a scrum New Plymouth hooked the ball, Shaw gathering in a difficult pass and again made an opening for Brown, who shot straight through, scoring by the posts and converting his own try.

New Plymouth	 13
Te Aute	8

Having lost their lead, Te Aute made desperate efforts to regain it, launching an attack on New Plymouth's goal. The Maori backs were showing up well till Shaw cut through, handing on to Brown, who, like a flash, streaked half the length of the field and ran across, but the referee ruled that Brown was off-side when he took Shaw's pass and a try was not allowed. Immediately after half-time sounded, with the score:

New Plymouth	13
Te Aute	8

A merry pace was set by Te Aute, who resumed in the second spell full of vigour. But New Plymouth defended soundly, and a sensational lone-hand effort by Paterson turned defence into attack. Potaka was caught near the line with the ball, and a scrum was ordered, one New Plymouth men hooking the ball, which Jeffries passed straight back to Brown, but his attempt to "pot" a goal went astray. A dash through by Ruru was backed up by Potaka. Leach and Ereuti, who indulged in a passing rush, out too much hesitation was shown, shattering the success of their work. Potaka retrieved a mistake in fielding the ball by cleverly evading a couple of opponents who were bearing down upon him. New Plymouth, however, were hammering attack upon attack, and Te Aute were hard pressed to keep the invaders out. Fookes, Christie and Paterson led New Plymouth into Te Aute's twenty-five. where a Maori lad kicked the ball into Brown's hands. The New Plymouth captain flashed the ball out to Moyes, who, with a great burst of speed, raced for the corner flag and plunged across to score his second try. Brown's kick was from a difficult angle, but he placed a splendid goal.

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Te Aute	 8

Following fumbling among the Te Aute forwards, Pocaka, with a splendid solo effort, thrust his way through into New Plymouth's half, the Te Aute backs handling well and making great efforts to break down the defence. Set going by Aranga, Wanoa, Waretini and Leach combined well till Shaw took New Plymouth back, a free kick to Te Aute in their own twenty-five giving a measure of relief. Kereopa and Smith broke through in a counter-assault, a run by the latter being a fine piece of work. Wanoa tried a kick from half-way, but the shot was blocked.

Both teams were infusing splendid dash into the play. To Aute were getting their full share of the ball from the scrums, but repeated knocks-on spoiled their back play. New Plymouth seemed content to hang on to their ten-point lead and, though play ranged up and down with numerous flashes of orilliancy, the terrific pace set earlier in the game was having its toll. Shaw tried to "pot" a goal for New Plymouth, but the ball was charged down, and a similar attempt by Smith (Te Aute) went astray. Making use of their weight in the forwards, Te Aute carried play close to New Plymouth's line, where Ruawai and Ruru came near

to scoring. But New Plymouth still had some energy in reserve, Christie, Paterson and Golding leading the home team back to Te Aute's line, where Potaka again proved the saviour of his side. Kereopa broke through unsupported when Aranga set the Maori backs in action once more, cleverly beating three men in the effort. Alexander was injured by a hard tackle, but was able to resume. A bright rally initiated by Kereopa gained considerable ground, Wanoa taking a penalty kick but being wide of the mark with the shot.

Te Aute dominated the situation in the dying stages, the Maori forwards making strenuous and sustained efforts to wear New Plymouth down. Aranga started a passing bout with half his team in line, and a try never looked more certain, but after the ball had passed quickly from man to man Ereuti's transfer to Waretini was fumbled. Again a passing bout was launched, Tibble, G. Leach and Nuku being prominent, and later Leach and Potaka shone out in a splendid effort. Success did not smile on their efforts, however, Ruru on one occasion knocking on when a score seemed imminent. After a long spell of solid defence, Moyes put in a good run for New Plymouth, arousing enthusiasm by a sprint to half-way, just as full time sounded with the score:

New Plymouth	18
Te Aute	8

Mr. A. H. Guy refereed. Prior to leaving the field the Maori team lined up and treated the big crowd to a haka and war-cry, which were heartily applauded.

N.P.H.S. (11) v. PALMERSTON NORTH H.S. (0).

Having defeated Te Aute, we were called upon five days later to defend the Cup against Palmerston North Boys' High School. This was the last Moascar Cup match for the season. Palmerston North came up in full force. On the night preceding the match the team arrived, and was met at the station by the School fifteen and members of the Rugby Union. On the day of the match a special train arrived, bringing pupils, old boys and parents of the school. A huge crowd gathered at the Recreation Ground to witness the game. The teams were:—

Palmerston North (white and blue).—Full-back, Barling; three-quarters, M'Sweeney, Bennett, Palmer; five-eighths, Pacey, Evans; half, Williamson; rover, Glendin-

ning; forwards, Aim, Kells, Conway, Annison, Davis, Tremewan, Diederich.

New Plymouth (black and white).—Full-back, Petty; three-quarters, Moyes, Brown, Mackay; five-eighths, Alexander, Shaw; half, Jeffries; rover, Paterson; forwards, Eaves, Christie, Golding, McAllum, Fookes, Ennis, Gibson.

Bursting through from Brown's kick-off, the New Plymouth forwards packed round the ball, and from an ensuing scrum hooked the leather out, but Palmerston were penalised for off-side play, and Brown tried a kick from just inside half-way. The shot was charged down, and following up a kick by Alm, the visitors burst through to the twenty-five line, where Moyes fumbled a pass from retty, and Shaw saved an ugly situation. Attempts by New Plymouth to hurl back the invaders met with spirited resistance.

The first thrill of the match was provided by Palmer, who intercepted a pass and raced down the touch-line, being effectively tackled by Brown right in the corner. Exciting played followed on the home team's line, Evans flashing through, but Paterson relieved. This gave the New Plymouth backs the opportunity to swing into action, though poor passing robbed their bouts of interest, and the visitors profited in consequence. Deadly tackling kept the Palmerston backs in check, and aided by two penalties for offside play, New Plymouth worked their way into an attacking position for the first time. It was only a temporary advantage, for Glendinning and Kells, with a splendid dribbling rush, carried play once more into New Plymouth territory.

Over-anxiety marred New Plymouth's back work, whereas the challengers played confidently, fielding and returning high kicks in good style, and never letting up in their efforts to penetrate the defence. Following another exciting passage, Glendinning was all but over, and a second later he was smothered with the ball in trying to force his way across. New Plymouth sought relief by long kicks, but the visitors, returning well, gave the defenders no peace. Barling sent Bennett away on a slashing run to the line, where Pacey dashed up to accept a pass and cross near the posts, and a try was being hailed when the referee recalled play for an off-side pass.

A quarter of an hour had elapsed, during which Palmerston, almost constantly on the attack, had had the better of the game. Play swung from the New Plymouth line

to half-way, but rarely penetrated further. The visitors were hooking the ball well, giving the men behind them every chance. Picking up from the loose, Pacey had a 'pot' at goal, a splendid attempt failing by the barest of margins. Aided by a forward rush, followed by a good kick by Shaw, New Plymouth thrust through and looked dangerous, till Pacey, with another great dash, carried play back. The complexion of the game changed rapidly, Shaw, with a clever cut in, rousing cheers from the crowd, when ralmer, with a retaliating move, regained Palmerston's lost ground. A minute later Palmer gave Shaw the ball again, and he headed for the line, losing the ball when diving across. Palmerston swept play back to New Plymouth's twenty-five, and Davis and Bennett both tried strenuously to score, but were well tackled.

Then came the outstanding incident of the match. New Plymouth were penned in their own twenty-five when Shaw picked up the ball and flashed through the loose. running parallel with the touch-line. Seeing his way blocked he swerved across field, brilliantly beating several men, and over half-way shot the leather out to Mackay, who was coming up fast on the other wing. The latter put in a great run, fended off a couple of opponents, and, after a firty yards' sprint, dashed over near the corner amid great enthusiasm. It was a magnificent effort and well deserved success. Brown's kick from a wide angle was a good attempt, but failed.

New Plymouth	 3
Palmerston North	 ()

Sweeping down field again, Palmerston resumed the offensive, Pacey doing good work for the visitors. The Taranaki backs were getting the ball from the scrum, but good spoiling work by the visitors, in which Bennett proved an adept at intercepting, frustrated the attempts to open out. Caught with the ball, Barling let New Plymouth through, but Glendinning led play past half-way, where several tight, indecisive scrummages took place. At last, from one of these, Jeffries sent the ball through Alexander to Shaw, who beat three men, and whipped the leather to Brown. The New Plymouth captain, with determination written on his face, raced for the line, with Moyes close at hand. Swerving in sharply, Brown was partly held by Bar-

ling, but he had only to fall across to score. His kick at goal again missed by a narrow margin, and immediately after half-time sounded with the score:

New Plymouth	 1
Palmerston North	 1

The second spell opened with Palmerston in the ascendant, till Eaves, Christie and Paterson broke through to the twenty-five flag, bustling Barling, who failed to stop a rolling ball, and New Plymouth settled down to the attack. Mackay sent Brown flying through the loose, but having no one to pass to, a good scoring opportunity was lost. Pacey was the thorn in the side of the New Plymouth backs, who could not open out effectively. Presently the Palmerston forwards charged through in a loose rush, only to be driven back by a long kick by Brown, as Bennett and Pacey were waiting to start a passing bout.

It was anyone's game, both teams changing defence into attack, only to be swept back. Both sets of forwards were doing particularly good work. One instant Fookes and Golding were leading a dangerous New Plymouth rush, and the next Glendinning was nearly over from a counter-rush. Palmerston were trying to keep the game to the forwards, while New Plymouth were making equally keen endeavours to set their backs going. A mull by Barling had the visitors in peril, but Pacey, with a good run and a long kick, saved the situation, and in the ensuing play Petty recorded the first force down of the match.

Bright flashes of play on both sides resulted in honours even, but Palmerston's spoiling work was robbing the game of much of its spectacular features. Once Diederich and Glendinning shone out, an off-side pass nipping the effort in the bud. Evans and Palmer were responsible for a pretty piece of play, which drove deep into the defence. Brown returned with a long kick, and Mackay, who followed up fast, was in time to block Baring's kick. Paterson rushed in after the ball, but right underneath the posts he was beaten by the bounce, and Evans snapped it up to line.

Lobbed passes spoiled the work of the New Plymouth backs, who were not playing with their accustomed crispness. Catching Palmer with the ball, Paterson put New Plymouth dangerously on the attack. Then Palmer burst

through, transferring to Pacey, who spurted down field before sending a wide pass to Conway. A try looked certain, but Petty came in with a fine tackle and New Plymouth forced.

Playing with splendid dash, the visitors made valiant efforts to score, and it looked as if they would succeed. Good work by Golding gave relief, and Shaw made an opening for Brown, who shot the ball out to Mackay. With a magnificent burst of speed he raced for the corner and ran round to score between the posts. Brown succeeded with an easy kick.

New Plymouth	11
Palmerston North	0

That sounded the death-knell on ralmerston's hopes of lifting the Cup, but, undaunted, the visitors set a terrific pace during the remaining five minutes. Annison tried a penalty kick from a little inside half-way, the ball being charged down, and a minute later a thrilling game ended:

	New Frymouth			
	Palmerston	North		0
Mr.	A. H. Guy	refereed		

SEVEN-A-SIDE TOURNAMENTS.

On March 31 a seven-a-side team, consisting of Mackay, Shaw, Alexander, Petty, Brown, Paterson and Eaves journeyed to Kaponga to take part in their competition. In the first round we played Kaponga B and defeated them by 26 points to 3, after a bright and fast game. Mackay scored 4 tries, Shaw 1 and Brown 1. The latter converted four. In the second round we were defeated by Joll's by a narrow margin of 3 points to nil. We wish here to thank Mr. and Mrs. Moss for the kind way in which they treated us during our short stay. We could not have wished for a better time.

On June 4 School entered two teams for the Dewar Shield seven-a-side tournament. The A team, who won the shield last year, were defeated by Star by 5 points to 3 in the first round.

The B team. consisting of Mason (captain), Guy, Morey, Fletcher, S. Fookes, Golding and Newell are to be congratulated on the fine performance they put up. They defeated two teams before being beaten by Stratford, who were the runners-up. In the first round they defeated Old Boys' A team by 3 to nil. Guy scored a good try from an opening made by Fletcher. The second match, against Star B, proved an exciting contest. When time was called there was no score, so an extra spell had to be played, in which Morey scored and Newell converted. The game ended with the scores: School 5, Star 3. School played their last match against Stratford A, who were too heavy and fast. Had it not been for the deadly tackling of Fookes and Golding the score would have been bigger. At this stage the rain came on, which stopped the School backs from getting into action. An extra spell had to be played in this game too, and Stratford forced their way across, and thus put School out of the tournament.

SECOND FIFTEEN.

v. STAR.

(April 28-Lost 25 to 0.)

This match was played at Pukekura Park, and School had a very weak team, owing to illness in the First Fifteen.

v. URENUI.

(June 2-Drew, 3 all.)

The game was played at Urenui and resulted in a draw after a stirring game. Newell kicked a penalty goal and scored a try.

v. TUKAPA.

(June 9-Lost 5 to 3.)

The game was played on the Racecourse in wet weather. Banks scored for School.

v. INGLEWOOD.

(June 16-Lost 17 to 0.)

The Second Fifteen journeyed to Inglewood and received a severe licking, but the score did not indicate the difference in the teams.

v. A FIFTEEN FROM S.S. DEVON.

(June 12-Won 56 to 0.)

School entered the field with a strong team and gave a good display. The following scored for School:—Guy 4, Fookes 4, Bleakley 2, Mitcalfe 2, Mason, Revell, Webb. Wilson 1. Mason converted two and Banks and Petty one.

v. TECHNICAL COLLEGE.

(July 25-Won 9 to 3.)

This proved to be a poor exhibition. Webb scored two tries and Mason kicked a penalty.

THIRD FIFTEEN.

v. CLIFTON.

(May 28-Won 32 to 6.)

This match took place on the Racecourse in a strong wind. Bellringer and Heycock scored two tries and O'Halloran, Simcock, McIvor, Murdoch, K. Fookes and Hutchen scored one each. Pease converted one.

v. STAR.

(June 2-Won 34 to 3.)

Crawford scored 3 tries, and Pease, Simcock and K. Fookes 2 each. Crawford kicked a penalty and converted two.

v. OLD BOYS.

(June 9-Won 16 to 0.)

K. Fookes, Pease, Cottier and Murdoch scored. Pease converted two.

v. CLIFTON.

June 16—Won 12 to 6.)

School journeyed to Waitara, where, after a hard and close game, they defeated the home team. Crawford, Simcock and Hutchen scored. Pease kicked a goal.

v. HIGH SCHOOL D

(June 21—Won 17 to 5.)

Crawford scored two tries and Hutchen and Heycock one each. Crawford converted one and kicked a penalty.

v. HIGH SCHOOL D.

(June 28-Won 13 to 3.)

Bellringer scored two tries and Crawford one. Pease and Crawford converted a try each.

v. TECHNICAL COLLEGE A.

(July 13-Won 16 to 0.)

T. Fookes, Murdoch and Peyton scored. Crawford converted two and kicked a penalty.

Technical College B forfeited.

v. STAR.

(July 21-Won 53 to 0.)

Although this match was played in the mud, School handled the ball well and easily managed to defeat Star. T. Fookes scored four tries, Crawford three, Hutchen, Pease, Tiplady and M. Fletcher one. Crawford converted three and Grant one.

v. OLD BOYS

July 28—Won 26 to 5.)

Crawford scored three tries, K. Fookes two and Tiplady, Hutchen and Heycock one each. Grant converted one.

v. STRATFORD.

(Lost 6 to 0.)

For this match, which was the semi-final for the Northern Division, School journeyed to Stratford. After a close and exciting game Stratford won the game by two unconverted tries.

FOURTH FIFTEEN.

v. STAR.

(May 20—Lost 6 to 5.)

Crawford scored and Peyton converted.

v. CLIFTON.

(June 2-Draw, 6 all.)

Herdman and Holmes scored.

v. TUKAPA.

(June 9-Won 5 to 3.)

Law scored and McLean converted

v. STAR.

(June 16—Won 9 to 5.)

Tiplady scored two tries and Woodham one

v. HIGH SCHOOL C

June 21—Lost 17 to 5.)

Cottier scored and Peyton converted.

v. HIGH SCHOOL C.

(June 28—Lost 13 to 3.)

Robertson scored.

v. TECHNICAL COLLEGE B. (July 13—Won 20 to 0.)

Woodham, T. Eaves, Herdman and McLean scored. The latter converted two. S. Cottier potted a goal.

v. TECHNICAL COLLEGE A. (July 14—Won 8 to 6.)

Woodham and McLean scored. McLean converted one.

v. CLIFTON.

(July 21-Won 9 to 3.)

Cottier scored two tries and McLean one.

v. TUKAPA.

(July 28—Won 3 to 0.)

Cottier scored.

IN A CANADIAN LUMBER CAMP.

(By F. Kelly.)

The name Canada is almost sure to call to mind wheat-covered prairie and forests, the latter infested by moose, lumberjacks and other wild or semi-tamed creatures. When visiting Canada one expects to see them, but is quite likely to get no closer acquaintance than is possible through the window of a railway carriage. The only thing to do is firmly to say good-bye to the cities and go forth in old clothes, seeking spots where Nature has been less disturbed.

Anyone who wants a peaceful holiday may be recommended to go into a lumber camp; that is if it is the same camp as the writer explored in south-western Ontario. Without any wish to set up ideas of lumbermen different from those derived from novels, it may be said that this camp was, if anything, more decorous than the average Sunday school of the days of one's youth. A stay of two or three weeks in it might almost be guaranteed to result in nothing more harmful than the learning of one or two new combinations of words. That isn't saying anything about what the same men may do when away from the camp and amusing themselves in town, however.

The place where the train left those who were going to work for the Shevlin-Clarke Coy. would not have been a place at all if no one had set up lumber camps in the neighbourhood. The only real building was the railway station; had been painted. But its colour was nothing much to be proud of in comparison with the flaming autumn tint of the maples scattered through the surrounding forest. The nearest of the lumber camps was 20 miles away and the others of the dozen or so camps owned by the company were scattered up and down the shores of two lakes of quite considerable area, though of no importance among the hundreds of lakes in the Dominion. With other lakes and connecting rivers they formed a waterway of some hundreds of miles by which logs were taken to the mills.

A road led from the railway to No. 1 Camp and the men bumped over it—the bumps were considerable—in a motor-lorry which would continue to run backward and forward, carrying stores, until the coming of the snow called for horses and sledges. As yet there had been no snow. The trees, thinking of shedding their leaves, had first made them beautiful with every imaginable shade of brown, yellow and red. The beauty of the northern autumn was almost amazing to one from this land of the evergreen.

There were two kinds of men in the camp—bohunks and Anglo-Saxons, the former being emigrants from lands where names are made unpronunceable by a deficiency of vowels and an overplus of y's, z's and other difficult consonants. They all lived together in a huge log cabin, built on the "if winter comes" plan; that is, with the parts so neatly fitted that the warm air inside and the cold outside had not the least chance of mixing. The cold had not arrived then, but the bunkhouse was kept well closed up, with a fire going. To one used to fresh air, each night meant semi-suffocation.

Except for 10 hours' work each week-day, the men had all their time to themselves, so they were very lucky, as the surroundings were ideal for an open-air holiday. The camp was situated between two lakes, surrounded by forest and studded with islets. On Sundays one could bathe and afterwards idle under the trees while the unabashed squirrels and their first cousins, the chipmunks (if that is how their name is spelt) gathered a winter store of food, nimbly and with much chattering. When the snow had come and the lakes had frozen over there would be no more bathing, hence no more washing beyond faces and hands. There was little

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inducement to wait and see what the bunkhouse would be like to sleep in then!

Meal-times were really the best times in the camp for anyone able to eat heartily. The amount and variety of the food was surprising. In the middle of the day a quite elaborate dinner would be sent out by boat to the lake-shore near where work was proceeding. There would be meat, two or three vegetables and gravy, also some kind of tart and a liberal supply of bread and butter and cakes to fill up odd spaces. Dinner in camp would be more elaborate still. At every meal doughnuts and cakes were provided; usually there was some stewed fruit; and at breakfast porridge, wheat-cakes and meat or bacon.

A strange custom, strictly observed, was that there should be no talking at the meal-tables in the cook-house. The most that could be ventured was to ask for something not within reach. The cook-ees (or cook's assistants) darted nimbly about seeing that all dishes on the tables were kept supplied. What would happen if someone spoke jovially to the cook was not discovered; no one tried it on!

The country here was not heavily timbered, but, like hundreds of square miles in Canada east of the prairies, bore trees that were little better than stunted. Comparatively few would be above 18 inches in diameter. The land was undulating and rock-strewn, unsuitable for cultivation and apparently destined to be useful for nothing but the growing of trees for timber and paper-making. But for the lumber camps there was no settlement. The only road was that made by the lumber company between the railway and the lakes. To get anywhere else one had to take train.

Many of us do not realise how large a part of Canada's 3,000,000 square miles will not serve man beyond yielding him timber and minerals. But it is rich in these.

ANNUAL SPORTS.

The Annual Athletic Sports were commenced on the School grounds on Saturday, October 20, and the morning events were run off; but weather conditions, which were, unfortunately, decidedly unpropitious, necessitated a post-ponement of the events set down for the afternoon. A slight break in the weather early in the afternoon permitted

the running of the Invitation Race, which was won by M. Gray (Hawera Technical High School). On Saturday, November 3, under almost ideal weather conditions, the remaining events were decided.

ANNUAL SPORTS.

The outstanding feature of the meeting was the performance of J. D. Mackay, winner of the Senior Championship, who established four new records. In the Long Jump the previous record of 19ft. 4½in. was eclipsed by five inches; the time for the 880 yards was lowered from 2min. 12sec. to 2min. 11 3-5sec.; the record for the 440 yards, previously 55 1-5sec., was lowered to 54 1-5sec.; and the time for the 120 Yards Hurdles was lowered from 17sec. to 16 4-5sec. In the 440 Yards Junior C. Holmes, winner of the Junior Championship, lowered the time from 59 2-5sec. to 58 4-5sec., while in the 50 yards and 100 yards (under 12) H. Thomson equalled the previous records of 7sec. and 43 2-5sec. respectively.

The Committee desires to take this opportunity of thanking the judges, timekeepers, marksmen and other officials, who performed their duties so efficiently. The thanks of the Committee are also due to Mrs. Moyes and the ladies who dispensed afternoon tea in the Assembly Hall to the accompaniment of orchestral music.

The results are:-

150 Yards Open.—First heat: T. Fookes (5yds.) 1; time, 17sec. Second heat: J. Eaves (2yds.) 1; time, 18sec. Third heat: T. Jones (8yds.) 1; time, 17 1-5sec. Fourth heat: H. Stevenson (6yds.) 1; time, 17sec. Fifth heat: J. Paterson (4yds.) 1; time, 18sec. Sixth heat: Guy (4yds.) and Blundell (8yds.) 1; time, 17sec. Seventh heat: S. Cottier (5yds.) 1; time, 16 4-5sec. Eighth heat: Petty (5yds.) 1; time, 17sec. Ninth heat: Black (8yds.) 1; time, 17sec. Final: T. Fookes (5yds.) 1, S. Cottier (5yds.) 2, H. Y. Stevenson (6yds.) 3; time, 15 4-5sec.

100 Yards (under 15).—First heat: Taylor (7yds.) 1, Wells (6yds.) 2, Dickey (1yd.) 3; time, 12sec. Second heat: Grover (scr.) 1, R. Mahraj (2yds.) 2, George (7yds.) 3; time, 11 4-5sec. Third heat: Warner (scr.) 1, G. MacDiarmid (5yds.) 2, Hardwick (7yds.) 3; time, 11 4-5sec. Fourth heat: Pepper (8yds.) 1, R. Sampson (4yds.) 2, Betts (6yds.) 3; time, 12 2-5sec. Fifth heat: Hodge (6yds.) 1, Allhusen (2yds.) 2; time, 12 2-5sec. Final: Taylor (7yds.) 1, Warner (scr.) 2, Grover (scr.) 3; time, 11 2-5sec.

100 Yards (Senior Cup).—First heat (championship heat): Mackay 1, Insull 2, Brown 3; time, 11sec. Second heat: T. Fookes (4yds.) 1, Gilmour (1yd.) 2, D. McLean (5yds.) 3; time, 11sec. Third heat: H. Stevenson (5yds.) 1, E. Gibson (5yds.) 2, B. Mahraj (3yds.) 3; time, 11 1-5sec. Fourth heat: S. Cottier (4yds.) 1, Jonas (5yds.) 2, Alexander (3yds.) 3; time, 11 1-5sec. Fifth heat: Woodham (5yds.) 1, E. Jackson (5yds.) 2, Rainger (4yds.) 3; time, 11 2-5sec. Final: Gilmour (1yd.) 1, T. Fookes (4yds.) 2, Rainger (4yds.) 3; time, 10 4-5sec.

100 Yards (Junior Cup).—First heat (championship heat): C. Holmes 1, S. Cottier 2, J. Medley 3; time, 12sec. Second heat: Black (3yds.) 1, Corkill (3yds.) and R. Mahraj (2yds.) 2; time, 11 4-5sec. Third heat: Garner (8yds.) 1, F. Rogers (9yds.) 2; time, 12sec. Fourth heat: Taylor (8yds.) 1, Warner (3yds.) 2; time, 12 4-5sec. Fifth heat: Robb (3yds.) 1, D. Robertson (4yds.) 2; time, 12 1-5sec. Sixth heat: R. Fletcher (1yd.) 1, Roebuck (7yds.) 2; time, 12 1-5sec. Seventh heat: Galbraith (3yds.) 1, Telford (4yds.) 2; time, 12sec. Final: Warner 1, Taylor 2; time, 11sec.

Long Jump (Senior Cup).—Mackay (scr.), 19ft. $9\frac{1}{2}$ in., 1; Insull (scr.), 19ft. 6in., 2; Crawford (scr.), 18ft. $7\frac{1}{2}$ in., 3—a record.

Long Jump (Junior Cup).—S. Cottier (scr.), 18ft. $0\frac{1}{2}$ in., 1; C. Holmes (scr.), 17ft. $4\frac{1}{2}$ in., 2; Grover (scr.), 17ft. 3in., 3.

75 Yards (under 13).—O. Clarke (2yds.) 1, J. Davies (3yds.) 2, Field (2yds.) 3; time, 10 1-5sec.

880 Yards (Senior Cup).—Mackay (scr.), 1, Brown (scr.) 2, H. Knuckey (30yds.) 3. Time, 2min. 11 3-5sec.—a record.

880 Yards (Junior Cup).—F. Davis (10yds.) 1, W. Penman (15yds.) 2, Anderson (20yds.) and Roebuck (20yds.) 3. Time, 2min. 21 1-5sec.

100 Yards (under 14 Cup).—First heat (championship heat): Allhusen 1, M. Rogers 2, L. Barlow 3; time, 12 4-5sec. Second heat: Field (3yds.) 1, York (5yds.) 2, Cotterill (3yds.) 3; time, 13 4-5sec. Third heat: Gruszning (3yds.) 1, Hardwick (2yds.) 2, Reakes (5yds.) 3; time, 13 1-5sec. Final: Allhusen 1, Gruszning 2, M. Rogers 3; time, 12 2-5sec.

220 Yards Open.—First heat: Rainger (5yds.) 1, Blundell (8yds.) 2; time, 27sec. Second heat: J. Paterson (4yds.) 1, E. Gibson (6yds.) 2; time, 27 1-5sec. Third heat: Fox (10yds.) 1, J. Eaves (scr.) 2; time, 26 3-5sec. Fourth heat: Gilmour (scr.) 1, Bleakley (6yds.) 2; time, 25 2-5sec. Fifth heat: D. McLean (7yds.) 1, Erlandson (1yd.) 2; time, 26 1-5sec. Sixth heat: S. Fookes (4yds.) 1, J. L. Shaw (3yds.) 2; time, 26 2-5sec. Seventh heat: C. Tate (3yds.) 1, Crawford (scr.) 2; time, 26 2-5sec. Final: Gilmour 1, Rainger 2, D. McLean 3; time, 25 4-5sec.

High Jump (Junior Cup).—Collins (1in.), 4ft. 10¼in., 1; Roche (3in.) and Hardwick (6in.), 4ft. 9in., 2.

50 Yards (under 10).—T. Thomson (scr.) 1, G. Saunders (scr.) 2, Lile (scr.) 3; time, 8sec.

440 Yards (Senior Cup).—Mackay (scr.) 1, Brown (scr.) 2, Insull scr.) 3. Time, 54 1-5sec—a record.

440 Yards (Senior Handicap).—Gilmour (5yds.) 1, H. Knuckey (20yds.) and N. MacDiarmid (30yds.) 2. Time, 56 1-5sec.

440 Yards (Junior Cup).—C. Holmes (scr.) 1, S. Cottier (scr.) 2, Grover (scr.) 3. Time, 58 4-5sec.—a record.

440 Yards (Junior Handicap).—Telford (25yds.) 1, Warner (5yds.) 2, F. Davis (5yds.) 3. Time, 56 1-5sec.

75 Yards (under 14 Cup).—First heat (championship heat): Allhusen 1, M. Rogers 2, S. Batger 3; time, 9 1-5sec Second heat: Wyv. Johnson (5yds.) and A. Hetherington (3yds.) 1, D. Jackson (4yds.) 3; time, 10 1-5sec. Third heat: Hardwick (2yds.) 1, Reakes (4yds.) 2, R. O'Dea (4yds.) 3; time, 10sec. Final: Allhusen 1, M. Rogers 2, Hardwick 3; time, 9 3-5sec.

50 Yards (under 11).—H. Thomson (ser.) 1, Western (6yds.) 2. Time, 7 1-5sec.

Three-legged Race (75yds).—First heat: Blundell and Saxton 1, Calvert and Hammonds 2. Second heat: Galbraith and D. Johns 1, A. Read and Wells 2. Third heat: Billing and Elder 1, Moverley and Ogle 2. Fourth heat: D. Knuckey and Watts 1, W. Jones and Pepper 2. Fifth heat: F. Read and H. Knuckey 1, Ford and Wills 2. Sixth heat: Gorringe and Gruszning 1, Crudis and Hodge 2. Seventh heat: Honeyfield and Betts 1, B. Pease and Easton 2. Final: F. Read and H. Knuckey 1, Moverley and Ogle 2

High Jump (Senior Cup).—H. Insull (scr.), 5ft. 0¼in., 1; Crawford (scr.) and Kidson (2in.), 2.

100 Yards (under 12 Cup).—H. Thomson (scr.) 1, J. Davies (scr.) 2, G. Walker (scr.) 3. Time, 13 2-5sec.—equal to record.

Potato Race (over 14).—First heat: Ogle 1, Baunton 2. Second heat: Carman 1, D. Knuckey 2. Third heat: Lealand 1, Roebuck 2. Fourth heat: N. MacDiarmid 1, Bowen 2. Fifth heat: Honeyfield 1, Pankhurst 2. Sixth heat: J. Law 1, Jones 2. Seventh heat: R. Mahraj 1, Meredith 2. Eighth heat: Grant 1, Bensley 2. Final: Ogle 1, Lealand 2.

Potato Race (under 14).—First heat: S. Batger 1, Parrott 2, A. Hutchen 3. Second heat: B. Cooke 1, J. Holmes 2, Beamish 3. Final: S. Batger 1, J. Holmes 2, B. Cooke 3.

Invitation Race (100yds.).—M. Gray 1, Gilmour 2, Mackay 3. Time, 11sec.

75 Yards (under 10 Cup).—G. Saunders and T. Thomson 1, Lile 3. Time, 11 3-5sec.

50 Yards (under 12 Cup).—First heat (championship heat): H. Thomson 1, J. Davies 2, G. Walker 3; time, 7sec.—equal to record. Second heat: Wyn. Johnson (3yds.) 1, Nolan (2yds.) 2, C. Kenny (2yds.) 3; time, 7 4-5sec. Final: H. Thomson 1, G. Walker 2, J. Davies 3; time, 7sec.—equal to record.

Sack Race (75yds.)—First heat: C. Griffiths (10yds.) 1, Moverley (10yds.) 2. Second heat: J. Hetherington (20yds.) 1, Roche (5yds.) 2. Third heat: T. Bellringer (10yds.) 1, N. MacDiarmid (scr.) 2. Fourth heat: D. Hetherington (15yds.) 1, L. Burgess (15yds.) 2. Fifth heat: A. Hutchen (scr.) 1, Cartwright (5yds.) 2. Sixth heat: Tiplady (5yds.) 1, E. Leech (10yds.) 2. Final: J. and D. Hetherington (dead heat) 1, L. Burgess 3.

100 Yards (under 10 Cup).—G. Saunders (scr.) 1, T. Thomson (scr.) 2, Lile (scr.) 3. Time, 15sec.

150 Yards (under 12 Cup).—H. Thomson (scr.) 1, J. Davies (scr.) 2, G. Walker (scr.) 3. Time, 20 1-5sec.

Old Boys' Race (100yds.).—L. B. Webster (14yds.) 1, C. H. Wynyard (6yds.) 2. Time, 11sec.



WINNERS OF ATHLETIC CHAMPIONSHIPS, 1923.
S. Allhusen
L. C. Holmes
J. D. Mackay
(Under 14 Champ.)
(Junior Champ.)
(Senior Champ.)

G. B. Saunders (Under 10 Champ.) (Senior Champ.) H. L. Thomson (Under 12 Champ.)

120 Yards Hurdles (Senior Cup).—First heat (championship heat).—Mackay 1, Brown 2, Insull 3; time, 16 4-5sec.—a record. Second heat: S. Fookes (scr.) 1, Abraham (scr.) 2, Hawkins (scr.) 3; time, 18sec. Final: Mackay (owe 7yds.) 1, Brown (owe 7yds.) 2, S. Fookes (scr.) 3. Time, 17sec.

120 Yards Hurdles (Junior Cup), championship points taken from final.—First heat: Beaven (owe 7yds.) 1, Brewster (owe 7yds.) 2; time, 21 1-5sec. Second heat: S. Cottier (owe 7yds.) 1, Grover (owe 7yds.) 2; time, 20 4-5sec. Third heat: Collins (owe 3yds.) 1; time, 19 4-5sec. Fourth heat: J. Pease (owe 3yds.) 1; time, 21sec. Final: Collins 1, S. Cottier 2, J. Pease 3; time, 20 1-5sec.

220 Yards (under 14 Cup).—First heat (championship heat): Allhusen 1, M. Rogers 2, Beamish 3; time, 29sec. Second heat: Gruszning (5yds.) 1, Hardwick (4yds.) 2, A. Hutchen (3yds.) 3; time, 29 1-5sec. Final: Gruszning 1, Allhusen 2, Rogers 3; time, 29 2-5sec.

One mile (Senior).—D. Wilson (scr.) 1, M. Bree (40yds.) 2, Mackay (scr.) 3. Time, 5min. 2sec.

One Mile (Junior).—Tuffery (20yds.) 1, Roebuck (50yds.) 2, Spiers (20yds.) 3. Time, 5min. 18 1-5sec.

Throwing Cricket Ball (Senior).—J. D. Mackay 1, D. Crawford 2. Distance: 82yds. 1ft. 3in.

Throwing Cricket Ball (Junior).—W. Brewster 1, C. Strombom 2. Distance: 74yds. 1ft. 6in.

CHAMPIONSHIP POINTS

Senior Championship (maximum points 35).—J. D. Mackay (31 points) 1, H. Insull (14 points) 2, H. W. Brown (10 points) 3, D. Crawford (7 points) 4.

Junior Championship (maximum points 35).—L. C. Holmes (23 points) 1, S. Cottier (20 points) 2, W. Brewster (6 points) and Murdoch (6 points) 3.

Under 14 Championship (maximum points 20).—S. Allhusen (15 points) 1, M. Rogers (14 points) 2, L. Barlow (4 points) 3.

Under 12 Championship (maximum points 20).—H. L. Thomson (16 points) 1, J. Davies (9 points) 2, E. Wilson (5 points) 3.

Under 10 Championship (maximum points 20).—G. Saunders (17 points) 1, T. Thomson (15 points) 2, A. Lile (4 points) 3.

CUP WINNERS.

Cups have been won as follow:-

Mason Memorial Cup (880 yards senior).—J. D. Mackay.

Mr. Beckbessinger's Cup (100 yards junior).—L. C. Holmes.

Old Boys' Shield (440 yards senior championship).— J. D. Mackay.

Mrs. Bothamley's Cup (440 yards junior champion-ship).—L. C. Holmes.

Mr. Harman's Cup (440 yards junior handicap).— J. Telford.

Mr. Pridham's Cup (100 Yards Old Boys' Race).—L. B. Webster.

Mr. Noakes' Cup (120 yards senior hurdles).— J. D. Mackay.

Dr. Fookes' Cup (mile senior).—D. M. Wilson.

Senior Steeplechase Cup.—Bowen. Bryce Cup (fastest time): D. M. Wilson.

Junior Steeplechase Cup.—D. Parkin.

SHOOTING.

(W. E. Alexander.)

During the second term all activities were confined to the coaching of the Imperial Challenge Shield teams, and in spite of the adverse conditions under which the competition was conducted the results obtained were very gratifying. A total number of thirty-six teams were fired, compared to eight teams of last year, and although the scores are lower on account of the smaller targets, yet the results obtained compare favourably with those of former years.

The greater part of the shooting was done on the lower range, which had been extended for the purpose, but later,

when the afternoon light became weaker, we found it necessary to commission the top range. The final matches were conducted during school, and as it took some considerable time, it was necessary to fire as many as five teams in one day. These matches were ably supervised by Lieut. Andrew, V.C., and Lieut. Smith, and we take this opportunity of thanking them. These matches were commenced on April 30, the A team of No. 3 Platoon, 24th Company, shooting first, and then followed B, C, D and E teams in that order.

The total results for the whole School were:-

Number of boys fired	316
Number of teams fired	36
Total points gained	24,305
Average for School	

The highest praise is due to Mr. Bertrand, by whose efforts the teams have reached this high standard, and we are very grateful to him for all the assistance he has given us in our shooting.

In the Senior Competition the total results were:-

Number of boys fired	191
Number of teams	
Points scored	14,939
Average score	78.178

The best team averages were:-

В	Team,	No.	1	Platoon	***************************************	91.875
A	Team,	No.	1	Platoon		90.2
C	Team.	No.	1	Platoon		88.37

The highest individual scores were:—

J. Ogle	98
W. Alexander	97
H. Stevenson	96
S. Bellringer	96
O Bainger	96

SHOOTING NOTES.

The following are the detailed scores of the Senior Competition:-

No. 1 PLATOON, No. 24 COMPANY-A TEAM.

Name.	Ag	Age.		Rapid	Total
			(50)	(50)	(100)
Q.M.S. W. E. Alexander	17yrs.	2mths.	47	50	97
Sergt. J. D. Mackay	17yrs.	7mths.	49	42	91
Sergt. H. P. Mitcalfe	17yrs.	2mths.	46	47	93
Cpl. L. Christie	17yrs.	5mths.	43	45	88
Cpl. H. M. I. McIvor	17yrs.	2mths.	41	40	81
Cpl. M. Lysons	15yrs.	8mths.	48	47	95
Cpl. M. D. Bree	16yrs.	11mths.	40	45	85
Cadet H. Stevenson	17yrs.	2mths.	48	48	96
Cadet D. C. O'Halloran	15yrs.	11mths.	43	43	86
Grand Total					812

Average age of team, 16yrs, 11mths, Average score, 90.2.

No. 1 PLATOON, No. 24 COMPANY—B TEAM.

Name.	A	ge.	Delib. (50)	Rapid (50)	Total (100)
Cpl. S. Bellringer	16yrs.	7mths.	47	49	96
Cadet V. Fookes			44	48	92
Cadet W. Foote			47	45	92
Cadet W. Ritter	16yrs.	3mths.	46	46	92
Cadet R. Fletcher			43	48	91
Cadet N. MacDiarmid			45	43	88
Cadet E. Fauchelle	15yrs.	4mths.	45	45	90
Cadet R. Buick		4mths.	47	47	94
Grand Total					735

Average age of team, 16yrs, 0mths. Average score, 91.875.

No. 1 PLATOON, No. 24 COMPANY—C TEAM.

Name.	Age.		Delib.	Rapid (50)	Total
Cpl. M. Heycock	17yrs.	3mths.	46	39	85
Cadet W. Brodie			49	46	95
Cadet J. Ogle			49	49	98
Cadet C. Robb			49	44	93
Cadet O. W. Rainger			49	47	96

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Cadet M. Fletcher	16yrs.	3mths.	39	41	80
Cadet E. Jeffries	16yrs.	9mths.	44	30	74

Cadet H. Hawkins 16yrs. 2mths. 42 86 Grand Total 707

Average age of team, 16yrs, 4mths, Average score, 88.37.

No. 1 PLATOON, No. 24 COMPANY-D TEAM.

SHOOTING NOTES

Name.	Delib.	Rapid	Total
	(50)	(50)	(100)
Cpl. J. Eaves	40	45	85
Cpl. J. McCallum	47	43	90
Cadet D. Lee	43	44	87
Cadet C. Wills	43	43	86
Cadet D. Crawford	45	42	87
Cadet J. Pease	32	35	67
Cadet P. Sladden	47	45	92
Cadet D. Grant	46	46	92
Grand Total			686

Average age of team, 15yrs. 9mths. Average score, 85.75.

No. 2 PLATOON, No. 24 COMPANY—A TEAM.

Name.	Age.	Delib.	Rapid	Total
		(50)	(50)	(1.00)
Cadet R. Murdock	15yrs. 2mths.	45	46	91
Cadet T. Syme		47	44	91
Cadet J. Hutchinson	16yrs. 10mths.	40	41	81
Cadet E. Mason	15yrs. 11mths.	38	35	73
Cadet K. Rampton	15yrs, 11mths.	46	42	88
Cadet W. Brewster	14yrs. 11mths.	43	45	88
Cadet A. Walker		46	47	93
Cadet J. Miller	14yrs. 10mths.	42	42	84
Cadet R. Hastie	17yrs. 3mths.	45	39	84
Cadet Penny	15yrs. Omths.	34	47	81
Cadet L. Burgess	15yrs. 2mths.	38	44	82
Cadet D. Somerville	15yrs. 4mths.	39	42	81
Grand Total				1017

Average age of team, 16yrs, 9mths. Average score, 84.75.

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No. 2	PLATOON,	No. 24	COMPA	NY—B	TEAM	•.2
Name.		Ag	ge.	Delib.	Rapid	Total
				(50)	(50)	(100)
Sergt. J. S	haw	17yrs.	4mths.	43	42	85
Col. J. Pa	terson	16yrs.	limths.	42	38	80 86
Cadet V.	Barak	14yrs.	10mths.	42	44	77
Cadet G. S	hute	15yrs.	omths.	34 41	36	77
Cadet A. V	Voodham	16yrs.	Omthe	46	48	94
Cadet B.	Davies	15yrs.	1mth	40	42	82
Cadet P. C	syth	15yrs.	9mths.	46	40	86
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No.	2 PLATOON	, No. 2	4 COMP	ANY—	C TEAD	VI.
	Average age		15	yrs. 91	nths.	
			65			
	Average score		81	.625		
No.	2 PLATOON	, No. 24	4 COMP	ANY—I	D TEAD	M.
	Average age		0.62	yrs. 8		
			64	9		
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No.	3 PLATOON	I, No. 2				MI.
	Average age			5yrs. 8	Bmths.	
	Total score		10	093		
	Average scor			4.1		
No.	3 PLATOON	V, No. 2	24 COMI	PANY—	B TEA	Μ.
	Average age				Smths.	
	Total score			02		
	Average score			5.25		
NT.	3 PLATOON	V No.	24 COM	PANY-	-C TEA	M.
No.						
	Total score				645	
	Average sco	re			80.375	

No.	3 PLATOON, No. 24 COMPANY-	D TEAM.
	Total score	637
	Average score	79.0
No.	3 PLATOON, No. 24 COMPANY-	E TEAM.
	Total score	613
	Average score	76.75
No.	3 PLATOON, No. 24 COMPANY-	F TEAM.
	Total score	564
	Average score	70.5
No.	4 PLATOON, No. 24 COMPANY-	-A TEAM.
	Total score	970
	Average score	74.3
No.	4 PLATOON, No. 24 COMPANY-	—В ТЕАМ.
	Total score	574
	Average score	71.3
No.	4 PLATOON, No. 24 COMPANY-	—C TEAM.
	Total score	559
	Average score	68.9
No.	4 PLATOON, No. 24 COMPANY-	D TEAM.
	Total score	613
	Average score	76.625
No.	4 PLATOON, No. 24 COMPANY-	
	Total score	502
	Average score	62.75
No.	4 PLATOON, No. 24 COMPANY-	
	Total score	606
	Average score	60.6

The conditions for the Junior Competition were slightly altered, so that their usual slow practice on the second target was limited to two minutes. The targets were the same as last year. They commenced to fire on May 3, and their total results were:—

Number of boys fired	125
Number of teams	
Points scored	9373
Average score	74.984
The highest team scores were:—	
C Team, No. 1 Platoon	87.75
A Team, No. 1 Platoon	87.1
B Team, No. 1 Platoon	

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The following are the highest individual scores:-

E.	Wigg	 94
L.	Wilson	 94
R.	Bree	 94
J.	Medlev	 93

The detailed results of No. 110 Company in the Junior Competition were:—

No. 1 PLATOON, No. 110 COMPANY—A TEAM.

Name.	Ag	e.	Delib.	Rapid	Total
			(50)	(50)	(100)
Cadet P. Grover	14yrs.	3mths.	42	44	86
Cadet E. Wigg	14yrs.	5mths.	50	44	94
Cadet F. Steffensen	13yrs.	4mths.	39	39	78
Cadet B. Somerville	13yrs.	6mths.	46	43	89
Cadet S. Batger	13yrs.	7mths.	44	38	82
Cadet J. Beaven		4mths.	46	39	85
Cadet S. McCann		3mths.	43	43	86
Cadet S. Anderson		8mths.	43	48	91
Cadet J. Medley			44	49	93
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Grand Total		********			784

Average age of team, 13yrs, 11mths. Average score, 87.1.

No. 1 PLATOON, No. 110 COMPANY—B TEAM.

Name.	Age.		Delib. (50)	Rapid (50)	Total (100)
Cadet L. Barlow	13yrs.	5mths.	37	43	80
Cadet W. Griffiths	14yrs.	5mths.	46	42	88
Cadet S. Billing			44	38	82
Cadet M. Hollings			47	43	90
Cadet R. O'Dea			41	41	82
Cadet L. Wilson	14yrs.	4mths.	49	45	94
Cadet W. Carter	13yrs.	3mths.	42	43	85
Cadet J. Ewart	14yrs.	2mths.	40	38	78
Grand Total					870

Average age of team, 13yrs. 11mths. Average score, 84.875.

No. 1 PLATOON, No. 110 COMP	ANY—C	TEAN	1.
Name.	Delib.	Rapid	Total
	(50)	(50)	(100)
Cadet R. Bree	45	49	94
Cadet R. Lawrence	43	44	87
Cadet A. E. Read	40	47	87
Cadet E. Buist	46	44	90
Cadet M. Pepper	46	45	91
Cadet C. Tate	43	43	86
Cadet R. Martin	42	41	83
Cadet R. Noonan	44	40	84
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Grand Total			702
Average age of team, 13yrs. 11mths. Average score, 87.75.			
No. 3 PLATOON, No. 110 COMPA	ANY—A	TEAN	I.
Name. Age.	Delib.	Rapid	Total
	(50)	(50)	(100)
Cadet B. Pease 14yrs. 11mths.	41	45	86
Cadet C. Tait 14yrs. 7mths.	26	34	60
Cadet V. Betts 14yrs. 1mth.	40	35	75
Cadet H. Johns	36	43	79
Cadet H. George 13yrs. 11mths.	37	37	74
Cadet A. Hutchen 13yrs. 6mths.	36	37	73
Cadet W. Jones 12yrs. 6mths.	27	27	54
Cadet A. West 14yrs. 6mths.	37	40	77
Cadet S. Hayton 12yrs. 8mths.	37	34	71
Grand Total			<u>=1000000</u>
			649
Average age of team, 13yrs. 10mths. Average score, 72.11.			
No. 2 PLATOON, No. 110 COMPA	NY—A	TEAM	
Name. Age.	Delib.	Rapid	Total
	(50)	(50)	(100)
Cadet G. Simons 13yrs. 7mths.	42	46	88
Cadet J. Holmes 13yrs. 7mths.	40	36	76
Cadet J. Hilliard 14yrs. 6mths.	44	40	84
Cadet S. Wyborn 14yrs. 9mths.	44	45	89
Cadet G. Lucena 14yrs. 10mths.	41	44	85
Cadet D. Johns 14vrs. 7mths.	43	42	85
Cadet B. Cooke 13yrs. 3mths.	36	46	82
Cadet N. Burgess 14yrs. 6mths.	36	41	77
Cadet O. Clarke 12yrs. 8mths.	30	35	65

Grand Total

Average age of team, 14yrs, Average score, 81,2,

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N	o. 2, PLATOON, No. 110 COMPANY-	-B TEAM.
	Average age 14yrs Total score 530 Average score 66.25	lmth.
N	o. 2 PLATOON, No. 110 COMPANY-	-C TEAM.
	Average age 14yrs. Total score 504 Average score 63.0	2mths.
N	o. 2 PLATOON, No. 110 COMPANY-	-D TEAM.
		760 76.
N	o. 3 PLATOON, No. 110 COMPANY-	-В ТЕАМ.
	Total score	568 70.375
N	o. 3 PLATOON, No. 110 COMPANY-	-C TEAM.
	Total score	546 68.25
N	o. 3 PLATOON, No. 110 COMPANY-	-D TEAM.
	Total score	580 71.75
N	o. 4 PLATOON, No. 110 COMPANY-	-A TEAM.
	Total score	625 78.0

In connection with the Imperial Challenge Shield Com-
petitions the School championships are judged. The scores
which count in the averages for the championships are the
best two tests in practice and the score made in the final shoot.

 No. 4 PLATOON, No. 110 COMPANY—B TEAM.

 Total score
 586

 Average score
 73.25

No. 4 PLATOON, No. 110 COMPANY-C TEAM.

Average score 73.875

Total score 591

The Searle Cup, which is for the Senior Championship, resulted:—

	1st Test. (100)	2nd Test. (100)	Final. (100)	Average.
1st—W. E. Alexander	98	97	97	97.33
2nd—H. Y. Stevenson	98	97	96	97.00
3rd—J. Ogle	88	89	98	95.00
4th—M. Lysons	98	90	95	94.33

The Hamblyn Cup, for boys under 16 years of age, resulted:—

	1st Test. (100)	2nd Test. (100)	Final. (100)	Average.
1st—M. Lysons	98	90	95	94.33
2nd—D. O'Halloran	98	97	86	93.66
3rd—R. Buick	92	94	94	93.33
4th—W. Foote		89	92	92.33
W. Ritter	92	93	92	92.33

The Loveday Cup, for boys under 15 years of age, resulted:—

	1st Test. (100)	2nd Test. (100)	Final. (100)	Average.
1st—J. Medley	 90	91	93	91.33
2nd—E. Wigg	 90	83	94	89.00
3rd—P. Grover		91	86	88.33
4th—R. Bree	 87	82	94	87.66

The McLeod and Slade Cup, for boys under 14 years of age, resulted:—

The same of the sa	1st Test. (100)	2nd Test. (100)	Final. (100)	Average.
1st—R. Lawrence	81	86	87	84.66
2nd—C. Tait	81	78	86	81.66
3rd—Billing	82	85	72	79.66

In the third term twenty boys were selected for practice for the Weekly Press Shield team and that number has now been reduced to twelve, from which the final team will be picked.

During this term also a number of boys have been practising for the long range competitions which are held at Rewa Rewa, but owing to the bad weather only one practice has been held there.

At the Area rifle meeting held at Rewa Rewa on November 8 a number of boys from School competed and succeeded in annexing a large portion of the prize-money.

BOXING NOTES.

In the Territorial matches D. Guy obtained second place in application at 200yds, and first equal in application at 300 yards, while C. Saxton secured fourth place in application at 500 yards.

In the competition for Cadets over 17 years O. Rainger succeeded in winning the aggregate with 96 points out of 100.

In the matches for Cadets under 17 years the School boys did remarkably well and secured most of the prizemoney. M. Lysons won the aggregate with the excellent score of 99 out of 100; C. Green was second with 96 and S. Richardson was third with 93 points. In addition many boys came well up in the prize list and carried off a considerable amount of money.

BOXING NOTES.

(H. W. Brown.)

On Thursday, November 8, contrary to expectations, a very large number of enthusiastic specators completely filled the Assembly Hall, thus showing that School boxing is a very popular sport. This year the competitors trained earnestly, with the result that many interesting bouts were witnessed. Each bout consisted of three two-minute rounds and that the spectators appreciated the boxing was evinced by the hearty applause they gave at the end of each round.

We have to thank heartily our instructor, who gave up every Thursday morning in coaching us, and who was responsible for a good deal of the success of the tournament. On Wednesday night Mr. Thompson capably refereed the semi-finals, while on Thursday night we were very fortunate in obtaining the services of Mr. T. Tracey as referee.

The officials were as follow:—Timekeeper, Mr. G. Bertrand; announcer, Mr. A. J. Papps, final steward, Mr. J. W. Connell; glove stewards, Messrs. H. Pope and V. E. Kerr; official recorder, Mr. A. W. Diprose; judges, Messrs. E. Whittle and E. Stagpoole; medical examiner, Dr. Fookes; seconds, W. E. Alexander, J. E. Eaves, T. Christie and D. Guy.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT—SEMI-FINALS.

Under 10st.—J. Paterson (9.11) defeated D. McLean (9.1.); W. Brodie (9.5) defeated S. Hutchen (9.7); G. Bayly (9.4) defeated W. Brewster (9.8).

Under 9st.—A. Walker (7.10) drew with S. Spiers (8.0); R. Fletcher (8.10) defeated H. Hawkins (8.13); C. Corkill (8.12) defeated B. Cooke (8.10).

Under 8st.—J. Beaven (7.6) defeated B. Sommerville (7.0); F. Cleland (7.5) defeated J. Law (7.10); J. Beaven (7.6) defeated T. York (7.10).

Under 6st.—W. Carter (5.12) defeated W. Nolan (5.13).

Under 5st.—K. Hempton (4.10) drew with T. Western (4.10); V. Madgwick (4.13) defeated T. Barlow (4.12).

We are indebted to the Taranaki Herald for the following account of Thursday night's events:—

UNDER FIVE STONE.

Semi-final.—T. Western (4.10) defeated K. Hempton (4.10). These boys had fought a draw the previous evening and there was again very little between them. Both made it very willing, but they showed no defence. The crowd was highly amused. It was a case of right, left, right, left in each round, both boys landing alternately and both making for the face, always leaving their bodies open to attack. Western's blows were the better timed, particularly in the last round, and he gained the verdict.

Final.—V. Magwick (4.13) defeated Western. Magwick drew the bye in the semi-finals. The first round was fairly even; Western used both hands, but displayed no defence. On the other hand Magwick was more versatile and showed more judgment. Magwick had the best of the second round, a nice left causing Western to change his tactics and to make some attempt at cover. Western rushed in with a whirlwind of rights and lefts in the third round, some of which Magwick was able to guard, and he retaliated with a couple of lefts which steadied his game opponent and he scored frequently towards the close and gained the verdict.

UNDER SIX STONE.

Final.—W. Carter (5.12) defeated A. Field (5.8). Field opened well and kept Carter on the defence for a while,

but when they got to close quarters Carter was the better boy and the round ended in his favour. The second was a good round and there was not much to choose between them. Field was very nimble, but Carter was always steady and was content to lead and then cover. Field scored up points in the third round and his blows seemed to have more sting in them than did Carter's. Field had evened up the points and an extra minute round was ordered. Field was the more aggressive, but was inclined to be erratic, thus giving Carter an opportunity of scoring up the points and being declared the winner.

UNDER SEVEN STONE.

Semi-final.—A. Hutchen (6.7) defeated P. Chivers (6.3). In the first round Hutchen had the best of the opening exchanges and did most of the leading, though Chivers got in some nice work occasionally with both hands.—Hutchen's round. The second round opened very willing, but Hutchen knew more about the game and was having the best of the bout. In the third round Hutchen again proved too good for Chivers. landing rights and lefts to the face and winning the fight comfortably.

Semi-final.—H. Fookes (6.10) defeated S. Wybourne (6.8). Wybourne was very aggressive at the outset, but Fookes covered well and made the best possible use of a good straight left, which frequently connected to the nose.—Fookes' round. Fookes again made great use of his left and was able to break through Wybourne's guard with apparent ease. In the third round Fookes fought Wybourne almost to a standstill, but he was a plucky opponent and stood up to Fookes to the finish. Fookes won with a good margin of points to spare.

Final.—Fookes defeated Hutchen. Fookes varied his style in this bout, again making use of his left and occasionally landing a right upper-cut. He also showed a good defence, Hutchen always finding it difficult to hit him. Fookes scored with lefts and several upper-cuts in the first round, which ended in his favour. In the second round Hutchen rushed in, but Fookes was on the alert and had the best of the exchanges. The earlier part of the third and final round was more even, but Hutchen began to tire and Fookes was again scoring up the points towards the finish. Fookes' fight.

UNDER EIGHT STONE.

Final.—J. Beaven (7.6) defeated F. Cleland (7.5). Cleland was the more aggressive right through, but his blows were not well timed and Beaven had no difficulty in countering them and getting home with straight rights and lefts. Beaven had the lead on points in each round.

UNDER NINE STONE.

Semi-final.—R. Fletcher (8.10) defeated C. Corkill (8.12). Fletcher gave a splendid display and outpointed Corkill in each of the three rounds. He landed with hard rights and lefts, which, however, made little impression on Corkill, who occasionally was able to break through Fletcher's guard. In the second round Fletcher again landed beautiful rights and an occasional left, while he nearly always managed to cover Corkill's blows. Fletcher showed much beter ringeraft in the third round, though Corkill was able to get in some effective work.

Semi-final.—S. Spiers (8.0) defeated A. Walker (7.10). Walker, who was fighting out of his class, drew with Spiers the previous evening, but on this occasion there was no doubt as to the better boy. Spiers had the advantage in height and reach, and kept Walker on the defensive in the first round. In the second round Spiers again led, but Walker was very elusive and several times got underneath Spiers' guard and connected to the face. The round, however, still saw Spiers holding the advantage on points, and he outclassed Walker in the last round.

Final.—Fletcher defeated Spiers. He inflicted severe punishment in the first round with hard rights, closing Spiers' left eye. The latter took the count for four as the result of three or four rights in quick succession to the jaw. The second and third rounds were not very strenuous, Fletcher being content with his substantial lead in the first round. Spiers was very game right through, however, but was unable to penetrate Fletcher's defence.

UNDER TEN STONE.

Semi-final.—W. Brodie (9.5) defeated G. Bayly (9.4). There was very little to choose between the boys in the first round, Brodie having a slight advantage. Bayly connected with several nice lefts to the face, Brodie retaliating with lefts and rights to the face and heart. Brodie made good use of his right in the second round, and Bayly was able to connect occasionally with his left, Brodie having much the

Final.—Brodie defeated J. Paterson (9.11). Paterson had a bye in the semi-final. Brodie was too good for Paterson all through. He had much the best of the opening round, and frequently scored with both hands to the face. In the second round Paterson fought with more vim, but Brodie again had the advantage on points, making better use of both hands. In the third round Paterson was much more aggressive and had the advantage, but Brodie had established too big a lead in the first two rounds and won the fight.

UNDER ELEVEN STONE.

Final.—L. Ennis (10.4) defeated B. Davies (10.4). This was one of the best bouts of the evening. Each round was characterised by hard hitting. Davies spoiled any chance he might have had by looking for openings for a right upper-cut, which appeared to be his favourite punch. Ennis was more than equal to the occasion, however, and in practically every instance took his opponent's blows on his glove, at the same time frequently driving Davies' head back with stinging rights. Each round ended in favour of Ennis.

SENIOR CHAMPIONSHIP.

E. Gibson (10.3) defeated H. Brown (11.4). Brown early landed with several hard rights, Gibson finding it hard to connect, Brown having a big advantage in reach. Brown was only making use of one hand, however, whereas later Gibson used both hands and drove home hard blows to the ribs. He had a slight lead at the end of the first round. In the second round Brown again relied on his left, but Gibson guarded well and again landed to the body, and occasionally to the face, with both hands. This was also Gibson's round. Gibson landed three well-timed rights in succession during an attack by Brown in the third round, whereas Brown only once found his mark during this exchange. Gibson fully held his own, and gained the coveted honour of School champion.

OLD BOYS' ASSOCIATION

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TO OLD BOYS.

Your contemporaries would like to know something of your present whereabouts. Perhaps you may have come into touch with other Old Boys recently who do not often write letters. Please send us something about yourself and about those Old Boys you have seen, and if you have changed your address let us know your present whereabouts. If you will do this it will add interest to the Old Boys' Column besides lessening the task of the Editor.

GYMNASIUM FUND.

The Association is at present engaged upon the project of raising funds for the erection of a Gymnasium at the School. Last year by the means of a Gala Day they were successful in raising about £350, but the Education Department will not help this object unless there is more money available. At present the Association are going into the question of organising some function to raise the balance required, some £700 or £800. It is felt that perhaps there are some Old Boys and even parents outside of New Plymouth who would like to subscribe to this fund and it has been decided to open a Subscription List for this purpose. We should be glad to receive any donations, which should be forwarded to the Hon. Secretaries, P.O. Box 169, New Plymouth.

OLD BOYS' ANNUAL REPORT.

The seventh annual report of the New Plymouth High School Old Boys' Association for the year ended September 30, 1923, which was presented to members at the annual general meeting held in the Soldiers' Club Rooms, King Street, New Plymouth, on Tuesday, October 16, 1923, at 7.30 p.m.

Your Executive has pleasure in presenting the seventh annual report of the Association.

War Memorial Gates.—At the time of the last annual meeting the Memorial Gates were in the course of erection and were completed shortly after the beginning of the year. Some delay occurred in arranging the unveiling ceremony owing to his Excellency the Governor-General. who had promised to be present at the unveiling, being unable to be away from Wellington. On March 21, 1923, the memorial was unveiled by his Excellency in the presence of a large gathering of Old Boys, parents of Old Boys, scholars of the School and townspeople. Our thanks are due to his Excellency for his kindness in being present at the ceremony. There is still a credit balance of £17 15s 6d in the War Memorial Account and members will be asked at the annual meeting in what manner this is to be expended.

Gymnasium Fund.—The amount to the credit of this fund amounts to £364 2s 7d, which amount is invested in the New Plymouth Savings Bank. The Gala Day which was held before the last annual meeting, on October 21, 1922, produced over £320 and this amount would have been larger had the weather conditions been more favourable. The thanks of the Association are due to all those ladies who so ably assisted with the work in connection with the Gala Day. While the Minister of Education was in town recently a deputation from the Association waited on him with a proposal that if the Department would provide £1500. the Association would guarantee to raise the balance required, approximately £500, for the erection of a Gymnasium. The Minister, while in sympathy with the proposal, stated that he could promise nothing at the moment, but that if the Association came to him with £1000 he would then consider the proposal. In view of this decision it will be necessary for the Association to go into the question of raising the extra sum, £600 odd, and this matter will come up for discussion at the annual meeting.

Annual Reunion, 1922.-This was held at the conclusion of the annual meeting on October 28, 1922, in the School Dining Hall. Unfortunately there was not a very large attendance, but those present spent a very enjoyable evening. Owing to the conduct of certain Old Boys present at the reunion it has unfortunately become necessary to hold future reunions away from the School. It is not proposed to hold a reunion this year, but a proposal is on hand to hold the reunion on Easter Saturday, to be followed by the Old Boys' Ball on Easter Monday or Tuesday. was the suggestion made by Old Boys in Auckland, Wellington and other centres, and as it will enable Old Boys to be present here for the Easter holidays the Committee are of the opinion that the dates mentioned would be better than . those on which the functions have been previously held. Possibly Old Boys in New Plymouth may not approve of this, but the Committee feel that Old Boys from outside the town are to be considered and think that the dates mentioned above are the best times at which the functions could be held

Annual Ball.—The Annual Ball was this year held on July 6 and proved a great success, although there was a substantial loss to be met at the conclusion. The Committee are extremely disappointed with the very poor support that Old Boys give this function and feel that there should have been a much larger attendance of Old Boys at the ball. The matter will come up for discussion at the annual meeting The loss on the ball was borne by the Association and by the Ball Committee personally.

Sports.—The Old Boys' Clubs in town still continue to prosper and are now all on a good basis and easily holding their own among the leading clubs in the various sports With the large number of boys leaving School each year their position should be considerably strengthened and we would urge all Old Boys to give them all the support they can. We would like to suggest to the various clubs that they should endeavour to arrange matches with Old Boys' clubs from other schools. While on the subject the Association wishes to extend to the School First Fifteen its congratulations on their splendid performance in winning and holding the Moas car Cup for the season.

Finance.—From a perusal of the accounts it will be seen that there is a credit balance of £16 8s 10d to the General Account, against a balance of £17 9s 4d at the end of last year. This reduction is brought about by the loss on

the Annual Ball, of which the Committee decided the General Fund should bear a portion. The only source of revenue of the Association is from members' subscriptions, and as these are only payable by the boys leaving School, it will be seen that all functions run by the Association must be self supporting as the funds will not permit the meeting of losses as has been done in previous years. We trust, therefore, that members will give the reunion and Annual Ball more support than they have done in the past.

Auckland Branch.—On the occasion of the High School versus Auckland Grammar School football match at Auckland on August 11 it was decided that it would be a fitting occasion on which to hold a reunion of Old Boys in Auckland. The president and secretaries were in Auckland at the time of the match and they organised a gathering of Old Boys on the evening of the match. It was indeed pleasing to see so many Old Boys present, some 50 gathering together to discuss old times at the School. A very enjoyable evening was spent and it augurs well for the success of the branch in Auckland which it was decided should be formed there. It is hoped next year that reunions will be held in Wellington and Auckland and possibly Dunedin. Now that there is such a large number of Old Boys in these centres these reunions are an excellent means of keeping them in touch with the work of the Association and the old School.

Old Boys' Column.—This column is still kept going in "The Taranakian" and provides news of the movements of Old Boys in the Dominion and elsewhere. Once again we must appeal to members to forward any notes of interest they may have concerning Old Boys, as this would considerably lessen the work of the Editor, besides providing further interest to the notes.

This report would not be complete if reference were not made to the loss the Association and School have sustained in the death of the first president and prime mover in the formation of the Association, J. E. Wilson. The news of his death came as a great shock to Old Boys, more especially as he was present only shortly before at the reunion of Old Boys held in Auckland. He was president of the Association at its inception in 1912, and has always taken a keen interest in the work of the Association and in any matters connected with the School. The Association extends its deepest sympathy to his widow and family in the great loss they have sustained.

The following Old Boys have died during the past year, and we extend our sympathy to their relatives in their loss: F. C. J. Bellringer, H. W. Broadmore, W. J. Stanton, H. O'Carroll, C. H. Paynter.

General.—The Executive has met on seven occasions and the attendance at all meetings has been good. In conclusion, we would urge Old Boys to keep more in touch with the Association. When it is considered that there are over 900 Old Boys of the School it will be realised what a big task it is to keep our records up to date, and the work of the Committee would be considerably lightened if Old Boys would notify the secretaries of any change of their address. We would also urge Old Boys to keep more in touch with the School and the Association and to take a more lively interest in the doings of the old School.

Thanks.—The thanks of the Association are due to the ladies' committees who so ably assisted at the Gala Day and the Annual Ball, and whose efforts were in no small measure responsible for the very great success of both these functions; to the President (Mr. Austin Bewley) for the use of his office for Committee meetings; and to Mr. and Mrs. Moyes and the masters at the School for the very able assistance they have given the Association at all times. It is indeed gratifying to find the Association and School are so intimate, as this condition is essential for the effective working the Association.

RE-UNION AT AUCKLAND.

A reunion of Old Boys of the New Plymouth Boys' High School was held in the Foresters' Hall, Auckland, on Saturday, August 11. 1923, when some 50 Old Boys of the School foregathered. Mr. J. E. Wilson (Auckland) presided, and Mr. W. H. Moyes, headmaster of the School, Mr. A. Bewley (New Plymouth), president of the Old Boys' Association, and Messrs. P. Atkinson and J. B. Wilson (secretaries) were amongst those present.

The toast of the evening, "The New Plymouth Boys' High School," was proposed by Mr. J. E. Wilson, who referred to the growth of the School from its commencement in 1881 to the present day, and congratulated the School Rugby team on its success in the match against Grammar School that day.

Mr. W. H. Moyes (headmaster), in responding, briefly outlined the work of the School, and referred to the various achievements of the School in connection with football, cricket and shooting. In the course of his remarks Mr. Moyes touched upon the fine record of successes Old Boys had secured at the various universities and in other circles. He also mentioned the assistance that had been rendered to the School by the Old Boys' Association. He concluded by extending an invitation to the Old Boys to visit the School whenever they were in New Plymouth, and stated that a hearty welcome would await them should they do so.

The toast of the Old Boys' Association was proposed by Mr. Fred. Pearson (Hamilton), one of the original scholars of the School in 1881.—Mr. Austin Bewley, in replying, briefly summarised the work of the Old Boys' Association.

"The School Fifteen" was proposed by Mr. O. Bayly, and in responding Mr. A. J. Papps (who was in charge of the team) thanked Old Boys for their support that afternoon. He said that the School would be defending the cup against Te Aute at New Plymouth on Saturday.

Dr. E. F. Fookes (New Plymouth) proposed "Sister Colleges." Messrs. A. R. Ryder, on behalf of the Christ-church Boys' High School, and Mr. A. J. Papps (Nelson College) responding.

The decision to form a branch of the local Old Boys' Association in Auckland was made during the evening, and a committee was appointed to go into the matter. The gathering terminated with the singing of "Auld Lang Syne."

Those Old Boys who were present at the reunion were: J. E. Wilson, A. R. Ryder, L. G. Hill, B. Noakes, N. Airey, J. Kingston, J. Revell, J. D. Clemow, D. Penman, R. Syme, C. Fair, G. McB. Salt, Leo Horrocks, J. Terry, O. W. Bayly, A. J. Healy, H. L. Calder, S. Allemann, A. Buchanan, A. Candy, E. Silson, E. Chivers, L. Waller, R. Sinclair, B. Boon, L. O'Halloran, L. N. Foote, F. H. Batten, D. Teed, W. J. Syme (Auckland). J. M. Hine (Te Kuiti), A. Death (Whangarei), H. A. Pirritt (Morrinsville), Fred. Pearson and F. Williams (Hamilton), W. Mackay (Mercer), H. Lucena (Christchurch), E. Beckbessinger (Waitara), R. Christie (Manaia), A. Betts (Okaiawa), A. Bewley, Dr. E. F. Fookes, W. H. Moyes, A. J. Papps, N. F. Little, P. F. Atkinson and J. B. Wilson (New Plymouth).

J. E. WILSON, S.M.

The death took place at Auckland on Sunday of Mr. J. E. Wilson, S.M., formerly of New Plymouth, where he was a very well-known citizen, having at one time occupied the position of Mayor of the borough. It was known here that Mr. Wilson had been indisposed of late and that he had been granted leave of absence from his magisterial duties. He underwent an operation during last week, and although the reports received here as to the result of that were not wholly reassuring, the news of his death came as a shock both to his relatives and many friends in this district.

The late Mr. Wilson was a son of Captain Wilson, of New Plymouth. He was born at Urenui, and received his education in New Plymouth, being an Old Boy of the New Plymouth High School. He was a very promising student, and on leaving School adopted the law as his chosen profes-He entered the office of Mr. J. B. Roy, and arter qualifying as a solicitor was taken into partnership by Mr. Roy. Later he commenced practice on his own account, and subsequently entered into partnership with Mr. George Grey, with whom he carried on business until his appointment to a Magistracy, in which capacity he was stationed first at Westport and later at Auckland. Mr. Wilson's career marked him out for distinction and he was honoured by being appointed Chief Justice of Samoa. He resigned that appointment for domestic and health reasons, and on returning to New Zealand was again appointed to the Magisterial Bench in the Auckland district.

During his residence in New Plymouth the late Mr. Wilson took a deep interest in local affairs, being imbued with a keen sense of his civic responsibility. He showed a fine public spirit and supported with enthusiasm every project which had for its object the welfare and advancement of the town. He was a very warm supporter of his old School, serving on the Board of Governors, of which for a period he was chairman. He was an active member of the Old Boys' Association, and took a keen interest recently in the formation of a branch of the Association in Auckland among Old Boys now resident in the northern city. In municipal affairs he took a leading part for many years and rendered excellent service both on the Council and later as Mayor. It was during his occupancy of the position of Mayor that the tramway construction was commenced and

to him fell the honour of turning the first sod in connection with the undertaking.

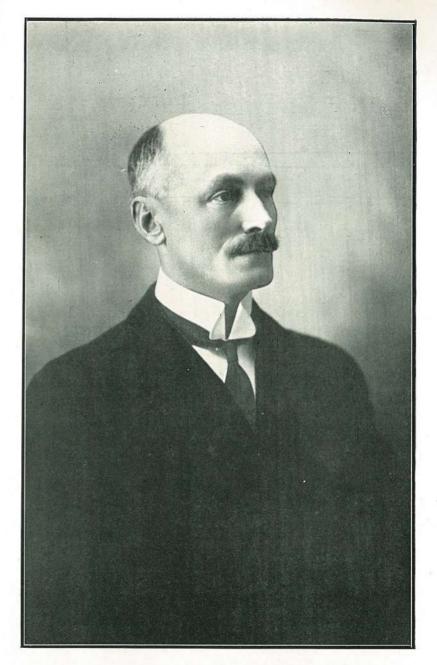
The late Mr. Wilson married a daughter of the late Mr. L. A. Hamerton, of Inglewood. He is survived by his widow and a young family. In addition to his father, who is well-known in New Plymouth, Mr. Wilson also has a brother (Mr. T. Wilson) and sister (Miss A. Wilson) resident in New Plymouth.

OLD BOYS' ANNUAL MEETING.

The annual meeting of the New Plymouth High School Old Boys' Association was held at the Soldiers' Club on Tuesday evening, October 16. There was an attendance of about thirty Old Boys and the President of the Association (Mr. Austin Bewley) occupied the chair.

In moving the adoption of the report, the chairman briefly commented upon the events and activities of the year. He extended the Association's congratulations to the School Fifteen upon winning the Moascar Cup, expressing the pleasure which had been given Old Boys in watching their fine performances. The chairman announced that a branch association, similar to that started in Auckland, had been formed in Wellington, and he was pleased to see that a number of older Old Boys appeared among the officers elected. In conclusion he extended his sincere thanks to the secretaries (Messrs. J. B. Wilson and P. F. Atkinson) and the executive for the splendid work and results that had been achieved during the year.

Mr. C. H. Wynyard seconded the motion. He was pleased to see the active interest displayed in the Association's affairs by the younger Old Boys, which was evidenced by the number present that evening. Commenting upon the Minister of Education's proposal that the Old Boys should find £1000 before he would make a grant to the gymnasium fund, Mr. Wynyard said the task set was a heavy one, but he hoped they would not lose sight of their object. It might not be possible to raise the money this year, but they could still strive for next year, when possibly some tangible recognition might be received from the department. Continuing, Mr. Wynyard urged Old Boys to keep the old School spirit alive by supporting all institutions and sportorganisations conducted in the interests of Old Boys. It was gratifying to see that the Association had a small credit



THE LATE MR. J. E. WILSON, S.M. (Died September 2, 1923.)

balance in hand, but he considered the Old Boys' Ball deserved better support than it received. If Old Boys supported this, their only social function, he was sure it could be made a financial success.

Mr. A. J. Papps, in returning thanks for the congratulations extended to the School team, remarked that everything possible was done to encourage boys leaving the School to support the Old Boys' Association.

Officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows:—President, Mr. C. H. Wynyard; vice-presidents, Mr. H. R. Billing and Dr. E. F. Fookes; hon. treasurer, Mr. H. W. Kirkby; joint hon. secretaries, Messrs. J. B. Wilson and P. F. Atkinson; hon. auditor, Mr. F. W. Whitcombe; Committee, Messrs. A. J. Papps (School representative), A. M. MacDiarmid, A. Bewley. R. H. George, R. Blundell, C. Collins, and J. D. Willis.

After the completion of the Memorial Gates, which were erected from subscriptions made by Old Boys, there remained a credit balance of £17 15s 6d. It was decided to appropriate this amount for the purpose of procuring an honours board for the School, the design to be left to Mr. Moyes (principal).

For the purpose of securing the assistance of Old Boys living away from New Plymouth in regard to raising the amount asked for by the Minister before he will consider giving a grant towards the provision of a gymnasium at the School, a recommendation was made to the incoming Committee that a subscription list should be circulated amongst Old Boys out of the town. It was also considered that the Old Boys should organise with a view to holding another gala day in New Plymouth early in the New Year.

Recommendations were received from the Auckland and Wellington branches that the annual reunion and ball should be held in New Plymouth at Easter. It was pointed out that this would enable many Old Boys living in other parts to be present. The matter was left in the hands of the executive. No reunion will be held this year.

A suggestion was made by Mr. Howell that some provision should be made for the representation of Old Boys's sports clubs on the executive. As matters were at present clubs were represented, but the time might arrive when this would not be so and he considered some provision should be made in the rules for this contingency. It was decided to keep the matter in view with the object of having the necessary alterations made at the next general meeting.

OLD BOYS' CRICKET CLUB.

The announcement that a branch association had been formed in Wellington was conveyed in a letter received from the secretary of the newly-formed branch. It was stated that the following officers were elected:—Patron, Mr. W. H. Moyes; president, Judge Rawson; vice-presidents, Messrs. Hempton, Hursthouse, Harle, Pope and Colonel Standish; Committee, Messrs. Christie, Newell, Foden, Bothamley and Sutherland; hon. secretary and treasurer, Mr. E. G. Waterson Greetings were extended to the members of the parent Association.—It was decided to acknowledge the letter, wishing the branch every success in its future activities.

Votes of thanks to the chair and to the press terminated the meeting.—Taranaki Herald.

OLD BOYS' CRICKET CLUB.

ANNUAL MEETING.

The annual meeting of the Club was held at the Soldiers' Club on September 27, a fair number of members being present. The annual report reads as follows:—

Gentlemen,—Your committee has much pleasure in presenting to you the fourth annual report of The New Plymouth High School Old Boys' Cricket Club.

Unfortunately it was only found possible to enter one team in the local competitions last year, but it is expected that sufficient young members will be available this season to permit of at least one junior team being entered.

The team was again captained by A. Osborne, and considering the fact that some little difficulty was at times experienced in getting a full eleven together, did very well, being runners-up in the North Taranaki competition, which was won by the New Plymouth Club, to whom we extend our congratulations.

Towards the end of the season the club was able to purchase a quantity of practice material, but unfortunately it was little used. It is suggested that this season at least two nights in the week be definitely set aside for practice, and that attendance at such practice be regular.

The club is in a sound financial position, despite the fact that some small accounts are owing from last year. Very little gear will have to be bought this season, so that at the end of the season it should be possible for the club to have a substantial amount standing to its credit.

We regret to state that one of our esteemed vicepresidents, the Rev. S. S. Osborne, has for some time past been suffering from ill-health, but we are glad to be able to report that he is now convalescent.

Since Pukekura Park is the only ground in New Plymouth at present suitable for practice, it is a matter for regret that the committee in control does not give more attention to the cricket community by providing a sufficient number of good practice wickets. Promises have been made towards rectifying this trouble, but last season these promises were not fulfilled as well as they might have been, the consequence being that great difficulty was at times experienced in getting even a reasonably good strip of turf for the matting. Perhaps the supporters of cricket on the board this season will give the matter their consideration.

Several of the club's players gained representative honours during the season, and all acquitted themselves well.

In conclusion, your committee would like to express the club's appreciation to all those who have shown an interest in our doings during the past year, and we trust that the club will do even better this season than it did in the 1922-23 season.

OFFICERS

The following officers were elected for the 1923-24 season:—President, Dr. E. F. Fookes (re-elected); vices presidents, Messrs. George, Bennett, Moyes and Rev. Osborne (all re-elected), and Messrs. G. W. Palmer and Frank Willis; treasurer, C. Lash (re-elected); secretary, J. D. Willis (re-elected); committee, Messrs. Monteath, Bottrill, Osborne and I. Palmer; club captain, C. G. Bottrill; delegates to North Taranaki Cricket Association, Messrs. Osborne and Bewley.

It has been found possible to enter both a senior and a junior team for the local competitions, and despite the fact that numerous Old Boys take up tennis and swimming when they leave school, we should be able to run at least three teams next season. It is pleasing to note that those Old Boys who do play cricket invariably join the Old Boys'

Club. The club has to thank the School authorities for numerous invitations being given to members to take part in various practice games at the School, both this season and last. The annual match with the School was, as usual, played at the commencement of the season, and resulted in a win for Old Boys.

The following are the results of the matches to date:-

Annual match, Old Boys v. School: 103 (Bottrill 28, Palmer 34) to 53 (Osborne four for 5, Eggleton two for 12).

Western Park v. Old Boys: 181 (Bottrill five for 70, Eggleton three for 56) to 100 (Osborne 38, Eggleton 20) and 45 (Eggleton 15, Kerr 14).

High School v. Old Boys: 90 (Osborne four for 16, Eggleton three for 22) and 67 (Osborne seven for 3) to 110 (Lash 37) and 134 (Lash 26, Kerr 25, Palmer 25).

OLD BOYS' FOOTBALL CLUB.

The end of August brought to a conclusion another very successful season in the club's history. Although none of the championships fell to our teams this year, the position of the club has been greatly strengthened by a large influx of young players from the School and other secondary schools, and the membership is the highest on record. The only cause for regret is the lack of interest shown by older Old Boys in the club's affairs, as the club looks to them to come forward as coaches and managers for the teams.

The senior team, in comparison with the senior teams of other clubs, is a comparatively young one, and contains several members of last year's School XV. The team as a whole has played the right kind of football—bright, open, and full of dash,—and prospects for next season appear very rosy.

D. Sykes represented Taranaki throughout the season, and proved a good consistent full-back for the province. Doile was selected to tour with the Taranaki B representatives, while Drader played for North Taranaki in the representative trials.

The junior teams also had a very successful season, particularly the third and fourth grade teams.

Results of matches are as follows:-

SENIORS.

- v. Okato, at Okato; won, 14—3. This was a good fast game in which Old Boys, both backs and forwards, showed up well. Okato played hard in the early stages, but the fitter team won.
- v. Inglewood, at Inglewood; lost, 3—9. The opposing pack were much heavier than Old Boys and consequently carried most of the scrums, and the Old Boys' backs did not get many chances. For Old Boys, Doile kicked a penalty goal.
 - v. Stratford, at Pukekura Park; lost, 3—5. This was a splendid game and very strenuously fought out. Old Boys had hard luck in not winning, as they had slightly the better of the game. Near the call of time R. Wilson made a brilliant run down the touch-line, but unfortunately lost the ball as he fell over Stratford's line.
 - v. Star; lost, 6—11. This was a poor and rather ragged game, in which the whole team showed the effects of the previous hard match.
- v. Tukapa; lost, 3—8. Another splendid game, in which the honours were very even. Old Boys, both backs and forwards, played a bright and open game and kept Tukapa very busy. Tukapa got the winning try near the end of the second spell.
- v. Clifton, at Pukekura Park; lost, 3—16. A great game, in which Old Boys fully extended the Taranaki champions. Old Boys scored first, Doile kicking a good goal, and they kept Clifton busily defending for the greater part of the first spell. In the last spell, however, the weighty Clifton pack were too heavy, and they piled up the score.
- v. Okato, at Pukekura Park; won, 9—3. Play in this game was fast and exciting, but Old Boys were superior both back and forward, and won fairly comfortably.
- v. Inglewood, at the Showgrounds; drawn, no score. A hard, gruelling game in the rain and mud. Old Boys crossed Inglewood's line twice, but each time the slippery ball managed to evade the eager forwards.
- v. Stratford, at Stratford; lost, 13—8. Old Boys only had a weak team, but put up a very good display and were unlucky in not winning this game. Old Boys only played 14 men in the second spell, as Wilson retired injured.

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- v. Star, at Pukekura Park; won, 10—6. Old Boys' backs played nice open football, and scored two pretty tries, and Taylor, at five-eighths, potted a nice goal. Old Boys' forwards outplayed their opponents in the scrums.
- v. Clifton, at Waitara; lost, 18—3. Owing to injuries several members of the seniors could not travel, and the vacancies were filled with juniors, who acquitted themselves very creditably. Clifton were too heavy and experienced.

The first juniors were considerably weakened by numerous calls on their numbers to fill vacancies in the senior team, and consequently only won one match, drew two, and lost five.

The second juniors played nine matches, of which they won seven and lost two. They came third in the competition. Points for, 128; against, 38.

The third juniors played nine games, winning five, drawing one, and losing three

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P. J. O'Carrol. who is in the Bank of New Zealand at Whangarei, was in town recently. He reports that there are two other Old Boys in Whangarei, C. Thomson and E. K. Good.

Lansley Waller, who is with the South British Insurance Company in Auckland, was in New Plymouth recently on holidays.

A. G. Knuckey is farming at Eltham.

Owen Keith is working in an office at Waitara.

- E. J. Insull, who left School at the end of last term, is working in an office in town.
- J. W. Thompson is farming on the Fraser Road, Hawera.
- R. H. Christie is in a pharmacy at Manaia. He was in Auckland for the Grammar-School match and was present at the reunion held there.

Lionel Asher is now advertising manager in the firm of Bond and Bond in Auckland.

Eric Chivers is with L. D. Nathan and Co., Auckland,

W. E. Monk is on the staff of the National Bank at Wellington.

Irwin J. Howell is on the staff of the District Railway Engineer in Auckland.

Arthur Hempton, who returned from England in July, is now manager of the Bank of New Zealand at Wellington. At the meeting of Oa Boys held in Wellington he was elected a vice-president of the Wellington branch.

Leslie Hill is accountant in the office of Wynyard and Wilson, solicitors, Auckland. He was instrumental in arranging the reunion in Auckland and the success was largely due to his efforts.

We have recently received a note from Ray Le Pine, who is managing clerk in the firm of Dolan and Rogers, solicitors, at Napier.

Eric Cole, who has until recently been working in Hawera, has written us from Narranders (N.S.W.), where he is working in a chemist's business. He had a fortnight in Sydney before going to his present position and seems very enthusiastic on that city.

Ted Boulton, who has been attending lectures at Dunedin, is now on the staff of Nelson Boys' College. He states that he knows of no Old Boys in Nelson with the exception of H. V. Searle, who is also teaching at the College.

Edgar Coleman is attending lectures at the Auckland University and Training College.

Harold Grigg, who is farming at Ngaroto, in the Waikato, was present at the Auckland Grammar-School match at Auckland.

Gordon Salt, who is lecturing at Auckland University, was in New Plymouth recently. He has lately joined the ranks of the "benedicts."

Ken. Grant is now working on a farm at Shannon.

Owen Bayly, who is manager of the New Zealand Correspondence Schools, was present at the reunion in Auckland. He is very keen on the old School and states that he has a budding three-quarter for the School team about 1935.

Carthew Norris is a partner in the firm of Norris and Meldrum, solicitors, in Hamilton.

Bill Noakes is on the staff of the National Insurance Company in Auckland. He was a great help in arranging the reunion at Auckland recently.

Charles Fair is on the staff of Stanton, Johnston and Spence, solicitors, Auckland. He was present at the reunion held in Auckland in August.

Dave Penman is on the staff of J. J. Craig, Ltd., in Auckland.

Bill Silson is working with Robertson Bros., shipping agents, in Auckland. N. Skelton is on the staff of the New Zealand Herald, Auckland. Trevor Simpson, who is on the staff of the New Zealand Herald, was reporting at the recent sessions of Parliament.

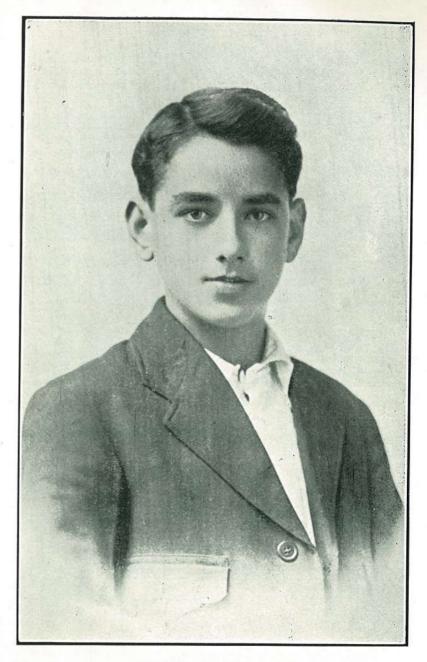
Jim Revell is on the staff of the Bank of New Zealand in Auckland.

Harry Calder is on the staff of the Auckland Grammar School and was present at the reunion recently held in Auckland.

Keith Ward is now working with George Court, Ltd., Auckland.

Frank Williams, who is now working in the Public Trust Office at Hamilton, was in Auckland for the Grammar match. In a letter received from him recently he states that he has seen the following Old Boys in Hamilton recently:—Bill Mackay, Harold Grigg, Harold Clarke, Norman Day, Pat Fagan, Gordon Wyborn, Alan Candy, and Denis Bell.

Harry Mason, who is on the staff of the school at Pihama, supplies us with the following notes of Old Boys down the Coast:—Ken. Mauri is working on his father's farm at Opunake. Jack Burton is junior clerk in the Bank of New Zealand at Opunake. Marcus Sutton is working in a sawmill at Te Kiri. Gordon and Bert Brunette are back in Opunake once more, after being down in the South Island for some time. H. Sinclair is teaching at the Opunake School. Harold Clarke is teaching at Otakeho. Ken. Robinson is farming at Otakeho. Howard Putt is working on his father's farm at Otakeho. Sefton Herbert and Reg. Aubrey are both working on farms near Manaia. Alex. Clarke is engineering at Pihama.



CEDRIC MASON AVERY (Died February 25, 1923; aged 18 years).

Jim Honeyfield, who is farming at Tataraimaka, supplies us with the following list of Old Boys in the Okato district, all of whom are engaged in the farming industry:—Percy and John Smith, Llyn. Evans, Ernest Aish, Len. Webster, Ken. Honeyfield and Bill Thomas. He also states that Bill Thomas and Percy Smith played football for the Okato Club last year.

Monte Barak, who is attending lectures at Canterbury College, supplies us with the following notes of Old Boys in Christchurch: -D. G. Mackie has secured a position in Sydney in the National Electrical Company. "Weed" Hamblyn is taking B.Sc. in Agriculture at Lincoln College and kept terms in Chemistry and Physics this year. Lucena is completing his Associateship in Civil Engineering. Eric Smart is working in the Lands and Survey Department and this year sits for his First Professional in B.E. John Brodie kept terms in four pass subjects for B.A., Latin, English, French and History; while Alec. of the same family kept terms in the following pass subjects for B.Sc. and Engineering Entrance: Pure and Applied Mathematics, Chemistry and Physics. Freddy Davis is working in an office in town and played football for Merivale. Charlie Barnett is in the Public Trust Office and kept terms in Pure and Applied Mathematics for B.Sc. Mick Hughson kept terms in four subjects for B.Sc. Chemistry (Advanced I.), Pure Mathematics, Physics and Geology. John Brodie and Lric Smart have been doing well at football this year, both being members of the College senior team, which were runnersup in the competitions. Both represented Canterbury College in the New Zealand 'Varsity team which visited Sydney and gave a good account of themselves while there. Monte has omitted to give particulars of his own performances, but we are informed that he kept terms in Advanced Chemistry, Advanced Physics and Applied Mathematics, carrying off the College prizes in these last two subjects.

Basil Grayling, who is farming at Brixton and who recently obtained his lieutenant's commission, supplies us with the following notes of Old Boys in the Waitara district:—"Farmer" Fussells (3) and Gordon Colson are farming at Lepperton. Hugh Mace and Herman Honnor are on farms at Huirangi. Doug. Purdie is in the Bank of New Zealand at Waitara. Reg. Allen, who is studying pharmacy, is in the employ of E. Gaw, chemist, Waitara. Harry Madsen is reporting on the Waitara Evening Mail. Ernie Beckbessinger has a grocery business in Waitara. Billy Joll and Ken. Lye are farming at Tikorangi. Ivan Vickery

recently underwent an operation and we are pleased to hear ne is progressing favourably. Alan Little is in the firm of Little and Co., flour millers, Sentry Hill. N. Skelton is running a car service from Uruti to New Plymouth.

Ken. Meuli, who is farming at Tariki, supplies us with the following notes:—Fred. O'Sullivan is farming near Napier. "Ponty" Jones is studying engineering and is working at Stratford Percy Meuli ("Dollop") is studying law and is working in Stratford. E. H. Meuli is farming at Tariki. All the above were members of the Tariki football team.

Jimmy Callander, who is with H. Farquhar, engineer and surveyor, at Palmerston, was successful in passing the licensed surveyors' examination last year. He states that Charlie Yates, who is with the Mortgage Loan and Agency Company at Longburn, was successful in completing his profissional accountant's examination this year.

We have recently received a letter from Owen Moss, who is with the Phoenix Assurance Co. at Stratford. He has undertaken to act as Old Boys' representative in that town, and supplies us with the following notes:-E. V. Smith (1922) is now on his father's farm at Toko. E. Copplestone, who has been farming at Toko, has recently gone to Eltham. "Jimmy" Jackson is working on Collins' farm at Toko. Walter Bros. ("Spuds") are farming at Douglas; big "Spud" played football for Stratford last season. Harry Bird, who until recently was in Cock and Co.'s at New Plymouth, is now on a farm at Douglas. Stewart Jackson, who returned from England this year, after being over there for three years, is now working on a farm at Tuna. Tommy Malt. who is with the Public Works Department, has been transferred to Kaponga. Noel Fookes is in the local office of the Public Works Department. The Sangster Brothers are farming at Wharehuia. Tommy Penn is in his father's office in town. "Punch" Brown, who is farming near Eltham, visited here recently, looking very well. Claude Kyngdon has been relieving here in the Bank of Australasia. and has now been transferred to Hawera. I saw "Ting" Scown in Hawera a few weeks ago; he is working on his father's farm at Manutahi. Dudley Spence, who is farming in the Waikato, was in Taranaki recently attending some pedigree Jersey sale. E. Golding, who left School this year. is working in McInnes' Pharmacy. Geoff. Newton and Ponte Jones are both at the Tariki electric scheme. Jack Gibson. Reg. Burke and —. Campbell are all working on farms at

Eltham. Ross Riley is working in a solicitor's office at Hawera. Percy Johnson, late of the Herald staff at New Plymouth, is cheese punching at the Ngaere factory. "Mike" Chong is working in the factory at Toko.

As mentioned in another part of these notes, a branch of the Association has recently been formed in Wellington. At a meeting held there on October 13, at which the following Old Boys were present: Walter Rawson, Arthur Hempton, T. Harle, W. Monk, G. Newell, E. Pope, Dan Rawson, Arthur Christie, Jack Henderson, Bob Bothamley, Ted Foden, L. Dinniss, Roy Murray, Colin Smart, Malcolm Sutherland, Ted Reeves and Grange Waterson. The following officers were appointed at this meeting:-Patron, W. H. Moyes; president, Walter Rawson; vice-presidents, Arthur Hempton, E. Hursthouse, T. Harle, Ian Standish and E. Pope; committee, Arthur Christie, G. Newell, Ted Foden, Bob Bothamley and Malcolm Sutherland; secretary and treasurer, Grange Waterson. The branch are holding a smoke concert in Wellington on November 17, but as these notes will be in print before that date a report will appear in the next issue. The formation of this branch will be of great assistance to the Association, and we wish it the best of luck. Any Old Boy in Wellington who has not joined the branch should get in touch with the secretary, Grange Waterson, who may be found at the office of the Gear Meat Company.

At a meeting of the Committee held at the beginning of the month it was decided that the Annual Re-union Dinner should be held on Easter Saturday, instead of Sports Day night, as previously. It has also been decided to hold the Annual Ball on either Easter Monday or Tuesday (the day will depend on the boat arrangements with Auckland). The Committee feel sure that this news will be welcomed by Old Boys away from New Plymouth, and it is hoped that they will give both functions all the support they can. It has been suggested that a large number of Old Boys could be billeted among Old Boys in town, but further particulars of this will be forwarded to members early in the New Year.

Gordon Wybourne, our ever-faithful representative in the Waikato, supplies us with the following notes of Old Boys in his district:—J. Holdsworth, one of the older Old Boys, is at Te Aroha, and is foreman of the Post and Telegraph Department there; he was selector of the Piako reps. in 1922. Barney Burkhardt has a farm at Wharepa; he played for the Thames reps. this year. Basil Hooper was in Thames recently as emergency for the Wanganui team.

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Keith and Doug. Fox are farming at Turua; they recently were unfortunate enough to be burnt out; Keith played for the Hauraki reps. Cedric Zinsli, who has been engineer in the New Zealand Dairy Co.'s factory at Manawaru, has recently gone to the Raglan factory in a similar position. Allan Candy is on his father's farm at Ngarua; he was in Auckland for the Grammar School match in August.

Hector Holden, who left School last year, is in the office of Norman Bellringer, another Old Boy, in town.

Frank James is in the office of Nolan and Co.

J. S. Connett has recently been appointed chairman of directors of the Taranaki Farmers' Meat Co., which has been re-started.

Waldyve King, who is farming in town, is on a visit to Australia.

Newham Cornwall, who is one of the two R.N.R. Aides to the King, has been appointed to Portsmouth, to take his senior officer's course.

John Mander, who is engineer of the R.M.S. Tahiti, was in town on leave recently.

Strathie Ewing has recently purchased a farm at Urenui.

Harold Johnson, who is with Govett, Quilliam and Hutchen, solicitors, recently underwent an operation for appendicitis, but has, we are glad to say, quite recovered. Don. Grant has also been an inmate of the hospital, but is once more at work again.

Norman Little, who for the past few years has been on the staff of Weston and Billing in town, has moved to Auckland, where he has, in conjunction with another Old Boy, Owen Bayly, commenced practice as a barrister and solicitor.

Russel Matthews is now clerk of works for the Ellerslie Road Board at Auckland.

Frank Mace is now on the Stratford staff of the National Bank.

Gilbert Ellis, who formerly held a position in the local office of the Union Steamship Co., and was recently assistant-purser on the s.s. Arahura, has been transferred to a similar position on the inter-colonial steamer Manuka.

The many friends of Dr. Jack S. Dockrill will be interested to learn that, after spending two years in doing post-graduate work in the London hospitals, and otherwise improving himself for his profession, has now bought a practice in London.

Roy Lealand, who until recently was on the dental staff of the Christchurch Public Hospital, is now practising as a dentist at New Plymouth.

Ken. Brokenshire, who was successful in completing his doctor's degree last year, is now resident doctor at the Auckland Hospital.

We have recently received a letter from Derek Denny-Brown, who is this year sitting for his final in Medicine. He supplies us with the following notes of Old Boys in Dunedin: -Ken. C. Roberts, who got his B.Sc. last year, and the Senior Scholarship in Physics, is doing research and honours work. Ted Boulton, who got his B.A. last year, is now teaching at Nelson College. Henry Calder, who also obtained his B.A. last year, is now teaching at the Auckland West Grammar School. Rob. Rockel is studying for Anatomy and Physiology. Peter Griffiths is in his second year in the Medical Course. Murray Nicholson is in the second year of the Dental Course. Newton and B. Sturtevant are in their third years. Brian Johns is in his fourth vear, and has been playing for the 'Varsity B team this year R. G. B. Sinclair (Jimmy) is sitting for his final; he has been playing great football, and was full-back in the All Black team which played New South Wales this year.

Gerald Chong, who is in the Friendly Societies' Dispensary in town, was this year champion of the New Plymouth Golf Club.

Phil Grey, who is in practice as a barrister and solicitor in town, was one of the amateurs to qualify for the New Zealand Amateur Golf Championship, held at Wanganui, this year.

Alf. Honnor has recently purchased a farm at Ngapaenga, near Te Kuiti.

A. C. MacDiarmid has recently been appointed chief engineer at the Waingawa freezing works, near Masterton.

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H. W. Rickard is working in the Land and Survey Department in Wellington, and has recently been in Auckland. He was playing three-quarter for the Old Boys' senior team in Wellington this season, and states that he played against the following Old Boys in the 'Varsity team recently: R. O. Marks, Malcolm Sutherland and Colin Smart.

Don. MacDougall, who left School at the end of last year, is now attending the Palmerston North School.

Frank Kelly, who has recently returned after an absence of nearly two years in England, Europe and Canada, is now on the staff of the Taranaki Herald. We are indebted to him for an article appearing in this issue.

BIRTHS.

- BERTRAND.—At New Plymouth, on November 3, 1923, to Mr. and Mrs. G. Bertrand, a son.
- FARIS.—At Inglewood, on September 6, 1923, to Dr. E. L. and Mrs. Faris, a daughter.
- CONNELL.—At New Plymouth, on August 23. 1923, to Mr. and Mrs. J. Connell, a son.
- STANDISH.—At New Plymouth, on August 15, 1923, to Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Standish, a son.
- BAYLY.—At Auckland, on July 26, 1923, to Mr. and Mrs. O. Bayly, a son.

MARRIAGES.

- WEST—BOUTTELL.—At New Plymouth, on November 5, 1923, Victor Onslow, eldest son of Mr. J. West, of New Plymouth, to Birdie Zoe Bouttell, of Brighton. England.
- CUTFIELD—GAIR.—At Marton, on September 4, 1923, George Eric, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. W. Cutfield, of Auckland, to Marie, third daughter of Mrs. and the late James Gair, of Marton.
- KING—PEACH.—At New Plymouth, on September 8, 1923, Newton Waldyve, second son of Mr. and Mrs. Newton King, of New Plymouth, to Mary Francis. eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Conyers Peach, of New Plymouth,

The engagement is announced of Arthur Osborne to Miss Winifred Harper, of New Plymouth.

The engagement is announced of John Wybourn to

Miss Dorothy Johnson, of Te Aroha.

DEATH.

PAYNTER.—On July 6, 1923, killed in the Main Trunk accident, Charles H., second son of Mr. and Mrs. Paynter, of New Plymouth; aged 58 years.

PAYNTER.

It is with deep regret that we have to record the death of Charles Paynter, one of the original pupils of the School. Mr. Paynter was one of those passengers on that ill-fated train which was wrecked at Ongarue early in July and was killed in the accident. He entered the School in 1881, and at the date of his death was farming in the Cambridge district. We extend our heartfelt sympathy to his relatives in their loss.

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