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Staff:

Rev. L. W. Parry, M.A., Headmaster.

Mr. G. B. Becre, B.A.

Mr. J. F. V. Guise.

Mr. B. A. Wheeler.

Mr. R. J. Adams.

Miss F. C. Ross.

Visiting Staff:

Mr. C. Donald (Music). Lieut. Emmott (Gymnasium).

Prefects:

R. E. McLarty.

J. G. Martin.

T. C. Miller.

J. T. Evans.

C. H. Moore.

General Sports Committee:

The Headmaster.

T. C. Miller.

Mr. Beere.

J. G. Martin.

Mr. Guise.

G. Bowers.

Mr. Adams.

J. T. Evans.

R. E. McLarty.

G. Eyres.

Cricket:

T. C. Miller (Capt.)

W. E. Sudlow (Vice-Capt.)

Library:

Mr. Guise.

R. E. McLarty. P. S. Wright.

Mitre:

Mr. Beere.

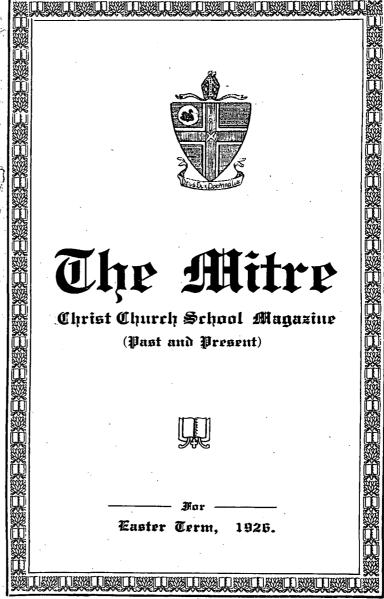
R. E. McLarty. - T. C. Miller.

Scout Troop:

Scoutmaster: Mr. Wheeler.

Troop Leader: R. E. McLarty.

Patrol Leaders: J. G. Martin, J. H. Utting, T. C. Miller.



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HEADMASTER'S FOREWORD.

There was a time when I was afraid that this Easter "Mitre" might contain my last foreword as your Headmaster. I am glad to say that that is not the case. The elder boys among you at any rate, know that at the end of last year I was elected to be Dean of Perth This was a very great honour, and I felt it was my duty to try and find out whether I ought to accept that honour or not. My acceptance depended upon several things, but chiefly whether I was able to obtain a Headmaster to whom I could with every confidence entrust you and the future of the School; and even then both Mrs. Parry and myself would have left you and the School and Romsey with very great regret. But as it has turned out, my endeavours to obtain a Headmaster to succeed me were not successful, and His Grace the Archbishop and the Chapter of St. George's Cathedral, Perth, have allowed me to withdraw my acceptance. As my father, when Bishop of Perth, built St. George's Cathedral over 37 years ago, you can perhaps understand that many people in Western Australia would have been delighted if I had been able to be Dean of Perth. But evidently it is more important for me to stay at Christ Church School, and I want you to realise that I rely on you boys and masters of the School to help all you can to make it possible for the School to continue that progress which it has been making during the last three and a half years. We cannot make an Al school unless we have A1 boys, and the fact that I am not going from the School shows fairly clearly that I do thing you Al boys, and that the School has a big future in front

I am afraid the uncertainty that has existed during the last five months has affected the numbers at the School for though I know of only four boys whose parents sent them to other schools because they thought I was leaving, yet I know of a good many who did not join us because of the uncertainty, and in consequence the number of hoarders is considerably less than it should be, though our day boy numbers show an increase. That I myself had no fears about the future of the School. whether I was able to stay or had to go from it, is shown by the fact that I undertook certain improvements, some of which are already completed, and the rest will be finished before the next term starts. You will be glad to know that the Trustees of the Diocese of Perth have helped me generously in financing these improvements. which have cost a large sum of money. The bathroom and changing room accommodation at the boarding house have long been needed, and, I hope, have added considerably to everybody's comfort. The classroom additions will make a great deal of difference to the convenience and efficiency of the teaching work of the School, and will give us a block of classrooms of which any school of our size may well be proud.

While I am speaking about this, I should like to say that I want everybody to be more careful with school property. Some boys are careless and at times quite destructive of other people's property. I am not speaking of the accidental breaking of windows or tiles by cricket balls, but of the other sort of destructiveness of which a few boys are occasionally guilty. I do hope the main mass of the School will set their faces against this sort of thing and give the offenders a really bad time when they catch them. It is a bad thing for a boy to grow up into a man, and not have any respect for other people's property or for the convenience and comfort of his fellows.

So much in criticism. It is a criticism only of a very few, but my praise is for a large number of you who show the right spirit, and are learning while young to be generous and thoughtful of others. It was a great pleasure to me to know that the Lent offerings this year were much larger than last year: I was able to send nearly £9 to the Australian Board of Missions, most of which was given in the Lent Offering Boxes, and as we only guarantee £10 a year, I hope there will be no difficulty in getting the balance before the end of the year. Well done, you that had boxes and gave.

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The Scouts are going to be asked to make a special effort to help their fellow Scouts at the Boys' Orphanage. There is a suggestion that Troop No. 4 should adopt one of the patrols at the Swan, and do all they can to help them. Mr. Wheeler as Scoutmaster has been entrusted with the task of seeing how best this can be done, and I hope the Scouts will back him up. Just at present I know you are all busy with Scout Week, and all I have to say is that I am confident Troop No. 4 and the Cubs will do their best for Scout Week. As a member of the Boy Scouts' Executive, I will feel very proud of you if you do that in May. "Do your best." I do not ask for more than that

I am sure you will all join in welcoming Miss Mulgrue as Matron, and Mr. Guise as Science Master. This term has given us a chance to get to know them, and I feel sure they have already gained a large place in your hearts. I am very grateful to them both for the way in which they have entered into the life of the School.

We are all very sorry that Miss Ross, after so long a time, is going to leave the School, though we give her our heartiest good wishes in her marriage with Mr. Eagleton, who is the reason for her leaving. She has had a much greater part in the development and progress of the School than many of you know. She has faced difficulties in the past which we no longer have to face, and has worked most loyally under four Headmasters, and won the affection and esteem of a very great number of boys. I think the Romsey "kids" will miss her very much when she leaves, and will then realise how kind and painstaking

she has been with them, and how big a place they have had in her heart. To her, every good wish for the future.

Both social functions we have held this term have been successful. It was a great pleasure to welcome so many parents and friends for the Fathers' Cricket Match on March 13th. The Fathers won, which was, of course, a mistake, but accidents happen in the best regulated families, and we must see that our fathers behave themselves better next year.

I was delighted also that the first Old Boys' Day was so successful. It is good for the Old Boys and for us when we keep in touch with each other. I value the Old Boys' Association very highly and am very glad so many of the members of the Association came for the day, and afternoon and evening of April 10th. It means that Old Boys' Day will be an annual event. It was a surprise to me and a pleasure that the School team pulled the match from hopeless defeat to a victory snatched on the stroke of time and in semi-darkness. Some of you I knew were gay young dogs, but I found out that evening that there was a bit of the cat in you also, and that you could see as well in the dark as in the light. Still, it was a famous victory, was it not? I had almost forgotten the most important part of the foreword, namely, to know when to stop. So I stop. leaving the rest of it unwritten,

SCHOOL NOTES

Numbers.—The School Roll this term contains the names of 98 boys of whom 74 are day boys, and 24 boarders.

Matron.-At the conclusion of last term we bade farewell to Miss D. K. Backhouse, who had been Matron of the school since 1918. Miss Backhouse left to be married to Mr. B. A. Wheeler. The wedding was solemnised at Christ Church on December 19th, by the Headmaster

(Rev. L. W. Parry, M.A.) in the presence of a very large number of boys and friends. Mr. and Mrs. Wheeler now reside at 2 Parry Street, Claremont, Miss Mulgrue, late Matron of Lady Lawley Cottage, has this term assumed her duties as Matron of the School. In the course of his Annual Report at Speech Day, the Headmaster said:-"As many of you know, the School is losing the services of Matron, as matron, at the end of this term. It would be hard to estimate how much she has done for the School, and for individual boys in the eight years she has been here, and we feel that her interest in the School will be, in future, just as strong as it has been in the past. May I offer her and to Mr. Wheeler, very best wishes of us all on their approaching marriage, and with them every happiness in the future. I do not know anyone who has the best interests of the school more at heart than Miss Backhouse. For the coming year I am glad to say I have secured the services of Sister Mulgrue, at present Matron of the Lady Lawley Cottage, to be Matron of this School. I am told that Lady Lawley Cottage's loss will be Christ Church School's gain. Markey Section

Staff.—At the end of the year Mr. A. M. Brown, who had been with us for three terms, left to go into partnership in his father's business.

This term we welcome Mr. J. F. V. Guise, late Lieutenant-Commander in the Royal Navy. Mr. Guise has assumed the duties of Science and Mathematical Master.

Additions and Alterations .- During the Christmas vacation a new boarders' bathroom and day boys' changing room were erected. These, and especially the latter, supply a long felt want. During the term one end of the School verandah was walled and lined for use as a Science Room. A new Assembly Hall at the north end of the present School Building, is in course of erection and will make andecided improvement to the general appearance of the School. Another alteration has been the fitting up of one of the rooms in the Boarding House as a Reception Room,

Cup.—Mr. L. Lockwood, who made us last year a donation of a very fine silver cup to be awarded to the best sportsman under 14, has promised to give us a similar cup for the same purpose this year. The cup was last year awarded to G. Eyres. We are very grateful to Mr. Lockwood for his generosity, and we believe that he has done a great deal to foster true sportsmanship in the boys of the School. Mr. Lockwood expressed the wish that his cup should be awarded not merely for sporting ability but for sporting spirit.

Congratulations.—To R. E. McLarty on his appointment as Captain of the School; to T. C. Miller, J. G. Martin, C. H. Moore, and J. T. Evans on their appointment as prefects; to C. H. Moore and G. G. Bowers on gaining their Running Colours; to W. E. Sudlow and T. C. Miller on gaining their Cricket Colours.

Junior Certificates.—The following gained Junior Certificates at the November examinations:—D. H. Evans, J. T. Evans, J. G. Martin, T. C. Miller, G. T. Gibson, R. H. Utting.

Old Boys' Day.—On April 10th many Old Boys spent the day at the School. In the morning they indulged in rowing or tennis, and in the afternoon played cricket against the School. After a most exciting game the School managed to win by three wickets and one run, almost on the call of time. A High Tea was greatly enjoyed by all and the evening was pleasantly filled in by card games and reminiscences. It is hoped that this will be the first of many annual Old Boys' Days.

Library.—We returned this term to find in the library additional bookshelves, which were necessary for the accommodation of the new books which arrived recently. The library possesses seven nicely bound volumes of "Punch," which were kindly presented by Mr. Wheeler, and have caused endless amusement to their many readers. This term Mr. Guise has taken charge of the library, and P. S. Wright has been appointed assistant librarian.

VALETE.

- Sewell, A. B.—Entered School, 1921; Prefect, 1923; Captain of School, 1925; XVIII, 1923-4-5; XI, 1924-5; Vice-Captain, 1925; Tennis Four, 1925; Champion Athlete, 1925; Left in Form VI.
- Baskerville, L. R.—Entered School, 1924; Prefect, 1925; XVIII, 1924-5; Captain, 1925; XI, 1924-5; Captain, 1925; Champion Athlete, 1924-5. Left in Form V.
- Armstrong, H. C .- Entered School, 1925. Left in Form IV.
- Brown, E. R.-Entered School, 1925. Left in Form IIIa.
- Ivers, J.—Entered School, 1925; XVIII, 1925; XI, 1925. Left in Form V.
- Shipard, J.—Entered School, 1922; XVIII, 1925; XI, 1925. Left in Form IV.
- Gregory, G.—Entered School, 1920; XVIII, 1925; XI, 1925. Left in Form V.
- Utting, R. H.-Entered School, 1925; XI, 1925. Left in Form V
- Day, L.-Entered School, 1921. Left in Form I.
- Daly, J.—Entered School, 1920. Left in Form IIIb.
- Wall, P.—Entered School, 1924. Left in Form IIIb.
- Marriott.-Entered School, 1923. Left in Form IIIb.
- Marriott, T.-Entered School, 1923. Left in Form IIIb.
- *Maisey, A. J.—Entered School, 1922. Left in Form II.
- *Shercliff, T. A.—Entered School, 1922. Left in Form II.
- Nicholas, J. D.-Entered School, 1922. Left in Form IV.
- Nicholas, W.-Entered School, 1922. Left in Form II.
- Stuart, A.—Entered School, 1925. Left in Form I.
- Steel, D.-Entered School, 1922. Left in Form IIIa.
- Johnston, A. R.—Entered School, 1925. Left in Form IV.

 * Left Temporarily.

SALVETE.

Form IV.-Poulton, A. F.

Form III.-Hatton, J. D.

Form II.—Gifes, A. B.; Howe, A. M.; Lovegrove, J.; Robertson, G. L.; Walton, J. C.

Form I.—Kan, H. F.; McKay, A. J.; Bailey, E. E.; East, V.; Odlum, A. H.; Waite, D. E.; Hardy, J.

PREFECTS' NOTES.

At the beginning of the term we were left with only one Prefect (McLarty), who has since become Head Prefect. He was soon joined, however, by Miller, Martin, Evans and Moore, who have at times been successful in discharging their duties.

Chas., it is unanimously agreed, is somewhat inconsistent in his doings, and although we wonder what he does after school, and on Sunday afternoons, we are not altogether without our suspicions, for he has been seen in the vicinity of Cottesloe fairly often, and not, it may be mentioned, altogether without company.

The object of these jottings is not to fill in space, therefore, let it suffice to say that, as far as work is concerned, we are fairly evenly divided.

Mac. and Mart. are the physics cranks, and are quite sure they know all about spherical abberration and protococus; while Tudor and Taffy take up Latin and French, and preach the gospel of "Brutus adsum jam forte, Caesar aderat," and so forth. Tudor has been so far as to commit himself to learning Greek, but of this language we have no stock of phrases.

Unhappily, our hitherto select and orderly room has been invaded, pro tem, by a few urchins who have made a terrible mess in it. We hope that this state of things will not continue, and are looking forward to the time when the new rooms are finished, when we will be rid of these annoyances.

FORM NOTES.

SIXTH FORM NOTES.

We move as one man through the toils and tastes of the day, save when Ivers swells our happy ranks in Maths. I had almost said "peaceful" I but alas, the case is otherwise; for under the calm and untroubled outward mask (affected on official occasions) there is many a turbulent spirit. Although our number is so small, we have very varied and dissimilar characters. "Taffy," alternately styled Miller, the fly-killer, inhabits the front desk with the amiable companionship of "David," our great baby. Our ears are offended every day at all hours by the repetition of "Taffy's" slogan: "A noise annoys an oyster, etc.," "ad lib." Another point to "Taffy's" credit is that he has bewildered Mr. Adams on more than one occasion by his jokes, e.g., "Bill stickers has been prosecuted." Let me say here and now that Mr. Adams is no Scotchman.

In the back desk dwell four youths, who answer respectively to "Gibbie," "Tudor," "Jimmy" and "Mart." Of these "Jimmy" and "Mart." are often seen in desperate conflict until they are detected; whereupon "Mart." immediately engages in a heated argument as to whether "so and so is + or — d," and we all breath a sigh of relief at the sound of the bell. The other day we were severely startled out of our customary equanimity by the sight of "Gibbie" indulging in an unwontedly exerting pastime on the tennis court. "Gibbie," you shouldn't play such dangerous and exciting games.

"Tudor" is often late. We wonder why? Is there some out-side early-morning attraction to deter him from the dutiful path to the School at 9? He also makes feeble jokes at any time at all, none in particular.

Motor lorries is a favourite topic of conversation, and the war between Reo and Brockway is keenly contested.

"David" has contracted a tiresome disease which makes him catch and kill flies all day long, and grin broadly and sweetly.

-JAY TEE.

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FIFTH FORM NOTES.

The Fifth this year started with some of its old members and also a good many colts from the Fourth of last year. The Fourth Form clown has managed to obtain his remove, and now the Fifth are pestered with his measly jokes and puns. His face has lost some of its elasticity, and remains rather rigid.

We have other notorious characters such as "The Big Pig," or "Billy," who is an intimate friend of the aforementioned clown, to wit Presto.

Chas. is another star performer, and he really dotes on keeping time to his prayers with his hands and face.

"Nosey" still persists in crawling all over the floor after pencils or sundry notes. Reginald upsets the whole Form by his laugh, which is especially disconcerting when halfway through a Latin translation. "Umbie" and Chisell have a perfect little game with each other during Latin, while Gordon chips in occasionally.

Other notables such as "Nosa" and "Sandy" provide amusement for the Form needed. But there is one we forgot to mention, that is "Flabin," alias "Fistee," alias "Fee," who is our esteemed Bolshie, and, anyway, he is not worth mentioning!

BOARDERS' NOTES.

This term we are even more select than last, most of our old identities are back, but unfortunately not sufficient are back to enable some of us to overflow to Romsey. There are quite a number of striking characters among us. Probably the person with the most notable character or external characteristics is "Presto," whose name is in contradiction to his ways. At the beginning of the term he was unfortunate enough to break his arm, while trying to maintain his reputation as a demon of the drive. This rather cramped his style for a time, and he was forced to

take up more harmless recreations, so in despair he took to catching "tick-ticks," which afforded him much amusement.

"Sonny," besides being an authority on bath-heaters, and cement ware, is renowned for the argument he put forth in favour of over-head valve motor bikes, and drain pipe exhausts on racing cars.

"Flabin" frequently gives us distracted recitations during the early hours of the morning. We cannot understand this, because he has not had any sardines for some time, and his bed is not underneath the sky-light. He is also one of the principal "hicks" in the "Yankie" League.

"Abe" is sure that over-slung cam-shafts are superior to any others. We must congratulate him on his success in photographing the boshter motor smash he waited so patiently for. Chas, hopes to get an over-head Sunbeam someday; he has been seen practising on a broken-down A.J.S. By the realistic expression on his face he appeared to be doing a good 50.

Monty is an authority on cricket; his lectures are most instructive; his demonstrations are most spectacular, most especially the expression when the middle stump goes, and his average moves back a decimal place.

"Taffy's" organ recitals during Holy Week exercised his skill as a musician.

"Mac." is practising for the show; he is constantly ringing the bell—he only wants the loan of Preston's ice-cream coat and Harry's wheelbarrow and he will be set up. Dickie and the "chewpatly" were going to have a "biff" one night, only the "chewpatly" gave poor Dicky a "flop" just when he wasn't looking, so it ended as quickly as it began.

Mon I., who has an ear for music, is often seen walking about the dorm at night, putting the damper or diminishing pedal on the snorers who are flat out and should throttle down a bit.

CRICKET.

We hoped that this year we would avenge our defeats of last term. Although we have not succeeded in doing this to any great extent, we have shown some improvement on last year's form. Speaking generally the bowling has been excellent and the fielding good. Our weak point at present is in batting and this is not so much on account of the inability of our men to bat as of a distressing and inexplicable lack of confidence.

In most of the matches played this term our opponents have been dismissed for an incredibly low score. Faced with the necessity of making a number of runs which to most teams would appear very low, we have failed far too often to accomplish the task. Perhaps with the use of our new turf practice wicket next season, our batting will show improvement. If only our batting was on a par with our bowling we would rarely suffer defeat.

Yet we have cause for congratulation in that we have suffered few defeats as severe as those which we had to endure last year. More boys are taking an interest in cricket than ever before, and this is a good sign for the future of the game in the School. Undoubtedly the Section Matches have been responsible to a very great extent for this increase in enthusiasm. Most boys do not like cricket because they get so much practice, but so few games. Nearly every boy in the School has played in section matches this term and everyone of them has conceived some liking for the game. Some boys cannot bat nor bowl. But every boy can, if he will, become a good fieldsman, and the really keen field enjoys this department of the game far more than he does batting or bowling.

MATCHES.

FIRST ELEVEN.

v. P.H.S.

At P.H.S., 20th February, 1926. (Result: Lost.) P.H.S.—36 (Domon 12, Driver 8). C.C.S.—35 (Sudlow 9, Miller, Martin and Utting 5).

Bowling for C.C.S.—Eyres ii, 4 for 8; Wright, 2 for 7.

v. P.H.S.

At C.C.S., 17th March, 1926. (Result: Lost.)

P.H.S.-40 (Urquhart 12), and 32 (Rogers 12).

C.C.S.-40 (Bowers 9), and 23 (Bowers 10).

Bowling for C.C.S.—Bowers, 2 for 4; and 4 for 10. Sudlow, 3 for 7; and 1 for 7.

Bowling for P.H.S.-Urquhart, 4 for 1; and 5 for 16.

v. Parents.

20th March, 1926. (Result: Lost.)

C.C.S .-- 99 (Miller 36, Sudlow 26).

Parents.-156 (Mr. Bland 59, Mr. Beere 32).

Bowling for C.C.S.—Eyres ii, 2 for 22; Martin, 2 for 26; Bowling for Parents.—Mr. Bland, 6 for 19; Mr. Bickford, 1 for 1.

v. Masters.

26th February, 1926. (Result: Lost.)

C.C.S.-55 (Sudlow 15, Lovegrove 11).

Masters-85 (Lovegrove, E. A., 46, Mr. Parry 10, Mr. Beere 11).

Bowling for Masters.—Mr. Beere, 5 for 14; Mr. Guise, 2 for 3.

Bowling for C.C.S.—Eyres ii, 5 for 41; Utting, 3 for 3.

v. W.B.C.

At W.B.C., 24th March, 1926. (Result: Losing Draw.) W.B.C.—108 (Prowse 52, Meyer 19).

C.C.S.—7 for 19 (Utting 5).

Bowling for C.C.S.—Eyres ii, 3 for 21; Martin, 2 for 29. Bowling for W.B.C.—Davis, 5 for 6; Prowse, 1 for 2.

v. O.B.A.

10th March, 1926. (Result: Won.)

O.B.A.—99 (Armstrong 29*, and Brooking 26) and 36 (H. N. Giles 10).

C.C.S.—30 (Bowers 6) and 7 for 106 (Bowers 21*, Miller 21, Eyres i 18).

Bowling for C.C.S.—Miller, 6 for 38; Eyres, 2 for 20; Mr. Beere, 5 for 10.

UNDER 15. v. W.H.S.

At C.C.S., 24th February, 1926. (Result: Lost.)
C.C.S.—25 (Eyres i, 11).
W.H.S.—71 (Gregg, 30).
Bowling for W.H.S.—Gregg, 4 for 1; Meecham, 6 for 11.
Bowling for C.C.S.—Eyres ii, 5 for 11; Stillwell, 2 for 8.

v. W.H.S.

At W.H.S., 24th March, 1926. (Result: Lost.) C.C.S.—14 (Lovegrove i. 5). W.H.S.—157 (Gregg 42, Meecham i 36). Bowling for C.C.S.—Lewis, 3 for 31; Poulten, 2 for 10.

v. W.B.C.

At C.C.S., 14th April, 1926. (Result: Won.) W.B.C.—24 (Dennis 4). C.C.S.—2 for 27 (Eyres ii 11, Lewis 9). Bowling for C.C.S.—Sudlow, 5 for 7; Eyres ii, 5 for 12.

UNDER 14. v. P.H.S.

At C.C.S., 7th April, 1926. (Result: Lost).
P.H.S.—16 (Pearce 8) and 38 (Rowe 14).
C.C.S.—19 (Lovegrove 6) and 33 (Stillwell 9).
Bowling for C.C.S.—Lovegrove, 3 for 11; Eyres ii, 7 for 5 and 7 for 5.
Bowling for P.H.S.—Pearce, 6 for 8, and 8 for 4; Trigg; 4 for 11 and 2 for 17.

UNDER 13.

v. W.H.S.

At W.H.S., 10th March, 1926. (Result: Lost.) C.C.S.—16 (Higham 5). W.H.S.—139 (Meecham ii 38).

v. S.C.

At S.C., 20th March, 1926. (Result: Lost.) S.C.—2 for 186 (Allnutt i. 55*, and Burnell ii. 51*). C.C.S.—33 (Bedells 16).

UNDER 12. v. P.H.S.

At C.C.S., 3rd March, 1926. (Result: Lost.)
P.H.S.—28 (Craven, Grey 7) and 8 for 57 (McCartney 19).
C.C.S.—20 (Bickford i. 8).
Bowling.—Lovegrove ii 6 for 13; McGlashan, 3 for 12.

v. P.H.S.

At P.H.S., 17th March, 1926. (Result: Won.)
P.H.S.—28 (Mitchell, Gray, Gerloff 5) and 31 (Gray 5).
C.C.S.—32 (Bickford i. 9, Elsegood 8), and 2 for 13 (Bickford i 11*).

THE FIRST ELEVEN.

- Miller (Captain).—Is a good forcing bat when in the mood, but does not bring his body forward to give weight to his strokes. Has kept wickets well, and has done very well at times with the ball.
- Sudlow.—A good bat who has done well this season, but must not poke at off balls. Is a fair bowler, but has been disappointing. Brilliant field and throw-in.
- Eyres ii.—A very useful bowler with a good off break, has proved a fair bat, although he has made no big scores.

 Fields and returns well.
- Bowers.—Has proved a most useful member of the team.

 Has made some big scores when they have been wanted, but must learn to hit to the off. Has bowled well, and deserved all his wickets. Fields well.
- Martin.—Has a fair defence, but must put more power in his strokes. Is a very useful change bowler, and fields and returns well.
- Eyres i.—A useful left-hander, but pulls away too much from leg breaks. Must try harder both at practice and in matches.
- Evans i.—Holds rather too high an opinion of the opposing bowling, otherwise a good bat. A good catch, but must learn to pick up and throw in.

Utting.—A useful opening bat, but should hit harder. A slow leg break bowler, who has at times been successful; slow in the field and only a fair catch.

Ivers i.—Has been disappointing this term, but tries hard.

At present is too awkward in batting. Fields fairly well, but must return better.

Lewis.—Another good opening bat, but very slow both in batting and fielding. Has some good strokes, but should put more power behind them.

Stillwell.—Though a poor bat, is a useful left-hand bowler and a good field. In bowling should pitch the ball up more.

Lovegrove i.—Is very small, and bats fairly well. Is handicapped considerably by lack of power, but bats correctly.

Only fair field.

Poulten.—Is a poor bat, and should learn to play a straight bat. Is a fair bowler, and fields fairly well.

Wright.—Has been unfortunate enough to be unable to play for the greater part of the term. Is a good bowler, but must deliver with less of a round arm action. Bats fairly well and fields well.

Moore.—Is an awkward bat, but has been consistent in house matches. Fields fairly, but must learn to accurately return.

Bland.—Is inclined to try to hit everything for six. Fields fairly well, and is not afraid of any catch.

PARENTS' MATCH.

A good attendance of parents and friends of the School was present at the annual cricket match between the fathers and boys. The fathers' team consisted of Mr. Lockwood (Captain), Mr. Bickford, Mr. Stileman, Mr. Bland, Mr. McGlew, Dr. McGlashan, Dr. Kerr, Mr. Beere, Mr. Adams, Mr. Guise and Mr. Sudlow.

The School batted first, Utting and Lewis opening to the bowling of Mr. Bland and Dr. McGlashan. In Mr. Bland's third over he secured the wicket of Utting, who had made 3, and Lewis was run out when 1. Miller and Sudlow now came in and commenced to score quickly. The score was raised to 66 before Miller was bowled by Mr. Bland for 36 including two sixes and three fours. Shortly afterwards Sudlow was run out, after having made 26, including four fours. The rest of the wickets fell cheaply for the School, Eyres ii. being the only one to do well. The School's total was 99. The honours of the bowling went to Mr. Bland, who took six wickets.

After the afternoon tea adjournment the Parents went to the crease, Drs. McGlashan and Kerr opening to the bowling of Eyres ii. and Bowers. The former was out early l.b.w. to Eyres ii. for 3, but Dr. Kerr played a careful innings and retired at 18. Mr. Bland, who followed, hit with great freedom, and played an invaluable innings for 59, being stumped off Martin. Mr. Bickford, Mr. Stileman, Mr. Lockwood and Mr. McGlew were dismissed fairly cheaply, bringing the score to 105. Mr. Beere and Mr. Sudlow followed, and both hit very freely, retiring at 32 and 10 respectively. Mr. Guise and Mr. Adams followed, but the former was bowled by Miller when he had made four, the innings closing at 156.

The details of the scores are:-

SCHOOL

SCHOOL.	
Utting, b Mr. Bland	3
Lewis, run out	1
Miller, b Mr. Bland	36
Sudlow, run out	26
Eyres i., b Mr. Bland	1
Eyres ii., not out	
Bowers, c and b Mr. Bland	.2
Martin, b Mr. Bickford	1
Lovegrove, run out	
Stillwell, b Mr. Bland	
Poulten, c, b Mr. Bland	
Sundries	

QQ

Bowling.—Mr. Bland, 6 for 19; Dr. McGlashan, 0 for 10; Mr. McGlew, 0 for 13; Mr. Stileman, 0 for 12; Dr. Kerr, 0 for 15; Mr. Bickford, 1 for 1.

PARENTS.

Dr. McGlashan, l.b.w., b Eyres ii. 2 Dr. Kerr, retired 18 Mr. Bland, stumped Miller, b Martin 59 Mr. Bickford, b Eyres ii. 3 Mr. Stileman, c, b Martin 5 Mr. Lockwood, run out 12 Mr. McGlew, b Poulten 6 Mr. Beere, retired 32 Mr. Sudlow, retired 10 Mr. Adams, not out 1 Mr. Guise, b Miller 4 Sundries 4	
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Bowling.—Eyres ii., 2 for 22; Bowers, 0 for 10; Sudlow, 0 for 31; Martin, 2 for 25; Stillwell, 0 for 5; Poulten, 1 for 14; Miller, 1 for 15.

OLD BOYS' MATCH.

Old Boys' Day was held this year on April 10th, when a good number of old boys were present. Those who were not included in the cricket team played tennis on the School court, which was playing fairly well. The cricket team for the O.B.A. consisted of:—J. Rooney, M. Brooking, A. M. Brown, K. Sudlow, J. R. Giles, G. Lynn, H. N. Giles, R. O. Giles, G. M. Connor, H. Porter and C. H. Armstrong.

Miller won the toss and sent the O.B.A. in to bat. J. R. Giles and G. Lynn opened to the bowling of Miller, who had Giles caught and bowled first ball. A. M. Brown followed, and hit a four off Miller, but immediately afterwards was bowled. J. Rooney, the next man, added six runs before he was smartly run out. Eyres ii., who was bowling well, had Lynn caught after having made 6. The next two men, Brooking and Sudlow, batted well, adding 40 to the score, before Brooking was out l.b.w. to Miller. Shortly afterwards Sudlow was bowled by the same bowler. Con-

nor was caught by Martin, after having made 6. The next man, Porter, was bowled by Miller, who, however, was tiring, for a duck. Armstrong commenced to hit strongly, and Eyres replaced Miller, with Martin bowling at the other end. Armstrong quickly ran to 29, when he was unfortunate by having his partner, R. O. Giles, run out, the innings closing for 99.

The School's first innings was a sorry affair, closing for 30 runs, Bowers top-scoring with 6. The Old Boys immediately followed, to the bowling of Mr. Beere and Sudlow. Wickets fell very quickly, H. W. Giles being top scorer with 12. Mr. Beere secured the bowling average, with 5 for 10.

The School now needed 106 to win, with under an hour to do so. Miller and Utting opened to the bowling of A. M. Brown and K. Sudlow, and immediately began to hit out. The score was quickly raised to 31, when Miller was caught off Sudlow for 21. Sudlow followed, but was caught by Brown off Giles, who had relieved him. Utting was bowled by Giles, after making 3, while Mr. Beere was caught off Brooking, and Eyres ii. bowled for 7 by Giles. With the score at 59, Eyres i, and Bowers opened their shoulders to the bowling, and made runs very freely to all parts of the field. Having made a fine effort of 18, Eyres was bowled by Giles, the score being 95. Martin followed, and brought the score to 104 before he was caught off Brooking. Mr. Guise then followed, and a bye was run, which made the scores even. On the last ball of the last over Bowers drove one to mid off, and scored the necessary run, carrying his bat for 29, which was a very brilliant effort under the circumstances. The scores were:-

O.B.A.—1st Innings, 99 (Armstrong 29 n.o., Brooking 26, Sudlow 16). 2nd Innings, 36 (H. N. Giles, 12).

School.—1st Innings, 30 (Miller 5). 2nd Innings, 106 (Bowers 29 n.o., Miller 21, Eyres i, 18).

Bowling for O.B.A.—J. R. Giles, 3 for 2 and 1 for 25; Sudlow, 3 for 5 and 1 for 25; Brown, 3 for 9 and 1 for 23. Bowling for School.—Miller, 6 for 38; Sudlow, 4 for 20; Mr.

Beere, 5 for 10.

BATTING AVERAGES.

Miller	8 4 6 8 8 8 8 8 1	36 29* 26 11 4 7* 5 18 6 5 5	N.O	Runs. 74 63 54 16 11 27 13 26 19 7 18 —	Av. 9.25 9 6.75 4 3.66 3.37 3.25 2.37 2.33 2.25
. •	*Signifies	" not	out."		

BOWLING AVERAGES.

Eyres ii	144 52 61 133	Wickets. 20 7 8 9	7.2 7.45 7.6 14.6
Martin		4	22.25

SECTION CRICKET.

SENIOR MATCHES.

House v. Romsey.

Romsey.—49 (Eyres ii. 27 n.o.) and 21 (Eyres ii. and Mc-Glew 5).

House.—64 (Miller 28) and 66 (Sudlow 27, Lewis 17).

Bowling.—For House: Mr. Beere, six for 18; Sudlow, two for 23, and six for 6. For Romsey: Eyres, five for 30 and two for 19; Evans i., one for 1, and three for 15.

Romsey v. Queenslea.

Romsey.—49 (Eyres ii. 20) and 47 (Mr. Adams 21). Queenslea.—50 (Bowers 18, Mr. Guise 15) and 41 (Mr. Guise 15, Bowers 10). Bowling.—For Romsey: Eyres ii., seven for 25, and four for 16; Mr. Adams, two for 21, and six for 18. For Queenslea: Bowers, seven for 12, and one for 21; Martin, one for 9, and four for 21.

House v. Queenslea.

House.—26 (Lewis 7) and 79 (Miller 24, Mr. Beere 16). Queenslea.—23 (Utting 4) and 31 (Bowers 7). Bowling for Queenslea: Bowers, six for 10, and three for 8; Stillwell, three for 12, and one for 10. Bowling for House.—Mr. Beere, four for 7; Sudlow, four for 12, and six for 14.

House v. Romsey.

Romsey.—31 (Mr. Adams and Evans i. 10) and 2. House.—58 (Mr. Beere 21, Miller 16) and 85 (Mr. Beere 24, Sudlow 21).

Bowling.—For House: Sudlow, five for 15 and six for 0; Mr. Beere, four for 14. For Romsey: Evans i., four for 3, and three for 3; Eyres ii., four for 21, and two for 12.

House v. Queenslea,

Queenslea.—45 (Mr. Guise 16) and 34 (Bowers 14). House.—59 (Sudlow 30, Miller 14) and 37 (Sudlow 13). Bowling.—For House: Mr. Beere, four for 7, and five for Bowling for House.—Mr. Beere, four for 7, and five for 22; Sudlow, three for 11; Miller, two for 7. Bowling for Queenslea.—Bowers, four for 21, and five for 12; Utting, four for 9, and three for 12.

JUNIOR MATCHES.

Romsey v. Queenslea.

Queenslea.—35 (Bedells 20). Romsey.—20 (Bickford i. 9).

Bowling.—For Romsey: Lovegrove ii., seven for 14; Deans, two for 12. For Queenslea: Bedells, four for 7; Singh, five for 12.

House v. Queenslea,

Queenslea.—61 (Bedells 15, Single 12). House.—13 (Sounness 4).

House v. Romsey.

House.—16 (Elsegood 5).

Romsey.—49 (Lovegrove ii. and Bickford i. 8, Parker ii. 15). Bowling for Romsey.—Lovegrove, four for 12; Bickford i.,

four for 7.

Bowling for House.-Sounness, three for 9.

SECTIONS

Inter-Section contests this term have consisted of Swimming Sports and Cricket Matches.

In the Swimming, Romsey scored heavily, gaining 79½ points out of a total of 119. House were runners-up, with 25½ points, while Queenslea scored 14. For the Section Cup, Swimming counts 15 points, so that Romsey gained 10 points for the cup, House 3.2, and Queenslea, 1.8.

The Section Officers this year are:-

House: Mr. Beere, McLarty and Miller. Queenslea: Mr. Guise, Martin and Bowers.

Romsey: Mr. Adams, Evans i. and Eyres ii. The points gained in cricket to date (17/4/26) in Inter-

Section Cricket Matches are:—House 12, Romsey 9, Queens-lea 6.

The chief individual points gained comprise:-

For Swimming: Unbehaun (Romsey), 24; McGlew (Romsey), Bland (House) and Watson (Romsey) 13, Lockwood (Romsey), and Ellershaw (Oueenslea) 8.

For Cricket against other Schools.—Eyres ii. (Romsey) 27, Sudlow (House) 23, Lovegrove ii. (Romsey) 12, Bowers (Queenslea) 9, Miller (House), Bedells (Queenslea) 8, Stillwell (Queenslea) 7.

The totals of points gained against other Schools were:—

Romsey 61, House 41, Queenslea 37.

THE HOUSE.

Depleted in numbers though we are this term (we number only 24, of whom 14 are seniors) we have managed to acquit ourselves well in sports. In the swimming, Bland did well to gain the position of runner-up, while FitzGerald, by being a "dark horse" in two handicap events, added six points to our tally. We ran second to Romsey in totals, and succeeded in not being too badly beaten by them, although at least two-thirds of the members of that Section appear to be amphibious—some of them are far more graceful (and speedy) in the water than they will ever be on land.

In Inter-Section Cricket we swept down all opposition in Senior matches, and, metaphorically only, swept the field. Our batting was sometimes good, though generally shaky, our bowling always good, and our fielding, again speaking metaphorically, was, as an Irishman would say, literally disgusting. The proportion of catches dropped to those held was sufficiently large to cause the peerless W.G. to turn in his grave. Sudlow and Miller both bowled and batted well throughout the series and they were well backed up by some whom we had hitherto considered as mugs. Mr. Beere was also useful sometimes. In these matches Miller's batting average was 13.3, and his bowling 2.3, while Sudlow had a batting average of 10.6, and a bowling average of 2.6.

Our Juniors—only ten in number—battled like Trojans against superior adversaries, and put in as much weight as a team averaging about four stone could reasonably be expected to. Some of the House Juniors surprised themselves by their feats with the ball, and their fielding was, for so small a team, excellent. They never admitted defeat until the match was ended.

In matches against other Schools we have again held our own. Sudlow has been our chief scorer, with 23 points; while Miller, with 8 points, and Wright, with 4, have materially assisted us. We won the Cup last year, and we intend to win it again, but win or lose, we hope that for the rest of the year Inter-Section contests will be as clean and as sporting as they have been this term.

QUEENSLEA.

So far as Swimming is concerned, the name of Queens-lea is not of note this year, as with the exception of Ellershaw, the more famous performers appear to have chosen their residences, mansions or places of abode further north than the corner pillar box. But the fact remains, that although the showing on points was almost deplorable, the spirit shown was fine. Every event was contested in a really keen sporting manner, and with that spontaneous something which is so hard to define, but so easy to recognise and which is so very welcome.

But coming to Cricket, our Juniors are helping us to throw bouquets to ourselves. They have so far won all their Section matches, and stand a good chance of making a possible. The Seniors, we must confess, are not in such a happy case, having so far won precisely none of their matches, but every match has been a fight and the margins have never been great or the defeat overwhelming. The great fault amongst the Seniors is their extraordinary custom of running each other out. This disaster occurs with great regularity some two or even three times every innings, and it would indeed need a powerful team to counter this handicap. I regret to have to record my opinion that this is due more to indecision than to over-keenness. But with this defect overcome the team should take its proper place the head of the list of course—as they have the making of a good team within their abilities. The fielding is always good to excellent. Martin captains well, and can be relied on for his share of runs, while Bowers has learnt the great secret that to get runs you must first hit the ball. Not necessarily every one, but still, hit them good and hard.

This he has been doing recently, to the great good of his scores. But there are some of the team who might follow his example to their profit, and to the advantage of their side.

The bowling side is reasonably sound, without being spectacular. Utting, Bowers, Stillvell and Martin have all put up excellent performances and between them have preserved us from any scandalous defeat.

ROMSEY.

We are happily able to report a very successful term in the Section's history, for at the time of writing we are in the enviable position of leading the field in the race for the Section Cup. This position is due mainly to our successes at the Swimming Sports, in which we gained the sum of 79½ points out of a total of 119, reducing, in the system of points allotment, to a sum of 10 points out of a total of 15. The chief contributors to our success were Unbehaun (who was champion swimmer of the day) with 24 points, McGlew and Watson (13 each), and Lockwood (8); and the fact that there were more competitors from Romsey than from any other Section, is perhaps even more satisfactory than the result.

House are at present leading in Cricket, the other sport of the term, but it is probable that by the end of the term the points will be evenly distributed among the Sections, as House have been successful in all their Senior, and Queenslea in all their Junior matches, while we have lost to House in the Seniors, and to Queenslea in the Juniors. The advantage, if any, will perhaps rest with us, as we have yet to meet Queenslea, in both a Senior and a Junior match, and are hopeful of success in both. We must here compliment Evans i. and Bickford i., the respective captains of the Senior and Junior teams, on the way in which they have carried out their duties, and Eyres ii., our captain of last year and vice-captain of this, upon his distinctive individual performances on the field.

By the time this goes to print the Inter-Section Tennis competition will perhaps be in progress, and though having to meet a strong combination in both House and Queenslea, we are confident of pressing them very closely. We shall be represented by Eyres ii and Smith in the Seniors, and by Bickford i. in the Juniors.

Next Term will see the beginning of the football season, in which we trust, with the co-operation of all members, to do as well as we did last season.

SWIMMING SPORTS.

The School's Annual Swimming Sports were held in Claremont Baths on Saturday, 13th March. There was a fair attendance of spectators, who were keenly interested in the events. Mr. Guise acted very efficiently as starter, and Mr. Howson again kindly judged the diving events. Competition was keen, though the entries were not as large as they might have been. The weather was fine and the calmness of the water materially assisted in providing some exciting finishes. The Section Relay was closely contested, and resulted in a win for Romsey.

The Champion Swimmer was Unbehaun, with Bland as runner-up.

Results were:-

Championships:

Open 50 Yards Breaststroke.—McGlew (R.), 1; Young (R.), 2; Unbehaun (R.), 3.

Open 100 Yards.—Unbehaun (R.), 1; Bland (H.), 2; McGlew (R.), 3.

Open Neat Dive.—Unbehaun (R.), 1; Bland (H.), 2; Mc-Glew (R.), 3.

Open High Dive.—Bland (H.), 1; Unbehaun (R.), 2; Young (R.), 3.

Open Long Dive.—Bland (H.), 1; Unbehaun (R.), 2; Young (R.) and Lewis (H.), 3.

- Under 15 50 Yards.—Unbehaun (R.), 1; McGlew (R.), 2; Cresswell (Q.), 3; Evans ii. (Q.), 4.
- Under 14 50 Yards.—Ellershaw (Q.), 1; Douglas (R.), 2; Lovegrove i. (R.), 3; Eyres ii. (R.), 4:
- Under 14 Neat Dive.—Eyres ii. (R.), 1; Ellershaw (Q.), 2; Dickson (H.), 3.
- Under 12.25 Yards.—Watson (R.), 1; Lockwood (R.), 2; Stileman (R.), 3; Elsegood (H.), 4.
- Under 10 50 Yards.—Watson (R.), 1; Lockwood (R.), 2; Stileman (R.), 3.

Handicaps.

Open 200 Yards.—Unbehaun (R.), 1; Bland (H.), 2.

Open 50 Yards.—FitzGerald (H.), 1; Unbehaun (R.), 2; Ellershaw (Q.), 3.

Under 15 50 Yards Breaststroke.—FitzGerald (H.), 1; Mc-Glew (R.), 2; Sudlow (H.), 3.

Under 11 50 Yards.—Watson (R.), 1; Lockwood (R.), 2; Elsegood (H.), 3.

Under 10 Wading Race.—Jacoby (Q.), 1; Sanderson ii. (H.), 2; Stileman (R.), 3.

Inter-Section Relay.—Romsey, 1; House, 2; Queenslea, 3. Total Points.—Romsey, 79½; House, 25½; Queenslea, 14.

Total for Section Cup.—Romsey, 10; House, 3.2; Queenslea, 1.8.

SCOUT NOTES.

This term has been devoted almost entirely to work concerning Scout Week. Every Scout and Cub has undertaken to make a model of some description, to be exhibited in the exhibition hall, as a specimen of individual handiwork. It is to be hoped that everyone is doing his best in order that No. 4 may be well and justly represented amongst the other troops. The troop has decided to make a window display of the missioner's badge. Geoff. Connor has suitably draughted the theory of the badge into a street

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accident, which should interpret the significance of the missioner's badge work, and also create a public enthusiasm. It has been decided that for the street procession members of the troop will carry banners with one of the Scout Laws inscribed on each. It is hoped that all Scouts who are spending their holidays in places which are in the vicinity of Perth will come along, so that No. 4 Troop may be forcefully represented during Scout Week, and individually do their part towards making Scout Week a success by attending the numerous festivities connected with Scout Week.

We are sorry to have lost our Troop Leader, A. B. Sewell, at the end of last year. Before he left he was tended a very enjoyable farewell in the Club House. After many sing-songs, yarns and games the evening was concluded with a beautifully prepared supper, which was provided in honour of the occasion by our much-esteemed Matron, and was done justice to by those present.

At the beginning of the term it was resolved by the Court of Honour that the Troop should be reduced to three patrols of seven, as two of the four patrols were not of full strength. The Troop numbers decreased at the end of last year, due to members of the Troop leaving the School; but this was counteracted by the promotion of five of the senior Cubs, Robertson i., Beddells, Eagleton, Parker ii., and Hennelly, to the position of Scouts. We hope they will show as much enthusiasm as Scouts as they did while Cubs. Only one Troop camp was held this term, and that was at Mount Henry, which proved a very satisfactory camping ground. All those who attended had a thoroughly good time. Three of the Crows went for a camp to Darlington during the Easter week-end, and from all accounts they had a rattling good time.

Several swimmer's and cyclist's badges were gained this term. There has been little time to devote to badge work this term, but we hope to have more leisure to think about badges next term.

SPEECH DAY, 1925.

The following account of Speech Day proceedings is taken from the "West Australian":—

"The Annual Speech Day of Christ Church School, Claremont, was held on the lawns of the school on the evening of December 9, when Major-General Sir I, Talbot Hobbs presented the prizes. The earlier part of the evening was occupied by an excellent drill and gymnastic display by the boys, interspersed with songs by the singing class. The Headmaster (Rev. L. W. Parry, M.A.) in welcoming the very large number of parents and friends who were present, apologised for the absence of Archbishop Riley and Sir Richard Waldie-Griffiths, both of whom were warm friends to the school, and were unavoidably absent. Sir Talbot Hobbs congratulated the Headmaster upon his report, and the school upon the position which it had won for itself. He realised the extreme difficulty experienced in obtaining the necessary money to run a school, and also in securing and maintaining a suitable staff. Only by the great energy of the Headmaster had the School been enabled to succeed. Sir Talbot then presented a lengthy list of prizes both for atheletic and scholastic work."

Extracts from the report:

"I am proud to say that such is the tone and standard of behaviour of our dayboys that though they had no prefect to supervise them, I have not had a single complaint from outside about their behaviour coming and going to school.

"I foresee big developments at Christ Church School, which is now well established, and has, owing to its situation in a populous part of the Metropolitan Area and on the banks of Freshwater Bay, a decided advantage over every other school here. Its success will depend on three things: first, the loyal support of those who have stood by it in the past; secondly, on the manner, bearing, and tone of the boys of the School, past, present, and future;

and thirdly, on the way the Headmaster and Staff of the School discharge their obligations to boys and parents. As the School grows, the needful developments can take place, and the sphere of its usefulness can be widened."

"I am anxious for all boys to have some knowledge of science and of drawing, as well as of mathematics and languages, and so arrange the time-table that all subjects are compulsory in the lower and middle school. This gives a chance to find out the natural bent of a boy, and guide his course when he reaches the Junior Standard. I would hate to think of Christ Church boys as having so narrow an education that when they came to the age of fifteen or sixteen and felt the call to take up one of the great professions of medicine, law, or holy orders, they were unable to do so because their previous education had not been widely enough based. It seems to me cruel to a boy not to fit him to specialise later in life in any department in which he shows ability, and moreover, whatever he is going to be, the better the education he receives, the more will be his value to Church, and State, and Empire in after life, as of the greater advantage to himself and his friends."

The Prize List is appended:-

- Form (Mrs. Mackay's Prizes).—V, Evans i; Vb, Noseda; IV, McGlew; III, Steel; II, Eagleton; I, Elsegood.
- Languages.—Form A (E. Shaw's Prize), Evans i; Form B, McGlew; III (Mr. R. H. Sudlow's Prize), Bateman; II. Beatty.
- Physics and Biology (Miss Ross's Prizes).—V, McLarty; IV-IVa Science, Arnold; IIIb and II Science, Eagleton.
- Mathemates (Mrs. Marriott's Prizes).—Maths. A, Utting ii.; Maths. B, McGlew; Maths. III, Yeates; Maths. II, Shercliff.
- Divinity.—VI-V, Noseda; Confirmation Class, Miller; IV-III-IIIa, Bateman; IIIb-II, Lynn; I (Miss Backhouse's Prize), Higham.

- Special.—The Captain's Prize (The Headmaster's Prize), Sewell; Essay Prize (Mrs. Parry's Prize), Utting ii; IV-III Writing, Eyres ii.; I and II Writing and Tidiness (Mrs. Haywood's Prize), Pocklington; Singing—IV, Lovegrove; III, Lynn; II and I, Eagleton; Dancing (Miss Scott's Prize), C. Armstrong; Elocution (Miss Durlacher's Prizes): Seniors, Dickson i.; Juniors, Burridge ii.
- Preparatory School.—Ia English, Cox; Arithmetic, Elsegood; History and Geography, Elsegood; 1b Reading and Spelling, Stuart; Arithmetic, Bickford iii; History and Geography, Sanderson; Ic General Work, Devitt; Id General Work, Tregonning, Parry.
- University of Western Australia.—Leaving Certificate.—R. Gibson: English, Latin, French, Biology, Drawing. Junior Certificate.—K. Sudlow: English, French Mathematics, History, Physics, Geography. 3 Subjects, Leaving Exam.: Since Matriculated, A. E. Lovegrove: English, French, History (Maths. in March Exam.). 4 Subjects, Junior Exam.: Evans i., English, Franch, History, Geography.
- Mr. S. R. L. Elliott's Cricket Prizes.—Bowling: 1924, E. A. Lovegrove; 1925, Sudlow. Fielding: 1924, R. Gibson; 1925. Sudlow.
- Old Boys' Bat (for best average).-Sudlow
- Section Cups (Mr. Beatty's Cups).—Section Cup, The House. Highest Aggregate (individual points), Eyres ii.; Best Sportsman under 14 (Mr. L. Lockwood's Cup), Eyres ii. In the course of the evening Miss Backhouse, who was retiring from the position of Matron after eight years' service to the School, presented a flag to the School, and a set of flags to the School Scout Troop. She and Mr. Wheeler were made the recipients of a silver tea set, engraved with the School badge as a present from the staff and boys of the School.

LABORATORY NOTES.

At the Laboratory now we are nearly all new fellows, but some of the old ones still disgrace the place with their presence. Usually when we are not swatting hard at dry physics and botany, we are delightedly slinging about an old punctured pillow. Some mornings when the atmosphere is charged with clammy moisture, we find it hard to settle down, but when the balmy air wafts to us the deep-throated roar of passing Brockways, and dicky birds play "Annie Laurie" on the bagpipes, we're full of energy and goodwill; and after subduing the smaller fry, we begin work in earnest.

But who is the dirty dog who leaves bickies on the seats? and why do some persist in burning sulphur? (Good job Monty isn't there—it's bad enough). Hey Presto! Isn't English good enough instead of making up a language? "Supy Tupi Fuppied his Tupae."—It appears suggestive when some people go up the drive whistling "Where do the figs go in the winter time," "O, curse those speed fiends who dash through the old women's wongies!"

Harry is getting reckless—the way he dashes up the drive with his wheel-barrow! I think there ought to be a law to stop the "hicks" having T.T.'s through the wood shed—it's dangerous!

Why doesn't Mr. Guise ride his bike to the Lab. like the rest of us?

"Mac.," Hosey" and "Salts" seem to think its a case of stacks on the mill, the way they sit.

Up at the Lab. we always like to be punctual, especially at 12.15, when there is a general but orderly cry of "Time, Sir! The little urchins have bunked."

We are now swatting hard for the exams, which we hope to pass with honours.

ABORIGINALITIES.

(By Our Special Correspondent—Thesaurochrysonicochrysides.)

[N.B.—We hold no brief for our correspondent's veracity in minor details.]

A. Sewell, last year's School Captain, is now one of the heads in the rubber company's office in his native Malaya. He is reported to be amassing an astoundingly huge fortune.

Tom Lovegrove, brother of Eddy, has succeeded in passing his first M.B. exam. at Liverpool University. He is also heard of as a rugby player.

Ken Sudlow, poultry expert at Kalamunda, and looking well on it (12st. 6lb.). He has also ben wielding the willow mightily for his district. No, he does not get many "duck's eggs."

Geoff. Rooney has been transferred to Mingenew.

Dicky Todd-farming at Babakin.

The Corboys—Terry and Deb.—are often seen about town. Deb. took a dislike to one of the windows at School during the term.

Jack Shipard—Manager (or something of the sort) of Arthur Bayles.

Laurie Baskerville is hut building on the Groups.

The Gileses—Skinny, Dick and Bob—all doing well. Skinny has laid himself open to prosecution by an entirely unprovoked attack on the curator's storehouse on Old Boys' Day. You deserved six for it Skinny. Bob almost controls the West Australian, and Dick—well, what would Elders do without Dick?

At the University—Rupert Wright, doing his final year in Agricultural Science; Geoff. Connor, second year En-

gineering; R. W. Gibson and E. A. Lovegrove, first year Medicine and Agricultural Science respectively. Any or all of these may be found about the University when required.

Harold Repton made a short but happy descent on the metropolis to celebrate the conclusion of harvest activities "up the country."

Max Brown has assumed sole control of Midland Junction, at least he should have done by now. He is in business with his father at that centre.

Among the fashionable crowd which condescended to favour Albany with their presence during the Yuletide vacation was Jimmy Robins, Agriculturalist of Babakin. The life agrees with him, too, by all appearances.

The motor bike brigade:—"Fat" Unbehaun, Bruce Craig, Geoff. Hales, Keith Mitchell, and Jack Eaton. "Doughy" Price has risen above that sort of thing. He flutters about in his little car.

Charlie Mudge—Banking at Northam. What about the Sandover Medal. Abo?

Hedley Porter—Very much in view lately. The town seems brighter when he is floating about in it. Hard work seems to agree with him, as he has suffered no diminution in body or spirits.

Ian Duncan-Where DID you get those bags?

"Birdy" Lynn has adopted a Morris-Oxford. We have heard whispers of the clutch of the law, unlawful possession, and all that sort of thing, but "Birdy" does not seem any more depressed than usual.

Percy Parker—Working off superabundant flesh up country. We are willing to wager that the grin has not been worked off yet.