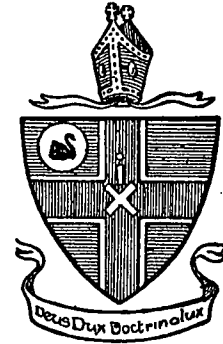


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# The Mitre



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(Past and Present),  
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HEADMASTER'S FOREWORD.

I do not want to say much about the past term, except that we seem to have been a very happy family, and that the term has gone very quickly. I have watched the progress of the various teams with great interest, and I do not think that we ought to be discouraged by the results of the matches. The only team that was at all equally matched with its opponents was the Under 13, and the dash and vigour of their play gives great promise for the future. In the other teams the first half of our team could more than hold their own, but the last half were outclassed by boys bigger and older than themselves, with the result that the score against us was often rather large. This was the case with the 1st XVIII, the last few members of which were also in the Under 14 team, and also was noticeable in the Under 15 team, which was so outclassed in point of size and age that I suggested to the Sportsmaster that it would be better to make the Under 15 matches into Under 14, as our team would be almost the same and they would have a chance of holding their own against their opponents. But everything considered I think the various teams have done very creditably, and there is no need to moan. I am glad we have had the services of Mr. Jarvis, for I think that he has been able to do a good deal to instil methods of play that will help us very much in the future.

Looking forward, we hope to arrange our own sports for the 12th October, on our own ground and sports against Wesley for the 23rd October on the Claremont Oval or some other public ground. Of course I hope we will beat Wesley, but whether we win or lose I hope every one will do their best to gain a place in the team and be absolutely fit and in training for the sports themselves.

You all, and especially the boarders, will be sorry that Mrs. Hatton has found it necessary to resign her position as Matron as she finds that the duties of the position put a greater tax on her strength than she expected. While she has been with us she has done everything she could to promote the happiness and well-being of the Boarding House, and I personally am very sorry that she found it necessary to resign. I am glad to say that I have arranged for Miss Paterson to succeed her. Miss Paterson is at present

housekeeper at the Guildford Grammar School and was before that Assistant Matron at the Guildford Grammar Preparatory School, and I am quite sure that she will do all in her power to promote the well-being and comfort of the residents of the Boarding House.

The Old Boys have been holding some well attended functions. Quite a crowd rolled up for the football match at the beginning of June, and proved more than a match for the school team. The dance on June 21st was also a well attended and very happy function, as also was the dinner on August 10th. It is good to see real good fellowship continuing between boys who went to the same school right on into their after life.

I would like to write something about this school's future. It is now nearly seven years since I became Headmaster here. For reasons quite beyond the control, either of myself or of the boys then at the school, a rather serious crisis arose and the closing of the school was being seriously discussed. To avoid this I decided to take a much more personal responsibility than was involved in my original appointment as Headmaster, and my wife and I decided to put our personal resources at the disposal of the school without breaking our connection with the Council for C. of E. Schools. This arrangement comes to an end this year, and has in many ways worked well. It would, I think, have proved even more successful if I had not been offered in 1925 an appointment which it was not possible at the time to refuse to consider. Consequently the year 1926 began in uncertainty as to who would be Headmaster here and the school, especially the Boarding House, fell in numbers and I was faced with very great anxieties. Fortunately the school has gradually recovered and the Council have acted both fairly and generously as far as I myself am concerned and together we are now engaged on a comprehensive scheme for the development and equipment of the school which we hope will ultimately set Christ Church in the front rank of the schools here with first-class accommodation for a definite number of boarders and for a larger day school than it has ever been in the past. The Council will, I think, get to work on the first steps in the scheme as soon as agreement is reached as to what is the wisest use to make of the existing buildings. You may, however, be sure that development will begin in the near future. And this being so you, the boys of the school, have an important part to play in the future success of your school. First you must put your heart into your work and your play to enhance the good reputation you already have. Secondly you must make up your minds to stay at this school as long as your parents will let you and you are deriving profit from the school and contributing to its welfare. It is not only boys who are going to the University and into Professions that ought to continue their education after they are sixteen. The boy who is going into business or intends to be a farmer will in the long run profit tremendously by an extra year or so at school. Everyone needs some culture if later in life he wants to be at the top instead of at the bottom or only half way up. So even you who at present want to leave school directly you are fifteen or sixteen ought to think it over and realise that what you will remember with most joy in your later life will be the time when you were in the Upper Forms of your old school and had the honour and reputation of your school in your keeping for a year or two before going out into the bigger world. And lastly, though sport is important, do not look at it as the only thing worth thinking about in a school. Some of you sometimes feel attracted to schools more in the lime-light because of sport, and I know how much that counts,

especially in a State where sport is by some regarded as the most important thing in life. But if you look at things like that, would it not be better to stop here and help put Christ Church in the front rank for sport, as the school begins to grow in size and more boys stay on after the Junior age? Think on these things. At present we are only 100 strong, but I hope that many of you will still be in the school when we reach 150, yes and perhaps 200.

By the time this is read by you you will be so busy thinking of the holidays that perhaps you will not even bother to read your "Mitre." Well, have a jolly good holiday and then come back fully determined to give yourself heart and soul to the work and sport of the school.

L. W. PARRY.

### EDITORIAL.

What's he want to write a silly editorial for? We can almost hear this rather ill-constructed question on the lips of many of the erudite Vith and Vth. The answer is:—Firstly, that is the editor's chief task; secondly, to fill up space. Last term a magazine was issued bravely bearing the title "Christ Church School Magazine." Three pages out of a total of twenty-three were written by boys of the school. An editor exists to receive contributions, not to go out into the highways and byways and compel boys to write. Throughout the term boys are full of complaints real or imaginary. They talk in school and out of school, all day (and some) well into the night. They scribble where they should not. They interrupt lessons with nonsensical suggestions. But when the few weeks preceding the publication of the "Mitre" come, they assume a most commendable modesty about their powers. We are painfully aware of the short-comings of this term's magazine, but we do not apologise. If so few are sufficiently interested to write, there are few who need any apology. Certainly more have sent in efforts this term, but most of them were decidedly an effort to read. Those who send in contributions worthy of inclusion must be prepared to sacrifice some of their spare time to the thinking out and construction of their articles. At present the Editor has the rather unenviable task of rejecting the worst, when he should be choosing the best. The magazine is the school's expression of its life and activities, but we trust that others don't judge us by our magazine. Certainly all cannot put their thoughts, if they have any, in a readable manner for all have not the gift, but every one of us has the power to try. We look forward to the day when the magazine ceases to be the Editor's and becomes the school's, when it is no longer a dry chronicle of events but a collection of articles on all that boys do or think.

#### 1st XVIII MATCHES.

v. H.S.—May 29th.

Lost—6 goals 4 pts. to 9 goals 10 pts.

Best players—Arnold, Jupp, Bedells, Bickford.

v. S.C.—June 12th.

Lost—6 goals 5 pts. to 6 goals 6 pts.

Best players—Arnold, Bedells, Robertson.

- v. G.G.S.—June 15th.  
Lost—18 goals 19 pts. to 2 goals 1 pt.  
Best players—Jupp, Arnold, Bedells.
- v. W.C.—June 26th.  
Lost—3 goals 6 pts. to 8 goals 14 pts.  
Best players—Jupp, Arnold, Angel.
- v. W.C.—July 17th.  
Lost—1 goal 1 pt. to 15 goals 17 pts.  
Best players—Arnold, Bedells, Nosedá.
- v. H.S.—July 24th.  
Lost—4 goals 6 pts. to 6 goals 9 pts.  
Best Players—Arnold, Nosedá, Robertson.
- v. C.B.C.—July 31st.  
Lost—30 goals 19 pts. to 6 goals 1 pt.  
Best players—Bedells, Arnold, Ellershaw.
- v. W.C.—August 7th.  
Lost—14 goals 20 pts. to 4 goals 4 pts.  
Best players—Jupp, Bickford, Douglas.
- v. G.G.S.—August 10th.  
Lost—8 goals 14 pts. to 8 goals 18 pts.  
Best players—Jupp, Arnold, Robertson.

## UNDER 15.

- v. S.C.—June 5th.  
Lost—30 goals to nil.  
Best Players—Bickford i, Rogers, Howe.
- v. H.S.—June 29th.  
Lost—5 goals 3 pts. to 10 goals 17 pts.  
Best players—Angel, McGlashan, Elsegood.

## UNDER 14.

- v. S.C.—June 12th.  
Lost—2 goals 2 pts. to 18 goals.  
Best players—McGlashan, Horne, Bickford.
- v. W.C.—June 26th.  
Lost—5 goals 5 pts. to nil.  
Best players—McGlashan, Howe, Horne.
- v. G.G.S.—July 17th.  
Lost—2 goals 6 pts. to 6 goals 4 pts.  
Best players—Bickford ii, McGlashan, Smith.
- v. H.S.—August 3rd.  
Lost—4 goals 5 pts. to 5 goals 10 pts.  
Best players—Howe, Angel, Bickford.

## UNDER 13.

- v. S.C.—June 5th.  
Lost—5 goals 6 pts. to 5 goals 5 pts.  
Best players—Bickford ii, McGlashan, Tregonning.
- v. W.C.—June 8th.  
Won—4 goals 7 pts. to 3 goals.  
Best players—Bickford ii, Day, Sanderson i.
- v. G.P.S.—June 15th.  
Lost—4 goals 2 pts. to 6 goals 11 pts.  
Best players—Bickford ii, McGlashan, Sanderson i.
- v. W.C.—July 13th.  
Won—6 goals 11 pts. to 1 goal 4 pts.
- v. H.S.—July 24th.  
Won—8 goals 11 pts. to 4 goals 6 pts.  
Best players—McGlashan, McKay, Sanderson i.
- v. G.P.S.—August 10th.  
Lost—3 goals 3 pts. to 12 goals 11 pts.  
Best players—Bickford ii, McKay, Smith.

## CRITIQUE.

- Arnold (Captain).**—A very fast player who has done some good work at centre. A very much improved mark and kick. As captain has managed his team well.
- Jupp (Vice-Captain).**—Jupp's services to the team were unfortunately fully appreciated when we had to do without him owing to his having a poisoned foot. He has proved a tower of strength at centre-half back right through the season. A very fast player, also a good mark and kick.
- Nosedá.**—A talented and very useful player, but unfortunately he has not come up to the standard which we were led to expect from his last year's performances. A good mark and kick.
- Robertson i.**—Has played very willingly and energetically throughout the season; quite an asset to the team although rather an erratic kick and mark.
- Bedells.**—Has improved very much on last year's form and has given consistent service throughout the season. Quite fast, a very fair mark and a good kick.
- Bell.**—Full back. Rather a rugged player who, with a little more pace combined with his ability to come through with the ball, would be a very much greater asset. Fair mark and kick.
- Dickson i.**—Half forward. A fair mark and kick, but too slow in getting to the ball, also in getting rid of it.
- Douglas.**—Has improved very much during the season and although still rather clumsy has more than compensated for this by his energy and enthusiasm. Only a fair kick and mark, but very useful ruck and back man.
- Angel.**—Goal sneak. A reliable mark and accurate kick, although rather handicapped by size. A good snap kick.
- Currie i.**—Ruck and back. A good worker who has given consistent service throughout the season. Fair mark and kick.

**Bickford i.**—Wing. Has proved a fast player and consistent battler, quite a good mark and kick although rather handicapped by his size.

**Currie ii.**—Wing. Would do better if he went after the ball more instead of waiting for his opponent before he commenced activities. Nevertheless a very useful player.

**Higham.**—A young player who shows considerable promise on occasions. A very fair though inconsistent mark and kick.

**Buckingham.**—Goalkeeper. Has not quite got the idea yet of when to come out and when to stay back. A useful player. Good mark and very good kick.

**Ellershaw.**—Unfortunately rather small, but a sure mark and reliable kick.

**Rogers.**—Another of the smaller members of the team who show considerable promise.

**Barsden.**—Would be more valuable if he kept his place more consistently. Quite a fair mark but weak kick.

**Parker i.**—A very fair kick, but not a brilliant mark. A useful player although rather slow.

**Elsegood.**—A very fair individual player although one lacking confidence in match play.

**Howe.**—Another one of the young players of whom we are expecting much for the future. Very fair mark and kick.

**Maclaren.**—Rather slow, but not afraid of using what weight he has. Fair mark but not a good kick.

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### SCHOOL NOTES.

#### THE LATE ARCHBISHOP OF PERTH.

To show their respect for one who had always shown the greatest interest in Christ Church, the school, as a body, attended the late Archbishop's funeral, sending representatives also to the preceding service. We cannot deem it but fitting to place on record in the school magazine our appreciation of all that he has done for us. We also take this, our first, opportunity of offering our deepest sympathy to those who mourn his loss.

#### Confirmation.

At the Confirmation held in the Parish Church, Claremont, on Thursday, August 15th, by the Right Reverend the Bishop of Bunbury, the following were presented for Confirmation:—L. Clayton, L. Dossett, R. C. Ellershaw, T. G. Gill, J. T. Hatton, A. M. Howe, J. A. Lovegrove, M. T. Lockwood, A. J. Parker, P. J. Rowan, R. C. Smith.

#### Matron.

We are sorry so soon again to have to say goodbye to our Matron. Although she has not been long with us she has endeared herself to all and it is with great regret that we hear that she finds the work too hard and must give it up. She takes with her our best wishes for the future. To her successor, Miss Paterson, we extend a cordial welcome.

While on the subject of the staff, we would also offer our sympathy to Mr. Wassall in his serious illness. Though we do not see much of him, he takes a great interest in the school, and we are very relieved to hear of the improvement, if slow, of his health. May he soon be about again.

#### Visit.

To relieve the monotony of school routine, Mr. Stewart Murray came, with his sheik, on June 14th, to tell us something of his experiences in the Holy Land. The boarders very much enjoyed his lantern talk, being very little troubled by the unusual presence of a few—regretably few—dayboys.

**Boarders' Week Ends** fell this term on June 21st and July 26th. Dayboys take great interest in these events as we generally get off a few minutes' school and a certain amount of homework.

#### Numbers.

These now stand at 97, consisting of 31 boarders and 66 dayboys.

#### VALETE.

**Form V.**—Lewis, Prefect, Captain of Cricket; Cricket, Football, Tennis, Swimming Colours.

**Lynn.**—Running Colours. Soumess.

**Form Vb.**—Rowe.

**Form IIIa.**—Stileman.

**Form II.**—Mitchell.

#### SALVETE.

**Form IIa.**—J. L. Weir.

**Form IIb.**—K. H. Langford.

**Form I.**—R. Farmer, W. Welsh, E. Welsh.

#### CONGRATULATIONS.

To Arnold and Jupp on being appointed Captain and Vice-Captain respectively, of football.

To Noseda, Bateman i, Currie i, Douglas, Dickson i, on their elevation to the supervision of school duties.

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#### SCOUT NOTES.

The steady progress recorded last term has continued, and all hands have gained a second class, except of course, the recent additions to our ranks. The next step is to break out into spots; there are proficiency badges to the number of about sixty, and every sphere of usefulness—First Aid, Fireman, and Missioner, along with a number of hobbies, finds its appropriate badge. You are expected to develop varied interests, first in order to render yourselves more extensively serviceable to your fellow men; and secondly, the insight you obtain into various handicrafts and hobbies should be of great assistance to you in deciding on your future career. For instance, the bee keeper's badge may give you a confirmed opinion that bees have hot feet, and that apiculture is not your forte.

Another source of satisfaction is the fact that we are able to hold our meetings at night. Before meeting time we can forget school, and get into uniform, a very real gain. The seniors can get their games on their regular days, and the chumps can be kept in. We can have a fire and a sing-song and the Rovers can join in our assemblies, pass on instruction in some special branch, and join in the games which I cannot do until my hull has been recon-ditioned and fitted with new engines.

One notices with pleasure that several boys belong to outside troops. It does not matter in the least to what troop a boy belongs, for he should join with a full knowledge of the duty of a scout, and the boy who deliberately undertakes to do his best to keep the Scout Law will make a much more valuable citizen of Australia than he who objects to the discipline and decalogue of the Scout.

And finally can we not make a real effort to earn at least half-a-dozen first-class badges before the Long Vacation? We can.

S. M.

### BOARDERS' NOTES.

Winter is passing; we have tasted of the glories of the coming spring, and are now looking forward with glee to three whole long weeks when we shall shake off our shackles, and give ourselves over to late rising and the other laxities of the holidays.

Some there are who are of the hard-working fraternity, of those who intend to take exams., and Dicky has availed himself of the use of the library after bed-time, to indulge in a little extra study.

Ding's propensities for humour have been sadly curtailed by his restriction to one joke per lesson.

George can never realise he is a sheik, and is wont to treat our remarks with the lofty contempt which perhaps they deserve.

During the term a tree was felled in the grounds, and from this a curious shaped log was procured. To this was attached a gym. bar for handles, a piece of copper wire for a footrest, and a bag for a seat. Then with one or more of the big fry to supply motive power the speed iron was complete, and a speedway was started in the common room, much to the detriment of socks, slippers, and pants. One member was forced to complete a lap of the bike, in a sitting posture, and now goes around with a large bullseye. Perhaps it is just as well that the handle-bars were confiscated.

Much excitement was caused by an impromptu fete in the common room, and a substantial profit in paper currency accrued to the organisers. One speculator did remarkably well out of a nail driving competition, until it was discovered that the nail would not pierce a conveniently placed piece of iron.

We hope the boarders will come back next term determined to do well at running and cricket, and to gain some prizes during the term either for sport or school work.

"SIRRAH."

### ROMSEY NOTES.

This year the Romsey Section is not so strong as of yore. Though we did manage to win the inter-section swimming, we had to yield pride of place last term in cricket and in cross-country running. Next term we hope to make up for our lapse in cricket and also possibly carry off the running, one of our chief hindrances in cricket having left, and one of our star runners returned to the fold.

As there have been no inter-section contests, Romsey has been unable to show the other sections how to play football.

Congratulations to Nosey and Dougy on their elevation to 'school duties.' May they worthily uphold the traditions of Romsey. We anticipate being able to recognise a Romsey boy from the members of the other sections by the end of the year, through the noble ensample they set.

Condolences to those two of us who are Senior Cadets and who are looking forward (only because it's in the future) to four years' devoted training in the service of the country.

L. B. W.

### LIBRARY NOTES.

This term, in collaboration with the masters, we have started taking in "Punch" again. The popularity of the "Motor Cycle" seems on the wane, and we propose to replace it by another periodical. The following new books were bought at the beginning of the term:—

Anon., "Sindbad;" Anon., "Strange Tales of Peril and Adventure;" Brereton, "A Soldier of Japan;" Brereton, "One of the Fighting Scouts;" Curwood, "A Gentleman of Courage;" Dalkeith, "Aesop's Fables;" Defoe, "Robinson Crusoe;" Defoe, "Further Adventures of Robinson Crusoe;" Ellis, "River and Forest;" Hay, "The Lighter Side of School Life;" Hayens, "Stirring and True;" Henty, "Held Fast for England;" Henty, "John Hawkes' Fortune;" Holbrook, "Northland Heroes;" Horsley, "In the Grip of the Hawk;" Kingsley, "The Heroes;" Marchant, "Delmayne's Adventures;" Mason, "The House of the Arrow;" Mee, "The Adventure of the Island;" Miln, "The Purple Mask;" Miln, "The Green Goddess;" Mockler, "Jake's Birthday Present;" Mulford, "Tex of Bar-20;" Oppenheim, "Terrible Hobby of Sir Joseph Londe;" Oppenheim, "The Devil's Paw;" Oppenheim, "The Golden Web;" Oppenheim, "The 7 Conundrums;" Oppenheim, "The Inevitable Millionaires;" Orczy, "The Honourable Jim;" Packard, "The Further Adventures of Jimmie Dale;" Reed, "Adventures of a £3/3/- Watch;" Sapper, "The Dinner Club;" Sapper, "Bull-Dog Drummond;" Sapper, "The Black Gang;" Seton, "Billy;" Seton, "Raggylug;" Strang, "Olwyn's Secret;" Tracy, "The Park Lane Mystery;" Twain, "Huckleberry Finn;" Twain, "Tom Sawyer;" Walmsley, "The Silver Blimp;" Wallace, "The Sinister Man;" Wallace, "The Joker;" Wallace, "The Day of Uniting;" Wentworth, "The Amazing Chance;" Wentworth, "The Black Cabinet;" Whitly, "The Boy Chief."

### QUEENSLEA NOTES.

"And tho'

We are not that strength which in old days  
Moved earth and Heaven: That which we are, we are."

Our numbers are now sadly depleted and the section consists of only 31 boys. The majority of them are juniors, of whom we expect great things in the near future. Although our numbers are small, we have contributed handsomely to the 1st XVIII, and feel sure it would not be as good without us. No inter-section matches have been played, but we are sure we would have given the other sections a good game if they had been.

It made a great difference to us last term when we lost Chill and Fred, who were two useful men on the football field. They are gone, but not forgotten.

Not only do we contribute to the 1st XVIII, but to all the under age matches, many of which have been won.

We expect, not vainly, we hope, to get a few more members next term, when we hope to give the other sections "a run for their money," at the athletic sports. Many of our smaller members are good runners, and they are expected to do well in that capacity.

Wishing you all the best of luck during your well-earned holiday.

FRANK AND ALF.

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### PREFECTS' NOTES.

Our numbers are less, but our enthusiasm has in no way abated. The institution of Sixth and Fifth Form duties has proved successful for the preservation of Law and Order, and we hope soon to see some augmenting our own ranks.

The Prefects' Dance, held on Saturday, July 27th, was by all acclaimed a great success, and we take this chance of again thanking Mrs. Parry and the other Mothers and friends on the Committee for their help in making the function a social and financial success.

This year's and last year's dances have proved to be so enjoyed by everybody that we are sure next year's prefects will do all in their power to keep the ball rolling and keep up the standard of the entertainment.

"SIRRAH."

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### 6th FORM NOTES.

The chief diversion this term (omitting work) has been the heated discussion over the tie question. This essential aid towards sartorial perfection has gained great prominence, but unfortunately little coincidence of opinion has been achieved. But glad

tidings are here. "Our leader has reformed" (there are now only two regulars?) We won't argue, but, "There lies more faith in honest doubt." Hearty congratulations are due for his excellent work re the Prefects' dance and the success of this enjoyable function was due, in a large measure, to his energetic support and arrangement. One of our number has become notorious for his choice of sports coats. His efforts, apparently aiming to brighten our dull round are certainly laudable. This idiosyncrasy can probably be attributed to artistic tendencies for he is an architect-to-be. The remaining hero has taken the plunge. This person also owns the reliable conveyance! (Fruity remarks prohibited—anyway we don't know how to print a raspberry). At any rate the exercise has been extremely beneficial. An attitude of tolerance towards these notes is craved, for the exams., holidays and the leaving nightmare looming large in one's mental background, are not conducive to literary success. However, we comfort the reader, with the assurance that unlike Goldsmith, "We talk like an angel and write like Poor Poll."

"NASO."

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### DANCING NOTES.

Reform! This cry has been rewarded (to an extent); we now dance to the tune of a melodious (?) piano in the Parish Hall, and the intermittent appearance of two of the gentler sex has lent a touch of colour to a somewhat dull entertainment. Two members recently appeared in long trousers; one hides his embarrassment by trying to get his head under the seat. The appearance of two miniature buttonholes one afternoon caused some amusement until one wearer became entangled with a stinging nettle (one of the components of his bouquet) and hurled it away in disgust. The "Tie Trot" has caused some difficulty, but the swan-like exhibitions of "Keith" have clarified things greatly. "Robbo" usually appropriates most of the select dances and is training hard for the prize. With an enlarged class next year we hope for more partners and an evening class. The thoughts of the 16th enable us to conclude in an optimistic frame of mind.

"NASO."

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### TO "PROBABLY" ARBOREAL."

When man was newly set upon this earth  
From long-existing anthropoids he came  
Of brains, but not of brawn, he had a dearth  
The "missing link" is his mysterious name.

But now the bearers of his name, one sees,  
Have failed to equal old primeval man;  
But sunken chest, bowed head, weak yielding knees  
Define the human members of his clan.

"NASO."



## Vb and 4a NOTES.

Bitsa has been left another old frame by its great, great Grandfather. An old broomstick adds to its strength.

We have found a new name for maximus, Willee Weetie.

For the last six weeks we have been discussing Archimedes buckets.

We have discovered "c.c." means cubic centimetre.

Ding still believes if 40 boys throw 120 stones, one boy will throw 480.

There is some interest in winning matches now. We get off our Latin Homework.

The boys are beginning to wear glasses because masters should not wear gaudy ties.

Porky Willie Weetie says "to err is human."

Dingo still does not understand Mr. Beere's small angle of 359 degrees, 59 min., 59 sec.

1st sing Pres sub of sum has made a hobby of getting new tyres for his bike.

Latin becomes quite funny when our Latin master mentions "Paucos" Pronounced Porkos.

By "TRES QUI SCIUNT."

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## IVb NOTES.

"Ginger" is gradually overcoming his desire to be late for Latin.

"Henry" giggles while "Gongs" tries to kiss him in most lessons except Maths., because we hear that Henry is going for the Maths.' prize, a byke. "Gongs" got five minutes' clover picking the other day and didn't say a word. Bravo Gongs.

"Mac" says he does not swot but gets his poetry right without learning it.

"ROMAG."

## THE LIFE OF JAMES WOLFE.

That youthful General armed with a cane was one of our most successful leaders in India. In the year 1840 he captured Seringapatan. Then the French Emperor, Napoleon III., sent troops to India. By the year 1860 he managed to drive the English from India. A French fleet, under Montcalm, attacked the English fleet in Mid-Pacific. Wolfe took command of our fleet. Towards the end of the battle, while gallantly facing the foe, he was shot in the back. Before he died an officer cried, "See, they run." "Who run," said Wolfe. When he was told it was the French, he cried, "God be praised, I die in peace," and expired.

India and Australia have remained part of the French Empire ever since.

MAC.

## BOTTLE GLASS.

Not long ago, a new rock was added to those already known to geologists, through the remarkable discovery of several distinguished members of the Junior Geology Class at Christ Church School. This new rock is, it is said, similar to common bottle glass, in fact it only differs slightly. Several pieces have, from time to time, been handed in, and from them it has been possible to find out something about the rock. Its chemical constituents are those of ordinary glass, with also minute traces of other minerals. Pieces have also yielded minerals new to science, which have been named Jinjabeerium, Kolabeerium and Beerium. These minerals are more commonly known as liquids. This rock can be found in many colours, ranging from white to black. Realising the new rock's preciousness, it has been thought unwise to keep the specimens with other rocks, and therefore they have been removed to what is, we hope, a safer place.

—GUS.

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## A RECENT INVENTION.

During the term Professor Abraham Washington kindly promised to give us a lecture on the newly approved and patented American Razzberry. This is not as we are told, a large whiskered member of the vegetable kingdom, but a form of vocal labial derision, at present very popular among the lower, upper, middle classes, and to a certain extent among the lower and middle upper classes.

This form of derision consists not only in a noise, but in the whole preliminary and completing process as well. First air from some nearby convenient place is drawn into the lungs (after first expelling that which is already there) then by either a lateral, or longitudinal, or any other, contraction of the diaphragm, this air is expelled forcibly through the mouth, imparting to the lips a rapid vibratory motion, which produces a series of resonant explosions. With the expulsion of the breath from the body, the face assumes a look of violent disgust which is meant to enhance the embarrassment of the recipient of the Razzberry. Throughout the movement the rapid repetition of lip-explosions is continued in conjunction with the disparaging expression, until internal exhaustion or facial cramp triumphs.

We cannot but doubt the veracity of the statement that a Razzberry as described is capable of burning up a person instantly.

Unfortunately the Professor was unable to augment this general knowledge, as he was unable to fulfil his promise.

"SIRRAH."

There was a boy called Metro Bell  
Who never drank water, but shell.

Once he swallowed a match  
And the petrol did catch  
Where Ding went, we never could tell.

## ODDS AND ENDS.

"School duties" are said to be "Hot-stuff" at nosing out criminals. They soon "Doug" out quite "Alastair" victims. They trap them by means of their "Baitman."

"The line of Festal light in Christ Church Hall—Prefects' Dance.

"Waiting for the spark from—Bryant and May's matches—Mr. Beere.

"The Dauntless child stretched forth his little arms and—sang in his sleep—Berry.

"Dry Gas is termed an invention—but not at Christ Church."

"Maximum's initials are M. T.—further comment unnecessary."

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**MY NATIVE LAND.**

When the golden sun is sinking  
And the shades of night draw nigh  
Through the silent forest arches  
Comes a softly cooing cry  
The night birds song comes softly  
Through the dusk of early May.

'Mid the trees so green and lofty  
Rustling gently here and there.  
Then you'll hear the stealthy footsteps  
Of some creature from his lair  
Which through want of food and water  
Has come forth in search of prey.

But when the long night's over  
And sunshine comes once more  
From every forest tree top  
A thousand voices soar  
To help the world a-singing  
And praise the gladsome day.

By the rushing torrents water  
In some wild valley way  
There both in nature's keeping  
The fierce and timid play.  
And in their lairs abounding  
Go forth in fear to the fray.

—LIONEL AND GEORGE, IIIa.

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To the Editor, "The Mitre."

Dear Sir,—I have been very interested in the recent discussion in the paper on "Homework," but was too shy to ventilate my feelings before the public at large. I therefore air my views before a much more appreciative public, namely, before the lead-

ing school of the State through the medium of what is doubtless W.A.'s leading school magazine. I am thoroughly opposed to homework on these grounds:—(given H— Homework).

(1). The word is a misnomer because "H" is done at dinner time or in roll-call at school. (2). It is hardly "work" if borrowed from someone else. (3). Having no "H" to correct saves masters time. (4). Doing no "H" saves boys time—they can digest their dinner or breakfast, as the case may be. (5). Setting no "H" gives valuable extra seconds so precious at the end of lessons—as does the lack of the necessity of returning "H." (6). It puts boarders and dayboys on equal footing—the sneaky dayboy can't "swot" on the quiet. (7). It brings to a level standing, clever and stupid. Both will learn nothing. (8). Boys won't strain their eyes over work at night—they'll get out into the healthy theatres and listeny-watchy the talky-movies. My 17 other points, perhaps I had better pass over, space in your splendid magazine being so valuable.

Craving your publication of this letter,

I remain, yours etc.,

MARTYR FAMILY ASS.

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The Editor has received the following letter which he reprints in full. Being rather in doubt as to where to insert it, he is compromising by "sandwiching" it between the school section of the magazine and that of the Old Boys'. School essays are generally regarded as waste of time, but if this one, set in 1919, should be the cause of some of their authors linking up with their school again 10 years later, then one essay at least will have achieved some purpose. Perhaps other Old Boys will assist Mr. Brown in satiating his curiosity. Next term's Old Boys Notes should bring to light some interesting material.

To the Editor, "The Mitre."

Dear Sir,—On the 28th of July, 1919, I was a member of the staff of your school, and on that day set a sub-junior form an essay on "Your Profession and Why You Choose It." I told them that in ten years' time I would write to each one, to see if he had become, what he then hoped he would. However, I failed to get their addresses and so cannot perform my part of the bargain.

On looking over the list, which I still have, the thought came to me that I might at least reach a few of them through the school magazine. I wonder how many of them still see it.

In case you care to publish the list, I will send it to you. Probably most of them have quite forgotten that they ever wrote such an essay at all.

Yours truly,

J. V. BROWN.

Allen Lee, Motor Mechanic; T. Drummond, Farmer; G. Turner, Engineer; R. Giles, Doctor; T. Duncan, Electrical Engineer; R. Hamilton, Naval Officer; E. Shaw, Electrician; B. Mason, Engineer; T. Lovegrove, Naval Engineer; D. Price, Auctioneer; B. Rushton, Naval Officer; M. Duncan, Accountant; M. Williams, Mechanical Engineer; N. Brown, Station Owner; F. Walsh, Lawyer; R. Lovegrove, Doctor; G. Hill, Station Owner; J. Walsh, Naval Officer.

## Old Boys' Association Notes.

### The President:

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### Chairman of Committees:

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### Hon. Secretary:

C. W. May.

### Assistant Hon. Secretary:

J. R. Giles.

### Hon. Treasurer:

W. H. Evans.

### Committee:

T. Flintoff.

E. A. Lovegrove.

K. Whitlock.

R. G. Lynn.

C. Maclagan.

### FOREWORD.

Here we are again with another scuttleful of Old Boys' Notes, complaints, commendations and other matter with which we hope to fill our allotted portion of the "Mitre." Let us commence with all the nice things first:—

It is with very great pleasure that we are able to remark on the support which members of the association and other old boys have accorded the committee at the various functions held since last issue of this magazine, all of which have been very well attended especially the Dance and Dinner, when fully representative gatherings were present.

Full particulars of all functions will appear later, but meanwhile we would like to take this opportunity of thanking one and all for their assistance and express the pious hope that they will continue their support in the future.

I say, you fellows, how do you think we are going to compile an interesting lot of notes for your edification if nobody is going to send in any items for publication in the "Mitre?" In last issue and in subsequent circulars we asked for any matter which might prove suitable for insertion in the Old Boys' Section, and now have to report that nobody has sent in any news whatsoever and that what little we have been able to obtain has been by means of the most unprincipled flattery and judicious investigation. The Hon. Secretary has a nice new notebook ready for information regarding old scholars. Don't let him waste it but send in anything, don't be afraid of having it returned (we won't bother to do that) and you must make a beginning somewhere. The "Mitre" was issued in the first place by this association for the benefit of old boys, and their section should always be the best, and you can help make it so.

A few words to our delinquent subscribers will close these preparatory remarks. There is still a number of old boys who have not paid their subscriptions for this year and many others

who take little active interest in the affairs of the association. We would like to hear from them in the near future. It is a peculiar thing how a great number of the aforementioned complain that they have received no "Mitre" or circulars re association doings, but we would like to inform them that these things cost good money, and if they think we have enough of it to waste on them, they are very much mistaken. Come on! Rally round and accord the association some of that support which it justly deserves.

### ASSOCIATION FUNCTIONS.

#### Football Match v. School.—3/6/29.

Owing to the interest taken in this fixture we were able to field a full team this year and in addition several old boys were present to see fair play.

Able captained by Lovegrove, who was our best player, even after he put himself out of action, we were again successful, but mainly owing to our weight and experience, the Colts being in much better condition in the final stages. The team consisted of Armstrong, Evans (2), Flintoff, Giles (2), Lovegrove (capt.), Brown, Martin, Maclagan, May and others.

Wintry conditions did not tend to improve the standard of play, but the umpire, Mr. Blain, kept the game fast and open and a very enjoyable morning was spent, the final scores being some six or seven goals in our favour. Details are unavailable.

The best players for us were Lovegrove, R. Giles, Brown, Armstrong, and Lynn (10 goals) who has subsequently been approached by several leading teams.

### ANNUAL DANCE.

This function, held at the Karrakatta Club ballroom, on Friday, 21st June, was one of the most enjoyable gatherings conducted for some time. Eulogistic references in local and Eastern States papers testify as to its success.

A very pleasant evening was spent, with an excellent floor, good music, and a splendid supper ably catered for by Mrs. Taylor. Novelty dances were a great success and everyone was sorry when the last dance ended in the wee "sma" hours of the morning."

A pleasing feature of the evening was the large roll up of old boys, who comprised the majority of the attendance. Among those present were Rev. L. W. Parry, Mr. A. F. J. Blain, S. R. Arnold, from the school, and the following, Dick, Bob, Blair Giles, Ted and Pab Ling, Eric and Laurie Harrison, Bill and Cedric Evans, Chas and Weller May, K. Whitlock, P. Fitzgerald, Dick Lovegrove, D. Hick, Geoff Lynn, R. Carlton, J. Fulton, A. Adamson, T. Miller, F. Cavalier, S. B. Prior, H. Norrie, E. Armstrong, G. Turner, Dick Todd, Hugh Banger, G. M. Connor, C. Maclagan, Ken Sudlow, Irwin Wright, R. Calthrop, J. E. D. Battye, Laurie and Tom Flintoff; also Noel Edwards and F. Watson-Williams, who were able to get down from the country for this occasion.

**PREFECTS' DANCE.**

Although not an association function it is very pleasing to not that there were some 30 old boys present at this dance. It is hoped that the support accorded this function will further cement the bond of good fellowship existing between present boys and the association.

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**ANNUAL DINNER.**

Held at the Hotel Metropole on Saturday, 10th August, the Annual Dinner and Reunion proved one of the most successful functions of this kind ever held by this association. It was the first time on which there has been a larger attendance than expected, although we don't mind that in the least, and also the only occasion when we have anticipated a slight surplus instead of a substantial deficit for this function.

An excellent dinner, an enthusiastic gathering, songs of revelry rendered with all due ceremony and a welcome innovation in the form of a special entertainment all helped towards a most enjoyable evening.

Those present were Rev. L. W. Parry, Sir J. J. Talbot Hobbs, Messrs. G. B. Beere, B. A. Wheeler, and the following old boys:— F. Flintoff, E. S. Ling, C. W. May, J. E. D. Battye, Jeff Cox, Geoff Rooney, Blair Giles, C. Maclagan, L. Baskerville, E. Hamilton, J. Duncan, Dick Lovegrove, Bim Brown, Syd. Jackman, Hirst Balore, Dick Todd, R. C. Wright, Ron Wardell-Johnson, Eric Harrison, Harper Sanderson, R. McLarty, George Bowes, P. Lorrigan, "Bol" Hick, R. Crammond, Dave Price, M. Bosworth, Jock Hickey, A. Adamson, L. Harrison, J. Martin, R. Giles, R. Ling, E. Armstrong, J. Fulton, H. Banger, Paterson, W. H. Evans.

It was pleasing to see many new faces at this gathering, but regret that through sundry causes many old and consistent supporters of the association could not be present.

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**HOCKEY.**

It is still our intention to form an old boys' team next season, and with that end in view this article is being published as an explanation to those who have joined various clubs with a view to learning the game and have not been given a chance.

Unfortunately most of the teams have a surfeit of players, especially in the "B" grade, and as all are evenly matched and keenly interested in winning the championship they have not had the chance to give new players a try, for fear of suffering a defeat which might prove fatal for their chances in the final.

Therefore, old boys interested are requested to practice and watch games so as to become better acquainted with the rules in the event of an association team being admitted.

At present it must be remembered that the club must have first consideration and that only the best eleven can be picked each Saturday. Furthermore, at a crisis a tried player is better than three new ones as his capabilities are known.

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**OBITUARY.****THE LATE GEOFFREY M. JACOBY.**

It is with the sincerest regret that we have to record the death by drowning of Geoffrey Jacoby (O.S.), at Sydney, during last July.

"Geoff" was one of the first scholars at Christ Church School and remained there for some years, and at the time of leaving was one of the senior boys. He took a prominent part in all sport and was one of the leading members of the cricket and football teams.

He was subsequently identified with the formation of the Old Boys' Association; was one of the early committeemen and the first editor of the "Mitre," which was originally conducted by this association.

After leaving school he adopted a journalistic career and had already distinguished himself locally and in the Eastern States.

He was one of the most popular boys at school in his time and was always greatly esteemed by those who knew him.

We extend to his family our deepest sympathy in their sad loss.

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**HERE AND THERE.**

Congratulations to Merv Brooking and "Skinny" Giles on representing W.A. in the recent inter-state Hockey Carnival. We understand they were among the best players for the series.

Max Brown, after his recent success in the reliability trials, is anticipating a trip to Lake Perkolilli in the near future, where he hopes to add further laurels to those already gained by Chrysler Cars. We have it on good authority that another world's record is shortly going or coming West.

S. Manford (Skarky), of Kyamba Station, Menzies, was seen in town recently.

Captain Phil Parker, who was recently in Perth on furlough, has returned, and is now stationed at Mandalay, Burma. Tom expects to be back in Perth on leave sometime next year.

Max Bosworth is leaving shortly for the Northern Territory with a survey party.

We hope Mr. J. V. Brown is making speedy recovery from the mumps and will not have to miss our next Annual Dinner.

To Mr. and Mrs. Eric Gomme, a daughter. Our belated congratulations, Eric.

Mr. and Mrs. Ian Jacoby and family, who were over here for a few weeks, have now returned to Sydney.

Keith Calthrop arrived back from England a few weeks ago, but could only remain a short while before leaving for the Eastern States by the Narkunda. Geoff Lynn, who left for the East at the same time, was missing on August 10th.

A "Home from Home"—Muresk Agricultural College. Quite a number of old boys have taken up agricultural pursuits, and the following are studying at Muresk:—M. Eyres, N. Clayton, T. Parker, G. Smith, J. Chilvers, H. Lovegrove, D. Evans, F. Stanley. We are shortly opening a column "For the man on the land."

R. A. Miley, another keen agriculturist, is on Mr. T. F. Wilding's farm at Mokine.

Neville Hall is a rising land agent at Newcastle, N.S.W.

Syd Jackman has now settled in Perth where he expects to remain for some time.

L. Baskerville and George Bowes have also felt the lure of the city. George is studying electrical engineering.

"Box" Drummond is captain of the Capel football team. Owing to important league fixtures he was not able to be with the troops on the 10th.

H. Atkinson is back again after a prolonged absence.

J. B. Gregory has been transferred to the Bank of Australasia, Beverley. Charlie McGlew and Fred Watson-Williams are also in that district.

We have it on good authority "That a rolling stone gathers no moss—so they say."

The Hon. Secretary is Chas. W. May, of the Royal Agricultural Society, Perth. The Hon. Treasurer is W. H. Evans (junior), Temple Court Buildings, William-st., Perth.

Three stout Christ Churchians  
Max, Ike and Joey Deans  
Max bent down to tie his shoe  
And then there were two.

Two stout Christ Churchians  
Our Ike and Joey Deans  
Ike tried to crack a pun  
And then there was one.

One stout Christ Churchian  
Little Joey Deans  
He grew until he weighed a ton  
And then there were none.