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SCHOOL NOTES.

We commenced the year with a large increase of numbers, and there are now 112 boys on the books. This number quite fills our present accommodation.

By an unfortunate oversight, in our last number, we forgot to congratulate Mr. P. Coetsee on his marriage to Miss Davidtz, which happy event took place at Potchefstroom last July. We take this opportunity of offering a most cordial, if somewhat late, welcome to Mrs. Coetsee to Michaelhouse and of wishing them both all happiness.

We were very grieved to hear of the unfortunate breakdown in health of Mr. J. H. Besant, the Headmaster of Cordwalles. He was taken ill last Christmas holidays, and was ordered to take a rest for a quarter. We are glad to hear that he is now very much better, and hopes to resume his work by the middle of this month.

We were most extremely fortunate, under the circumstances, in getting Mr. E. A. Thompson, M.A., late Headmaster of Weenen County College, to take Mr. Besant's place at Cordwalles.

We are glad to welcome Mr. Adair back again to Michaelhouse after his twelve months' holiday. Mr. Adair went to England last February, in the hopes of being accepted for military service. After being twice turned down by the doctors for defective eyesight, he decided that he could be more usefully employed by returning to Michaelhouse. He reached Natal towards the end of last year, and rejoined the staff in February.

That he has lost none of his keenness by his trip is amply proved by the energy he is putting into his work in connection with the Cadet Corps, and it is largely due to him and to Mr. Bishop that the Cadet camp was so thoroughly enjoyed by our boys. During his absence in England Mr. Bishop took over, with most gratifying results, the miniature shooting. They are now collaborating in this work, and the smooth running and complete success of the camp, as far as our Corps was concerned, was largely due to the self-sacrificing and untiring energy of both of them.

Mr. Hall, after being with us for six months as a temporary master, was, just before Christmas, offered and accepted a permanent position on the staff.

The large increase in number this year has made an extension of the music rooms necessary. With Mr. Adair as Architect and Clerk of the Works, a new room has been added of the same size as the old practising room. This will certainly prove a great boon to the Rector, and obviate the present unpleasant necessity of boys practising in his drawing room.

We are very glad to hear that at the last meeting of the Governors a scheme for lighting the School by electricity was discussed, and that it was decided to proceed with the matter as soon as possible. We do not know when we may hope to see it completed, but when it does come it will certainly be a great boon to all. The present Stygian darkness of quadrangle and passages is at times a danger both to shins and temper.

Mrs. Henry Strapp, of Woodlands, Howick, has generously given a sum of £50 for the erection of a stained-glass window in the Chapel in memory of her only son, Eric Henry Strapp, who fell in action in East Africa. The erection of the window will be deferred till the times are more favourable for carrying out the work.

PREFECTS APPOINTED.

On February 2.—Senior Prefect: Hart-Davis ii. New Prefects: Dyer ii., Borland, Calder, Adams; later, Cox, Order

reads: Hart-Davis ii., Hart-Davis i., Koe, Dyer, Borland, Calder, Adams, Cox.

EXAMINATION RESULTS.

Cape Matriculation.—Second Class: D. Hooper, A. K. MacConnel. Third Class: B. N. Adams, A. F. Borland, W. R. Evans.

Senior Certificate.—Second Class: D. B. Evans.

Cambridge Local Examinations.—*Junior (Passed)*: J. D. Allison, H. W. Beardall A. W. Benson, A. H. Borland, B. A. Caney, R. B. Cox, B. L. Crompton, J. W. Cross, G. A. E. H. Dyer, A. J. T. Goldby, J. G. A. Greig, H. W. Harris, E. H. L. Vear, J. H. Ward. *Preliminary (Passed)*: R. B. Archibald, E. B. Bentley, R. H. Blackmore, R. R. Butcher, G. H. Cooper, A. Ellis, R. L. Harris, J. A. Moultrie, N. M. Quinn, G. H. Solomon, L. T. H. Trotter, D. G. Truscott, J. C. Young.

VALETE.

December, 1917.—Form VI.: W. H. Evans (Prefect, 2nd XI., 2nd XV.), T. C. Lloyd, M. E. Pennington (Senior Prefect, Captain 1st XI., Captain 1st XV.). Form V.: R. G. Carter, D. B. Evans (Prefect, 2nd XV.), W. R. Evans (1st XV.), D. Hooper, A. K. MacConnel. Remove: L. Jager, C. J. Martens (Prefect, 2nd XV.). Form IV.: A. Benson. Form III.a: J. A. Pott, C. Wynne Cole.

April, 1918.—Form VI.: A. F. Borland (Prefect, 1st XI., 1st XV.). Remove: C. Maling (1st XV.).

SALVETE.

February, 1918.—M. L. Arbuthnot, R. G. Armstrong, H. M. Campbell (C), E. J. Clemmans (A), J. A. Cottrell (C), C. J. J. Crowe, H. J. D. Elliot, J. P. Fleming (A), A. A. Gibson, R. H. M. Gray, A. J. Hawthorn, E. F. Hull, A. U. G. Jones (C), M. A. Lade, J. H. Lenthall (A), W. E. Lade, W. J. McKenzie (C), J. C. B. Mattinson, C. M. Melville (D), R. C. Miller, W. M. Nisbet, V. H. Northard, Q. R. Northard, J. T. L. Rose, R. M. Smyth (C), M. A. Thiselton, C. K. H. Trotter, R. E. Verney (C), E. J. Vine-Jory (C), D. R. Wickins, R. B. L. Wingfield, A. P. Woods (C).

Easter, 1918.—J. H. Hayward (C), G. T. Ross, G. B. Webb.

C=from Cordwalles.

D=from St. David's, Greytown,

A=from Altskeith, Lidgetton.

IN MEMORIAM.

GEORGE MILLER BROWN, M.C.,

Lieutenant, 12th Lancers,

Second Son of W. G. Brown, of Durban.

Killed in Action in France, November 27, 1917.

Age 28.

Entered Michaelhouse February, 1902, and left June, 1907. After leaving Michaelhouse GEORGE BROWN proceeded to Jesus College, Cambridge, where he graduated in 1910. Returning to the Colony soon after, he entered his father's firm. Not long after he joined the Reserve of Officers, being attached to the 12th Lancers. As soon as the War broke out he sailed for England to rejoin his regiment, and was in France by the autumn of 1914. For his good work there he received the Military Cross. After over two years' almost continuous fighting he applied for and obtained leave of absence for five months to return to his home. He arrived out here early in February, 1917, and left again to return to duty in April. During his short visit he found time to come and pay his old School a visit, where we found him the same cheery, happy-dispositioned man, apparently little altered by the terrible experiences he had gone through. Shortly after his return to France he was killed while gallantly leading his men at the Battle of Cambrai. During the five and a half years that he spent at Michaelhouse he always showed great keenness and enthusiasm, particularly at Rugby. A fair scholar, he passed the Matriculation in 1906, and subsequently graduated at Cambridge. His keenness and love for the School were always conspicuous, both as boy and Old Boy, and that he had by no means outgrown this affection for his School in the strenuous and terrible surroundings in which his last few years were passed was amply shown by his munificent bequest of £500 to the School. To this he added the request that his medals and decorations might be suitably mounted and placed in the School Chapel. When they are placed there we trust they will serve to remind us of one who all through his short life played his part as a man should—working hard, playing hard, and, when the time came, fighting hard, leaving a splendid tradition behind him of a life well spent and of a glorious death.

CECIL ARTHUR PONTING,
 Lieutenant, 10th South African Horse,
 Son of H. Ponting, of Pinetown.
 Killed in Action in East Africa.
 Age 26.

Entered Michaelhouse February, 1903; left Christmas, 1904. For the last eight years he had been employed at Messrs. Randles Bros. & Hudson, in Durban. At the outbreak of the War he served as a Trooper in the N.M.R. through the Rebellion and South-West campaign. He soon after joined the 6th S.A.I. for German East. His ability and keenness soon obtained recognition, and he received a commission as Second Lieutenant in July, 1916, and his second star in October. After having to return to Durban on sick leave soon after, he transferred to the 10th S.A.H., and returned to German East in July, 1917, where he met his death some months afterwards. Of his time here we can say little, as he left very young, but we have distinct recollections of his unvarying cheeriness and kindness, traits which the testimony of his comrades in the field shows he did not lose in after life.

HERBERT AIDAN WALTERS,
 Second Lieutenant, Royal Flying Corps,
 Second Son of Rev. F. W. Walters, M.D.,
 of Nongoma, Zululand.
 Died of Injuries received in France, April^o 7, 1918.
 Age 25.

Entered Michaelhouse, August, 1904; left Christmas, 1909. On leaving School he held positions as clerk and interpreter in the Magistrates' offices at Camperdown, Dundee, Weenen, and Nongoma. While at Weenen he joined the Estcourt Troop of the Natal Carbineers. Soon after War was declared he went to German South-West as a Trooper in that Regiment. During the campaign he was promoted to the rank of Corporal and a fortnight later to that of Sergeant. At the conclusion

of that campaign he returned to his civilian duties at Nongoma, where he was Assistant Clerk of the Court, Interpreter, and Postmaster. In August, 1917, he was accepted for the Flying Corps. The same month he married Miss Munro, and with his bride paid a short visit to Michaelhouse. After only a fortnight of married life he sailed for England, leaving his wife behind in Estcourt. He spent three months in the historic buildings of Christ Church, Oxford, where he received his first training as an airman. At the conclusion of that period he received his commission as a Second Lieutenant in the Royal Flying Corps, and was then sent out to Egypt to complete his training. After a few months there he was sent to France. No particulars of his death there are yet to hand, except the cable from the War Office, which stated that "he died of accidental injuries received to his skull in the 64th Casualty Clearing Station." During the five and a half years that he spent at Michaelhouse he endeared himself to all. A fine horseman, a good shot with rifle and gun, a very useful half-back at Rugby, a member of the Second XI. at cricket, he was thus a good all-round sportsman. One of three brothers, all of whom have been educated at Michaelhouse, he always showed a keen interest in the welfare of the School, and it is a source of pleasure to us to remember that one of his last visits before sailing for England was to his old School.

HENRY WALTER SEYMER TERRY,

Lieutenant, South African Infantry,

Only Son of the late Henry Alured and Mrs. Terry,
of Harrismith.

Killed in Action in France, March 22, 1918.

Age 28.

Entered Michaelhouse, February, 1906, and left Christmas, 1906. After leaving Michaelhouse he entered the Bank of Africa in Harrismith, and remained there till the outbreak of War. In September, 1914, he enlisted for the German South-West Campaign. He returned to Harrismith the following July, and in October signed on in the South African Infantry for service overseas. He went to Potchefstroom for a month's training, and sailed for England in November, 1915. He was in training at Borden Camp for six months, and went over to

France in July, 1915. He received his Commission on the field in September, 1915, and gained his second star at the end of 1917. He was killed in action in France, at Gauche Wood, on the 22nd March, 1918. Although only a short time at Michaelhouse, he was yet here long enough for us to realise many of his fine qualities. His father's death while he was quite young put him in a responsible position very early. His devotion to his mother and sisters and his hard-working, bright disposition endeared him to all who knew him. All through his short life he devoted himself to his duty, and there could hardly be a more fitting ending to such a life than his glorious death while trying to stem the German advance.

FRANCIS AUGUSTUS QUIN,
 Private, 2nd South African Infantry,
 Son of A. H. Quin, of Harrismith.
 Killed in Action in France, April 3, 1918.
 Age 19.

Entered Michaelhouse, February, 1913, and left June, 1914. FRANK QUIN is so far the youngest Michaelhouse boy to lay down his life in the Great War. But, although so young, he had already been for some time in France. Last year he was slightly wounded, but soon returned to duty. On April 3rd, in the magnificent fight put up by the Springboks in their effort to stem the great German advance, he fell covered with wounds, and died after the amputation of one of his legs. His father writes: "He loved his School, and took the late Rector as his model of what a man should be." And how splendidly he followed in the footsteps of his model, gladly, like the Rector, giving up his life that others might live in freedom. During his time here he ever showed great keenness, both in his work and in his games. Many who are still here will remember him—modest, unassuming, yet full of life and energy.

DONALD HOLMES McKECHNIE,

Son of N. M. McKechnie, Harrismith.

Died at Sea on his way to England, April, 1918.

Age 19.

Entered Michaelhouse, August, 1912, and left December, 1915. Soon after he left School he enlisted in the 4th South African Horse for service in German East. There he contracted malarial fever. Soon after his return home he got accepted for the Flying Corps. His departure for England was, however, delayed for some time until the doctors thought him sufficiently free of fever to go. He only sailed a few weeks ago, and now comes by cable the sad news that he died at sea, and was accorded a full military funeral. During the three and a half years he spent at Michaelhouse he made many friends—no enemies. Cheerful and hard-working, he leaves a bright memory behind him here. Though not quite 18 when he left School, he almost immediately enlisted, and it seems doubly hard that a young life, so full of promise, after going through the German East Campaign, should thus be cut off before he even reached his training ground.

BRIAN HERBERT WALLER,

Mechanical Transport Service.

Died on Duty in Central Africa, May 9, 1918.

Aged 20.

BRIAN WALLER, the news of whose death has just reached us, was the son of Mr. H. W. P. Waller, of Umzinto. He was at Michaelhouse February, 1914, to December, 1916. In December last he joined the Mechanical Transport, and died of enteric fever whilst on duty in Central Africa. No further particulars have come to hand. At the time of his leaving School he was in Form IV., and was a useful forward in the Second XV. pack. We extend our sincere sympathy to his family.

ARTHUR FRANK BRANDON.

In our last issue we recorded the death of FRANK BRANDON, as the result of an accident while flying. We are now able to furnish particulars of his career and of the circumstances of his death.

After serving in the late Rebellion and in German South-West Africa as a Corporal in the 3rd Natal Mounted Rifles, he proceeded to England in October, 1915, joined the R.N.A.S., and obtained his aeroplane pilot certificate in August, 1916. In the following October he was appointed Flight Sub-Lieutenant of H.M.S. *Ark Royal*, and moved to Thasos, Salonica front. There he had many exciting experiences, a sample of which we published in a letter from him in our May number, 1917. In July, 1917, he was invalided home to England, and was appointed Flying Instructor at Manston R.N.A.S. Camp, where he had to turn out eleven men every fortnight as efficient pilots.

On August 22, 1917, he brought down the first Gotha to be accounted for in England, and was awarded the Distinguished Service Cross. The following extract from the *London Times* gives the particulars of this brilliant feat:—

“DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS.

“Flight Lieutenant ARTHUR FRANK BRANDON, R.N.A.S. (since killed).—For services on August 22, 1917, when he attacked, single-handed, an enemy formation returning from a raid on England, and brought down one of them in flames. As his aeroplane had been hit several times, he landed to change machines, and proceeded to attack again with a new one, making repeated attacks on individual machines, and pursuing the enemy formation over the North Sea to the Belgian Coast, where he made a final attack.”

After this he continued as Flying Instructor. Whilst flying on the level on October 26, 1917, his machine was accidentally struck by one of our own aeroplanes, which collided with it from above. It crumpled up and fell to earth. His end was instantaneous. Thus ended a brief, but brilliant, career. No one who knew Frank as a boy at Michaelhouse, with all his breezy optimism, good fellowship, and indomitable pluck, could ever marvel at any deed of daring or endurance recorded of him. His was the true British spirit, on which danger has no effect beyond an added thrill of excitement.

A few extracts from his own account of the "Gotha" incident will be of interest:—

"The best bit of sport I have ever had. I went up at 9.30 on a 'Camel' to do a local patrol. I got to 15,000 feet, and found it cold up there, so I decided to come down. When at 10,000 feet I saw a ground signal put out: 'Readiness; keep look-out.' So I climbed like mad to 15,000 feet, and saw the rest of my flight coming up to me, keeping a good look-out. I saw things that looked like ships in the distance, and on second thoughts I decided they were the Hun bombing squadron, so I went well out to sea, so as to get between them and the sun. I was 2,000 feet above them. When the time came I dived on a big twin-engined Hun, and was sorely tempted to open fire when a long way off, but managed to control myself, so decided not to open fire until they did. . . . I got to 200 feet, and let her go. When I had fired about 18 rounds I saw the stern gunner drop, and the forward gunner fumbling his gun, and all the machines round opened on me. I got right to about five yards from the 'bus' and 'cartwheeled' away. I did this three times, and the third I nearly ran into it. I missed it by about four feet. As I did this I saw her heel over and burst into flames. It came down, and crashed about a mile from our aerodrome—the first Hun to land on English soil. When I got hit, and came down, I landed and claimed my 'Hun,' and rushed off in another 'Camel' and went after them. When over Ramsgate I saw them coming home, so I followed them up, and took quite a while to catch them up. Eventually I met them, about half-way between here and the Scheldt. One was away from the formation, so I attacked him, and put about 300 rounds into him, but had no luck. My guns went 'dud,' so I came home with a strong wind against me, all alone over the sea.

RAYMOND FITZGERALD MURPHY.

In our last issue we recorded the death of RAYMOND FITZGERALD MURPHY while on military duties, but could offer no particulars at the time. Through the kindness of his mother, Mrs. Fitzgerald Murphy, of Soy, British East Africa, to whom we tender our deepest sympathy in the loss of her only son, we are able to furnish a fuller account. It is the record of a gallant patriot, who allowed no obstacle to stand between him and service for his country.

In 1912, after a serious breakdown in health, he went to British East Africa. Compelled to abandon for a time his ambition of qualifying as a mechanical and civil engineer, he took up surveying, as affording him the open-air life declared to be necessary for him. At the same time he joined the Legion of Frontiersmen. At the outbreak of War he was among the first to volunteer for service, but illness again attacked him. At Nairobi an operation was necessary, and for a time his life hung by a thread. Before his convalescence was really complete he was back on duty again. Then came fever, and the discovery of what he himself, in his eagerness not to be absent from duty, had concealed—that the wound caused by his operation had never completely healed. Thereupon the doctors absolutely forbade any further active service; but, game and gallant to the last, he found occupation in driving the wounded from the station to the hospital. The report of his death states that there was a high wind blowing, and he was so engrossed in navigating the difficulties of the road, to avoid jolting the wounded, that he did not hear the whistle from an advancing train till too late, and so received mortal injuries. He was carried the two miles into town, where he died, attended by his mother to the last. One of his intimate friends said of him: "He was the whitest man I ever knew and the truest friend a man could ever have." Of such stuff are heroes made!

ROLL OF HONOUR.

"THEY LOVED NOT THEIR LIVES UNTO THE DEATH."

We publish herewith for the first time a complete list, as far as we know it, of all members of Michaelhouse who have laid down their lives in the Great War. If anyone who reads this knows of any other Michaelhouse boys who have fallen, the Editor would be much obliged if he would communicate with him, as he is very anxious to get the Roll complete.

Anthony William Scudamore Brown

(Rector) Aug. 18, 1916.

OLD BOYS.

Reginald Gordon Hindson	Sept. 13,	1914.
James Walker Hutchinson	Sept. 25-26,	1915.
William Dering Stainbank	April 8,	1916.
Raymond Fitzgerald Murphy	April	1916.
William Inglis Tatham	July 15,	1916.
Errol Victor Tatham	July 18,	1916.
Lionel Collingwood Nedham	July 18,	1916.
Frank Trembath Janion	July 19,	1916.
Samuel Wilfred Pleydell-Bouverie .	July,	1916.
Charles Thomas Kenneth Letchford	July,	1916.
Howard Leopold Davis	Aug. 12,	1916.
Charles Frederick Forder	Sept. 7,	1916.
Basil John Ingleby Flack	Oct. 12,	1916.
Eric Cauty Andrews	Oct. 12,	1916.
Eric Henry Strapp	Oct. 25,	1916.
Wilfred Henry Flack	Oct.,	1916.
George Duncan Ross	April 9,	1917.
John Norman Victor Middleton ..	April 12,	1917.
John Reginald Frampton	July 3,	1917.
Ion Mordaunt Tatham	July 11,	1917.
Arthur Reeve Stainbank	July,	1917.
William George Symons Forder ..	Sept. 22,	1917.
Arthur Frank Brandon	Oct. 26,	1917.
George Miller Brown	Nov. 27,	1917.
Cecil Arthur Ponting		1917.
Henry Walter Seymer Terry	March 22,	1918.
Francis Augustus Quin	April 3,	1918.
Herbert Aidan Walters	April 7,	1918.
Donald Holmes McKechnie	April,	1918.
Brian Herbert Waller	May 9,	1918.

TATHAM MEMORIAL.

There has recently been erected, on the nominal south wall (actually the east wall) of the Chapel, a striking and dignified memorial to Errol Victor Tatham and William Inglis Tatham, two sons of the Hon. Mr. Justice Tatham and Mrs. Tatham,

of Maritzburg. The memorial, which is the work of an English sculptress of repute, is in tinted plaster, supported by a plinth of tile-work.

At mid-day on Wednesday, March 20th, a brief service of dedication was conducted in Chapel by the Lord Bishop of the Diocese, and was attended by the family, the School in Cadet uniform, and the staff. The service opened with the hymn "The Voice of God's Creation," followed by a short reading from Revelation, Chap. xii., Verses 7 to 12, and the chanting of the Psalm "The Lord is my Shepherd." Then, at the request of the Rector, the Bishop dedicated the memorial, after which the Hymn "Soldiers who are Christ's Below" was sung, whilst the Bishop returned to the Sanctuary, where he delivered a brief and inspiring address. Prayers followed for the souls of the departed and for the donors of the memorial. After the singing of the hymn "Fight the Good Fight," the service concluded with the Collect for St. Michael and All Angels, the Blessing, and the National Anthem.

We append a "Key" to the memorial, as read to the congregation by the Bishop prior to pronouncing the words of dedication:—

KEY TO MEMORIAL.

At the top of the memorial is to be seen the School Crest. The oak leaves and the acorns by which it is surrounded are taken from the Crest of Marlborough College, to which Errol Tatham went on leaving Michaelhouse. Saint Michael with the Dragon, that old Serpent, the Devil, at his feet, is represented standing in the attitude of one who keeps back the foe. Outside the framework in which is the figure of St. Michael, on the left is the Naval Crown, and on the right is the badge of the South African Brigade with the head of the Springbok.

Below the figure of St. Michael on the base are two panels. In the one on the left our Lord Jesus Christ is represented giving directions to a sailor boy in regard to his duty as he stands on the edge of the sea of life. Beneath this panel are the words: "Launch out into the deep." In the panel on the right Christ is represented holding with His right hand the hand of a dying soldier. The soldier's feet are crossed to signify that he has been in the Crusades. The bare trunks of trees speak of the desolation which war has made of Delville Wood. The lines at the back of the panel represent rain, and figure the vision of cool refreshing granted to the dying soldier in his passing. In the extreme right of this panel the Sun of

Hope is seen rising. Beneath the panel are the words: "Even there shall Thy right hand lead me."

Between the two panels are the words: "They loved not their lives unto the death."

In the inscription which forms the lower part of the base are introduced again the Naval Crown and the badge of the South African Infantry, and also a rose from the Marlborough College Crest.

The inscription itself is as follows:—

"To the Glory of God and in proud and loving memory of Sub-Lieut. William Inglis Tatham, killed in action with all on board in H.M. Submarine H.3, while patrolling in the South Adriatic Sea, 15th July, 1916, aged 19; and of Second Lieut. Errol Victor Tatham, 2nd South African Infantry, killed in action in the gallant defence of Delville Wood on the Somme, France, 18th July, 1916, aged 24." And the inscription ends with the words: "Who dies if England lives?"

The following is a verbatim report of the Bishop's address:—

THE BISHOP'S ADDRESS.

This is Passion Week, and once more our thoughts are turned to Him, our elder Brother, the Captain of our salvation, our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, as He went up to the battlefield of the Cross on Calvary. We think of Him Who left the glory that He had with His Father and took our nature upon Him—though He knew what was before Him of unutterable suffering, shame, and horror of great darkness—going up willingly to die that death by which He would redeem the world from the power of the great enemy of our race, and gain pardon for the guilt of the wrong that we have done against God's holiness and purity and love, and win grace for us that we may be like Him, and follow where He leads. Boys, you are going to spend your Good Friday in camp this year. You will let the thought of Him Who so loved you that He laid down His life for your sake solemnise the day, and kindle in your heart a true devotion to Him and longing for His service. Brothers, as we think of those gallant lads—the memory of whom will be kept fresh in our minds by that monument which we have just now dedicated to the glory of God—and of ten thousands of others not less brave than they who at the call of duty, because their country needed them, because there was a great wrong to be righted, knowing in a measure at least what was before them, left the happiest of earthly homes and futures

stored full, as far as this world goes, of good things; as we think of their patient endurance of hardships, the calmness with which they have faced dangers, their thought of others in the hour when they themselves were in great peril, of the way in which they have laid down their lives for others—we are filled with amazement, our hearts are full of pride:

“Clear came the call; they leap’t to arms and died,
 “As in old days the heroes prayed to do;
 “Great though our sorrow, greater yet our pride,
 “Oh! gallant hearts, in you.”

But whence came the spirit by which they did these things? Came it not, do you not think, from Him Whose name they bore, from Him in Whom they believed? Consciously in some cases, unconsciously perhaps in the case of others, younger and more light-hearted and more filled with the spirit of adventure, came it not from Him Who left all for our sakes and died that we might live and follow Him. We dare hope so. At least in a few moments we shall venture to pray together that the sacrifice which they have made may be accepted for the sake of that perfect sacrifice of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

And then, what of ourselves? Shall we follow in their train? Alas! alas! for some of us the day is far spent; many of its hours are already past; but happily it is still the day, and there is yet time to work. Not on the battlefields of France or Flanders, but on other fields nearer home and more peaceful, there is work to be done at the call of duty, service to be rendered to God in the persons of our fellows who need our help, sacrifices to be made which it will be hard to flesh and blood to make. May God give us grace to do the work and make the sacrifice!

But, boys, what of you for whom this service is being held to-day, for whom this monument has been erected, to whom specially we speak? What of you who have nearly all life before you, with the power which God has given you of choosing how you will use it? What of you with the gifts which God has given to each of you, and the grace abounding which all of you may have if you will seek it diligently where it may be found, the grace by which you may be and do what God would have you be and do? What of you with the example ever before your eyes of heroic deeds which others have done? What of you with an ever-growing number of Old Boys from

this School, now in Paradise, but present with us in spirit in our service to-day, calling to you: "Onward and Upward"?

You cannot—it would be unworthy—set your hearts to use your lives for selfish ease, for selfish pleasure, for selfish gain. You cannot do that. No; to-day, inspired by the example of those who have gone before, and of what they have done, and of the spirit in which they have done it, you will resolve to-day that by His help you will use your life for God, you will fulfil His purpose for you, you will do His work, serving His Church, serving your country, serving your fellows as He wills you to do. "Faithful is He that calleth you, Who also will do it." On your part, "Be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life."

MICHAELHOUSE WAR MEMORIAL.

It has been decided to honour the memory of those members of the School who fall in the War by the erection of a new School Hall. Our numbers have reached a stage at which a larger Hall is becoming necessary. The new building, which will be called the "Memorial Hall," will be a striking and distinct addition to the School buildings, occupying a site at the north-west corner of the front, and balancing the Chapel at the other corner. The cost will be borne by contributions from relatives and friends of those who stand upon our Roll of Honour, and from the many others who will desire to join in paying tribute to their memory, or give thank-offering for those of their own kindred who have been spared to survive the struggle. It will be a great opportunity for us to combine in a visible and lasting expression of our reverence for the fallen and our gratitude for the survival of the living. A substantial sum has already been given or promised. Building will not be begun at present, but contributions may be paid in to the Rector, and will be duly acknowledged. The names of all contributors will also appear in the "Chronicle," though the actual amount of their contributions will not be published.

OLD BOYS' NOTES.

Active Service Items.

We much regret to note that the following are Prisoners of War in Germany:—

Captain B. H. L. Dougherty, South African Contingent.

Captain H. A. Nicholson, Royal Fusiliers.

And that the following are "Missing":—

Cyprian Taylor.

Captain B. W. Goodwin, South African Contingent.

Lieutenant E. A. Goodwin, South African Contingent.

R. K. Anderson, South African Contingent.

Of L. T. Nunn, who was reported missing in our last number, no quite definite news has been heard. We fear, however, from the information supplied to us by his father, that little hope can now be entertained of any good news concerning him.

The following have been returned as Wounded:—

Lieutenant Guy Middleton (third time), South African Contingent.

G. E. Carte, South African Contingent.

D. Chamberlain, South African Contingent.

Aubrey Otto, after a short holiday in Natal, has returned to Salonika.

H. S. Brown has been discharged as medically unfit.

I. E. Turner has joined the South African Artillery, and is now in England training.

A. O. Welch is making good progress in a London hospital after a third operation to his back.

N. A. Jansen has been discharged as unfit for active service.

A. C. Thornton has joined the Royal Flying Corps and been gazetted as Second Lieutenant.

W. M. Austen is joining the Royal Naval Reserve.

Norman Tatham has been awarded the Military Cross.

Harold Smart is a Probationary Flight Officer in the R.N.A.S.

George Matterson, Lieutenant, King Edward's Horse, in Flanders.

Walter Short is a Second Lieutenant in the Artillery.

H. Winder, J. E. Owens, Eric Bell, R. G. Carter, and Leslie Jager have been accepted for the Royal Flying Corps, and have sailed for England.

A. C. Wallbridge, on Active Service, unit unknown.

Archibald Young has joined his brother Leslie in England, and they are both now in the Heavy Artillery.

C. H. Ralfe has joined the Mounted Police in East Africa.

Marriages.

Bertrand J. W. Pearce to Annie Louisa Mollan, at Durban, on December 5th, 1917.

Lieutenant Cyril Baylis to Eleanor Margaret Keith, at Durban, on January 15th, 1918.

As we go to press we are glad to hear that the two Goodwins have rejoined, uninjured.

THE STORY OF THE MIGRATION.

(Concluded.)

In my last article I described the various difficulties that beset us in finding a site and getting the buildings erected. I now purpose to give some brief description of the actual move and the difficulties we had during the first few months here. It must be remembered that, as I pointed out in the last number, we were exceedingly unfortunate in that the date of the erection of these buildings and of the move itself coincided with the Boer War. By the time the migration itself took place it is true that the war had moved out of Natal and was confined to the Free State and Transvaal, but none the less the difficulties of transport were immense. Durban was one of the principal bases for the Army, and the congestion on the railway was appalling. The line had nothing like the carrying capacity that it has to-day. The engines were much smaller, the grades steeper, and the curves sharper. Nearly all the available space was commandeered for military requirements. So impossible was it to obtain trucks to carry civilian goods

that the Rector engaged four ox-wagons to move our furniture and school equipment from the old School to the new. As events turned out, it would have been far better had we engaged ox-wagons to bring all our new furniture and fittings from Durban. Early in the Christmas holidays it became apparent that we were going to have great difficulty in opening here to time. Our greatest anxiety lay in the water supply. Before the end of January the dam was completed and the reservoir built. Our pipes had arrived from England the previous September, and were lying at the Point. Prayers and entreaties were unavailing to get truck space for them, and eventually it was not till we had been here a month that we had any water laid on to the School. Luckily it was the rainy season, and by cutting the down-pipes and putting tanks all round the quad we obtained sufficient water for cooking and washing. To obtain a bath the whole School had to go four days a week to the bathing pool. The cricket grounds, of course, had to be of a very rough and ready order. A small oval on the site of the present Second Game Ground was cleared for matches, while the Junior games had to be contented with pitches cut out from the veld. But the greatest difficulty of all was the absence of furniture. Luckily we managed to obtain all the beds and bedding and kitchen utensils in time; but, apart from this, we only had the small amount of furniture that we removed from the old School. Up to the day of opening we had no furniture in the dining hall, except a trestle table and a few benches for the high table (for the first meal the boys had to sit on the floor); the Chapel had no furniture; only two class rooms had desks or stools in them; there were no boot-lockers or drawers in the dormitories, and only two blackboards in the School. Various makeshifts helped us out, and gradually we got the necessary equipment; but I shall never forget how, having occasion to speak to the Rector, I went into the old play room, where he was teaching the Upper III. geometry. He was sitting on a chair in the middle of the room, like Archimedes, drawing his figures with a stick in the dust on the floor while the boys squatted on the floor around him. We had only expected 70 boys, but, owing to some misunderstanding, on the night of the opening 77 turned up. It was only owing to the kindness of our friends at Annandale that we were able to provide the extra boys with beds. The arrangement at first made as a temporary one for one night proved so satisfactory that the extra seven remained on, and for some years some six or seven boys slept at Mr. Walter

Jaffray's. To add to our difficulties, on the first morning of the term two cases of mumps broke out, but luckily it did not spread. The commisariat also gave us great anxiety. So bad and untrustworthy was the railway that our meat as often as twice a week did not arrive. To overcome this, we kept thirty or forty hamels in the paddock, and when the meat did not arrive two of these had to be hastily slaughtered. All the bread had to be baked on the premises, and, as far as possible, we had to be self-supporting in all perishables. That we were able to do as well as we did was very largely the work of our Matron (Mrs. Jackson). Nothing ruffled or excited her. Every difficulty that cropped up in her department was met quietly and efficiently. It was not till the two cases of mumps occurred that we realised we had no sick rooms that could be isolated efficiently. But, fortunately, her own bedroom was in the porter's lodge. She immediately moved into her sitting room downstairs, and put the boys in her bedroom, and thus stopped its spreading. And so we gradually won through what must undoubtedly have been the most trying quarter the School has ever passed through. It is difficult for those who have succeeded us here to realise what a lot of discomfort we had to put up with in those days. The whole buildings consisted of the old block of brick buildings and the wood and iron kitchens and play rooms and the small iron room which is now the Prefects' room. This, by the way, is actually the oldest building in the place. The contractor ran it up as soon as he came up, so as to have somewhere to live in, and it has never been moved since. Thus we were very uncomfortably crowded for the first year. None of the masters had sitting rooms, but all shared the common room as such. There were no sick rooms and no spare bedroom. I remember that on the occasion of the Bishop coming to pay his first visit to Michaelhouse the Rector had to give up his bedroom to him and take the spare bed in my room. Finance also was a terrible difficulty in those days. The cost of living, I should think, was considerably greater then than it is even in this War. At any rate, the cost of local products was much greater, as I remember the Bursar telling me that he had to pay £2 for a bag of potatoes and 30/- for a bag of mealie meal. To adequately judge of the discomfort of the early days, it must be remembered that at that time there was not a tree three feet high on the place, with the result that the wind howled where and how it liked. But boys and staff took all the discomfort in good part, and gradually the place became more habitable and things settled down. To

a certain extent, our work undoubtedly suffered. Our Matriculation results in our first year at Balgowan were worse than they have ever been, and certainly they never can be worse, as for the only time in the history of Michaelhouse we failed to pass a single candidate; but, as some compensation, we entered three boys for the Intermediate and all three passed. As one now looks back through the seventeen years that have passed since that first quarter at Michaelhouse, several things stand out. First and foremost, the indomitable will and energy of our Founder that sow beyond all these passing difficulties and refused to be daunted or dismayed. He was always confident that Michaelhouse would survive all its early trials and disappointments, and was destined to play a large part in the future of education in South Africa; and, although, unfortunately, he has not lived to see the fulfilment of all his dreams, he yet lived long enough to know that the seven years he devoted to the foundation of Michaelhouse were far from wasted years, and that at least it was destined to live as one of the first schools in Natal; and, secondly, writing in some of the darkest days of the great War, and looking through the Roll of Honour of the School, both the roll of those who have made the supreme sacrifice and the roll of those who are still serving King and Empire, one sees many names in both lists of those who shared alike the difficulties and joys of that first quarter, seventeen years ago, at Balgowan, and one fully realises that our labour was not in vain, and that, in spite of all the drawbacks and difficulties, it was a work well worth doing, and one that has been amply repaid in the devotion both to the School and to Duty of the boys who have passed through Michaelhouse.

C. W. H.

THE CADET CAMP.

A Cadet Encampment was held at Easter of this year at Mountain Rise, Maritzburg. Contrary to expectation, Michaelhouse attended, but only after the Government had undertaken to provide facilities for Cadets to attend Easter services in Maritzburg. This, naturally, took some time to arrange, so that we only heard definitely that we were attending about a week before Easter. This left very little time to make smart Cadets of the many new boys in the ranks, but by dint of hard work and keenness a smart Corps was ready by the time of departure.

The Corps, 90 strong, marched down to the station at about 9.30 on Tuesday night, and there boarded two coaches which were in the siding. Everybody was in high spirits and confident that we would do great things, and it was not long before the coaches were plentifully decorated with drawings of the School badge. The train left at 1.26 a.m., and, after a wait of a few hours at Hilton Road, moved on to Maritzburg, arriving there at about 10 a.m. Here we all fell in, and, headed by the Hilton Band, marched the three miles out to Camp.

We found there was plenty of work for us here, for the tents had yet to be pitched. So, after an "al fresco" breakfast and, a little later, a similar dinner, we set to work, and before long the tents began to spring up in orderly rows. Later in the afternoon the Maritzburg School Corps began to arrive, and Camp began in earnest on the next day.

The routine of the day was somewhat as follows:—At 6 o'clock "Reveille" was sounded, and from the tents arose vague grunts and curses as the Cadets exchanged their hard, but warm, beds for the cold outside air and wended their way to the troughs for the morning dip. Then coffee was served at the kitchens, and was greatly welcomed by the shivering crowds. From 6.30 to 7.15 there was physical drill, and after this breakfast, which was the most appreciated time of the day. The fresh bread, jam, and cheese were eagerly devoured by the hungry Cadets, although on the first two mornings the cheese was scarcely quiet. No mess-tent was provided, so that meals were partaken at the tents, and this, although it meant a great deal more work for the Quartermasters and some delay in obtaining the meals, was very enjoyable.

After breakfast the real work of the day began. Most of the mornings were spent in parades under our Instructors. Here fortune favoured us as regards Instructors, for we could not have been better off. They were Sergeant-Major Birchem, whose name belied his temperament, and Sergeant Oates, an old Michaelhouse boy. After a dinner of "skilly" there were again parades until 5 o'clock, when the orders for the next day were read. After tea, at 6, we were free until "Lights Out," at 9.45, and during this time the canteen was well patronised, much to the disgust of the Camp Police, whose duty it was to regulate the traffic and keep the crowd back from the tent.

As the Camp fell in Easter week, the regular routine on several days was greatly altered to allow for church parades.

Thus, on Good Friday, the whole Camp, 1,500 strong, marched in to the City, the Church of England Cadets going to the Cathedral, where a special service was held for Cadets. Then on Sunday the Communicants marched in early in the morning, and, after Communion and a breakfast, which the Bishop of Natal very kindly provided at the Creamery, fell in again and proceeded to the Cathedral. After the service general leave was granted until 5.30, and everybody managed to spend his day at some private residence. On Monday again there was a service at the Cathedral for Cadets. These services made a pleasant break in the hard work of the Camp, and were enjoyed by everybody.

On Tuesday morning the much-talked-of field day took place. At about 9 o'clock close on 1,000 of us marched to a valley some miles distant, and, after ammunition had been served out, proceeded to attack. Michaelhouse formed part of the right flank, and, after rushing and crawling for what seemed several miles, a proceeding which was very detrimental to knees and uniforms, we charged the defenders' trenches and carried them in a truly realistic fashion. Then we marched back to Camp, dusty and tired, to clean up for a ceremonial parade which was to take place in the afternoon.

The parade opened with the general salute, and the Cadets were then inspected by Major Stopford. Then, after a march-past, the parade was closed by the general salute, Major Stopford afterwards addressing a few words to the Cadets. The sports, which were held after this, were but short, owing to lack of time. The Horse and Cart Race and the O'Grady Drill Down were two of the most popular events, and provoked much mirth. The prizes were presented to the successful competitors by Mrs. P. Davis.

Two concerts, both of them heartily appreciated by the Cadets, helped to while away some of the idle hours after tea on Monday and Tuesday. The first was given by Miss Ivy Taylor's concert party, with the assistance of some of the inmates of Camp. Mr. Bishop's song was well applauded and encored, but, unhappily, no encores were granted, owing to the length of the programme. The second concert was an impromptu one, arranged by the Officers and Cadets of the Camp, but that in no whit lessened its popularity. Many artists of great talent were found among the Officers and Cadets, but the most popular item was the St. Charles' club-swinging.

But, much to everybody's disappointment, Camp was now

at an end, and the next morning, after an early breakfast, we marched in to the station, and left at 9.20. We arrived at School at about 12 o'clock, all completely fagged out and feeling scarcely fit for the twelve weeks of hard work before us.

J. B. C.

CADET CORPS.

We are pleased to be able to record the holding of a Cadet Camp this year, an account of which from the point of view of a Cadet will be found above. The camp was held at Mountain Rise, near Maritzburg, during the week 28th March to 2nd April. Major R. W. E. Stopford was Commandant, and Captain E. F. Syms Camp Staff Officer. Our Instructor, Sergeant-Major F. P. W. Barden, was Camp Quartermaster-Sergeant; hence, for the purposes of instruction in Camp, we were under the able guidance of Sergeant-Major Birchem and Sergeant W. S. C. Oates.

In spite of every endeavour on the part of the Commandant and Camp Staff Officer, who spared no pains to procure everything necessary, the equipment was not anything like sufficient. It was only after great trouble that we were issued forty carbines, on loan for a few days during Camp; these had to be returned before leaving Camp. Tent accommodation was not sufficient, while the arrangement of the canteen left much to be desired. For those who have attended many Natal Cadet Camps the weather offered a kindly relief from the usual keen winter's frost. Warm weather prevailed, with a little rain, not sufficient to cause any real inconvenience. Our thanks are due to the Camp officials, to whose strenuous work we owe a useful and enjoyable week at Mountain Rise.

The following promotions have been made, in addition to those mentioned in last October's issue:—

28th February:

B. N. Adams, J. S. S. Martens, and B. G. Ralfe, to be Corporals.

5th March:

D. B. Koe, to be S.-S.-M.

J. B. Calder, to be Sergeant.

R. A. Dyer, to be Corporal.

Drumming enthusiasm has now reached a high pitch. R. L. Harris has sportingly supplied himself with a side-drum, and enthusiastically adds to the martial music of our drums and bugles on parade.

There has been an alteration made in the drill day. Sergeant-Major F. P. W. Barden comes on Wednesday morning, instead of Thursday afternoon, as formerly. The alteration dates from the 20th March last.

IMPERIAL CHALLENGE SHIELD.

Our teams shot in this competition on 26th June, 1917. Unfortunately, the weather conditions were very unfavourable, but the careful instruction given by Mr. Bishop throughout the year made it possible for our teams to make good scores under the circumstances. A Senior and Junior team were entered, their scores being given below. Mr. G. Burgmann kindly consented to be Range Officer in charge of the days shooting.

SENIOR TEAM.

	Bull.	Figure.	Total.
Cadet B. N. Adams	27	28	55
Cadet W. J. C. Biggs	35	26	61
Bugler B. A. Caney	39	9	48
Cadet R. A. Dyer	36	28	64
Sergt. D. B. Evans	37	25	62
Corpl. J. V. Hart-Davis	30	16	46
Sergt. J. L. Lister	29	28	57
Sergt.-Bugler W. N. Methley ..	35	35	70
S.-S.-M. M. E. Pennington ..	37	35	72
Cadet J. A. Pott	35	22	57
Cadet A. W. Walters	27	33	59
			—
Total			651
Average			59.2

Of 30 South African Senior Teams, Michaelhouse came 15th.

JUNIOR TEAM.

	Bull.	Figure.	Total.
Cadet A. H. Berend	35	33	68
Cadet R. H. Blackmore	28	31	59
Cadet A. H. Borland	27	21	48
Cadet G. H. Cooper	28	17	45
Cadet J. W. Cross	31	28	59
Cadet R. D. Daly	29	27	56
Cadet H. W. Harris	32	26	58
Cadet J. A. Moultrie	27	21	48
Cadet J. E. Ward	31	30	61
			—
Total			502
Average			55.7

Of 32 South African Junior Teams, Michaelhouse came 9th.

MARKSMEN.

The following have won the Second Class Markmanship Badge for the year ending 30th June, 1917, the conditions being: Distance 25 yards, .22 ammunition, 10 rounds at bull's-eye, 20 rounds at figure target.

Sergeant-Bugler W. N. Methley won the Gold Badge as Squadron Shot. His name is placed first on the list, and the others are arranged in alphabetical order according to rank:—

Sgt.-Bugler W. N. Methley.	Cadet G. H. Cooper.
S.-S.-M. M. E. Pennington.	„ H. R. Cooper.
Sergt. D. B. Evans.	„ C. R. S. Cottrell.
„ W. C. Hart-Davis.	„ J. W. Cross.
„ C. J. Martens.	„ D. Daly.
Corpl. A. F. Borland.	„ R. D. Daly.
„ R. B. Cox.	„ R. A. Dyer.
„ W. R. Evans.	„ W. H. Evans.
„ J. V. Hart-Davis.	„ W. V. Goldby.
„ C. T. Maling.	„ A. J. T. Goldby.
Cadet R. L. W. Abbot.	„ H. W. Harris.
„ B. N. Adams.	„ R. C. D. C. Jeffries.
„ J. E. Ayres.	„ J. S. S. Martens.
„ H. W. Beardall.	„ J. A. Moultrie.
„ A. W. Benson.	„ B. G. Ralfe.
„ A. H. Berend.	„ H. H. Simmons.
„ R. H. Blackmore.	„ R. Smith.
„ A. H. Borland.	„ P. T. Stiebel.
„ J. B. Calder.	„ V. F. van Breda.
Bugler B. A. Caney.	„ A. W. Walters.
Drummer R. G. Carter.	„ J. E. Ward.
Cadet B. J. Conradie.	

LIBRARY NOTES.

The following are recent additions to the Library:—

“St. Michael’s Chronicle,” Vol. III.

“A Naval Venture” (two copies), by T. T. Jeans. Presented by Mr. Justice Tatham.

“Simon the Jester,” by W. J. Locke. Presented by W. V. Goldby.

And the following, presented by T. J. Nunn, Esq.:—

“Wisden’s Cricketers’ Almanack, 16 volumes, between the dates 1896 and 1915.

“The Complete Cricketer,” by Albert E. Knight.

“Annals of Cricket,” by W. W. Read.

James Lillywhite’s “Cricketers’ Annual,” 6 volumes, between the dates 1891 and 1900.

MUSICAL AND DRAMATIC ENTERTAINMENTS.

On December 1st Mr. Ferrar got up a dramatic entertainment in honour of Mr. Hay’s visit. Two plays were staged, the first a sketch by L. Irving, entitled “The Phoenix.” Mr. Bishop took the part of Commander Medway, in which he was quite in his happiest vein. Miss Jaffray, as Lady Prothero, acted well, and entirely suited the part of a young and attractive widow. Mr. and Mrs. Ferrar also did very well in their parts, and the whole piece went with a swing.

While the scenery was being changed we were well entertained by songs from Mrs. Hay and Mr. Sherlock.

The second piece was a comedy, entitled “A Flying Visit.” Mrs. Ferrar and Mrs. Rethman, who had the two ladies’ parts, were quite excellent, while Mr. Coetsee, as an over-grown schoolboy, and Mr. Hall, his Tutor, convulsed the house. The difficult part of the old German father was really well done by Mr. Ferrar.

The scenery was all made up by Mr. Bishop, and was quite up to his usual high standard.

On April 6th, the first Saturday of the quarter, Mr. Bishop arranged a concert and a short play. The entertainment commenced with a concert, at which the following performed:—Miss Jaffray, Messrs. Johnson, Bishop, Coetsee, and the following boys:—Miller, Daly i., Northard ii., and Young.

The star turn of the evening was undoubtedly the musical comedietta, entitled “Carrottina, or the Gardner’s Daughter.” Walters made a most attractive girl in the title rôle, and had only his (or her) bashfulness allowed us to see a little more of his (or her) face, he (or she) would no doubt have captured many susceptible hearts. Hart-Davis ii. and Greig made most bloodthirsty-looking brigands. Caney was delightful as the somewhat flighty hostess of the hostel, while Mr. Bishop, as the Duke, was most magnificently got up, and kept the house in roars of laughter. The chorus, consisting of three old men (played by Harris i., Thiselton, and Evennett) and three charming little girls (Butcher, Hawthorn, and Lade mi.), added greatly to the attractiveness of a delightful little piece. The scenery was entirely new for the occasion, and was perhaps Mr. Bishop’s happiest effort. All the characters, particularly the girls, largely thanks to Mrs. Brown and Miss Jaffray, were most beautifully got up, and the singing and dancing, considering the smallness of the stage, were really excellent. The arduous duties of the accompanist were well carried out by Mr. Hall.

MAJOR MILLER’S VISIT.

Wednesday, May 15th, will long be a red-letter day for all at Michaelhouse. An unfortunate breakdown on Monday had prevented Major Miller’s arrival when we had expected him and made all arrangements for his coming. Just as we were going into School after the break on Wednesday morning a message reached the Rector that Major Miller had left Umzinto for Balgowan and might be expected within a quarter of an hour. The boys, luckily, were already in uniform for their drill. The “Fall In” was quickly sounded, and we all made hurried tracks for the chosen landing place, just over the railway line, in Mr. J. L. Jaffray’s paddock. At 12.20—only a few minutes after we reached the ground—he was

sighted over the top of the flat-topped hill south-east of the School, flying at a great height, which he subsequently told us was nearly 11,000 feet above sea-level. After once circling round he made a beautiful landing, finally stopping his machine just alongside the Rector. He kindly allowed us all to make a thorough examination of the machine, while he was motored down to Annandale for a cup of tea. After a stay of about an hour, he started to the sound of hearty cheering, and with his machine plentifully decorated with Michaelhouse ribbons, for Greytown. After circling round at a rapidly-increasing height, with a wave of the hand he disappeared over the wattles in the direction of Howick. We take this opportunity of tendering our most hearty thanks to Major Miller for thus coming out of his way to give us such an interesting exhibition. We can assure him that his visit gave the very keenest pleasure to all of us, and that none of us will ever forget the first visit of an aeroplane to Michaelhouse.

CRICKET.

The season that has just finished has, like everything else in this country, suffered severely from the rain. No less than four matches had to be abandoned without a ball being bowled, while several others were entirely ruined by the rain. Moreover, particularly in the first half of the season, practice was interfered with to such an extent that on more than one occasion a whole week passed without a mat being put down. When due allowance is made for the altogether exceptionally abominable weather, we had a successful—in fact, we might almost say brilliant—season. Except on one disastrous occasion—the last match of the season—our form was very consistent. Our final record of nine victories and only one defeat was excellent. Unfortunately, however, several of our best matches against strong teams had to be abandoned or were ruined by the weather. A cricket week was arranged for the first week of the holidays in Durban. Mr. W. J. Hay made all arrangements, and got together an excellent list of fixtures. We played a very pleasant match under almost ideal weather conditions in Maritzburg on our way down, but then the weather broke up, and out of four days on which cricket had been arranged for us in Durban only one turned out fair. It was a thousand

pities that what promised to be a thoroughly enjoyable week should have thus been almost entirely ruined, particularly as the faster wickets and better bowling that we would have met with in these matches would have been of great educational value to our side. From a social point of view the trip was a very great success, and to our many friends in Durban who were so hospitable in taking us all in we take this opportunity of tendering our heartiest thanks. If it is not invidious to single out individuals, we would like to specially thank Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Hay and Mr. Benson, of the Royal Hotel, for their much-appreciated hospitality. As far as School matches were concerned, we had little to regret. We met Hilton College twice, and proved far too strong for them on both occasions. We only met Maritzburg College once, in a game which was, unfortunately, brought to an untimely end—very much in our favour—by a thunderstorm. We all very much regretted their decision not to come up here to meet us in the return match. We cannot help feeling that it was a very great pity that this fixture, which has now been played regularly for nearly twenty years, should be abandoned. The reason was that the abolition of concessions had made the railway fares somewhat more expensive. It was certainly a very bad piece of luck for us that this should have happened in a season when we were much stronger than we had been for some years. At Christmas we lost Pennington. For two years he had been Cricket Captain, and his keenness and good work during that time was undoubtedly largely responsible for the great improvement that has taken place in our team during the last two or three years. His batting this season was better than ever, particularly in Durban. He quickly adapted himself to the new conditions, and showed splendid form in all the three innings that he played there. Koe, who succeeds him as Captain, had a splendid all-round season, and heads both tables. A rather more uncertain starter than Pennington, once set his cricket leaves little to be desired. His bowling was better than ever. He developed a considerable off-break, and if he can keep this without loss of pace he should have a great future. Borland also had a good season. His bowling was better than ever, as he is learning to use his head more, while his batting, with no big score to help him, was most consistent. For the first half of the season Berend was in splendid form, playing a particularly fine innings in Durban. After Christmas he had a bad spell, and he must learn to use a little more discretion in picking the right balls to hit when he first goes in. Walters,

on the other hand, after a very bad start, came on very much, and was right at his best when the season closed. He played far better cricket than we have seen from him before. C. Hart-Davis, after being away ill for the first half of the season, came back in February. He played a fine innings against Hilton, but for the rest was disappointing. He also is too anxious to make 50 in the first half-dozen overs. In the rest of the team we were frankly disappointed. J. Hart-Davis, Greig, Gibson, and Dyer did not come on as much as was expected. Just at the end of the season Scoble showed great form, both with ball and ball, and, if he is here next year, should prove a valuable man. The weakness of the side was change bowling. If Koe and Borland were once collared there was little to fall back on. J. Hart-Davis was not the bowler he was the previous season. He seems to have lost his length, apparently in an effort to obtain more break. Our fielding also was not as good as it should be. This was chiefly due to lack of practice, owing to wet weather. To sum up the work of the season, we undoubtedly had the strongest side we have had for some years, and if only the fielding, particularly the catching, had been a little more certain, and we could have found some more dependable change bowling, it would have been the best side we have ever had. No side can be considered a really good one that almost entirely depends, as we did, on two bowlers. There is good hope that these defects may be remedied next year, and that we may then even excel our excellent record of this year.

Summary.

PLAYED.	WON.	LOST.	DRAWN.	ABANDONED.
12	9	1	2	5

Colours.

First XI.—Koe (Captain), Borland (Vice-Captain), Berend, C. Hart-Davis, Walters.

Second XI.—R. A. Dyer, J. Hart-Davis, Greig, E. Gibson, Scoble, Caney, Cox.

First XI. Matches.

MICHAELHOUSE *v.* S. O. H. HART-DAVIS' XI.

Played at Michaelhouse on October 20th, and won by 144 runs.

Scores:—

MICHAELHOUSE.

C. W. Hannah, c Hall, b N. King	15
A. F. Borland, b Moor	33
A. Walters, b A. King	11
M. Pennington, l.b.w., b Moor	11
D. Koe, b Shaw	3
J. Rethman, b Hall	49
F. S. Bishop, l.b.w., b N. King	10
A. H. Berend, run out	10
J. G. Greig, b Hall	9
J. Hart-Davis, c N. King, b Hall	2
R. A. Dyer, not out	1
Extras	26
Total	180

BOWLING.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
N. King	15	2	36	2
A. King	11	0	48	1
B. Shaw	7	0	33	1
C. Moor	8	1	20	2
A. Hall	4.2	0	18	3

S. O. H. HART-DAVIS' XI.—First Innings.

A. King, b Koe	0
C. Raw, b Borland	4
S. O. Hart-Davis, c Dyer, b Borland	5
C. Moor, b Borland	0
N. Kng, b Koe	4
E. Arbuthnot, b Borland	0
A. P. Hall, l.b.w., b Koe	1
B. Shaw, b Koe	12
E. Gibson, c Koe, b Borland	0
W. H. Evans, not out	0
J. Martens, b Koe	0
Extras	10
Total	36

BOWLING.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
D. Koe	6	3	6	5
Borland	6	1	21	5

S. O. H. HART-DAVIS' XI.—Second Innings.

A. King, b J. Hart-Davis	8
C. Raw, b J. Hart-Davis	4
S. O. Hart-Davis, st Bishop, b Borland	7
C. Moor, b Pennington	0
N. King, c Dyer, b Pennington	26
E. Arbuthnot, not out	13
B. Shaw, b Greig	53
W. H. Evans, st Bishop, b Hannah	7
Extras	6

Total (for 7 wickets) 124

A. P. Hall, E. Gibson, and J. Martens did not bat.

BOWLING.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
J. Hart-Davis	7	0	34	2
Hannah	7	1	38	1
Pennington	6	1	17	2
Greig	4	0	23	1
Borland	1.2	0	7	1

MICHAELHOUSE v. MARITZBURG COLLEGE.

Played at Maritzburg College on November 10th, and resulted in a draw. The College batted first, but made a poor show against Koe, who, breaking back at a great pace, had all the batsmen in difficulties. By the time we went in a thunder-storm was imminent, and soon the light got very bad. The attempt to hit off the runs in time just failed, and in a few minutes the ground was under water. Berend played a really fine innings.

Scores :—

MARITZBURG COLLEGE.

Drew, b Borland	9
Harrison ii., c and b Borland	9
Woods, b Koe	13
Turnbull, c and b Koe	8
Harrison i., b Koe	0
Carter, c Koe, b Borland	21
Thomson, b Koe	8
McKenzie, l.b.w., b Koe	0
Bolton, l.b.w., b Koe	4
Leitch, c Walters, b Koe	15
Harding, not out	1
Extras	15
<hr/> Total	<hr/> 103

BOWLING.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Borland	19	6	42	3
Koe	19	3	46	7

MICHAELHOUSE.

J. Hart-Davis, c Turnbull, b Harding	13
A. H. Berend, c Turnbull, b Woods	39
M. Pennington, b Woods	2
D. Koe, not out	3
A. Borland, not out	3
Extras	3
Total (for 3 wickets)	63

Greig, Walters, Dyer, Gibson, Evans, Cooper did not bat.

BOWLING.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Woods	9	2	27	2
Harding	9	1	33	1

MICHAELHOUSE *v.* HILTON COLLEGE.

Played at Michaelhouse on November 24th, and won on the first innings by 191 runs. We batted first, but made a poor start. A splendid stand by Koe and Pennington for the fourth wicket brought the score to nearly 200. Walters and Berend also hit out well, and we were able to declare with six wickets down. Pennington played a really fine innings. He only gave

one chance—a hard return to the bowler—when between 50 and 60. Hilton made a very fair start, but their latter batsmen collapsed before Borland's leg-breaks. In the second innings they did better, and avoided an innings defeat. Buttery played two nice innings.

Scores:— MICHAELHOUSE.

J. Hart-Davis, st Goulding, b Herbert	10
A. F. Borland, b Herbert	8
J. Greig, c Herbert, b Norman	13
M. Pennington, c Herbert, b Norman	101
D. B. Koe, c Goulding, b Boyd	67
A. H. Berend, c Pearson, b Herbert	47
A. W. Walters, not out	25
Extras	5

Total (for 6 wickets, declared) 276

R. Dyer, W. H. Evans, B. Caney, and R. Cox did not bat.

BOWLING.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Norman	14	1	73	2
Herbert	16.2	3	70	3
Sclanders	2	0	19	0
King	9	0	49	0
Buchan	3	0	24	0
Boyd	7	0	36	1

HILTON COLLEGE.—First Innings.

L. Pearson, b Borland	16
W. Buttery, b Borland	23
A. Buchan, b Borland	0
J. Herbert, b Koe	14
T. King, c Borland, b Koe	3
R. Sclanders, c and b Borland	0
R. Buchan, c Hart-Davis, b Borland	5
P. W. Boyd, b Koe	0
R. L. Goulding, c Berend, b Borland	1
L. Norman, not out	10
L. Nutman, b Borland	2
Extras	11

Total 85

BOWLING.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Borland	13.5	5	40	7
Koe	13	4	34	3

HILTON COLLEGE.—Second Innings.

L. Pearson, run out	4
W. Buttery, b Pennington	25
A. Buchan, not out	11
J. Herbert, c Borland, b Hart-Davis	9
T. King, not out	9
R. Goulding, c Pennington, b Hart-Davis	0
L. Norman, c and b Hart-Davis	6
R. Buchan, b Borland	5
Extras	10
Total (for 6 wickets)	79

BOWLING.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Hart-Davis	7	3	25	3
Pennington	6	1	24	1
Koe	3	0	10	0
Borland	2	0	10	1

MICHAELHOUSE *v.* W. HAY'S XI.

Played at Michaelhouse on December 1st, and resulted in a win for the School by 10 wickets and 18 runs. This match, which ought to have been one of the best fixtures of the year, was completely ruined by the weather. A drizzle was falling all day, making the ball wet and the foothold for the bowlers very greasy. Koe bowled exceptionally well under the circumstances. Wheatley and Hay both played nice innings. By the time our innings commenced the bowlers could hardly stand. Hannah and Berend took advantage of this, and knocked off the runs in half-an-hour, and a dismal game came to an end.

Scores:—

MR. HAY'S XI.

P. Wheatley, c Walters, b Pennington	31
H. Wright, b Koe	1
Lieut. Morris, b Koe	3
W. J. Hay, b Koe	19
Lieut. Wilson, b Koe	1
Capt. Wade, b Koe	1
H. Sherlock, c Pennington, b Borland	16
Lieut. Emerton, c Hall, b Koe	1
W. H. Evans, c Pennington, b Koe	19
B. Caney, b Borland	2
J. Martens, not out	0
Extra	1
Total	95

BOWLING.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Borland	10	1	38	2
Koe	13.3	2	40	7
Pennington	4	0	16	1

MICHAELHOUSE.

C. W. Hannah, not out	82
A. H. Berend, not out	21
Extras	10
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Total (for no wickets)	113

Borland, Pennington, Rethman, Koe, Bishop, Hall, Hart-Davis, Walters, and Greig did not bat.

BOWLING.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Sherlock	6	0	52	0
Hay	2	0	21	0
Morris	3	0	30	0

MICHAELHOUSE *v.* ESTCOURT.

Played at Estcourt on December 8th, and resulted in a win by 59 runs. This was another match almost completely ruined by rain. Owing to a breakdown of the taxis which took us up from Mooi River, it was nearly 1 o'clock before the match began. At lunch-time we had made about 70 for 3 wickets by consistent batting. After lunch, with rain threatening, orders to hit out were given, and we were all dismissed for 124. Hall played the best innings for us. Shortly after their innings began rain started to fall, and continued for the rest of the afternoon. Considering the conditions, Borland's bowling performance was a fine one. P. Moor made a few good hits, while Norton defended stubbornly.

Scores:—

MICHAELHOUSE.

C. W. Hannah, b Winter	14
A. F. Borland, b Winter	18
A. H. Berend, b Gold	7
M. E. Pennington, l.b.w., b Gold	21
J. F. Rethman, b Gold	0
D. B. Koe, b J. P. Moor	14
A. P. Hall, b J. P. Moor	26
J. Greig, not out	5
F. S. Bishop, c Dixon, b J. P. Moor	2
J. Hart-Davis, c Adair, b Gold	2
A. W. Walters, b Gold	1
Extras	14
Total	124

BOWLING.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Gold	15.1	2	45	5
Winter	8	1	37	2
Beattie	2	0	11	0
J. P. Moor	5	0	17	3

ESTCOURT.

A. Winter, b Borland	0
Dixon, b Koe	0
Atcherley, c Hart-Davis, b Borland	6
C. F. Moor, b Borland	7
J. P. Moor, b Borland	19
D. Gold, b Koe	0
R. P. Norton, not out	12
V. Beattie, b Borland	0
E. Winter, b Borland	4
— Gibbs, c Hannah, b Borland	0
— Adair, run out	1
Extras	16
Total	65

BOWLING.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Koe	10	4	24	2
Borland	9.1	2	25	7

MICHAELHOUSE v. MARITZBURG CASUALS.

Played on the Oval, Maritzburg, on December 15th, and resulted in a win by 49 runs. This match was played on the first day of the Christmas holidays on our way to Durban. It was an almost perfect day and a thoroughly enjoyable game. We batted first, but made an appalling start, losing 2 wickets for 0 and 4 for 13. Then came a really good stand by Koe and Berend, and later a most timely 20 not out from Bishop, and our score reached a respectable total after all. The Casuals had very bad luck, in that Eddie Morris slipped and strained a muscle in the first over and had to retire. Thanks, however, to a good innings by Maxwell, 50 went up with only one wicket down, but then ensued a bad collapse, and we were left easy winners. It was one of our best wins during the season, our work in the field being particularly good.

Scores:—

MICHAELHOUSE.—First Innings.

C. W. Hannah, b Blake	0
A. F. Borland, b Stalker	9
A. P. Hall, l.b.w., b Blake	0
M. E. Pennington, b Stalker	0
D. B. Koe, c Arbuckle, b Fell	52
A. H. Berend, c and b Worthington	23
F. S. Bishop, not out	20
J. Greig, b Worthington	0
A. Walters, c Arbuckle, b Worthington	0
J. Hart-Davis, run out	9
R. A. Dyer, b Watkins	0
Extras	16
Total	129

BOWLING.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Blake	4	1	20	2
Stalker	9	0	45	2
Fell	6	0	27	1
Worthington	5	2	17	3
Watkins	4.3	0	12	1

MARITZBURG CASUALS.

E. Morris, retired hurt	0
R. J. Maxwell, c Bishop, b Borland	27
R. Blake, b Borland	7
J. Worthington, b Hart-Davis	12
F. Fell, b Borland	0
R. Arbuckle, st Bishop, b Hannah	14
C. Woods, c Walters, b Hannah	8
J. Stalker, c Bishop, b Hannah	0
J. Watkins, l.b.w., b Koe	4
W. H. Evans, c Walters, b Koe	0
J. H. Besant, not out	0
Extras	8
Total	80

BOWLING.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Borland	12	4	27	3
Koe	7	0	21	2
Hart-Davis	8	4	15	1
Hannah	3.5	0	9	3

MICHAELHOUSE.—Second Innings.

A. H. Berend, b Stalker	1
J. Hart-Davis, c Stalker, b Watkins	5
M. E. Pennington, c Worthington, b Blake	6
C. W. Hannah, c Stalker, b Watkins	4
A. P. Hall, not out	18
J. Greig, not out	18
Extras	2
Total (for 4 wickets)	52

BOWLING.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Stalker	6	1	12	1
Blake	2	0	6	1
Watkins	6	0	14	2
Arbuckle	3	0	20	0

MICHAELHOUSE *v.* MILITARY XII.

Played at the Albert Park, Durban, on December 19th,
and won by 115 runs. After rain had caused an abandonment

the day before, Wednesday broke gloriously fine, and a perfectly lovely day resulted. The Albert Park was looking at its very best, and altogether a most enjoyable game ensued. The Officers entertained us to lunch in their mess at Congella. Batting first, they made a capital start. McHardy played a really fine innings, while Tinker defended doggedly, and 70 went up before the first wicket fell. Then came a dreadful collapse, and 9 wickets were down for 89. Wilson and Mansfield then came to the rescue, and added 50 runs for the tenth wicket. After a poor start, Pennington and Berend settled down to really good cricket, and looked like hitting off the runs, when Berend unluckily ran himself out. Bishop and Pennington, however, soon settled the matter. Borland hit hard at the end of his innings, and we eventually won by a good margin. Borland's bowling had a lot to do with our success.

Scores:—

MILITARY XII.

McHardy, l.b.w., b Rethman	53
Tinker, st Bishop, b Borland	20
Lieut. Morris, b Borland	0
Capt. Wilson, not out	26
Goddard, b Borland	6
Garner, b Koe	3
Paymaster Green, c Hannah, b Koe	0
Knowlson, b Borland	0
Capt. Emerton, c Hart-Davis, b Borland	2
Ward, l.b.w., b Borland	0
Mansfield, c Pennington, b Koe	29
Hallwell, st Bishop, b Borland	0
Extras	4
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Total	143

BOWLING.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Borland	21.5	5	57	7
Koe	15	3	43	3
Hart-Davis	8	4	12	0
Hannah	5	1	22	0
Rethman	2	0	5	1

MICHAELHOUSE.

A. H. Berend, run out	54
J. Hart-Davis, l.b.w., b Garner	0
J. Greig, c Tinker, b Garner	5
M. Pennington, c Ward, b Mansfield	72
J. F. Rethman, c Knowlson, b Morris	0
D. B. Koe, c Wilson, b McHardy	1
F. S. Bishop, b McHardy	44
C. W. Hannah, run out	2
A. W. Walters, c Goddard, b Mansfield	2
A. F. Borland, c Tinker, b McHardy	45
R. A. Dyer, b Garner	12
W. H. Evans, not out	0
Extras	21
Total	258

BOWLING.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Garner	20	1	64	3
Mansfield	17	2	67	2
Ward	6	0	38	0
Morris	5	0	15	1
McHardy	12.3	1	38	3
Hallwell	2	0	15	0

MICHAELHOUSE v. W. HAY'S XI.

Played at Albert Park, Durban, on December 20th, and left drawn. This match, which ought to have been the principal fixture of our week, was entirely ruined by rain. Rain commenced to fall about an hour after the game began, and the game soon had to be abandoned. Rethman and Borland both hit hard, while Pennington defended stubbornly.

Scores:— MICHAELHOUSE.

C. W. Hannah, c and b Murray	17
A. H. Berend, b Brickhill	0
A. F. Borland, c Field, b Murray	29
M. Pennington, not out	19
J. F. Rethman, not out	44
Extras	4
Total (for 3 wickets)	113

D. Koe, J. Hart-Davis, A. P. Hall, R. A. Dyer, W. H. Evans, and B. Caney did not bat.

BOWLING.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Brickhill	12	2	29	1
Woods	8	0	29	0
Murray	11	2	37	2
Dibbs	3	0	14	0

MICHAELHOUSE v. C. W. HANNAH'S XI.

Played at Michaelhouse on February 16th, and won by 166 runs. The features of the game were Koe's magnificent innings and N. King's fine bowling. Koe never gave a chance and hit splendidly.

Scores:—

C. W. HANNAH'S XI.—First Innings.

C. W. Hannah, b Borland	6
S. Hart-Davis, c and b Borland	1
C. F. Moor, c C. Hart-Davis, b Borland	0
J. F. Rethman, b Borland	1
N. King, b Borland	1
E. Arbuthnot, b Koe	1
R. A. King, c Caney, b Koe	0
F. S. Bishop, c Greig, b Borland	1
C. E. Raw, b Koe	0
R. H. Lindsay, b Koe	5
A. P. Hall, not out	2
Extras	11
Total	29

BOWLING.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Borland	7	1	9	6
Koe	6.3	0	9	4

C. W. HANNAH'S XI.—Second Innings.

C. W. Hannah, b Koe	5
C. F. Moor, c Dyer, b Borland	20
J. F. Rethman, c Caney, b Koe	13
N. King, c Gibson, b Borland	0
E. Arbuthnot, c and b Caney	20
R. A. King, c Gibson, b J. Hart-Davis	36
R. H. Lindsay, not out	9
A. P. Hall, b J. Hart-Davis	2
Extras	17
Total (for 7 wickets)	122

BOWLING.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Borland	5	0	30	2
J. Hart-Davis	7	0	49	2
Koe	4	0	19	2
Caney	1.1	0	7	1

MICHAELHOUSE.

A. H. Berend, c Hall, b A. King	7
A. W. Walters, b N. King	0
C. Hart-Davis, c Arbuthnot, b A. King	13
D. B. Koe, st Bishop, b Hannah	121
A. F. Borland, b N. King	8
J. Hart-Davis, b N. King	0
J. Greig, b N. King	0
R. A. Dyer, b N. King	0
E. W. Gibson, b N. King	7
B. Caney, b N. King	0
W. Harris, not out	20
Extras	19
Total	195

BOWLING.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
N. King	20	3	62	7
A. King	9	1	31	2
J. Rethman	4	1	9	0
Hart-Davis	3	0	26	0
C. Moor	2	0	16	0
Arbuthnot	4	0	17	0
Hannah	2	0	15	1

MICHAELHOUSE *v.* HILTON COLLEGE.

Played at Hilton on March 2nd, and resulted in an easy win by 197. Borland proved far too good for the Hilton boys, and gained a wonderful analysis. After we had lost one wicket in the first over, C. Hart-Davis and Walters settled down, and by really good cricket added 117. Koe made some splendid hits in his innings. All the others hit hard, with the result that we made 246 in a little over two hours.

Scores:—

HILTON COLLEGE.

J. W. Buttery, b Borland	4
F. H. Mitchell, c Borland, b Koe	1
T. W. Boyd, c Cox, b Borland	5
R. L. Goulding, c and b Borland	4
J. W. Smith, b Borland	2
S. R. Buchan, b Koe	5
— Anderson, b Borland	5
C. W. Lund, b Borland	6
P. Chiazzari, not out	4
— Bekenn, c and b Borland	2
— Hawkins, b Borland	0
Extras	11
Total	49

BOWLING.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Borland	15.5	9	12	8
Koe	11	7	17	2
J. Hart-Davis	4	0	9	0

MICHAELHOUSE.

A. H. Berend, b Boyd	0
A. W. Walters, c Buchan, b Chiazzari	74
W. C. Hart-Davis, run out	60
D. B. Koe, c Mitchell, b Smith	52
A. F. Borland, b Chiazzari	10
J. Hart-Davis, b Hawkins	9
R. A. Dyer, b Chiazzari	15
J. A. Greig, b Chiazzari	0
E. W. Gibson, c and b Hawkins	0
R. B. Cox, b Boyd	10
B. Caney, not out	9
Extras	7
Total	246

BOWLING.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Boyd	15	0	70	2
Bekenn	9	0	30	0
Chiazzari	9	0	54	4
Mitchell	3	0	18	0
Hawkins	9	2	29	2
Lund	2	0	15	0
Smith	3	0	22	1

MICHAELHOUSE v. REV. C. D. ROBINSON'S XI.

Played at Michaelhouse on March 9th, and won by 47 runs. Ladysmith batted first, but, except for Riddell and Sparks, did little. Sparks in particular played good cricket. Borland bowled very well, but with little luck. For us Walters played a very fine innings, while Rethman and Borland hit well. In their second innings Ladysmith did much better. Sparks again played very well. It was a most glorious day and a very enjoyable game. We were most grateful to Mr. Robinson for the trouble he took to bring a team from so far to play us.

Scores:—

REV. C. D. ROBINSON'S XI.—First Innings.

Rev. C. D. Robinson, b Koe	0
S. M. Riddell, c and b Rethman	28
J. Turnbull, c Greig, b Borland	0
N. King, b Borland	0
E. H. Sparks, not out	42
A. King, c Hannah, b Rethman	0
A. Farquhar, c Hannah, b Borland	9
W. Leathern, c Bishop, b Koe	4
— Read, b Koe	0
A. Grant, c Greig, b Koe	1
R. A. Dyer, b Borland	0
Extras	10
Total	94

BOWLING.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Borland	14.3	5	44	4
Koe	9	5	16	4
Rethman	5	0	24	2

REV. C. D. ROBINSON'S XI.—Second Innings.

Rev. C. D. Robinson, b Rethman	15
S. M. Riddell, b Hannah	13
J. Turnbull, b Koe	5
N. King, b Koe	1
E. H. Sparks, c Berend, b Hall	74
A. King, b Koe	12
A. Farquhar, b Borland	23
W. Leathern, b Koe	5
— Read, not out	6
A. Grant, c Walters, b Hall	0
R. A. Dyer, not out	9
Extras	31
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Total (for 9 wickets)	194

BOWLING.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Hannah	8	0	53	1
Koe	8	3	22	4
Borland	8	0	55	1
Hall	6	0	26	2
Rethman	2	0	7	1

MICHAELHOUSE.

A. P. Hall, c Sparks, b Farquhar	6
A. W. Walters, b Leathern	31
W. C. Hart-Davis, l.b.w., b Farquhar	0
D. B. Koe, l.b.w., b Farquhar	18
J. F. Rethman, c A. King, b Farquhar	31
A. F. Borland, c Riddell, b Farquhar	30
A. H. Berend, c Turnbull, b A. King	9
C. W. Hannah, c Farquhar, b A. King	10
F. S. Bishop, b A. King	1
J. Greig, not out	1
E. W. Gibson, c N. King, b A. King	0
Extras	4
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Total	141

BOWLING.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
N. King	11	1	51	0
Farquhar	17	4	47	5
Leathern	3	0	11	1
Riddell	2	0	8	0
A. King	4.3	2	20	4

MICHAELHOUSE *v.* MARITZBURG CASUALS.

Played in Maritzburg on March 23rd, and lost by 106 runs. This was our one really bad match of the season. Our fielding, both ground and catching, was dreadful, our bowling was poor, and our batting deplorable, with the result that we got a thoroughly-deserved beating by a large margin.

Scores:— MARITZBURG CASUALS.

R. J. Maxwell, st Dyer, b Hannah	41
E. Ellis, c Scoble, b Borland	7
J. Anderson, b Scoble	10
R. Arbuckle, b Borland	8
C. Woods, c Hart-Davis, b Borland	19
J. Worthington, run out	7
A. Hair, not out	30
— Berry, b Hall	19
C. E. Hackney, b Hall	17
— Harrison, b Borland	0
— Shippey, not out	2
Extras	27
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Total (for 9 wickets, declared)	187

BOWLING.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Borland	21	2	65	4
Koe	13	2	30	0
Hannah	7	0	25	1
Scoble	4	1	5	1
Rethman	5	0	18	0
Hall	3	0	17	2

MICHAELHOUSE.

A. Walters, b Arbuckle	0
A. H. Berend, b Hair	7
W. C. Hart-Davis, b Hair	11
D. B. Koe, b Hair	0
J. F. Rethman, run out	6
A. F. Borland, l.b.w., b Hair	2
C. W. Hannah, c Shippey, b Worthington	9
A. P. Hall, b Hair	14
R. A. Dyer, b Worthington	9
E. W. Gibson, b Worthington	2
J. Scoble, not out	4
Extras	17
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Total	81

BOWLING.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Arbuckle	9	2	13	1
Hair	18.2	1	39	5
Worthington	10	2	12	3

First XI. Averages.

BATTING.

	Innings.	Not Out.	Total.	H.S.	Avge.
D. B. Koe	10	1	331	121	36.77
M. E. Pennington	8	1	232	101	33.14
W. C. Hart-Davis	4	0	84	60	21
A. F. Borland	11	1	195	45	19.5
A. H. Berend	13	1	225	54	18.75
A. W. Walters	9	1	142	74	17.75
J. G. Greig	9	3	51	18*	8.5
R. A. Dyer	6	1	37	12	7.4
J. Hart-Davis	9	0	50	13	5.5
E. Gibson	4	0	9	7	2.5
W. Harris, 20*; R. Cox, 10; B. Caney, 0, 9*; W. H. Evans, 0*; J. Scoble, 4*.					

Also played for the School:—

J. F. Rethman	6	1	130	49	26
F. S. Bishop	5	1	77	44	19.25
C. W. Hannah	9	1	153	82*	19.12
A. P. Hall	5	1	64	26	16

BOWLING.

	Overs.	Maidens.	Runs.	Wickets.	Avge.
D. B. Koe	138	36	337	45	7.46
A. F. Borland	165.1	41	475	60	7.91
M. Pennington	16	2	57	4	14.25
J. Hart-Davis	41	11	144	8	18

Scoble, 1 for 5; Caney, 1 for 7; Greig, 1 for 23.

Second XI. Matches.

The Second XI. had a very disappointing season. Only five matches could be arranged for them, and of these two were ruined by rain. Under these conditions there is little comment possible. Scoble, Cox, and Caney all got trials in the First XI. In the second half of the season Goldby i. showed very good batting form, and should be heard of next year in the First XI. if only his injured hand is sufficiently recovered. Of the younger ones, Woods and Trotter show most promise. The former should make a most useful all-round cricketer, though at present he is much too slow and elephantine in the field. Trotter has the makings of a really good bat, but a fatal tendency to draw away to leg in playing back is at present greatly hindering him. The scores which follow must speak for the rest.

PLAYED.	WON.	LOST.	DRAWN.
5	2	1	2

MICHAELHOUSE *v.* MARITZBURG COLLEGE.

Played at Michaelhouse, and, owing to rain, resulted in an even draw.

Scores:—

MARITZBURG COLLEGE.

Saville, b Martens	0
Walker, c Goldby, b Martens	32
Miller, c Cox, b Scoble	6
Geekie, c Caney, b Martens	0
Hurt, run out	2
Von der Hyde, c Daly, b Martens	0
Macarthur, b Caney	8
Birch, c Martens, b Cox	7
Mitchell, not out	7
Collier, b Caney	0
Mason, c Martens, b Dyer	2
Extras	8
Total	72

BOWLING.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Martens	14	6	24	4
Scoble	12	4	21	1
Cox	6	2	14	1
Caney	5	2	5	2
G. Dyer	0.1	0	0	1

MICHAELHOUSE.

A. J. Goldby, not out	5
D. B. Evans, c Collier, b Geekie	14
R. B. Cox, b Geekie	1
D. Daly, b Hurt	0
W. R. Evans, run out	1
W. Methley, not out	0
Extras	7
Total (for 4 wickets)	28

G. Dyer, W. Harris, B. Caney, J. Scoble, and J. Martens did not bat.

BOWLING.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Geekie	12	6	11	2
Collier	9	4	6	0
Hurt	4	1	4	1

MICHAELHOUSE v. HILTON COLLEGE.

Played at Hilton on November 24th, and resulted in a win for Hilton by 26 runs.

Scores:— HILTON COLLEGE.

T. S. Coming, c Benson, b Cooper,	14
C. D. Giles, c Methley, b Scoble	13
P. Chiazzari, b Dyer	26
A. E. Lund, b Scoble	0
C. Bekenn, b Scoble	4
J. Smith, b Dyer	0
G. Lund, c Martens, b Dyer	0
H. Anderson, c Martens, b Cooper	5
C. Henderson, b Methley	9
N. Macleod, c Benson, b Methley	1
R. E. Hawkins, not out	5
Extras	2
Total	79

BOWLING.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Cooper	13	4	31	2
Martens	4	1	15	0
Scoble	13	9	12	3
G. Dyer	7	4	12	3
Methley	3	1	7	2

MICHAELHOUSE.

D. B. Evans, c Macleod, b G. Lund	4
A. J. Goldby, b Hawkins	0
W. R. Evans, b G. Lund	0
W. Methley, c Smith, b Hawkins	3
D. Daly, b Giles	9
H. Cooper, b Chiazzari	16
B. Adams, b Giles	3
J. Scoble, run out	5
G. Dyer, b G. Lund	9
A. Benson, not out	0
J. Martens, l.b.w., b G. Lund	1
Extras	3
Total	53

BOWLING.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Hawkins	9	3	14	2
G. Lund	8.2	4	19	4
Anderson	1	0	6	0
Giles	6	4	2	2
Macleod	7	4	8	0
Chiazzari	2	1	1	1

MICHAELHOUSE *v.* WESTON TRADES SCHOOL.

Played at Weston on December 8th, 1917, and resulted in a draw. Rain completely ruined this match. During the short time it was in progress rain was falling, making the ball greasy and the foothold impossible.

Scores:—

WESTON TRADES' SCHOOL.

Fellham, b Cooper	5
Mann, c and b Caney	5
Coventry, not out	46
Bentley, b Cooper	2
Mr. Goldwater, not out	25
Extras	6
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Total (for 3 wickets)	89

BOWLING.

	O.	M.	R	W.
Cooper	7	0	34	2
Caney	8	0	27	1
Martens	4	0	13	0
Scoble	2	0	9	0

MICHAELHOUSE *v.* HILTON COLLEGE.

Played at Michaelhouse on March 2nd, and won on first innings by 10 runs. Hilton made a very bad start, losing 6 wickets for 18, but some free hitting by Rogerson and Davis ii. pulled the game round. Thanks to a good partnership by Goldby and Scoble, we had 50 up before the third wicket fell, but, in spite of this, eight wickets were down before the winning hit was made.

Scores:— HILTON COLLEGE.—First Innings.

Macleod, b Woods	4
Giles i., c Trotter, b Woods	0
Lund iii., c Trotter, b Scoble	0
Smith ii., b Scoble	7
Williamson, b Woods	0
Sanders, c Stiebel, b Scoble	0
Chiazzari, c Adams, b Woods	9
Rogerson, not out	39
Eustace, st Harris, b Woods	4
Davis ii., b Martens	22
Davis i., lb.w., b Scoble	6
Extras	3
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Total	94

BOWLING.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Woods	12	2	46	5
Scoble	13.4	1	36	4
Ayres	1	0	3	0
Martens	3	0	6	1

HILTON COLLEGE.—Second Innings.

Macleod, c Trotter, b Dyer	9
Giles i., c and b Dyer	1
Lund iii., b Dyer	5
Smith ii., not out	3
Williamson, c Dyer, b Cooper	0
Sanders, b Cooper	0
Chiazzari, not out	4
Rogerson, b Dyer	6
Eustace, b Cooper	4
Extras	2
Total (for 7 wickets)	34

BOWLING.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Cooper	9	2	13	3
Dyer	8	3	21	4

MICHAELHOUSE.

L. Trotter, b Giles	6
H. Cooper, c Davis i., b Giles	0
W. Goldby, b Smith	27
J. Scoble, c Eustace, b Smith	20
A. Woods, run out	13
B. Adams, b Giles	6
P. Stibel, run out	11
J. Martens, l.b.w., b Giles	4
G. Dyer, b Giles	0
W. Harris, not out	11
J. Ayres, b Giles	0
Extras	6
Total	104

BOWLING.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Giles	10.5	0	40	6
Macleod	7	0	23	0
Williamson	5	1	14	0
Smith	6	0	18	2
Davis ii.	2	1	3	0

MICHAELHOUSE v. A. P. HALL'S XI.

This match, got up to replace the College Second XI. match—which was, unfortunately, scratched by our opponents—took place at Michaelhouse on March 16th, and resulted in a win for the Second XI. by 39 runs. Mr. Hall's XI. batted first, and, chiefly thanks to Greig (27) and Dyer ii. (26), made 122. Scoble and Dyer shared the wickets. For the Second XI., Trotter (33) played a nice innings, while Stiebel (29) and Cooper i. (28) also made useful scores.

Junior Cricket.

The season just completed, although it did not produce any "stars," yet showed that there was a fair amount of cricket ability in the Junior Games. Trotter i. and Woods, for instance, thoroughly earned promotion to Big Game, while others, receiving a trial, did sufficiently well to encourage them to further efforts.

Up to Christmas, Second Game showed a complete lack of interest in cricket and all things connected therewith. It is true they defeated their rivals, the Colts, with the utmost ease, but the disparity between the sides was more apparent than real.

After Christmas the keenness in Second Game was largely due to outside influences—notably the revival of Colts. Two matches were played against Colts, in which honours were divided. The batting of Second Game (though Abbot and Montagu did well on occasion) was usually poor and the bowling erratic, but the fielding, if we except the throwing-in, was good.

A word of praise is due to Ayres and Simmons, whose keenness managed to infuse itself in some degree all through Second Game.

Colts were fortunate in their Captains—Evans i. till Christmas and Adams after. Both worked very hard for the Game. Colts were, on the whole, a very even lot, rather on the small side. Even so, they did not come up to expectations; the batting in the matches already mentioned was of a very

uncertain quality and the fielding deplorable. There is, perhaps, some excuse—or, rather, palliation—for this latter. Colts' ground, in its way the finest of all, is too small for accurate out-fielding; consequently, there was always present the idea that the grass would do the work without undue effort on the part of the fielder. The fallacy of this notion was exemplified in the matches *versus* Second Game. Dyer iii. and Ward were probably the worst offenders, but others ran them very close. Vear was a shining exception.

Colts' bowling was varied, and, with a little more determination, the following ought to do well:—Dyer iii., Ward, Borland ii., Campbell ii. The first two are inclined to sacrifice length for pace, while the last two, in their different styles, bowl very short. At the very end of the season Cottrell i. shone out as a lob-bowler. With the small ball he is most effective, but he has not yet attained any command over the large ball. He should persevere, however, as his length is excellent and his break just sufficient. The batting throughout the season was uncertain, but Cottrell i., Peachey, Vear, Taylor, Jory, and Campbell ii. showed distinct promise. Dyer iii. and Cooper ii. were frankly disappointing.

The crowning point of the season, as far as these two Games were concerned, was the defeat inflicted on "Rest of First Game." The margin was narrow—too narrow for comfort—but the combined "Second and Colts" just got home by five runs. This satisfactory result was due partly to some admirable bowling by Scoble and Woods, and partly to some steady batting by Trotter i. and Ralfe. We must mention also Methley and Allison's free hitting, which came immediately after a bad collapse. The game was a good one, played in a most determined manner by both sides; it was a pity that there was no return fixture.

It is difficult to write anything complimentary of Third Game. Their interest in the railway so entirely consumed them that their zeal for cricket suffered total eclipse. Beardall did what he could for a poor Game, and Solomon strove to put some life into matters. Third Game should note that cricket is not necessarily played in shorts and socks, nor is a jersey, tied skirt-wise round the waist, an indispensable article of attire.

Fourth Game became a necessity after Christmas. It was undeniably keen. Its faults arose from that very virtue. One may be permitted to question the wisdom of more than one Captain to a side. Fourth Game seemed to be all Captains,

and confusion frequently resulted. A word in season from the official Captain should in future be sufficient to quell the turmoil.

Most of the likely youngsters in Fourth Game received trials in Colts during the quarter. Anderson and Dearlove alone succeeded in holding their places—an achievement upon which they are to be congratulated.

On the whole, then, the Junior cricket may be written down as a success. This is the more gratifying as the weather made it impossible to do anything to the grounds and opportunities for practice were limited.

We have hopes that next year will see substantial improvements to the Junior grounds, especially to Colts' and that of Fourth Game.

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THE PUZZLE PAGE.

DOUBLE ACROSTICS.

Prizes will be awarded for the best solutions of the two following Double Acrostics. Competitors must adopt *noms-de-plume*. Solutions should be sent in to the "Acrostic Editor" within one week from the issuing of the "Chronicle":—

No. 1.

The first, twelve inches, often used for shinning;
At second see the dancers whirling round.
The season for the whole is just beginning;
The posts are now inserted in the ground.

1. Lie, perhaps—but rather slight.
2. This, methinks, should be the last.
3. Here we have the bird of night.
4. Marksman Bill, in days gone past.

No. 2.

Our Easter leave was cancelled. Yes, I know.
The reason was a good one. See below.

1. A drum, forsooth! You'd hardly call it martial.
2. The river horse in shortened form we see.
3. Just turn him round: he ought to be impartial.
4. Riddle—but not with bullets. Drum, go free.
5. He steers his vessel through the airy medium.
6. Lady of rank! Oh, leave me out, I beg.
7. What have we here?—another word for tedium.
8. It's rather large. A small one's called a keg.
9. Malignant tumour, or a constellation.
10. He's innocent! He wasn't there, m'lud!
11. A little dash—no, less—use observation.
12. A synonym for little pool of mud.

OUR CONTEMPORARIES.

We acknowledge with thanks the following School Magazines:—"Jeppe High School Magazine," "Blue," "South African College School Magazine," "Shirburnian," "The Diocesan College Magazine" (Rondebosch), "St. Andrew's Grahamstown Magazine," "Glenalmond Chronicle," "Sea Point Magazine," "Marlburian."

CORDWALLES NOTES.

Owing to the unfortunate illness of our Headmaster during the Christmas holidays, we have had to be without him for a quarter. Fortunately, however, we managed to secure the services of Mr. Thompson, late of Weenen County College, who has very ably filled the position.

The vacancy caused by Mr. Hall's departure to join the permanent staff of Michaelhouse has been temporarily filled by Mr. M. E. Pennington, late of Michaelhouse.

The whole School spent a most enjoyable afternoon on Easter Tuesday at the Cadet Camp held at Mountain Rise. All were keenly interested in the events, so much so, in fact, that daily camps have since been pitched, guard-rooms erected (which, needless to say, are always well patronised), whilst everywhere can be seen troops under the command of Lieutenants, Sergeants, and Corporals, with occasional reviews by the Field-Marshal. The chief authority, however, seems to lie in the hands of the Camp Police, who appear to have half-a-dozen orderlies re-furnishing them every other minute with implements of chastisement.

Valete.—Jory, Smith, Jones, Campbell, Cottrell, Mackenzie, Woods, Hayward, Verney (all of whom have passed on to Michaelhouse), Sturgeon, Taylor, Glennie i. and ii., Clark i.

Salvete.—Bowyer, Griffin, Dunn, Butcher ii., Parker ii., Rawlinson, Hallows ii., Gordon, Lund ii. and iii., Midgley.

Cricket.

The past cricket season has been one of great disappointment here, owing to the scarcity of matches. Throughout the whole season only two matches have been played—the first against a Military team and the second against Merchiston—both of which were won. Other matches, against St. Charles', Hilton, and Merchiston, had to be cancelled on account of the rain, but, in spite of all this, the keenness of the First and Second XI.'s was never lost, and they played with great enthusiasm till the end of the season.

Of the First XI., Shaw i. is the best bat. He has a very fine style, hits hard, and can always be relied on for runs. After him comes Stewart, who also has good style, but his keenness to "hit" as soon as he comes in often proves fatal.

Clark, Dyer, and Reid bat in an orthodox style and often get runs. Stokes hits out, and once he is set is hard to move, while Burdon i. and Mackenzie, with more practice, ought to be quite useful.

Of the bowlers, Stewart easily heads the list. He generally keeps a good length, and has the advantage of being able to break both ways with a ball of the same pace. Stokes, who generally opens with him, bowls a fairly fast ball, but is too erratic to be really dangerous, although he does at times bowl some very good balls. Of the others, Shaw i., Clark, and Dyer all keep a fairly good length and are all useful change bowlers. Shaw ii., the only left-hander in the team, has a dangerous swerve with a new ball.

The fielding, on the whole, is very fair, but much more attention could be paid to "backing up," both in fielding and batting. Many runs were lost through this fault. Of the fielders, Shaw ii., Shaw i., Clark, Dyer, Stokes, Stewart, and Reid can be relied on to hold most catches and pick up smartly. Parker, behind the stumps, stopped most things that came his way, but must be much quicker to become a good wicketkeeper.

Of the smaller lot, Gilson is the most promising as a good all-rounder, while Mills and Chapman ought to be quite useful with the ball.

At Christmas the team lost two promising cricketers in Woods and Jory, both of whom are doing well at Michaelhouse.

FIRST XI. MATCHES.

Cordwalles v. Camp.—Won by 14 runs. Cordwalles, 56. Camp, 42. (Jory 12, Stokes 12; Stewart 6 for 8.)

Cordwalles v. Merchiston.—March 16th, 1918. Won by 56 runs. Cordwalles, 88. Merchiston, 32. (Shaw i. 20, Stewart 13, Stokes 14, Reid 11, Burdon i. 12; Stewart 3 for 8, Stokes 4 for 12.) (Second Innings: Stokes 17 not out.)

The Second XI. only managed to get one match, against Merchiston Second XI., in which, after an exciting finish, we just won by one run on the first innings. Cordwalles, first innings, 37 (Walters 10, Lee 10). Merchiston, first innings, 36 (Mackenzie 4 for 18, Mills 3 for 6). Cordwalles, second innings, 79 for 7 (Lawrence 32, Mackenzie 15, Smith ii. 12). Merchiston, second innings, 44 (Mills 4 for 18, Gilson 2 for 5, Martens 2 for 4).