

St. Paul's School Chronicle

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EDITORIAL.

It seems only the other day that a shivering, expectant band of "young hopefuls," some of them home-sick and friendless, but the majority carefree, refreshed after the holidays, and happy in their mutual good fellowship, assembled in the School Hall prior to the commencement of work. And yet that day,—incredible fact!—was the 10th of March, nine long, weary months ago, the time having once more come round for the breaking-up of school. Yet another November sees the temporary disunion of our little community, and the dispersion of its members, mightier in mind and body, and wiser and better for the lessons that have (sometimes painfully) been impressed upon them, over the length and breadth of India. Thoughts of School and of Darjeeling will find but little place in minds wrapped up in the hustle and excitement of holiday-making, but the events of the year are such as must needs be included in one's reveries of the past. Who will not live again through the exciting moments of the cricket match with St. Joseph's, when the last three batsmen effected what seemed an impossibility—the making of a hundred runs? Or who will so soon forget the sweating, panting figures on the football or hockey fields, striving with might and main to uphold the honour of their respective schools? Time, the Obliterator, may deaden the memory to these stirring episodes, but for the present they will remain indelible and vivid as ever in the imagination of those whose good fortune it was to witness them. The year has indeed been a satisfactory one, in spite of the annoyances and inconveniences following in the train of measles and whooping-cough. May it be only the precursor of many more such!

In conclusion, a "*bon voyage*" to the Rector, a pleasant holiday to him, the Staff and the Boys, and the fairest of Fortune's favours to those who are not returning next year.

THE NEW CHAPEL.

Fund now Totals Rs. 25,000.

The above appeal has been sent out to the parents of all boys in the school, and is gradually being sent to Old Paulites and others interested in the school. Details of the donations received to November 15th are published elsewhere, and these total Rs. 15,902-6-5. In addition we have £200 promised from the Mamott bequest, Rs. 2,000 available for transfer from the Chapel subscriptions.

of 8 as. per month, and a donation of Rs. 2,500 from the Lord Bishop which will be available, we hope, for transfer from the Reserve Fund at the end of this financial year. These amounts, together with interest due and promises, brings the fund up to over Rs. 25,000, but of this Rs. 1,953-14-2 is in the Alliance Bank of Simla, and it is doubtful whether much of this will be recovered.

It is hoped shortly to print a picture giving an idea of the appearance of the building designed by Mr. W. I. Keir. It will be seen to be a very fine addition to the School, and in its proposed position it will stand as a landmark for anything up to 100 miles away. It is to seat 330 comfortably, and the design is Basilican.

Over 100 collecting-cards have already been taken out, and the Rector is appealing at Home for help. He has already been asked to address a meeting at Eastbourne, and hopes to arouse interest in some of the schools. The Indian Church Aid Association is arranging a programme.

Miss Robinson has arranged a Cross Word Puzzle and is kindly offering a prize of Rs. 25. The entries close on December 15th.

Mrs. Vaughan has also raised Rs. 60 by raffling her parasol. We understand that a further contribution is on the way, raised by Mrs. Dawkins, the Rector's mother. Mrs. Jones tried to arrange a dance during the Pujahs, but there was such a plethora of festivities that she was advised to postpone the effort till next May, when it is hoped that a dance will be held near Commemoration Day.

SUBSCRIPTIONS TO CHAPEL FUND.

Name	Amount	1919-20	Rs.	A.	P.
1918-19	Rs. A. P.				
Mrs. Blaker ..	20 0 0	Mrs. Cartland ..	10	0	0
R. M. Robertson, Esq. ..	5 0 0	Col. F. M. Leslie ..	100	0	0
J.W. Brearley ..	100 0 0	Turnbull, Esq. ..	10	0	0
Mrs. Utting ..	10 0 0	Col. F. M. Leslie ..	205	0	0
Mrs. Carey ..	10 0 0	W. H. A. Samuel, Esq. ..	21	0	0
Mrs. Lamb ..	10 0 0	G. H. Dalrymple Hay, Esq. ..	100	0	0
Lieut. Morton ..	10 0 0				
Mrs. Caldwell ..	20 0 0	1920-21			
R. M. Vipar, Esq. ..	20 0 0	Mrs. Meikle ..	10	0	0
A. S. Arshacong, Esq. ..	10 0 0	Proceeds of Concert ..	413	6	0
Major H. W. Moore ..	15 0 0	D. Ingle, Esq. ..	50	0	0
Mrs. Keelan ..	10 0 0	R. Macdonald, Esq. ..	50	0	0
C. A. Gasper, Esq. ..	50 0 0	Miss Lea ..	10	0	0
Capt. K. E. Winn ..	50 0 0				
S. Mc. G. Paterson, Esq. ..	100 0 0	1921-22			
Mrs. E. G. Macpherson ..	50 0 0	Concert per Miss Rendall ..	624	0	0
Master Samuel ..	25 0 0	Concerts Dormitory ..	87	6	0
Capt. Heathcote ..	50 0 0	Collections ..	32	4	0
W. H. A. Samuel, Esq. ..	14 8 0	F. W. Allum, Esq. ..	200	0	0
Mrs. Culshaw ..	25 0 0	Bank Interest ..	12	10	0
H. C. C. Patourel, Esq. ..	20 0 0				
		1922-23			
		Rev. P. C. Nall ..	8	15	0
		Mrs. Grose ..	100	8	0
		per Mrs. Terrell ..	267	0	0

SUBSCRIPTIONS TO CHAPEL FUND—(Contd.)

	RS.	A.	P.		RS.	A.	P.
M. T. Cox, Esq. ..	50	0	0	Rev. F. V. Dawkins..	80	0	0
per Rev. F. V. Dawkins ..	0	15	0	Mrs. Strong ..	50	0	0
per Mrs. Terrell ..	107	2	9	St. Paul's Scouts ..	50	0	0
Concert per Mrs. Jones ..	733	8	0				
Gym. Display per A. Hum-				1925—26			
phries, Esq. ..	64	6	6	Kumar Dorjay Tobgay ..	100	0	0
per Mrs. Terrell ..	63	0	0	Pictorial Souvenirs ..	155	0	0
Gym. Display per A. Hum-				Rev. D. J. Earle ..	15	0	0
phries, Esq. ..	57	0	0	School Servants ..	45	0	0
M. T. Cox, Esq. ..	50	0	0	Mr. Gaudoin ..	5	0	0
per Mrs. Terrell ..	10	0	0	Free Will Offerings ..	4	15	0
per Mrs. Broughton..	27	0	0	Bishop of Chichester ..	66	3	0
Bank Interest ..	140	13	0	Mr. Paxton ..	12	0	0
Chapel Collections ..	218	5	0	Scout Display ..	14	9	0
				Miss Watt ..	5	0	0
1923—24				Dr. Macpherson ..	3	0	0
Indian Church Aid Associ-				Mrs. Dawkins ..	263	15	6
ation ..	741	13	5	Carol Service Collection ..	34	10	0
H. A. S. Pullan, Esq. ..	100	0	0	Mrs. Seal ..	10	0	0
Lord Bishop of Assam ..	20	0	0	Bank Interest ..	357	3	2
per Messrs. Lovelock & Lewes	200	0	0	per Rev. J. Grimes ..	100	0	0
J. A. Kirkham, Esq. ..	50	0	0	Old Paulites' Dance..	100	0	0
Gym. Display per A. Hum-				Mrs. Majumdar ..	100	0	0
phries, Esq. ..	32	12	0	C. D. Moore ..	5	0	0
Rev. E. Vaughan ..	200	0	0	L. Taylor, Esq. ..	500	0	0
per Rev. F. V. Dawkins ..	2	8	0	Cotton Hall Dormitory ..	7	0	0
J. R. Coulthurd, Esq. ..	40	0	0	Old Paulites' Dance ..	400	0	0
Rev. T. Basil Woodd ..	20	0	0	J. Reid, Esq. ..	100	0	0
Church Education League ..	281	1	9	Miss G. V. Price ..	10	0	0
per J. S. Adams, Esq. ..	5	0	0	S. P. G. London per Messrs.			
Gym. Display per A. Hum-				Lovelock & Lewes ..	208	1	3
phries, Esq. ..	46	12	0	L. Taylor, Esq. ..	200	0	0
Collections ..	267	11	6	Mrs. Allum ..	20	0	0
Indian Church Aid Associ-				Mr. Behrend ..	10	0	0
ation ..	3	8	3	Sir Hugh and Lady			
per Rev. W. C. Young ..	25	14	0	Stephenson ..	300	0	0
Bank Interest ..	126	14	7	M. Broughton, Esq. ..	4	0	0
				Rev. E. R. Wilkinson ..	15	0	0
1924—25				Mrs. Walker ..	10	0	8
Mrs. Jones-Concert ..	657	14	0	Kumar Dorjay Tobgay ..	100	0	0
per Mrs. Terrell ..	265	0	0	B. C. Goho, Esq., ..	25	0	0
Messrs. Humphries and				Rev. S. Aldis ..	25	0	0
Russell ..	143	8	0	J. H. Strong, Esq. ..	30	0	0
per Mrs. Terrell ..	77	4	0	B. De, Esq. ..	30	0	0
Messrs. J. M. Gregory & Co.	25	0	0	M. John, Esq. ..	50	0	0
Church Education League ..	4,000	0	0	B. K. Raha, Esq. ..	10	0	0
Miss Robinson, Miss Rigg				A. Nahapiet, Esq. ..	20	0	0
and Miss Parsons..	66	4	0	Mrs. Beaver ..	10	0	0
Bank Interest ..	178	4	9	Mrs. Walker ..	5	0	0
per Eric Meyer ..	125	0	0	Interest as on April 6th ..	76	0	0
				Total ..	15,902	6	5

COMMEMORATION, 1927.

This will be held on the Saturday after Ascension Day, May 28th. It is hoped that as many Old Paulites as possible will turn up. If you would like an invitation, with programme of events, please write to Mr. Kydd for one, or to the Rector.

SCHOOL NOTES.

A welcome addition to the Staff has been received in the form of Mr. F. Carey, a man of great educational experience, obtained in South Africa and India, where he was, incidentally, with the Rector at Bishop Cotton School, Bangalore.

Miss Shelverton having departed on a well-earned holiday, the office of Music Mistress is for the time being filled by Mrs. Byrne, L.R.A.M.

Thanks to the generosity of the staff, the Old Masters' Common Room has been transformed into a Reading and Billiard Room for the members of the Fourth, Fifth and Sixth Forms, under the designation of "The Club"—of which more anon.

The Band of the Cheshire Regiment has not been remiss in gratifying our craving for music. Mr. Hitch very kindly entertained us with a delightful programme on the 24th of July, and on the last Saturday in September we attended another of his concerts at the Gymkhana Club.

On the 1st of October, the Prefects attended a representation of "As You Like It", given by the "Dio" girls, and unanimously expressed their approbation of the acting, elocution and costumes of the performers, even though the Exiled Duke found some difficulty in straining 'his' words through the "bushy, black beard," which enveloped 'his' body from the waist upwards.

On the 6th of the same month, Signor M. Anselmer, the famous Buenos Ayres tenor, gave a thoroughly well appreciated half-hour's entertainment, consisting entirely of foreign songs, in the School Hall.

The Poojah holidays were brought to an auspicious end by the materialization of the " 'Dio' Dance", which was as successful as it ought to have been considering that it has taken three years in the preparing!

Owing to alleged whooping-cough in the school we were prevented from attending the Communion Service at St. Andrew's Church on Sundays for four or five weeks, during which period we attended Matins at St. Luke's Garrison Church once.

Our gratitude is due to the Lord Bishop of Calcutta for a donation of Rs. 300 to be utilized in replenishing the School Library, and to Sir Hugh and Lady Stephenson for a similar contribution towards the School Chapel Fund.

On Saturday the 30th October, Miss Robinson's Lower Preparatory Class provided a novel entertainment, comprising a number of well-chosen songs and recitations and the staging of "Little Red Riding Hood"—all, said and sung in French.

The Prize Distribution and Gymnastic Display on the 5th of November attracted a small crowd of our friends, who passed a very pleasant afternoon together.

The following morning Mr. Carey and eighteen other enthusiastic sight-seers set off on an excursion to Tiger Hill, from which spot they secured a perfect view of the sun-rise on Everest.

The arrangements for Armistice Day were the same as usual—church parade for the Cadets, the Junior Singing Competition, light refreshments partaken of in the Victoria Park, the Senior Singing Competition, and the tortuous climb up the Jalapahar Hill.

The Cock House for the year beginning August 1925 and ending July 1926 was Lawrence, elevated, through the fine efforts of its members, from last to first place.

The second term saw the appointment of several new Prefects, of whom the list is subjoined below:—

CAPTAIN OF THE SCHOOL	.. L. B. Siddons.
SENIOR PREFECTS	.. R. C. Otto, D. A. Lakin, P. C. Ray, (F. W. Murphy and F. S. Ralli already held this office).
CAPTAINS OF HOUSES	.. <i>Clive</i> —L. B. Siddons ("vice" A. H. Gibson). <i>Hastings</i> —G. R. Robottom ("vice" A. J. Gregory). <i>Havelock</i> —D. A. Lakin. <i>Lawrence</i> —F. S. Ralli.
JUNIOR PREFECTS	.. M. A. Nahapiet, G. R. Robottom, C. Probett, E. H. Mathews, J. Aldis.
PROBATIONARY PREFECTS	.. R. Das, D. Daroga, S. Sait, L. Ara, T. J. Bocker.

NEWS OF OLD BOYS.

Our congratulations again go out to B. Barker, this time for obtaining Honours in the London B.Sc. (Engineering) examination. He is only 19 years of age, so he ought to have a wonderful future.

S. A. Neish has successfully passed the London Intermediate Royal Society of Arts Examination with 2nd Class Honours. Incidentally, it may be stated that in June last he and his partner, Miss Doris Blaker, were declared winners in a Fox Trot Competition at Southampton among a crowd of enthusiasts. The judge, a professional teacher of dancing, commenting on the style, said that it was the best he had ever witnessed.

N. Blaker is studying Railway Accounts at Southampton, and J. A. Howe has now been two years in a tobacco factory in Liverpool.

F. de Tivoli proceeded to Pannal Ash College, Harrogate, Yorkshire, in August to undergo a commercial training.

M. Broughton, who put up at the School for a few days, competed with great success in the Darjeeling District Sports. He won the Hurdles and the Long Jump, obtained second places in the High Jump and Quarter Mile, and was awarded H. E. the Governor's Medal and the Challenge Cup for the athlete gaining the most points in Open Events. Broughton's best performance in Calcutta was the running of the Half Mile in 2 minutes 7 seconds but he has unofficially bettered this timing on several occasions.

S. J. Emmett has followed in the wake of so many of our Old Boys by becoming a Tea Planter.

R. Bell is at Caistor Grammar School, where he is a general favourite, being a good cricketer and footballer, and a capital swimmer.

R. W. Farrow is working as an apprentice in Price, Waterhouse, Pete, Chartered Accountants, Calcutta, where he has R. V. Lownes for a companion. B. Smythe is engaged in the same capacity in Sassoon & Co., Calcutta.

A. J. Gregory has a good post in Gasper & Co., Rangoon, where he is in charge of the Banking Department.

S. W. Behrend, who left for Felstead School the year before last, was successful in the School Certificate examination this last July.

R. Woodward of the Imperial Bank of India, Dehra Dun, has passed the C.A.I.B.

We are glad to hear that S. and A. Agaronoff and E. Richardson are doing well at Denstone College.

CHAPEL NOTES.

In a previous number it was boasted that the weather did not once interfere with our attending the Sunday Morning Services at St. Andrew's. This year, perverse climatic conditions necessitated our staying at home on two occasions, and "alleged" whooping-cough in the school caused us to be absent yet another four times. During this period of quasi-quarantine we had on the 12th September the consolation of attending the Parade Service at St. Luke's Garrison Church, Jalapahar. It was quite a novel experience to many to find their voices utterly drowned in the roar of the brass instruments.

We are very grateful to the Most Reverend the Metropolitan for his interesting and enlightening address in the School Chapel at Evening Prayers on September the 18th. The Bishop began by relating the story of Esther and Mordecai, which he applied to every-day life, shewing how duty to one's friends, neighbours and countrymen must ever overcome selfishness. He then proceeded to talk of the Indian Church Measure, explaining most lucidly that the new settlement was not intended to cut Europeans adrift from the forms of service to which they were accustomed, but rather to enable Indians to serve God in the way they thought fit, and to provide each congregation with the means of worshipping in the manner most pleasing to it. India had a great future before it, he declared, and it was the duty of every inhabitant of this country to further the interests of the nation at large, and the especial duty of every true Christian to give a shoulder to the work of Christianity, which alone was capable of tiding over the difficulties prevalent everywhere in this land, owing to the bitterness of communal hatreds.

The Evening Lessons are now read by members of the Sixth Form, who have to a fair degree overcome their nervousness, and are in a position to take their share in the reading at both morning and evening services next year.

R. Robottom has performed his duties as Sacristan very ably throughout the year.

Morning Prayers during the last week of term were beautified by the singing of Christmas hymns and carols, which lost nothing of their worth by being produced five weeks before Yuletide.

The Chapel Building Fund has lately been benefited by Sunday liberal donations, but is still far from completion. A special appeal for contributions has been sent out, and it is anticipated that this together with the collecting cards, which most of the boys are taking home with them, will so increase the sum already in hand as to enable a start on the actual building to be made without delay. Contributions, however small, are always welcome, and should be sent to Mr. W. J. Kydd, Honorary Treasurer of the Fund.

FOOTBALL.

A retrospect of the Football Season shows that, on the whole, we have acquitted ourselves quite well, the achievements of the team comparing very favourably with those of other years. Two matches against the Soldiers were sufficient to prove our mettle and demonstrate most forcibly that, in spite of the fact that the average weight of the Eleven hardly exceeded 126 pounds, we were fully capable of holding our own against superiority in size and bulk. Little else need be said about the Season in general, so let us pass to an account of the two matches played against St. Joseph's College.

The first match took place on our ground on July the 28th in tolerable weather. The opening minutes of the game did not provide football of an exhilarating nature, as was only to be expected, since both sides were testing the strength of their opponents. But it was not long before everyone settled down to the game, and the spectators had no ground for complaint whatsoever. Play was fast and furious, veering from one side of the field to the other. Both goals, owing to the "élan" and accurate passing of the forwards, were in constant jeopardy, but the shooting was poor, and at half-time neither side

had succeeded in scoring. The second half was a repetition of the first. The combination of the forwards was brilliant, but in front of the goal they were useless, kicking either wide of the posts or straight into the custodian, or not kicking the ball at all, allowing the defenders to deprive them of it in the nick of time. The backs and half-backs played magnificently, and had they been backed up by their forwards, the scores would probably have been five or six all. As it was, no goals were scored, even after ten minutes' extra time had been allowed, but the honours undoubtedly lay with St. Paul's.

The second match was played at St. Joseph's two days later, and proved even more thrilling from the point of view of the looker-on, and even more gruelling from that of the participator, than the first. The forwards showed an improvement in their shooting, but the goal-keepers rose to the occasion, failing every effort at scoring, and once again half-time found both goals intact. In the second half the St. Joseph's forwards pulled themselves together, and made five or six determined rushes into our goal-area, but found our defenders fully competent to cope with the situation. One mistake, however, proved fatal. Our left-back, in an attempt to kick the ball over the touch-line, placed it right at the feet of the opposing left wing, who, unmarked by the right half-back, did not fail to precipitate it hard and true into the net. For the next ten minutes St. Paul's struggled desperately to equalise, and St. Joseph's were hard put to it to defend their goal. A penalty-kick in our favour brightened our prospects to a considerable degree. But the centre half-back kicked straight into the rival "goalie", and the right-half, instead of banging the leather into the goal when it rebounded to him, touched it feebly with his foot, sending it a yard wide of one of the posts. No more such golden opportunities came our way and the final whistle saw our opponents victors of the day by the narrow margin of one goal to nil.

MATCHES PLAYED.

July 1st	Jalapahar	..	..	..	..	Lost	2-3
July 5th	Jalapahar	..	..	..	..	Drawn	2-2
July 28th	St. Joseph's	..	..	..	..	Drawn	0-0
July 30th	St. Joseph's	..	..	..	..	Lost	0-1
August 4th	Government High School	..	..	..	..	Won	4-1

INTER-HOUSE COMPETITION.

This was most keenly contested, Hastings and Lawrence eventually securing the lead. All the more credit is due to Lawrence House on account of the small set of boys that comprised its 1st XI., which included only one member of the School Team.

	1ST XI.'s.				2ND XI.'s.				3RD XI.'s.				Total.
	Clive	Hastings	Havelock	Lawrence	Clive	Hastings	Havelock	Lawrence	Clive	Hastings	Havelock	Lawrence	
Clive	—	0	0	5	—	0	10	5	—	10	0	0	.. 30
Hastings	10	—	10	10	10	—	0	5	0	—	10	0	.. 55
Havelock	10	0	—	0	0	10	—	10	10	0	—	0	.. 40
Lawrence	5	0	10	—	5	5	0	—	10	10	10	—	.. 55

FOOTBALL CHARACTERS.

- *L. B. SIDDONS *Captain.* Inside Left. Combines well. A good shot but rather slow ; keeps the ball low and seldom misses his mark. Is greatly handicapped by bad eye-sight. Has filled his position as Captain with credit.
- *F. S. RALLI *Vice-Captain.* Centre half. Plays a good, vigorous game. Feeds his forwards adequately, and tackles well. Good head-work. The right man for the most difficult place on the field.
- *M. A. NAHAPIET Left Back. Reliable in his place. Plays a fearless game. Clears well, sometimes wildly.
- *D. A. LAKIN Left Half. A very hard-working player. Has given great satisfaction. Feeds his forwards, marks his man and does his share in the defence.
- †G. R. ROBOTOM Left Wing. Centres well. Has improved considerably in his place, but is still apt to lose control of the ball.
- †O. K. GRINDALL Centre Forward. Plays with dash and uses his head well. His combination lacks definition, and he is still weak in front of the goal. Does not quite realize that his place is the point of the forward line. Has the makings of a good footballer.
- †A. J. GREGORY Goal Keeper. Very active ; is never at a loss. A splendid custodian. Must control his kicking. Has his own amusing style of getting about his business.
- †A. H. GIBSON Inside Right. Combines well, but is weak in shooting. He invariably shoots over the cross-bar. Plays a sound game. Very keen on the field and a willing player.
- †R. C. OTTO Right Half. Has made great improvement since last year. Plays a very fair game. Marks his man very closely. His speed is a valuable asset.
- †E. H. MATHEWS Right Back. Clears well, though inclined to kick higher than is necessary. Plays a fairly sound and safe game in the defence.

F. W. Murphy and E. Ezekiel have also played for the School.

* Old Colours. † 2nd XI. Colours.

†P. C. Ray

.. .. Right Wing. Plays a fair game. Has the necessary speed but his centres require power and direction to be really effective. Centres well at times. Will overcome any defects with more practice.

HOCKEY.

We have had rather a long but disappointing Hockey season this year, for with eight old colours back we had great hopes of doing better than we actually have done. The vacant places had been well filled, and the team was, without exaggeration, a singularly formidable combination. But, until the very end of the season, there was one thing lacking, the determination to win, the "grit to go all out" at the end of the game, and force a victory. Goal-getting was the one flaw in our otherwise perfect strength, and it was a flaw which eventually contributed to a very great extent in our numerous defeats.

We entered for the Newton Cup along with St. Joseph's College, Victoria School, and Goethal's School; the first two named tied for first place top, and receive our hearty congratulations on their well deserved success. Our first match was played against St. Joseph's on their ground, and provided what many have considered to have been the most even game of all those played in recent years. Our opponents started off well, netting the ball once before we had had time to settle down to the game, but they did not long retain their lead, and half-time saw the score at one-all, although the advantage may undoubtedly have been said to have lain with St. Paul's. In the second half the honours lay with St. Joseph's, who forced corner after corner, one of which resulted in a goal, but St. Paul's attackers gave their defenders a pretty hot time of it, the goal-keeper on one occasion stopping on a level with his face (a terrific drive) which would have set the scores level once more. Both sides tried their hardest to score towards the end, but there was no further scoring, our opponents finally winning by 2 goals to 1.

We next met Victoria at Kurseong on Goethal's ground, and again suffered defeat after a fairly one-sided game, of which Victoria had the better. Rain and the strangeness of the field proved fatal to effectual combination on the part of both teams, the ultimate score being 2-0. Three days later we regained our reputation by beating Goethal's on our own ground by two goals to nil. The match was played under ideal conditions.

MATCHES PLAYED.

August 18th	Jalapahar	..	..	..	..	Lost	1-4
September 2nd	Jalapahar	..	..	..	..	Lost	0-2
„ 9th	Jalapahar	..	..	..	..	Won	1-0
„ 15th	St. Joseph's	..	..	..	..	Lost	1-2
„ 20th	Victoria	..	..	..	..	Lost	0-2
„ 23rd	Goethals	..	..	..	..	Won	2-0

† 2nd XI. Colours.

HOCKEY CHARACTERS.

- *F. S. RALLI *Captain* for 1926. Has filled his position faithfully ; a keen, hard working and efficient captain. Plays at centre half ; has successfully fulfilled the requirements of that important place, defending and attacking equally well.
- *L. G. B. SIDDONS Left Back. Somewhat slow, but very reliable. Tackles well and is difficult to get past. Directs his fine passes with remarkable accuracy.
- *E. E. MATHEWS Centre Forward. Fast and dribbles well. Spoils play by giving "sticks" in the ring..
- *D. A. LAKIN Right Back. A good player, but unfortunately knows it, and suffers in consequence. Tackles and clears well, but should learn the importance of keeping his place.
- *M. A. NAHAPIET Inside Right. Makes use of a good stamina. Combines well, but is a poor shot. Should know by this time that goals are obtained by accurate and well-placed shots, and not by "wild slogging".
- *G. R. ROBOTTOM Goal-keeper. Often brilliant, but has his "off" days. Is inclined to be spectacular, and should realize that keeping his post is of vital importance.
- ‡R. C. OTTO Right Half. Fast and marks his man well. Is apt to fumble with the ball, and is rather awkward with his stick ; should try to acquire a greater command over it.
- ‡O. K. GRINDALL Inside Left. Has improved considerably. Combines very well, but is too fond of dribbling in the goal mouth. A poor shot.
- ‡H. B. ELLIS Outside Left. Fast and clever with his stick. Runs down splendidly, and centres very well considering the difficulty of his position. Should make an excellent player when older and stronger.
- †J. N. NAMGYAL Left Half. Thoroughly reliable. Feeds his forwards well. Sticks to his man and tackles well, but is apt to hit wildly at times.

* Signifies Old 1st XI. Colours ; ‡ Old 2nd XI. Colours ; † New 2nd XI. Colours.

- †E. E. EZEKIEL Outside Right. Very fast, and on his day exchanges passes very well indeed. Rather outruns the ball when running down; should try to avoid giving "sticks" when centring.
- †L. Cox Has also played at Right Half. Tackles well, and sticks to his man tenaciously. Indulges in rather too much "wild hitting".

We are indebted to Mr. Jones and Mr. Humphries for the great interest they have taken in the Team, more especially to the latter for the inconvenience to which he has over and over again put himself in supervising our daily morning training and in accompanying the Eleven when playing away from home.

INTER-HOUSE COMPETITION.

Added zest was given to this Tournament by the fact that it was played off in November, having been postponed on account of the District Sports. The general spirit of light-heartedness occasioned by the proximity of "Going Home Day" was to all intents and purposes conducive to hockey of an exciting, if unrefined, nature. Lawrence House terminated a long series of triumphs by gaining yet another victory.

		1ST XI.'s				2ND XI.'s				Total	
		Clive	Hastings	Havelock	Lawrence	Clive	Hastings	Havelock	Lawrence		
Clive	..	—	10	10	5	—	0	0	0	..	25
Hastings	..	0	—	10	0	10	—	5	0	..	25
Havelock	..	0	0	—	5	10	5	—	0	..	20
Lawrence	..	5	10	5	—	10	10	10	—	..	50

The usual method of scoring was employed—10 points for a *win* and 5 for a *draw*.

CRICKET.

Our second Cricket season has been successful and shows improvement on the first. The team on the whole is a sound one, but has not lived up to expectations in batting: what is learnt at the nets is too easily forgotten in a game. The bowling and fielding is quite up to standard. The "colts" have made considerable progress and should do quite well in the future. Of the rest of the school, some show great aptitude for the game, and, with due care, will be suitable material for the 1st XI next year.

We are indebted to Mr. Jones for his untiring, unselfish efforts to improve our cricket, for the knowledge he has imparted to us, and for his continued interest in school cricket generally.

Mrs. Humphries has our thanks for the excellent lunches she has supervised.

† New 2nd XI. Colours.

Our thanks are due also to Mr. A. Terrell, who for many years has played cricket at St. Paul's and has always taken great interest in our cricket.

S. PAUL'S vs. MR. WHITBY'S XI.

This match was played on October 15th. Owing to circumstances the sides had one innings each, the School winning by 44 runs. For the visiting team, Mr. Terrell played his usual innings of admirable cricket and scored 68; Mr. Paddon played a sound innings of 27; Mr. Jones was in "form" and remained unbeaten at 16. The School was very fortunate in dismissing the Emmett brothers so cheaply. Nahapiet bowled well, keeping a good length, and secured 4 wickets for 36. For the School, Ralli batted excellently for 52 and was unfortunately run out; Robottom's 39 was useful, if lacking in style; Lakin played rather too much "defensive" cricket, and was unbeaten at 23; Macdonald, one of the newcomers to the team, played quite well and made a successful "début," scoring 18. Mr. Jones at the wicket stumped Siddons very well; though playing for the visiting team he could not help giving advice to the St. Paul's batsmen, and Mr. Terrell has to "warn" him. S. Emmett bowled successfully, in spite of the fact that he has not played much cricket of late; he had an excellent analysis of 7 for 32.

MR. WHITBY'S XI.

Mr. Paddon ..	..	ct.	Ralli, b. Bocker ..	..	27
„ Terrell ..	..	ct.	Lakin, b. Robottom ..	..	68
„ Emmett, S. ..	..	b.	Nahapiet ..	..	1
„ Moore ..	..	ct.	Siddons, b. Bocker ..	..	12
„ Falconer ..	..	b.	Nahapiet ..	..	10
„ Whitby ..	..	ct.	Otto, b. Nahapiet ..	..	2
„ Jones ..	..		not out ..	..	16
„ Emmett, W. ..	..	ct.	Mathews, b. Nahapiet ..	..	0
„ Bartwhistle ..	..	b.	Robottom ..	..	6
„ Willes ..	..	b.	Mathews ..	..	1
„ Baldry ..	..	st.	Ralli, b. Mathews ..	..	1
Extras ..				..	9
Total ..				..	153

S. PAUL'S.

Bocker ..	..	b.	Emmett, S. ..	..	10
Robottom ..	..	ct.	Emmett, W. b. Emmett, S. ..	..	39
Ralli ..	..		run out ..	..	52
Siddons ..	..	st.	Jones, b. Willes ..	..	20
Probett ..	..	ct.	Emmett, W. b. Emmett, S. ..	..	4
Nahapiet ..	..	ct.	Emmett, W. b. Emmett, S. ..	..	10
Lakin ..	..		not out ..	..	23
Mathews ..	..	ct.	Paddon, b. Emmett, S. ..	..	5
Otto ..	..	ct.	Emmett, W. b. Emmett, S. ..	..	1
Grindall ..	..	b.	Emmett, S. ..	..	0
Macdonald ..	..	ct.	Bartwhistle, b. Whitby ..	..	18
Extras ..				..	15
Total ..				..	197

S. PAUL'S SCHOOL vs. S. JOSEPH'S COLLEGE.

The teams met on the 20th and 21st October on the College ground. Nyss and Macgilchrist opened for the College to the bowling of Ralli and Siddons. The first six overs were "maidens" and the scoring for some time was still very slow. At the fall of the 4th wicket the score was 31. Shawe and Thorley now enlivened the game, hitting freely round the wicket. Shawe was fortunate in reaching 63, when he was at last caught after giving a few chances. He was responsible for the improvement in the score, which now stood at 104 for 5. The side was out for 148 to which Thorley contributed 26 and Hannah 21. Bocker and Lakin opened the School's innings and played well to the fast bowling of Nyss. Nyss kept a good length, and would have been more effective if his bowling had been straighter. Bocker was run out when the score was 20. Ralli played a delightful but short innings of 36. At the fall of the 4th wicket the score was 74, comparing very favourably with the College score at the fall of that wicket. But the School did not fare so well after that, and the side was out for 107.

By the end of the day, two wickets had fallen in the second innings of the College. The scoring was not so high as on the first day; only Boomgardt was successful in making more than 20. He played sound cricket for 35. Lawrie made a good stand and was unbeaten at 14. The score in the second innings was 101; the aggregate for both innings was 249. The School required 143 runs to win, which was not a colossal task under ordinary circumstances, but requiring nerve and caution in inter-school matches of such a nature. The innings began disastrously: 5 wickets yielded 37 runs. Only those who have had this experience can understand the feelings of the sides. Still more acute were those feelings when 8 wickets fell for 43. Then the recovery began, Mathews and Otto forming a partnership which yielded 56 runs. Wilks as Captain of the College team was having a most anxious time, trying to keep his men steady. Mathews and Otto appeared quite composed and unconscious of the state of affairs. Mathews left Otto at 99, having played the "game of his life". His 44 runs included 10 "fours", which he scored in rapid succession. He had treated the bowling with no little contempt; one tremendous hit despatched a ball over the trees bordering the ground. Grindall joined Otto, 43 being required to equalize. They played as cautiously as could be expected, though sometimes they took grave risks. The necessary runs came slowly, but surely, and when Otto was out, a "supposed" draw had been effected. The scorers totalled up the scores and declared a win for the School by the narrow margin of 3 runs.

Mathews, Otto and Grindall are deserving of the highest praise for their splendid performance.

S. JOSEPH'S COLLEGE.

1st Innings.

R. Nyss ..	..	ct. Macdonald, b. Ralli ..	..	8
H. Macgilchrist	..	b. Siddons ..	..	9
J. Boomgardt	..	ct. Bocker, b. Siddons ..	..	0

D. B. Shawe	..	ct.	Mathews, b. Siddons	..	63
P. Wilks	..	b.	Ralli	..	6
C. Thorley	..	b.	Bocker	..	26
E. Templeton	..	b.	Ralli	..	2
V. Hannah	..	b.	Ralli	..	21
J. Lawrie	..		not out	..	2
P. West	..	ct.	Probett, b. Ralli	..	3
B. Walsh	..	ct.	Mathews, b. Siddons	..	1
			Extras	..	7
Total					.. 148

BOWLING.

	Overs	Runs	Wickets	Average
Ralli	19	59	5	11.9
Siddons	15	29	4	7.2
Nahapiet	3	22	..	..
Robottom	3	15	..	..
Bocker	4	16	1	16

S. JOSEPH'S COLLEGE.

2nd Innings.

R. Nyss	..	ct.	Macdonald, b. Siddons	..	17
H. Macgilchrist	..	b.	Ralli	..	3
J. Boomgardt	..	ct.	Siddons, b. Ralli	..	35
D. B. Shawe	..	b.	Ralli	..	7
P. Wilks	..	b.	Ralli	..	5
C. Thorley	..	ct.	Lakin, b. Siddons	..	4
E. Templeton	..	b.	Siddons	..	0
V. Hannah	..	ct.	and b. Ralli	..	7
J. Lawrie	..		not out	..	14
D. West	..	b.	Siddons	..	3
B. Walsh	..	b.	Siddons	..	4
			Extras	..	2
Total					.. 101

BOWLING.

	Overs	Runs	Wickets	Average
Siddons	19	47	5	9.4
Ralli	18	52	5	10.4

S. PAUL'S SCHOOL.

1st Innings.

T. Bocker	..	run out	..	..	8
D. Lakin	..	ct. Macgilchrist, b. Wilks	..	..	14
F. Ralli	..	ct. Thorley, b. Walsh	..	..	36
L. Siddons	..	ct. West, b. Shawe	..	..	16
M. Nahapiet	..	b. Shawe	..	..	0
R. Robottom	..	ct. and b. Walsh	..	..	5
C. Probett	..	b. Walsh	..	..	4
E. Mathews	..	st. Templeton, b. Shawe	..	..	4
K. Macdonald	..	l.b.w., b. Wilks	..	..	10
R. Otto	..	not out	..	..	6
O. Grindall	..	b. Wilks	..	..	0
Extras					4
Total					107

BOWLING.

	Overs	Runs	Wickets	Average
Nyss	7	18	..	..
Wilks	8	30	3	10
Shawe	6	23	3	7.6
Lawrie	1	13	..	..
Walsh	4	19	3	6.3

S. PAUL'S SCHOOL.

2nd Innings.

T. Bocker	..	ct. Shawe, b. Nyss	..	..	1
D. Lakin	..	b. Shawe	..	..	15
F. Ralli	..	b. Nyss	..	..	1
L. Siddons	..	run out	..	..	3
M. Nahapiet	..	ct. Shawe, b. Nyss	..	..	9
R. Robottom	..	ct. Shawe, b. Nyss	..	..	11
C. Probett	..	run out	..	..	0
K. Macdonald	..	b. Shawe	..	..	0
E. Mathews	..	ct. Nyss, b. Walsh	..	..	44
R. Otto	..	ct. Nyss, b. Wilks	..	..	26
O. Grindall	..	not out	..	..	30
Extras					5

Total .. 145

BOWLING.

	Overs	Runs	Wickets	Average
Nyss	10	54	4	13.5
Shawe	11	50	2	25
Wilks	5	23	1	23
Walsh	5	13	1	13

BATTING AVERAGES FOR THE YEAR.

	No. of Innings	Times Not Out	Highest Score	Aggr.	Average
F. Ralli ..	6	1	53*	148	29.6
L. Siddons ..	6	1	55*	116	23.2
T. Bocker ..	6	1	32*	74	14.8
D. Lakin ..	6	2	23*	59	14.75
R. Robottom ..	6	0	39	70	11.6
E. Mathews ..	6	0	44	66	11
K. Macdonald ..	3	0	18	28	9.3
R. Otto ..	6	2	26	36	9
O. Grindall ..	5	1	30*	36	9
M. Nahapiet ..	6	0	10	39	6.5
C. Probett ..	4	1	4	10	3.3

* Not Out.

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	No. of Overs	Runs	Wickets	Average
M. Nahapiet ..	44	133	17	7.8
L. Siddons ..	46	133	14	9.5
F. Ralli ..	72	219	21	10.4
E. Mathews ..	8	19	3	6.3
T. Bocker ..	13	81	6	13.5
R. Robottom ..	18	82	4	20.5

CRICKET CHARACTERS.

*L. B. SIDDONS .. *Captain* for 1926. A pretty bat, with an (especially) attractive forward-drive. A good fast-medium bowler. Keeps a good consistent length, which greatly helps to keep down the score ; uses his break on the leg side very effectively. A safe field and good catch. Has proved to be a very hard-working and efficient captain.

*F. S. RALLI .. *Vice-Captain*. A delightful bat. Is master of the most important strokes, which he executes with ease and style. Very strong in his "off" play ; weak, but much improved, on the leg. Bowls consistently well ; a medium, well-pitched "off" break is his characteristic and successful ball. An excellent field.

†M. A. NAHAPIET .. A moderate bat ; rather stiff in his shoulders and wrists. Should have done much better this year. A good bowler ; bowls a fast-medium, good length ball with great accuracy. A safe field. Takes interest in his game, but is too easily discouraged.

* Old Colours. † New Colours.

- †T. J. Bocker .. Has come on well* as a batsman, his play having acquired confidence and power. He seems to have overcome his nervousness. A useful change bowler and a competent field.
- G. R. ROBOTTOM .. Bats very loosely; has yet to learn the secret of a straight bat. A useful bowler; must attach more importance to length rather than pace. A fair field.
- D. A. LAKIN .. His batting has improved considerably. Is inclined to play too much "defensive" cricket, which, if allowed to dominate his play, will make his cricket a drudgery. He has played wicket with success, considering the short time which he has had to adapt himself to it.
- E. MATHEWS .. A prolific scorer on the leg, of the "slogger" type. Has a great deal to learn in batting. A fast bowler; needs to cultivate pitch. A fair field.
- C. PROBETT .. Handicapped by his small size; nevertheless plays with great keenness and has some useful knowledge of batsmanship. A fair field.
- R. C. OTTO .. A poor bat; has not yet learnt the rudiments of batting. An excellent field.
- O. K. GRINDALL .. Tries hard, but is still weak in batting. A good field.
- K. I. MACDONALD .. The latest addition. Has good knowledge and style for a newcomer. Plays with confidence. Should do really well when he acquires strength and experience. A promising bowler. Fairly safe in the field.

† New Colours.

EXAMINATION RESULTS.

CAMBRIDGE LOCAL EXAMINATIONS, JULY 1926.

Seniors—passed A. J. Gregory (Honours).

„ R. W. Farrow.

„ A. H. Gibson.

„ L. B. Siddons.

Juniors—passed D. Daroga (Honours).

„ L. Cox.

„ J. Aldis.

„ J. Lockner.

„ S. Sait.

„ J. Raha.

Three failed.

THE ASSOCIATED BOARD OF R.A.M. AND R.C.M. EXAMINATIONS.
PRACTICAL.

				Maximum 150
Pianoforte :	Higher Division	passed	E. Ezekiel	.. 102
	Elementary	" "	E. N. Walker	.. 105
	Primary	" "	G. H. Duchi	.. 102
	" "	" "	H. N. Hart	.. 106

There were two failures.

THEORY OF MUSIC.

				Maximum 99
Pianoforte :	Higher Division	passed	H. Aldis ..	90
	" "	" "	L. Beaver ..	96
	" "	" "	B. Hogermeer ..	89
	" "	" "	R. Lakin ..	83
	Elementary Division	" "	A. H. Hopcroft ..	89
	Primary Division	" "	J. Collins ..	97
	" "	" "	F. Dean ..	77
	" "	" "	H. Phillips ..	94
	" "	" "	R. Salt ..	76
	" "	" "	E. N. Walker ..	73

No failures.

I. A. F. NOTES.

We have been without an Instructor during the greater part of the second term, and it is due entirely to Lieut. Humphries that the Platoon has made the progress it has done in the second half of the year. L./Cpl. Reid had been called away on business to the Dooars, and while there he contracted malaria in so bad a form, that he was unable to return to us for several weeks. We are glad to say that he is on the highroad to recovery now, and hope that another month will suffice to see him in perfect health once more.

It has fallen to our lot to stand the test of two Inspections, one by Major Webb and the other by Captain Morrison, which we did well enough to receive the compliments of both these officers. The latter inspection was also the occasion of the inter-sectional drill competition, which was very keenly contested. No 2 Section (Cpl. Lakin) was adjudged winner with 46 points out of a possible 50; No. 1 (Cpl. Ralli) was second with 43 points; Nos. 3 and 4 tied with 41 points each, but No. 4 had the satisfaction of hearing that its commander was the most capable, as regards words of command, of the four. Sgt. Siddons was awarded the Cup for General Efficiency. After presenting the prizes, Captain Morrison declared that he had visited St. Joseph's that very morning, and that there was absolutely no comparison between the two Platoons. He emphasized the necessity of every man being a good rifle shot, and expressed the hope that those whom he was addressing would not let their Auxiliary Force training drop after leaving school.

On November the 10th we lined the route outside Government House when His Excellency and Lady Lytton bade farewell to Darjeeling, and on Armistice Day we attended Church Parade at St. Andrew's.

On the 17th September, Major Randall, of the Cheshire Regiment, very kindly supervised a demonstration of fire control at the Jalapahar miniature range, shewing how commands are given and executed on the battle-field.

Congratulations to Sergt. Siddons on winning the Great Gordon Shooting Cup with 17 points out of a maximum of 20.

As the Rifle Range at Lebong was not available, the senior members of the Platoon fired their course on the miniature range at Jalapahar. A very fair standard of efficiency was attained, there being six first class shots (the grade of "marksman" is no longer obtainable in a cadet corps), first of whom was Cpl. Otto with 102 points out of a possible 115, with Cdt. Edwards, 100 points, a close second.

In order of seniority the N.C.O.'s stand as follows :—

Sergt. L. G. B. Siddons, promoted from the rank of Corporal.
 Cpl. F. S. Ralli.
 Cpl. R. C. Otto, promoted from the rank of Lance-Corporal.
 Cpl. D. A. Lakin } hitherto Cadets.
 Cpl. M. A. Nahapiet }

"CARMICHAEL'S OWN."

The work of the Scouts has been jogging along in the same old, uneventful manner, and there is nothing of any importance whatsoever to report. The departure of A. J. Gregory and W. J. Lownes, the two Troop Leaders, has proved an almost irreparable loss, since there are no two Patrol Leaders efficient enough to step into their shoes. Mr. Carey is greatly interested in Scouting and deserves our thanks for his several "talks". But our weekly rallies are almost entirely taken up with tracking, and so little progress has been made in the other branches of our work. It is a deplorable fact, that, in the two Troops, out of 61 only 15 have passed the Second Class, and no one has gone very far beyond this stage. It is to be hoped we will do better next year. The following are the Patrols with their Leaders :—

No. I. Troop under Mr. A. A. Gaudoin :

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| 1. Fox Patrol, containing 9 Scouts | .. | .. | Mackay. |
| 2. Buffalo " " 8 " | .. | .. | Booth. |
| 3. Tiger " " 7 " | .. | .. | Ward. |
| 4. Antelope " " 7 " | .. | .. | Jigmed. |

No. II. Troop under Mr. G. A. Westrup :

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| 1. Wolf Patrol, containing 9 Scouts | .. | .. | Fraser. |
| 2. Horse " " 8 " | .. | .. | Lockner. |
| 3. Lion " " 7 " | .. | .. | Majumdar I. |
| 4. Kangaroo " " 8 " | .. | .. | Raha. |

Since the above was written, an event of note occurred, of which it is essential that mention be made. On the 7th of November, the two Troops, accompanied by the Wolf Cubs under the leadership of Mr. Carey and Mrs. Phillips, proceeded to the "Shrubbery" at Government House, where there

was a gathering of all the local Troops. His Excellency, after having been introduced to the Scoutmasters by Mr. Humphries, District Commissioner of Scouts, inspected the Patrols, and expressed his pleasure, as Chief Scout in Bengal, on beholding the keenness exhibited by all. He would not fail, he declared, to speak in terms of the highest praise of the Scout movement in India. In the games which formed a feature of the morning, "Carmichael's Own" won the Inter-Troop Relay Race, and Mr. Gaudoin's Troop waddled home second in the "Boat" Race.

THE CLUB.

TENTATIVE RULES.

1. Membership shall be restricted to pupils of the Sixth, Fifth and Fourth Forms, who have paid a subscription of one anna per week,—in advance.

2. The control of the affairs of the Club shall be in the hands of the Committee, consisting of :—

A President (The Rector, *ex-officio*), a Secretary (appointed by the Rector), three pupils elected by the Sixth Form, two pupils elected by the Fifth Form, one pupil elected by the Fourth Form, who shall have power to appoint sub-committees for special purposes.

3. Non-subscribers, being pupils of the school, are not to be admitted into the Club under any circumstances.

4. Silence must be observed during the hours of 3-30 and 5-0 every afternoon, and at all other times conduct must be quiet and gentlemanly, under penalty of expulsion from the room, and suspension by the Committee for a period not exceeding one week for the first offence.

5. The senior boy in the room at any time is responsible for order, and all other members present will support his authority.

6. Papers are to remain in the room ; are to be protected from any damage ; and are to be replaced upon the table to which they belong.

7. *Billiards*.—A special Sub-Committee shall be appointed to control this game.

(a) This Sub-Committee will post in the Club room a list of boys who are permitted to play ; only boys on this list may use the table.

(b) The last pair to use the table before going into any "school" will cover the table and put things straight ; therefore all playing must cease on "first bells".

(c) When other persons wish to play, games are limited to 20 minutes or 50 points, whichever be the shorter.

8. Card Games may be played,—strictly for "love".

Committee.—Mr. Frank Carey, Otto I., Ralli, Siddons, Ara I., Lakin I., Mathews I.

Billiards Sub-Committee.—Mathews I., Otto I., Siddons, with power to add to their number.

Librarian.—Otto I.

DISTRIBUTION DAY.

The Prize Distribution and Gymnastic Display took place this year on the 5th of November. The latter commenced at 3 P.M., and kept the visitors, a fairly large number of whom honoured us with their attendance, agreeably entertained for an hour and a half. The series of feats performed on the horse, the parallel bars and the mattress could hardly have been bettered; the "tiny tots" gave an exhibition of physical drill, which was not the least of the various items on the programme; three tableaux were very prettily executed; and the Cadets carried out their rifle exercises mindless of the distracting antics of the Clown, who, in just retribution for his meddlesomeness, was mortally wounded by a volley of blank ammunition, succumbed to his injuries in the dormitory, and immediately underwent the process of re-incarnation, emerging forth in the garb of a rational human being as Hogermeer.

At 4-30 tea was served in the Dining Hall, the walls of which were decked with maps, paintings and drawings, all done in class during the course of the year; two tables contained the cups of the prize-winners in the Athletic Sports and other objects of interest. After tea the visitors were conducted to the science laboratories, where the apparatus used by each Form was open to inspection, and thence round the remainder of the School.

At 5-30 P.M. every one congregated in the Hall, and the School Choir sang two anthems, "The Lord is my Shepherd" and "Jerusalem", after which the Rector read his Report. Mrs. Birley then gave away the prizes and the Hon'ble Mr. Birley, I.C.S., delivered a short speech. He declared that he was delighted to have had the opportunity of renewing his acquaintance with St. Paul's by being appointed a Member of the Governing Committee, and that it gave him real pleasure to preside on the present occasion. It was ten years ago that he used to attend I.D.F. parades on the School playground, and he said, he never felt fitter in his life since his coming to India. He expressed great interest in the project of building a Chapel, in St. Paul's, stating that he would do his utmost to interest the Governor in this scheme. He submitted a word of advice to the Prefects, giving as examples incidents in his own career, namely, that they should never hesitate in the performance of their duty, doing everything thoroughly and as soon as possible. In conclusion, he complimented Mr. Humphries on the excellence of the Gymnastic Display, and congratulated the School on its manifold achievements, by no means the least of which was the victory over St. Joseph's at Cricket. Mr. P. H. Waddell, I.C.S., then proposed a vote of thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Birley for their kindness in presiding over the proceedings and in distributing the prizes. The Junior Choir in turn sang three songs, "Where the bee sucks", "Ring out, wild bells", and "Down in a green and shady bed" followed by the School Song and the National Anthem.

THE RECTOR'S REPORT (SUMMARIZED.)

The Rector in presenting his Report stated that the number of boys in the School at the close of 1925 was 118; this year the number at one time stood at 164, and is 160 at present. Applications are already coming in well for 1927.

He said the School was fortunate in being able to secure the services of Messrs. Carey, Westrup, Higher, and Gaudoin, while those of the old staff, Messrs. Jones, Humphries and Kydd and Mrs. Cox and Miss Robinson have rendered valuable and efficient service during the difficult period through which the School has passed.

He paid a tribute to Mr. Adams, who left the School on retirement in April after nearly 25 years' work.

The examination results of the School for 1925 and 1926 were extremely good, and are due to the much greater interest taken by the boys in their studies, and to the good teaching of the staff, all the members of which are only too willing to give their support to any efforts made for the raising of the standard of work.

The Cricket season was spoilt by quarantine, and all but one match had to be scratched for the Edinburgh Shield. The School recently beat St. Joseph's in Cricket after an intensely exciting match. In foot-ball, two matches were played, one ending in a pointless draw, the other being won by St. Joseph's by one goal to nil.

The Rector extended the School's congratulations to Sir Hugh Stephenson on his appointment as Governor of Bihar and Orissa, although regretting the severance of his connection with the School as one of its Governors.

The death of Mr. H.A.S. Pullan, a Governor of the School, was deeply regretted, as Mr. Pullan had shown the greatest interest in St. Paul's, one of his last acts, as he lay on his death-bed in India, being to send his annual gift of a cricket bat.

The health of the School has been excellent. There were three cases of measles in the beginning of the year and a few minor complaints.

The Rector extended a hearty welcome, as new Governors of the School, to Mr. E. F. Oaten, who has shown in many practical ways his deep interest in its welfare, and to the Hon'ble Mr. Birley, who was Chairman of the evening's function.

Reference was made to the great need of a Chapel for the School, and the Rector appealed to all those who had appreciated their own School Chapels to come forward with their assistance. The site had been selected, and when sufficient funds had been collected, a start would be made on the building on the spot known to Paulites of the long past as the Green Hill.

LIST OF PRIZE-WINNERS.

Upper VI.

Otto I.	..	..	Class Prize and School Certificate.
Murphy I.	..	..	School Certificate.

Lower VI.

Gregory	..	..	1st Prize.
Farrow	..	..	2nd Prize.
Siddons	..	..	3rd Prize, Junior Local and Junior School Certificates.
Ralli	..	..	Progress and Application Prize, Junior Local Certificate.
Ray	..	..	Junior Local Certificate.

Form V.—

Daroga	..	..	1st Prize.
Aldis I.	..	..	2nd and Music Prize, Music Certificate.
Lochner	..	..	3rd Prize.
Sait	Progress and Application Prize.
Robottom	Sacristan's Present.

Upper IV.—

De	Class Prize.
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Lower IV.—

Lerwill	1st Prize.
Booth	2nd Prize.
Fraser	3rd Prize.
Sookias	Progress and Application Prize.
Day	..	..	Progress and Application Prize.

Form III.—

Saunders I.	..	..	1st Prize.
Durham	..	..	2nd Prize and Music Certificate.
Murphy II.	..	..	3rd Prize.
Smart I.	..	..	Progress and Application Prize.

Form II.—

Majumdar II.	..	..	1st Prize.
John II.	..	..	2nd Prize.
Jigmed	..	..	3rd Prize.
Phillips	..	..	4th Prize.
Hopcroft I.	..	..	Music Prize and Certificate.
Aldis II.	..	..	Music Certificate.
Hogermeer	..	..	Music Certificate.
Hart I.	..	..	Music Certificate.

Upper I.—

Carrau	..	..	1st Prize.
Collins	..	..	2nd Prize.

Lower I.—

Fox	..	..	1st Prize.
Pearce	..	..	2nd Prize.
Bell II.	..	..	3rd Prize.
Dale—Green I.	..	..	Progress and Application Prize.

Upper Preparatory Class.—

Verney	..	..	1st Prize.
Hubbard	..	..	2nd Prize.
Ramsden I.	..	..	3rd Prize.
Ramsden II.	..	..	Progress and Application Prize.

Lower Preparatory Class.—

Chapman	..	..	Progress and Application Prize.
Dale—Green II.	..	..	Progress and Application Prize.
Lavallette II.	..	..	Progress and Application Prize.
John IV.	..	..	Progress and Application Prize.

SINGING COMPETITION.

The Annual Inter-Schools Singing Contest took place for the third time at the Gymkhana Club on Poppy Day. The judging was in the hands of Mrs. Farquharson, Mrs. Walker, Rev. Dr. Ridsdale and Father Gillet, while Mr. Papworth, Inspector of European Schools, supervised the proceedings. Three of our choirs were entered by the Rector, one, entitled the "Worms", for the Junior Unison Singing, and two, rejoicing respectively in the "cognomina" of "Frogs," consisting of members of Lawrence and Clive Houses, and "Wasps", composed of vocalists from Hastings and Havelock Houses, for the Senior Unison Singing. The "Worms" and the "Frogs" both secured second places, while the "Wasps" came third in the Senior Singing. The choirs from Dow Hill Girls' School, Kurseong, carried all before them, heading the unison and part songs lists in both Senior and Junior Divisions—an achievement as yet unexampled and commendable to the highest degree. Queen's Hill Girls' School won the Elocution contest. The following is the order of merit, in which the various choirs were placed:—1. Dow Hill School; 2. Victoria School; 3. Diocesan Girls' School; 4. Queen's Hill School.

After the massed choirs had sung to the audience, Mr. Papworth announced the results, and criticised the afternoon's proceedings. The music, he declared, was of a very high standard, there being in reality little to choose between the various choirs. He hoped, as years went on, that this standard would attain a still higher level, and that the other schools of the District would, in the near future, send in choirs to the Competition. There was one universal defect, he said, in the singing, and that was, that the choirs did not sing with sufficient vitality and that there was a general tendency to slur over the last syllable of each word. "Atmosphere" was a necessary and all-important factor in the rendering of all songs; this had been obtained to admiration, he was glad to say, by the "Frogs" and the "Wasps" in Mendelssohn's "Where the bee sucks". There were no other remarks to be made, he said, so it only remained for him to express everybody's thanks to the judges and to Mr. Moore, the Secretary of the Club.

THE DISTRICT SPORTS.

The District Sports, which took place somewhat earlier than usual this year, were held at St. Joseph's College on the 2nd of October. The opening events were marred by a persistent drizzle, but from three o'clock onwards the afternoon was fairly fine. Unfortunately, no Band was available, so that the spectators found the proceedings rather dull, although the competition was exceptionally keen.

Our representatives did not effect any brilliant performances, but they displayed a consistency markedly in contrast to the fiasco of last year. Our Junior Relay Team was outclassed by that of St. Joseph's, but succeeded in beating the four from Victoria. The Senior Relay Team, as the result of bungling on the parts of Nos. 1 and 2 had to rest content with the third place. The individual successes were as follows:—

Ralli ran second in both the Open and the Schoolboys' Hurdles, and Mathews did likewise in the 220 Yds. and Quarter Mile in Division "B" (under 16). Ara II. came in second in the 100 Yds. and third in the 220 Yds. Division "C" (under 14).

Ezekiel and Otto ran third in the Schoolboys' 100 Yds. and Quarter Mile respectively.

It is noticeable that we secured a place in every event confined to school-boys alone, in this respect doing better than both St. Joseph's and Victoria. The former carried off the Championship Shield, while Queen's Hill School won the "C" Division Challenge Cup.

SOME ORIGINAL "HOWLERS".

General Information is a subject, which people of all classes and of both sexes should make it a point of studying, and so it is hoped our readers will not take offence if we bring before their notice the following facts—divulged by certain astute scholars in St. Paul's—of which they have been heretofore ignorant :—

Napoleon was the predecessor of Julius Cæsar.

An earthquake is a corruption under the earth.

Sheep are noted for their beef.

The Jews definitely objected to the eating of pig's mutton.

Those present at the Feeding of the Five Thousand were all filled, each having twelve baskets full.

St. Paul was cast into chains at Caesarea, but lived in comparative comfort.

The moon takes exactly four weeks to revolve around the sun.

A mussell is a part of the biceps.

Slandering is more commonly known as definition of character.

An appendix is a serious internal disorder causing acute pains in the stomach.

Many wounded soldiers and sailors had their arms and legs manipulated after the War.

One who is learning a game is called a novelist.

After a race a runner gets pale about the grills.

Boys are not allowed in the dormitory at authorized hours.

A small tin of "State Express" holds 555 cigarettes.

An optimist is an eye specialist.

One who eats more than is good for him is known as a glutinous person.

LIST OF RECTORS.

1847 Rev. J. Kyd, M.A.

1849 Rev. S. Slater.

1852 Rev. J. Richards, M.A.

1855 Rev. G. Pridham, B.C.L.

1859 Rev. W. Ayert, M.A.

1862 Rev. F. C. Cardew, M.A.

1864 Rev. J. C. Nesfield, M.A.

1866 Rev. G. M. Wilson, M.A.

1877 Rev. L. F. Phillips, M.A. (*Offg.*)

1878 R. Carter, Esq., B.A.

1899 Rev. E. A. Newton, M.A.

1906 H. W. Shawcross, Esq., M.A. (*Offg.*)

1908 Rev. E. E. Benson, M.A.

1921 J. S. Adams, Esq., M.A. (*Offg.*)

1922 Rev. F. V. Dawkins, M.A.

Notes on the History of St. Paul's School.

(Concluded.)

BY J. S. ADAMS, M.A.

Mr. Carter's successor, the Rev. E. A. Newton, M.A.—Winchester and King's College, Cambridge,—arrived in February, 1899, accompanied by an elder brother, Mr. C. W. Newton, M.A.—Charterhouse and Trinity College, Oxford,—and by Mr. H. W. Shawcross, M.A.—Manchester Grammar School and St. John's College, Cambridge,—the last of whom remained for many years as Second Master and Bursar of the School.

The new Rector was a scholar, a fine preacher, and a brilliant conversationalist. He had, however, no previous experience in school work, and had little knowledge of or care for the country. His brother, who had taught for some years in England, was absolutely devoted to his work, both in school and out, but had unfortunately a cold and sardonic manner, which made him from the first extremely unpopular. He left in 1901, owing to ill health, afterwards returning to India as Headmaster of the Cathedral High School, Lahore.

The two brothers evidently considered everything at St. Paul's as bad as it could be, and set to work at once to reconstitute the School on the lines of Winchester and Charterhouse. Stirring times followed. Several of the Staff were dismissed; others left of their own accord, and by the end of the year Mr. Godfree, who remained till 1901, was the only survivor of the old Staff.

Discipline among the boys became much stricter; leave off the school premises was discontinued, hours of work and meals were altered to conform with the English system; the square College caps previously worn were replaced by cloth school caps, and proper games equipment and greater tidiness in dress were insisted on. The Preparatory School as a separate department was abolished. The University Department was transferred to Johnson Hall. The Monitorial System was continued.

The two Eton Fives Courts were erected, the cost being advanced by the two brothers, if not actually paid by them. School fees were increased to Rs. 100 for University students, Rs. 65 for the ordinary school, and Rs. 50 for the preparatory department.

The result was certainly a great smartening up of the School, but possibly some lack of discretion was shown in the manner in which the changes were made, and the papers were for some time filled with indignant letters from parents and others. A number of unsatisfactory boys were sent down, some were removed by their parents, and the number of boys on the rolls decreased rapidly.

In this year occurred the great Darjeeling Disaster, in which so many lives were lost. No damage was done at the School, though the large slip on the East of the Quarry started at this time, and some anxiety was felt as to the safety of the servants' quarters. This was followed soon afterwards by a terrific thunder and hail storm, which broke every pane of glass on the West side of the School.

The next year, 1900, began with a Staff of eight masters, all from English Universities ; but the majority left in this or the following year. Among those who took their place was Mr. Milsted, afterwards Head-master successively of the Armenian College, Calcutta, and the Cathedral School, Allahabad.

The Cambridge Local Examinations were first taken in 1901, though the School continued to sit also for the Middle School and Primary Government Examinations for some years later.

Mr. Adams, on joining the Staff in October 1901, found 68 boarders in the School, and finances were in such a bad state that masters' salaries for the winter months had to be held over till the next financial year.

The School was then lighted by large paraffin lamps which continually smoked and occasionally caught fire. A couple of hurricane lamps were the sole lighting of the dormitories. Only those who have known the old conditions can properly appreciate the blessings of the present electric lights installed about the year 1909. From this year, 1901, the University Department was discontinued.

In 1902, the Government, recognizing that the income of the School was insufficient to provide for the salaries of the masters, made a grant of Rs. 3,000 for three years for this purpose, which has been renewed from year to year ever since.

In the same year a Greek Play, "The Alcestis" was performed by the School, and the stage in the Old Dining Hall was erected for the purpose. The Rector, who had himself acted in the Greek Play at Cambridge, was Stage Manager, and Mrs. Newton designed the dresses. The Play was a success ; but the experiment was not repeated, as Greek soon afterwards ceased to be taught.

As finances remained at a low ebb, an attempt was made to fill up vacant places on the Staff by men engaged in the country. The School has had excellent men from this source both before and after this time, but on this occasion the experiment proved a failure. One man thus engaged was found to have recently been in prison ; another had falsely represented his degree, and it was resolved to recruit from England exclusively again.

In 1904 the St. James School in Calcutta was abolished and the proceeds from the sale of the premises devoted to founding 20 St. James Scholarships at St. Paul's School.

For some years the School had been steadily improving. Examination results were good. Owing chiefly to the exertions of Mr. Shawcross in the Bursar's Office, finances were in a better state, and numbers were steadily increasing. This improvement continued till 1906, when a good deal of dissatisfaction began to be expressed at certain actions of the Rector. A searching enquiry was made by the Governors, and the same complaints reviving in the next year, the Rector was called upon to resign.

Mr. Shawcross remained in charge till the new Rector—the Rev. E. E. Benson, M.A.—27th Wrangler, Trinity College, Cambridge,—took over charge in the following June. There were then 130 boys in the School and a Staff of 6 English Graduates, increased to 7 in the next year, 1909, which saw the

arrival of Mr. Jones and of Mrs. Terrell, and also the institution of the Masters' Provident Fund.

In 1913 the School sustained a great loss by the departure of Mr. Shawcross, on his appointment as Head-master of a large school at Hyderabad.

Later on in the year a riot occurred owing to the unpopularity of a new master. This led to the decision not to admit boys over the age of 16 at entrance, and to the temporary abolition of the monitorial system.

The Lefroy Hospital was first occupied in 1914, and the Lyon Hall at the beginning of the next year. Since the arrival of Mr. Benson Science had been taught as a regular school subject, and a properly equipped laboratory had become a necessity. The Old School had been taken down in 1913, and the site converted into a junior playing field. The electric pumping station and water tower were erected at the same time as the Lyon Buildings, water having been previously supplied by hand-pumps situated near the Old School. One of the men employed at this work claimed to have been steadily pumping some six hours a day for thirty years. The increased water supply made the present lavatories possible and a thorough reconstruction of the drainage system. The fire hydrants were added at the same time.

In the Great War the School responded nobly to the call, some 180 Old Boys having been traced as serving, most of these joining up at once before Conscription was introduced, and 28 died for their country. The School Staff was twice depleted by the younger masters obtaining commissions, and work was continued under great difficulties by the help of temporary substitutes. These difficulties were increased by a great rise in the number of the boys, which rose to 263 in 1918, and in 1920 reached 280, remaining well over 200 till the end of 1923.

Mrs. Cox joined the Staff in 1916, Mr. Kydd in 1917, and Mr. Humphries in 1919.

In 1920 the Chapel was demolished to make room for Westcott Hall, for which a grant was obtained chiefly through the efforts of the Maharaja Adhiraj of Burdwan, then on the Educational Committee of Bengal.

New kitchens replaced the old ones, which had long been a disgrace if not a danger, and very inconvenient, as all food for the Dining Hall had to be carried across the front road. The Old Hall could henceforth be reserved for other purposes. Of the heads which ornament its walls, the Sikhim Stag head came from the Old School and is believed to have been the property of Mr. Bryan Hodgson; the five fine Sambhar heads were presented by G. H. Smythe, an Old Boy of Mr. Carter's time, and former master under Mr. Carter. The rest were presented by Mr. Shawcross, Mr. Adams and others.

The Chapel, built under Mr. Carter, and subsequently removed from its original position on the flat near the kitchen garden, was an iron structure of rather mean appearance outside. The interior was wood-panelled, with cross beams in the roof and quite pleasing, but it was too small for the needs of the School.

At the beginning of 1921 Mr. Benson became seriously ill. He was removed to a Nursing Home, where for weeks his life was despaired of. The

news that he had at last turned the corner was received with much joy in the School, where he was very popular, but a long holiday in England was declared necessary. During his absence a searching enquiry was made into the condition of the School. The Governors expressed themselves as dissatisfied with the result. It was not expected that Mr. Benson would ever be well enough to resume charge, and he was advised to retire.

Mr. Adams was left in charge till the arrival of the present Rector,—the Rev. F. V. Dawkins, M.A., of Selwyn College, Cambridge, and former Headmaster of Bishop Cotton School, Bangalore—in July, 1922. Mr. Dawkins went to England on leave at the end of the year, returning to take up permanent residence in the following July.

THE "FAREWELL PICNIC".

Friday the 19th was the day on which the "Break-up Picnic" took place, and Leborg Park was the spot selected for the day's festivities. Eleven o'clock by the School clock saw the commencement of the exodus towards the rendezvous, which soon became the scene of animated jollification. "Small Cricket" was indulged in by several members of the Staff, while games of a more boisterous and invigorating type found equal favour amongst both big and small. The rations, by no means the least important item on the programme, were partaken of with relish in the greensward at 1 P.M. Appetites appeased, the youngsters continued their interrupted gambols, while the others wandered to and fro in the near vicinity. After a short space of time, tea was served, and then commenced the return journey. This, as is not to be wondered at, was no easy matter, but even it had its reward in the shape of a carol service in the School Chapel later in the evening. The excitement and physical exertion experienced was to many a verification of the statement that "there's no place like bed".

CORRESPONDENCE.

FIDDINGTON HOUSE,
MARKET LARRINGTON,
WILTSHIRE,
June 17th, 1926.

DEAR RECTOR,

Many thanks for your letter which has just been forwarded. I am glad to hear your news of the School and to see that things are apparently prospering.

I am having quite a good time, but have not so far prospered in my house-hunting. I saw a lot of houses in Suffolk when I went to settle, but they were all either for various reasons impossible or too dear.

I am now staying with the Bensons and prospecting in this neighbourhood. They are both very fit and seem thriving. Benson himself is still most interested in the School and talks for hours on the subject. He has a very nice Buick Car and so I am seeing a good deal of the country which is very pretty,

the most wonderful stretches of buttercups among other things that I have ever seen, perfect seas of them.

We went to a most lovely little Church where Benson was taking duty last Sunday. Old Norman, a sort of appanage to an old Tudor Manor House adjoining, seating for 23, beautifully kept, old moat covered with water-lilies, all by itself among the fields, one of the prettiest old world spots I have ever seen.

This place is also a bit out of the world and I put in odd times gardening, getting into practice for the time when I have a garden of my own.

When I am settled I will write again. Meantime remember me to all at St. Paul's and the best of luck to all of you.

Yours Sincerely,
J. S. ADAMS.

2, AUCKLAND PLACE,
CALCUTTA,
13th October, 1926.

DEAR MR. DAWKINS,

I wrote you last year about my son Basil having passed the Inter. B.Sc. in June 1925. I am sure you will be pleased to know that the B.Sc. (Engineering) is now also a "fait accompli", and with honours at the age of 19. So he is surely one of the exceptions to what I saw given as one of the differences between boys educated in England and those in India, that ours here were a year or two behind those of the same age in England. Basil's scholarship has been extended to a fourth year for the Post-Graduate course, and even after that he will have to mark time in England for another year, till he is 21, to get into State Railways, for which he will have all the qualifications except due maturity.

I trust you have had a most successful year; with all good wishes for the prosperity of your endeavours for the good of that fine old school, I am,

Yours Sincerely,
M. S. BARKER.

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