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There was a very large gathering of the general public, and parents and friends of the pupils of Kingswood College at the annual prize distribution in the Gymnasium on Monday, June 18th, the hall being crowded to its nutmost capacity. Among those on or near the platform, in addition to the Principal (Mr. E. G. Gane and Staff, were the Hon. Chiet Justice Kotze, the Very Rev. the Dean of Grahamstown, Rev J. Metcalf, Rev. A. W. Brereton (Registrar Rhodes University College), Professors Matthews, Schonland, McFadyen, Duerden, and Lord, Advocate P. C. Gane, Messts. J. Webber (Mayor), D. Knight, Lorimer B. Dold, F. Jansen (Registrar B. D. Court), D. Neilson (Principal, Public Schools, Miss Dunman (Principal, W.H.S.), and Miss Fowler (Principal, IDESEGGH): i

The College band, situated in the gallery, having opened the preceedings by playing a march, C. V. Verity, one of the pupils, gaveâ\200\230a Latin speech, of which the following is a translation.

Ladies AND GENTLEMEN, We welcome you here once again with happy hearts and smiling faces, not merely because your presence is always a delight, but because the time has now arrived for going home.

We especially offer our greetings to the learned Judge, who presides over the courts of this Province. The weightiness of his judgments, their force in delivery, and his devotion to legal literature are well known to us all. We recall also how in days gone by he proved himself an - advocate of justice and freedom, and how in more recent days he has devoted himself with energy to the interests both of this Colony and this City. We offer our thanks to him for his presence here this evening, and our prizes will have an added value because they are presented by him.

It is not my place, Ladies and Gentlemen, to talk to you about the work of the past year. This you will hear from another. I may, however, be permitted to say that both in school, in our military training, and in field sports we have displayed a reasonable energy. Nor has this been unrewarded. Five of us are to-day in possession of the scholarships which kind friends have established for the advancement of learning. No one has as yet won the sixth; we look therefore to see who will be the first recipient of this honour.

We attended camp last year and earned this reputation that, at any rate, we were no shirkers.

Still as has been said, We learn not for school, but for life, in proof of which we daily hear that our old boys are turning to good use what they formerly learned here.

In conclusion, Ladies and Gentlemen, I tender my thanks to you all for your presence here, and my congratulations to the prize-winners. As for those who have been

unsuccessful, if they have been deserving, virtue is its own reward, if not, better efforts will in future be attended with more success.

Mr. E. G. Gane, Priucipal, then read his Report, as follows : In presenting my Report for the year now euding, I am pleased to be able to open with that note of hope which has been wanting in the reports of many of our schools for some years past. While we are not at the numerical standard of those prosperous years 1901-2, the downward tendency ceased at the close of last year, and there is every prospect of an increase in the number of our boarders uext term. Numbers may not be an essential element of success in scholastic work, but in the present position of denominational schools in this country, they are an essential element in finaccial management, and we are anxiously looking forward therefore to an advance in this direction.

In every other department I think I may justly say that the year has been one of thoroughly succeessful work, not merely in the domain of study, but in the mauny other agencies which are an essential feature of our corporate life. With our Cadet Corps and its attached band, the games, and gymnastic classes, the debating society, and other societies connected with the religious life of the College, and the preparation for occasional functions of a public character, the general interests of this College are so wide and varied as to make heavy demands upon the time, more particularly of our senior boys. Tt is only fair to them to say that these demands are met in an ungrudging spirit, and that in consequence there is developing an enthusiastic tone and a growth of responsibility which bids fair in time to become a strong tradition in the College.

It may be thought that this devotion to so many side issues is detrimental to our scholastic work. This I beg

leave to doubt. In some cases they directly assist it, in others they go either to advance physical culture, or to promote hobbies, which, under the conditions of colonial life, cannot but be invaluable. You will perhaps therefore pardon a few words upon them before I proceed to mention severer studies.

Our Cadet Corps was inspected in March last by the Commandant-General, and acquitted itself well. It took a prominent part in the work of the Camp which was held here in-October last year, and in point of discipline, smartness, and capacity for field work was not inferior to any Corps in the Camp.

Additional interest has been added to the year's work by a course of signalling, in which the members have made considerable progress. Steps are also being taken with a view to the re-arming and re-clothing of the Corps.

The games of the College have not perhaps had the element of outward success which has marked them in some previous years. This is mainly to be accounted for by the fact that the general standard of age is considerably lower than it was some years ago, and this is in itself a good sign. Internally I have no reason to complain, and I fancy that our teams will hold their own pretty nearly everywhere with any of their own size and age. Our athletic records show no sign of falling off, and will compare favourably with those of any public school at Home or elsewhere.

Gymnasium classes have been re-organised, and are now enforced on all Forms in the College, except the Sixth, which it is considered ought to be able to look after itself.

Our school-work last year was subjected to the two-fold test of the public examinations and an inspection by the Department of Public Education. With regard to the

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former, four passed the Matriculation of the Cape University, two in the second and two in the third class. The :greater number of our candidates were held over until this year, in pursuance of a decision to enforce in all possible cases a two yearsâ\200\231 course for Matriculation.

I must again reiterate the urgent need for this, for many parents do not yet appear to realise the broad gap which now separates the School Higher and Matriculation work. I still have many applications to send in candidates who are not up to the requisite standard, a claim which is fair neither to the candidates, who get a false idea of their attainments, nor to the College, which has to bear the vesponsitility of their failure.

We have at present a Matriculation Class of 30â\200\224the largest and best we have yet had, and I am looking forward to good results at the end of the year. In the School Higher last year ten candidates passedâ\200\224six in the second class and four in the third. Although the Form was not ap to the standard of the previous year, and could not be expected to do as well, it was disappointing that none reached the First Class, though four very narrowly missed it. In the School Elementary, one candidate passed in the 1st Class, taking 31st place, and four passed in the 2nd Class ; the large majority of the Form, however, were not entered. In the Examinations of the Trinity College of Music, nine passed the Preparatory, and one each the Junior Honours, Junior Pass and Intermediate respectively. Five also passed the Practical examination, three in violin and two in piano.

In the examinations of the Department of Education, candidates were entered for Drawing and Woodwork. In First Yearâ\200\231s Drawing 2( passed, four in the first grade ; in the second year three, and in the third year one. Three candidates were also successful in Light and Shade. I

cannot in this connection omit a reference to the great assistance that has been rendered in Drawing by the teachers of the School of Art. A new interest has been added to the teaching of the subject by their methods, and in proof of this I may just mention that the new cover of our College Magazine was designed, practically without assistance, by one of our pupils, V. Mornm. Its artistic merits must be judged by the public, but it remains a satisfactory proof of the practical character of the teaching methods adopted. In the Woodwork examinations nine passed in the First Year and seven in the Second.

In addition to tests afforded by these examinations, the school was, at the request of our Council, examined by the Inspectors of the Department of Education. It is impossible to read the report in detail, and in fact it may fairly well be summed up in the following clause, which I quote: "It is to be noted that some very good papers were handed in at the examinations, but that the average percentage marks were considerably reduced by the work of a number of pupils in Form V, and more especially in Form IV, who seemed scarcely advanced enough for these classes." The premises and general equipment were favourably commented on, as well as the discipline of the various classes.

It was mentioned in my report last year that six Scholarships had been given by various generous friends of the College. These were awarded at the beginning of the year as follows:

Lormer Dorp Scholarship (£30), S. W. Smart.  
 Martaew Dorp Scholarship (£30), N. G. Impey.  
 \*JoBANNESBURG Scholarship (£30), L. J. Hodges.  
 Orp Boys Scholarship (£30), not awarded.

Kx1caT Scholarship £25, W. E. Clark.

MuiraeAD Scholarship (£25), R. Widdicombe.  
 The latter two are tenable at the Rhodes College by

students who remain in residence here.

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The â\200\234 Ayliff Memorial Prize,â\200\235 endowed in perpetuity by the late Hon. William Ayliff, is awarded to-night for the first time. It is of the value of Â£5 in books, and will be given to the head boy of the School each year.

I should like to end this report by an appeal to the parents and guardians of our boys to remember that the standard of education in the Colony is steadily rising, and that the modest requirements of a few years ago do not to-day meet what may fairly be required of a boy leaving school. During the last twelve years this standard has risen from the School Elementary to the Matriculation. Yet a Matriculation is essentially a beginning and not an end ; it is, or should be, the examination which admits to the body of a University. I trust therefore that there will be in the course of the next few years a large increase in the number of our students who proceed to the Rhodes University College. It stands to reason that with the existing competition of life, our Colonial youth cannot expect to compete successfully with comers from over the sea unless they are fully equipped. The completion of this equipment we have entrusted to our local University College, and I would ask our friends therefore to remember that in all cases where it is possible a fair \* leaving â\200\235 standard would be graduation at that College.

In conclusion, I have to express my personal thanks to the various members of my staff, internal and external, for their ungrudging support during the year. On behalf of the College I have also to thank the following ladies and gentlemen for the donation of prizes :â\200\224Miss Ayliff, Mr. F. M. Hope, Mr. R. W. Craig, Mr. F. W. Armstrong, Mr. Israel, and Messrs. Muirhead & Gowie ; to Mr. Advocate Gane for giving an award upon the Essays, Senior and Junior, and to the Judge-President for his kindness in

finding time, amid his numerous engagements, to distribute  
 our prizes this evening.  
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 Principal.

The Hon. Chief Justice Kotzé, after presenting the prizes to the successful students, and uttering a few words of congratulation and kindly encouragement to each, addressed those present, and expressed his thanks and obligation for the very kind words of welcome addressed to him, and especially when he heard them spoken in Latin. He did not know if it had been the custom for the senior boy to address the visitors in Latin, but it was an excellent custom, and he hoped it would be continued. The Principal in his report referred to the fact that their education was gradually working forward year by year to a higher standard, was always increasing year by year, and no doubt if they surveyed the past year's work, from an educational point of view they would find much in it that afforded satisfaction and which they had to be thankful for. And they noticed that all members of the community, of all shades of opinion, were beginning to realise not merely that education was a matter of the gravest importance, but that they also realised that education was, as it were, a common platform on which all men and women might combine to promote the better teaching of the youth of the Colony. He would like to refer to the Act passed last year known as the School Board Act in proof of what he had said, and if they compared the action of their own Parliament and of their own people in the matter with what they read and saw was happening in England at the present moment in regard to the Education Bill, he thought they had good reason to congratulate themselves that they had approached the subject in a calmer manner, and had



dealt with it and settled it in a wiser and better spirit (applause). In that very city of Grahamstown, which had every reason to be proud of its many scholastic institutions, in several of which the teaching was carried out on undoubtedly denominational lines, it was a very pleasing and very striking feature, especially to one like himself who, after many years of absence from Grahamstown, had come back to it to find all those colleges and schools flourishing, and all engaged in amicable and friendly rivalry, one with another. That augured very well for the future. But much as there was to be thankful for in the way of education, they had not by any means attained perfection, and much still remained to be done. They had heard a good deal of late, both in the press and out of it, in connection with their own University of the Cape of Good Hope. In the few remarks he wished to make he would like them to understand that he made them in a friendly spirit, because he was a friend of the University and always had been, and he knew that he was that evening speaking to friends who sympathised with him in that respect. He would like to see the Cape University not merely remain what it is, but go on improving and widening its sphere of influence, and not only continuing the only University in the Colony, but if possible the South African University. But there were many things to find fault with in their university system, and a person was no less a man's friend because he told him a little of the truth. It would be altogether out of place there to go fully into that question, but at the same time he did not think he would be transgressing the bounds of propriety if he called the attention not merely of those engaged in teaching, but of those also who took a kindly interest in the subject, to certain weak spots, certain matters in which the curriculum or syllabus prescribed by the University was in need of immediate and necessary

reform. They all knew that Kingswood College, like several other schools, aims at a very important thingâ\200\224that was to give a boy a thoroughly broad and sound general education before he left school. They all knew that nine-tenths of the boys and girls when they come to leave school have about completed their eighteenth year and finish off either with the School Higher or Matriculation. They do not carry their education any further. There their school life ended. It seemed to him that those on the University Council responsible for the syllabus of subjects for the School Higher and Matriculation, and also for the School Elementary examinations, because those were the three which were prescribed, and which a boy or girl had to pass in order to have a certificate that they had received a good, general, thorough, elementary education, had not proceeded on right lines. If they came to look at the syllabus, and at the manner indicated by the University for teaching for - it, for a good sound general education it was lamentably deficient. It was altogether unnecessary for him in addressing a cultivated audience such as that to enlarge on the great importance, nay the absolute necessity, of a thorough, sound, general, broad education, for a sound general education when a boy or girl left school in their eighteenth or nineteenth year was the very foundation on which all after knowledge depended, whether it was obtained in a higher college, at a University or otherwise. To put his meaning more forcibly, he would give one or two concrete instances to illustrate what he meant. All would be agreed that a boy or girl, in order to receive a proper elementary education, must have a thorough good knowledge of such subjects as geography and history. How were those subjects to be taught, and how were they prescribed in the syllabus of the Cape University ? Taking geography first, in the School Elementary, the merest rudiments were

prescribed. He did not find fault with that, provided it led to something higher in the other examinations, but they found that in the School Higher and Matriculation the geography of South Africa is forgotten, and even modern geography of the higher standards is altogether conspicuous by its absence. That was a great deficiency in a syllabus which prescribed subjects for children who were to be grounded in a sound elementary education. Then there was the very important subject of history. If they looked at what was prescribed for English History in the Elementary Examination, they would find that a period was not set, but here and there were selected one or two or three prominent sovereigns, statesmen, or heroes in history, and the pupils were supposed to work up these. But nothing was taught systematically, from the beginning of history, of the subject as a whole, so that the students might have a proper grasp of the subject. For instance, in the Elementary nothing was required of how Britain was conquered by the Romans, of the Roman occupation, of the Saxon period, or of the Norman conquest. In the School Higher there was exactly the same fault. To take the subject as prescribed for the examination next December, English history was the only history set, and the period was from 1714 to 1815, from about the time of the conclusion of the Peace of Utrecht to the battle of Waterloo. In the Matriculation the same thing was seen, and it was quite possible therefore for a girl or boy to pass very high in history, to satisfy his examiners and parents and friends by having passed high in history, and to figure very well in the examinations, and yet to know nothing at all of the Roman conquest, and occupation of Britain, of the Saxon period, or of the Norman conquest. He would ask them if that was the way to teach subjects like that. In that respect the method adopted by the Cape University, he thought, was

lamentably deficient. He might as well mention another very interesting and important part of a sound general education, and that was the subject of English literature. Prescribed for the next School Higher examination work they found nothing whatever of English Literature as a whole, but only two books—Kingsley's "Westward Ho," or Scott's "Kenilworth"—with a few selected poems from Tennyson. The same applied to the Matriculation exam., in which, as far as he knew, they would probably find a play from Shakespeare, an essay from Bacon, or a work of Addison, or some other writer. That was all there would be for the subject of English literature. Boys and girls left school about 18 or 19 years of age, knowing absolutely nothing of English literature, nothing of Chaucer, Spenser, the writers of Elizabeth's time, of Pope, Dryden, Steele, and their contemporaries, nothing of the origin of the English novel, nothing in fact of the great master pieces of our language, either in prose or poetry. The importance of the subject lay in this, that quite apart from the fact of the pleasure afforded to the boy or girl to be well instructed in that respect, it was a subject of the utmost importance in after life, for it must be obvious to all that the boy or girl taught systematically, and in whom a love for the subject had been inculcated, and who had a trained mind, would in later life be able to read with discretion, to know which books to discard and which to treasure, instead of devouring the silly novels which came out by the bushel, and were eagerly rushed after, while the classics of the language lay forgotten on the shelves. He would say again the University was to blame, and not the teacher, for although it was a fact that elementary education in South Africa a generation or two ago, when he was a boy, was far better taught than at this day, it was not the fault of the teachers, who, both men and women, were a most deserving class. The

fault lay with the University, because the teachers had to work up and prepare pupils as the University prescribed. He made those remarks in a kindly spirit, but he recognised that it was of no use to merely criticise, unless he was prepared to suggest a remedy, and the remedy, he thought, lay not in writing to the newspapers, not even in writing to the higher scholastic bodies, but in making representations to the authorities. All those interested in education should move in the matter, and by means of a resolution of the Parliament of the country, His Excellency the Governor ought to be authorised to appoint a Joint Commission composed of members of the Cape University Council, and of outside members, men and women, who were trained and had a knowledge of the subject. That Joint Commission would do some good and open out a way towards the necessary reform, for he very much feared they must not expect much from the University Council itself if the matter was confined to its efforts. Whoever was personally responsible, the Council itself as a body was responsible for having brought about that state of affairs, of which they had every right to complain. He trusted something might be done in that direction, so that the Cape University might be put on a broad basis to undergo the necessary reform, so that it might continue and remain the one South African University. Addressing himself principally to the older students of the College, he reminded them that they came to the College not merely to do their lessons, but to have their intellectual and moral faculties trained for after life, so that when they attained manhood's estate they might become good and useful citizens, and good members of the community. They should remember the great object in life was not to get together as much wealth as they could, and if they wished to be respected and useful, should set before themselves high ideals and standards of Christian conduct.

It was pleasing to see that not merely was their intellectual life thought of, but that their bodily health was also a matter of concern to the College authorities. He would impress upon them always to take care of the health and good name, and those about to leave school, whether to enter a profession or commercial pursuit, or to continue their studies at a higher college, he would request to be always true to the lessons taught them, and to the principles: inculcated at Kingswood College. (Loud applause).

#### PRIZE LIST.

#### FORM PRIZES.

Preparatory School. 200-224 Upper Division: 1, B. Abbott; 2, A. Wood. Lower Division: 1, S. Wood; 2, D. Oldman.

Form I. 200-224 First in Term 200-231s Marks, B. Dold; First in Examinations, T. H. Kaplan; English, B. Dold; Classics, W. M. B. Tooke; Arithmetic, K. Metcalf.

Form IV B. 200-224 First in Term 200-231s Marks, E. Hervey; First in Examinations, I. Mears; English, E. R. K. Adendorff; Classics, E. Hervey; Mathematics, B. R. K. Adendorff.

Form IV A. 200-224 First in Term 200-231s Marks, C. Grant; First in Examinations, L. P. Kent; English, H. Thompson; (Classics, C. Grant; Mathematics, L. P. Kent.

Form V. 200-224 First in Term 200-231s Marks, E. M. Brown; Second on Aggregate, W. G. A. Mears; English, E. M. Brown; Classics, A. B. Whitehorn; Mathematics, S. Amm. :

Form VI. 200-224 First in Term 200-231s Marks, C. G. Verity; Second on Aggregate, C. H. Hill; English, A. W. Clarke; Classics, C. G. Verity; Mathematics, G. Bennett.

## SCHOOL PRIZES.

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 Recrrarion.â\200\224Senior, A. W. Clarke ; Junior, H. Thompson.  
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 Paxton.  
 Exerrse Essav.â\200\224Senior, O. Webb and L. J. Hodges ;  
 Junior, C. S. Swan.  
 â\200\230Woopwork.â\200\2240. Webb.  
 Avyrirr Diviniry Prize.â\200\224C. H. Hill.  
 - Drawine.â\200\2241, H. M. Brown ; 2, G. Craig.  
 â\200\230CrEMISTRY.â\200\224E. J. Mitchell.  
 Durce.â\200\2241, J. E. Hurworth ; 2, F. Boltman.  
 Frexca.â\200\224 A. W. Clarke.  
 InProVEMENT.â\200\224E. RapLOFF, R. Pinnoy, R. B. Wood.  
 Caper Corps MEpAL.â\200\224Sergt. H. Guest.  
 Musicâ\200\224Piano, Senior, V. Morum ; Junior, L. P. Kent ;  
 Violin, E. F. Radloff.

AraLeric REcorps.â\200\224Throwing the Cricket Ball, S. W.  
 Smart ; One Mile, E. J. Mitchell.

After the Prizes had been distributed, and the Hon.  
 Chief Justice KotzÃ© had delivered his address, the follow-  
 ing programme brought the evening to a conclusion:â\200\224  
 Senior Recitation, â\200\234 King Robert of Sicilyâ\200\235 (Longfellow),

G. A. W. Clarke.

Violin Solo, Â¢ Mazurka â\200\235 (Henry), B. F. Radloff.  
 Prose Recitation, â\200\234 A Practical Applicationâ\200\235 (Olkiver

Wendall Holmes), C. H. Hill.

String Quartette, â\200\230â\200\234 Emperorâ\200\235 ( Haydn), Miss Hansen,

Messrs Israel, Everitt and Farrar.

Junior Recitation, â\200\234The Red Thread of Honourâ\200\235 (Sir R.

H. Doyle), H. Thompson.

Violin Solo, â\200\234 Hungarian Danceâ\200\235 (Hauser), Mr. Israel.

Recital, "The School for Scandal" (Sheridan) Sir Peter  
 Teasle, V. Morum ; Lady Teasle, O. S. Webb ; Mrs.  
 Candour, L. M. Dold; Maria, G. A. . Clarke  
 Str Benjamin Backbite, E. T'. Radloff 5 Joseph Surface,  
 T. L. Alger ; Crabtree, H. M. Brown.

Polka, "Sweet Smiles" (Round), The Band.

"God Save the King."

Old Boys' News,

Our readers will be glad to hear of the foundation of  
 another branch of the O.K. (J. Such an event would natur-  
 ally follow upon the removal of T. Gladwin from Capetown  
 to the Resident Magistrate's Office in Butterworth. It is  
 proposed that he should be the Secretary of this branch in  
 the Territories.

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W. Ball has been chosen to succeed T. Gladwin as  
 Secretary of the Capetown Branch, which is sure to continue  
 its prosperous course under his guidance.

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We have received the following communication from  
 Charlton H. Roberts, Secretary of the Grahamstown  
 Branch : "In connection with the local Old Boys' Union,  
 a Gymnasium Club has been started and is going strong.  
 There is a membership of eight, and under the capable  
 instruction of Sgt. Benn good progress is being made.  
 We would take this opportunity of thanking Mr. Gane for  
 his courtesy in allowing us the use of the College  
 Gymnasium, without which the formation of such a club  
 would have been impossible."



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In the Currie Cup Rugby matches that took place in the Transvaal this year, Kingswood was represented by E. Gladwin, who played for Orangia, and C. Heathcote, who was chosen for the Eastern Province team.

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We have recently had news of the success of R. N. Matterson at Dulwich College, & school containing about 800 boys. He has been there for nearly three years, and holds a 30 guinea House Scholarship. For some time he has been head prefect of his House, and a School prefect as well, and is also a member of the 1st Rugby XV. In October he will enter Sidney Sussex College, Cambridge.

. for the usual course, and we wish him every success in his studies.

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A. M. Slade has been appointed Receiver of Revenue at Belfast, Transvaal.

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We regret that we have to record serious accidents to E. C. Parsonson and W. M. Thompson. The former had the misfortune to be attacked by a Chinaman, while the latter was thrown from his horse at Kroonstad with serious results. We hope to hear soon of their complete recovery.

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We have had the pleasure of seeing W. C. Chubb at the College this quarter, during his visit to Grahamstown.

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As the result of the Lecture given by Mr. E. G. Gane

on â\200\234 At Home in Japan,â\200\235 a notice of which appears elsewhere, the Â¢ Old Boysâ\200\231 Guarantee Fund â\200\235 benefits to the

extent of Â£12.

H. G. Murray, G.H.A., Hanover Road, has become a member of the O.K.C.

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L. S. Evansâ\200\231 new address is cÂ¢/o C. G. Oertel Esq., Doornplat, P.O. Petrusburg, O.R.C. :

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fRp. Hlbert Powell, â\200\231

It was with feelings akin to horror that we heard at the beginning of the June Holidays that another Old Kingswood Master had given up his life for the land of his adoption.

Mr. A. Powell, A.R.C.S., came to Kingswood in 1899 as Science Master. In that capacity his work was excellent. A skilful workman, he knew also how to impart his knowledge. No trouble was too great for him, and those who were here during his time can testify to his work in the Lecture Room and ILaboratory. His interest did not cease with class work. He was a great football player, and by his vigorous play did much to help and sustain our football. As a cadet officer he was invaluable, and he commanded our Cadets in The Alarm of 1900.

In 1901 he took the Cape Survey Exam., and at Xmas, 1902, left us to practise his new profession in Natal. He had plenty of work around Durban and in Zululand, and was soon known as an expert surveyor. We had the Pleasure of staying in his camp on an estate about 20 miles from Durban, and there renewed the intercourse begun at Kingswood. He was always interested in us and was glad of news of our doings.

On the outbreak of the Zulu Rebellion he joined as a private the N.M.R., under the command of his friend Col. Sparkes, and proceeded to Mapumulo Post. Here he was attacked with dysentery, but recovering, he spent a week at Stanger, and then returned to his company. When outspanned at Otimati, the camp was surrounded and rushed by the Zulas, and Mr. Powell was soon struck down with assegais. Sergt. Knox, who was in command, escaped to Mapumulo. A patrol was turned out, came up with the . murderers, killed about 60 of them and recovered the body, which was laid to rest in Mapumulo.

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Lsiterary and Debating Society.

The above Society resumed its meetings shortly after the commencement of the present term.

The first meetingâ\200\224a debate â\200\234That Suicide is Tm-moral â\200\235â\200\224was held in the College Dining Hall on Friday evening, August 3rd, Mr. P. Orton, one of the Vice-Presidents, occupying the Chair.

The debate was opened by T. L. Alger, who, by a convincing series of arguments, showed that from every standpoint, suicide is distinctly an immoral act. He was opposed by R. L. Impey, who, in his turp, urged that in many cases suicide is not only not immoral, but even virtuous, E. M. Brown and H. Guest supported the motion and opposition respectively. Several other members expressed their opinions on the subject, and on the motion being put to the meeting, it was carried by a magjority of eleven votes (15 to 4).

It may be interesting to remark that although the meeting was nominally adjourned after the motion had been put to the vote, in reality it lasted a great deal longer in the school-room, where many of the members, who seemed to have no views at all when in the actual meeting, were holding forth most vehemently on the question of the immorality of suicide. These after-discussions are invariably held after debates, and not infrequently have to be peremptorily adjourned by someone in authority, owing to the lateness of the hour. :

The Society assembled again on August 17th in the Preparatory School-room to hear papers from several of the members. The first was a paper on Natal by H. E. Metcalf. The writer mentioned what the country would look like from a boat as it steamed along the coast of Natal towards Durban. He then described such points of interest as the striking geographical features and chief industries, following the main line right through the country up to the Orange River Colony.

L. M. Dold then followed with a paper on The Elephant, in which he chiefly described the points of resemblance and difference between the African and Asiatic species, and their common habits.

The third paper was written by S. W. Smart on (Clareers open in South-Africa, but he was absent from the meeting, the paper being read by G. R. Craig. After short criticisms on the papers by the President, Mr. E. G. Gaue, who was in the Chair, the meeting came to a close.

The next meeting was held in the College Gymnasium, and took the form of a lecture by the President of the Society, Mr. E. G. Gaue, entitled At Home in Japan, to which the public were admitted on payment. The proceeds were in aid of the Old Boys' Permanent Scholarship fund. Details of the lecture will appear in a later issue.

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The last ordinary meeting of the session was held in the Dining-hall, on Friday evening, September 14th. It was decided that the Open Session Concert should be postponed until next quarter, as the Cadet Camp is to be held earlier than usual this year, and consequently there would have been little time for preparation.

The chief item on the evening's programme was the debate, "That England and America should unite," introduced by A. V. Mornm. He based his argument on the fact that the two nations have the same language, and therefore if they united they would become the strongest nation in the world. He also made reference to the tinned meat scandals, about which one has been hearing so much lately, and pointed out that if the countries were to unite there would be a decided improvement in tinned meat, which, in his opinion, would be a great boon to the world at large.

C. H. Hill, in opening for the opposition, argued that if the two countries did unite, the Americans would Americanise England, which would not be agreeable to English people. He showed by the American War of Independence that the countries were never meant to unite.

(. G. Verity supported the motion, and emphasised the point about the tinned meat scandal. He quoted the following humorous lines to show the state of things in

America :â\200\224

â\200\234 Mary had a little lamb,

But when it began to sicken,

They packed it off to canning town,  
And now its labelled Â¢ chicken.â\200\235 â\200\235

He then showed how such things would come to an end if  
Lingland and America united.

G. R. Craig spoke for the opposition, and showed that there would be immense difficulty in deciding on a form of Government which would please English and Americans alike.

The meeting proved an exceptionally good one, as every member who was present spoke, and the attendance also\_was very good.

On the motion being put to the meeting, it was lost by 6 votes to 13.

This being the last meeting of the session, the Chairman, Mr. A. T. Williamson, made a few appropriate remarks, and then adjourned the meeting.

W.E.C.

General Behool NReus,

The following boys left at the end of last quarter :â\200\224  
S. E. Amm, J. Stephenson, L. Thorne, L. Morton, J. O.  
Swan, R. B. Wood, L. Morum.

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The following new boys joined at the commencement of the quarter :â\200\224G. D. Swan, H. L. Swan, T. S. Norquay,  
W. E. Lawton, J. Meth, D. Hodges, T. Tripe, J. Holling-  
vorth, C. Germon, J. Ayliff, W. Ayliff, H. Ayliff, C. Van

der Riet, N. Van der Riet, R. Parker, A. Lappan, D. Lappan.,  
A. Thompson.

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W. Morris returns next quarter, after his recent illness.  
We extend a hearty welcome back, and our congratulations  
on his excellent recovery from his operation.

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Following on his kindness in distributing our Prizes in  
June last, a full account of which will be found elsewhere  
in this number, the Judge President (Hon. Mr. Justice  
Kotzé) has expressed a wish to give a Prize next year to  
the boy who, without regard to position in the College, or  
age, has made the most satisfactory progress during the  
year's work. We take the opportunity of heartily thanking  
- the Judge for his kindness in making the offer.

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The team which was entered by the Cadet Corps for  
the Empire League Challenge Shield Competition again did  
remarkably well in making a score of 174 points. As the  
next highest score, which we have so far heard of, is 123,  
the Shield ought to be ours. No official announcement has,  
however, as yet been made. It will be recalled that last  
year, after also leading by a very large number of points,  
our team was disqualified in consequence of a misreading  
of one of the rules. Good as the score was, it did not come  
up to some that were made in practice. Judging from the  
performance of some of the younger Cadets we should be  
able to put in quite as good a team next year.

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A party of the Cadet Corps from 90 to 100 strong are  
leaving shortly for the Camp, which this year is to be held  
at Alice. As only one Camp is being formed for the whole  
of the Eastern Province, it is expected that there will be at

least 1,000 Cadets under canvas. It is unfortunate that the Government has not seen its way to make some contribution to the expenses of the various Corps. With the increased duration of the Camp, these must necessarily be much heavier than they were last year.

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The new uniforms, which have been on order for some months, are expected to arrive about a week after the close of the Camp. This will no doubt cause some disappointment, as the old uniforms are much the worse for wear. Members of the Corps will, however, have to solace themselves with the fact that field service uniform is supposed to be worn in Camp.

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The following have been awarded their colours this season :  
 Badges: H. M. Brown, C. Vice, S. Thomas, R. L. Impey, T. L. Alger, W. Robson, J. Stephenson, H. B. Metcalf, B. Radloff. Caps: E. J. Mitchell, J. E. Hurworth, H. Guest.

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At the Grahamstown Public School Sports held on City Lords on September 22nd, N. G. Impey came in first in the Inter-Collegiate 220 Yards Race.

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We are pleased to be able to announce that, as the result of an arrangement with two of the town Cricket Clubs, our teams will this year have the services of a professional as coach. A cablegram has recently been received from Smith, the coach in question, consenting to the terms offered, and announcing his arrival early in October. He has been for some years past a well-known member of the Wiltshire County C.C., and has also acted as coach at Marlborough, and several other English Public Schools.



We think we are right in saying that the last year's First Eleven remains intact, so that there will be good material to work on.

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In connection with Mr. E. G. Gane's Lecture on < At Home in Japan, we are glad to be able to record a great improvement in the School Lantern. Hitherto the source of light has been an oil lamp, and consequently the lantern had to be fairly near the screen, with the result that the pictures were small, and even then not very bright. The limelight had been fitted to the lantern for this occasion, and the views were large and brilliant. As the light was at the full for two hours and a half, the school oxygen bag was well tested, and should respond to all demands made upon it in the future.

Ringswood Students' Christian Association.

Dear M. Editor, As this is the first opportunity we have had of announcing any definite work done by the Ringswood Students' Christian Association, we beg a small space in your valuable pages to contain this brief report.

The Association, we are gratified to say, is now constituted on a firm basis. It was not, however, till two weeks of the present term had elapsed that measures were taken to accomplish this end. The result is that we are rather behind the times. Still, I think we have every cause to congratulate ourselves, for at present we number some twenty-two active members, and three associate (30 per cent. of the total number of boarders), and there is promise of many more joining our ranks.

Every Sunday morning the Association meets in the new building, and there, from 9.15 to 10 o'clock, we spend

perhaps one of the pleasantest periods of the week together. Space does not permit of our reporting these meetings in full, suffice it to say that no member comes away without feeling the better for having spent a brief three-quarters of an hour in each other's society.

You will of course understand, sir, that we have one or two difficulties to face, but we mean, if possible, to overcome them. Here we have space to mention one only, and that is, we cannot find enough to do at the meetings in order to vary them sufficiently. This difficulty has become greater in the later meetings, owing to the lack of interest displayed in Bible study and discussion, and we have in consequence been forced to abandon it. In place of this, we have decided that two papers shall be read instead of the usual one. The papers, I might say, are generally on some Bible character, but we hope in the future that members will in preference take subjects such as missionary work, spiritual education, etc., etc., for accounts of men's lives are apt in time to become wearisome.

Trusting that this account has not taken up too much of your available space,

I am, dear sir,  
Yours etc.,  
MEWMER.

Kootball.

The following briefly sums up the results of the second half of the Football Season, so far as the first two Fifteens are concerned :

Played.	Won.	Drawn.	Lost.
1st XV 3	0	0	3
2nd XV 5	4	1	0

Upon the re-opening of the College in July it was only necessary to fill one vacancy, Bennett taking the place of Stephenson forward.

Stephenson unfortunately left just as he was beginning to acquire some knowledge of the game, and his considerable weight was a serious loss to a pack already too light for the work it is called on to do. The change of H. M. Brown for R. L. Tmpey at half was on the whole an improvement, though the former was still raw to the half back game, and has been especially deficient in that most important quality of a half,â\200\224-the capacity to pass cleanly and accurately. The resultant has been a sound, Mard-working, school-boy team of an average age of 17, which would probably hold its own, if not more. with any ordinary school team of similar weight and age. The explanation of its three defeats is simply that it has never been pitted against such teams, but rather against fifteens that can give it comfortably a stone and a half per man all round, and anything in the way of age from two or three years upwards. The forwards being overweighted, this throws more than their fair share upon the three-quarter line, and no four men can stand more than a certain amount of this. Generally speaking, the fault of the latter has been a lack of all-round combination, partly due to the absence of any system of regular passing. It would no doubt have been better if they had devoted some of the weekly practices to a systematic passing practice, which would have had the further result of making the sides more equal. The primary duty of a three-quarter is to make ground, not to get rid of the ball as soon as he has got it, or to initiate a series of passes across the field that finally land it in touch. There has been plenty of good individual play, and at times the wings have combined well with their inside men, but a good three-quarter line should be one whole, not two halves. At the same time it cannot be forgotten that no three-quarter line can have a chance, unless the forwards can resist being over-run.

As far as can be seen at present, next yearâ\200\231s teams are likely to be even lighter than the present ones, and it will be apparent therefore that the College will, under these circumstances, have more and more to find its interests in football internally, rather than externally. This is quite as it should be, and it must be admitted that during the season now ending, just as during the last one, there has been no absence of enthusiasm and interest in the games.

The record of the 2nd XV is quite good. It has been won generally against weight by superior training. Several players for their size show great promise. The same criticism that has been made in

reference to the First applies also to the Second Fifteen, and they should also remember that small teams which cannot make headway by weight, must do so by the use of the feet in rapid and steady dribbling.

KINGSWOOD v. ALBANY.

This friendly match opened the second half of the season, and resulted in a win for Albany by 14 points to 3. Our pack missed the assistance of Stephenson and Metcalf, who left at the end of last half. Our opponents had a heavy pack, and in the scrums had the advantage. Play opened at 4 o'clock with the sun in our eyes. After some five minutes of forward play, our backs attacked vigorously and threatened to score, but through kicking on the part of the Albany back, they failed. Gradually we were forced into our own twenty-five, and after several scrums Smith crossed our line far out. Fock failed to add the major points. —

From the twenty-five our men worked hard to gain their opponents' territory, but were kept back by Fock's splendid kicking. His several attempts at drop-goals were very close.

The whistle then sounded for half-time.

On play being resumed, fast forward work ensued, and Albany forwards breaking away secured a second try, which was converted. From the half-way, play for a time settled in Albany twenty-five, and after some able passing Vice secured a try well in; the kick at goal, however, failed. Towards the end of the game the play of the Albany forwards began to tell, and 6 more points were added to their score before the close of the match.

Team : Vice, full-back ; L. Impey, N. Impey, Mitchell, Thomas, three-quarters; Smart (Capt.), Brown, halves; Hurworth, Guest, Alger, Robson, Radloff, Metcalf, Bennett, Nicol, forwards.

KINGSWOOD v. PIRATES.

This friendly match was played on the City Lords, and resulted in our defeat by 5 points to 3. There again our opponents had a distinct advantage in weight; nevertheless, the match was a keen one throughout.

In the first few scrums our forwards secured the ball, and the attack of our back division was dangerous. Play, however, settled at half-way for most of the first half. Just before the whistle blew for half-time the Pirates, from a five yards scrum, secured a try, which Jennings converted.

During the second half, play for the most part was in the Pirates's quarters, and after several attempts on the part of our backs to score, Brown, at half, secured a try for us. Smart failed at the kick, which was at a difficult angle.

For the remainder of the game the forwards kept the work to themselves, and no further points were added by either side. Our team missed the services of Impey and Morum, who, owing to accidents in previous matches, were unable to play for the remainder of the season.

Team : Vice, full-back; Impey, Hodges, Mitchell, Thomas, three-quarters; Smart, Brown, halves; Hurworth, Guest, Alger, Robson, Metcalf, Bennett, Radloff, Nicol, forwards.

KINGSWOOD v. ST. ANDREW'S.

This match was played on St. Andrew's ground, on Sept. 1st, and resulted in another defeat for us by 31 to nil.

From the start the Andean backs showed themselves to be very dangerous, and soon after the opening of the game two unconverted tries were secured in quick succession. Our forwards deserve special praise for their play, for they pluckily held their own against a fast and heavy pack. Our back division especially missed Impey on this occasion, as Crosby and Bezuidenhout are particularly fast, and had everything their own way. During the latter part of the first half, Smart securing from a scrum, made a splendid attempt to score, but was not backed up, and so lost the advantage gained. The three tries secured were mainly due to the three centres.

When half-time blew, St. Andrew's were leading by 15 to nil. Immediately on resuming play, Nicholas made a good run in. For a time our men pressed, but nevertheless tries were scored against us, the last three being converted by Nicholas.

St. Andrew's outclassed us in speed and weight, and are a really fine team.

Team : Vice, full back; Impey, Hodges, Mitchell, Thomas, three-quarters; Smart (Capt.), Brown, halves; Hurworth, Guest, Alger, Robson, Radloff, Metcalf, Bennett, Nicol, forwards.

SECOND FIFTEEN.

KINGSWOOD II v. ALBANY IL.

This match was played on the City Lords on August 5th. After a very close game, the match resulted in a draw, each side scoring 6 points. Mr. Gane acted as referee

KINGSWOOD II Â». ALBANY II

The above match took place on the Kingswood ground on August 12th. It was exceedingly bad weather for football, for a very high wind was, during the whole game, sweeping across the field, and several times we were in danger of losing the ball. Albany playing with two men short, gave us an advantage, and we won by 14 points to nil. Referee, Mr. Williamson.

KINGSWOOD II Â». ALBANY II.

The above teams again met on Kingswood ground, on August 26th This time Albany mustered 15 strong, but nevertheless Kingswood undaunted took the field. Never before have they so outshone themselves, for they came off victors by 17 points to nil. A.V.Morum ably officiated with the instrument. .

Team :â\200\224QGrant, full-back; Mallett, Hodges, Vice, Scott, three-quarters; Craig (Capt.), Main, halves; Halse, Nicol, Bowes, Hope, Robson, Newton, Adendorff, Welch, forwards.

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