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Editorial Notes

THIS Magazine, as is usual with our June issue, is confined to parochial interests. Yet, while we record our sport and

our contributors flirt timidly with the muses, it must not

be supposed that we have forgotten the Old Boys on service. Their record is being extended and will be published in the December Magazine. The School in the meantime, to misquote W. S. Blunt, hopes:

"It may be, in a little space of years,

We'll conquer fate and half forget our tears."

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The health of the School, this term, has been as full of trouble as a wireless serial. Measles and influenza were the chief villains. So many boys, especially boarders, were involved that extra help was needed in the nursing of the patients. Even Rugby fixtures were dislocated. The Staff, too, did not

escape illness. Messrs. R. I. Tonkin, B. Butler and F. R.

Baudert were away most of the term. In their places we fortunately secured the services of Messrs. L. M. Young and A. S. V. Barnes.

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The buildings of the boarding establishment, thanks to the untiring efforts of Mr. J. W. Hudson, have been unrecognisably renovated both inside and out. Lighter ceilings and more brightly coloured walls are welcome improvements. Associated with these changes are alterations in the use of some of these rooms. What was once the Headmaster's office is now a cheerful reception room, where parents and boys meet in a congenial atmosphere. Mr. Leach's office, the old staff room, is the Headmaster's new office, decorated in light green and with some of the pictures which used to hang out of sight in the Clark Library. The latter, 110 longer drab and gloomy, is being re-organised with a card-index system, while new teak tables and chairs will provide greater seating accommodation there. The old cricket and Rugby photographs of the main entrance, besides, have been hung by Mr. Kent in their correct chronological sequence.

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As we go to press, news has been received that 0111* new Vice-Principal is Mr. S. E. Lamond. As boy here, foundation member of the N.U.C. when it began in our grounds, and

assistant master for thirty-one years, except for one short break, Mr. Lamond has spent a whole lifetime at College. His journey, then, has been along the path of one educational hill. Congratulations to him on reaching the top view but one.

OUR CONTEMPORARIES.

We acknowledge, with thanks, the receipt of magazines from the following schools:-Michaelhouse, Hilton College, Durban High School, Glenwood High School, Kearsney College and the Caldax Grange Grammar School.

The Retirement of Mr* H. Leach

IT is with the regret of the whole School and Old Boys that we announce the news that Mr. Leach officially retires at the end of this month. For thirty-three years he has been the respected teacher, mentor and friend to so many generations of boys that now he is as much a part of the School as our badge or the Victoria Hall. Like W. Abbit, a Vice-Principal before him, he therefore leaves us after a lifetime of sincere service in the interests of the School and will be remembered with equal esteem.

The characteristics of Mr. Leach as a teacher have their origin in the hard system in which he received his early training. At the age of sixteen he was pupil teacher in a Manchester primary school, where discipline was a case of make or break. The mornings were devoted to learning to teach; the afternoons to attending lectures at the Pupil Teachers' College. By the time Mr. Leach had obtained his B.Sc. degree and teaching certificate, in 1903, he had learnt the value of Socratic questions and answers—a classroom technique which is anathema to boys who, like horses, sleep with their eyes open and regard clear thinking as one of the less important virtues. During the next seven years Mr. Leach taught in Manchester secondary schools, and in 1910 joined Maritzburg College first as general class teacher. Later he specialised in Science and, for the last eleven years, in Mathematics. He also acted as Headmaster for six months in 1935, while Mr. Pape was in England on long leave, and for various intervals since. Throughout these years his painstaking and meticulous methods inevitably made for successful examination results. This is achievement, but it is more creditable when it is known that the work was often done in the face of unreliable health.

It would be a mistake, nevertheless, to think of Mr. Leach only in terms of examinations; for his influence with the boys was also directed towards the making of character, with grit and transparent integrity. The brilliant and solid boy, he maintained, could take care of himself. The lame dog was to be helped over the moral stile, not whipped. Much anti-social behaviour, accordingly, disappeared after Mr. Leach had made a personal appeal to the perplexed boy in the quiet of the study. Many could testify to the commonsense value of such advice in school and later life.

The Old Boys' Association, too, is indebted to him. A regular attendant at all general and committee meetings, he invariably expressed views which were both practical and candid. The big membership of the Association, moreover, was largely recruited by him personally. Not only did he explain to boys, about to leave school, the advantages and duties of membership,

but also encouraged them to sign on the dotted line. This annual canvassing did not fail to earn gratitude, especially of the Secretary.

Mr, H. LEACH.

[Photo by Walter Linley.]

Morning assembly in the near future, then, will see a new Vice-Principal asking the boys to toe the line. Mr. Leach, we expect, will drop the reins with mixed feelings. Although he has had his share of heat and burden, thirty-three years of service in one school is like Shakespeare's mercy:

"â- t blesseth him that gives and him that takes."

Speech Day, 1941

AFTER a lapse of six years, Speech Day, which took place on December 13, was again held in the Victoria Hall. Amongst what must have been a record number of guests could be seen parents, friends and officials from the Education Department. Mr. E. W. Barns and Mr. S. W. Pape, it was pleasing to note, were also present. As guest of honour on the platform with Mr. J. W. Hudson was Mr. J. Macleod, the Chief Inspector of Schools.

The customary prayers concluded, the Headmaster presented a comprehensive report on the year's activities. Prefacing his remarks with a tribute to Mr. Snow's work here, he reviewed, in detail, staff changes, examination results, the increase in the boarding enrolment for 1942 and the healthy state of the School's games. Enthusiasm shown in the latter, he hoped, would spread, to the classroom.

Most important in the report, however, were Mr. Hudson's views on the true function of education at the present time. Education, according to him, meant more than instruction; it meant the development of mind, body and spirit. The triangle, the strongest of all geometrical figures, was used by the engineer for strength and security. In a similar manner the architect of the school tried to fashion boys. From books and examinations came knowledge, but not necessarily wisdom as well. In games, drill and gymnastics schools tried to build up the second side of the triangle—a strong body. Thirdly, there were spiritual beliefs which, though real, were not shouted about. The greatest contribution made to education by the English public school had been the development of character through its team games. The wise schoolmaster could do more to inculcate the incomparable lessons of the Sermon on the Mount by the introduction of these topics at opportune times than by formal Scripture teaching of a set syllabus. Morning prayers and Bible-reading at assembly in hall each day should play their parts. The rest should be left to the Headmaster. As such three-sided development, Mr. Hudson concluded, had always been the aim of the School, those qualities were to be seen in the vast host of Old Collegians, scattered over the globe and bravely fulfilling the School motto, *Pro Aris et Focis*.

Congratulating College on its good fortune in securing a Headmaster with such high personal qualifications and wide experience, and Mr. Hudson on his inspiring report, Mr. J. T.

Macleod, before presenting the prizes, delivered an address. Prize-winners, he maintained, do not represent all the deserving boys in a school. For there were invisible prizes for those who had done their best during the year. Athletes, though they all could not win, benefited from a well-contested race. Prizes,

besides, should be awarded for qualities other than those on the official list. A prize, for example, should be awarded for the

best turned-out boy in every class. Tidiness, after all, was an

outward and visible sign of an inward grace.

After strongly deprecating the impatience of boys who, in their anxiety to serve their country, joined up before completing the Matriculation and forgot that the post-war world had no place for the half-educated, Mr. Macleod directed the rest of his speech to parents. Personal thoughts were offered on a variety of topics. The new school refectory, he thought, would, if correctly used, encourage more leisurely eating amongst boys who, in the hurry of the school day, too often bolted meals and sandwiches. The new College prospectus, too, was an asset to the School. Yet, while the four alternate courses in the

new prospectus rightly emphasised mathematics and sciences

(ubiquitous ingredients of the present and post-war world), our vision was not to be obscured by material considerations only. In democratic countries, nowadays, there was great need for disciplined freedom. In this connection parents, Mr. Macleod concluded, could do much to give their children training in self-discipline. A revival of the old habit of Bible-reading would, at least, benefit children, now being brought up almost in religious illiterates.

When the ceremony in the Victoria Hall was over, the whole School had tea on the lawn. Next followed a creditable Cadet display, the most impressive feature of which was the Bugle Band.

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Prize List, 1941

FORM VI.

1. R. J. Adie.

2. H. Nichol.

3. T. H. Braatvedt.

Improvement-â€¢

R. M. Ladbrooke.

W. T. Mo lie v.

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FORM IV.

1. 1). O. Norman.

2. R. J. Sampson.

3. K. E. F. Alexander.

Science-â€¢

J. G. Barnes.

Improvement-â€¢

W. L. Stephenson.

R. J. McLaren.

FORM II.

1. M. J. Scruby.

PREFECTS' PRIZE.

L. M. Hosking.

FORM V.

1. 1). E. P. Naude.

2. 1). E. M. Roberts.

3. A. A. S. Payne.

Maths, and History-

D. N. Nathan.

FORM III

1. 1). Ellis.

2. R. A. Leisegang.

3. M. H. Lello.

I m,provement-

C. L. J. Coulon.

L. Martell.

D'. W. Bristow.

Latin-â-

J. Sellers.

EFFICIENCY MEDAL.

1. H. Braatvedt.

Examination Results

PRIZES AWARDED ON THE MATRICULATION EXAMINATION.

The High School Memorial Prize (Dux).-H. Nicliol.

Clark Memorial Prize for Classics.-H. Nichol.

Lucas Memorial Prize for Science.-R. J. Adie.

M usgrave Memorial Prize for Mathematics.--1. H. Braatvedt

JUNIOR CERTIFICATE.

University Bursaries-â€¢

W. V. de Beer, R. J. Sampson, J. G. Barnes.

Pro vincial Bursaries-

K. E. F. Alexander, J. G. Barnes, W. V. de Beer, 1). ().
Norman, R. J. Sampson, W. L. Stephenson*.

MATRICULATION EXAMINATION, DECEMBER, 1941,
AND FEBRUARY, 1942.

Class I.-I. H. Braatvedt, A. E. Carte, G. E. Mil borrow,
>1. Nichol.

Class II.-R. J. Adie, B'. G. Aldworth, F. Allerston, R. A.
(J. Dunn, J. H. S. Glennv. K. G. Knowles, O. L. Kvalsvig,
R. G. \. Lindsay, P. F. Mason, W. 1'. Morley, J. A. Nel,

A. L. Rencken, F. (). Sandy, L. M. Schwegmann, B. J. Scott,
J. M. Sellers, F. P. Skead, D. B. Stephenson, W. O. Y. Stevens,
J. R. N. Swain, L. L. AVI ii tel aw.

Class III.-J. T. Anderson, T. E. Antel, F. G. Carbutt,

E. L. du Plooy, E. IJ. Dyer, W. G. G. Hay, L. L. Hindson,

C. G. Hodges, L. M. Hosking (Bookkeeping), W. I. Johnston.

R M. M. Ladbrooke, FT. K. Lister, J. G. Servant, A. G.

Simpson, A. E. H. Tatham, O. R. Tennant, A. E. W. Whiteley.

SCHOOL LEAVING CERTIFICATE, DECEMBER, 1941,
AND FEBRUARY, 1942.

Class III.-E. R. Adendorff, L. S. Cohen, F. B. Ender,

N. C. Harrison, M. McIntosh, R. A. N. Nicholson, R. G. Ogram, G. B. Stewart.

JUNIOR CERTIFICATE EXAMINATION, 1941.

Class 7-Division I: J. G. Barnes, W. V. de Beer, R. J. Sampson.

Division IT: K. E. F. Alexander, N. R. E. Barrett. N.

S. Edwards, L. H. Erasmus, 11. Every, J. G. Ferguson, M. H E Frost, D. W. Hodgson, R. P. S. Horn, G. S. Johnson, R J M McLennan, R. E. McMnster. A. E. Martindale, G. 1. Maxwell P F Mavne, M. J. Myburgh, D. O. Norman, R. \\. J ' Perry S H Ripley, P. H. B. Smith, W. L. Stephenson.

Glass II.-T. F. Adlam, W. It. Aitken, D. C. G. Anderson,
R. E. Banister-Jones, F. T. Barnes, I). B. Bamber, J. S. G.
Bell-Cross, G. R. Bennewith, P. H. Bird, O. P. Brandon, L.
M. Cameron, J. A. Chapman E. J). Couzens, P. Crouse, V. A.

Dowsett, A. C. Elliott, R. G. .1). Elliot, I). A. Ensor, P. R.

Ford, P. Frayne, E. E. I. Glass, W. G. Grantham, R. T. Hull,
N. R. Johnson, J). J. B. Killick, F. M. A. McCarter, R. J.

McLaren, H. R. Mayne, G. D. Miller, E. A. Orchard, B.

Palmer, W. N. Parkinson, N. E. Posselt, J. J. Rubino, L. C.

Schmidt, G. H. S. Snow, W. G. Thornton-Dibb, J. E. Tissiman,
1). A. van Straten, E. W. Young.

Class III.-D. R. Benjamin, T. O. Brown, I. R. Bruce, E.

A. Bulcock, H. L. Bulcock, M. Christie, R. A. Couzens, D. F.

du Plooy, W. B. Fletcher, W. J. K. Ford, A. B. Gutridge,

Iv. T. Hay, J. B. James, rl'. E. Johnson, A. A. Kiddle, G. G.

R. King, J. L. Lamb. I). I. T. Lambert, C. A. McKenzie,
L. C. P. Marais, C. V. IVTitchell, G. T. Peel, W. J. Sawyer,

H. J. Stewart, J. W. F. Turnbull, 1). J. White.

AFRIKAANS TAAL EKSAMENS, 1941.

Ilo'er Grand met Lof.-F. P. 1). Naude.

Ilo'er Graad.-M. Perry, 1). de Beer, E. L. du Plooy.

Laer Graad.-I. L. H. Atherstone, X. L. Bamford, I. H.
B'raatvedt, F. H. Carbutt, J. A. Chapman, A. P. Clark, E. N.
Culverwell, R. A. G. Dunn. I). F. du Plooy, V. C. Edwards,
I). P. J. Ford, J. H. S. Glenney, C. J. R. Hancock, N.
Harrison, W. G. G. Hay. C. J. Iuglis, E. C. Johnson, W. I.
Johnstone, I. J. Kerr, H. M. M. Ladbroke, B. Lane, R. G. A.
Lindsay, \Y. T. Lindsay, P. F. Mason, G. 10. Milborrow, W. T.
Morley, D. N. Nathan, J. H. Nichols, A. A. S. Payne, J. L.
Peberdy, D. 10. M. Roberts, H. T. Schmidt, 1). B. Stephenson,
P. W. Taylor, 1). A. van Straten, W. A. F. Whiteley, H. I).
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CRICKET ELEVEN, 1941.

I- H. Braatvedt, D. A. Bestall, J. Nel, G. B. Stewart, A. E. W. Whiteley.

J. L. Lamb, A. G. Simpson, J. W. Hudson, Esq., R W. Ken:, Esq., R. L. Ru
therfoord, D. P. J. Ford.

B. N. Chiazzari, L. Backhouse, E. Orchard.

Cricket Season, 1941-1942?

CHRISTMAS TERM.

WHEN the season opened, we were hopeful of a very good record for the term's cricket, but the results did not come up to expectations. There were several reasons for this, one being the lack of a dependable and attacking fast bowler and another the most inconsistent form of nearly all the batsmen. This put too heavy a burden on the bowlers, who jolly did their share, as the figures show, although they could have been handled with greater skill and imagination.

The batting weakness was more particularly revealed against slow bowling, which was treated either with too much care or too much contempt. Those who used their feet in playing this type of bowling and hit straight usually got some runs. Our lack of a leg-spinner against whom to practise partly accounted for this weakness.

In the field there were one or two weak spots which were hard to cover up, and, although not many catches were missed, some of the groundwork was slovenly. On the other hand, three or four of the team were always smart and alert and their returns to the wicket were good.

In Durban, Lamb led the team, which, although it won only one match, played with more keenness and spirit. Muir came in at the last minute, and proved a real find as a bowler. Our candidates for the Natal Schools' Eleven failed to find form good enough for the selectors, and no one gained a place.

The Second XI had a good record, being ably led by

Hosking, who infused a good team spirit into his side. Edwards played several big innings.

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EASTER TERM.

J. L. Lamb was elected Captain, and had the experience

of R. L. Rutherford as Vice-Captain to assist him. We were

fortunate to have eight members left from the previous term, and there was some competition, which remained until the close, for the remaining places.

The first two matches were lost, when luck was against us in losing the toss, but the team played with greater spirit, and was well led by Lamb, who made an excellent Captain. L.

Backhouse continued to improve as an opening bat, and played perhaps the soundest cricket of all the batsmen. The others got runs on occasion, but were never really reliable against the best bowling.

The bowling was always good enough to command respect, and at times Muir was almost unplayable. Rutherford bowled n^any overs, and was the ideal stock bowler, while Lamb always got wickets with a judicious mixture. We are hoping that by October we shall have found a fast bowler good enough to open the innings. There are several promising players in lower teams who may easily fill the gap.

The Second XI continued to play winning cricket, and did

not lose a match under the captaincy of Harris. They had a narrow victory against Hilton II, who had not been beaten for two seasons. Edwards made more big scores and got wickets with his fast stuff. Other promising performances were put up by Maxwell and Hall as batsmen and by Schmidt and Fletcher as bowlers.

A glance at the records of the teams will show that our junior cricket compares favourably with the other schools, and that therefore it would be wrong always to judge the standard of our cricket by the doings of the First XI only, which gets

more publicity. In any case, that record is not a bad one,

and at the end of this year the First XI should hold its own against all-comers.

RECORDS OF THE TEAMS.

Played. Won. Lost. Drawn.

First XI	...	22	11	8	0	U
Second XI	...	10	6	2	2	
Third XI	...	5	3	1	1	
Fourth XI	...	6	6	0	0	
Under 15 "A"	...	...	8	6	2	0
Under 15 "B"	...	...	7	*A	Tie.	5 2 0

The following boys represented Maritzburg in the Intertown matches (Under 15) against Durban: -

November.-McLennan, Baker, Keith, Fletcher. Carbutt and Turnbull

March.-Hay, Smith Scott, Orpen, Holman, Turnbull and Nell.

During the season the following awards were made: -

Honours Badge and Scarf.-R. L. Rutherford.

First XI Blazers.-L. Backhouse, E. Orchard, M. Muir.

B. Chiazzari, A. E. Whiteley.

First XI Caps.-I. J. Braatvedt, J. Nel.

RESULTS OF MATCHES.

FIRST ELEVEN.

(Other than Inter-School Matches).

1941.

Nov. 29. The College, 147 for 7 (declared) (Lamb 73); Mr. Titlestad's XI, 10 for 0.

Pec. 0. The College, 163 for 3 (declared) (Ford 55 not out); Mr. Lambert's XI, 60 (Rutherford 6 for 6).

1942.

Mar. 28. The College, 132 for 7 (Orchard 33); Mr. Harrison's XT, 117 for 9 (declared).

April 1. The College, 104 for 3 (declared) (Orchard 38); 2nd >..M.(', 28 (Muir 6 for 17).

SECOND ELEVEN.

1941.

Oct. 25. The College, 165 (Edwards 55); Hilton College, 233.

Nov. 1. The College, 160 (Schmidt 80); Glenwood High School, 162 (Muir 3 for 24).

Nov. 8. The College, 135 (Orchard 65); Durban High School, 73 (Muir 4 for 13).

Nov. 15. The College, 136 (Hay 45); Michaelhouse, 106 (Muir 3 for 27).

Nov. 22. The College, 297 for 8 (declared) (Cohen 109, Hosking 50); St. Charles's College, 83 (Muir 5 for 23) and 55 (Parton 6 for 3).

1942.

Feb. 14. The College, 106 for 4 (Hay 31); Michaelhouse, 36 (Edwards 6 for 16).

Feb. 21. The College, 273 (Edwards 73); Glenwood High School, 228 for 8 (Fletcher 5 for 52).

Feb. 28. The College, 336 for 8 (Edwards 97); St. Charles's

College, 63 (Edwards 5 for 35).

Mar 21. The College, 92 (Hall 22); Durban High School, 87 for 8 (K. Hay 5 for 25).

Mar. 28. The College, 88 (Maxwell 28); Hilton College, 81 (Schmidt 6 for 38).

THIRD ELEVEN.

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Oct. 25. The College, 101 for 5 (Mason 33); Hilton College, 91 (Schmidt 8 for 35).

Nov. S. The College, 135 (Anley 59); Durban High School, 184 (Anley 5 for 38).

Nov. 22. The College, 252 for 8 (Schmidt 59); Hilton College, 125 (Schmidt 3 for 32).

1942.

Feb. 14. The College, 181 for G (Burgess 104); Michaelhouse, 119 (Wilton G for 17).

Mar. 21. The College, 117 (McGlew 46); Durban High School, 117 (Baker 4 for 37).

FOURTH ELEVEN.

1941.

Nov. 1. The College, 160 (Maxwell 36); Voortrekker Hoerskool, 77 (Hall 4 for 18).

Nov. 8. The College, 127 (Hall 34); Durban High School, 92 (Faun 4 for 24).

Nov. 15. The College, 155 (Fitzpatrick 39); Technical College, 48 (Stewart 3 for 2).

Nov. 22. The College, 271 (Hindson 109); Harward, 154 (Rubino 4 for 16).

1942.

Feb. 27. The College, 156 (Salter 47); Harward, 39 (Cameron 5 for 7).

Mar. 14. The College, 205 (Smythe 65); Voortrekker Hoerskool, 53 (Salter 5 for 10).

DETAILS OF SCHOOL MATCHES.

vs. ESTCOURT HIGH SCHOOL.
(At Home, October 18, 1941.)

kiStcourt started off badly and could not recover, but they reached 92, thanks to a gallant innings by Teale, who scored 53 in vigorous style. Rutherfordord bowled steadily and accurately. We made a good start, but began to fail badly against rleale's slow bowling. But for Ford and some hitting later on, all the batsmen showed lack of practice. Teale had a good day, taking 9 for 39, and finished off the innings by taking 4 wickets in 4 balls.

THE COLLEGE. ESTCOURT HIGH SCHOOL.

D. P. Ford, c Newton, b Teale 42
Ij. Backhouse, b Teale 8 92.
J. Braatvedt, c Anderson, b Teale 1
â€ J. L. Lamb, c and b Teale 14
R. Rutherfordord, c Davies, b Teale 0 BOWLING.
D. A. Bestall, st de Waal, b Teale 2 O. M. K. w.
J. Edwards, c Teale, b Sutcliffe 15 Whiteley 3 1 14 1
A. G. Simpson, b Teale 23 Stewart 3 0 16 1
B. Chiazari, c Blacklaws, b Teale 0 Rutherfordord ... 6 2 24 5
G. B. Stewart, not out 0 Chiazari 5.1 0 37 3
A. E. Whiteley, b Teale 0
Extras 9

Total114

vs. HILTON COLLEGE.
(At Hilion, October 25, 1941.)

Heavy rain had made the turf wicket unfit for play, so the match was played on matting on the grit ground. We batted first and made a promising start, but some middle wickets fell quickly, and Lamb could find no one to stay with him. Our total was much too low for the strong batting side of Hilton, who scored with freedom, especially Eaglestone, but the bowling was handled very poorly indeed.

THE COLLEGE.

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P. Ford, run out

Backhouse, b Rayner

J. Braatvedt, c Hull, b Hall
Lamb, c Smith, b Dinkleman
L. Rutherfordoord, c Hull, b Hall

A. Bestall, b Hall

Orchard, lbw, b Hall

Simpson, c Arnold, b Rayner
Chiazzari, st Arnold, b Smith

B. Stewart, not out

E. Whiteley, c Rayner, b

Dinkleman 4

Extras

HILTON COLLEGE.

169 for 4 wickets.

BOWLING.

6 O. M. R. w

0 Whiteley 15 2 60 2

3 Stewart .. 6 3 6 0

11	Rutherford ..	10	0	72	2
9	Chiazzari	2	0	24	0

11

Total

127

vs. GLENWOOD HIGH SCHOOL.

(At Kingsmead, November 1, 1941.)

Oil a fast, true wicket we were struggling for runs all the time, and as soon as Markham came on he dominated the game. Lamb played him with confidence, but the others shaped very poorly. Glenwood started off badly, and it was only when Watkins joined Cockburn that they began to get on top. Even then things might have looked bad for them had Rutherford had a little more luck for lie was bowling grandly. We lost by 5 wickets, after which our opponents went in for some merry hitting.

THE COLLEGE. GLENWOOD HIGH
SCHOOL.

L. Backhouse, b Lewis 10

1). P. Ford, b Granger 4 178.

I. J. Braatvedt, b Lewis 10

J. L. Lamb, c Acutt, b Markham 34

II. L. Rutherford, b Lewis 8 BOWLING.

1). A. Bestall, b Markham 1 O. M. R. w.

10. Orchard, b Markham 0 Whiteley 8 0 51 3

A. Simpson, c Acutt, b Markham 10 Stewart ... 8 1 29 0

B. Chiazzari. b Markham 9 Rutherford ... 17 3 38 2

G. B. Stewart, b Markham 0 Chiazzari 8 2 34 0

A 10. Whiteley, not out 1 Lamb ... 5.3 1 16 5

IOExtras 1

Total 88

vs. DURBAN HIGH SCHOOL.

(At Home, November 8, 1941.)

Our opponents batted first on a perfect wicket, and looked set for a big score, until both Rorich and Rees gave away their wickets with wretched strokes. Barker went on batting until the end, carrying his bat for 50, made in three and half hours. We fared badly against the fast bowling of Davis and Crossley, and when the eighth wicket fell the match appeared to be over. Rutherford thought otherwise, for he started to open out and played some magnificent forcing drives, which included three 6's. The last man came in with our score 16 runs behind. A fortunate overthrow gave Rutherford the bowling, and he hit Davis out of the ground to win a most exciting match.

THE COLLEGE. DURBAN HIGH SCHOOL.

1). P. Ford, o Rorich, b Davis ... 8 132 .

L. Backhouse, c Macdonald, b Rees 24

I). A. Bestall, e Rorich, b Davis 4

R. M. Ladbrooke, b Davis 2 BOWLING.
J. L. Lamb, b Gordon 6 O. M. R.
R. L. Rutherford, not out 73 Whiteley 11 1 38
I. J. Braatvedt, b Davis 2 Nel ... ' 4 1 9
A. G. Simpson, b Gordon 1 Rutherford ... 13 2 40
R. Antol, run out 3 Lamb 13 3 30
.1. Nel, lbw, b Davis 14
A. 10. Whiteley, b Davis 0
Extras 2
Total 139

vs. MICHAELHOUSE.

(At Home, November 15, 1941.)

Our opponents found runs hard to get at first against some steady, accurate bowling, but this was worn down gradually, and most of their batsmen got runs. The best innings was played by Wallace, although Gersigny got 73. We made a very satisfactory start, and Bestall played in good style, but after lie left Gersigny got some easy wickets, and we tailed off in a disappointing fashion.

THE COLLEGE. MICHAELHOUSE.

D. P. Ford, st Barnes, b Gersigny 20 212 for 6 wickets, decl a red
L. Backhouse, c Bobbert, V) Gersigny 12

1). A. Bestall, lbw, b Gersigny ... 44 BOWLING.

I. .J. Braatvedt, c Bobbert, b 0. M. R. w.

Gersignv 9 Whiteley 8 3 25 1

J. Lamb, st Barnes, b Gersigny 6 Nel ... 6 2 25 1

R. Rutherford, lbw, b Gersigny 0 Rutherford ... 16 2 74 3

E. Orchard, b Bobbert. 18 Chiazzari 16 4 43 0

A. G. Simpson, b Gersigny 0 1 jamb 8 1 38 0

B. Chiazzari, c Bobbert, b Gersigny 14

J. Nel, b Bobbert 3

A. E. Whiteley, not out 1

Extras 7

Total 134

vs. ST. CHARLES'S COLLEGE.

(At Scottsville, November 22, 1941.)

Canham played a good innings of 75, being last man out, but the others found Chiazzari difficult. The latter bowled well for a long spell. When we batted, runs came very quickly, and we won easily by 5 wickets.

THE COLLEGE.

D. P. Ford, b Stephenson

L. Backhouse, c Forder, b Cassidy

J). A. Bestall, b Schorn

B. Chiazzari, b Cassidy

.J. Lamb, c Cassidy, b Barendse

R. L. Rutherford, c de Charmoy,

b Schorn

ft. Orchard, lbw, b Stephenson ...

I J. Braatvedt, b Schorn

A. G. Simpson, not out

J. Nel, c Canham, b Cassidy ...

A. Whiteley, c Forder, b Barendse

ST. CHARLES'S COLLEGE.

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65

137.

5 BOWLING

49 O. M. R. w.

Whiteley .. 7 0 26 0

4 Nel .. 5 0 18 0

42 Rutherford .. 11 1 26 2

3 Chiazari 11 2 48 6

40 Lamb 4 0 10 1

11

18

Extras 9

Total

262

NATAL SCHOOLS' CRICKET WEEK, 1941.

vs. DURBAN HIGH SCHOOL.

(A[^] Technical College Ground, December 15, 1941.)

We were unlucky to lose the toss, for the wicket had been watered that morning, and from the start both fast bowlers, Davis and Crossley, were really dangerous. Several batsmen received nasty knocks, and it was not surprising that they were soon back in the pavilion. D.H.S. found the wicket easier, and Rorich soon won the game by attacking the bowling. On batting the second time, there was no excuse for another low score, except the memory of the first innings. Our opponents Avon on the double innings just on time, after playing for some time in a heavy drizzle.

THE COLLEGE.

FIRST INNINGS. SECOND INNINGS.

L. Backhouse, c Barker, b Crossley 1 b Davis 3

(J. Hay, b Crossley 0 c; Rorich, b Gordon . . . 12

1). A. Bestall, b Davis 1 l> Crossley 0

J)' I*. Ford, c Herrison, b Davis 12 lbw, b Crossley ... 9

J. Lamb, c Donaldson, b Crossley 0 c Rorich, b Crossley ... 1

R. Ij. Rutherfordord, b Crossley ... 0 b Davis 1

K. Orchard, c Rorich, b Davis ... 3 e Macdonald, b Davis 3

B. Chiazzari, b Crossley ... 4 e Crossley, b Donaldson 7

A. G. Simpson, b Davis 6 1

M. Muir, run out. 5 b Crossley 11

A ft. Whiteley, not out 1 not out 4

Extras 2 Extras 5

Total 35 Total 60

DURBAN HIGH SCHOOL. BOWLING.

O. M. ft. w.

111. Muir 11 6 15 2

Whiteley 4 1 9 0

Rutherfordord ..14 4 40 1

Chiazzari 8 1 16 0

Lamb 9 1 23 3

Simpson 2 0 6 3

vs. COMBINED COASTAL SCHOOLS.
(At Old Fort, December 16, 1941.)

On a vc-ityliot- day, our opponents kept us in the field until nearly four o'clock, scoring only 171 runs in about four and a quarter hours on a fast wicket. The slowness of the cricket is revealed by the great number of maiden overs. Fortunately, their tail failed against Muir and Nel, who did the hat-trick. From the start we went for the runs, and in one and three-quarters of an hour knocked up 135-a striking contrast to the other innings. At the end we were scoring heavily, and with another quarter of an hour would have won. Orchard played a bright innings.

THE COLLEGE. COMBINED COASTAL
SCHOOLS.

L. Backhouse, c. Magnett, b
Granger 19 171.
E. Orchard, b Davidson ... 73
1). Bestall, not out 17 BOWLING
D P. Ford, not out ... 24 O. M. R. w.
Extras 2 Nel 12 4 23 4
Muir 20 6 40 4
Total (for 2 wickets) ... 135 Rutherford ... 18 4 45 0
. Chiazzari 15 6 22 0
Lamb 33 3 26 1
Simpson 2 0 6 0

vs. MICHAELHOUSE.
(At the Track, December 17, 1941.)

We started off in good style, Orchard playing a sound and enterprising innings, but, except for Ford, the other batsmen were unconvincing, especially when facing Gersigny, who again proved too good for us. They made only a moderate start, but Wallace showed his best form and played a very good innings

of 58. They won by 6 wickets.
THE COLLEGE.

E. Orchard, c A'Bear, b Gersigny 41
L. Backhouse, lbw, b Bobbert ... k
I) A. Bestall, lbw, b Gersigny ... 10
I). P. Ford, st Barnes, b Bobbert 26
J. L. Lamb, lbw, b Gersigny ... 11
R. L. Rutherford, c Arkwright,
11
G. Hay, b Gersigny ... 0
B Chiazzari, c Arkwright, b
Gersigny 11

1. J. Braatvedt, run out 2
J. Nel, not out 8
M. Muir, b A'Bear 0
4

MICHAELHOUSE.

135 for 4 wickets.

BOWLING.

O. M. R. w.
Nel .. 6 1 26 1
Rutherfoord .. 10 1 37 1
Muir .. 8 0 34 2
Chiazzari 5 0 18 0
Lamb . 4 0 16 0

Total

129

vs. ST. ANDREWS.

(At Kingsmead, December 18, 1941.)

They made a bad start, but a fifth-wicket stand looked dangerous until broken by Chiazzari. In the end they did quite well to reach 128, for our bowling was always steady. Our batting was very uneven, but we won by 6 wickets. Backhouse played one of his usual patient, correct innings and carried his bat. The last few wickets fell, as usual, to slow bowling, but at that stage there was nothing in the game.

THE COLLEGE. ST. ANDREW S.

li. Backhouse, not out 43 128.
 ft. Orchard, c Halse, b Myers ... 13
 1). A. Bestall, c Rogers, b Stevens 8
 I). P. Ford, b Myers 3 1 BOWLING .
 J. L. Lamb, b Hobson 14 o. M. R. w.
 R. Ij. Rutherford, b Myers 24 Whiteley 5 0 25 1
 B. Chiazzari, c Halse, b Hobson 19 Muir 7 2 26 3
 A. (J. Simpson, c Halse, b Hobson 4 Stewart 3 0 15 0
 M. Muir, lbw, b Hobson 0 Rutherford ... 7 1 24 0
 G. B. Stewart, lbw, b Adams ... 1 Chiazzari 8 1 27 4
 A. Whiteley, st Scott, b Hobson 4 Lamb ... 1 0 8 2
 Extras 16 16
 Total 149

vs. HILTON COLLEGE.

(At Kingsmead 2, December 19, 1941.)

In view of the next day's match, Hilton rested three of their leading players, so that their score was a satisfactory one. Both Chiazzari and Lamb bowled well and kept everybody quiet. Arbutnot was top scorer with a somewhat fortunate 56, for he was several times beaten by Muir. We made a good start, with Ore liar d and Bestall scoring well, but the last 6 wickets fell for 23 runs. Smith's slow bowling did the damage. He bowled very well (6 for 12). but the batting was too feeble for words.

THE COLLEGE. HILTON COLLEGE.

E. Orchard, c Walker, b Smith ... 36 146.
 L. Backhouse, b Walker 0
 D. A. Bestall, run out 30
 1). P. Ford, st Arnold, b Smith 0 BOWLING.
 J. Ij. Lamb, c and b Thompson 1 o. M. R. w.
 R. Ij. Rutherford, st Arnold, b Whiteley ... 8 3 25 1
 Smith 0 Muir ... 11 3 37 1
 G Hay, b Smith 3 Rutherford ... 2 0 10 0
 B. Chiazzari, b Hall 9 Chiazzari ... 14 2 33 A -t

A. G. Simpson, c Pyott, b Smith 0 Lamb ... 8.2 0 32 4
M. Muir, c Arnold, b Smith 2
A. E. Whiteley. not out Extras 3 8
Total .. 92

EASTER TERM.

vs. KEARSNEY COLLEGE.

U (At Kearsney, February 7, 1942.)

We travelled to Kearsney for the first time, and enjoyed the day spent there in delightful surroundings. Congratulations are extended to our opponents on their win. Losing the toss, we batted on a wicket damaged by overnight rain. Davidson took full advantage of this, and made the ball rise shoulder high at times. Parton and Chiazzari put up a plucky seventh-wicket stand and our score was somewhat improved. After lunch the wicket was dead, giving the bowlers no help at all. Davidson came to the rescue again, scoring a good 49.

THE COLLEGE. KEARSNEY COLLEGE.

L. Backhouse, c Davidson, b 90.

Nathan 6

E. Orchard, b Nathan 0

D. A. Bestall, b Davidson 9 BOWLING.

J. L. Lamb, b Davidson 7 o. m. r. w.

R. L. Rutherford, c Theunissen, Lamb 9 3 13 3

b Davidson 0 Muir 6 2 17 0

I). P. Ford, lbw, b Davidson ... 2 Chiazzari 5 0 20 0

B. Parton, b Davidson 16 Rutherford ... 7.2 3 7 2

B. Chiazzari, b Davidson 15 Fletcher 7 1 23 5

G. Maxwell, c Sparks, b Nathan 3

M. Muir, not out 0

W. B. Fletcher, b Davidson .!.. ... 0

Extras 4

Total 62

vs. MICHAELHOUSE.

(At Balgowan, February 14, 1942.)

We lost the toss

was not very difficult

again,

and had to bat on a wicket that but which helped B'obbert, who bowled well. The only batsmen to bat with any confidence were Bestall and Rutherford. The former made some very crisp shots on the leg-side. On an improved wicket, Michaelhouse had little difficulty in making the runs, and a sharp thunderstorm ended the match soon after they had passed our score.

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THE COLLEGE.

Backhouse, run out

Orchard, b Taylor

A. Bestall. lbw, b Bobbert

L. Lamb, b Bobbert

L. Rutherford, c Draper,

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4

23

1

D. Ford, c Price-Moor, b Bobbert

B. Parton, c Gersigny, b Bobbert

B. Chiazzari, c and b Bobbert ...

G. I. Maxwell, not out

M. Muir, b Gersigny

K. Hay, c Roberts, b Gersigny ...

Extras

0

1

MICHAELHOUSE.

94 for 4 wickets.

BOWLING.

	O.	M.	R.	w.
16 Hay	4	0	6	1
6 Muir	..	3	0	11 1
0 Rutherford	...	8.6	3	25 1
0 Lamb	..	10	0	28 0
3 Chiazzari	3	0 14 0
1 Parton	..	1	0	6 1

Total

65

vs. GLENWOOD HIGH SCHOOL.
(At Horae, February 21, 1942.)

We owed our good score to Bestall, whose innings was a curious mixture of fine strokes and careless shots. He had 99 at lunch-time and could not get the other one. Glen wood's howling was accurate, and had to be played carefully all the time. Their innings started badly, and 8 wickets were down for 22 runs, when rain started and play was suspended for an hour. After that, the bowlers were handicapped by a wet ball, and a stubborn ninth-wicket stand proved difficult to dislodge. Acutt played a stout defensive innings of 26.

THE COLLEGE. GLENWOOD HIGH
SCHOOL.

L. Backhouse, b Armitage 18
E. Orchard, b Granger 2 75.
D. A. Bestall, c Acutt, b Lang 99
J. L. Lamb, e Bennett, b Lang 6
R. Rutherford, c and b Nicolson 0 BOWLING.
I). P. Ford, st Acutt, b Armitage c O. O. M. R. w.
n. Parton, not out 24 Rubino ... 8.6 1 18 4
B. Chiazzari, st Acutt, b Nicolson 10 Muir .. 6 1 11 5
Extras 7 Rutherford ... 5 0 16 0
Lamb ... 5 1 12 0
Total (for 7 wickets, declared) 171 Chiazzari ... 3 0 11 1

vs. ST. CHARLES'S COLLEGE.
(At Home, February 28, 1942.)

Our batsmen found the bowling to their liking and scored runs freely. Backhouse played a sound innings and Lamb supplied the fireworks. Hitting three 6's in succession, he scored 30 runs in one over. He also bowled skilfully when our opponents went in. as did Rutherford in the second innings.

THE COLLEGE.

L. Backhouse, not out 58
E. Orchard, lbw, b Forsyth ... 17
1). A. Bestall, b Hal lot 65
J. L. Lamb, not out 52
Extras 16
Total (for 2 wickets, declared) 208

ST. CHARLES'S COLLEGE.

40 and 39.

FIRST INNINGS.
BOWLING.

O. M. R. W.

Rutherford ... 5 2 9 1

Muir 6 1 20 2

Lamb 3.5 14 6

Chiazzari 2 0 3 1

SECOND INNINGS.

BOWLING.

Rutherford o. .. 4.6 M. 1 R. 11 w. 5

Muir .. 3 1 9 0

Lamb .. 7 2 9 3

Chiazzari 7 2 7 1

Parton .. 1 1 0 1

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vs. ESTCOURT HIGH SCHOOL.
(At Estcourt, March 14, 1942.)

wicket had been

soaked by rain on the previous evening and had dried out in patches, so that it played disconcertingly. Some balls hardly left the ground, while others flew over the batsmen's heads. In the circumstances, runs did not come easily, and our score was quite a satisfactory one. Lamb and Ford played sound innings. Estcourt found our bowling much too accurate, and wickets fell regularly. We made an effort to win on the double innings, but there was too little time.

THE COLLEGE.

I. Backhouse, b Anderson 6

E. Orchard, b Anderson 18

D. A. Bestall, lbw, b Newton ... 2

J. L. Lamb, c Arnott, b Sinclair 36

R. L. Rutherford, b Sinclair ... 6

1). Ford, c Anderson, b Newton 26

J. Edwards, c and b Newton ... 1

B. Parton, not out 10

B. Chiazzari, c Clacey, b Anderson 3

M. Muir, b Anderson 0

J. Rubino, c Davies, 1) Anderson 2

Extras 10

ESTCOURT HIGH
SCHOOL.

53.

BOWLING.

Rubino

Muir

Rutherford
Lamb

o. M. R. w.
4 1 9 0
6 2 13 3
6 2 12 4
4 0 10 3

Total120

vs. DURBAN HIGH SCHOOL.
(At Durban, March 21, 1942.)

Cricket was very slow throughout the day, partly because of the slow outfield and partly the result of steady, accurate bowling. Barker played his customary sedate innings and others made useful scores, so that they declared, leaving us time to get the runs. /Our fielding was good, and Orchard made a good catch in the long-field. We started off well, thanks to Orchard, but then collapsed badly. When Chiazzari joined Rutherford there were 7 wickets down for 65. Chiazzari started to go for the bowling and Rutherford was content to keep his wicket intact. The partnership was unbroken when time came. Donaldson bowled 21 overs unchanged.

THE COLLEGE.

E. Orchard, c Mungavin, b

Donaldson 32

L Backhouse, not out 8

D. A. Bestall, c Kaplan, b

Donaldson 5

J. Lamb, c Kaplan, b Shackleton 9

R. L. Rutherford, not out-

D. Ford, c Ballard, b Shackleton

J. Edwards, b Donaldson

B. Parton, c Shackleton, b Donaldson 0

B. Chiazzari, not out 38

Extras 7

DURBAN HIGH SCHOOL.

20

1

0

152 for 8 wickets, declared.

BOWLING

O. M. R. W.

Rubino 9 3 25 0

Muir 9 2 18 1

Rutherford ... 15 2 28 3

Lamb 11 1 35 1

Chiazzari ... 10.5 3 20 2

Parton 3 0 9 0

Total (for 7 wickets)

120

vs. HILTON COLLEGE.
(At Home, March 26, 1942.)

After two postponements, caused by rain, this match was played in mid-week. It proved a most exciting game, with varying changes of fortune. Batting first on a perfect wicket, we started in dismal fashion, but our tail wagged vigorously. The latter batsmen treated the slow bowling on its merits and hit it hard, while Backhouse played perfect defensive cricket to carry his bat, in an innings lasting nearly two hours. The strong Hilton batting side found Muir in devastating form. He had even one in difficulties. Even Eaglestone was kept quiet, and he was out to a splendid catch by Orchard at point. Then the last wicket, Greene and Smith, proved difficult to dislodge, and the score crept slowly along, until Smith, in playing back, hit his wicket. Hilton thus lost for the first time in the season.

THE COLLEGE. HILTON COLLEGE.

L. Backhouse, not out 18 77.
K. Orchard, b Walker 0
D. A. Bestall. lbw, b Walker 7
J. L. Lamb, c Arnold, b Rayner 5 BOWLING m
R. L. Rutherford, st . Arnold, b o. M. J. w.
Smith 2 Rubino ... 4 0 21 0
1). P. Ford, b Smith ... 0 Muir ... 12 4 21 7
J. Edwards, c Walker, 1) Pyott ... 12 Rutherford ... 5 0 14 2
IS. Parton, c Eaglestone, b Pyott 5 Lamb ... 2 0 8 0
J. Rubino, st Arnold, b Smith ... 11 Chiazari 1.3 0 2 1
I.J. Chiazari, c King, b Smith ... 24
M. Muir, not out 1
Extras 6
Total 91

LEADING AVERAGES, 1941-1942.

BATTING.

Innings. N.O. H.S. Total. Ave.
K. Orchard 21 1 78 430 21.5
J. L. Lamb 24 2 73 451 20.5
1). A. Bestall 24 1 99 451 19.6
L. Backhouse 23 4 43* 302 15.9
1). P. Ford 23 3 00" 307 15.3
R. L. Rutherford ... 22 3 73* 249 13.1
1?. Chiazari 19 3 38* 196 12.2

BOWLING.

Overs. Maidens. Runs. Wickets. Ave.
M. Muir 121 34 302 42 7.2
J. L. Lamb .. 136.1 19 391 40 9.8
11. L. Rutherford .. 211 37 637 52 12.3

J. Nel 40 9 127 8 15.9
B. Chiazzari .. 143.4 23 450 28 16.1
A. E. Whiteley 84 15 310 14 22.1

CRITIQUE OF THE PLAYERS.

J. L. Lamij-Proved a resourceful and cheerful Captain, and was the best all-rounder. Played some attractive forceful innings.

R. L. I yutherfoord.-Must have disappointed himself with his batting, although his 1).U.S. innings will long be remembered. After Christmas returned to his old bowling form. Fielded excellently.

Jj. Backhouse.-A courageous opening bat with correct shots and an imperturbable manner. Could look to iis running between the wickets.

E. Orchard.-Seemed to find his place in opening the innings and improved his footwork. Mad?, some excellent catches.

I). A. Bestall.-At times his wicketkeeping was brilliant, but, like his batting, had careless lapses. With concentration, is capable of a high standard of cricket.

B. Chiazari.-Bowled a consistent length, although at times tried to bowl too fast. Played some courageous innings.

I). P. Ford.-Had a disappointing season although he made one or two good scores. Careless shots often spoilt attractive innings.

i>. Parton.-A useful all-rounder who gained confidence as the season progressed. Promises well.

M. Muir.-Seized his chance in Durban and never looked back. A match-winning bowler with a most deceptive late swing. Fielding needs attention.

A. E. Whiteley.-Never fulfilled his promise as opening bowler. Tired too quickly. Got wickets, but was too expensive.

J. Nel.-Bowled very steadily, but his action was too laboured for a fast bowler.

A. Cl. Simpson.-Failed to find form with the bat. A useful change bowler and safe catch.

I. J. Braatvedt.-Improved his stroke-play, but was weak in defence. A safe field.

J. Rubino.-Opened the bowling in some of the later matches. A fair turn of speed, but must bowl less on the leg-side.

AGAIN we had a very successful swimming season and many

certificates were gained. The number of non-swimmers has been appreciably reduced, and, now that swimming is compulsory for all boys until they have gained a swimming certificate, it is hoped that the non-swimmer will soon be eliminated. The thanks of the School in this connection are due to those Prefects who have worked hard with their House swimmers this season.

The Inter-School Swimming Sports were held on March 20, and, with Michaelhouse competing, we faced more opposition than usual. We won the shield once again, winning all the Open events, but we lost possession of the two Under 16 trophies, both of which were won by Michaelhouse.

H. J. Stewart won the Open 100 Yards and the Plain

Diving, A. J. Hutchinson won the 200 Yards and the Back Stroke, M. Perry won the Breast Stroke and I. Cameron the Fancy Diving. Places in Open events were gained by H. J. Stewart, 1). F. P. Naude, J). Mayger and J. A. B. Chapman, while T. O. Brown won the Under 16 Back Stroke event.

H. J. Stewart, A. J. Hutchinson, M. Perry and J. A. B. Chapman were selected to represent Maritzburg against Durban in the Senior Intertown Team Race. While they were unable to repeat last year's result, the race was, nevertheless, an

excellent one, with the issue in doubt up to the last foot.

The Inter-House Swimming Sports were held on Saturday, March 2, S. Stalker's House won the Hutchinson Cup, this being the twelfth successive year that they have won the swimming sports, but, as their victories were all in the Senior section, it seems as though an interruption in the long sequence will soon take place. Clark's were second as a result of the successes of their Under 16 swimmers. A. J. Hutchinson established a record in the Open Back Stroke, T. O. Brown in the Under 16 Back Stroke and R. J. McLennan in the Under 16 Breast Stroke.

The "Bill" Hendry Memorial Cup for the champion swimmer was won by A. J. Hutchinson, who gained 37 points to Stewart's

26. At the conclusion of the sports Mr. H. J. Hendry presented the trophies.

RESULTS OF INTER-HOUSE SWIMMING SPORTS.

Open Events.

100 Yards.- 1, H. J. Stewart (S); 2, A. J. Hutchinson (S); 3, J. A. B. Chapman (O). Time, 63½ secs.

200 Yards.- 1, A. J. Hutchinson (S); 2, H. J. Stewart (S); 3, H. H. Hoybergen (O). Time, 2 min. 25f secs.

100 Yards Breast Stroke.- 1, M. Perry (L); 2, R. J. McLennan (C); 3, S. H. Ripley (O). Time, 83½ secs.

50 Yards Back Stroke.- 1, A. J. Hutchinson (S); 2, D. F. P. Naude (N); 3, H. H. Hoybergen (O). Time, 34½ secs. (Record.)

Diving.-1, H. J. Stewart (S); 2, S. H. Ripley (O); 3, 1).

Mayger (N).

Plunge.-1, W. G. Grantham (S); 2, A. J. Hutchinson (S); 3, P. R. IC. Anderson (N). Distance, 54ft.

Object Dive.-1, A. J. Hutchinson (S); 2, M. Perry (L); 3 H.

J. Stewart (S). Time, 24Â§ secs.

Under 16 Events.

50 Yards.-1, R. J. McLennan (C); 2, D. R. Morcom (C); 3, D. B. Bamber (S). Time, 29f secs.

100 Yaids.-1, D. B. Bamber (S); 2, R. J. McLennan (C) and

D. R. Morcom (C). Time, 72f secs.

50 Yards Breast Stroke.-1, R. J. McLennan (C); 2, S. H. Ripley (O); 3, T. O. Brown (C). Time, 35\$ secs. (Record.)

50 Yurds Back Stroke.-1, T. O. Brown (C); 2, J). B. Bamber (S); 3, Harman (N). Time, 35^ secs. (Record.)

Plunge-% D. R. Morcom (C); 2, L. H. Erasmus (CD; 3 P Frayne ()). Distance, 42ft. 6in.

Under 14} Events.

50 Yards.-1, H. R. Dent (L); 2, Stephenson (N); 3, Smith (N). Time, 32 secs.

50 Yards Breast Stroke.-1, Stephenson (N); 2 H. R. Dent (L); 3, Perfect (S). Time, 42^ secs.

25 Yards Back Stroke.-1, Stephenson (N); 2, H. R. Dent (L);

3, G. Geraghty (()) and Martindale (N). Time, 19 secs.

J)iving.-l, Helliwell (C); 2, Martindale (N); 3, Turnbull (N).

Inter-House Team Races.

Under IU--1, Nathan's; 2, Langley's; 3, Oxland's. Time, G6 secs.

Under 16.-1, Stalker's; 2. Clark's; 3, Langley's. Time, 2 min. 9 secs.

Open.-1, Stalker's; 2, Clark's; 3, Oxland's. Time, 2 min. 2-f secs.

Champion Swimmer ("Bill" Hendry Memorial Cup).

A. J Hutchinson, 37 points.

House Points (Hutchinson Cup).

1. Stalker's ... 128Â£
2. Clark's ... 81
3. Nathan's ... 50}
4. Oxland's ... 40Â£
5. Langley's ... 40

A FOGGY NIGHT,

CLIP, clop, clip, clop. The patrolling constable's footsteps rang out as he groped down the ill-lit street. When he had passed by No. 645, a dark shadow flitted from behind the steps and disappeared into the tradesmen's entrance, where it paused a second to see if the way was clear. Bill Sykes, house-breaker on licence, was in a bad temper. That very

morning his wife had told him he was becoming absent-minded. Absent-minded, indeed! He'd show her if he was absent-minded or not by bringing home that night enough swag to keep them going for a month.

The first obstacle was over, as he had gained the tradesmen's entrance of the house he intended to "do" by feeling his way cautiously through the swirling banks of fog. He crept along the side of the house, keeping as much in the shadows as possible. The place seemed vaguely familiar, although he could not place it. Reaching a suitable window, Fill slipped a piece of thin steel out of his pocket. Pushing this instrument between the window-joints, Bill slid it along until he heard a faint click.

That could only mean one thing. The window was open. Silently Bill pushed the window up, swung a leg over the sill and climbed into the room.

Switching on his torch, he crept across the room, which,

judging by the stove
and dresser, appear-
ed to be the kitchen.

Bill, on reaching the
passage, decided to
have a look at the
dining-room to see if
there was any spare
silver lying about.

Heavens, how his
heart was beating!

Surely the noise of
that alone would

wake the house. Suddenly Bill slipped on a loose floor-board. There was an ominous creak. Bill Sykes froze, listening for the footsteps which would herald the approach of the householder. No sound broke the dead stillness. So still was it that he might have been in Cheop's tomb. Burglar Bill gave a sigh of relief. All was clear on the Western Front, or, rather, in No. 045. Again he thought the house seemed vaguely familiar.

On reaching the room which Bill thought was the dining-room, he pushed open the door and carefully entered. When he was half-way across the room, the blow fell. Suddenly the lights flashed on. Bill, caught half-way in his stride stood there like a statue, with one leg sticking out behind him and his arms outstretched. Slowly-painfully slowly-he turned his head to see who had trapped him. There, standing by the light-switch, was a buxom woman with a formidable frying-pan in her hand. Bill's gaze reached her face. It seemed familiar, like the house. Suddenly he remembered it was his wife. Then she spoke:

"Bill, what are you doing?"

"Er-er-nothing, dearie-nothing."

Suddenly she gave a roar of laughter, and sat down weakly on a chair, still roaring with laughter.

Bill swallowed and crept out of the room. His wife's laughter still rang in his ears, for he had burgled his own house!

C.J.I., Form VI G.

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ICE SKATING,

WHILE in Johannesburg recently four of the younger generation of Natal, who once thought that ice skating was as easy as climbing Mount Everest (some nearly did for ever rest), found nothing to change their impression.

Arriving at the ice rink, they took the building by storm, which, much to their dismay, cost them two shillings each and a long wait in the queue. Dashing past the "keeper of the gate," who was dressed in a battle-dress of blue with shining gold buttons down the front, they stood amazed at what they saw. There before them they beheld the enemy in all his slippery glory. He had to be conquered at all costs, despite

the ninepence for the hire of a pair of ice-skates which looked as if they were relics of the first ice-age and had been handed down from the missing link to his present-day black brother. This black brother was locked up in a cage along with all the old family relics of the ice-age. He enquired what size shoes young Natal wore, and if told a six a large-size nine was promptly issued.

After half-an-hour, the boldest or most foolish of them? last mastered the art of putting on a pair of skates, which had laces that looked as if every puppy this side of the Equator had at some time or other chewed them. He set forth upon his quest, wobbling like a giant on stilts, doing everything but fall over. Nearer and nearer he crept upon the unsuspecting enemy. There was stillness in the air, a tenseness in the atmosphere (and in his body), as he wobbled inch by inch towards enemy territory. At long last he arrived there; then, taking a deep breath, he gave one wistful look which threatened to crack his face from ear to ear. Shouting his battle-cry, he "inched" out on to the ice.

Crash! A sad and painful awakening (painful for those whose sides were nearly splitting from laughter). It was as if some unseen hands had plucked his legs from under him, and there he lay, humiliated and burning with a fierce determination (so fierce that it melted the ice under him) to do or die. Rising slowly with a very steady wobble, he started again. Left foot forward, lean slightly forward, right foot forward, left foot, right foot, left, right-with ever-increasing speed until he was going so fast he had to begin all over again.

Time and again he rose and fell, until some fairy nymph of the ice took pity upon this poor Don Quixote, and gave him her hand (not in marriage) to help him along the long, long road to success. The powers of inspiration were miraculous, and within half-an-hour our hero was overcoming the enemy in slips and slides (not leaps and bounds). Our warrior fell but once more, and this time it was not upon the ice, nor was it round the fairy's neck, but into the lap of "Old Tanta Koba," who had just taken a nosedive in front of him upon the ice, much to the fairy's annoyance.

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When the remainder of the valiant host saw the success of their Horatius, they immediately began their assault. Disaster befell them. They were smitten down by a terrible plague of slippery feet and unhappy landings, fortunately not in "Old Tanta's" lap. Their life-blood was flowing freely and the battle-dress of many was sopping wet.

After many weary and snail-like attempts, the battle was

slowly but painfully won, this time without the aid of any
watery goddesses to hold their hands and comfort the ailing,
whilst the wailing of the laughing crowds grew worse and worse.

J.E., Form VI G.

CATS.

TO many people cats are adorable creatures, but to me those-sleek, feline animals are the wizards, witches and workers of black magic of old, returned to earth to carry on their evil practices in very harmless-looking shapes.

As one sits around the fire in winter-time, one's eyes often wander, and, more often than one would imagine,, they come' to rest on the grey-green slit eyes of a cat. This thing often: happens to me but when my eyes settle I cannot remove them from their resting-place.

I begin to feel slightly hypno-tised, and soon the room and its walls disappear. I see, instead, jungle on either side. As my eyes accustom themselves to the half-light of the jungle, I always see a sleek, panther-like animal, crawling on its stomach, to some unsuspecting creature, the nature of which I can never make out. Yet sometimes I imagine that that creature represents man. And all the time the cat's eyes glare concentrated evil. This scene, I realise, is just portraying the stealth, cunning and evilness of the whole cat family, of those creatures with demon-possessed bodies, always trying to destroy mankind.

After a while the scene changes.

The cat is now in the centre of a cave. Near it is an old cauldron, bubbling frothily. Leaning against the wall is a broomstick of antique size and shape. Whilst I watch-oh I what a horrible sight!-the shape of the cat merges into another contorted shape. This shape-resolves itself into a human-body, but what a body! It

is covered in rags and has a hunch back. The fingers are-bent and twisted and the face is a mask for a nightmare. Baleful dark eyes, almost hid-

den by a longr bulbous nose,
with warts on the end, gaze
cruelly into the cauldron. The
cheeks are drawn inwards
and the dirty, matted hair
stands on end. This fleeting
vision is, I also realise, the
symbol of the devil and all his evil brood, swearing to do harm
in every possible way. When the second horrible sight has ended
I always return to my senses,, for then the cat has always turned
his head away.

In ali the stories of witchcraft and sorcery, cats, especially
large black ones, always take a prominent part. There are many
superstitions connected with black cats. Tf a black cat crosses
your path, you are unlucky. Why should so many bad things
revolve around the cats? I have the1 answer. Back in the*

ancient world, when animals were able to talk and the devil walked the earth, the cats must have had a very close association with "Old Nick." It would not surprise me in the least if the devil vsced to ride a large black cat. Therefore, as the cats must have been the devil's second lieutenants, what could be better than to send them to watch over his interests and servants in the modern world, in the shape of witches and wizards.

Many are the things bearing out the idea of the close association of the cat with the devil. Everybody knows that cats hate water, and, as the devil lives in an area of eternal lire, he must have a great dread of it too. Not only this, even in the dark a cat is able to see. As the devil's abode is reputed to be below the earth's surface in everlasting darkness, it would be rather inconvenient for him if he was not able to do this also. Where would one find a cat which was unwilling to go at night, especially at the bewitching hour of midnight? Surely cats go out at these times to converse with all the evil things that are abroad in the darkness.

Even without these facts, which show the cat's contact with the devil, I would still hate cats. Fat, woll-fod things (as a rule), always looking after themselves as only they know how T detest them. Silky, sleek things, who always chase after the best things in life, and get them by fair means or foul, by flattery or by stealth-I abhor them. Cats, cats, cats-even

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the touch of the fur of these products of the devil, of these things spawned by evil, makes me wish to drown every one.

F.R.S., Form, Va.

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"TARGET FOR TO-NIGHT."

PRIVATE ANDERSON was praying-it was not Sunday-as ho could hear them overhead quite clearly. He prayed that lie might be spared, but mercilessly they came nearer and nearer, until they were directly above. He waited for them to attack, but they flew on until they had all passed by and everything was quiet once more. Private Anderson was not relieved, as their absence was only temporary. They would be back; he was sure of that, for he was always unlucky.

Relaxation was impossible, as he kept on wondering when they would be back. He was not kept waiting long. The noise

was terrific as they approached with reinforcements. Why, he cried, had they to get reinforcements, as if he was not at his absolute wits' end now. He shuddered when he realised the strength of their new attacking force. He crept deeper and yet deeper into the cover under which he was shel-

tering, realising that escape was impossible. lie would be attacked before^lie had run two yards.

Praying was useless now, and he began to swear; in one continuous, incoherent babble flowed forth a stream of the most shocking language imaginable. Next he became hysterical; his sweat was running down his face, and he fought the driving impulse to cry out. Suddenly he became stern; he would show them. He had to do something or he would go mad. Frantically he searched for a weapon with which to defend himself against the enemy above.

When he returned it was with a formidable-looking spray-gun in his grasp. Then he lay silently on his bed, waiting for the forthcoming attack. First a scout appeared and droned away into the surrounding gloom. Then the main forces arrived, and when the mosquitoes dived to the attack Private Anderson brought down sixteen, to say nothing of four which probably never reached their base.

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POETIC JUSTICE.

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The greatest ambition of the majority of high school boys, I should think, is to become a prefect. To be appointed such a person brings on him many responsibilities. For instance, he has to set an example and, as a result, usually has to reform a great many of his habits. Then, again, he has to make regular tours of the classrooms before and after school, much to the inconvenience of the boy attempting to complete his homework. These responsibilities, however, are counter-balanced by a great many privileges. One is the use of a study, a place very much respected by third-formers especially. Another privilege which is made great use of is the use of the new gentleman. A prefect has just to call out, "New gentlemen," and five or six third-formers will line up in front of him, ready to do as he bids. Little does this influential being realise that, if he goes to University the following year, his power will decline and he will be regarded as a new gentleman.

R.McL., Form Vo.

COALS TO NEWCASTLE.

(AN EPIC OF SCHOOL LIFE.)

HK was just rocking in the cradle of sleep; his brain was not working, not that it ever did-much. He was very warm and comfortable. The least thing that he wanted was the blanket to be removed from his scarcely covered ears. ^ ddenh, hoAvever, it was roughly pulled away, and a voice, hoarse as an old gramophone, whispered in his hear:

"Get up, my little one. It's eleven-thirty."

At first our rotund hero was inclined to push away the disturber of his peace and the thought of getting up. After all, it was his bed, where lie was lawfully allowed to go to sleep at this time of the night, and he was very comfortable.

Then he remembered the plan to get up and go out. Shivering like a jelly, he got out of bed and picked up his clothes. Of course, lie dropped a shoe, and his reward for that was a not so gentle punch from his waker, who was in front. Outside in the passage he commenced to dress, his teeth chattering and his knees knocking with cold, but the menacing grunts of his companions around him kept him from waking the whole place. When everybody was dressed, they walked like mice-or so they thought - along tlu* wooden passage and down the stairs.

Once a board creaked, and it was all that our friend could do to stop himself from rushing back to bed in terror.

When they reached the lawn, they saw the frost-covered ground, made still more like silver because of the clear, cold moon. The brothers-in-arms started to jog-trot to their destination. They had 110 jackets on, for they could not risk disclosing their identities, and their necks were open for the same reason. As they trotted along, white streamers of vapourised breath trailed behind them, misty reminders of the winter that was at hand.

They reached their destination. From a distance it looked very cheerful and warm. It was a caravan, with one side let down, forming a counter. On the counter stood copper and chromium-plated urns, filled with both tea and coffee. Flanking

this shining array were small glass-covered dishes with mountains of meat-pies and sausage-rolls. At the back of the caravan was a store, with a cherry-coloured light streaming from the grating at the top of it. Over this source of heat and light leaned the reddest object of all-a little tubby, florid man, who was frying pancakes.

As the night prowlers approached, they called out:

"Coffee, quickly, Joe-and hot pies."

In a few seconds they were sitting on stools at the counter and warming their bodies with scalding beverages. For nearly an hour the malefactors drank coffee, ate pies, and talked, with distending middles, to the owner of the snack stall. Food thus was consumed, until another crumb would have meant disaster.

The leader of the comrades at last looked at his watch:

"Time to go. Here's some money, Joe. Good-night.

And into the darkness lumbered the fivesome. After puffing

for some miles, our hero and his friends reached the outskirts of their abode. As they crossed the lawn, a voice gruffly said:

"Who are you? What are you doing?"

One of the malefactors plucked up courage to say:

"It's Smith. Jones, Cole, Stevenson and de Graff, sir."

Back came the reply:

"Go to my room at once."

The erstwhile happy companions were now far from this state of mind. They whispered softly and with trepidation about their fate.

They entered the lion's den. The lion told them to sit

down. Suddenly, in a voice which sounded full of anger, he said:

"Fetch me that tin-the blue one."

The smallest night-bird rose and brought the tin over to his captor, all the time wondering anxiously what would happen to him. The owner of the room whipped off the lid of it, and said:

"Have a biscuit* boys?"

The master had been a boarder at St. Michael's College, too!

F.R.S., Form Va.

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ARRIVAL AT MADEIRA.

Early in the morning our ship coasted for some time along the coast of Madeira, giving us ample time to admire its mist-laden mountains, its cultivated terraced fields and its Zoeky gorges down which the mountain torrents raged and tossed.

Just after breakfast we steamed into Funchal Bay. Funchal Bay has been rightly compared with the Bay of Naples. The same curved shape, the same bright blue sea, and the Loo rock on which the fort stands is like the rock on which the Castel del Ovo' stands. As we entered the harbour the ship was besieged by a fleet of small fishing-boats. If one threw a coin into the sea, a little urchin would dive right under the ship and come up on the other side. The captain advised us to keep our port-holes closed, as these natives of Madeira were not what might be called honest.

After being rowed ashore, we decided to investigate. Immediately we landed we were surrounded by a host of pedlars, scantily-clothed men, barefooted urchins, all wishing to part us from our money. The smell was that of a kind which would make the owner of a pig-sty blush! Slowly we wended our way to the Customs house, followed by a train of children and flies. If the European flies knew of this El Dorado, they would all leave Europe permanently! By sledge we reached our hotel, after a great deal of trouble, as the ox absolutely refused to budge.

The following day, comfortably seated in hammocks, we were carried to the top of a neighbouring mountain. Our bearers' backs were quite curved, as the majority of them had done this job all their lives. What a glorious panorama greeted our eyes when we reached the top! From there virtually the whole of the island could be viewed. The journey down was, I think, rather unpleasant. The mountain was so steep, the ridges so high and the paths so narrow.

The afternoon was spent in viewing the city itself. The buildings, as a whole, are unpretentious. They usually have stucco fronts of some gaudy colour, such as red, yellow or orange. In the heart of the city is the cathedral. This day we were fortunate, as the padre was there, and he, justly proud of his church, showed us round.

"The Praza must be visited," our landlord said. So, obediently, we set off for that place. The Praza is the public garden and is not very far from the Governor's State residence. Never before have I ever seen such myriads of tropical plants growing in wild confusion. That morning we came to an iron bridge, from which we watched the laundresses doing their washing in the river below. From one of these women I learnt that the band was to play that evening. . . . Through

the long arcades of palms we wandered-faintly to us on the heavily scented breeze was borne the music of Portugal.

The cemetery was visited. It is a place of great interest. The deceased is put into his coffin; then is put on a shelf in a small kind of chapel, built by his or her family, in the graveyard. There is a door to this building, and often people go there to pray for the souls of their dead relations. The British have two cemeteries there, but before 1705 no Protestant could be buried in Madeira! When a Protestant died, he was thrown into the sea, as the "dead heretic dog," as our guide put it, would befoul the land if he was buried there. Eventually permission was granted to bury Protestants' bodies in consecrated ground, but often it was necessary to employ a guard of soldiers for the purpose of protecting the body from insult by the population.

Funchal owns three excellent markets-one for fruit, one for meat and the last for fish. Some distance from here is the Governor's residence, a large semi-castellated building, named the Fortalaza, or the Palace of Sao Lourenço. Here we watched the guards' parade. Somehow, their drill was more fascinating than the British drill. Near us a retired British soldier's anger was aroused by the way they went through their evolutions. At mid-day a salute was fired in honour of some important personage, but to me it was a salute to Madeira.

D.H., Form Va.

THE SIXTH FORM ACCORDING TO THE POETS.

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Wast thou sent from heaven to play a drum?
Horribly stuffed with the epithets of war.

He has a hole under his nose that all his money
runs into.

I'll speak in a monstrous little voice.

The smile that was childlike and bland.

Persuading eyes.

Dreams which are the children of an idle brain.

I will tell this tale which is strictly true.

A little learning is a dangerous thing.

The multitude is always in the wrong.

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Love goes toward love, as schoolboys from their books.
I am that merry wanderer of the night.

Unblamed of life.

I know not by what power I am made bold.

Thou art sad; get thee a wife, get thee a wife!

And who the deuce was Pythagoras?

Three summers since I chose a maid.

When you are old and gray and full of sleep.

I cannot see how sleeping should offend.

His talents were of the more silent class.

Wilt thou still talk? How say you now?

For every why he had a wherefore.

Methinks he looks as though he were in love.

His faults lie gently on him.

Whatever the year brings, he brings nothing new.
And yet he seemed busier than he was.

Come, madam wife, sit by my side and let the world
slip by.

Lovers and madmen have such seething brains!
Affected modesty has much of pride.

He is retired as noontide dew.

.1 feel we shall out-sleep the coming morn.

What's in a name?

7. C. He pretends to command the army.

There is a lady sweet and kind.

No touch of bashfulness has lie.

Sparing of his smile.

. M. Thou art inclined to sleep;'tis a good dullness.
Stands Scotland where it did?

The enemy is loud; you hear him all the night.
Talkest thou nothing but of ladies.

So we'll go no more a-roving.

Say not that the struggle naught availeth.

You think doubtless that they should have spoken in
Latin.

Behold and fear.

In glory of my kinsman, Hercules.

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Th-m/ps-n

Th-rnh-ll

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W-lt-n

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Lord, Avliat fools these mortals be.

Generally wo love ourselves more than we hate others.
And pointed satire runs him through and through.
Tiie lunatic, the lover and the poet.

Behold, what a giant I am!

Let me live, unseen, unknown.

Alone I did it! Boy!

We'll try no manhood here.

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