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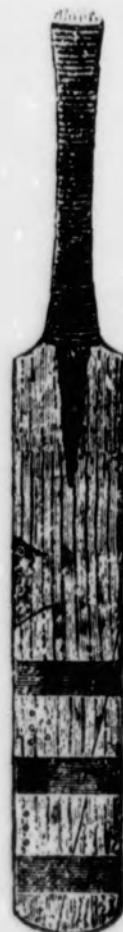
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## *Editorial.*

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In this number we chronicle and review the various events which have taken place during the middle period of our school year.

To our sorrow we have to record the death of Mr. Edwin Lilley, K.C., who was a worthy scholar and trustee of this school, and later had a distinguished career at the Bar.

Mr. T. E. Jones, long on the staff of this school, and for many years the keen and hardworking sports' master, has resigned, to take up the important post of head of the Correspondence Department of our University. We are sure that he will be deeply missed by all who have realised and appreciated his efforts and work on behalf of the school. It is in no small degree due to him that the school ranks high in matters of sport, and work also, among the schools of Australia.

Thanks, to a large extent, to Mr. Bousfield's efforts, a " College Grade " has been established this year by the Q.R.U., which includes the principal school teams and the University (we dare not class them as a school team). The visit of the King's School team, long looked forward to, has taken place. Although the school team was defeated, nevertheless they put up a good fight, Willcocks shining per usual. We may take this opportunity of congratulating the latter on his inclusion in the interstate team. He performed

so well that he has again been selected to go to Sydney to play in the return matches against N.S.W.

While on the subject of interstate sport, we may mention that Radcliffe was chosen to take part in the Frew Competition, by means of which the interstate tennis team is chosen. Though unsuccessful, he performed very well.

Once more we are proud to state the Empire Essay prize has fallen to the School, the successful competitor being J. L. Mursell.

The compulsory drill system has become a very real institution, as some of us realise, who consider it hard work to arrive at school at 9 m. sharp. We have two companies, and they are now being knocked into shape. The attendance so far has been excellent, due no doubt to patriotism, or perhaps to the warning that anyone cutting a drill will have to do two "voluntary" ones!

Preparations for the concert are in full swing. There are practising, a dramatic class under Mr. Mason's instruction, an orchestra under Mr. Nowlan, and a gym. squad under Mr. Murray. The proceeds of this entertainment are to go towards erecting a pavilion on the turf, to take the place of the present edifice. Needless to say all are expected to "roll up," and bring their friends, that even last year's success may be surpassed.

The entries for the athletic sports are coming in, and all the crack runners and others are training for the great event, which will take place next month.

The Chemical Lab. is still being built, and some of us even hope to see it completed. However, "Rome was not built in a day," and let us be patient even if the present room is sometimes flooded, or some other minor mishap occurs.

### *Obituary.*

We unfortunately have to record more than one death among old boys of the school and their families since the publication of the last issue of the Magazine. The terrible "Yongala" disaster, which occurred earlier in the year did not leave us untouched, and among its passengers was one old boy, and the whole family of a second. Mr. Ernest Greenfield, a most popular past student of the school, was one of the last passengers to join the ill-fated vessel at Flat Top, her last port of call before her disappearance. He was a young man, and it is not so many years since he was a member of the school. In his profession—that of an optician—which he practised in conjunction with his brother, he was well



known and popular throughout the State, to all parts of which his business took him.

Another old boy, Mr. A. Murray, of Cairns, who is in partnership as a solicitor there with Mr. Charles Lilley, lost his wife and the whole of his family of four children, the youngest of whom was only six weeks old at the time of her death, her father never having seen her.

A death which has caused far-reaching sorrow, is that of Mr. Edwin Lilley, K.C., who passed away on the morning of June 15th last, after a brief illness, the cause being a paralytic seizure. He was comparatively a young man at the time of his death, having been born in 1859. After leaving B.G.S., he was placed in the chambers of Mr. G. R. Harding, afterwards Mr. Justice Harding, and after that gentleman's elevation to the bench, he read in the chambers of Sir Samuel Griffith, who himself moved for his admission to the Bar on April 4th, 1882, before a Full Court bench, over which Mr. Lilley's father presided as Chief Justice. From the moment of his admission, he was successful in his profession, and at times the work which poured in upon him taxed all his energies. He was engaged in almost every important case for many years at one time, among them the famous Kenniff bushranging trial, on the criminal side, and the Frackelton cases, in which he appeared as leading counsel for the plaintiff, and the historic action of Grimley versus the Queensland Investment and Land Mortgage Company, on the civil side. Within a few months of his death he received his commission as a King's Counsel, and was at that time the second in seniority among the practising barristers of Queensland. In public life he was well known, and more than once took part in parliamentary contests. He was also a trustee of the National Art Gallery and a member of many other public educational bodies. His early death will be deplored by very many among us, and the fullest sympathy of the school and its past members will go out to his widow, and his sons, all of whom received their education at B.G.S.

Early in June last news was received in Brisbane of the death of Claude Bernays, who was in partnership in the Solomons as a planter and trader, and engaged in opening up the new business in the island of Floro, near Morovo, when he was killed while on a shooting expedition, through his rifle being accidentally discharged. Previously he had been a resident magistrate in the islands.

## ***University Successes of Old Boys.***

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SYDNEY.—H. T. Bourne, Final Exam. in Medicine.

Fourth Year Medicine. HIGH DISTINCTION.—H. Walsh.  
DISTINCTION.—K. Brunnich, A. D. Forbes, G. C. Willcocks  
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### OTHER EXAMINATIONS.

SOLICITORS' PRELIMINARY EXAM.—R. N. A. Mawby.

CADET ENGINEERS' EXAM.—J. P. Kennedy.

CHEMISTS' INTERMEDIATE EXAM.—J. Richardson.

STATE CIVIL SERVICE EXAM.—H. F. Cantrell, T. Gibney, J. Keating.

### PRIZES WON AT THE BRISBANE EXHIBITION.

G. C. C. WILSON.—First Prize, Pen and Ink Sketch: First Prize, Map of Australia.

H. E. SACHS.—First Prize, Freehand Drawing: Second Prize, Landscape Drawing.

G. H. MACARTHUR.—Special Prize for Writing.

F. G. D'ARCY.—Special Prize, Map of Australia.

L. PARKINSON.—First Prize for Geometrical Drawing: First Prize for Perspective Drawing: First Prize for Landscape Drawing.

G. NICOL.—First Prize for Writing (under 18 years.)

ESSAYS.—E. Thelander (above 15 yrs.), T. Moore (under 15 yrs.)

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## ***Mr. T. E. Jones, B.A.***

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During the holidays we learnt with great pleasure, mingled with regret, that Mr. T. E. Jones had been appointed officer-in-charge of the Correspondence Study Department in the University of Queensland, and that, therefore, his long connection with the school had come to an end.

Joining the B.B.G.S. in 1875 as a State School scholar, Mr. Jones gave proof of his marked abilities by his distinguished successes in the Sydney Public Examinations. In 1878 he passed the Junior Examination, winning the medal for algebra and proxime accessits in latin and greek. In 1880 he passed the Senior, carrying off the medal for greek, and securing proxime accessits for latin and algebra, and in addition one of the much coveted Queensland Exhibitions. During his university career at Sydney from 1880-1884, Mr. Jones further distinguished himself by winning the Cooper Scholarship for classics, and graduating with honours in classics and mathematics.

In 1885 Mr. Jones joined the teaching staff of his old school, and for more than 25 years he has done his share, and more than his share, in helping to mould that promising though sometimes



**T. E. JONES, ESQ., B.A.**

Director of Correspondence Tuition, University of Queensland.

refractory material, "the average school boy," into strenuous, straight-speaking man.

In the class room Mr. Jones displayed the earnestness and thoroughness which are the characteristic marks of the conscientious teacher, but many generations of boys will remember him chiefly as the sports master, the enthusiastic and successful organiser and promoter of nearly all that part of school activity, which lies outside the class room and his colleagues will often miss one to whose long experience and ready sympathy they naturally turned for information or help; while boys and masters alike have gladly seized this opportunity of giving expression to the feelings of love and esteem with which he has inspired them.

Mr. Jones' marked capacity for organisation, and his unflagging zeal in all that he undertakes ensure his success in the new work to which he has set his hand. The school hopes that profit and pleasure may be the result of his proposed visit of enquiry to America and England, and wishes him a safe and happy return to the land of his birth.

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### *Farewell to Mr. Jones.*

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On August 21st, the boys assembled in the Hall at 4 p.m., in order to present to Mr. Jones a purse of sovereigns and an illuminated address, which read as follows:—

To T. E. Jones, Esq., B.A.

Dear Sir,

On behalf of the boys of the Grammar School we desire to convey to you our heartiest congratulations on your appointment at the University.

At the same time we wish to express our deep regret that the school is losing the services of one who has been for many years so honourably connected with it. Your self-sacrificing zeal and your enthusiastic devotion to our interests in all branches of school life, but especially in the realm of sport will long be affectionately and appreciatively remembered here, and we ask you to accept the accompanying present as an expression of our regard and esteem.

It remains for us, sir, cordially to wish you every happiness and success in your new sphere of life.

R. J. Willcocks (captain), A. H. Jones,  
W. Fraser, M. D. Graham, W. G. Crosbie.

The address was so beautifully executed by Mr. Robertson that it excited the greatest admiration.

Mr. Jones, who was greeted with tumultuous applause, expressed his sorrow at leaving his old school, and his high appreciation of the gift tendered to him by the boys.

The masters then adjourned to the School House, where Mr. Bousfield, on behalf of the staff, asked Mr. Jones to accept a gold



watch for Mrs. Jones as a mark of the kindly feeling existing between Mr. Jones and his old colleagues. Other members of the staff referred to Mr. Jones' long connection with the school, his zeal for its welfare, and the kindly spirit in which he always placed his experience at the disposal of others.

Mr. Jones, in his reply, thanked those present for their sympathetic utterances, and referred to the harmonious relations existing amongst the various members of the staff. The proceedings then terminated.

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### ***Library Notes.***

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The Library has not been well patronised lately. It seems that the boys' love of literature will not stand the strain of the small charge made. In order to add to the number of books it is necessary to make some charge. Are we to understand that the course of study in the school is so severe that there is no time left for recreative reading? It is not worth while considering that reading a book of good English style and language is one of the best aids to the cultivation of correct expression? The library contains many excellent works that a boy should read even if he had to go out of his way to obtain them: but here he has them close at hand. It remains for some boys to have the courage to set the fashion of being regular readers. Then we feel sure the whole school will follow.

E.H.J.

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### ***New Cricket Pavilion.***

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Now that the school turf has been fenced in and a good turf wicket laid down, the need of a new cricket pavilion has become obvious. The generosity of two old boys, Messrs. W. E. and A. D. Graham who with the Headmaster, have guaranteed the necessary advance from the bank, have enabled the work to be proceeded with at once, and it now only remains to find the money to pay off the overdraft. Though no subscriptions have so far been solicited the movement has already received promise of support. Donations have been received from Messrs. Harding Frew, Pring Roberts, Briggs, C. S. Graham, and the Queensland Rugby Union, and the Treasurer has £11 14s. in hand. Subscriptions will be welcomed, and may be sent to the Business Manager of the Magazine or to the Sports Master, Mr. S. Stephenson. We hope it may be possible to place in the pavilion a panel with the inscription—"Erected by the old boys of the B.G.S."



## ***Cricket.***

### FIRST ELEVEN.

B.G.S. v. Toowoomba Grammar School.—Toowoomba G.S. : First Innings, 141 ; Second Innings, 81. Brisbane G.S. : First Innings, 82 ; Second Innings, 80 (for 5 wickets). Won by Toowoomba by 51 runs on the first innings.

B.G.S. v. North Brisbane.—B.G.S. : 388 ; North Brisbane, 54.

B.G.S. v. South Brisbane.—B.G.S., 192 (for 2 wickets) ; South Brisbane, 89.

## ***Football.***

### FIRST FIFTEEN.

We started the season with three of last year's team, viz., Bridgman, Francis and Willcocks. The new members have got on very well, the forwards are very light, but generally work hard, the backs are slow in getting the ball out to the wings.

Dr. Nicolson has improved the team wonderfully since he has been coaching us, for which we are very grateful. We are indebted also to Mr. Stephenson, who has written notes on most of the matches. We started on 26th April with a scratch match against the University on the "turf," the game resulted in a draw, 8 all. Doyle and Francis scored, and Willcocks converted one. 29th April we played "Brothers" a scratch match, and beat them 6 to 5 ; Wilson and Willcocks scored tries. Willcocks had his elbow injured in this match, which kept him out of the team for three weeks. 5th May played Nudgee a scratch match at Nudgee, we lost by 27 to 11 ; Bridgman, Row, Doyle scored, and Frankel converted one.

On 12th May we started the competition in the new College Grade, which is a great success.

May 12th v. Christian Brothers.—Brothers, 19 ; B.G.S., 0.

May 19th v. Ipswich G.S.—B.G.S., 54 ; Ipswich, 0.

v. King's School, Parramatta.—King's, 23 ; B.G.S., 13.

June 3rd.—B.G.S. v. Nudgee.—B.G.S., 13 ; Nudgee, 11.

June 17th B.G.S. v. Past Grammarians.—Past, 8 ; B.G.S., 5.

July 22nd B.G.S. v. University.—B.G.S., 13 ; University, 12.

Aug. 12th B.G.S. v. Christian Brothers.—Brothers, 21 ; B.G.S., 3.

B.G.S. v. Toowoomba G.S.—B.G.S., 11 ; Toowoomba, 8.

### MATCH v. KING'S SCHOOL.

A most important Rugby Union fixture in Brisbane was a match between the Brisbane Grammar School first fifteen and a team representative of the King's School (Parramatta, N.S.W.)

There were no local A Grade fixtures, and the game was played on No. 1 Union Ground. The attendance was excellent, the schoolboy being in strong evidence. The ground was at its best, and the weather was ideal.

Coming with a good reputation in the south, and flushed with victory over the Toowoomba Grammarians the visitors were expected to give an attractive display. They looked an even lot, and if anything heavier than the local boys, who, nevertheless, were expected to put up a strong fight. It is sufficient to say that the big crowd of spectators did not go away disappointed. The teams were as follows:—

Brisbane Grammarians.—Full back, Whitaker; three quarters, Bridgman, Willcocks, Ford, Doyle; five-eighth, Fraser; half, Gall; forwards, Wilson, Francis, Crosbie, Clements, Fowles, Moffat, A. H. Jones, E. H. Jones.

King's School (Sydney)—Full back, Ross; three quarters, Hill, Buckland, Linsley, A. Binnie; five-eighth, Barrett; half, Walford; forwards, K. Binnie, Milson, Capel, G. Smith, Morrow, R. Hill, Gaden, Erby.

Referee, Mr. P. Ferguson.

It was apparent at the outset of the game that the teams were evenly balanced, and that the contest was going to be an interesting one. At first the forwards monopolised most of the play, both sets of backs failing to get going for some time. Grammarians showed a tendency to break rules frequently, and on this account Ross had several attempts at penalty goals, but invariably failed. The "star" of the Brisbane team, R. Willcocks, was said to be suffering from a strain, but he was, nevertheless, not long in making his presence felt. Again and again he enlivened the play with sparkles of brilliance, now with a dodgy run, then with a sure tackle or a useful kick. On one occasion he broke away from the ruck at his own "25" with the ball at toe, gathered at half-way, and raced on till he reached the opposing full back. Taking no risks he passed to a comrade, who, however, was brought down. Shortly afterwards Bridgman broke away at half-way, and made for the wing. He passed nicely to Willcocks, who put in one of his best sprints, and scored behind the posts. He had no trouble converting his try, and the Grammarians led by 5 to nil. The visitors, and particularly their forwards, were playing a dogged game, and several times threatened to score. Had their combination been better they probably would have done so. Before half-time Fraser roused cheers with a very fine dodgy run, but there was no further score before the interval.

On changing ends, King's were soon pressing hard, their forwards using their weight for all they were worth. It was noted that the visitors were disinclined to play the open game, and scrimmages were frequent. On the other hand, it was open play that Grammarians wanted, that their backs might get going, and the

result was that the light blues found themselves in difficulties. The visitor's tactics were eventually successful, Gaden scoring near the corner. Ross made a good kick, but missed his mark. After this the game evened up for a while, the only features worthy of note being fine play by Doyle for Brisbane, weakness in the combination of the visitors' rearguard, and a fine attempt by Ross to drop a goal. Following their former tactics, King's forwards again worked play to the Grammar line, where a forward pass spoiled a score. From the resulting scrum, Barrett secured and dashed into an indisputable try, which was not converted. King's 6, Grammars 5.

Grammars failed to recover in the face of the forcing tactics of their opponents, and presently Barrett picked up in the ruck and passed to Linsley, who scored. Hill converted. Again the visitors pressed, and Grammar stocks fell very low, the local boys apparently having lost all their dash. Hill was the next to score, but he failed to get the extras. King's now led by 14 to 5. Things were looking black for the home pack now, but suddenly Willcocks brought hope back to his supporters. Gall secured at the home "25" and passed to his skipper, who set off down field with his satellites following. Cleverly feinting, he completely hoodwinked those who opposed him, and with a fine sprint down the wing beat Ross and scored brilliantly behind the posts, the crowd cheering his rousing effort. Willcocks also converted, making Grammars' score 10. King's returned to the attack, and presently their backs supplied a delightfully fresh piece of passing, in which Walford, who had been playing a great game for his side, was prominent. The ball went out to E. Binnie, and he scored. Grammars' fate was now practically sealed, and they appeared to lose heart. Two further unconverted tries were scored for the visitors by Barnett, and then Grammars, still seeking an open game, managed to work back to Sydney territory, where Willcocks put in another of his characteristic spurts and scored. His kick was unlucky, the ball rebounding from one of the posts. The final whistle came with the scores:—King's School, 23; Brisbane Grammars, 13.

#### CRITICISMS OF THE TEAM.

WHITAKER, N. (Full back).—A sound tackler, but rather on the light side; he kicks well with both feet; is inclined to run too far.

FORD, S. K.—Tackles well, kicks well with his right foot; he must go down on the ball and also give up trying to beat too many men. If he kicked quicker he would give the forwards a spell.

BRIDGMAN, F. H.—Plays wing three-quarter; has improved out of sight. His running, tackling, and rush stopping are splendid. He kicks well with his right foot, but wants more practice





**FIRST FIFTEEN, 1911.**

BACK ROW.—N. Whitaker, F. H. Bridgman, E. D. Doyle, R. P. W. Francis, F. D. G. Wilson, N. Moffat, A. H. Jones.  
MIDDLE ROW.—P. H. Clements, S. Pointon, A. W. L. Row, R. J. Willcocks, A. P. Frankel, E. H. Jones, W. G. Crosbie.  
IN FRONT.—L. W. Gall, W. Fraser, R. Hockings, D. Fowles.

with his left. He in passes well when tackled. Place kicks well.

POINTON, S.—Centre three-quarter : improves every week. He is rather slow in getting the ball out, and should grip his man harder when tackling : stops rushes well, and kicks fairly well with either foot. He is very enthusiastic. He wants to run quicker when he gets the ball.

DOYLE, E. D.—Wing three-quarter : wants to go down on rushes, and go into his man low and hard when tackling. He runs splendidly with plenty of dash when he gets the ball : kicks well with both feet, and his place kicking is very good.

FRASER, W.—Five-eighth : does not get the ball out quick enough. His tackling and rush stopping are very sound, and his kicking is accurate : he also plays well at half and centre three-quarter.

GALL, L.—Half : plays splendidly : his rush stopping is a great help to the team : tackles soundly, and kicks very well with both feet. Wants to tell the forwards to let the ball out more when in an attacking position.

JONES, E. H.—Front row forward : is a good hook. His tackling is rather on the poor side. He kicks fairly with both feet, and works hard in the ruck.

JONES, A. H.—Centre forward : is a hard working man, rather on the slow side : tackles and kicks well. He seems to keep the forwards together. We will miss him through his accident with his knee.

MOFFAT, N.—(Front row forward) is the most improved forward. He tackles and kicks well, is hard working in the ruck. He wants to run harder when he gets the ball in the open. Is fairly fast.

FOWLES, D.—(Second row) dribbles well : wants to go into his man harder when tackling : works hard in the ruck : wants to practise kicking.

CROSBIE, W.—(Second row) good hard working forward, who tackles, kicks, and runs well. He wants to let the ball go quicker when he joins in a passing rush.

WILSON, F. D. G. (wing forward) works very hard in the ruck : tackles fairly, and kicks well with both feet. He joins in the three-quarter rushes at times.

FRANCIS, R. P. W. (Lock) good on the line out : wants to grip his man harder, and keep his body stiffer when tackling. He wants to get into the ruck more, and get up from the ground quicker when he is tackled. He kicks well with both feet, and goes down on the ball well.

Row, A. W. L.—(Wing forward) is the best tackler in the team. His kicking is not too good, but it is rapidly improving :



gets his man well when he breaks from the scrum ; gets into the ruck well.

CLEMENTS, P. H.—(Forward) is very slow ; he tackles and kicks well ; but does not get into the ruck well.

HART, R.—(Forward) light, but very hard working ; is a keen tackler.

HOCKINGS, E. H. (Back) does not show enough interest at practice. He kicks well, but wants to whip the ball out quicker. Goes down on rushes well at times.

HARRISON, C. R.—(Back) tackles, kicks, and goes down well ; will improve with experience ; is rather nervous ; he wants to put more confidence in himself.

WILLCOCKS, R. J. (by a member of the team).—Our popular captain plays centre three-quarter. He is quite the mainstay of the team, being the best man in the team both at defence and attack. He kicks well with both feet. His accurate place kicking has more than once been the means of turning the match in our favour. He is one of the finest three-quarters in Queensland, and we here take the opportunity of congratulating him on his being selected to represent Queensland in interstate matches both in Brisbane and Sydney.

## SECOND FIFTEEN.

The Seconds again played in Fifth Grade Junior this season. We were not very successful, only winning two out of the five matches we played. This was, I think, to a great extent due to the carelessness of the team in attending practice. We were obliged to forfeit some matches on account of the midwinter holidays. We played the Ipswich Grammar School at Ipswich towards the middle of the season, and we won this match by nine points to three. The following are the results of our matches :—

v. Waterloo.—Lost 11—3. Frankel kicked a penalty goal.

v. Coorparoo.—Lost 12—11. Ford scored twice, Watson once, and Gall converted one try.

v. I.G.S.—Won 9—3. Hart scored once, and Ford once.

v. Alexandras.—Won 14—3. Forbes scored once, Ford twice, West once, and Frankel converted one try.

v. Waratah.—Lost 9—3. Ford kicked a penalty goal.

v. Fairfield.—Won on a forfeit.

## THIRD FOOTBALL TEAM.

The Third Football Team have been so far very unsuccessful, not winning any matches. The team would be more successful if the members turned up to practice more regularly. R. Thallon

has scored the only try for us; it was against St. James. The results of the matches are as follows:—

- B.G.S. v. Nudgee A.—Won by Nudgee A by 36 to nil.  
 B.G.S. v. Christian Bros.—Won by Brothers by 28 to nil.  
 B.G.S. v. St. James.—Won by St. James 15 to 5.

#### OVERAGE TEAM.

This is the second year an overage team has been formed, but owing to the scarcity of players it has again been a disappointment. The following is the result of matches played:—

- v. Nudgee.—Lost by 24 to nil.  
 v. West End.—West End forfeited.  
 v. Gregory Terrace.—Lost by 20 to nil.  
 v. West End.—West End again forfeited.

It would be a decided help if the members of the team paid more attention to practice.

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### *Cadet Notes.*

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#### R.P.W.F.

Since the last edition of this Magazine the Cadet Corps has undergone a great change. Before the Mid-winter holidays an examination for positions as non-commissioned officers took place, and all the old cadets of last year were candidates for it. Competition was very keen, and the results, which are given below, were very satisfactory:—

|                 |     |           |                 |     |          |
|-----------------|-----|-----------|-----------------|-----|----------|
| Wilson, L. G.   | 86% | Subalt.   | Hoge, J. K.     | 68% | Corporal |
| Holland, E. P.  | 84% | "         | Scott, F. S.    | 67% | "        |
| Nommensen J. W. | 81% | Col-Serg. | Macnaughton L.  | 66% | "        |
| Graham, M. D.   | 80% | "         | Frankel, A. P.  | 64% | "        |
| Doyle, E. D.    | 80% | Sergeant  | Hart, M.        | 64% | "        |
| Jones, E. H.    | 79% | "         | Clements, P.    | 63% | L.-Corp. |
| Cran, C. L.     | 78% | "         | Harrison, C. R. | 62% | "        |
| Hockings, R.    | 76% | "         | Faulkner, H. G. | 61% | "        |
| Bridgman, F. H. | 75% | "         | Ryder, R.       | 60% | "        |
| Payne, J. C.    | 75% | "         | Sachs, E.       | 58% | "        |
| Fraser, W.      | 72% | "         | Hughes, C. F.   | 57% | "        |
| Horn, H. W.     | 71% | "         | Collin, L.      | 56% | "        |
| Pointon, S.     | 70% | Corporal  | Woolcock, L. B. | 53% | "        |
| Waraker, E.     | 70% | "         | McAdam          | 50% | "        |
| Whitaker, N.    | 70% | "         |                 |     |          |

After the Mid-winter holidays the Compulsory Training Act came into force, with the result that our numbers were nearly doubled. This act requires all boys between the ages of fourteen and seventeen years to become cadets, and attend a minimum of



**FOOTBALL CAPTAINS AND VICE-CAPTAINS.**

STANDING.—Gaydon, T. G. (capt. 3rd XV.), Willcocks, R. J. (capt. 1st XV.), Cran, C. (capt. 2nd XV.), Wiley, F. (capt. 5th XV.).  
SITTING.—Woodhead, N. (vice-capt. 3rd XV.), Fraser, W. (vice-capt. 1st XV.), West, A. S. (vice-capt. 2nd XV.), Patterson, A. (vice-capt. 5th XV.).  
IN FRONT.—Ledlie, J. (vice-capt. 4th XV.), Waraker E. (capt. 4th XV.).

seventy-two drills per annum, including whole and half-day parades. In order to get through this number, it was found necessary to hold drill on three mornings of each week, instead of one morning as hitherto.

Our numbers almost reach two hundred and twenty under the new conditions, and two companies have been formed, one of which is commanded by Captain Bousfield, and the other by Lieutenant Robertson.



**MR. G. L. BYTH, B.A.**

First-Class Honourman in Classics and Philosophy  
Recently Lecturer in Classics at the Brisbane University.

The recruits, capably instructed by the section commanders, have soon become proficient in squad drill : and now the companies are getting into proper shape.

The new rifles have just arrived, and instruction in rifle exercises has begun, so that by the time our uniforms are delivered, the companies ought to be quite efficient in all departments of the drill.

This headway made by the corps is largely due to the untiring efforts of our area officer, Lieutenant Plant, and of our popular Sergeant-Major, whose keenness and patience in instruction is greatly appreciated by all ranks.



## ***Tennis Notes.***

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(By C.S.A.)

So far this season great interest has been taken in tennis, both by the teams and by those who play at school, and we have good reasons for believing that the entries for the School Tournament which will take place immediately after the athletic sports, will be greater than hitherto. This year we are playing two teams in the Q.L.T.A. B. Grade fixtures. So far the first team has been more successful than anticipated at the beginning of the season. We are sorry to say that the second team has not been quite so successful, but for a second team playing in the same grade, has done remarkably well. At the end of the first round the first team was second on the premiership list, notwithstanding that we were obliged to postpone two matches on account of the mid-winter vacation. During the first round, Spowers, who was suffering from a strain, had to give up playing for a few weeks, but we are glad to say that he is again able to take his place in the team. Mr. Porter very kindly took his place during his absence, and we wish to tender him our hearty thanks.

We should like to congratulate Paton and Elliott for securing a place in the semi-finals in the Metropolitan tournament.

The thirds have had a very successful season so far, having won seven out of nine matches. We are not in the Association, but play miscellaneous teams. The team is Horn and Paul, Foggitt and Hoge. T. Jack is emergency. Hoge has shown the greatest improvement.

### **CRITICISM OF THE TEAM.**

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Elliott has a good service, but is not accurate. His forehand drive is his strongest stroke. He "places" well from a volley, but should practise his overhead work. He is by far the most improved player in the team.

Paton's overhead work is very good. His forehand drive is strong, but he should practise his backhand strokes. He is consistent, but is rather given "to having a hit."

Spowers has a good forehand drive. His service is good but not accurate. His volleying is weak, and he should watch the ball more.

Abell (by a member of the team).—His service is sure and his backhand drive tells when it is followed up. He captains the team as well as could be expected, but he loses heart in an uphill game.



## ***Rowing.***

Since the issue of last number of the Magazine, rowing in the school has been very slack, chiefly due to football practice.

We understand that the Smith Cup has to be won three times, not three times in succession as was first stipulated. Also that the race must be held in a Q.R.A. regatta.

We must congratulate J. P. Kennedy on stroking the Brisbane Rowing Club's Maiden Eight to victory in the first Q.R.A. race this year. Mr. A. Swensson has kindly consented to coach the School Crew again this year.

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## ***Life-Saving.***

An examination of the members of the Life-saving Squad, was held on Tuesday, 11th April. The following obtained certificates for proficiency:—Clements Collin, Cran, Frankel, Ford, S. K., Forbes, Gibson, D., Gibson, W., Hart, B., Hart, M., Hopkins, Jones, A. H., Jones, E. H., Payne, Derbyshire, Earwacker, and Macnaughton obtained certificates for the elementary exam. We feel sure that all these boys have gained from the training a knowledge of the various methods of life-saving, which will always be of great value to them in emergencies. A squad is being trained to give a display of the land drill at the annual meeting of the association in Brisbane, which is to take place in the latter part of August. Mr. Dakin has very kindly taken up the task of instructing and drilling the squad.

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## ***Gymnastics.***

The gymnasium is well patronised during the dinner hour. There is now a considerable number of proficient gymnasts at the school. Some of the boys who came at the beginning of the year have already shown good form. A pyramid squad is being trained for the concert, as well as squads for the parallel and horizontal bars. These squads are being trained by Mr. Murray, our gymnastic instructor. We regret that we will soon lose his services, as he intends to depart from Brisbane in a short while.

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## ***School Debating Society.***

Our second quarter opened on April 7th, with a debate, 'Should Games be Compulsory in this School.' The debate was opened by A. S. West, who was supported by Thelander, Mansell Willcocks, R. Francis, Philp, Brydon and Hodges. Those against

the proposal were N. Young, Irvine, W. E. McKenna, Byth, O'Brien, Wilson, G. C.

On April 28th we held our monthly "Gem Afternoon."

Mr. Stephenson favoured us with a paper on "English Drama," on May 5th, which was greatly appreciated.

Papers were read on the next Friday, May 12th, by N. Young, G. C. C. Wilson, and W. E. McKenna. The subjects being:—"Australian Defence," "Portuguese Revolution" and "The Romance of Early Exploration."

On the 19th May we had a splendid debate on "Is Fiction Read Too Much To-day." It is introduced by R. P. Francis. The "ayes" being Thelander, Mursell, West, Byth, Hodges, Lukin, Mansell; "noes," G. C. Wilson, McKenna, Brydon, Young Philp. The "ayes" won by eight to five.

We had our "Gem Afternoon" on 26th May, when many interesting pieces were read.

A debate on "Will the Black Races be an Important Factor in the World's Future," occupied our time on June 2nd. Speeches were given in support by Mr. McKenna and G. C. Wilson, and against by Thelander and Mursell. It was then turned into a conversational debate.

On July 21st, after the mid-winter holidays, we arranged a syllabus for the quarter, which consisted mostly of papers.

Two papers were read on July 28th. The subject being "War." One paper was read by A. S. West against "War," and the other by W. E. McKenna in support of "War." In the discussion that followed, no decision was arrived at.

Our speaker, Mr. Stephenson, has been all through the quarter, very energetic in arranging debates, and in persuading the more reluctant members to write papers on literary, scientific, and many other subjects.

All the members fully appreciate the interest and energy that Mr. Stephenson shows in the Society.

—A.S.W.

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## *School House Notes.*

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As usual, when the Easter holidays arrived, Mr. and Mrs. Bousfield formed a camp down at Jumpin Pin, to which went those boarders who were prevented by the briefness of the holiday from going home. The party was not as large as usual this time, comprising as it did only eleven boarders. At first the weather was very wet, but it cleared up in a few days, and the remainder of the holiday was gloriously fine. The fishing was even better

than usual, and in a fishing competition held one day, Wilson got top score, but Ledlie caught the largest fish (its weight is not known). A worm catching competition was also held, and Mansell emerged victorious from this, after a hard struggle. Mrs. Bousfield very kindly donated the prizes for these exciting competitions. Unfortunately, the mosquitoes were very troublesome this time.

Shortly after Easter we lost one of our most enthusiastic sportsmen, namely, C. E. Scott. Mrs. Bousfield invited the House Prefects to dinner at Eschenhagen's just before his departure, to say good-bye to him, and wish him all luck for the future. We have also lost N. Whitaker, who left unexpectedly at midwinter, and who is now on a sheep station in New South Wales. On the other hand, our ranks have been recently increased by the arrival of Irvine, Noyes, Macleod, Hollis and Short, the first two of whom have been promoted to the Sixth Form Room. The number of boarders is now 53, and this constitutes a record.

We all offer our heartiest congratulations to Bob Willcocks on his inclusion in the Queensland team, and we are quite confident that he will do himself justice in the matches down South. Let us wish him "bon voyage," and hope that he will thoroughly enjoy himself.

The phonograph presented by Mrs. Bousfield is still going strong in the House. Several new records have been added to our already extensive collection by different donors, and we here thank them for their generosity. Unfortunately, several of the old ones have been broken, but we hope that no more will suffer the same fate.

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## ***B. G. S. O. B. A.***

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Since last issue several of our annual fixtures took place. There was the President's "At Home" on April 29th, when a large gathering assembled on the school grounds to witness or take part in a tennis tournament, under the kindly auspices of Mr. and Mrs. Roe. Afternoon tea nicely served was an added charm.

The euchre tournament and dance on the 19th June, at the Cafe Majestic, was a financial success, though the attendance, at least of the male element, might have been more satisfactory.

The annual meeting was held at the club rooms on the 24th ultimo. The attendance was only fairly good, but there was strong evidence shown of a desire on the part of members to stir up the Association to fuller activity, and the new policy is already bearing good fruit, in the enrolment of several new members of the younger generations. The office-bearers

of the year were elected, and are as follows:—President, Mr. Stuart Stephenson; Vice-President, Mr. T. E. Jones; Hon. Secretary, Mr. J. G. Nowlan; Hon. Treasurer, Mr. C. A. Powell; Council, Messrs. C. S. Graham, T. C. Troedson, J. M. Brown, N. A. Lloyd, W. S. Dixon, and S. E. Perkins; Auditors, Messrs. Wilson and Webb.

As we go to Press, preparations are being pushed forward for the Annual Dinner, to take place on the 19th at the School Hall. A successful function is expected, and a good harvest of new members will bear out the wisdom of the new and more liberal policy adopted by the Council.

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## ***Past Grammar School Football Club.***

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The 1911 season is fast drawing to a close, and followers of the sport of all sports, will soon be resting or taking up some other game to keep themselves fit for coming events. In reviewing the closing season from the Past Grammars' lookout, the many noticeable features that strike one are, consistency of combination, existence of friendly intercourse, and above all improvement generally in all branches of the game.

It is most gratifying to the Club that a number of its members, Messrs. R. Scott, T. Dixon (capt.), L. Kent, Dr. Fitzharding, were picked to represent Queensland against N.S.W., and the play of those members certainly warranted their inclusion in the representative team. Our "B" team have also been very successful, so far they have won every match this season, which speaks very well for our junior players. There were seven men picked from this team to play a curtain raiser before the last interstate match.

On 3rd June the "A" team journeyed to Toowoomba to try conclusions against combined Toowoomba, and after a very exciting game we won by 15 points to 8. Our friends in Toowoomba gave us a rattling good time, and many are the pleasant recollections of that trip.

The competition for the Hospital Cup this year resulted in a win for "The Brothers." It was a stroke of hard luck that we missed it, but next season we hope to give a better account of ourselves.

The other matches were all full of vim and vigour, and so far our fellows have upheld the honour of the school, by gaining a position that stands a good chance for the premiership final. We have 6 wins and 1 draw to our credit, and we have lost 2 matches.



## ***Empire Essay.***

“ THE VALUE OF ENGLISH LITERATURE AS A BOND OF  
UNION BETWEEN THE ENGLISH SPEAKING  
RACES.”

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Perhaps the first fact revealed by that retrospective glance  
over the history of literature, which forms alike the most obvious



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and most logical commencement of any enquiry into its nature  
and effects, is that throughout all ages its devotees have strongly  
and consistently declared its assured permanence and unshakable  
stability. Long ago a poet celebrated the completion of a work  
with the words

“ Exegi monumentum aere perennius,”

and in modern times John Ruskin has declared “ the more I think  
of it the more convinced am I that the noblest thing a man can  
do is first to realise something, then to express it.” But although  
this principle has always, avowedly or tacitly, gained universal



consent, not till to-day could its full significance be grasped. For, if in the days of Horace, literature was more lasting than brass, now, by the fact that a race, depending for supremacy not so much upon gold and blood-shed as upon the arts of peace and the gentle influences of moral and intellectual greatness, has spread over the whole world and founded two powers unsurpassed both in the wideness of their boundaries, and the clemency and freedom of their administration, it is proved to be also a bond of social and political union stronger than adamant. And we may well believe that, in the future its power will undergo a growth corresponding to the advancement of the world to that happy goal, the reign of reason.

When we contemplate the long and priestly succession of English men of letters, and seek to comprehend their influence upon our destinies, the first question suggested by our desire is : What is literature ? Literature is thought expressed in words. Thus, it contains two elements, thought and language, and it is through this dual nature that it exercises a dual power over national life and character. But this power is elusive and intangible ; for if traced back never so keenly the clue loses itself at last in that "cavern measureless to man," the human soul. The Sphinx literature propounds a riddle as old as the world, but still in its ultimate issue dark, perplexed and insoluble. The silent Norn spins a thread imperceptible to human sight, and has in her keeping that factor of national life which defies analysis, the spirit of our race.

First then, our literature is valuable as a bond of union in that it is expressed in a language shared alike by America, Australia, and Britain, and predominant in South Africa, a language harmonising with every type of Anglo-Saxon mind and common to the race.

The appeal of a common language, however, is addressed rather to the emotions than to the reason. Thus, when Englishmen travel to all parts of the world, and still hear their native tongue, their natural feeling is one of pride and pleasure, and the fact arouses not so much a definite conception of the unity of the race as a dim and hazy feeling of fraternity. And since the cohesive force based on a mere sentiment must ever be inferior to that depending upon logical conviction, we must rank language as the less valuable part of literature. But although its importance is but secondary, yet it has a very real influence both for national solidity and racial union. It grows from the people and yet confers a blessing on them. In a word our language is the effect of our past and the cause of our future.

The second element in literature, an element more interesting both on account of itself, and on account of the power for political

unity which it exercises, is the element of thought. In it two divisions are apparent, namely concrete or practical thought, and abstract or non-practical thought ; the contemplation of ideals and the contemplation of ideas. It is the second of these two divisions which constitutes the noblest, the most enduring, and the most important part of literature, for this abstract thinking has attracted almost all great minds, and it is here that genius has striven hardest after excellence, and most deeply coveted success. But when we essay to examine its influence on national life, we are confronted with a problem. It may be argued that, since only the elect may enter this holy of holies, only they can be influenced by its mysteries, and that the immemorial privilege of genius to exclaim

" Odi profanum volgus et arceo,"

implies the exclusion of the mass of the people from the participation in, and, therefore, from the fraternising power of, this highest and most esoteric element of literature. But let it be remembered that the function of genius is not so much creative as clarifying and expressive, and that, despite the contradictions of many, science, philosophy and history concur in teaching that it is rather the age that produces the genius than the genius the age, his work being but to act as a medium through which the aggregate thought of his period may be handed on in a definite and worthy form to posterity. Such a consideration shows that the thought of literature has sprung, not from a few lofty brains, but from the people ; and that such thought, embodying the ideas and aspirations of one race, must, therefore, influence every member of that race. This explains, for instance, why Shakespeare, in spite of the fact that he was so infinitely superior to the majority of his times as almost to seem beyond their ken, is regarded, and justly so, as the supreme fact of our race. His greatness was not his alone. He grasped and crystallised those racial tendencies which made the Elizabethan Era one of the greatest in our history. And when we deal with any such question we must remember that with one notable exception, English literature is founded on the English race. The one exception is that Book which, by the noble and exalted quality of its contents has not only silenced almost all its detractors, but also united Christendom and proved a firm foundation for English civilisation. It is from the English Bible that almost all the good in our literature has been assimilated by the people before it was expressed by the writers. In all other cases, however, our rule applies. Emerson and Lamb may be totally different. Whittier and Wordsworth may be as far asunder as the poles. Tennyson may little resemble Lowell. Or again Chaucer, Shakespeare, Milton, Carlyle, Scott, Burns, Dickens and Ruskin may all think and feel and write on seemingly utterly different planes. But all are instinct with one spirit. All expres-

ideas woven into the fibres of their beings by the progressive evolution of one parent stock. The hearts of all beat in time. They are all Anglo-Saxon. It is the fact of this commonality of race, and its appeal to every member of that race; it is the fact that all British thoughts are of the same lineage; it is the fact that the blood of one people vivifies our literature, which justifies the affirmation of the existence of unity in Anglo-Saxon intellectualism; of the resemblance of our literature not to a cluster of isolated peaks, but a continuous mountain chain, ever varying on the surface, ever the same at heart, ever dominated by the same cloud-piercing summits, ever feeding the streams from the same eternal snow; and of the truth that it is by virtue of this great and glorious oneness of thought and culture that British literature is, in the highest and truest sense an inestimable and indispensable bond of union.

The second type of influence exercised by the thought of our literature is the setting up of ideals of personal and political conduct. Certain national traits, some good, some bad, have been implanted in the race by nature, and it is one of the functions of our writers to foster the one and repress the other. Thus, literature has a directly elevating power; and, by giving the English-speaking peoples a common stock of high and noble conceptions, it contributes much to the cause of fraternity. Let us consider a few distinctive marks, by emphasising which, till they have become characteristic of the Anglo-Saxon race, it has forged into links of union. Perhaps the first is the sense of honour. This has been fostered by all writings which, in a manner purified and refined by the author's culture and the idealisation of genius, enshrine the traditions of our chivalry; and now British honour receives its best title, not in high sounding names such as "Herr" or "Monsieur" significant of overlordship, but in the simple word "Gentleman."

Again, take our love of liberty. The race which won Magna Charta, and drew up the Petition of Right, was far from servile, but it was Milton who grasped the principle underlying such acts, and expressed in a form which has made it the intellectual property of England and of all her sons. Once more, take our belief in the importance of the individual. Our judicial system proves this to have ever been innate, but it required the profound insistence of Carlyle, drawing his inspiration from the thought and feeling of earlier ages, to bring the English People to a vivid and philosophical realisation of their belief. Consonant with this is our hatred of slavery, which has constantly found voice both in England and America. Many more examples might be given, but enough has been said to show that literature sets up common ideals for the race, and does so in such a way as to convert a dimly felt longing into a definite, general conception, capable of being to the English



speaking races, not a hazy and obscure signal, but a bright, clear beacon, and an unmistakably, definite, rallying sign.

We have analysed the effect of Anglo-Saxon literature upon the English-speaking world. We have quoted examples which prove the greatness of its past importance, and the magnitude of its present worth. Let us now turn our faces towards the future, and ask what fate the veil conceals. The ruins of mighty empires lie behind us, and warn us that the nation which transgresses the natural laws of progress will perish. But we are a people, who, under the influence of a succession of great men of letters, have had the glory of bringing light into the dark places of the earth, of setting at liberty the captive, and of breaking the bow of the oppressor. The Anglo-Saxon race now dominates the earth. How long it will continue to do so, we cannot tell. But, at least, we know that if we remain true to the traditions of a literature worthy in all things of the deeds it has inspired, and the people it has ennobled, then even if we lose the supreme power, we shall lose it because we have summoned East and West and North and South to join hands of brotherhood, because we are content to share it with all humanity, and because it will have been the crown and greatness of the English-speaking peoples to have fulfilled Goethe's dying prayer,

"Licht, Licht, mehr Licht."

—James Lockhart Mursell.

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### ***Jottings.***

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Mr. W. Vowles has been elected M.L.A. for Dalby. We congratulate Mr. Vowles, and hope soon to see more "Old Boys" among our legislators.

Messrs. C. Clatworthy and E. S. James have been playing in the Sydney University First Fifteen.

J. R. Barriskill is playing in the Sydney University Tennis Team.

E. S. James has obtained his blue for cricket, and H. R. Denham for rowing at Sydney.

D. N. McGregor is playing in the Sydney University Second Fifteen.

G. C. Willcocks rowed in the St. Andrew's Four.

E. Wassell, G. C. Willcocks, H. Plant and J. R. Barriskill shot in the St. Andrew's College Team, which won the Inter-College Match.



B. G. Wilson is in "third year" Medicine at Sydney; and H. G. Wilson is a student at the Hawkesbury College.

F. D. G. Wilson has started a commercial career in Moreheads Limited.

B. F. Carr is in the Railway Department.

H. Woodbine is on the staff of the Australian Estate Company and O. Woodbine is at work in his father's office.

H. A. Perkins is engaged in the Referee Tobacco Company's Office.

G. White has gone to live at Southport.

J. K. R. Walker is training the young idea at Indooroopilly.

B. Harris and S. Harris have taken up business occupations.

N. G. Sutton and A. P. Murphy are travelling in Europe. We have received some interesting matter from them, which we hope to publish in our next number. They have witnessed a real Spanish bull fight, and have sent us a picture of it.

Noel Robertson has also sent us an interesting article about North America, which he has been visiting.

Mr. W. A. Hargreaves, a former master, and now Government Analyst of South Australia, visited Queensland recently.

H. A. Wright is deep in agricultural theory and practice at Gatton College.

Mr. H. Johnson, of Stanthorpe, has very kindly presented some minerals to the Geological Collection.

We have received an interesting letter from J. Urquhart, who along with Boase and Marsland, is leading the strenuous life at the Commonwealth Military College.

Gibney, Cantrell and Keating have been appointed to positions in the State Civil Service.

Dr. S. F. Macdonald is House Surgeon at the Alfred Hospital, Melbourne, and also Commanding Officer of the Melbourne University Rifle Corps.

C. A. Bell and S. Micheli of the Sandgate Scouts took part in a successful Ambulance contest.

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## *Birth.*

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STEPHENSON.—At Toowong, on July 17th to Mr. and Mrs. Stuart Stephenson—a son.

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