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## EDITORIAL.

With this issue the *Chronicle* commences a new volume. It synchronises with a most momentous change in the School's history. To the universal regret of everyone Canon Todd, M.A., B.Sc., the Founder of Michaelhouse, resigned his post as Rector in April. Of all he has done for the school it is superfluous here to speak. We realised it when he was with us, but now that he has gone his work stands out more and more in its true perspective, and his signal achievements here, as well as his invaluable services to the cause of education in Natal as a whole will earn for him from us, and from everyone who knows him and his superlative abilities, a measure of gratitude that time will only deepen and enhance. What the School owes both to his courage and to his wisdom, it is impossible to express in words. "Si monumentum requiris, circumspice" is all we who remain here can say. And our Old Boys could think of nothing better either to say. They, like us, can point to our present noble buildings, our reputation in the Colony, and our successes, as evidence of the power that the Rector possessed to achieve so much in so short a period.



Seven years ago Michaelhouse was born in the Rector's brain, to-day it stands as an embodiment of what we know to be sound and abiding educational principles. That hackneyed line "*Mens sana in corpore sano*" was not often spoken by Canon Todd, was not often preached by him, but it was deliberately impressed into us by the system he laid down, and the inheritance of school traditions and school *esprit* he has left us to enjoy. We cannot wish more for his successor than that he should still further develop that system and reap that good fruit where we are firmly convinced so much good seed has been sown by his most wise and able predecessor. To our new Rector, the Rev. E. B. Hugh Jones, M.A., and to his wife, we offer a most sincere welcome. If Michaelhouse becomes to them what it has long been to us, they will have no cause to regret leaving England. They will find here, 7,000 odd miles away across the ocean, a School, smaller perhaps in numbers, but alive with the same spirit, the same principles, and the same ambitions as characterise what is known throughout the world as an English Public School to-day. That Michaelhouse may live, grow, and still more flourish, a credit to its Founder and its Governors, and a name throughout South Africa, is our fervent expectation and constant wish. Above all may this School maintain inviolate the high ideals of its past.

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## RANDOM NOTES.

Hearty congratulations to H. C. Mortimer, O.M., on his high place in the first part of the Law Tripos at Cambridge. He was fourth on the list and must have only just missed getting a first.

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The plate presented to Canon Todd on his retirement is exceedingly choice and valuable. When complete it will weigh 470 oz. of solid silver, and the design is exceptionally beautiful and ornate. The makers are Messrs. Walker and Hall, the well-known silversmiths of Howard Street, Sheffield. We hope in our next issue to have a block printed of the whole group of presents.

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It is with the greatest relief and thankfulness that we hear such good accounts of C. Forder. As he was practically unconscious from June 1st to the day we broke up, on the



20th, and had serious complications besides, we were all naturally most anxious about him. His parents had the deep sympathy of the whole school, and certainly everyone, even the small boys, tried to show it by being as quiet as possible. Shortly after we went to Camp. Forder was moved to Maritzburg, where he began to get rapidly better, and is now, at the moment of writing, perfectly conscious and free from pain, and will, we hope, be soon able to journey home. His accident was singularly unfortunate, but considering he must have been within an ace of being killed outright, his escape was a merciful one, and his recovery on the whole has been steady and encouraging, though of course very slow. Moral to all O.M.S., when you come up to the old place, if possible, moderate your raptures, especially if you are on some one else's gee. Lepper very nearly came to grief also on Mr. Wells' untrained colt.

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The old boys' meeting was a great success, and so was the match—one of the very best games ever played on our ground.

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The *Chronicle* has news of two engagements, which elicit its heartiest congratulations.

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Now that Jaffray, ma, and Gibson have left, we have lost two excellent photographers. Jaffray, ma, was also an adept at Lantern-slide making, and it is to be hoped some other camera enthusiasts will be found to keep the Camera Club going. Mr. Dobree has lately ordered several pounds' worth of Lantern-slides from England.

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We were glad to hear of Mr. Hannah being at the school with his people during the holidays. Further news of him will be found elsewhere.

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One word of praise must be accorded to our Shooting teams at Colenso. All round we were undoubtedly the best school on the range, as was seen by our winning the Public Schools Competition for shooting at 200 and 500 yards somewhat easily. Special congratulations to Loxton and Boast, ma, for being the two best shots in Camp, and winning the Sykes Silver Cup and the Molyneux Gold Medal respectively.

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On Saturday, April 4th, His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, Sir Henry McCallum, K.C.M.G., paid his first visit to Michaelhouse. He was accompanied by the Lord Bishop of the Diocese and by Capt. Walter, A.D.C. After a thorough



inspection of the school buildings and grounds, the company watched the match against the Past and Present College, in which Moor so greatly distinguished himself. After lunch the Governor, in an excellent speech, presented Hugh Green with the "Vellum," awarded him by the Royal Humane Society for gallantly saving the lives of two ladies at Winkle Spruit in July of last year. His Excellency returned to Martizburg by the afternoon mail. We trust he will shortly repeat his visit, which he assured us had given him considerable pleasure.

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Parents will be gratified to hear that the Trustees have authorised two important additions to the premises. In the first place, the Lower School play-room is being extended another 416 square feet, which will provide an excellent room for dancing lessons and gymnastics on wet days. To facilitate the latter, the roof is being raised considerably, which will allow plenty of room for work on the parallels, etc. A stove will also be provided to add to the general comfort in cold weather.

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As a "lean to" to the above extension, on one side a school "tuck shop" is to be built, similar, though doubtless at present smaller, to those common nowadays in all English public schools. Though it will necessitate, we suppose, the Coolie store being placed out of bounds, it will be a great boon in every respect, principally as regards quality, price, and convenience. The Trustees have decided to allow, if possible, all profits to go to the Sports' Fund.

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In the third place, we are grateful to them for a further improvement as regards security against fire in the dormitories. There is extremely little risk of any fire ever occurring, but with the terrible catastrophe at Eton before their minds, the Trustees wisely decided to have some slight alterations made to the dormitory windows to allow of an immediate exit on to the verandah roof in case of any sudden outbreak.

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## ST. DAVID'S HOUSE.

St. David's being an offshoot of Michaelhouse, a brief account of the institution will not seem out of place in these columns.

The School stands a short distance out of the village of Greytown in a northerly direction. The buildings which consist for the most part of stone and red brick, are situated half way up the first of a series of slopes, which constitute what is known as the Town Hill. The situation is extremely healthy, and the sick-room which is only just completed will, we hope, witness nothing more horrible than the agonised, (and agonising) struggles of budding musical geniuses.

Since the opening of the school at Easter, 1902, two new rooms have been added to the left wing. In these most of the work is done, while the lower school classes are confined to the Hall, where the meals also take place.

An important feature, and one which provides for that virtuous condition second to none but Godliness is the great iron bath, built in imitation of that of the mother school. This is situated in the open, and is connected by a continuous stream of water, led down the hillside from a spring above, the overflow being used for the purpose of irrigating the vegetable and mealie gardens. Above and behind the buildings, on the hill-top is a flat stretch, large enough at present to allow of cricket and football being played in their respective seasons. Beyond the playing grounds, rise kopjies and hills in rugged succession, forming ample rendezvous for smuggling bands, or wild red Indians who may be met with on Sunday afternoons (when free-bounds are permitted) brandishing tomahawks or otherwise letting off the animal spirits, to an abundance of which the climate of Greytown is very conducive.

A couple of miles from the school and rippling over a donga, sombre with thick verdure, falls a picturesque cascade, a favourite subject for enthusiastic young camerists. Another object of artistic interest is the "cave." This is of a somewhat peculiar formation, and from above trickles a stream of water, dripping into a ravine below, of which the cave is at the head.

The front verandah of the school commands a complete view of the village, and even farm houses may be seen on the outskirts, nestling among plantations of wattles. So much for the premises and environs.



The object of the school is "to prepare boys for public schools either in Natal or at home." The majority of the youngsters are boarders, whilst a small number attend as day-boys, whose parents have their homes in Greytown or its neighbourhood.

Cricket and football are compulsory with the customary exemptions, of which happily, no advantage has yet been taken. The hours of work are from nine till three, after which the games and a plunge in the big bath is the usual routine. In football the association game is played, this, on account of the smallness of numbers and size, being at present preferable to rugby. Besides the two chief games, other recreations afford ample exercise for healthy limbs. Occasional paper-chases take place up kopje and down donga, while cross-country runs are by no means infrequent.

Once a week the young idea is taught, if not to shoot, at least to become familiar with the elements of a cadet training.

I referred above to photographic enthsusiam, and this deserves a word of mention. Some months ago although there was no place that might conveniently be used for purposes of developing and toning, yet keen young photographers found once again that Necessity was the mother of Invention, and built for themselves on the school grounds a dark-room of bricks, which they fitted up with a red window of their own manufacture. The results are truly marvellous, and some very good pictures have been produced.

On Sundays there is a great display of Etons and straw hats, and the parish Church is attended in the morning. In the afternoon the young sons of "Cambria" tumble back into their more comfortable, if less elegant, everyday garb, and ramble among the hills, as has been remarked in the guise of pirate kings, or other terrible monsters.

The school colours are blue and white with the white rose of St. David as a badge.

In conclusion, it is worthy of notice, that situated as the school is, in the midst of a Dutch district, curiously enough the whole community are English.

"THE WHITE ROSE."

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## TO LYCE—AGED.

To prayer, O Lyce, have the Gods replied,  
My prayer, O Lyce, they have not denied.

Thy youth is past,  
Old age comes fast,  
And yet thou claimest still thy vanished wiles!  
With tuneless Ear,  
With drunken leer,  
Thou seekest love by ribald songs and smiles.

But Cupid, all disdainful of thy prayer,  
The cheeks doth guard, of Chia young and fair,  
And doth inspire  
To sound the lyre;  
Nor heeding such, he, mocking passes by  
All withered trees;  
So from thee flees  
Beholding age, where beauty once was nigh.

For, see, these yellow teeth are thy disgrace,  
These ugly wrinkles shame thy sotted face,  
These snow-white locks,  
They old age mocks!  
What boot these purple Coan robes I see?  
Can such restore  
The days of yore,  
Those glowing days that seemed so swift to flee?

Can these cold, lifeless, gems restore the Jays,  
Which winged Time has closed, that never stays?  
Where's love? Oh, where  
The cheeks so fair?  
The motion graceful of a Graceful form?  
What sign is there,  
Of her—of her  
Who fired my love, and waken'd passion's storm?

"MR. BULGER."

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## PEARL FISHING.

The pearl oyster, which finds its home off the southern coast of India, is an Asiphoniate Pelecypod Mollusc, and its name is *Avicula fucata*—*Avicula* because it is a projection of the shell like a bird's beak, and *fucata* because it is stained with red markings. The pearl oyster is not the only shell-fish which has the power of forming pearls. It is, for example, not uncommon, when eating the edible oyster, to come in unpleasant contact with a round, shot-like body, which is really a pearl, though of no value. Then there is the big mother-of-pearl, flat window shell, which, in some places, is used as a substitute for window-glass, and lives in salt mud-flats and canals; the fresh-water mussel, which lives mixed up with edible oysters, and produces pearls which are of very inferior quality, known by the trade as rejected pearls. They are very deficient in lustre.

The inner surface of the mother-of-pearl shell is beautifully iridescent, the iridescence being produced by light reflected from the surface. This iridescent substance is called Nacre, and is of the same nature as pearls, except that it is deposited in a uniformly thin layer, instead of in a more or less globular form. The layer of nacre performs the useful function of serving as a defence against the attack of boring animals, which bore through the shell, commencing on the outside, so as to extract the soft, fleshy parts of the animal within for their sustenance. As the boring animal encroaches upon the inner surface of the shell, a thick layer of nacre is deposited opposite the point of attack, so as to resist the invasion of the intruder. The value of the nacre or, as it is called, mother-of-pearl of the big Torres Straits and Western Australian oyster varies from 100 to 180 pounds per ton. The shells from Ceylon or the oyster from Southern India fetch only a small price in the English market, and are either burnt into chunam or lie heaped upon the shore.

Tuticorin was, as far back as 1890, the headquarters of the Madras pearl fisheries, the oysters being found about eight miles from the shore, in ten fathoms of water, collected together on the sea bottom largely made up of coral growths, the corals not forming a regular reef, but being irregularly scattered about. To these coral growths, or any other rough surface, the oysters are attached by a band of silky-green fibres, which grow from the heel of the shell and project through valves, and the divers have to tear them away from



their anchorage. The natural term of existence of the pearl oyster is about six years, and the ease with which they can be gathered used to be considered a sign whether they were ripe for fishing or not, the silky-green byssus being said to begin to break away from the substance to which it adheres tightly in the early existence of the oyster, after the fifth year. Among the many enemies of the oyster may be mentioned the chank, ray fishes and file fishes. The teredo is another boring shell-fish, and driftwood may often be met with riddled through and through by these borers. The file fishes feed largely on the young pearl oysters, which they can crush by their sharp-cutting teeth. Skate or ray are known to be in such numbers on the pearl banks as to seriously interfere with the work of the divers by shoals of them plunging about on the bottom and stirring up the sand. As to their destructiveness, the natives believe that the ray or skate break up the oyster shells with their teeth, and suck out the soft animal matter.

The pearls of commerce are, of course, for the most part, those which are formed within the soft parts of the animal, and not the irregular pearly excrescences which are found on the nacre layer of the shell.

There are many theories as to the formation of pearls, the most prevalent idea being that they are a secretion produced as the result of disease, some foreign body having got within the valves of the shell, irritating the animal and becoming covered with layers of nacre. According to Mr. Streeter, a grain of sand or a minute animal parasite may be the nucleus or centre of a pearl, thin layers of carbonate of lime being deposited around the nucleus in concentric layers, like the concentric layers of an onion. At Tuticorin, the method of conducting a fishery is for the boats to be all ready to start about midnight, at which time it is pretty safe to expect the land wind to be blowing, and with a fair breeze the pearl banks should be reached by daylight and the day's work commenced. All being ready on board the diving boats, a stone, weighing about thirty pounds, attached to a rope, and a rope net attached to another rope, are placed over the side of the boat. The ropes are grasped by the diver in his left hand, and, placing a foot on the stone, he draws a deep breath and closes his nostrils with his right hand or a metal clip. At a given signal, the ropes are let go, and the diver, going down feet first, soon reaches the bottom, his arrival there being indicated by the slackening of the rope. He then gets off the stone, which is drawn up to the surface, and proceeds to fill his basket if he is on a



fertile spot, and is then hauled up to the surface to regain his breath. A good diver will stay under sixty to ninety seconds. Early in the afternoon, when the sea breeze sets in, the boats make for the shore, on reaching which they are made fast, and the oysters are carried into a shed, where they are divided into three heaps. One of these becomes the property of the diver, who quickly removes his share from the shed, and, squatting on the ground, puts up the oysters for sale at prices varying from fifteen to forty for a rupee. The heaps left become the property of the Government, and are counted and sold by public auction in lots of a thousand. With the treatment of the oysters after purchase, the unwholesome part of the pearl fishery commences. Buyers of oysters on a very small scale open them at once with a knife, just as an edible oyster is opened, and extract the pearls by searching about for them in the flesh of the animal, but this method is not the one generally adopted; the more unsavoury process is generally resorted to of leaving the oysters piled up in a great mound to putrefy in the sun, and subsequently extracting the pearls from the dried residue after it has been submitted to repeated washings to free it from the maggots and pulpy animal matter, sand, etc. To those who are responsible, a pearl fishing is a time of constant anxiety. The probabilities are delightful, but the possibilities are frightful. When all goes well, a fishery is a time of money-making to all concerned, as the system of payment is a small fixed salary and lay on pearls and shells. There is one advantage about pearls—they require little or no aid from art to bring out their beauty, although there are some that, by carefully removing several layers of the pearl, are much improved; but, generally speaking, a good pearl is a good pearl when taken out of the oyster shell. Those who wear and admire them little know the circumstances and dangers attending their production and collection; but there are few industries more interesting. Besides the foregoing, which is descriptive of the fisheries off the coasts of India and Ceylon, fisheries are carried on in many other parts of the world, e.g., Persian Gulf, Burma, Sooloo Archipelago, Western Australia, Torres Straits, Fiji, New Caledonia, Panama, and the island of Margharita off the coast of Venezeula.

The Persian Gulf fisheries, whence many of the finest pearls have come, have been carried on from time immemorial. Mr. Streeter, who sent out an expedition, found the difficulties insurmountable. There are dangers to the diver from the dreaded swordfish, and the natives are so



fierce that without government protection—which cannot be obtained—it is not possible to work in safety. Sooloo Archipelago, to the N.E. of Borneo, where many fine round pearls are found, is good shelling ground, and here again the natives are troublesome. In 1896, when in charge of an expedition, the writer persuaded a Malay belonging to one of the islands to point out a good spot for shelling, with the result that  $1\frac{1}{2}$  tons of shell were raised; but it cost the poor fellow his life, for he was creased by one of his countrymen.

In Western Australia, where, years ago, operations were carried on by swimming divers, the divers employed were chiefly aborigines; the cost of keeping them being so small, profits were large, and many a squatter and station-holder on the West Coast of Australia can attribute his present success to pearling. As shell became scarce in the shallower water, it was necessary to find means to enable men to dive deeper, hence the introduction of the diving-pump and dresses, which, with very few exceptions, are universally used. A pump is placed aboard each lugger, which is manned by the diver who is in charge, his tender, and four of a crew, these men usually consisting of Manilamen, Japs, and Malays, and a few South Sea islanders, the schooners acting the part of store ships and depots for receiving shell, where all has to be brought unopened, or a fine is inflicted—as much as £50, sometimes.

Notwithstanding this, many a good pearl finds its way into the pocket of the diver, a market for which is readily found on board the steamers trading to Singapore, or the divers can take them to that cosmopolitan city themselves, for when their time is finished that is the place they make for. To get a pearl out of a shell, it is not always necessary to open it, as by laying it on edge in the broiling sun it will open itself just sufficiently for a pearl to be raked out. The larger the pearl the greater the chance of the diver getting it, as, unlike the small pearls, it is not attached to any part of the flesh of the oyster. To search divers' boats for stolen pearls is of little or no avail, as they are too expert in the art of concealment. The following are some of the devices known:—Dropping a pearl into a tin of milk, which is always kept full; boring a hole in the piece of soap they use for washing themselves with, placing the pearl in the centre, and plugging up the hole; boring a hole in their bed post and dropping a small bag of pearls in; and many other ingenious contrivances.

The luggers, usually about eight or nine to one schooner, sail about at will, and divers shell where they most fancy



—sometimes being away from the schooner a week at a time, the schooners hunting them up, as if the shell is on board the luggers for that time the prospect of getting pearls is very small, as when out of the water, with the hot sun on them all day, they soon putrefy, and the shell can then be opened with the finger; even an hour or two in the hot sun is long enough to cause the shell to open about an inch, which gives the diver the opportunity of wedging it and raking with pieces of bent wire for any loose pearls that may be inside.

It might be interesting to give some idea the way diving is done. The tender already mentioned is the man who dresses the diver and holds the life-line while the diver is on the bottom. The dress is waterproof and made in one piece from feet to throat; the helmet the tender fixes on as the diver stands on the steps over the side of the lugger. The boots the diver wears weigh 30lbs.; this is very necessary, as otherwise, with all the air that is pumped down to him his heels would come uppermost without this weight. As soon as he is ready, the tender taps the helmet as a sign to go down, and then the two men at the pump start turning the handles very fast until he reaches the bottom and then slowly, when the diver signals that he is safely on the bottom, which he does by pulling the line that the tender has hold of. The tender has nothing to do but hold the line and pay attention to any signals the diver may give, which are arranged between themselves, one pull of the line having a certain meaning, two another, and so on.

AN OLD PEARLER.

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## THE RECTOR'S FAREWELL.

### PRIZE GIVING AND PRESENTATION.

Friday, June 19th, was a day that will never be forgotten by those present at Michaelhouse. It was the last day of term, of exams., of school life for several, but beyond and above all that was the thought that our Founder, Canon Todd, was with us all for the last time as Rector. Accordingly no one spared himself to make the function in the evening, commencing with the Prize-giving and ending with Mr. Wells' play, as successful as possible. After tea, which was a bumper



one, the hall was cleared, and at 8 p.m. the Rector, supported by the Rev. G. E. Pennington, Volunteer Chaplain and Governor of St. David's, and by Mr. Dobree, ascended the platform. The Rector explained his wish to give away the prizes for the past year before he left, as he would not be there the following Michaelmas, and he had therefore decided to vary from the usual custom. The following were the awards:—

Form VI.—Gibson ma.

Form V. (Classics)—Roach mi.

Form V. (Mathematics, Science)—Brown ma.

Form IV.—Johnson ma.

Upper III. (1st prize)—Janion.

Upper III. (2nd prize)—Tatham.

Lower III.—Worthington.

Class I. (Arithmetic)—Sparks.

French (Upper School)—Roach mi.

French (Lower School)—Otto.

Special Prizes—

For highest place in "Cape School Higher"—Van Beek.  
(Presented by O. Hosking, Esq.)

Divinity Prizes—

(Presented by the Lord Bishop.)

Upper School.—Roach ma.

Lower School—Roberts.

After the last named had received his award, Mr. Dobree rose on behalf of all present and absent friends, of the Rector and the School, to address the audience. After reading letters and telegrams from several old boys regretting their inability to be present, he informed the Rector that he was deputed to be the mouth-piece of over 120 of his present and former pupils and staff, who did not wish him to leave the school without presenting him with some outward mark of their gratitude and esteem. After dwelling on some of the main points of Canon Todd's work, its arduous uphill character and the many initial difficulties to be overcome, the speaker reminded his hearers that the present noble edifice of which they were all so proud was the visible proof of the Founder's energy during the last seven years. "Si monumentum requiris, circumspice." Mr. Dobree then dwelt on the Rector's many-sided character, the great interest he had consistently taken in every branch of the school life with the result that Michaelhouse, while doing creditably at work, had proved herself the champion school at athletics over every school she had recently encountered. After alluding to many interesting epi-



sodes of the old days in Maritzburg, where the school was first started and remained for the first four years, Mr. Dobree then presented the Rector with two large photographs of the silver tray and tea and coffee service which would await him on his arrival in England, and also with a beautifully bound copy of *St. Michael's Chronicle*.

In rising to reply, the Rector was greeted with a storm of cheering. He expressed his thanks for the outward recognition of his work Michaelhouse had given him, and also thanked Mr. Dobree for the kind words he had uttered. He spoke with considerable feeling which infected his audience, the main drift of his parting words being that this gift from Michaelhouse would remind him perpetually that he had struck out a new line, and had met with some success, and that in doing so had made a definite appeal to the youth of Natal who had come under him, which on the whole had been well responded to. In conclusion the Rector repeated some of the great principles he had himself always kept in view in dealing with the boys and the high aims and motives he had tried to instil into them which he hoped they would not forget, but try to live up, and ended by saying that Providence had caused him to resign his post, and he "trusted Michaelhouse would be true to itself, and rally round and support his successor."

The inscription on the silver tray is as follows:—

Conditori  
Nostro ac Primo Rectori  
Iacobo Cameron Todd  
Nos, per Septuennium Elus Socii Laboris,  
Atque Alumni Praesentes Praeteritique  
Hoc Indiciū.  
Studii Amoris Reverentiae  
Valedicentes Donamus.

Apud aedem S. Michaelis  
Archangeli, Natal.

a d xii kal Iul.  
MDCCCIII.

The proceedings were continued with an exhibition of lantern slides made by Jaffray, ma., of various school and other views, some of the old school in Maritzburg with groups of boys being of exceptional interest. This was followed by a very clever charade in which Mrs. Dobree, Mr. Wells, Gibson, ma., Brown, ma., Osborn, ma., and Van Beek, took part. The acting of Mr. Wells as the Berkshire yeoman farmer was particularly fine. The evening terminated with cheers for the Rector, Jaffray, ma., and Gibson, ma., who after six and a half years at Michaelhouse is about to enter Jesus College, Cambridge. As several of his old pupils are now in England at



the Universities and elsewhere, and more will follow, it is pleasant to think that Canon Todd will often have opportunities there of re-union with those whom he has so largely helped and educated in Natal.

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## MICHAELHOUSE LECTURES IN ENGLAND.

The following is a record of the writer's endeavours to raise a little money for Michaelhouse during his two years' sojourn in England from 1900-1902. That he was successful in raising £80 odd is due mainly to an excellent series of Natal lantern slides he managed to collect and to the invariable kindness of English friends. The views were admitted by all who knew Natal to be exceptionally good, and the battle pictures, from photos taken by Mr. Middlebrook, of Durban, during the battle of Pieters Hill, to be absolutely unique. The following is a list of the slides shown at each lecture (it will be noticed that the concluding pictures represent school scenes and school groups, which made it much easier for the lecturer to make clear the object for which he was appealing):—1, On Dunottar Castle—outward bound; 2, In Dock—Capetown; 3, Cape Town and Table Mountain; 4, Table Mountain—view from Rondebosch; 5, Arum Lilies growing wild near Capetown; 6, ditto (another view); 7, Simonstown; 8, Grahamstown; 9, Map, showing the Seat of War in Natal; 10, Durban—General View; 11, Durban Harbour; 12, Durban Bay; 13, Ricksha Boys, Durban; 14, Royal Horse Artillery landing—Durban; 15, 1st Liverpools landing—Durban; 16, Town Hall, Durban; 17, ditto (another view); 18, View on the Berea, Durban; 19, Durban Light Infantry marching out; 20, Crossing a Drift in Natal; 21, Natal Sugar Estate; 22, Cutting Sugar Cane; 23, Low Veld from Botha's Hill, Natal; 24, General View of Pietermaritzburg; 25, Church Street, Maritzburg; 26, Market Square, Maritzburg; 27, Town Hall, Maritzburg; 28, Legislative Assembly, Maritzburg; 29, St. Peter's Cathedral, Maritzburg; 30, Zulu War Memorial, Maritzburg; 31, West Street and Government College, Maritzburg; 32, Dublin Fusiliers outside Station, Maritzburg; 33, Corner of Remount Dept. in Camp, Maritzburg; 34, Howick Falls; 35, ditto (another view); 36, Karkloof



Falls; 37, Cascade on Dargle River; 38, Mooi River Convalescent Hospital; 39, Estcourt (general view); 40, Armoured Train Disaster near Frere; 41, Map, showing British and Boer Positions on the Tugela; 42, Railway Bridge Destroyed, Colenso; 43, Naval Redoubt, Colenso; 44, Digging Trenches, Colenso; 45, Troops in a Sangar, Colenso; 46, Outpost Duty, Colenso; 47, Troops Marching, Colenso; 48, Buller and Staff, Colenso; 49, Tugela Falls; 50, Boer Foot Bridge over Tugela; 51, Cavalry Crossing Tugela, Feb. 27th, 1900; 52, Battle of Pieters Hill, series No. 1; 53, ditto, No. 2; 54, ditto, No. 3; 55, ditto, No. 4; 56, ditto, No. 5; 57, ditto, No. 6; 58, ditto, No. 7; 59, Spion Kop Ranges; 60, Spion Kop Trenches; 61, Ladysmith—General View; 62, War Balloon Ascending—Ladysmith; 63, Talana Hill, Dundee; 64, Newcastle in 1881; 65, Native Kraal and Majuba in distance; 66, Majuba Hill; 67, Where Colley Fell; 68, Lang's Nek and Railway Tunnel; 69, Battlefield of Isandhlwana, Zululand; 70, South African Cattle Farm; 71, Pretoria—Church Square in 1881; 72, Dutch Vrouw, Vryheid; 73, Three Dutch Girls—her daughters; 74, Native Kraal on Bare Veld; 75, Native Cow Boy; 76, Zulus in War Dress; 77, Zulu Witch Doctor; 78, The famous John Dunn and Zulu Chiefs; 79, Kaffir Woman and Child; 80, Group of Coolies; 81, Poor Old Oom Paul; 82, Natal Diocesan Synod, 1899; 83, Very Rev. James Greene, Dean of Maritzburg; 84, Col. E. M. Greene, Natal Carbineers; 85, Michaelhouse, Old Buildings, No. 1; 86, ditto, Old Buildings, No. 2; 87, ditto, Old Buildings, No. 3; 88, ditto, Group of Boys and Master; 89, ditto, Football XV. with Cup; 90, Three Young Carbineers (Old Michaelhouse Boys); 91, Home of Two Michaelhouse Boys; 92, Preparatory School off for a Picnic by Ox Wagon; 93 Michaelhouse—The New Buildings at Balgowan.

The following is a List of Lectures, with dates and receipts, including £5 most kindly presented by Mrs. E. M. Greene for the purchase of a lantern:—

1900.				£	s	d.
Nov.—	Surbiton (Surrey)	...	...	2	8	2
„	Norbiton (Surrey)	...	...	0	15	5
„	Mortimer (Berks)	...	...	2	13	9
1901.						
Jan.—	Carlton-in-Lindrick (Notts)	...	...	1	17	9
Feb. 4.—	S. John's, Hammersmith (London, S.W.)	...	...	1	6	7
„ 13.—	Avebury (Wilts)	...	...	1	7	0
„ 19.—	Berwick Bassett (Wilts)	...	...	0	14	6
Mar. 9.—	Reading School	...	...	3	13	6



Sept. 26.—Woodborough (Notts)	...	...	...	1	10	0
„ 30.—Calverton (Notts)	...	...	...	1	11	10
Oct. 1.—Epperstone (Notts)	...	...	...	1	0	0
„ 10.—Camberley (Surrey)	...	...	...	1	19	0
„ 11.—Sevenoaks (Kent)...	...	...	...	1	3	9
„ 17.—Lowdham (Notts)	...	...	...	2	13	6
„ 21.—Colgrave (Notts)	...	...	...	2	4	0
„ 31.—Southwell „	...	...	...	2	7	0
Nov. 4.—Blidworth „	...	...	...	0	18	9
„ 28.—Carlton-on-Trent (Notts)	...	...	...	1	3	0
„ 29.—Daybrook „	...	...	...	2	8	9
Dec. 2.—Cinderhill „	...	...	...	1	1	9
„ 5.—Carrington „	...	...	...	1	3	6
„ 9.—Gedling „	...	...	...	1	0	0
1902.						
Jan. 9.—Burton Joyce (Notts)	...	...	...	1	1	0
„ 16.—Worksop „	...	...	...	6	17	6
„ 27.—Edwinstone „	...	...	...	3	1	0
„ 30.—East Stoke „	...	...	...	2	10	0
Feb. 1.—Malvern College	...	...	...	12	0	0
„ 3.—Colwich (Staffs)	...	...	...	4	13	0
„ 4.—Rugley (Staffs)	...	...	...	1	0	0
„ 6.—Sutton-in-Ashfield (Notts)	...	...	...	0	15	6
„ 13.—Derby School	...	...	...	3	3	0
„ 20.—Welbeck	...	...	...	1	15	8
„ 24.—Henry Martyn Hall Cambridge	...	...	...	1	14	6
Mar. 3.—Ilkeston (Derbyshire)	...	...	...	3	2	0
„ 5.—Nottingham	...	...	...	10	0	0
„ 19.—King William's College (Isle of Man)	...	...	...	7	0	0
May, 1899.—Donation, Mrs. E. M. Greene	...	...	...	5	0	0
				£100	14	8

## CASH RECEIVED.

£ s. d.  
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## DISBURSEMENTS.

	£	s.	d.
By travelling expenses, hire of halls, etc. ...	20	17	6
By purchase of lantern, gas generator, slides, etc. ...	22	0	6
By cheque to Michaelhouse Trustees ...	57	16	8

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It will be noticed that most of the lectures were given in small towns and villages, principally in Nottinghamshire, whereas the largest receipts were from a few English public



schools, such as Malvern, Derby, Reading, and the lecturer's old school—K.W.C., Isle of Man. The slides have now been lent to Bishop Hamilton Baynes, of S. Mary's Vicarage, Nottingham, who has lately sent another ten pounds to our Bishop as a result of a lecture with them. Any old boy or friend of the school who wishes to borrow them for lecture purposes at Home had better communicate with either Bishop Baynes or with myself.

H. C. DOBRÉE.

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## THE CADET ENCAMPMENT,

The experiment made this year by the Volunteer Department of encamping the Cadets under canvas on suitable ground at a considerable distance from a town was, on the whole, a very distinct success. Barring its liability to dust storms from the south and west, no better place could possibly have been chosen than Colenso. The camp was pitched on the south side of the Tugela, in the triangle between the station, river, and the hotel, *i.e.*, on some of the most historic ground in South Africa. Fort Wylie and the Boer trenches were within 300 yards to the north, with those grand positions on Grobelaars Kloof and Pieters Hill in full view a few miles further on, and Hlangwani frowning to the east, while monuments to the 66th Battery and to Lieut. Roberts, V.C., and the little stones marking where each gun stood, were only about 400 yards altogether to the south-east across the railway line. Due south, behind the camp, stretched the vast, bare, sloping veld right away to Chieveley, 4 miles distant, where the Naval four-point-sevens were, and from which point they destroyed the Bulwer Road Bridge at Colenso, in the shadow of which we were, so to speak, camping, and beneath which the Cadets' bathing limit was so conveniently placed. We must not omit the glorious view of the Drakensberg away 20 miles or so to the west, with its precipitous slopes covered with snow. Altogether it was an ideal spot for a camp, close to a glorious river, with illimitable space for parades and manoeuvres, amid glorious scenery and bristling with interest wherever one stepped. Even after the relic hunter had been three years at work, it was surprising the number of bullets, pieces of shell of all kinds, and cartridge cases that 1,400 Cadets managed to pick up. Probably the ground immediately round Colenso had never been half so thoroughly gone over since the terrible days in December, 1899, when our shells from Chieveley



crashed on Fort Wylie and Hlangwani and Onderbrook Spruit, while an incessant hail of Mauser bullets and pom-poms checked our infantry advancing over that coverless plain and annihilated the unfortunate gunners with Col. Long. It was strange to find the shooting ranges placed exactly between Fort Wylie and the monuments marking the spot where the guns stood and were lost. But enough of such musings for the present. The following is a diary of the week's proceedings.

Saturday, June 20th. Corps fell in at 10.30 in the Quad, and kit-bags having been previously dispatched, marched under arms to the station and entrained on the 11.15 a.m. for Colenso. The Hilton and Howick contingents were on board to welcome us, and we steamed out of the station at 11.30. Mooi River was reached about 1 p.m. and Estcourt at 2.50, where we shared our lunch with the Hilton fellows, having by a mistake of the station authorities previously appropriated unwittingly some of theirs at Mooi River. After a long wait we left Estcourt about 4.10 p.m. and had a magnificent view of a glorious sunset on the berg, it being quite dark when Colenso was reached at 5.45. The Corps after stacking all the kits marched into Camp and reported themselves, after which they paraded for tea, by which time Mr. Dobree had brought all the kit into Camp. The evening was spent in making all tents snug for the night and all turned in early, only to be awakened about 11 p.m. by some unfortunate Coast Cadets who had been detained on the way by a breakdown on the line.

Sunday, June 21st, was a day not to be forgotten. It opened fine though cloudy, but the wind freshened about 9.30 a.m., at which time Divine Service was held by the Rev. G. E. Pennington, who had stayed at Michaelhouse the previous evening. His sermon was on the word Colenso, out of which he composed the anagram, "Cadets of Loyal Empires never score offside." The sermon was impressive, but the same cannot be said of the singing which, owing to the harmonium in so large an open space being almost inaudible, was feeble in the extreme.

After service the Cadets had free bounds to visit the monuments and the battlefields, principally Hlangwani, where, strange to say, a good many war curios were picked up. At 1 p.m. a furious dust storm from the south crept up, which was followed immediately after by a drenching storm of sleet and rain, accompanied by a very high wind. One of the big mess marquees was blown down and a few tents. For two hours every one was busy making fast and digging trenches round his tent for carrying off the water, which, however, penetrated



into several, and but for the excellent macintosh sheets would have been most disastrous. At 4.15 p.m. the rain ceased, and on going out into the keen air, a lovely view of the berg covered with snow compensated us somewhat for the previous discomfort. After tea everyone soon got to bed as it was too cold to remain outside and nothing was going on.

Monday, June 22nd, opened fine and continued so. The chief event of the day was the shooting for the White Challenge Cup for Cadets under 15, ten shots at 200 yards. Twenty schools competed and up to the very last minute our team were leading till York school snatched the victory from us by four points, scoring 174 to our 170, Dundee being third with 159. The individual shooting was as follows:—

Turner, 10th prize, 15s. ...	3	4	2	3	3	3	3	4	5	3	33
Otto, 14th prize, 10s. ....	2	2	4	2	3	4	2	4	5	5	33
Gibson .....	2	0	2	2	2	4	3	2	2	3	22
Holder .....	0	5	2	3	2	2	3	2	2	2	23
Norton .....	3	2	2	2	3	4	4	5	2	3	30
Moor .....	2	3	5	2	2	4	3	2	4	2	29

In the evening a biograph entertainment took place which the glare from the merry-go-rounds near by rather spoilt till the engine of the latter was temporarily stopped.

Tuesday, June 23rd. On Tuesday while parades were going on for the general body, the senior teams assembled on the range to compete for the Senior Challenge Shield—ten shots at 500 yards. In this again we were very near winning, being one point behind Hilton College, who made 165 to our 164. The winners again were a country school—Ixopo, who scored 171. In the evening a concert was held on the parade ground, which was a distinct success. The Rector arrived in Camp by the 4.30 train and was heartily welcomed. The following are details of our shooting for the Challenge Shield with prizes affixed:—

#### SENIOR CHALLENGE SHIELD.

T. S. M. Winter, 10th prize, £1	3	3	5	0	2	4	5	5	3	4	35
Corpl. Loxton, 8th prize, £1 ...	3	2	4	3	3	5	4	3	5	3	35
Cadet Smythe, ma .....	0	3	5	3	3	3	5	3	3	3	31
Cadet Smythe, mi .....	0	0	2	5	4	4	2	3	4	5	29
Cadet Comins .....	2	4	4	3	2	4	2	3	3	0	27
Cadet Boast, ma., 3rd prize, £3	2	5	5	4	4	3	4	2	3	5	37

Total ..... 164

Wednesday, June 24th. Another glorious day. Extensive manoeuvres followed by a sham-fight took place in the



morning, in which all took part except the teams entered for the Public Schools Competition in connection with the English Ashburton Shield. In this we were happily successful in spite of some individual failures, being easily first by as many as 31 points, thereby establishing our position as the best all round shooting school in Camp, on top of our previous records the two days previous. Loxton won the Sykes Silver Cup for the highest aggregate at the two ranges in the whole competition, and Boast the Molyneux Gold Medal for the second place. Johnson, mi., was fourth, a Greytown boy being third. Appended are the scores. Seven shots at 200 yards and seven at 500 yards, the number of each team being eight without any age limit. It is to be regretted that Winter, who had fired very well the previous day, was entirely off colour, while both the Smythes have invariably shot much better in practice. Matterson, mi., Johnson, mi., and Comins, however, came to the rescue, their shooting been very steady, and under the trying circumstances they each deserve the greatest praise. Scores:—

## PUBLIC SCHOOLS COMPETITION.

## 200 Yards.

Loxton .....	3	4	4	4	5	5	4	29
Smythe ma .....	2	5	5	4	5	2	3	26
Smythe, mi .....	3	4	4	3	4	4	4	26
Matterson .....	5	5	3	0	3	4	4	24
Boast, ma .....	3	4	4	4	4	4	5	28
Johnson, mi .....	4	3	3	5	3	3	2	23
Comins .....	2	3	5	4	3	5	3	25
Winter .....	2	2	4	2	2	2	2	16

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## 500 Yards.

Loxton .....	4	5	4	3	4	5	3	28
<del>Smythe, ma .....</del>	<del>3</del>	<del>4</del>	<del>4</del>	<del>3</del>	<del>4</del>	<del>4</del>	<del>4</del>	<del>26</del>
✓ <del>Smythe, ma, .....</del>	<del>0</del>	<del>0</del>	<del>0</del>	<del>2</del>	<del>3</del>	<del>3</del>	<del>2</del>	<del>10</del> ✓
Smythe, mi .....	3	2	2	2	2	3	5	19
Matterson .....	0	2	3	3	3	5	3	19
Boast, ma, .....	5	5	4	4	3	2	3	26
Johnson, mi .....	3	4	3	4	4	4	5	27
Comins .....	3	2	0	5	3	5	5	23
Winter .....	3	0	0	0	0	2	0	5

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Grand total of both groups..... 354



The following were the scores of the first six schools in this Competition:—

	200	500	Total.
Michaelhouse .....	197	157	354
Hilton College.....	174	151	325
Ixopo .....	174	151	325
York .....	165	159	324
Greytown .....	164	133	297
Durban High School .....	158	139	297

Our victory we are glad to say was generally popular, our rivals throughout the Competitions being the first to congratulate us, as we had been at their success.

In the afternoon a practice was held for Friday's review, and in the evening another very enjoyable concert.

Thursday, June 25th. Mr. Wells arrived by the evening train to relieve Mr. Dobree. General Broadwood held an inspection to-day, and expressed great pleasure at the efficiency of the Cadets, who, he said, would not only be of assistance in the defence of their country, but also of the Empire. In the afternoon there was general leave, but a severe dust storm unfortunately cropped up to spoil things generally.

Friday, June 26th. In the morning the review was held by Col. Fleming, and was attended by Col. Frank Rhodes, D.S.O., Lady Lawley, and other distinguished visitors staying at Edwards' Hotel. A severe wind made it slightly unpleasant to watch, and interfered too, with the sports, which took place the same afternoon. In these Brown, ma., won the high jump and was second in the half mile race, while Janion carried off the hundred under 15. The tug of war was won by Michaelhouse pretty easily from the Maritzburg College. Our team was as follows (in order of pulling from the front):—Smith, Loxton, Winter, Brown, ma., Gibson, ma., Osborn, ma., Jaffray, ma., Jaffray, mi. The sports practically brought the 1903 encampment to a close, all Cadets leaving that same evening or early the following morning. Taking everything together Major Molyneux and his staff are heartily to be congratulated on the great success of their efforts and the kindness they invariably show to all under their charge. The number of Cadets in Camp was 1,318, our own corps amounting to 53 all told. Our neighbours in the tent lines were Hilton and the Maritzburg College, with whom the most excellent relations prevailed throughout. We take this opportunity of congratulating Hilton College on their all-round excellence on parade, and the College on their enterprise in having separate detachments for Maxim guns and Ambulance brigades, be-



sides providing, like Hilton, a very large and capable band. Congratulations, too, to our old friend Mac Ross, late of Michaelhouse, now of the Pietermaritzburg College, for being recommended for the Royal Humane Society's reward for rescuing a Greytown boy who had got out of his depth in the Tugela. In conclusion, we would suggest that the experiment of holding the encampment away from the large towns be repeated next year, and also that advantage be taken of all the schools in Natal being assembled together to organise for the last day in Camp a proper programme of athletic sports to decide the champion athletes from all the schools throughout the Colony.

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## O. M. NEWS.

H. C. Mortimer, Trinity College, Cambridge, has passed first in the Second Class of the Law Tripos at Cambridge.

B. Acutt has passed the Preliminary Examination of the Natal Law Society.

J. J. L. Sisson has been appointed to a Mastership at St. David's.

F. Barnes and J. J. Bisset have been selected to play against the English Rugby XV. in their match with Maritzburg on August 13th.

H. Edmonds played for Durban against the Corinthians on August 3rd.

P. Mason was selected to accompany the Natal Bisley Team to England as reserve man.

H. A. Findlay rowed in the Caius 1st boat in the May races this year at Cambridge.

The following have been playing football for their clubs:—

F. Barnes, C. Baylis, J. J. Bisset, for Wanderers F. C.; B. Flack, E. Baylis, B. Acutt, N. White for Wanderers II.

F. Barnes and J. J. Bisset played for Maritzburg v. Durban.

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## OLD BOYS' SOCIETY.

Minutes of the First Meeting held at Michaelhouse on Whit Monday, June 1st, 1903. There were present the Rector (Chairman), Rev. H. C. Dobree, B. Acutt, F. G. Barnes, J. J. Bisset, A. R. C. Cooper, B. Flack, J. K. Gordon, R. E. Gordon, G. H. Harvey, G. H. Lepper, H. C. Nicolson, E. Owen, B. Pearce, G. D. Ross, J. J. L. Sisson, G. Waters, H. A. H. White, and C. E. R. Button, Acting Secretary.

On the motion of the Rector it was agreed that the Old Boys of Michaelhouse here present decide that the time has come to form the "Old Boys' Club," and do accordingly hereby found it.

The following officers were appointed:—

President, the Rector. Vice-Presidents, Rev. H. C. Dobree, Messrs. C. W. Hannah, and S. Tryon. Chairman, C. E. R. Button. Secretary and Treasurer, A. R. C. Cooper.

The following conditions of membership were decided upon—(1) Two full years residence at Michaelhouse; (2) No subsequent entry at any other school; (3) No membership of any other Old Boys' Club.

Rules 1 and 2 may be suspended in any particular case, and a Committee, consisting of J. J. Bisset, G. H. Harvey, C. F. Forder, and the officers "ex-officio," was appointed to consider any such special cases.

On election of a member one adverse vote in four to exclude.

C. F. Moor was elected Secretary for England.

The annual subscription was fixed at 7s. 6d., inclusive of the subscription to the School Magazine, which is to be sent to all subscribers.

A dark blue ribbon with white scales worked on it was suggested for the colours, but the final decision was held over to Michaelmas next.

A prize was proposed to be presented annually, on the system of the Rhodes' scholarships, to the best all-round boy in the school. This motion was unanimously carried.

It was decided that the Annual Meeting should be held at Michaelmas. The following were elected additional members at the meeting—L. Sullivan, H. Allanson, A. H. Bisset, F. Brunskill, M. Cameron, R. Egner, B. Flack, A. Findlay,



E. Emmett, N. Harvey, B. Harvey, G. M. Gordon, T. C. C. Leslie, J. Mackenzie, D. D. McLaren, H. C. Mortimer, W. F. D. Still.

It was resolved that the annual report be issued containing names and addresses of members, and that these Minutes should come up for confirmation at the Annual Meeting at Michaelhouse, also the election of new members.

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## SCHOOL NEWS.

### STAFF.

The Rev. E. B. Hugh Jones, M.A., late Scholar of Jesus College, Oxford, some time Assistant Master at Bromsgrove School and Vice-Principal of Battersea Training College, has been appointed Rector in place of the Rev. Canon Todd, M.A., B.Sc., who has resigned.

Mr. C. W. Hannah has gone home for six months to recuperate after the serious illness which incapacitated him most of last quarter. It was with much relief and satisfaction that we learnt the success of the two operations which had to be performed, and the *Chronicle* wishes Mr. Hannah a prosperous journey and a complete and permanent recovery from his illness.

We regret very much to announce the resignation, for domestic reasons, of Mr. J. N. Woodcock, B.A., whose work here was much appreciated both in form and on the field.

Mr. E. Wells, B.A., of Pembroke College, Cambridge, joined the staff in February, and soon made himself very popular, his wonderful power of entertaining being invaluable on Saturday evenings. We congratulate him heartily on his engagement, but regret to hear he will soon be leaving us for England.

Mr. G. F. A. Perry came at the same time and at a moment's notice to help us in a difficulty, and we are very glad that he has found it convenient to remain on with us at least till Christmas.



Mr. W. Campbell Oxland joins us this quarter, and until the arrival of a new Science Master from England, the Rev. F. J. Tozer, B.A., curate of Ladysmith, has very kindly consented to take that subject. We trust his stay at Michaelhouse, though not in the nature of a holiday, will yet be an enjoyable change of scene and occupation.

Mr. A. H. Adair, M.A., of Trinity College, Dublin, is expected early in September to take over the Science work, and Mr. C. H. Lawrence, B.A., of Trinity College, Cambridge, a week earlier to fill the post vacated by Mr. Woodcock.

#### NEW BOYS.

February to June—Ernest Frederick Brown Hindson, Bernard Whitfield Roberts, Hugh Arthur Bruno, Herbert Wilfred Taylor, John Price Moor, John Christopher Bennett, Charles Lysle Castle, Stephen Bellott Castle, Thomas Henry Yorke Worthington, Cyril Julian Chaplin, Frank Greaves, Edgar Bentley Comins, Eric John Holder, Ernest Harry Sparks, Charles Eric Tod, Arthur Ernest Gordon, Frank Philip Nowell Thomson, Arthur Cecil Thornton, John Whipp, William John Ross Mackay, Robert Donald Ross Mackay, Herbert Neville Barton, Theophilus Henry Ponting, Cecil Arthur Ponting, Sidney Hall, George Hall.

#### VALETE.

(Upper School.)—Gibson, ma., VI. Senior Prefect. Captain 1st XV., 1st XI. R.S.M. Cadet Corps. War Medal. In choir. Passed Cape University Intermediate, 1901. Going to Jesus College, Cambridge.

Jaffray, ma., VI. Prefect. 1st XV. Sergt.-Major Cadet Corps. Passed Cape Matriculation, 1902.

Brown, ma., V. Prefect. 1st XI., 1st XV.

Millar, mi., IV. Violin soloist at school concerts.

(Lower School)—Tatham, Bain, Copeland, Brunskill, Bennett, mi., Brewitt.

#### SCHOOL OFFICERS, August, 1903.

*Prefects.*—Osborn, ma. (Senior), Forder, Roach, ma., Millar, Johnson, ma.

*Captain of Football*—Osborn, ma.

*Captain of Cricket*—Forder.

1st XI. (Easter, 1903—Moor, ma (Capt.), Gibson ma, Moor, ma Brown ma, Forder, Rethman, Osborn ma (Colours); Winter, Smythe ma, Taylor ma, Meth, Johnson ma.



1st XV. (June, 1903)—Gibson ma (Capt.), Osborn ma, Johnson ma, Forder, Brown ma, Winter, Loxton, Roach ma (Colours); Jaffray ma, Smith, Smythe ma, Meth, Pearce, Taylor ma, Van Beek.

*R. S. M. Cadet Corps*—Osborn, ma.

*Librarian*—Millar.

### CADET CORPS.

Sergeant Dunkley of the 2nd West Yorks was appointed Drill and Gymnastic Instructor in February. He has been very keen and done good work. A good deal of shooting was done last half, both on our range and also at Lidgetton, thanks to the kindness of Willoughby Methley, Esq., Secretary of the Lidgetton Rifle Association. Full particulars of the Corps' doings at Colenso will be found elsewhere. The following were the non-Commissioned Officers last half.

*Regimental Sergeant-Major*.—Gibson, ma.

*Troop Sergeant-Major*.—Jaffray, ma., Osborn, ma., Winter ma.

*Sergeants*.—Forder, Johnson, ma., Brown, ma

*Corporals*.—Loxton, Smythe, ma., Smith.

### RUNS.

A very severe test took place on April 18th, on a rather hot day, to Nottingham Road and back, in which twelve competed. The start was at 3.30 and the course lay from the school to Nottingham Road station and back via Lynedoch and Gowrie. The up journey was done by Jaffray, ma., Meth, Brown, ma., and Roach, ma., and Norton, ma., in or under 50 minutes, exceedingly good considering the stiff climb. Coming home Jaffray, ma., gained two minutes on Brown, ma. (who had been first at Nottingham Road), and came in the winner at 5.7 p.m., his total time for the whole journey being one hour and thirty-seven minutes. The following were the times throughout:—



## Senior Run. Started, 3.30.

	Time at Nott. Rd.	Time at Home.	Total Time.
			hr. min. sec.
1. Jaffray, ma. ...	4.18 p.m.	5.7 p.m.	1 37
2. Meth.....	4.18 $\frac{1}{2}$ p.m.	5.7 $\frac{1}{2}$ p.m.	1 37 30
3. Brown, ma. ....	4.17 p.m.	5.8 p.m.	1 38
4. Roach, ma. ....	4.19 p.m.	5.8 $\frac{1}{2}$ p.m.	1 38 30
5. Norton, ma. ....	4.20 p.m.	5.15 p.m.	1 45
6. Green .....	4.21 $\frac{1}{2}$ p.m.	5.28 p.m.	1 58
7. Cowie .....	4.28 p.m.	5.41 p.m.	2 11
8. Smith .....	4.32 p.m.	5.48 $\frac{1}{2}$ p.m.	2 18 30
9. Comins .....	4.23 p.m.	5.52 p.m.	2 22
„ Boast, mi. ....	4.25 $\frac{1}{2}$ p.m.	5.52 p.m.	2 22
„ Roach, mi. ....	4.26 p.m.	5.52 p.m.	2 22
„ Osborn, mi. ....	4.20 p.m.	5.52 p.m.	2 22

On the same afternoon a junior run took place to Ford's Gate via the road to Annandale and round the Brickfields and home over Tumba. The distance is about 3 $\frac{1}{2}$  miles, and the best times were:—Matterson 24 minutes, Johnson, mi., 26 minutes, Castle, ma., 26 $\frac{1}{2}$  minutes, Taylor, mi., 27 minutes; Barton, Whipp, Thornton, Eccles, Simons, 28 minutes.

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LANTERN LECTURE.

On Saturday, March 28th, Mr. E. Schmidt gave a very interesting lecture on "The Shores of the Mediterranean," which was illustrated by some excellent coloured lantern slides, kindly lent for the occasion by Miss Wilson, of the Soldiers' Institute, Maritzburg. The lecturer had visited almost every place shown on the screen, viz., Gibraltar, Nice, Cannes, Mentone, Malta, Naples, Palermo, and Algiers, so that he could speak from first-hand experience and acquaintance with the subject of each picture. As Mr. Schmidt has travelled extensively in and about Europe, we hope to have many more lectures from him in the near future.

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## CRICKET.

The past season has been the most successful one we have ever enjoyed. Two great performances stand out by themselves, Moor obtaining over 1000 runs for the season, and Forder taking 136 wickets. But it was not by any means entirely by the work of these two alone that such good results were obtained. The play of the team was on the whole very consistent. In spite of losing three of our best bats in the middle of the season, our form was well maintained till the end, as out of the eight matches played after Christmas, seven were won and one was drawn. Rethman came on with a rush at the end of the season and should do great things next year. Brown, Moor, and Winter all bowled well at times, while Osborn's fielding all through the season was very sound. Smythe ma, did not quite fulfil his promise, but should do well next year. Of the rest little need be said, but there is plenty of promise for next year in the tail of the team. The fielding of the team, though good in the main, might yet be improved; missed catches being still far too plentiful. The following is the record for the season.

Matches Played.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.
24	19	2	3

Averages of the team:—

### BATTING AVERAGES.

	Ins.	N.O.	Ttl.	H.S.	Av.
Moor .....	29	3	1,002	115	38.53
Tatham .....	18	3	397	53*	26.46
Mr. Woodcock ...	8	1	156	45*	22.28
Rethman.....	24	3	390	57	18.57
Anderson.....	18	2	241	57	15.06
Mr. Hannah .....	17	0	182	46	10.7
Forder .....	26	2	231	59	9.62
Osborn.....	10	1	86	24	9.55
Gibson.....	25	2	219	29	9.52
Johnson .....	8	4	38	12	9.5
Smythe.....	17	3	108	28*	7.71
Brown.....	22	4	124	30*	6.88
Mr. Stewart.....	12	1	75	21	6.82
Winter.....	17	3	94	16	6.71

\* Signifies "not out."

### BOWLING.

	O.	M.	R.	W.	Av.
Forder .....	397.3	107	696	132	5.27
Winter.....	44.2	9	99	18	5.5
Tatham .....	56.5	10	154	18	8.55
Brown.....	185.5	36	406	45	9.02
Moor .....	325.3	57	764	84	9.09



## MATCHES.

Played 24, won 19, lost 2, drawn 3.

The matches for the first half of our season appeared in our last number.

MICHAELHOUSE *v.* NOTTINGHAM ROAD.

Played at Nottingham Road on Saturday, February 7th, 1903. This was not an interesting match. The weather was very cold and the scoring very small. Being the first match of the term our team was very short of practice. Forder took 15 wickets for 25 runs. Scores:—Nottingham Road, 33 and 33. Michaelhouse 67 (Moor 21).

MICHAELHOUSE *v.* MARITZBURG C. C.

Played on the School Ground on February 14th, and won by one wicket and 87 runs. The visitors won the toss and went in first. Except for Conway and Blake a poor resistance was offered to Brown and Forder, being all dismissed before lunch for 70. The School going in after lunch did much better, Gibson batting well, while Moor played a very fine innings. Scores—

## M.C.C.

A. E. Blake, b Forder .....	18
H. H. Ikin, b Forder .....	10
L. Conway, not out .....	24
Capt. Lloyd Owen, b Forder .....	2
Finnis, b Brown .....	2
R. F. Smithers, b Brown .....	1
R. D. Barker, c Winter b Brown .....	8
R. Walker, b Forder .....	0
A. I. Behrens, b Brown .....	0
J. H. Templeton, b Brown .....	0
Cooke, b Brown .....	1
Extras .....	4
Total .....	70

## Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Forder .....	15	3	34	4
Moor .....	5	0	13	0
Brown .....	9.4	1	19	6



## SCHOOL.

Mr. Hannah, ct Conway b Walker .....	4
G. H. Moor, ct Walker b Conway .....	71
M. H. Forder, ct Walker b Finnis .....	19
J. F. Rethman, b Smithers .....	7
R. W. Gibson, ct Blake b Lloyd Owen...	28
M. H. Brown, b Smithers .....	0
Mr. Stewart, b Smithers .....	1
A. H. Winter, b Smithers .....	6
M. Smythe, ct Walker b Smithers .....	1
Mr. Wells not out .....	10
C. D. Johnson not out .....	5
Extras .....	5

Total (9 wkts.) ..... 157

## Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Templeton.....	9	3	28	0
Walker .....	5	0	20	1
Finnis .....	11	5	14	1
Behrens .....	7	0	17	0
Barker .....	4	1	12	0
Conway .....	8	2	17	1
Smithers .....	14	1	30	5
Lloyd-Owen .....	6	0	14	1

## MICHAELHOUSE v. 2ND. BATN. WEST YORKSHIRE REGT.

Played on the School Ground on February 21st, and resulted in a win for the School by 74 runs. The visitors won the toss and collapsed very badly before the bowling of Forder, who came out with the remarkable figures of eight wickets for nine runs. The School did a little better, and thanks to some consistent scoring, made a respectable total.

Scores:—

## 2ND WEST YORKS.

Capt. Trevor, ct Moor b Brown .....	0
Lt. Lupton, b Brown .....	6
Lt. Nicholson, b Forder .....	0
Lt. Crossman, b Forder .....	2
Col.-Serg. Ford, b Forder .....	7
Sergt. Smeathe, b Forder .....	0
Lt. Bird, b Forder .....	2
Lt. Fisher, b Forder.....	0
Dr. Dixon, b Forder.....	5
Lt. Grant-Dalton not out.....	3
Sergt. Sykes, b Forder .....	3
Extras .....	4

Total..... 32



## Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Forder .....	13.1	8	9	8
Brown .....	13	3	19	2

## MICHAELHOUSE.

Mr. Hannah, ct Crossman b Lupton.....	10
G. H. Moor, ct Nicholson b Smeathe.....	10
M. H. Forder, b Lupton .....	0
R. W. Gibson, ct Dixon b Smeathe .....	4
J. F. Rethman, ct and b Lupton.....	20
Mr. Stewart, b Smeathe .....	5
A. H. Winter, b Lutpon .....	0
M. H. Brown, b Lupton .....	13
Mr. Wells, c Fisher b Lupton .....	16
W. Osborn, st Nicholson b Crossman ...	14
C. D. Johnson not out .....	9
Extras.....	5
Total .....	106

## Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Lupton .....	18	4	46	6
Crossman.....	4.3	0	11	1
Smeathe .....	13	3	28	3
Bird .....	4	0	16	0

## MICHAELHOUSE v. ZINGARI.

Played on the Police Ground on February 28th. The Zingari batting first made a bad start, losing 3 wickets for 17. Then came a useful stand by Bisset and Forder, though later 6 wickets were down for 69. Then followed two good stands by Bisset and Conway and Bisset and Sweeney, and in the end the total reached 193. Bisset played a good innings, though he was missed more than once towards the end of his innings. The fielding on the whole was poor, though Osborn at cover point was brilliant. The School had less than two hours to make the runs and so had to play for a draw. This they easily did, thanks to good innings by Moor and Rethman. Scores :—



## ZINGARI.

W. F. Sadler, ct Brown b Forder .....	4
E. Stephenson, b Forder.....	10
C. M. Paterson, ct Osborn b Moor.....	1
C. F. Forder, b Forder ... ..	20
J. J. Bisset, ct Gibson b Moor .....	83
R. D. Barker, ct Gibson b Forder .....	1
C. B. Wood, ct Hannah b Forder .....	0
G. W. Sweeney, ct Forder b Brown .....	38
L. Conway, ct Brown b Forder .....	21
O. G. Whits, b Rethman .....	5
C. E. R. Button not out .....	4
Extras .....	6

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Total..... 193

## Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Forder .....	27	4	67	6
Moor.....	16	4	48	2
Brown .....	10.2	1	33	1
Winter .....	4	0	26	0
Rethman .....	4	0	9	1

## SCHOOL.

R. W. Gibson, b Button .....	0
G. H. Moor, b Bisset .....	50
M. H. Forder, ct Sweeney b Forder .....	12
Mr. Hannah, ct Sadler b Forder .....	5
J. F. Rethman, not out .....	33
A. H. Winter, ct Forder b Button.....	9
M. H. Brown, not out .....	12
Extras.....	7

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Total (5 wks.)..... 128

W. Osborn, Mr. Stewart, C. Johnson, and M. Smythe did not bat.

## Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Button.....	12	3	36	2
Stephenson .....	8	1	24	0
Forder .....	8	0	10	2
Sadler .....	7	3	23	0
Bisset .....	4	0	11	1
Sweeney .....	3	0	6	0
Paterson .....	2	0	9	0



## MICHAELHOUSE v. 2ND WEST YORKS. (Return).

Played at Howick, on March 11th. The School, batting first started well, 70 going up with only two wickets down. Then Crossman's slows made a great change and the whole side was out for 121. Moor played a good innings. The West Yorks innings was very much the same, 70 being up with only two wickets down. Then came an even worse collapse, and after a most exciting finish, the School just won by 12 runs. Lupton hit well for his runs. The 2nd innings of the School was chiefly remarkable for a few big hits by Moor, and a very fine innings by Rethman who made his first 50 for the School. Scores:—

## SCHOOL.

## 1st Innings.

Mr. Hannah, b Crossman .....	9
G. H. Moor, ct and b Crossman .....	47
M. H. Forder, ct Ross b Crossman.....	6
J. F. Rethman, ct Crossman b Smeath...	13
R. W. Gibson, b Smeath .....	17
A. H. Winter, b Crossman .....	5
M. H. Brown, ct and b Crossman .....	9
W. Osborn, b Crossman .....	2
C. D. Johnson, not out .....	3
D. Taylor, ct Trevor b Crossman.....	0
M. C. Meth, ct Bird b Crossman .....	0
Extras.....	10

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Total..... 121

## Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Lupton.....	8	0	31	0
Crossman .....	18	8	61	8
Smeath .....	10	4	19	2

## 2nd Innings.

Mr. Hannah, ct Welch b Crossman .....	9
G. H. Moor, ct Ross b Lupton.....	29
M. H. Forder, b Lupton .....	5
J. F. Rethman, ct Smeath b Bird.....	57
R. W. Gibson, not out .....	23
Extras.....	4

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Total (4 wkts) ..... 127



## Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Lupton .....	11	2	31	2
Crossman .....	8	2	28	1
Smeath .....	2	0	16	0
Welch .....	4	1	15	0
Trevor .....	5	0	26	0
Bird .....	2	0	6	1

## 2ND WEST YORKS.

Captain Trevor, ct Hannah, b Moor .....	7
Lt. Nicholson, ct Johnson, b Moor.....	20
Lt. Lupton, ct Moor, b Forder .....	40
Lt. Crossman, ct Winter, b Moor .....	4
Col.-Sergt. Ford, b Brown .....	5
Lt. Ross, b Moor .....	12
Lt. Grant Dalton, not out .....	6
Sergt. Smeath, ct and b Brown .....	8
Lt. Bird, b Brown .....	1
Pte. Dixon, run out .....	3
Pte. Welch, run out .....	0
Extras.....	3
Total.....	109

## Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Forder .....	11	0	40	1
Moor .....	15.1	5	50	4
Brown .....	5	0	17	3

## MICHAELHOUSE v. MARITZBURG COLLEGE.

Played at Michaelhouse on March 14th. The College batted first, but, except for Abel and Meek, made a poor stand, and were all dismissed for 64. Michaelhouse passed this with only one wicket down, and eventually declared with 5 wickets down. Moor hit very hard for his runs, and Rethman played a good innings. The College lost 2 wickets in their second innings, leaving Michaelhouse winners on the 1st innings by 163 runs. Scores:—



## MARITZBURG COLLEGE.

## 1st Innings.

Ross ma, b Forder.....	4
Berry, ct and b Moor.....	7
Trafford, b Moor .....	3
Abel, b Winter .....	18
M'Alister, b Forder .....	0
M'Mullen, b Forder .....	4
Withycombe, b Forder .....	5
Meek, ct Brown, b Rethman .....	13
Harkness, b Winter .....	0
D. M. Ross, ct Winter, b Brown .....	2
Venning, not out .....	0
Extras.....	8
Total.....	64

## Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Forder .....	15	5	13	4
Moor.....	10	2	25	2
Brown .....	3	0	11	1
Rethman .....	4	2	6	1
Winter .....	2.4	1	1	2

## 2nd Innings.

Ross ma, b Moor .....	0
Trafford, ct Gibson, b Moor.....	0
Abel, not out .....	14
Withycombe, not out .....	14
Extras.....	3
Total (2 wks.).....	31

## Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Moor .....	6	2	7	2
Forder .....	6	1	12	0
Brown .....	3	0	5	0
Taylor .....	3	0	4	0



## MICHAELHOUSE.

R. W. Gibson, b Ross .....	10
G. H. Moor, b M'Alister .....	115
M. H. Forder, b Ross .....	8
J. F. Rethman, not out .....	55
M. H. Brown, b Ross .....	2
A. H. Winter, ct Ross, b Trafford .....	16
Extras.....	21

Total (5 wkts).....\*227

\*Innings declared closed.

W. Osborn, M. Smythe, C. Johnson, D. Taylor, and M. Meth did not bat.

## Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W
Ross ma, .....	22	1	84	3
Trafford.....	16.3	1	83	1
M'Alister .....	7	0	23	1
Venning .....	3	0	16	0

## SCHOOL v. L.R.D.C.C.

Played at Howick on March 28th, 1903. This match was eagerly looked forward to, as the L.R.D.C.C. had won the previous match at the School by 8 runs. The L.R.D.C.C., who were assisted by five officers of the West Yorks, batted first, but were all dismissed fairly cheaply, Blundell and Ross batting best. The wicket was bumping badly at one end, and although the School had 47 up before the first wicket fell, it was only after a close finish that they were able to win by 17 runs. Scores:—

## L.R.D.C.C.

## 1st Innings.

Sergt. Blundell, b Forder .....	25
Beattie, lbw. b Forder .....	4
Lt. Dalton, ct Brown, b Forder .....	6
Dicks, b Forder .....	3
Lt Lupton, ct Moor, b Brown .....	9
Lt. Crossman, ct Forder, b Brown .....	12
Lt. Nicholson, ct Gibson, b Brown .....	0
Lt. Ross, b Brown.....	21
Clifton, b Forder .....	2
Clarkson, b Forder .....	5
Graham, not out .....	0
Extras.....	4

Total..... 91



## Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Forder .....	17	3	41	6
Moor .....	8	1	28	0
Brown.....	8.1	2	20	4

## 2nd Innings.

Sergt. Blundell, b Brown .....	6
Beattie, b Winter .....	11
Lt. Dalton, ct Forder, b Moor.....	18
Lt. Lupton, not out .....	0
Lt. Crossman, b Winter .....	3
Graham, b Forder.....	1
Extras.....	5

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Total (5 wks.)..... 14

## Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Forder .....	6	3	10	1
Brown .....	7	0	17	1
Moor... ..	2	0	6	1
Winter .....	0.5	0	0	2

## SCHOOL.

Mr. Hannah, ct Blundell, b Crossman ...	22
G. H. Moor, ct Ross, b Crossman .....	24
R. W. Gibson, b Lupton .....	2
J. F. Rethman, b Lupton .....	22
M. H. Forder, lbw., b Crossman .....	0
M. H. Brown, b Crossman .....	4
Mr. Stewart, lbw., b Crossman .....	13
H. H. Winter, ct Ross, b Blundell.....	6
W. Osborn, not out .....	2
D. Tayler, ct Blundell, b Crossman .....	4
M. Smythe, b Crossman .....	0
Extras.....	9

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Total..... 103

## Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Lupton.....	17	7	24	2
Clifton.....	2	0	10	0
Dicks .....	2	0	16	0
Crossman ....	135	0	47	7
Blundell .....	1	0	3	1



## MICHAELHOUSE v. OLD COLLEGIANS.

This, the last match of the season, was played on our Ground on April 4th. The match was only got up at the last moment, and the Old Collegians were a long way below full strength. The School batting first were dismissed for 99, Forder batting best. Forder's bowling was also at its best, and the Old Collegians were dismissed for 55. The School's 2nd innings was noteworthy for a fine innings by Moor, which enabled him, within five minutes of time, to complete his thousand runs for the season. Scores:—

## SCHOOL.

## 1st Innings.

Mr. Hannah, b Stalker .....	6
G. H. Moor, lbw., b Pearse .....	14
J. F. Rethman, b Pearse .....	10
M. H. Forder, run out .....	23
M. H. Brown, b A. King .....	3
Mr. Stewart, b Pearse .....	5
R. W. Gibson, ct Holgate, b A. King.....	0
A. H. Winter, ct C. King, b A. King.....	2
W. Osborn, b A. King .....	16
D. Taylor, ct C. King, b Rutherford.....	8
M. C. Meth, not out .....	0
Extras.....	12
Total.....	99

## Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Pearse .....	20	7	21	3
Stalker .....	14	2	30	1
A. King.....	10	3	23	4
Mr. Redlich .....	3	1	9	0
Rutherford .....	1.5	0	3	1

## 2nd Innings.

Mr. Hannah, b C. King .....	29
G. H. Moor, lbw., b Redlich .....	84
M. H. Forder, not out .....	22
Extras.....	9
Total (2 wkts.).....	144



## Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Stalker .....	10	2	24	0
Pearse .....	3	1	12	0
Rutherford .....	4	0	19	0
A. King.....	8	0	43	0
C. King.....	5	0	15	1
Peters .....	2	0	10	0
Redlich .....	1.3	0	5	1

## OLD COLLEGIANS.

G. Morris, b Forder.....	4
G. Withycombe, b Forder .....	0
A. Pearse, b Forder .....	15
A. King, run out .....	10
B. Rutherford, lbw., b Moor .....	0
J. Stalker, ct Moor, b Brown .....	7
Mr. Redlich, b Forder .....	8
C. King, b Forder .....	0
F. Peters, not out .....	1
C. D. Johnson, b Forder .....	0
Extras.....	8
Total.....	53

## Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Forder .....	16.3	6	20	7
Brown .....	1	1	0	1
Moor .....	15	5	25	1

## FOOTBALL.

## WANDERERS v. MICHAELHOUSE.

Played Saturday, April 25th, on the park ground, Maritzburg; neither side was at full strength, Mr. Wells, Winter, Loxton, and Smith being our chief absentees, while the Wanderers were without two of their best men in Wilson and Bisset. The game commenced at 3 o'clock before a large attendance of spectators, and was full of interest from start



to finish. The following account is taken from the *Natal Witness* :—

Michaelhouse, who kicked off, made a promising start, and were soon in the opponents' 25. The threequarters tried to slip through, but the opportunity was missed, although, on the whole, the attack was skilfully conducted. Spackman, who received from a line-out, made a forward dribble, which enabled his colleagues to obtain a footing in the Michaelhouse half. A five yards' scrum occurred, and then Spackman tried to dodge in on the right, where he was collared. The movement continued, however, and the defenders touched down. There was subsequently a bout of long kicking, which resulted in the school regaining their position on their opponents' ground. The Wanderers were awarded a free kick, and the ball was sent into touch. On the throw-out, the Michaelhouse threequarters secured, and there was a capital opening towards the far corner, but Norton was too slow in passing, and a Wanderer chipped in and frustrated the movement. Loose forward play ensued, the Wanderers' pack reaping the advantage. Button gathered from the scrum and threw forward. From the consequent scrum, the Wanderers' halves secured the ball again, and transferred to the threequarters, who were too tardy in handling it. After a line-out, Barnes then successfully essayed the goal line. He was tackled, but easily threw off his assailants, and planted the ball under the posts, without meeting the semblance of opposition. Fisher converted. Half-time score :—

Wanderers, 1 goal (5 points).

Michaelhouse, nil.

On the resumption of play, Baylis dribbled over the goal line, and scored three more points for the Wanderers, Barnes, who took the place kick, sending the ball very wide of the mark. Subsequently a pretty movement was carried out by Mr. Dobree, who got very near the goal line before he was tackled. Play followed along the touch line, as a result of which the venue was changed to midfield. A long kick towards the corner of the Wanderers' goal was smartly followed up, Cooper mulling the ball, and enabling an opponent to send it out of touch. In the subsequent play, Broad kicked over his own line, and Brown, who went in pursuit, annexed a try, touching down immediately behind the posts. Forder easily converted. A forward rush, and the Wanderers cleared their own territory. The school threequarters ineffectually tried to create a diversion, but a second attempt to break away met with success, but the whistle sounded for touch in goal. A Michaelhouse player crossed the line, but it appeared that



he had obtained the ball before it was put into play. The Wanderers gradually pressed their opponents back; and long kicking occurred between the backs, after which the Wanderers resumed the attack, Button eventually touching the ball down in the corner. The place kick, which was taken by Spackman, was a remarkably good attempt, the ball dropping just beneath the cross bar. Result:—

Wanderers, 1 goal, 2 tries (11 points).

Michaelhouse, 1 goal (5 points).

For the School the forwards played exceedingly well against their heavier opponents, the halves made good use of their opportunities, but the three-quarter line with the exception of Brown, ma., were rather disappointing, Osborn, mi, being too nervous in this his first match, and Norton ma, though very plucky, rather too light. Taylor, ma, made an exceedingly successful debut at full back his picking up and kicking being consistently good, and at times brilliant. The following were the teams:—Wanderers—full: Cooper; three-quarters: Spackman, Hill, Chater, Tomlinson; half-backs: Button, Rawlinson; forwards: Barnes, Baylis, Miller, Broad, Moore, Fisher, E. R. Rawlinson, Neale. Michaelhouse:—Full: Taylor, ma; threequarters: McKenzie, Norton, ma, Brown, ma, Osborn, ma; half-backs: Mr. Dobree, Forder; forwards: Gibson ma, Osborn ma, Johnson ma, Jaffrey ma, Jaffrey mi, Van Beek, Roach ma, Brand.

#### SCHOOL *v.* R.F.A. (MOOI RIVER).

Played at Michaelhouse on Saturday, May 16th, and won by 23 points to 5. Meth appeared at threequarter in place of Osborn mi, who was indisposed, and Mr. Wells, Loxton, and Smith played forward instead of Jaffray, ma, (hurt), Brand and Van Beek. The visitors were somewhat new to the game and a high wind blowing up the field made play rather disconcerting. Gibson kicked off for us against the wind and within five minutes from the start, the visitors following up a long kick from their threequarter line, scored a try. Taylor had apparently not effectually touched down. Lt. Skinner easily converted. After this reverse the School soon began to take the measure of their opponents and slowly but surely carried the ball into the enemy's half from which it was afterwards but rarely absent. After a forward dribble Winter obtained the ball and rushed in near the touch line. The kick at goal was unsuccessful; Brown, ma, very shortly after made one of his characteristic dodgy runs and unning round and through his opponents grounded the ball almost



between the posts. Osborn, ma, converted, thus giving the School a lead of three points. Soon after play was restarted Lt. Skinner who had been playing a very strong and plucky game, in racing with Brown to obtain the ball after a long kick sustained a severe fall which stopped play for a few minutes. In spite of this the same player continued to give us some trouble, but against our superior science and better training our opponents could do little. Shortly before half-time Brown got in again, but the kick at goal against the wind proved unsuccessful.

In the second half play was of a loose and less interesting character, good passing with a strong wind behind us being very difficult. After Taylor had dropped a beautiful goal, Winter obtaining the ball from Osborn in mid-field swerved past the opposing wing threequarter and dodging the full back scored right between the posts. Forder successfully converted. One more try by Brown ma, close on time added three more points to our score, and the School won as stated by 23 points to 5. It is only fair to the R.F.A. team to say that this was their first match, and considering the high wind that must have troubled them and the unfortunate accident to their Captain, gave promise that a return match after some more weeks to practice would render them a harder nut to crack. The following was the School team:—

Full back: Taylor ma; threequarters: Winter, Brown, Meth, Norton ma; half-backs: Mr. Dobree, Forder; forwards: Mr. Wells, Gibson ma, Osborn ma, Johnson ma, Loxton, Smith, Jaffray mi, Roach ma.

### SCHOOL v. MARITZBURG COLLEGE

Played on the College ground May 23rd, and won by School by 23 points to 3. Winning the toss we elected to play uphill. Mr. Hugh Bryan kindly offered his services as referee and started the game at five minutes to three. The College kicked off, and Meth returned somewhat feebly thus giving them an early advantage which they made use of, and gave us a certain amount of anxiety; we, however, soon warmed to the work and pushed them up the field passing the ball out near their goal line, behind which it was successfully placed by Winter from a well-timed pass by Brown, ma. Forder failed to convert. Some loose play on the touch line about midfield ensued, from which Roach received the ball and transferring it to the back line, where after some good exchanges, it travelled over their goal line in Brown's custody; Osborn missed the kick. Nothing more of interest happened now until half-time was signalled.



We lined up in the second half with a full forward line, having in the first been without Van Beek owing to the game having been started somewhat before the arranged time.

The College took us rather unawares and scrambled in soon after starting. Ross, ma, failed to add the extra points. Our failure to keep them out at length roused us from the state of lethargy which seemed to have been in till now, and we set to with a will. Meth got the ball from Forder and charged in unopposed at the lower corner. After this tries came fairly fast, Brown (twice), Gibson and Winter getting successfully behind. The place kicking was poor, only one out of seven attempts being successful.

The following represented the School:—

Full: Taylor ma; threequarters: Winter, Brown ma, Pearce, Meth; halves: Forder, Roach mi; forwards: Gibson ma, Osborn ma, Johnson ma, Loxton, Smith, Van Beek, Smythe ma, Boast ma.

### SCHOOL v. WASPS F. C.

*(Murray Cup Competition.)*

Played on the Park Ground, Pietermaritzburg, May 30th. Our opponents, though minus their Captain, had a very strong team, and great credit is due to the School for the splendid fight made. The forwards were in magnificent form, repeatedly outplaying the opposing pack, and had our threequarters been as good the result would have been different. This does not apply to Brown, who played a very strong and plucky game. The other threequarters were too weak and did not seem to get away on the hard and slippery ground. Gibson kicked off, and for the first ten minutes we were pressing hard, and more than once were almost in, the Wasps eventually being forced to touch down. Play then swayed about between the two twenty-fives until close on half-time, when after a dribble they evaded our backs and scored near touch. Inglis kicked a beautiful goal. In the second half we still continued to have the best of the forward play, but Morris, E. Bennett, and Inglis were in good form and too fast for our backs to be sure of stopping. Morris scored the second try by a smart but very lucky run from touch, grounding the ball between the posts. Inglis again converted. Just before time the last named, after a bout of passing, succeeded in slipping through, and increased their advantage by another three points. The goal kick was a failure. The score hardly represents the state of the game, as we were undoubtedly



pressing most of the time, but they were a better scoring team and were blessed at least once with luck. Our forwards never played better, Gibson and Osborn being at their best. Of the backs, Brown and Forder were conspicuous, and Brand did his best. The teams were:—

Wasps. Full, Walton; threequarters, Kenmuir, Bennett, Kelly, Inglis; halves, Morris and Randles; forwards, Rev. C. C. Potts (Capt.), Towson, T. Barnes, F. Williams.

School team. Full, Brand; threequarters, Brown ma, Winter, Meth, Pearce; halves, Rev. H. C. Dobree and Forder; forwards, Mr. Wells, Gibson ma, Osborn ma, Johnson ma, Loxton, Smith, Jaffray mi, Smythe ma.

### PAST v. PRESENT.

Played, Whit Monday, June 1st, at Michaelhouse. The best match of the season, the weather being ideal and the football of the best. Barnes kicked off for the o'd boys, but the ball was well returned to the twenty-five flag. Scrums ensued until Barnes broke away with a fine dribble to the Present twenty-five. Forder, however, intercepting a pass to Pearce soon brought play to half way, and shortly after Osborn ma, punted successfully from a loose scrum into touch near goal line. The Past, however, using their weight and strength to the best advantage in the scrimmages relieved the pressure, but Brown ma, shortly after with a good run got within ten yards till Pearce, sen., tackled him, and, but for a pass forward Pearce mi, would have been in. Cooper, the Past goalkeeper, was compelled to touch down. Meth made a very fine save from the 25 kick, which Cooper returned to half-way. Barnes, who throughout was at his very best, gained several yards with a strong dribble to the School 25, which Gibson neutralised shortly after by being similarly successful, and play settled at halfway till some combined rushes, in which Osborn, Smith, and Forder were prominent, brought the ball close to the Old Boys' line. A beautiful series of passes from Brown to Winter and Meth right across the field resulted in the latter running in and scoring the first try. The kick at goal failed. The whistle now went for half-time.

Shortly after play restarted Bisset made a fine attempt at a drop goal which only just missed. Barnes, however, shortly after following up a kick of his own prevented a return, and forcing the ball out of Taylor's hands ran in between the posts. The try was easily converted and this gave the Old Boys a lead of two points. Play now became if anything more fast and furious. G. Harvey intercepted a pass of the



School backs and made a good run, but the Present continued to press till Button, with one of his dodgy runs, ran in from his own 25, hotly pursued by Winter. This try was not converted. In the last ten minutes the Present made their final supreme effort and keeping their heads and passing well got close up to the Past goal line, where after several ineffectual attempts to break through, Gibson picked up and passed to Osborn, who scored near touch. The place kick was a failure. Five minutes after as a result of some very fine play by the forwards, the ball was dangerously near the Past goal line and Forder making an opening for Winter, the latter gained a few yards before passing to Brown who gained the third try, also near touch. An appeal for pass forward was disallowed, and the kick at goal being a failure, the Present won after a glorious game, perhaps the best ever played at Michaelhouse, by the narrow margin of one point—three tries (nine points) to one goal and a try (eight points). The following were the teams:—Past. Full, Cooper; threequarters, Bisset, G. Harvey, B. Pearce, Button; halves, J. K. Gordon and N. White; forwards, F. Barnes, R. E. Gordon, E. Owen, G. Waters, B. Flack, B. Acutt, J. J. L.-Sisson, and G. D. Ross.

Present. Full, Taylor ma.; threequarters, Winter, Brown ma, Pearce, Meth; halves, Forder and Roach ma.; forwards, Gibson ma, Osborn ma, Johnson ma, Loxton, Smith, Jaffray mi, Smythe ma, Van Beek.

## SECOND XV. MATCHES.

### MICHAELHOUSE II. v. COLLEGE II.

Played at Michaelhouse on May 23rd, and resulted in a win for the School by 16 points to nil. Norton ma, gained three tries and Taylor mi, one. Two tries were converted by Norton ma. The College played pluckily, but were much outweighed forward as well as out manoeuvred behind the scrum. Our team was—Full, Brand; threequarters, Norton ma, Janion, Rethman, Barton; halves, Roach ma, and Green; forwards, Jaffray mi, Brown mi, Boast mi. Holder, Cowle, Moor, Taylor mi, Norton mi.

## JUNIOR MURRAY CUP.

### MICHAELHOUSE II. v. COLLEGE I.

Played at Pietermaritzburg on the Park Ground, June 13th. When the teams lined out, it was manifest we were at a great disadvantage both in weight and age. Play was even



at first, but our fellows were the first to tire, and then the College scored several tries successively. The game was open and the play very good on both sides, the College three-quarter line being exceedingly good. One or two brilliant rushes were made by our side, and Brown mi, made a grand dribble from half-way to their goal line, but it was all in vain. The College got over seven times, but only one try was converted. The remaining score was a dropped goal. Result, College 27 points, Michaelhouse nil. Our team was—Full, Brand; threequarters, Rethman, Janion, Norton ma, Barton; halves, Green and Roach mi.; forwards, Roach ma, Brown mi, Holder, Boast ma, Comins, Johnson mi, Van Beek, Cowie.

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There will be no Speech Day or Prize-giving this Michaelmas, the Prizes for the past year having been already distributed by the late Rector, but the usual Old Boys Cricket Match will take place on Monday and Tuesday, September 28th and 29th. A meeting of the newly formed Old Boys Society will be held on Michaelmas Day. Old Boys desiring to sleep at the School on the Monday night are requested to communicate with the Bursar.



