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Editorial

E commence 1917 with high hopes, for our results just past were exceedingly satisfactory. Our numbers have gone up, and with them a stronger all-round interest is being shown in all departments of school-life. A tennis-club has been established on a sound footing, and players are â\200\230busy practising for forthcoming matches. The cricket is well up to the average, and the Juniors play distinctly better. The ${\hat a}\$ Club is still flourishing, but comes more into evidence --during the winter months. In short, all round an effort is being made to $\hat{a}\200\230$ carry on $\hat{a}\200\235$ old traditions and infuse into them a stronger, more vital spirit, and a keener energy. Old Boys, too, are loyally helping, and we welcome most cordially their lettersrand remembrances, some of which we again publish in this issue. If only both Past and Present Kingswoodians -combine thus to work together, with a common ideal before them, and a common spirit animating their efforts, we shall surely experience in 1917 that wider success in life for which Kingswood has so resolutely stood in the past.

We extend a hearty welcome to all new-comers, and look to them to help maintain the College name; while to all Kingswoodians we send greetings for the New Year, and hopes that in its course they will find both peace and prosperityâ\200\224a peace which so many of them are nolly fighting for, and a prosperity which shall give value to that peace.

Examination Results, 1916

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Rolland, L.: Came Jan. 1914 left Dec. 1916; Matric. 1916; Prefect 1910.

Brown, M. : Came July 1914 left Dec. 1916 ; 15t XI. 1916 ;. 1st XV. 1916 ; Colours 1916.

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1916; 2nd XV. 1916.

Hogss, M. R.: Came Jan. 1916 left Dec. 1916. Davipson, N.: Came Jan. 1912 left Dec. 1916. BEDDY, A.: Came Jan. 1914 left Dec. 1910. Hryman, H.: Came Jan. 1914 left Dec. 1916. Hevman, D.: Came Jan. 1914 left Dec. 1916.

Of the above J. Brent, D. Clementz, Morrisby and Purdon have enlisted for active service, while most of the others are under military age and are waiting till the time comes to join the forces.

School Notes

HE following joined at the commencement of this term :

A. G. Clegg (Middelburg), H. H. I. Palmer (Elliot), S. Jackson, H. Bennett (Volksrust), W. J. Letcher (Ladysmith), G. T. W. Schutz (Uitenhage), F. A. Doig (Ladysmith), A. I. de Villiers (Kuilâ\200\231s River), I. H. Tarr (Peddie), W. D. Kirstein (Klerksdorp), H. Christopher, L. H. Jager, R. Reynolds, (Johannesburg), C. Plummer (Indwe), N. Nuttall (Durban), R. Gush (Fish River), F. Kirk (Matatiele), T. Kirk (Johannesburg), H. Graham (Pietersburg), C. Matthews (Lichtenburg) H. Shingler (Cambridge), V. Ferreira (Rhodesia), R. Manes-

chewitz (Grahamstown), W. A. S. Smith (Grahamstown), A. Cohen (Burghersdorp), R. Bennett (Peddie), H. T. Clausen (Port Elizabeth), E. Fryer (Jagersfontein), E. Thompson (Kimberley), E. A. Snow (returned), Muir (Johannesburg), G. Wood, D.and A. Austin, R. Purdon, K. Jardine (Grahamstown).

The Prefects this year are A. Alger (Senior Prefect), A. Dyke, A. Cadle, J. Leibman, L. Ross, G. Barnes and L. Gray.

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W. Staples has been appointed to the cricket captaincy and the following with him constitute the Cricket Committee: Mr. Crouch, Mr. Matterson, L. Gray, M. Fletcher, A. Alger and S. Stirk.

We extend a hearty to welcome to Mr. J. R. van Niekerk, who comes to us from Victoria College, Stellenbosch to take the place of Mr. Mears, who has gone to the Boysâ $\200\231$ High School, Pretoria. '

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We have been pleased to receive visits from a number of 0.K.â\200\231s during the quarter, most of them on leave from German East Africa. A. E. Barrett, who is now in the Native Affairs Department and resident at Kimberley, was here on Foundation Day with his wife and daughter. R. Timm is one of the very few who have returned from East Africa looking fit, and without any touch of fever. P. Kirstein called, fresh from service in the Artillery, and T. Hughes and E. Stirk, the former of*whom returns to Motor Transport work at the expiration of his leave; also J. Ayliff, just returned from German East; R. Hope, from Molteno, H. Purdon, Martindale, M. Turner, from Middleton, and E. Dold, from Trappes Valley, came up for Foundation Day. K. Wood also visited us and brought along the second of the Old Kings—woodian sons as an addition to the Preparatory.!

 $\hat{a}\200\230$ We offer our congratulations to the successful candidates at the December examinations, particularly to those who gained first-classes. Our results on the whole were distinctly

good. * * * -

The Principal desires to acknowledge the receipt of a number of letters from the front, and asks us to say that while he endeavours to reply to all of them, the burden of his correspondence is always heavy and particularly so at the present time. Should any therefore remain unanswered, he hopes that the writers will understand that their communications are always much appreciated, and accept this acknowledgment of the receipt of theirletters.

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The following books have been added to the the College Library :â\200\224Naval Occasions (Bartimaeus), Fighting the Icebergs (Bullen), Between the Lines and Action Front (Boyd Cable), Patrol of the Sun Dance Trail (Ralph Connor), Rocks of Valpre, Keeper of the Door, Bars of Iron (Dell), Great Amulet (Maud Diver), Lost World, Poison Belt (Conan Doyle), Twenty Years After Margaret of Valois, Forty-Five Guardsmen (Dumas), Broad Highway, Amateur Gentleman, Moneymoon (G. Farnol), Knight on Wheels, Five Hundred Thousand, Father of Men (Ian Hay), Through Russian Snows, A Roving Commission, Final Reckoning, Dash for Kartoum With Lee in Virginia (Henty), Young Rajah (Kingston), Three Men in a Boat (Jerome), Freckles (Porter), Soldiers Three, Light that Failed, Five Nations, Seven Seas (Kipling), "King of Schnorrers (Zangwill) Burning Daylight, Call of the \hat{a} 200\230Wild, White Fang, Son of the Sun (]J. London), The Lieutenant, Jaffray, Men, Women and Guns, (Sapper), Virginian (Whistler), Englishman in the Russian Ranks (Morse), Lauriston, Weaver of Webs (Oxenham), Virgin Fortress, Hundred Days, Garden of Swords, Giantâ\200\231s Gate (M. Pemberton), Lewis Rand, Cease Firing, Old Dominion, By Order of

the Company (M. Johnson) Bret Harteâ\200\231s Poems. Lunatic at Large (Clouston), History of Canada (Bourinot).

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Breaking-up 1916

N view of the requirements of the Railway Department,

which rendered necessary an earlier closing than had been intended, the usual concert in connection with the prize distribution was abandoned and a brief ceremony at I $oa\200\231clock$ on Monday morning, Dec,, closed the work of the year.

A Dbrief report was read by the Principal (Mr. Gane, M.A.) and the list of prize winners $:\hat{a}\200\224$

Mr. Chairman : $\hat{a}\200\224I$ regret that circumstances render it impossible for me to present this report in a more formal : manner. You will however be aware that urgent representations made by the Railway Department as to the necessity for an earlier departure for the holidays have compelled us to abandon the concept which was to take place this evening and to close the term in a hurried and somewhat informal manner.

School reports in these days appear mainly to take the form of statistics of numbers of past students in the field, lists of casualties among them, and distinctions won in the military sphere. For the moment the standards by which we measure success are altered, and rightly, for this is but the expression of our idea that nothing matters at the present time except the winning of the war at the earliest possible date.

As our records become complete, it is apparent that a very large proportion of our past boys are on active service.

1 do not think that this proportion is lower than 50 per cent. -of all those who have been registered on our books since the opening of the College in 1894. There is no need for me to say anything of the spirit that inspires those who are still here. The only restraining influence is the fact that some are not yet old enough to go.

The following old Kingswoodians have fallen in action \hat{A} wduring the year and I mention their names with all honour: $\hat{a} \geq 00 \geq 24$

Taunton Elliott Viney, D.S.O., Flight Lieutenant, Royal Flying Corps; Charles Geoffrey Rider, Lieutenant, 5th South African Infantry; Granville Davies, South African Mechanical Transport; Edgar Frederick Knight, 2nd Lieutenant, Royal Fusiliers; Harold Crosbie Alger, 2nd South African Infantry: Frank Howard Knight, 2nd South African Infantry; Frederick â\200\230Gordon Mallett, South African Infantry; Leslie Stuart Slade, South African Infantry; Edgar Alexander Oliver, 2nd Lieut. Royal Fusiliers; Stanley Thomas, South African Infantry; Norman Young Sim, 2nd Lieutenant Royal Fusiliers; Lawrance Oates, Sub-Lieutenant Royal Naval Division; â\200\230Gordon Porter, South African Infantry; Philip Gluckman, 2nd Lieutenant S.A. Infantry.

The work of the year has been of a normal character and we anticipate that its results as tested by the recent -examinations will be satisfactory. It has not been thought necessary to interfere with the normal course of our school ssports which have run on as usual, except that owing to the present condition of the only ground in the city on which -athletic sports can be conducted satisfactorily, these could -only be held in a very modified form. Our football teams $a \geq 00 \geq 30$ which were somewhat younger than for many years past acquitted themselves well, and the cricket eleven which promised very little agreably disappointed us by winning all its matches except one. In this connection. I have to ack-mowledge the services of Mr. Matterson, Mr. Crouch, and

Mr. Mears who have displayed unfailing interest. Under many difficulties Capt. Williamson has kept the cadet corps going. It is, however, most unfortunate that in times like the present this important adjunct of school work should be allowed practically to lapse. The number of boarders during the year has remained at a good level. There is, despite the difficulties of the times, no prospect of any falling off and the steadily increasing number of boys in the preparatory board-

ing house is justifying the hopes that were held at the time of its inception. $\{$

PRIZE LIST.

Form VIA : First in terimâ\200\224N. W. Turner ; Seccondâ\200\224L. Ross ; Englishâ\200\224N. W. Turner ; Mathematicsâ\200\224L. Ross ; Classics â\200\224N. C. G. Gane. : :

Forwm VIB : First in termâ\200\2247J. A. Cadle ; Secondâ\200\224M. Lautre ; Englishâ\200\224A. Snell ; Mathematicsâ\200\224A. E. Hill ; Latinâ\200\224 J. A. Cadle. :

Form V : First in termâ\200\224W. Staples ; First in Examinationâ\200\224 J. Slater ; Englishâ\200\224]. Slater ; Mathematicsâ\200\224W. Staples ; Classicsâ\200\224H. S. Shorney.

Form IVA: First in termâ\200\224S. R. Hill; Secondâ\200\224H. Purdon;

Englishâ\200\224S. R. Hill ; Mathematicsâ\200\224H. E. Amm ; Latinâ\200\224 H. H. Purdon.

Form IVB : First in termâ\200\224B. Rayner : Secondâ\200\224R. Rayner ; Englishâ\200\224C. Leefe ; â\200\230Mathematicsâ\200\224B. Rayner ; Latinâ\200\224 R. Rayner.

Form III : First in terinâ\200\224E. Goble.

PREPARATORY UPPER DIVISION.

First in terinâ\200\224A. Wood ; Examinationâ\200\224H. C. Gane.

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Fiyst in termâ\200\2247J. Milroy, H. Gane,]J. Morgan. Ayliff Memorial Prizeâ\200\224N. W. Turner (head of the college).

: EDNESDAY, March 1ath witnessed the 23rd annual

celebration at Kingswood College of Foundation Day, when ideal weather favoured the proceedings. These, on account of the war, were very quiet as the vast majority of Old Boys who come back on this occasion were away in different parts of the world serving their country. However a few still managed to come down for the day, and attended a meeting of the Old Boysâ\200\231 Club which was held in the \morning. After these proceedings were concluded, all adjourned to the cricket field where the annual match between Past and Present was played before a fair .sprinkling of visitors. These increased during the afternoon, where refreshments were dispensed on the grounds. The day wa® delightful and ideal for cricket, while the game itself provided constant interest for the onlookers.

THE CRICKET MATCH.

With the exception of 5 of the team all the Past XI had to be obtained locally, few O.K.s who are not urgently needed being available, the army having made heavy inroads $\tilde{\ }$ on their ranks. The Present did not put up as good a fight as was expected, and allowed experienced bats, who were —out of practice to get their eyes in. Staples bowled in excellent form and should have taken more of the bowling; Kirstein took the last five wickets for no runs, and had a $\frac{3}{200}\frac{34}{2300}\frac{34}{234}$ trick. $\frac{3}{200}\frac{35}{135}$ His bowling is very useful against a weak tail. $\frac{3}{200}\frac{300}{13}$ Stirk and Staples showed promise with the bat, and the majority were out to very weak balls. The fielding of the Present was weak at times, and runs came through careless throwing in and lack of backing up.

The Past opened well with a good stand by R. H. Matterson, and a fine innings of $78\ \mathrm{by}\ \mathrm{S}$. Stirk. The Present had the respectable total of $170\ \mathrm{to}$ make after lunch, but

failed, with the exception of Staples and Stirk, to make any decided stand. The side was dismissed after about two hours: play, for the small total of 85, the Past thus winning the match out-right for the first time since 1911.

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In the evening the Old Kingswoodians met the School in the College Dining Hall, when the following telegrams were read by the Principal from H. Kelly, H. and D. Matthews, Mr. and Mrs. Tyson, W. G. Mears, E. F. Mears, G. Simpson, J.'S. Fisher, T. Alger, Miss E. H. Gane, W. E. Clark, E. A. Metcalf, J. R. Rouse M. Brown, H. Metcalf, T. Norquay, G. Tucker, L. Kent,. L. Collett. Cablegrams from A. and H. Wood (Weymouth), M. Dold and R. Letcher (German East Africa), and letters from Mrs. Chubb (England), L. Gane and Sergeant Blackman (G. E. Africa), L. Impey (Western Front), B. Wallace,. J. Leppan, A. Crouch * Front Line,â\200\235 France.

At the close of the dinner a toast was drunk to the success: of the Old Kingswoodian Club and its many members, and appropriate musical honours rendered. After the singing of $\frac{3}{200}$ And Lang Synea $\frac{200}{235}$ an adjournment was made to the Gymnasium where a school concert was held. The large

number of friends and visitors enjoyed an excellent and varied musical programme, the different items being enthusiastically received. All showed a high standard of excellence, several of the solos and orchestral pieces in particular earning well deserved encores.

Concert Programme :â\200\224

Choral Society $\hat{a}\200\234$ O Lady leave $\hat{a}\200\235$ Macfarren Piano $\hat{a}\200\230\hat{a}\200\234$ Ballade in A Flat $\hat{a}\200\235$ Chopin H. Gordon Webster

Song $\hat{a}\200\230$ Berceuse $\hat{a}\200\235\hat{a}\200\231$ Schumann M. Lautre

Trio $\hat{a}\200\234$ Andante $\hat{a}\200\235$ Schubert

Messrs. G. Israel, F. Everett and G. Webster

Piano Duet $\hat{a}\200\234$ Rondo Brilliant Sponholiz N. Gane and A. Hill

INTERVAL

Orchestra $\hat{a}200\230\hat{a}200\234$ Hope March Papini Song $\hat{a}200\230\hat{a}200\234$ Promise of.Life $\hat{a}200\235$ Cowen R. Letcher Violin $\hat{a}200\230$ Serenade $\hat{a}200\235\hat{a}200\231$ Schubert R. Allan Song (with chorus) \hat{A} ¢ The Old Superb Stanford

J. Liebman

Trio $a\200\230$ Sovels Gardent $a\200\235$ Schumanmn Messrs. G. Israel, F. Everett and G. Webster Madrigal $a\200\234$ In going to my lonely bed $a\200\235$ Edwards (16th Century) . Choral Society

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Obituary

Eric Newton King, South African Infantry, killed in action, Flanders, Dec. 1916. King was one of the most popular and best known of the Old Kingswoodians at the front, and from being a favourite at school, stepped into the same position in his regiment. He was a member of the 1st XV in 1913 and 1914, playing a splendid, clean and dashing forward game. A straight manly, type of South African, he played the biggest game of life in the same cheery spirit, and left behind him an inspiring example.

Norman Young Sim, Lieut. Royal Fusiliers, killed in France, Sept. 1916. He came to Kingswood 1907, and remained until 190g. After leaving school, he went to King Williamâ\200\231s Town, where later he took up the study of law. On the outbreak of war, he signed on and went through the German West campaign, serving under Major Gane. At the conclusion, he enlisted in the Royal Fusiliers, and laid down his life for the cause, while fighting in Flanders. A good sportsman, and popular school-fellow, he will be remembered by many of his contemporaries, and all honour accorded to his sacrifice.

Philip Gluckman, Lieut., South African Infantry, killed in Flanders, October 1916. He came to Kingswood in 1902 and remained till 1904. He was a keen sportsman, and after leaving school was well-known in Rugby circles at Port Elizabeth.

Stanley Thomas, came to Kingswood in 1902, and remained for over six years. He was a most promising football player at school, and in 1908 won his colours: He was with the South African Infantry in Flanders, and died in August 1916, from wounds received at Delville Wood. A plucky sportsman, and firm friend, he * played the game \hat{a} 200\235 up to the last.

G. Pater, was at Kingswood during 1907 and 1908, and in the Junior School was one of the most promising as well as popular boys. On the call to arms, he joined the South African Infantry, and laid down his life in Flanders last year.

Laurie Oates, came to Kingswood in 1907, and left, Dec. 1910. At school â\200\234 Girlieâ\200\235 Oates was exceptionally liked by all for he was always a bright, cheery fellow and a good friend. He studied medicine at home after he left school, and with so many others replied gladly to the call for men, only to be killed in Flanders last year. His death will be keenly felt by all who knew him well.

- F.-J. Swan, was at Kingswood from 1899 to rgor. A quiet, unassuming fellow, he devoted himself to law after school, and was practising as an advocate until his death at Komgha early in 1917.
- G. H. Ward, was a popular Master at Kingswood from 1908 to 1911, and took a keen personal interest in all departments of school life, particularly in the sports. He was with the Australians at the Dardanelles, and laid down his life in that desperate, but futile enterprise.

REQUIESCANT IN PACE.

O.K. Club

MEETING of the O.K. Club was held at the College at

10 a.m., March 14th. Mr. Gane was in the Chair. There were present: Messrs. A. L. Bawvett, H. TF. Crouch, G. Mears, N. Turner, E. Dold, B. King, G. Webster and R. H. Matterson.

 $\mbox{Mr.}$ Gane was re-elected as President of the Club and $\mbox{Mr.}$ Matterson as Honorary Secretary.

The Secretaryâ $\200\231s$ report was read : Our numbers are

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about 80, but overdue subscriptions are numerous. The balance in hand is £79 9s. 1d. About 300 O.K.s are or have been on active service. The O.K. Scholarship Fund has over £80 in hand, but is not being brought into prominence till after the war. Owing to difficulties with the P.O.S.B. the Secretary asked for authority to operate on the Fund on his own signature.

The Trustees, Messrs. Gane, Stirk and Matterson, and the Hon. Sec. of the Fund were re-elected.

The following motion was then proposed and carried: $\hat{a}\200\234$ That the Hon. Sec. and Treasurer, for the time being, namely Mr. R. H. Matterson, be given power to operate upon the P.O.S. Bank account of the Fund on his own signature. $\hat{a}\200\235$

Mr. Stirk was elected Capt. of the Past XI. and there being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

N. Gane has joined the Rhodes College.

H. and D. Heyman have been given Scholarships at Kingâ\200\231s School, Canterbury, England, and sailed in December last.

Old Kingswoodians on Active Service during the War

Corrections To List No. I.

Baker, H. G., Pvt., 2nd Field Ambulance, S.A.M.C., G.E.A.

Barker, G., 2nd Lieut. Kings Liverpool Regt., France.

Davies, R. Q., Royal Flying Corps, Europe.

Fitehat, R., Royal Flying Corps, Europe.

Gluckman, P., Lieut., S.A.1., France. Killed in action.

Gane, L., Pvt., sth S.A.L, G.E.A.

Garrett, J., Pvt., Hartiganâ\200\231s Horse, G.S.W.; 1st S.A 1., France.
Goodman, J. D., Pvt., Mobile Section Veterinary Corps,
G.S.W.; Pvt., 75th Siege Bat. S.A. Heavy Artillery.

Galpin, L. Delete.

Hine, J. B., Royal Flying Corps, France.

Hope, E., 2nd Lieut., Garrison Artillery, England. Hodges, S. G., 2nd Lieut., Royal Flying Corps, France. Halse, F., 2nd Lieut., Royal Flying Corps, France.

For Lanton, W. E., read Lawton, W. E.

Morum, L., Lieut., Motor Transport, France. Gassed.

â\200\234Oates, L., Mortar Trench Battery, France. Killed 1916.

Roberts H., Sergt., 2nd Brigade S.A.L, G.E.A.

For Slatern, P., read Slatem, P.

Sim, N. Y., SAM.C, GS.W.; 2nd Lieut., Royal Fusiliers, France. Killed, Sept. 1916.

For Sharp, F., read Spargo, F.

Stephenson, J., Sergt., Midland Horse, G.S.W. Killed at Lutzputz, Jan. 28th, 1915.

â\200\234Thompson, G., Pvt., S.A.I., Europe.

For Trollip, J. G., read Trollip, J. E.

Worringham, E., Pvt.,, GS.W.; S.A.I, Europe.

Woodward, A. G. Delete.

ADDITIONAL PARTICULARS.

Brown, E. M., is in charge of a Tank in France.

Craig, H., S.A.M.C., France.

«Craig, G. R,, 2nd Lieut., Bedford Regt., France.

Dold, D. A, 2nd Lieut., Dorset Regt., France.

Duncan, D. D., 2nd Lieut., Royal Field Artillery, France.

Duncan, H. D., 2nd Lieut., Kings Royal Rifles, France.

*Galpin, D. I, 2nd Lieut., Lincoln Regt., France.

Kelly, H., Sergt., sth Reg. S.A.H., G.E.A.

Kingwill, W., 2nd Lieut., Norfolk Regt., France.

King, E. Died of wounds in France, Dec. 1916.

Rider, J., 2nd Lieut., Lovatts Scouts, England.

Ross, C., 2nd Lieut., Royal Scots Fusiliers attached R.F.C., France.

Stirk, W., Pvt., S.A. Motor Transport, G.E.A.

Wood, A. C, 2nd Lieut., Norfolk Regt.

Wood, H. S., 2nd Lieut., Dorset Regt.

List No. II.

_Abbott, L., Motor Transport, G.E.A.

Adendorff, E., Pvt., S.A. Heavy Artillery, G.E.A.

Brent, J. R., Pvt., Motor Transport, G.E.A.

Benson, C., Pvt., 2nd S.A'H., G.E.A:

«lementz, D., Royal Flying Corps, Europe.

Chalmers, W., Pvt., Nyassaland Exped. Force, G.E.A. Connock, F., Pvt.,, G.S.W.

Fotheringham, J., Pvt., 2nd SYAREIR S GRS IAS

Gane, P. C., in training, England.

Gladwin, T., Officer in S.A. Native Labour Corps. Impey, N., G.E.A.

Kirstein, P., Pvt., 2nd S.A. Field Artillery.

Morrisby, W., Royal Flying Corps, Europe.

Preddy, E., Pvt.,, S.A.H., G.E.A.

Ravenscroft, S., Pvt., 8th SAH., G.E.A.

Ravenscroft, W., Pvt., 8th S.A.H., GE.A.

Robinsky, D., Pvt., 3rd SAL GUECAT

Saunders, R. A. F. M., 2nd Lieut., R.F. Artillery, Salonica.. Wallace, R., Pvt., S.A.L., Europe.

Ward, E.]., 2nd Lieut., R. F. Artillery, Europe. Welsh, L., Pyt., 2nd Rhodesian Regt., G.E.A. Woalker, T. R., 6th S.A.L, G.E.A.

MARRIAGES

At Commemoration Church, Grahamstown, on Saturday, March toth, 1917, by the Rev. J. M. Watkinson, J. R. E. Chalker, O.K., son of Mrs. T. Chalker of Deeping Dene, Grahamstown, to Ada E. Collins, daughter of R. E. Collins of Pretoria.

At All Saintâ\200\231s Church, Childs-hill, England, by the Rev.. W. D. H. Pétter, 2nd Lieut. Fred Halse, O.K., eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Halse of Vryburg, to Winifred daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Montgomery of London.

At Yeoville Presbyterian Church, Johannesburg, on Wednesday, 28th March, 1917, Arthur Pringle Amm, O.K,, of Potgieterâ $\200\231s$ Rust, to Madge, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. Bothwell, of Johannesburg. :

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Fragments from the Fronts

W. KINGWILL writes: 28th January, 1917.

You will undoubtedly be very surprised to hear from me and I sincerely hope that the shock wonâ\200\231t be too much for you. I have often thought of writing but I am on parade so much, that T feel too slack to write in my spare time which you will understand $isna^200\231t$ much.

To begin at the beginning of things. I arrived in * England at the beginning of April 1916, after a pleasant but uneventful voyage; from April 6th until 27th, we had to stay in London owing to the fact that the War Office had made a mistake and had sent for us too soon. At the time I was very annoyed to think that a well organized place like the War Office could make siich a mistake, but I have since learnt better, and now take such things as a mere matter of course as they are the rule rather than the exception. Well, to continue, I left London (as did others) without a balance. sheet financially, but with one as regards wisdom.

The six months at Sandhurst were quite pleasant. Of course we were worked very hard, but the place was well laid out and fitted up, and after parade hours we had quite a good time. There are excellent grounds and during the latter half of our term there, we had plenty of Rugger and some rather good players too, though I don't think much of the average Englishmanâ\200\231s play. The thirteen South Africans assisted by two New Zealanders beat the rest of the College four times in succession, which shows that they were not too good.

I passed out of Sandhurst about 8oth out of some 300 which I think is rather good for me, for as you know I never was brilliant.

On leaving Sandhurst I was gazetted to the Norfolk Regt. at my own choice. I acted on advice I managed to obtain here and there, and am very pleased with my choice, in fact I am sure that I couldn $a\200\231$ t have done better, I was

gazetted on Oct. 26th, and since that date I have been stationed at Felixstowe, on the coast close to Ipswich.

I am at present under orders for France, so I donâ $\200\231t$ expect to stay here more than two more weeks.

I have done a fair amount of travelling in this country, I have of course seen a lot of London, and have also visited Cambridge, Norwich, Nottingham, Ipswich, Grantham, Plymouth, and many smaller places.

Later. $\hat{a}\200\224$ Since 1 wrote, great things have happened as you may judge from the state of the paper. I am now $\hat{a}\200\230\hat{a}\200\234$ Somewhere in France, $\hat{a}\200\235$ so [cannot go on with the young history I was writing of my 9 months in England.

We are at present in a rest camp (only by name), and under canvas. There is quite a lot of snow about, several inches, and that by no means increases our comfort. I have often sworn at the heat in South Africa, but never again will one harsh word pass my lips on that account.

This is the coldest winter they $a \geq 00 \leq 31$ ve had for 30 years, and it was just my luck to come out in the middle of it. You'll have to excuse the pencil, but the ink is all frozen.

I am having a roften time cemmunicating with the French people, in fact 1 canâ\200\231t get a word out of them that I understand.

I haven $\hat{200}231t$ run across A. C. Wood yet, but I will in the next week or two if he doesn $\hat{200}231t$ get a blighty, $\hat{a}200235$ for he and I are in the same battalion (zst).

It is quite a usuwal thing for Taubes to come over here, and it is quite interesting to watch our gunners having a few shots at them. Of course they never hit them even though they fire 50 or 60 rounds of shrapnel.

E. J. BAKER writes ¢ 61 December, 1916

My letter mainly concerns the meeting of five old 1912 Kingswoodians in the centre of a Rugby ground at Bordon Camp, Hants, during the half-time of a match, the five $\frac{a}{200}\230 \text{ Kelly } \frac{a}{200}\235 \text{ Barker, Jack Rider, Jack Meth, Bernie Painter, and}$

myself. As faras I am able I will briefly give an account of each. Barker is in the 1st (Cape) Regiment and had recently received his commission. I had no idea he was in camp till I saw him playing in that match. Riderisa L/Cpl. in the â\200\230same regiment. He was wounded both in Egypt and France, and will, I believe, be shortly leaving for France again. Meth came over with one of the latest drafts and has still to undergo the rigours of an English winter. Painter came over in the same boat as I did last December, but I lost sight of him till we met again after returning to camp from hospital. As for myself, I joined the Machine Gunners on returning to camp and we have just arrived at Grantham to complete our training before going out. Whether we are to spend Xmas in England or France is as yet uncertain.

Purdon was also in camp at Bordon, but has a staff job in London now. About the beginning of the year I met Alan Wood and his younger brother and Douglas Dold at a football match in London. They went on to Sandhurst and I haven $\frac{3200}{231}$ heard of them since.

Stirk is a Quarter-master Sergt. In the 1st Regt., now at Bordon. Shaw was a Sergt. in the same regiment, but it is some months since I last saw or heard of him.

My brother, Hallam, also an. old Kinswoodian, is in hospital in Exeter. He joined the Rhodesian Platoon of the K. R. Rifles, and after being awarded the Military Medal, was laid out by a rifle grenade. He is doing well now.

Best wishes to all for the coming year.

J. R. Scorr writes: November 3rd, 1916.

I was in London last week-end, anid as I was entering a West-end restaurant I happened to see a face I thought I knew. It turned out to be Barker maj., who told me that he and $a\200\234$ Bushey $a\200\235$ Meth had spent a week-end up in London a short time before. * Bandy, $a\200\235$ he told me, is in France already. Our chat was rather short, as it was so unexpected,

and in consequence, I could gather but little news. He is at Bordon Camp.

Hine has obtained a commission in the Royal Flying Corps, ann I met him some time ago in London; he thoroughly enjoys the new job of flying. Fitchat, I understand, is still in the Flying Corps.

I intend having another attempt for the Army very shortly. AH my pals are now in the Army, and I dont wang to be the only O.K. munition-worker. The difficulty is that when a man is badged with the $a\200\234$ On War Service $a\200\235$ badge he is not allowed to enter the Army without special permission, as the number of munition-workers is now at its lowest and it is with difficulty that the firms can fulfil the orders.

Oldman who obtained his discharge in February, is now $a\200\224$ and has been since April $a\200\224$ employed in Messrs. Crompton & Co., of Chelmsford.

Things are beginning to take a serious aspect. Potatoes have gone up so tremendously in price that the Government are urging the people to substitute rice. Sugar is restricted in its sale, and milk is almost a luxury here, only a certain amount being allowed to each customer daily.

I had intended to try to give a small description of one of the largest searchlights in the world, which has just been completed here at Comptonâ\200\231s, but owing to the Government Secrecy Act, I am not permitted to say too much, and in case I should step over the margin, I had better not risk it. But perhaps it may be of some little interest to hear of the $a\200\234\$ horrors, $a\200\235$ if I may term them as such, which one experiences during a Zepp. raid.

During my stay here I have had the fortune, or misfortune, as you wish, of experiencing quite a number of these exciting nights, and under the heading of $a\200\230A$ Zeppelin Raid on the Eastern Counties, $a\200\235$ I will try to describe all my various experiences and the experiences of others in one $a\200\234biga\200\235$ night. Perhaps for safety $a\200\230a\200\230$ Eastern Counties $a\200\235$ had better be omitted.

It is a still, but cloudy evening, when a notice appears on the curtain of the local cinema show, $\hat{a}\200\234$ As hostile aircraft are reported from our coast outpost stations approaching this neighbourhood, patrons are requested to leave the theatre quietly, and are reminded that no lights are to be shown on reaching the streetâ\200\235 A Zepp is on its awful mission. On reaching the street, not a light is to be seenâ\200\224 people move hurriedly about bumping into every other person, but all with the same $\frac{3}{200}\frac{234}{235}$ or $\frac{230}{235}$ or $\frac{234}{200}$ pardon, $\frac{3}{200}\frac{235}{235}$ continue bumping into others until finally they reach home. The house is in darkness200 224a 200 234 special 200 235 has just called to tell the occupants the dreaded news. Everyone has assembled at the front gates asking the usual questions: â\200\234 How many are over? $\hat{a}\200\235$ $\hat{a}\200\230$ Are they coming this way $\hat{a}\200\235$ and a rigmarole of other equally silly questions. Somebody imagines he can hear the Zepp. $a\200\234$ Sh! $a\200\235$ Dead silence seems to reign in the streets and in the distance a faint buzzing sound can be heard. Rapidly this becomes more distinct until a dark $\hat{a}\200\234$ cloud $\hat{a}\200\235$ seems to float across the stars which peep between the drifting clouds. The buzzing now becomes more a roar $\ 200\ 224$ the air seems to be full of noises.— Suddenly the black $\hat{a}\200\234$ cloud $\hat{a}\200\235$ becomes more visible. In the darkness it is barely two inches long and about half-an-inch high. All are craning - their necks heavenward and intent on watching the course the raiders take.

London is reached! We know this because the earth seems to tremble from the shock it receives as each bomb explodes. Almost at the moment the first flash of a bomb is seen leaving the zepp. some fifty searchlights send up their streams of light into the sky. The huge beams of light wander hither and thither over the sky in search of the intruder. It is sighted | We know this for simultaneously a volley of gun-fire is heard: the earth literally trembles: the sky is filled with flashes of the exploding shells. A long silver-coloured cigar quickly floats into one of these beams.

Instantly all $\hat{a}\200\234$ eyes $\hat{a}\200\235$ on the prey and amid the flare of these lights the Zepp. tries to make its escape. This soon proves impossible for the raider soon finds himself encircled not by lights or ante-aircraft guns but by aeroplanes. Small little red tail lights can be seen darting hither and thither trying to get above the Zepp. The excitement is intense: a midair duel has commenced: the little red lights can be seen more clearly now that all the searchlights have been switched off. Ten minutes of suspense is soon relieved by a little red light $\hat{a}\200\224$ not the same coloured red as the first referred to, but a fiery red. Inless time than it takes you to read this, this red light grows and grows until in less than half a minute the country side is one mass of light. The Zepp is aflame. The air is ringing with cheers, $\hat{a}\200\234$ God save the King $\hat{a}\200\235$ and every imaginable noise that can possibly be made.

The women run backwards and forwards half in fear, half in joy. Some think of those who may suffer by its downfall. A terrible tremorâ\200\224an explosionâ\200\224a final spurt of flame soon asures us that the Zepp. is now well alight. An informal funeral follows and thus endeth another Zepp. until the next raid. I witnessed three such flames and they are never-to-be forgotten sights. The excitement is intense when such raids as we have experienced take place. Hopeless fear seems to pass through the body from head to foot. One knows it is hopeless to avoid the bombs and although every precaution is taken the likelihood of coming out alive should one of these bombs drop near you is very remote.

Of course everything has its funny side, and at such times as these it is a good thing. Frequently at an $\exp(\frac{1}{2})$ moment you will feel your hand clasped firmly by some fair individual who exclaims something ending up with * $\exp(\frac{1}{2})$ to $\exp(\frac{1}{2})$ to $\exp(\frac{1}{2})$ admit its leap year, but I do think that the proposals might take place after we have seen each other by light, even if it is only once. A quick apology soon rectifies the mistake for she usually mistake the stranger to be her father or brother (?) It is marvellous how soon acquaintances are made by these small $\exp(\frac{1}{2})$

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Lieur. E. M. BRowN now back at the front writes, 6th Dec., I916 $.a\200\224$

I have been lucky and unlucky in this my second spasm, lucky in having my tunic twice cut by chips of shell without being touched myself and unlucky in not getting right into a scrap. The journalists \$\200\231\$ descriptions of the Somme are not greatly exaggerated. Square miles of country are so

 $200\234\200\230\200\234$ crumped $200\235$ that any new shell hole is pretty well bound to

spoil two old ones. Imagine all this loose earth soaked by continual rain and shed a tear for the poor blighters who have to hump a pack through it, fill sandbags with it, dig trenches in it, sleep in it, and eat it scented with mouldy corpses. It is an improvement on the ordinary game of mud pies, in that it holds small lakes for the unwary to fall into. 'War may have been worth while in the good old days, but the perfection of artillery has spoilt it, for the ordinary soldier at any rate. Now that $1\hat{a}\200\231m$ out of the infantry, I can afford to be sorry for them and ${\rm I}$ am. These guns are awfully confusing too. O.C. gives you a map and tells you to reconnoitre the ground up to somewhere. You reckon you'll go by X village, then across Y wood and up a communication trench to the point marked. If no one has put you wise to the fact that the few patches of brick dust by the side of what was a road are the village, and that the collection of blackened stumps a few hundred yards to the right represents the $a\200\234$ wood, $a\200\235$ confusion may arise. As for the communication trench, you'll be lucky if you find a few yards of it that can be picked out from the shell-holes. Possibly you may find a real good trench, but as that was only dug last night and will quite possibly be $a\200\230a\200\234$ na poo $a\200\235$ tomorrow it doesnâ\200\231t help much as a reference. About all you can rely on are the contour lines. And yet Fritz manages to put up a wonderfully good show. Hell hit the one and only way of putting up a decent defence, and there is no doubt that but for his dugouts heâ\200\231d have been in a pretty sad plight by now. Was sitting on a Bosch 30 foot dugout one day yarning with a couple of officers (2nd Lts. in command of

companies), and heard how a couple of weeks before they $a 200\231d$ taken that wilderness of shell holes after an extremely stiff fight. Yet above ground there was $a 200\231d$ a vestige of any defence system, so much so that a ration party the night before, starting along a trench (?), from that dug out to another 300 yards away took g hours over the $a 200\224d$ hopelessly lost. It sounds absurd of course, but its true enough.

Things have been very prettily reversed since last time. It was a real treat to hear our guns booming off dozens of rounds to Fritzâ\200\231s one, specially as all his shooting was done at random, and his shells went lobbing about anywhere, while all over the place our planes were busy helping to make each round from our guns tell. In ten weeks or so I saw about 30 Bosch planes and two observation balloons, while one evening I counted 45 of our own planes and 29 sausages up at the same time. A cheery sight!

H. A. Woop, of the 12th South African Infantry sends the following article from Standerton. 1st March, 1917.

WITH THE SECOND DIVISION IN G. E. A.

When the many readers of our Magazine cast their eyes on the Title of this account, they will undoubtedly be inclined, to pass it by with the remark, *â\200\2340h, it is merely another long account of hardships undergone, backed up by a lot of complaints regarding the management of certain departments during the campaign, and a suggestion that the authorities had better turn all Privates into Generals, and the generals into privates, and then see if the affairs wonâ\200\231t be better carried out. However, it is not my intention to bore my readers with a long account of self experienced hardships, but rather to lay before them a general plan, and description, of the work of the South Africansâ\200\224firstly: From the time of taking over of command by General Smuts, to the driving of the enemy out of British Territory, and secondlyâ\200\224to the

great push to the Central Railways, under the leadership of General Van Deventer.

When the third Infantry Brigade arrived in British East Africa, they were just in time to hear of, and see, the drastic results of the battle known now in the Union as the First Salaita hill fight. Though it is very little spoken about it was undoubtedly a big mistake, and a decided success for the Germans. It must be remembered that the main part of the German army operating against the British forces in East Africa, was composed of natives known as Askaris. These men were a fine stamp of men, splendid soldiers, with brutality deeply imprinted upon their features, and the Germans are to be congratulated, or cursed, for the splendid way in which they kept these men in hand. We in the Union, who are accustomed to working with natives, can very readily realise what a wonderful effect the encouragement gained in the success at Salaita had upon the Askaris. Thus it was not long after our arrival that we realised that we should have to come into contact with them again in earnest, and prove to them that the results of our first attempt to dislodge them from the positions they held were brought about by a mistake, and above all to knock out of the Askaris the pride of self which the forces operating in the previous fight had helped to pump into them.

Thus it was that on the afternoon of the 3th of March, we started away from our camp at Mashoti on a long march to the scene of the previous action. We arrived at Serengeti on the Sunday afternoon, and found that there was a general organisation of troops in progress. It was here that the Old Kingswoodians got a chance of looking one another up. We rested at this place for a day, and then the * Fun began.â\200\235 Our first introduction to this extraordinary kind of sport was a long Night march to the positions designed for our division to make its attack. We received our orders to prepare at about 4.30 p.m., and the order was given for the * sick, lame,

and lazy, \hat{a} 00\235 to fall oul for medical inspection, and then we started on the march.

Only those who have experienced such a march can realise the awfulness of it. Human nature works its way upon men in a manner which is hardly credible. In spite of the fact that they are marching the whole time it is impossible for human power to endure the force of drowsiness, which comes on in the early hours of the morning. The men march sleeping. Men who have been on Campaign, say -they could very well understand men falling asleep on the backs of their horses, but could hardly believe that the same could bappen to men on the march. In many cases men would have dropped out and slept their sleep, had it not been for the roaring of lions and the weird sounds of the numerous other animals in the vicinity. Day broke and we found ourselves but a very short distance from the positions supposed to be occupied by the enemy.

Before the general advance, the artillery began to pepper the positions, and then the advance began under its cover. Asit happened the enemy had thought better of their chances during the night, and had retired to the positions known as Taveta Neck, a very strongly fortified position, and there prepared to give us the warmest and most cordial reception in their power. The natives inspired by their previous success put up a very determined fight, and it was not until the Seventh South African Infantry helped by the Imperial Forces, made a charge with the â\200\234rib-ticklers,â\200\235 that they decided that there was not sufficient room for both parties and so found their way out in rapid retirement over the border into their own territory.

They retired with Van Deventer close on their heels as far as the Himo River, where they once again attempted to stop, us from intruding any further into their territory. Then followed the first battle in German Territory. The 12th S.A.L. first came into contact with them on the banks of the Himo River, on the 19th March. The odds were at least five to one, and after losing many killed and wounded, after

a very determined and well managed attack, on them the 12th had to retire under cover of the darkness, for which they had waited. However the enemy had been rather surprised at the stubborn resistance put up by so few men against such odds, that they did not feel inclined to remain in those positions and await another return of our Regiment, supported by a few other Regiments, so they retired, and then followed the famous Kahie Engagement, in which all the South Africans took part, capturing one of their 4.1 Naval Guns, and forcing them on the retirement which is known now in the History of this War, as Van Deventers Great Push to the â\200\230Central Railways.

The enemy were now depending a great deal on the eflects the East African rainy season would have on the South Africans and on the horses of General Van Deventerâ\200\231s Force.

Few people in the Union, comfortably seated under roofs, can realise what the forces went through during those two months. Rations were short, and on many days none at all, and we had to live on what we could forage in the lands of the natives. Tents, Blankets and very often Overcoats, were comforts we had now to look back on as something of the past. During the twenty-eight days it took us to march the 250 miles to Kandoa Irangi, we only saw the sun on four $\hat{a}\200\230$ occasions. The heavy guns we were escorting had to be got through as Van Deventer was in bad need of them at Kandoa, and so our work was not only confined to marching, but we had to push our transport and heavy guns through the marshes and mud. Out of the thousands that started on that chase only about 2,000 reached Kandoa, and it was with these forces that we had to defend that place until such time as reinforcements, and half of the Second Infantry Brigade, could get through to us, and make our position more secure. On the night of May the gth, the enemy made a most determined attempt to break through our thin line, but after fighting from 7.30 p.m. to 4.30 a.m. without gaining their object, they gave us best, and fell back on their positions,

leaving a great number of killed. Those buried next day by the 12th and 1rth S. A.I. who were the chief actors in the attack, were 109 Askaris and 9 German officers. Five weeks later the enemy began to get worried on account of the fast approach of the 1st Division under General Smuts, and so decided to retire, and pay more attention to that sphere of operations. This meant another chase, and we started on our way towards the Central Railways. Whereas we had so much water that we did not know what to do with it, in the first stage of our trek, on this stage water was the great difficulty. We depended entirely on the German Water Holes for water and they were always between 15 and 25 miles apart. For these water holes, we always put up a fight, and we owe our lives to the Germans in this case, as they never once altempted to poison the holes.

After marching another 400 miles, and taking part in five or six engagements, we finally reached the Railway and captured Kilossa. The Germans now decided to retire into the Fever swamps, and it was in these swamps at Kissaki and Kidodi that the men went down with fever and exhaustion as the food supply had not improved. It was then decided to evacuate the South Africans of the Second Division and many of the 1st Division who were now unfit for further field service, and employ native troops to finish the work.

By this time the Germans had been driven into a limited space of Country, and it was only a matter of time to finish off the Campaign, as the authorities wanted to do this with the least loss of life possible.

Capt. L. InpEY, R.A.M.C., writes from France :â\200\224

 $\hat{a}\200\234$ The last Magazine was very interesting though I think some of the writers are very bold to say as much as they do. Several of them are liable to Court Martial for discussing: militanysafiaiissin S suchindetaill i SR el o re i e extremely lively part of the front and see a great deal of aerial, artillery and all sorts of activity. $\hat{a}\200\235$

B. Wallace, Jack Leppan, and A. Crouch send greet-

ings for March 14th from the \hat{A} ¢ front line \hat{a} \200\231 \hat{a} \200\235 somewhere in France.

J. G. GoopMmaN writes from No. 12 Hospital, Rouen:

â\200\234T am laid up in Hospital with bronchitis and rheumatism. In April last our Battery went into action first, but did not start serious work until the bombardment on July 1st. It was very hard work as we had to be counstantly shifting forward and this entails much hard work with Heavy Artillery. We were an extremely lucky Battery and it became $-\hat{A}$ «common to talk of \hat{a} 200\2347s5th luck, \hat{a} \200\235 that being the number of our Battery. . . The bombardment of July was tremendous. On July 3rd I walked down to have a look at the damage. The country looked as though a giant plough had been at work and then an earthquake jealous of its powers had rended the furrows into chasms. What had been a forest was now a conglomeration of splinters, and human bodies, hundreds of which I saw-lying about. Here a group of bomb throwers, here artillerymen and their engines of war, and there the infantry men still holding gun and bayonet. . . . I went down into dug outs which were marvels of engineering. Some were 30 to 60 feet deep. One in particular took my fancy. It was about 40 feet deep, all wooded out, with electric light, cooling fans, heating apparatus and bells, papered throughout and with bed and wardrobe in which an officers kit was hanging. At the door some of his men were lying dead. One big dug out that was captured had a lift and every modern hotel appliance.

The weather since last August has been pretty bad and we have been continually up to our eyes in mud and water. I canâ\200\231t tell you what is stickier than Somme mud unless itâ\200\231s the bulls eyes we used to buy at Dickâ\200\231s. We are now experiencing the coldest winter France has had for 40 years and it has laid me out pro tem with rheumatism. Iâ\200\231ve heard a lot about La Belle France, but give me La Belle S. A., for Iâ\200\231ve never been warm over here.

LAWRENCE Gaxg, 5th S A. Infantry, German East, says:

We are in trenches and suffering 4 la France. A R. C. Padre with the Regiment says the hardships here are worse than in Europe owing to climatic and transport difficulties. We wash when we can, say once a weekâ\200\224and that only amounts to a $\hat{a}\200\234$ Lick and a promise $\hat{a}\200\235\hat{a}\200\231\hat{a}\200\224$ with a sponge and a. cup of water. Rain is plentiful but supplies have to be conserved for drinking and cooking. A fourteen days siege has just come to an end. We were reduced to quarter rations (no biscuits) and-one day had a rare â\200\234 burstâ\200\235 when one of the maxims over the way laid out the Colonelâ $\200\231s$ mule. I found the meat quite good. Some declined to partake at first, but altered their minds when the savoury aroma reached their nostrils. We are once more on full rations and our belts are tightening. A few days ago one of our columns collared 390 of the enemy which will help matters. We hear very little of the outside world and comforts don \hat{a} 200\231t get through. Sergeant Btackman is in the next platoon.

NorMaN GaNE, who was slightly wounded on November 13th writes :

â\200\234 T joined the Battalion (Scots Fusiliers) in September, and after a fortnight near Loos we marched 35 miles and went into a divisional rest for a fortnight. We then went to the Serre section and started preparing for the attack with working parties and occasional short spells in the trenches..

On November 13th at 5.45 we attacked Seire at the same time that Beaumont Hamel was attacked. The Huns were ready for us and what with uncut wire, darkness, fog and mud, we didnâ\200\231t have much of a show. We lost ten officers out of sixteen who went over. I was hit by a shrapnel bullet which pierced the steel helmet but only scratched my forehead. — Its another case of a steel helmet saving a chapâ\200\231s life. France is pretty chilly just now 38 degrees of frost is the best we have had so far. ~ The country is covered with snow and all the water is frozen. Today I saw a pond

with a hole dug through the ice which was at least a foot thick. :

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Cricket

HE eleven has been fairly successful for this half of the-

season. Usually the team feels the loss of most of the old colours and suffers from inexperience, but only three of last yearâ\200\231s XI have left, and the side is a little stronger than it was. The batting has shown much greater confidence and there is a fair amount of variety in the bowling, but the fielding is not safe and in a few cases is lamentably slow. Several of the team run badly between the wickets, and manyruns have been lost through this.

KingswooD z. St. AIDANS

Our first game was a runaway victory St. Aidans had hardly a single old colour left, and in both innings we were: fortunate in getting rid of their only formidable bat early in his innings. The wickets fell rapidly and easily, but in St. Aidanâ\200\231s second venture, when there was little chance of their reaching our score, our fielding went off badly, and was careless and slipshod. Staples played a useful innings; but grew careless, and gave many chances towards its close; Fletcher showed decided promise. Staples bowled a good length and should prove very useful, but Stirk fails to make full use of his ability to break both ways owing to his erratic length, Hulettâ\200\231s first appearance at wicket-keep was creditable.

ST. AIDANâ\200\231S.

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KingswooD v. RHODES.

Played on the Rhodes ground on two very wet afternoons. Showers fell at short intervals on both days, and the ball was slippery and the ground slow. The Rhodes XI batted first, and wickets fell rapidly, only Lindenburg and Dugmore making a stay of any length. Kirstein took four of the weaker wickets for a very small average, but must develop a better length to do damage against good batsmen. At the close of the Rhodes innings the rain was too heavy for play to continue.

Rain was falling again throughout the Kingswood innings, and the bowlers could get little work on the ball. Stirk played a careful and sound innings, and shows much promise. At 152, with two wickets down, Kingswood declared, as the rain increased and made further play impossible.

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KiNngswooD v. MR. StIrgâ\200\231s XI.

Mr. Stirk got together a strong team, consisting chiefly of experienced cricketers who were a bit out of practice; no less than 8 of the side were bowlers and all 8 had a turn with the ball. Kingswood batting was more uniform and showed more promise than in any other game this year, and few failed to reach double figures. Bennett and Smith batted well, but their running between the wickets was very bad. The score of 152 was very creditable against so strong a side, though the fielding still shows great need for improvement.

The Town eleven were all disposed of for the moderate total of 164, thus winning the match on the first innings by

14 runs.
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Mr. Crouch, ¢ Hill, b Fox ... 9 Mr Crouch, ¢ Bennett,b Stirk 47
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MR. STIRKâ\200\231s XI.

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Stirk, ¢ Stirk, b Mr. Matterson o

Taylor, b Mr. Crouch 4

Wallace, b Mr. Crouch 41
Oak, Ibw Staples 12
Atkinson, b Staples 14

Hill, ¢ Staples, b Mr. Crouch 14
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Osler, not out......:
Bennett, absent

Sub, b Mr. Crouch...

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Practising has gone on steadily on the City Lords nets, and some fair cricket been produced. The new blood was comparatively disappointing this year, only Letcher and Matthews seeming to have any comprehension of the game, Moir may come on as a bowler, but is at present very unreliable, as is A. Gray. Liebman is a forcing, if incorrect bat, and Cadle and Collet are both capable of making runs on occasion. The fielding is slack, and wants pulling up badly. Below we give scores of two matches played during the half-season iâ\200\224

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(Won by 178 runs and 5 wickets).

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Kingswood.

Liebman, b Ashington

Gray IV, b Macbeth

Alger, b Brooks

Gray III, b Lurie

Cadle, st Brooks bAshlngton 59

Blsseker not out . 49

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Collett, Letcher, Shorney,

Amm, did not bat

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Total (for 5 wickets) . 246

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Kingswood 2ND XI. v. St. AIDANâ\200\231S. (Won by 14 runs.) KINGSwOOD.

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Alger, b Wilmot

Cadle, b Kerr

Collett, b Kerr

Gray,c Williamson,b Wilmot 5

Matthews, ¢ & b Wilmot ... 0

Shorney, ¢ & b Wilmot ... 4

Gush, ¢ Oâ\200\231Brien, b Wilmot .. 4

Penfold, ¢ Kerr, b Wilmot22

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ST. AIDANâ\200\231S.

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Williamson, b Cadle 0
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JUNIOR CRICKET.

The â\200\234 Currie Cup â\200\235 Tournament, which has now become a regular institution of the season, aroused keen interest again this quarter, when four teams competed. The games were most sportingly played, and an admirable cricketing spirit is. being developed among many of our juniors. The fielding is slowly improving, for keenness quite compensates for â\200\234clumsiness. Border, Allan, Hartley, both Rayners, Hill, Collet mi., and Goble have all done good work in the field. But the most pronounced improvement has been in the batting. Amm mi, Rayner ma, Allan and Border have

made big scores on occasions, and are learning to bat with clean, correct strokes. Running between the wickets is still shaky, but the general style of play is a big advance on previous years. In bowling, Watkinson mi, Leefe, Border, Tyson, Rayner mi, Watkinson ma show good promise for future years, and are beginning to use more judgment in length and pace. Robb mi and Tarr are two coming wicket keepers, and should prove valuable to senior teams very soon. Individual praise is difficult where so many players are concerned, so we must content ourselves merely with these general comments, yet commending all members of the four teams for their consistent good sporting spirit, which in a year or two should bear excellent fruit in the upper divisions and pull up the standard of Kingswood cricket higher than it has been for a long time. Mr. Brocklessâ\200\231 team were eventually the winners of the Tournament, though Ms. Matterson \hat{a} 200 \hat{a} 231s team ran them a close second. The other two teams tound their legs too late, and started to pull up only when the points against them were very heavy. Below we give the four competing teams $:\hat{a}\200\224$

Mr. Mattersonâ\200\231s Team: Rayner (Capt.), Amm, Goble, Robb 1, Kirk, Dyke 11, Palmer, Gush 11, Gray 11, Hartley 11, King, Dingemans.

Mr. Brocklessâ\200\235 Team: Tyson (Capt.). Hill, Tarr, Watkinson, Hartley ma, Robb mi, Richardson, Gane, Rider.

Mr. Williamsonâ\200\231s Team : Leefe (Capt.), " Watkinson i, a\200\230Coombe, Allan, Niebuhr, Snow, Graham, Cohen, Gane i, Hoole, Vincent, Ferreira.

Mr. Crouchâ $\200\231s$ Team : Rayner ma (Capt.), Border, Collett, Nuttall, Wood mi, Shingler, Muir, Stirk mi, Locke mi, Plummer, Croft.

The Fifth Division have played only two outside matches this half-season. The first, against V.H.S., they won easily, scoring 196 runs to their opponents 21. Watkinson M1 bowls consistently weil, while Hill mi and Goble have been the chief scarers. The fielding was, on the whole, very fair, as most players were keen, and few catches were dropped. Several players in this division will improve greatly.

The Sixth Division have not been able to arrange many- $\hat{a}\200\234$ matches owing to the Tournament games. Against St. Aidan $\hat{a}\200\231$ s they fared very badly, scoring only 41 runs as against 211. Nuttall shows signs of promise as a bat, and Stirk mi also; while Robb mi makes an excellent little wicket keeper. Chambers, as Captain, has kept his team going well, though their fielding wants pulling up badly.

Library Notes

THE "Library has been enriched by nearly sixty books, and it has been found necessary to make new shelves to receive them, as the old shelves are full. It is hoped that these books will be treated better than the old ones were, as. the binding is not so strong as it was before the war.

Unfortunately we bhave had only two series of Illustrated papers this quarter, owing to the irregularity of the mails, but we hope that more will arrive in-the coming quarter.

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Cadet Corps

THE following promotions have been made : $a\200\224$ Sergts.. A. Alger and L. Gray to be znd Lieuts. vice N. Turner and E. Dold resigned.

Corpl. Barnes, G. F., to be Q.M.S.

Corpl. Ayliff, H. T., to be Sergt.

Pvts. Bisseker, H., and Staples, R. W, to be Corpls.

Strength; 6 Officers, 10 N.C.O.â\200\231s, 101 Ptes; Total 117.

We have had the services of Sergt. Jackson, S.A.P. as. Instructor since 1st March, and special attention has been given to Physical Drill. Semaphore signalling has been given to all, whilst Corpl. Dicks has taken over the Morse squad.

The Bugle band is improving, two new drums have been obtained, and W. L. Allan is in charge with Mr. Brockless as Instructor.

There were hopes of a Cadet Camp at Queenstown during the Easter vacation, but scarcity of tents has prevented this taking place. The Corps will therefore hold a private voluntary Camp of Instruction at Port Alfred, and some 61 have * fully signed on.â\200\235

Kingswood Pastime and Games Club

Tuis quarter has not been marked by any unusual activity, with regard to games, and except for tennis the other recreations have been somewhat neglected as is usual at this period of the year. A general meeting was held towards the beginning of February for the purpose of electing new officers and enrolling new members.

On Feb. 15th a school tennis club was instituted which came within dangerous proximity of ousting the Games Club, but after the question had been discussed at a meeting, and looked into by the President of the rival club, matters were satisfactorily arranged, and the relations are for the present altogether amicable.

No deciced stir has yet been made, but by the joint agency of the two clubs it is hoped that the tennis courts will be renovated, and in good order for the tournaments.

that are to follow during the next quarter.

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