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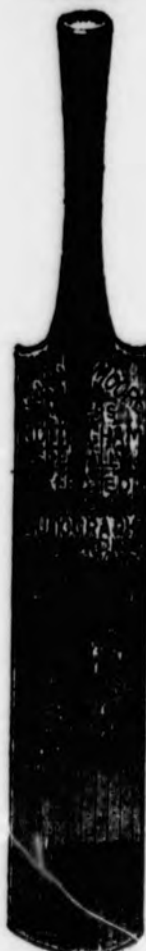
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The Editor will welcome contributions or correspondence from present or past members of the School.

Subscribers are requested to inform the Business Manager of any change of Address.

Editorial.

The midsummer vacation is approaching, but before loom up the public examinations, both Senior and Junior being held by the Queensland University, at the end of the year. We have every confidence that our candidates will uphold the reputation of the School, and that the Senior boys will annex a fair share of the scholarships offered.

The School has lost a popular and painstaking master, and the Cadet Corps an efficient officer in Mr. Robertson, who has left this quarter, followed by our good wishes. At the same time let us extend a hearty welcome to his successor, Mr. McGill.

Cricket has ousted football from the first place in the sport of the School, and this year the turf has been further improved by the erection of a fine pavilion, containing capacious dressing rooms, a long felt need. The wicket and ground are in fine condition and we expect the team to do well.

The football team, though containing brilliant individual players, had a "patchy" season, and failed to gain the premiership. All will agree that the honour caps recently presented were well earned. These were five in number, one being kindly donated by Mrs. Stephenson.

The rowing four trained hard for the All Schools' Race, rowed on November 4th, but were defeated after a hard race by the Southport crew.

The tennis teams did well at Auchenflower, when the fact that they were all new men is taken into consideration. The tournament, for which large entries were received, is now in full swing, and is proving a great success.

Since last issue, the annual athletic sports were held at the Exhibition, in the presence of a large number of interested spectators. The Courier Cup, donated by Hon. E. J. Stevens, for the best all round athlete, was won by R. J. Willcocks with E. D. Doyle a close second.

This year the School gave another highly successful entertainment. The proceeds this time went towards the building fund for the pavilion. Let us hope this entertainment will be an annual affair.

A considerable number of boys are commencing practice at the rifle range, but the Empire Cup match will not be shot off this year.

Let us conclude, as this is the last number of the year, with all good wishes for the future, to those who are leaving us, and for a good holiday, and a successful next year to those returning.

Mr. Robertson.

Mr. Robertson, who has been a member of the staff for two and a half years, has severed his connection with the School, intending to devote himself to artistic work. During his stay with us, his great talents have been unselfishly placed at the disposal of the School, and one of his last pieces of work was a splendidly executed "Street Scene," for our dramatic performance.


Previous to his departure, Mr. Robertson was the recipient of several presents, and expressions of goodwill and appreciation from both masters and boys.

Grammar School Entertainment.

An interesting and successful entertainment was given in the Protestant Hall, September 21st, by the boys of the Brisbane Grammar School. There was a numerous attendance, and the various items on the programme evoked warm applause. One of the features of the entertainment was a representation of scenes from Sheridan's comedy, "The Rivals." With the



SENIOR AND MATRICULATION CANDIDATES.

A. B. Grimes, K. Watson, S.  Crellin
 J. Nommensen, G. Mitchell, O. W. O'Brien, R. P. W. Francis, L. G. Wilson, A. P. Frankel
 T. Jackson, E. A. Thelander, R. J. Willcocks, A. H. Jones, J. Mursell, J. N. Radcliffe, M. Fowler
 E. Earnshaw.

exception of the part of the fair Lydia Languish, which was taken by Miss K. Jones, all the characters were impersonated by boys. T. Jack, who appeared as the choleric Sir Anthony Absolute, did particularly well, while W. Crosbie's Sir Lucius O'Trigger and W. Kirkland's Capt. Jack Absolute were both very creditable performances. R. Philp's Fag, R. Trout's Bob Acres, and K. Watson's Mrs. Malaprop each showed an intelligent idea of the idiosyncrasies of the characters, while A. West as David, W. Moller as Page, and A. Noyes as Faulkner contributed in their degree to the completeness of the performance. The boys entered into the spirit of the comedy, and they succeeded in thoroughly interesting the audience, and winning many a round of applause. The costumes were appropriate, and the scenery was adequate. The boys who were not of an histrionic turn had an opportunity to distinguish themselves in music and gymnastics, in both of which directions they upheld the reputation of the School. The School orchestra, under the baton of Mr. Nowlan, played selections from the "Bohemian Girl" in creditable style, and the choir, directed by Mr. Cowan, rendered the part song "Tally Ho" with becoming spirit, and "After the Storm" and "New Life" with sweetness and expression. Gymnastic displays on the parallel bars, and on the horizontal bars were smartly and skilfully carried out, and the exhibition of fencing with foils was a capital item. Mr. R. Robertson contributed some clever lightning sketches, and the entertainment concluded with an excellent "Pyramid" display by the gymnastic squad.

—"Brisbane Courier."

The Magazine.

The Business Manager gratefully acknowledges the receipt of special subscriptions for the Magazine Fund from the following gentlemen:—

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As the Printers' Wages Board has greatly increased the expense of publishing the Magazine, the kind and thoughtful assistance of these gentlemen is greatly appreciated by the management.

The New Pavilion.

The pavilion on the turf is now completed, and we think that none will deny that it adds greatly to the comfort and appearance of the ground. The total cost, including painting, was £250 2s. 6d. To meet this a sum of £16 7s. 6d. has been received up to the present time, in subscriptions from old boys and others, while the entertainment brought in £33 12s. 4d. This leaves a balance still to be found of £200 2s. 8d.

Subscriptions received or promised from the following since our last issue are hereby gratefully acknowledged :—Dr. Carvosso, £1 1s. ; W. R. Parker, Esq., 10s. ; K. ff. Swanwick, Esq., 10s. 6d. ; W. J. Byram, Esq., £2 2s. ; A. A. Briggs, Esq., £1 ; Anonyms 10s. The trustees have voted a grant of "pound for pound" on all money collected for the fund up to the end of the year Verb. Sap.

Library Notes.

There are still few boys who patronise the School Library as such an institution should be patronised. A number of boys' books, by popular authors, will shortly be added to the excellent collection already there, and we hope that these additions will make the library more popular than it is at present. If a few more boys, who thoroughly appreciated books of good English, were to become subscribers, the library would soon become as popular as it used to be.

—A.P.F.

Football.

The season was brought to a close rather unsuccessfully, but we were fourth in the competition, a tie with Nudgee at the end of the season, but did not play in the semi-finals, owing to rowing.

B.G.S. v. Christian Brothers.—Lost by 20 to 3. Doyle kicked a penalty goal.

v. Past Grammars. Lost by 19 to nil.

v. Nudgee. Lost 11 to 6.

v. University.—Lost 11 to nil.

Honour Caps.

Two extra caps were given, on account of the good play at the start of the season. On the vote of the team they were allotted as follows :—

Best Forward : A. W. L. Row.

Best Back : F. H. Bridgman.

Next Best Man : L. W. Gall.

Extra Caps (back) : W. Fraser ; (forward) : F. D. Wilson.

One of the extra caps was very kindly presented by Mrs. Stephenson.

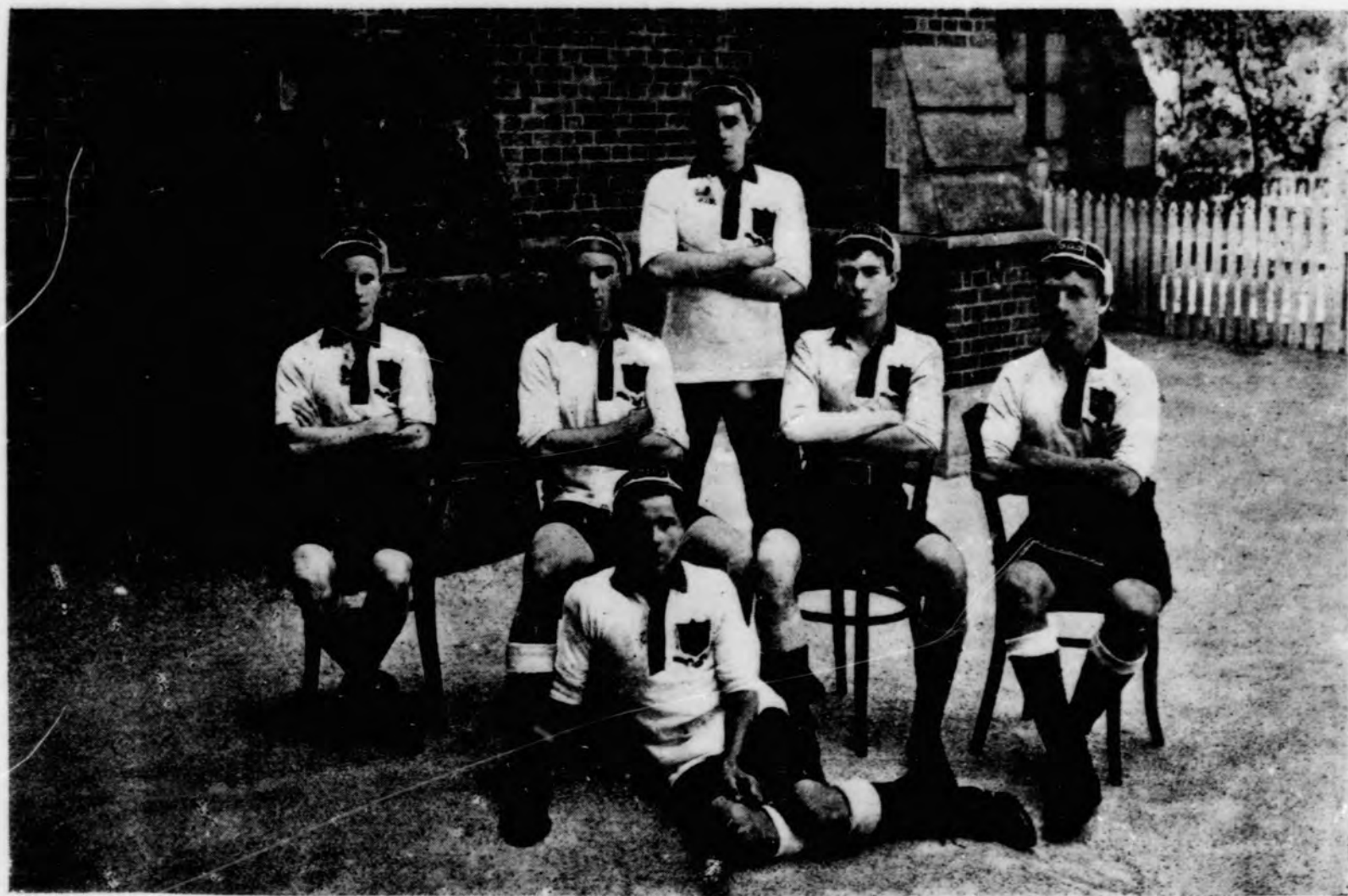
Cricket Notes.

The team is very young, but they are keen, and under the tuition of Mr. Redgrave they are rapidly improving. The batting is solid right through, but our bowling is weak. We miss Waraker and Barriskill, especially the former, who had an average of 129 last season.

We started the season on October 14th against Valley B., on the Turf. We won by 174 on the first innings. B.G.S. : 288 (Graham 87, Irvine 61, Willcocks 41, Bridgman 25). Valley's, First Innings : 114 ; Second Innings, 6 for 156. Noyes took 8 wickets for 35.

CRITICISMS ON THE TEAM.

- R. S. IRVINE is a very steady bat ; he drives both ways well, and has a neat square cut off a rising ball ; his leg side play would improve if he followed the ball all the way from the bowler's hand on to his bat ; he should practise using his feet ; his batting has improved out of sight, but his fielding wants attending to. He must back up, and not hesitate between the wickets.
- T. JACK has improved his batting greatly now he combines scoring strokes all round the wicket with his steady play of last year ; he off drives very hard ; he is still slow in the field. He and Fraser show their interest in practice by staying later than the other day boys.
- F. NOYES bowls his leg breaks well at times, but still tries to bowl too fast. He is very slack in the field when he is not bowling. His batting is very fair ; he goes at the bowling and drives well.
- M. GRAHAM has improved slightly, but would do better if he tried to get into form in the nets instead of hitting ; his driving is clean, but he should keep it down. It would be better if he



HONOUR CAP HOLDERS.

R. J. Willcocks
W. Fraser, F. H. Bridgman, F. D. G. Wilson, A. W. L. Row
L. W. Gall.

let the rising balls wide on the off go instead of cutting them with the edge of his bat. His wicket keeping is improving every match.

- F. H. BRIDGMAN has some nice strokes on the off ; he cuts very well, and drives nicely, his fielding is clean and brisk.
- R. HOCKINGS is a very good leg break bowler, his length is consistent, he gets a lot of screw on, and tries a " bosie " for variation, which he also keeps a good length. His fielding is a treat. He wants to watch the ball more when batting.
- C. ABELL is a left hand batsman ; he is very poor on the leg, but pulls and drives well ; would do better if he didn't hit so much at practice ; he is very eager to learn new points. His catching and ground fielding is the best in the team.
- L. GALL cuts past point excellently, and off drives very fairly, but wants to watch balls on his legs better. He fields all that he can reach well.
- W. WILSON a left-hand bowler who keeps a good length, but should not try and bowl so fast. He is a very good fielder : wants to watch the ball closely when batting, and try and play himself in.
- K. WATSON is a very sound bat, very hard to shift ; he follows the ball round well on the leg side, and off drives well ; his fielding is bad, and he is also very casual in the field.
- N. MOFFAT drives balls pitched up very well, but plays too stiffly at a good length ball. His fielding is poor, through his inattention when at fielding practice.
- W. FRASER bowls fast medium ; he wants to pay more attention to his length ; his batting is poor ; he wants to watch the ball more closely and keep his left elbow up. His fielding is good, and he is always a trier.
- R. J. WILLCOCKS makes a very good captain, and the success of the team is without doubt greatly due to his untiring efforts, and to his keeping the team practising hard. As a batsman he drives well on both sides of the wicket, and plays leg balls well, but wants to be more careful in late cutting. He bowls a very good length, fast ball, with a good change of pace. He is a safe field in any position, and throws the ball in excellently.

Life Saving.

Soon after last issue of the Magazine, a display of life saving was given by twelve members from the School, at the Y.M.C.A. As each method was done Mr. Dakin explained the method to the audience. We are now beginning the classes again. A senior



LIFE SAVING SQUAD.

A. P. Frankel, L. Collin, A. Dakin, Esq., S. K. Ford, E. H. Jones
 A. D. L. Gibson, A. West, P. H. Clements, A. H. Jones, M. Hart, C. Cran, W. L. Gibson
 B. Hart, J. Earwaker. P. Hopkins.

class of boys, who have gained the proficiency certificate, are now practising for the bronze medallion. A junior class has also been formed to practise for the proficiency certificate. Mr. Dakin is instructing the junior class, and Mr. Venning, the Hon. Secretary of the Society in Brisbane, has kindly consented to instruct the senior class. We hope that this year all those who begin will keep on until they pass the examination and not drop out half way through the season.

—E.H.J.

Annual Athletic Sports.

SUCCESSFUL GATHERING.

Dark blue and light blue were the colours seen everywhere at the Exhibition grounds on Friday afternoon, September 15th, when the annual athletic sports of the Brisbane Grammar School were held. A more favourable day could hardly have been imagined—plenty of sun, a blue sky flecked with white clouds, and a pleasant breeze blowing. All the afternoon boys toed the mark, the pistol cracked, and away raced the white clad figures over the level sward. The able officials were:—Referee, Mr. F. S. N. Bousfield; judges, Messrs. S. Stephenson, J. G. Nowlan, B. Porter, R. E. Thwaites, A. D. Graham, and W. Winford; time-keepers, Messrs. J. G. Cribb, A. J. Mason; committee, Messrs. R. J. Willcocks (captain of the school), W. Fraser, A. H. Jones, M. Graham and W. Crosbie; Press stewards and scorers, Messrs. J. L. Mursell, E. H. Thelander, and E. P. Holland.

About half-way through the proceedings the Governor arrived with his party, and an adjournment was made for afternoon tea. Great amusement was caused by the obstacle race, in which the boys had to crawl through sacks, climb a fence, pick an apple out of water with the mouth, and crawl to the tape.

The "Courier" trophy, presented by the Hon. E. J. Stevens, M.L.C., for the highest score in championship events, was won by R. J. Willcocks, with 12 points, Doyle being a close second with 11. Doyle's jumping pulled him up a lot.

Results were:—

THROWING CRICKET BALL.—Doyle, 1; Moffat, 2; Mill, 3. Distance, 107 yards, 1 foot 5 inches.

KICKING FOOTBALL.—Moffat, 1; Willcocks, 2; Irvine, 3. Distance, 56 yards 10 inches.

BROAD JUMP.—Doyle, 1; Willcocks, 2; Ross, 3. The winner jumped 19 feet 8 inches.

UNDER 14, 100 YARDS HANDICAP.—First heat: Robertson, 1; N. Watson, 2; Jackson, 3. Second heat: Rawlings, 1; Kingsford,

2; A. I. M. Fraser, 3. Final: Roberts, 1; Rawlings, 2; N. Watson, 3. Time, 11 $\frac{4}{5}$ secs.

UNDER 16, 100 YARDS (SCRATCH).—First heat: Harrison, 1; Short, 2; Swain, 3. Second heat: Pointon, 1; Hollis, 2; Francis, 3. Final: Pointon, 1; Short, 2; Harrison, 3. Time, 11 secs.

UNDER 15, 130 YARDS HANDICAP.—First heat: Little, 1; K. Fraser, 2. Second heat: R. Thallon, 1; Wrench, 2. Third heat: G. Smith, 1; Yeo, 2. Final: G. Smith, 1; Yeo, 2; Little, 3. Time, 14 $\frac{2}{5}$ secs.

CHAMPIONSHIP (100 YARDS (for Trophy presented by Old Boys' Association).—Willcocks, 1; Doyle, 2; Bridgman, 3. Doyle looked like winning towards the finish, but Willcocks spurted ahead, and breasted the tape a second sooner. Bridgman was close up, a good third. Time, 10 $\frac{3}{5}$ secs.

UNDER 16, HIGH JUMP.—Bowman, R. Thallon and Waraker, dead heat, with 4 feet 7 inches all. Bowman was not jumping so well as usual. In an exhibition jump shortly afterwards, he improved on this.

CHAMPIONSHIP, 440 YARDS (for Trophy presented by Mr. G. O. Butcher).—Willcocks, 1; Fraser, 2; Crosbie, 3. Willcocks and Fraser both spurted well at the finish, but the former won pretty comfortably. The time, 56 secs., does not compare very favourably with the records of past years.

SCHOOL HANDICAP, 130 YARDS.—First heat: Mansell 1; Irvine, 2. Second heat: Bridgman, 1; Waraker, 2. Third heat: Sachs, 1; Ross, 2. Fourth heat: M'Comb, 1; M'Leod, 2. Fifth heat: Young, 1; A. Gibson, 2. Sixth heat: W. Gibson, 1; Doyle, 2. All the handicap heats were very close. Semi-finals: Sachs, 1; Bridgman, 2; Ross, 3. Second heat: W. Gibson, 1; M'Comb, 2; Young, 3. Final: Bridgman, 1; Sachs, 2; M'Comb, 3. Time, 13 secs.

CHAMPIONSHIP HIGH JUMP.—Doyle, 1; Willcocks, 2; Ross, 3. Ross dropped out pretty early. Doyle tried to repeat the 5 feet 5 inches he put up at the Hospital sports, but got over 5 feet 4 inches only. Willcocks stopped at an inch below that.

RELAY RACE, JUNIOR CADETS (prize presented by Mr. J. A. Dakin).—No. 4 team (Rawlings, Kingsford, Kilroe, Mason), 1; No. 1 team (Ham, R. Brown, Jackson, Hirschfeld), 2; No. 2 team (Candlish, Moller, Mann, J. Gilder), 3.

220 YARDS HANDICAP.—First heat: W. Gibson, 1; Duthie, 2; Irvine, 3. Second heat: Hughes, 1; Forbes, 2; Short, 3. Third heat: Ross, 1; W. Fraser, 2; K. Watson, 3. Final: W. Gibson, 1; T. Hughes, 2; Short, 3.

FLAG RACE, 520 YARDS.—Team 1 (Bridgman, Doyle, Willcocks, W. Fraser), 1; Team 4 (Bowman, Ross, A. C. Francis, Waraker), 2; Team 5 (Abell, Noyes, Trout, Parkinson), 3. Time, 58 $\frac{1}{5}$ secs.

HURDLE RACE.—Doyle, 1; Willcocks, 2; (first heat and championship). Time, 23 $\frac{1}{5}$ secs. Second heat: L. G. Wilson, 1; Ford, 2. Third heat: Grimes, 1; Short, 2. (Second and third heats not for championship) Final: Doyle, 1; Grimes, 2; L. G. Wilson, 3. Time, 20 $\frac{2}{5}$ secs.

440 YARDS HANDICAP (event No. 7 counted as first heat).—Second heat: Pointon, 1; Fowler, 2; Blaikie, 3. Time, 54 $\frac{2}{5}$ secs. Third heat: Abercrombie, 1; Trout, 2; G. C. Wilson, 3. Time, 54 secs. Fourth heat: K. Watson, 1; Duthie, 2; Hedlie, 3. Time 54 $\frac{1}{2}$ secs. Final: Abercrombie, 1; K. Watson, 2; G. C. C. Wilson, 3. Time, 53 secs.

OBSTACLE RACE.—First heat: Ford, 1; Cullen, 2; Blaikie, 3. Second heat: W. Gibson, 1; Hollis, 2. Third heat: Paten and Horan, dead heat, 1; M'Nab, 3. Fourth heat: Roberts, 1; Thallon, 2. Fifth heat: W. G. Wilson, 1; K. J. G. Wilson, 2; Ham, 3. Final: F. Thallon, 1; Paten, 2; W. G. Wilson, 3.

OLD BOYS' 130 YARDS HANDICAP.—First heat: Little, 1; H. S. Smith, 2; F. D. G. Wilson, 3. Second heat: Park, 1; W. B. Wilson, 2; Boden, 3. Third heat: Snelling, 1; Macdonald, 2. Final: Park, 1; W. B. Wilson, 2; Boden, 3. Time, 12 secs.

880 YARDS HANDICAP—Little, 1; Abercrombie, 2; Trout, 3.

880 YARDS CHAMPIONSHIP—S. K. Ford 1

SIAMESE RACE.—First heat: Bowman and Ross, 1; Hart and Harrison, 2; Hedlie and W. Wilson, 3. Second heat: Watson and West, 1; Parkinson and Black, 2; Proctor and Perry, 3. Final: Bowman and Ross, 1; Watson and West, 2; Parkinson and Black, 3.

CONSULTATION RACE, 220 YARDS.—Crosbie, 1; Forbes, 2; Harrison, 3. —"Telegraph."

Rowing.

The School crew have been training hard for the All Schools' Race, which was rowed in the Bridge Reach on November 4th. The crew were able to sit the light boat fairly well, and were able to put up a very creditable performance in this race.

At the end of this year we hope to try conclusions with the Rockhampton Grammar School crew, which is, judging from the criticisms in their magazine, of a very high standard. We also hope to row in the Under Twenty and Maiden Fours in the December Regatta.

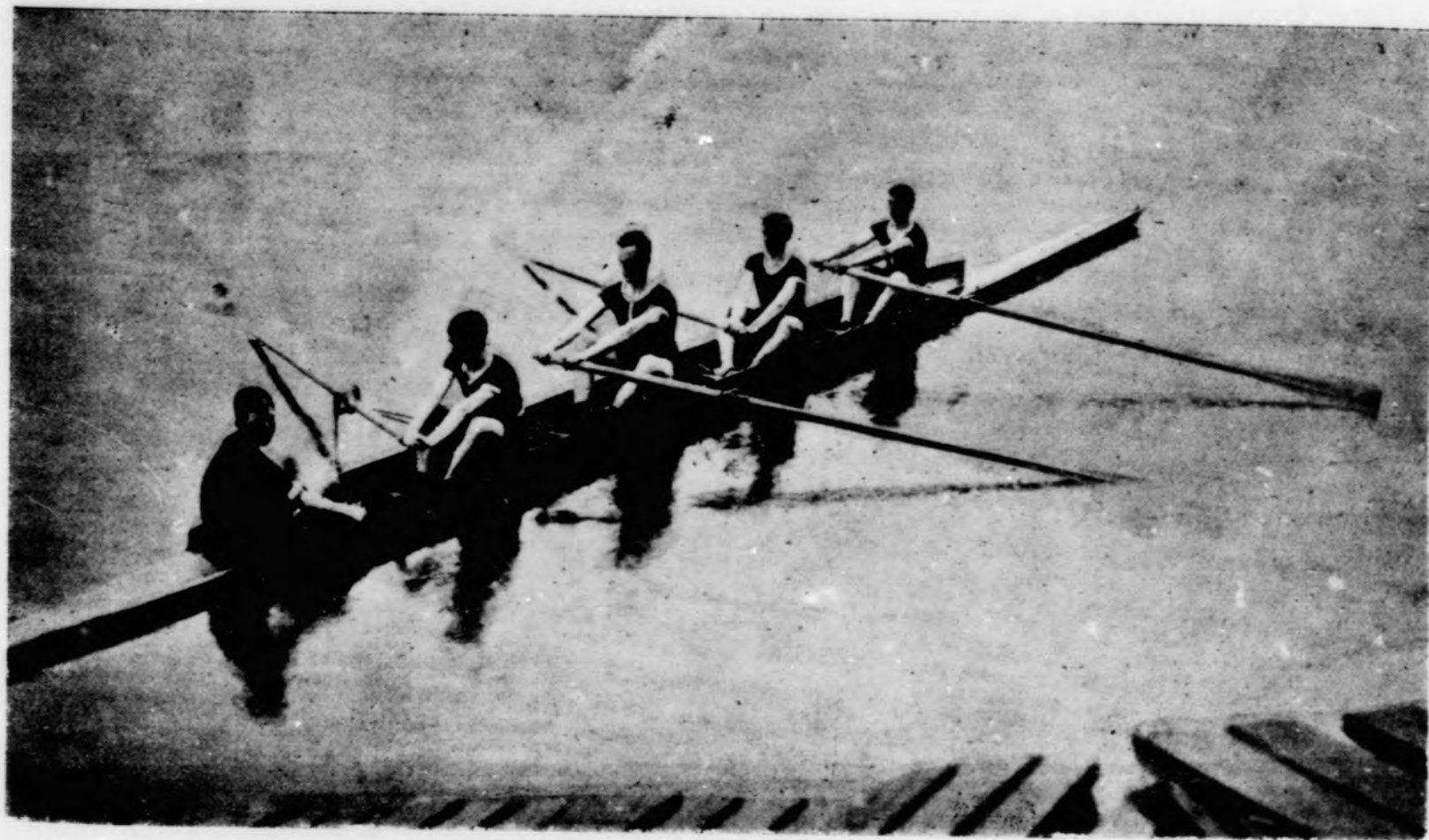
We will here take the opportunity of thanking Mr. A. Swensson for taking so much trouble in coaching our crew again this year.

There are very few boys in the School who are members of the Rowing Club. All the boys in the School who are capable



PRIZE WINNERS, B.G.S. SPORTS, 1911.

TOP ROW—W. L. Gibson, K. Watson, J. Robinson, A. Little, H. L. McComb.
 SECOND ROW—L. Forbes, A. S. West, H. E. Sachs, W. G. Crosbie, A. S. Pointon, T. F. Hughes.
 THIRD ROW—G. C. Wilson, F. H. Bridgman, M. W. Bowman, R. J. Willcocks, E. D. Doyle, G. W. Ross, N. Moffat.
 FOURTH ROW—R. Trout, F. E. Thallon, J. Rawlings, A. B. Grimes, C. R. Harrison.

**B.G.S. CREW.**

C. L. Cran, Stroke : R. P. W. Francis, Three ; A. H. Jones, Two ; A. W. L. Row, Bow ; G. Lane, Cox.

of rowing, ought to join immediately, so as to make some competition for the School crew next year. The Four is seated as follows :—

- (Bow) A. Row, 9st. 10lbs.
- (2) A. H. Jones, 10st.
- (3) R. P. Francis, 13st. 2lb.s.
- (Str.) C. L. Cran, 9st. 11lb.
- (Cox) J. G. Lane, 7st. 8lbs.

CRITICISMS BY THE COACH.

- (Stroke) CRAN.—Is rowing in good style, swinging right out, and getting plenty of length at the beginning, but is inclined to cut the finish short ; rows with plenty of vigour throughout the stroke, but in common with the rest of the crew is inclined to rush the last bit of the slide coming forward.
- (Three) FRANCIS.—Is rowing powerfully, but is inclined to shorten and let the body fall away at the finish ; should endeavour to keep the body well braced up right through the stroke.
- (Two) A. H. JONES.—Has the same faults as (3) ; should be smarter at the recovery and steady the last bit forward.
- (Bow) ROW.—Should endeavour to row the blade right through in one even piece ; rows strongly, but drops down a shade too far at the catch.

ALL SCHOOLS' RACE.

Beautiful weather favoured the four-oared race, which was held this morning in the Bridge Reach of the Brisbane River, between crews representing Brisbane Grammar School and Southport High School. The race, which is rowed under the auspices of the Queensland Rowing Association, originally had three entries, but the Rockhampton Grammar School team was unable to make the journey down to Brisbane. There were many interested spectators to the contest between the two Southern schools ; Brisbane Grammars having chartered the *Vera*, and their opponents having the use of *Champion II.* for their numerous supporters. On the former vessel were the officials, who were as follows :—Starter, Mr. A. Burton ; judge, Mr. W. M. T. Mood ; timekeeper, Mr. H. Brooks ; umpire, Mr. R. H. Roe. The Brisbane boys, who looked well in dark blue costumes relieved with light blue, held No. 1 position ; Southport, who were all in white being on the outside. The race started soon after half-past 11, amidst cheers and counter cheers from the crews' supporters. Southport made a fine start, and early secured a slight lead. Rowing a somewhat faster stroke, they gradually crept away from the Grammars, holding a useful lead as they went under the bridge. Continuing about a length ahead they made

**SCHOOL CREW.**

C. L. Cran
A. H. Jones R. P. W. Francis
A. W. L. Row G. Lane

the pace very strong, and it looked hopeless for the Grammars to decrease the distance between the boats. However, the Brisbane boys made a plucky effort in the last quarter of a mile, but Southport were game to the end, and finished at the Domain pontoon three-quarters of a length to the good. The time for the distance (three-quarters of a mile) was 4.25. The crews were:—

Southport High School.—R. H. Nimmo (stroke), 10st. 6lb.; A. F. North (3), 12st. 2lb.; J. W. B. Gribble (2), 11st.; H. C. Anderson (bow), 10st. 9lb.; I. B. Chapman (cox), 7st.

Brisbane Grammar School.—A. L. Cran (stroke), 9st. 11lb.; R. P. W. Francis (3), 13st. 11lb.; A. H. Jones (2), 10st.; A. W. L. Row (bow), 9st. 12lb.; G. Lane (cox), 7st. 10lb.

Tennis Notes.

Tennis, we think, is flourishing at the School now, as it has never done before. A glance at the courts any afternoon will prove this, as will also the fact of there being such a large number of promising players at the School.

The two teams which played in the B. Grade fixtures at Auchenflower both performed well, the first securing a good position on the list at the end of the season, while the seconds performed very creditably. This is all the more satisfactory in that all these players were new to Auchenflower.

The annual match against Ipswich was played on the Ipswich Grammar School courts, and we were successful, winning by 38 games to 20.

The tournament now in progress bids fair to be the most successful ever held, for the entries are exceptionally large in all events, and the matches are being keenly contested.

It is not unfitting, we think, to mention the success of J. N. Radcliffe, who has played with South Brisbane, with Briggs, another of last year's team as his partner.

Cadet Notes.

R.P.W.F.

The Cadet Corps is now fully equipped, the uniforms having arrived early in August. Drill was maintained steadily on three days of each week till the Michaelmas Holidays, and on resuming school we were so much ahead of our schedule drills as to be able to slacken down to one day a week during the hot weather.

At Michaelmas we lost Lieutenant Robertson, O.C. of E. Company. His departure was a great loss to the School in general,

**FIRST TENNIS TEAM.**

E. Spowers	C. S. Abell	C. Elliott
	A. Paton	

and the Cadet Corps in particular, he having been a lieutenant since his arrival here two and a half years ago. He was always an energetic and popular officer; and his patient work and interest in the shooting team was greatly appreciated by all those connected with it. We take this opportunity of wishing him all success in his new sphere of operations.

The donning of uniforms had the effect of smartening up the corps a great deal, and seemed to infuse new life into the ranks.

Shooting practice has begun for the Empire Match, magazine rifles being granted to us from the Armoury. It has been decided to shoot this match in future at the beginning of each year, instead of in December as formerly. This arrangement ought to give the team a better chance, as boys who are unable to do themselves justice in the way of practice at the end of the year owing to examinations, will have then more time to spare. About 17 boys have started practice already, but as all of these are practically beginners, no high scores have yet been recorded. However, if their present keenness is maintained, a good team ought to result next year.

Life at the Military College.

Royal Military College,
Duntroon,

Federal Territory,

22nd July, 1911

Dear Mr. Bousfield,—

I arrived here without any particular adventure: there are 40 cadets here at present, and we have now settled down to work, and are becoming used to the military discipline. The college is not half completed as yet, but building is going steadily forward, and one of the first impressions you get on arriving is that no expense is being spared by the Commonwealth Government to make the place complete in every detail. The full establishment of the college is one battalion of 150, known as the corps of staff cadets. Pending increase one company only has been formed. The proportion of bookwork to drill, etc. is greater than I thought it would be; in fact, we have six hours bookwork to 2 hours drill every day. This, however, is only for the first year, for after that I believe almost all our work is to be practical, and then again we spend three months every year in camp. Mathematics, Science, English, French and Drawing are the civil subjects taught, and the military subjects consist of strategy, tactics, military engineering topography, surveying etc., artillery, military history and geography, while outside bookwork the curriculum comprises cavalry,

artillery and infantry drill, musketry, riding, driving, field work, physical training, manual training, first aid, boxing, dancing, fencing, etc. Each cadet has a room to himself, which is a considerable privilege in a place like this : but, of course, he cannot keep what he likes in it, and it is carefully inspected every day. Cadets are expected to make their own beds (the regulation way), and to keep their rooms clean and tidy. Military discipline, of course, prevails. Reveille goes at 6.15 a.m., when every one must turn out, and "lights out" is at 10.15, when all must be in bed. There is a parade, too, before each meal, and then anyone with dirty boots, unshaven, uniform incomplete in any way, etc., is awarded half an hour's extra drill. The college games are football, cricket, tennis, hockey, golf. At present there is a deadlock as far as football is concerned : the cadets are drawn from all parts of Australia, and the numbers wishing to play Rugby and the Australian game are about equal : hence, two teams willing to play the same game cannot be found.

The climate in winter is cold (many of the mountains surrounding us are snow clad), but in summer the days are not over hot, and the nights are cool.

Directly in rear of the college is Mt. Pleasant, and on the other side of this hill is the Federal Capital site. The college is 7 miles from Queanbeyan, and 4 from Canberra.

In conclusion anyone thinking of becoming a staff-cadet, may be assured that he will have a very pleasant, if strenuous, time at the Royal Military College.

With kind regards to yourself and Mrs. Bousfield.

Yours sincerely,

W. J. URQUHART.

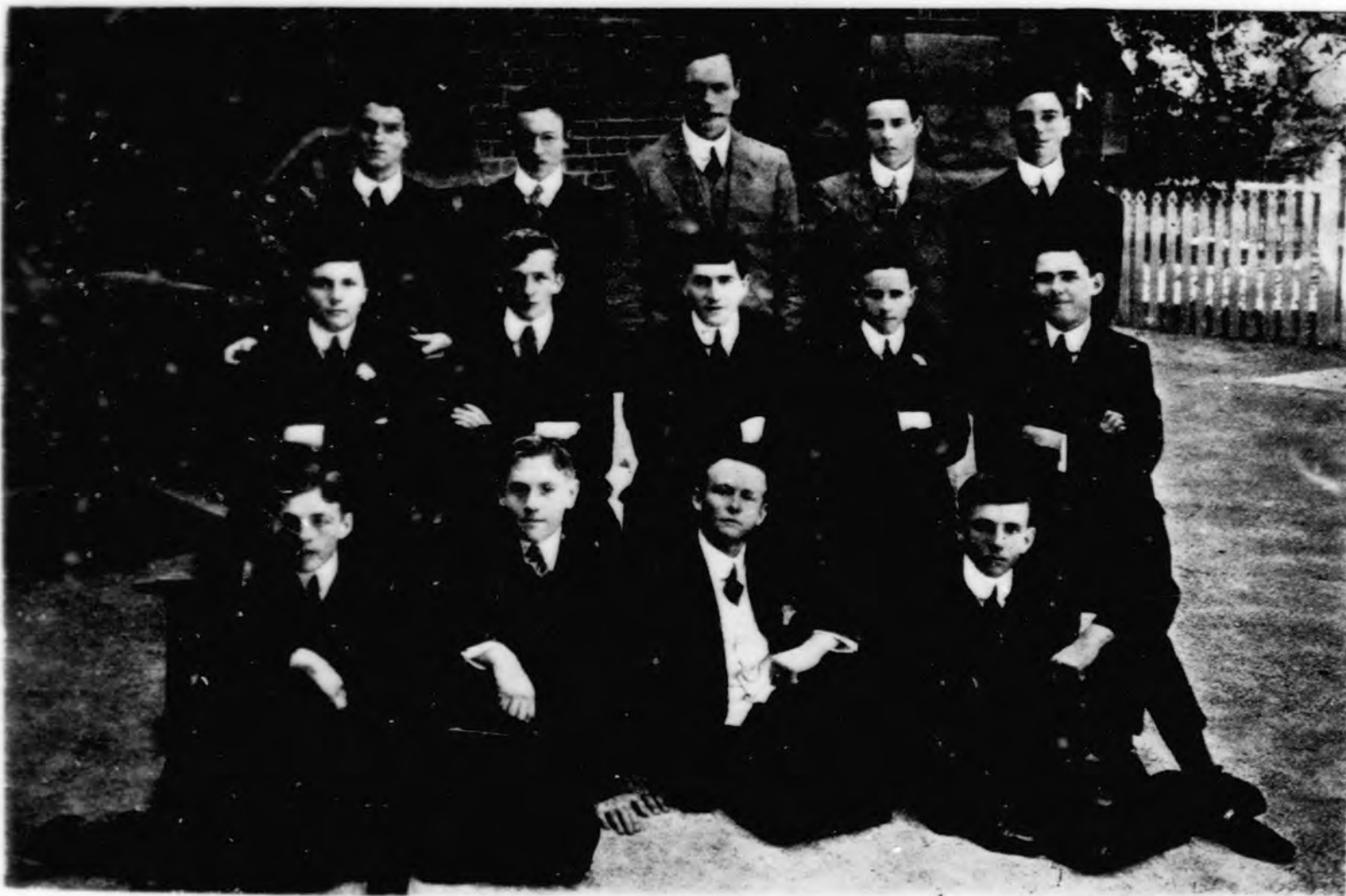
School Debating Society.

Our third quarter has been very much broken into by the "three-hour drills," and by practices for the entertainment. Still, on the whole we have had a fairly good session.

August 4th—H. V. Byth gave a literary paper, in which he ably contrasted the styles of Thackeray and Dickens. On August 18th, J. L. Mursell, L. Mansell and R. G. Quinn gave papers on literary subjects, which were greatly appreciated.

September 8th, 15th, 22nd and 29th were all devoted to drill, our annual sports, the concert, and Michaelmas holidays.

Our time was taken up on Friday, October 13th, in arranging for the following Fridays of the quarter.



SCHOOL COMMITTEE AND PREFECTS.

PREFECTS: R. S. Irvine, E. H. Jones, R. P. W. Francis, E. P. Holland, F. H. Bridgman.
 SCHOOL COMMITTEE—M. D. Graham, A. H. Jones, R. J. Willcocks, W. Fraser, W. G. Crosbie.
 PREFECTS: A. W. L. Row, A. P. Frankel, C. S. Abell, C. L. Cran.

On October 20th, we had another "three-hour drill."

Impromptu speeches occupied our time on October 27th. Each member wrote down a debatable subject on a piece of paper, and all the pieces were collected and put in a hat. Then places were drawn for. W. G. Hodges was "fortunate" or "unfortunate" enough to draw No. 1, and the subject he drew was, "Should Capital Punishment be Abolished?" His opinion was that it should not be abolished.

No. 2 was L. Mansell, and his subject, "The Turco-Italian War."

The member who drew No. 3 was unable to speak on, "Which of the two Moslem Countries is better suited for a Constitutional Government, Persia or Turkey?" So W. E. McKenna the person who invented the question was called upon. But he must have had that subject up his sleeve, for he spoke fluently for five minutes, emphasising that Persia was the better suited for a Constitutional Government.

Perhaps the question that struck nearest home was, "Should the School have more tennis courts?" and this was discussed by No. 4—G. L. Lukin. He said that in winter, on the practice afternoons for the teams, there were only two vacant courts for the rest of the school, which were too few for the number of tennis players outside the teams. But in summer there were just about enough.

N. Young in discussing "Should strikes be illegal," was of the opinion that they should be made illegal by the Law of the Land.

Some of the members must have had the "Chinese Rebellion" on the brain, because it turned up not less than three times, and yet no one seemed to be able to say anything about it. Nos. 6 and 7 both picked that question, and sat down after saying that they could not oblige us by discussing the rebellion.

Some new members have joined us, and are taking a great interest in the Society, viz., E. H. Jones, H. L. M'Comb, H. W. Horn, R. Evans, J. Collins.

There is no doubt that, with so efficient a leader as Mr. Stephenson, some of our members, including J. L. Mursell, W. E. McKenna and E. A. Thelander will, in days to come, become famous orators.

—A.S.W.

School House Notes.

The Senior Examination is drawing very near now, as those who are entering for it realise to their sorrow. Four of the Boarders are going in for it this year, and they are all working hard. We wish them the best of success.

We must here express our keen regret in losing our popular house-master, Mr. Robertson, who left us at Michaelmas. He has gone to America, to pursue his favourite study, that of sketching. He has often afforded us the greatest amusement by his clever drawings and caricatures, and we all sincerely hope that he will meet with success in the future. He was a great favourite with the boys, and we greatly miss him. On the night before we broke up for the holidays, Willcocks, on behalf of the Boarders, presented him with a pair of gold sleeve-links, as a slight token of the esteem in which he was held by all of us.

We have found a splendid way of utilising the refractory element of those who do their prep. under the supervision of a Prefect. Instead of giving them page upon page of history to write out, as was previously the custom, we now make use of them by making them rub oil into the new cricket bats with a stump or old chair leg. The bats are benefiting greatly by this vigorous treatment.

The number of Boarders still continues to increase, and since the last issue of the Magazine we have been joined by E. Trower, G. L. Wilson, Kilroe and Hobbs, while Woolcock left us at Michaelmas.

Towards the end of last quarter a ping-pong tournament was held in the House, which extended over quite a long period, and which culminated in a win for Clements against Mansell. Mrs. Bousfield kindly donated the prizes.

Two of the football honour caps were won this year by Boarders. Bridgman winning that for the best back, and Row the one for the best forward.

Old Boys' Association.

The annual dinner, as expected, was a very successful function, socially and financially. The genuinely hearty spirit of goodfellowship displayed, and the rich harvest of new members reaped, as well as the ever-increasing number of applicants for inscription on our roll are consoling evidences that a new spirit is beginning

to animate the Association, and that the policy adopted by the Council of having all features, as far as possible, at the School, is the right one.

Owing to transfer from the metropolis to Killarney, Mr. W. S. Dixon, has resigned his seat on the Council, and the vacancy has been filled by the election of Mr. H. L. Kent.

The Free and Easy Smoke Concert, which was held on Friday night (27th ult.), was not as numerously attended as we had hoped. It may be that the night was an unsuitable one; but, at all events, a very pleasant evening was spent, and older members say the gathering was more successful than previous ventures of the same nature. The hon. secretary received many apologies for absence, but there are still a few older city members whose existence as such is only evidenced by the annual payment. We should like to see their faces occasionally at one or other of the various reunions.

This being the last issue for the year we take occasion to remind members of the great annual event of the 28th February. The executive will do all in their power to make it outshine last year's celebration if possible, and invite the enthusiastic co-operation of all members to make the day and evening—for we shall foregather again—a thorough success, both socially and as a sporting event.

Elsewhere mention has been made of the loss the Association in particular has suffered by the death of one of our distinguished members.

A Spanish Bull Fight.

(By N. G. Sutton).

We arrived at Seville towards the end of the "Semana Santa" and thus witnessed many of the interesting religious processions which, at that time, circulate through the town all night long. But it was a real Spanish bull fight that we were burning to see; and we had the opportunity of seeing the first fight of the season, which takes place on the afternoon of Easter Sunday. So it was

for this "Corrida," as it is called in Spanish, that we secured tickets.

We set out at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, and after a few minutes walk arrived at the "Plaza de Toros," and took our seats, which were in the second row, and as the fight was not to commence till 4, we had ample time to look round and take in our surroundings. The ring, which is about 100 yards across, is sprinkled with fine sand and surrounded by a wooden barrier, painted red, and about 5 feet high; at intervals in this barrier are openings guarded by a small counter barrier, so as to allow a man to pass but not a bull; these are marked with white squares so that the "Torkeros" can easily find them if hard pressed. Then outside this barrier there is a narrow passage, and then the seats, the first two rows being wooden with back rests, the rest were stone steps, which are very steep, till at the top are the "Gradas," and "Paleos," or boxes, which are covered with an iron roof, and seem to be the most aristocratic part of the ring. Seats on the shady side of the ring, "Sombra," cost more than those in the sun, but as it had been raining on and off all the morning, and a light shower fell during the afternoon, both sides were equally good. The ring at Seville holds 14,000 people, and was quite full, although the number of ladies present was very much smaller than we had expected, and we only saw very few of the beautiful white mantillas with which the Spanish ladies cover their heads on festive occasions.

Punctually at 4 o'clock, after some cheering and whistling on the part of the impatient portion of the crowd, the procession of bull fighters marched slowly into the ring, led by two mounted Alguaciles in the old black Spanish costume, after whom came the two "Espadas" or "Matadores," as they are generally called, who are the principals in the fight, and in our case were men whose assumed bull fighting names were "Bombita" and "El Gallo." These were followed by the eight "Banderilleros," on foot, and four or five mounted "Picadores," and two teams of three mules each gaily decked out with coloured ribbons and flags, brought up the rear. These mules are used for drawing out the dead bull, and the horses which have been killed by him. All the men on foot are gorgeously clad in gold and silver costumes, with short trousers down to their knees, and white or flesh coloured stockings, and they all wear their peculiar round black caps, with their little pigtailed sticking out of the back, by which one can always distinguish a "Toreador" in plain clothes. They circle round the ring, and salute the President of the fight, who is seated in his "Palco;" the latter throws down the key of the "Toril," in which the bulls have been shut up without food, and in darkness for the preceding

night, in order to make them as savage as possible. Then the "Toreadores" spread themselves round the ring, the two "Matadores" and the "Banderilleros" carrying red or purple cloaks, lined with various colours, blue, white, or green, and the "Picadores" armed with stout, wooden lances, with a short, triangular spike, about two inches long, on the end. Then the gates of the "Toril" are opened, and in rushes the first bull, looking very wild, and ready to charge anything: indeed, one bull did charge straight for a "Picador" before he could be diverted by the waving cloaks of the "Banderilleros."

First of all the men play with the bull by waving their cloaks in front of him, and so making him charge, and then drawing them aside, or whisking them over the beast's back at the critical moment, in which they are very expert, especially the "Matadores," who would stand quite still, or even kneel down, and let the bull charge the cloak, for it is always the cloak that the bull charges, and not the man at all. Some of the bulls were so infuriated as to charge any colour whether red or otherwise, but the majority would only charge the red or purple, and take no notice when the men walked away with the inside of their cloaks showing. After this had gone on for a short while the president holds up his handkerchief as a signal to the bugler, who sounds a call to summon the "Picadores."

Then comes the brutal and disgusting part of the fight. The "Picadores" are mounted on worn out old hacks, which rather remind one of our bus' horses. These are blindfolded on the right eye, and this is the side that the rider keeps towards the bull. A "Picador" places his horse in the way of the bull, and awaits his charge, and then, when the animal is right upon him, he lances him in the shoulder, which, as the lance can only penetrate about two inches, only serves to inflame the beast, whereas the horse is always badly wounded or very often killed by the onslaught. The rider may be very often thrown, but as his legs are padded and protected with steel gaiters, he suffers no injuries, and the bull is prevented from goring the fallen man by the men on foot waving their cloaks, and so attracting his attention. We must have seen fully half a dozen horses killed in this way, while there were many others cruelly wounded, and then the poor animals, very often with their entrails hanging out of the great rents made by the bull's horns, were goaded to rise and withstand another furious charge if it was at all possible to get them on their feet again, but if not they were put an end to with the knife.



A SPANISH BULL FIGHT.

And so it was that we were always glad when the bugle called upon the "Banderilleros" to play their part in the fight, for it is their own lives that they risk, and they have to be very quick and skilful in placing their darts. Each man is armed with two wooden darts about 30 inches long, ornamented with red or blue paper, and having a small barb on the end. They face the bull in turn, and excite the animal to charge by waving their darts, and then when they appear to be almost on the bull's horns, they step nimbly aside, and plant their darts, one on each side of his shoulders, which are now red with blood from the depredations of the "Picadores." The bull cannot understand this new torment, and becomes more furious than ever, although the loss of blood is beginning to tell on him; each bull has from four to eight of these darts planted firmly in his shoulders before the signal for the "Matador" to come forward and deliver the death blow is given. The two "Matadores" take it in turn to do this, "Bombita" being the one to whom the honour of killing the first bull fell.

The "Matador" whose turn it is, comes forward with a short stick, to which is attached a scarlet cloth called the "muleta," and a narrow sword, and after standing before the president's box and dedicating the bull to him, he proceeds to show his dexterity in avoiding the bull's charge by a number of fancy turns of his "muleta," all the while keeping the sword hidden as much as possible. Then he tries to manœuvre the now tired bull into a suitable position for the death blow, that is with his head down gazing in bewilderment at the hated red rag. This generally takes some time, and the "Matador" very seldom succeeds in killing his bull at the first blow, but he tries to bury his sword between the beast's shoulders, and strike the heart. This was excellently done by "Bombita" to the first bull, which staggered to the ground with blood gushing out of his mouth, while the victorious "Matador" received an ovation as he walked round the ring, and had hats and umbrellas thrown down to him by the score, which he or his "Banderilleros" threw back, the owners considering it a great honour to have them returned by such distinguished men.

But it more often happened that the sword only sank a short depth, and was either shaken out by the bull himself, or extracted by the aid of the cloaks. When this happens the "Matador" procures a fresh sword and tries again, and thus "El Gallo" twice attempted to kill the second bull before he was successful. "Bombita" killed the third after two ineffectual thrusts, by a sharp stab just above the horns, which severed the animal's spinal

column near the brain, and killed him, all his limbs immediately stiffening. "El Gallo" had great trouble with the fourth, and after repeated attempts with the sword, had recourse to the dagger to finish off the fainting beast.

Thus the fight proceeded until the six bulls had been killed, and our first bull fight was over, leaving us variously impressed with the Spanish national sport, but all of us agreed that we would not care to witness another.

The crowd were very demonstrative throughout the whole fight, loudly applauding the fine points, which of course, we did not fully appreciate, and now and then waving their handkerchiefs to the president when they wished the "Banderilleros" or "Matadores" brought on. And at the end they swarmed the ring, and carried "El Gallo," who had killed the last bull, shoulder high, out of the arena, while crowds of youths inspected the last bull, and the three horses slain by him.

A Journey Through America.

London,

Friday, June 22nd, 1911.

Dear Sir,

Remembering my promise that I would write a few lines for the "School Magazine," I now take the opportunity of giving you a short outline of our trip through America and England. After having a very interesting trip across the Pacific to Canada, we arrived at Vancouver, a very wealthy and flourishing city, but at present rather crude and rough. After journeying two days in the train, through such famous scenery as the Rockies and Canadian Prairies, we arrived at Winnipeg, a very business-like city, with new buildings springing up like mushrooms in the night. Though quite a young city, it has made wonderful progress, and includes every nationality in the world. During our stay there we experienced very cold weather, it being ten degrees below zero at times, though in the summer it is one of the hottest places in Canada. We later on took the train for Minneapolis, which like Winnipeg, is another large wheat centre. It is an exceptionally well laid out city, and has a population of some four hundred

thousand. The buildings are particularly fine, the majority containing about twenty-two floors. We also had a day at St. Paul, which is a rather flourishing little place, about six miles outside of Minneappolis. Our next destination was Chicago, which, as you know is one of the biggest manufacturing cities in the world. It is a huge place, and like most new cities is very cosmopolitan. We were shown round numerous points of interest, among which were the extensive slaughter houses of Armour and Co. We had an interesting three days there, and then journeyed to Toronto, where we had a great deal of ice sailing on Lake Ontario, sometimes travelling across the ice at 80 miles an hour. Toronto is a city about the size of Brisbane, and is considered one of the prettiest in Canada. The Toronto University has a very high standard. After Toronto we spent a few days at Niagara Falls, which were doubtlessly very beautiful, but not quite so good as the pictures and paintings you see. We then took the train for Buffalo, which like some large cities in America, has not much historical interest. Ithaca, which is three hundred miles west of New York City, was our next stop. This little town is famous for the University of Cornell, which is prettily situated on a large hill, overlooking Lake Cayuga : it has an attendance of five thousand including five hundred female students. After leaving Ithaca we went to New York City, which is one of the best built cities in the world : it is laid out like a chess board, the streets being numbered instead of named, thus making it very easy to find your way about : the buildings in the town never contain less than nineteen to twenty floors, some having thirty-seven. One place that interested me greatly was the Stock Exchange, each seat on it being worth twenty-five thousand dollars. The hotels and shops there far excel those in London, their display of goods and dressing of windows can't be beaten by any other nationality. Washington and Philadelphia are two fine cities, with much more historical interest than is usually found in American cities. I was very sorry to leave America, but of course glad to see English shores again. London, at our time of arrival, was full of visitors from all parts of the Empire for the Coronation, and with the decorations, London presented a brilliant sight. The Coronation itself was one of the finest sights one could wish to see, the well turned out militia making a spectacle not soon forgotten. Like most people now that the Coronation is over, we are preparing to leave London. Wishing the Magazine every success,

I am, Yours sincerely,

N S. ROBERTSON.

Jottings.

Mr. Frank Berry, for some time manager of Messrs. Eve and Co.'s Sports Depot, has recently taken charge of another sports business in the N.Z. Insurance Building.

Mr. T. E. Jones has crossed the Pacific, and is now gathering information in America. We have received sundry letters and postcards from him, and he will doubtless have some interesting experiences to relate on his return.

Mr. T. W. Bain is touring the East, Japan, the Philippines, China, the land of sampans and pirate lorchas, pigtailed and jinrickshas.

Mr. Reggie Plant has returned from his visit to India and England.

Mr. M. V. Parker has resigned his position at the Kelvin Grove School, and entered upon a business career.

Mr. Colin Corrie has forwarded us several copies of the Ballarat School of Mines Magazine, of which he is Editor. We congratulate him on the excellence of the publication. He is taking much interest in aviation at present. We understand now why he attached himself to the Brisbane Ambulance Brigade during one of his vacations.

Lieutenants J. Costin and F. Ryder have been attending the camp of military instruction at Enoggera, listening to lectures at dawn, and digging trenches at midnight.

Birth.

PATTERSON.—On September 17th, at Aramac, the wife of Dr. Mervyn Patterson of a son.

Deaths.

WILSON.—On October 26th, Mr. W. F. Wilson, a Judge of the Land Court.

FORREST.—On September 29th, Mr. John Forrest, formerly a trustee of the School.

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