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3rd XV.	T. Ronald	
Juniors	A. Falconer	
Secretaries—C. Clapp, H. Geddes.		

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Team.	Captain.	Deputy-Captain.
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2nd XI.	J. Grindlay	
Juniors	John Hamilton	

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EDITORIAL.

THE NEW SCHOOL.

After many years of patient waiting our long-cherished hopes are soon to be realised. The foundation stone of the new school was laid on Saturday, October 20th. For the following account of the proceedings we are indebted to the "Southland Times":—

A further step forward and an important one at that, in the progress of the Southland Boys' High School was marked when the ceremony of laying the foundation stone of the new building in Herbert street was undertaken by the Minister of Education, the Hon. C. J. Parr. The weather conditions were pleasant, though a stiff breeze from the south made the atmosphere a trifle chilly for an out-of-door function, but nevertheless there was a good attendance of the general public as well as of people interested in the cause of education in the district. The Hon. A. F. Hawke acted as director of ceremonies and called upon Mr J. C. Thomson, M.P., to read the remarks of the chairman of the High School Board of Governors (Mr R. A. Anderson), who was absent in Australia.

The chairman's statement was as follows:—

"The occasion for which we are met this day, viz., the laying of the foundation stone of the new Boys' High School, marks a very important stage in the history of secondary education in Southland, and Invercargill in particular. It is said that 'everything comes to those who wait,' and we here have certainly waited long enough for a school which should be more in keeping with modern requirements and satisfy our needs for many years to come. Work in the present school has been carried on by the teaching staff under conditions not making for efficiency. The new building has been designed by the Education Department with plans prepared by the Government Architect, and is being erected by the contractors, Messrs Woods and McCormack, under the supervision of the Public Works Department, represented by Mr Eric Price as inspector. The area of land now attached to the school is 18 acres and there are a few more sections which should be acquired by the Board, thus bringing the area up to 20 acres. Some fifteen years ago the School Commissioners who controlled the Collegiate reserve, extending from the Avenue to Elles Road, were so ill-advised as to cut up the block into quarter-acre sections on the frontage, and into larger areas adjoining the Queen's Park, and offered these on long leases. Fortunately the large sections were not taken up and on that account the Board were able to secure the 18 acres.

"Towards the cost of the new school, the Board of Governors are providing £8000 from savings from endowment rents. A vote of £15,000 was made by the National Government, through the Hon. J. A. Hanan, at that time Minister of Education, the Board handing over to the Department the present school and grounds; and the Hon. Mr Parr, the present Minister of Education, has granted authority to borrow £20,000, which will be repaid by his Department, and is therefore in effect a grant for a similar amount. —These total £43,000. The contract for the building is £35,238, and with cost of laying out the grounds, fencing and school equipment, the funds available will all be required for these purposes.

"Invercargill has been very easy on the Department for funds for secondary education. Outside of the first school for boys and girls, erected in 1881, only £2000 has been received towards the girls' school erected in 1906, the balance of the cost being provided by the Board from revenue from endowments. Until the present grant for this new school and £2500 provided by the Department this year for additions to the girls' school, only £2000 has been received during a period of over 40 years. Compare that with the

calls made on the Minister from other parts of the Dominion. There is a very great need for hostels for boys and girls. Some 12 years ago a grant of £6000 was made, but up to the present the Board have not been able to make use of this. First the War intervened, and then it was found that the cost was going to be so much greater that very much larger grants would require to be made before these hostels could be erected. If the present school is going to fulfil its functions, it certainly will be necessary to add a boarding establishment in order that scholars from the country may be properly cared for. A number of boys from Southland every year drift away to the Northern schools, because of the better facilities provided, but with the provision of a fully equipped and up-to-date building, there should be no need for any Southland boys migrating from their own district.

"Southland is essentially a farming district, although I believe with the advent of abundant electrical power, new industries will spring up. Still, for a long time to come, we must depend for our prosperity on the return from agriculture. Does it not seem strange that with this fact before us, practically nothing is being done to educate, in agriculture our boys who may have a desire to go on the land? We have our Technical Schools for teaching the arts and trades, and they are doing splendid work, but for the greatest industry in this Dominion, responsible for over 90 per cent. of the value of our exports, little is being done to train boys for farming pursuits. The Agricultural Department, through their instructors, have done and are doing a great deal in certain directions, but they are only working on the fringe. I hope the Board of Governors will not rest until they have an Agricultural Master attached to the staff and set aside a few acres to be devoted to experimental plots, thus laying the ground work for giving the boys a direct incentive to this particular study. There is no reason why Invercargill should not eventually become a self-contained educational centre for Southland, supplying the needs of the young people of this district from the primary school to the University. Let us all work together for this desirable object.

"I shall now give a brief history of the Old School, which will be vacated before long for this new one:—In 1877 the Southland High School Act was passed, making legal provision for the establishment of High Schools in Southland. The constitution of the Board was to be as follows:—2 members elected by the Government; 2 members elected by the Southland Education Board, and one member, the Mayor of Invercargill. Six years ago, two more members were added to all Boards, elected by the parents of the pupils. The

school was opened in 1881, and was conducted as a combined school for 23 years under one headmaster. The first three headmasters presided over the combined schools. On the arrival of the fourth headmaster, the girls' school was made a separate institution. In its first year, 63 boys were on the roll. During the next four years the average entry of new boys was only 13, so that during the first five years only 115 boys had been in school. In 1894 the Board decided to admit a certain number of free pupils, and in that year 20 were enrolled. This adoption of free education in the High Schools thus antedated the general adoption of it by the Government by eight years, 1903 being the first year of general free education to holders of sixth standard proficiency certificates. Still, in 1902 there were only 71 boys in attendance. With the advent of the free-place system, the attendance began to increase. In 1904, there were 145 boys on the roll, and the attendance has continued steadily upwards. This year 125 new pupils have been enrolled and the total enrolment has been 301. In 1903 the gymnasium was opened for the purpose of systematic physical instruction under a fully qualified instructor. The Board is convinced that its erection was a forward step. Here again, the Southland Board anticipated the Government's general advocacy of the importance of physical drill. In 1907 the girls removed from the old building to their new school, leaving the boys the whole of the building. Increases in attendance necessitated additions from time to time both of class rooms and of the exercise yard.

"The academic successes of the pupils are well known—many are the distinguished graduates of the school. Their names will be found in the calendar of the University of New Zealand. There, too, is recorded the fact that two of New Zealand's Rhodes Scholars were, before gaining University scholarships, pupils of this school.

"The first headmaster of the school was Mr G. W. Blanchflower, B.A. (London), who held this position from 1881 to 1885. Then followed Mr A. H. Highton, M.A. (Cambridge), 1886 to 1893; Mr H. L. Fowler, M.A. (Oxford), 1893 to 1903; the present headmaster, Mr T. D. Pearce, M.A. (N.Z.), took up duties in 1904. The first chairman of the Board was Mr George Lumsden, who held office from 1881 to 1893; his successors were Mr J. Walker Bain, from 1894 to 1895; Ven. Archdeacon Stocker, from 1896 to 1900; Hon. J. A. Hanan, during 1901; Mr Wm. Macalister from 1902 to 1914; Mr R. A. Anderson, the present chairman, succeeding Mr Macalister in 1915. The following members of the Board of Governors have given 10 years' service, viz.—Mr W. Macalister, who joined in 1897 and remained a member for 17 years; Mr John C. Thomson,

in 1901, and is still a member; Hon. A. F. Hawke, in 1902, still a member; J. L. McG. Watson, 1900 to 1909; Mr J. Crosby-Smith, in 1908, and has just resigned this year; Mr R. A. Anderson, in 1910. The first secretary to the Board was Mr Charles Rout, who retained this position for 24 years, from 1881 to 1904. Then followed Mr John Neill, from 1905 to 1912; Mr A. Bell, 1913 to 1914; in 1915, the present secretary, Mr F. G. Stevenson, was appointed. It would take up too much time to give the names of all the masters who have been on the staff since the inception of the school. I shall just mention the members of the present staff, viz.—Mr J. P. Dakin, B.A., Mr A. G. Butchers, M.A., Mr J. S. McGrath, B.A., Mr J. G. Anderson, M.Sc.; Mr J. B. Mawson, M.A.; Miss J. R. McKay; Mr J. Flannery; Mr J. L. Cameron, M.A.; Mr E. A. Boxall, B.A.; Mr A. J. Deaker, B.A. The first Gymnastic Instructor was Mr John Hanna, Junr., from 1903 to 1905; then Mr Ian Galloway, 1907 to 1912; and Mr John Page, the present instructor, from 1912.

"I wish, not only on behalf of the Board of Governors but also on behalf of the people of Invercargill, to express to the Hon. Mr Hanan and the Hon. Mr Parr our warm appreciation of their assistance in providing the grants I have already referred to, and to the Hon. Mr Parr for his kindness in coming here to-day to lay the foundation stone of this school."

On rising to speak Mr Parr was greeted with three cheers. In the course of his remarks he referred at length to the necessity that existed to-day for a secondary education for every boy and girl who wished to compete successfully in the battle of life. To-day there was a new spirit and a new passion as compared with former years, for education throughout the world, and unless a child had at least three years post elementary education in some form or other, he or she could not hope to compete with the children of other nations. That was the reason why every New Zealander should go past the primary school and although it was perhaps somewhat embarrassing to the Ministers of Education and of Finance, who had to find the necessary wherewithal to carry it out, there was a demand for higher education from the large majority of parents. To-day there were 21,000 boys and girls being trained in the High Schools and Technical Colleges of the Dominion, and out of the number of children in the primary school who gained their proficiency certificates, no fewer than 64 per cent. took up some form or other of post primary education. That was a wonderful record of which no other country in the world could boast and demonstrated that New Zealand possessed an almost universal secondary education system. To-day New Zealand offered, and it was no extravagance

to say so, opportunities for free education of its young people second to none in the Empire. Many had asked whether the large expenditure involved was justified and he said without question that it was, as upon the calibre of the young lads and girls depended the future of our grand little country. Some people had uttered a cry that there was too much education, but this was a wrong conclusion. The real danger was in too little education. As an instance that too little education was a danger, the Minister cited Russia, with its population of 100,000,000 people living in the depths of poverty, degradation, and distress, largely because the great bulk of the people were illiterate. Education might be defined as having for its object the teaching of each boy and girl to think clearly for themselves.

The Minister then dealt with the necessity of agriculture and the important part it played in the body politic. It was more essential than heretofore that the farmer should be a man of brains in order to make the best possible use of his land. Therefore the policy of the future would be in the direction of widening the avenues of learning in regard to agricultural pursuits with a view to not only encouraging the boy in the country to continue living on the land, but also of encouraging the city youth to transfer his activities to the land. The present day drift of the population from the country to the town was a serious one and was becoming increasingly so:

The Minister complimented the Board of Governors on their foresight in securing such an admirable and spacious site and also upon their decision to erect a school that would be worthy of the town and of the district. It was also a commendable policy to take into consideration the influence of the playing fields in the making of boys and girls the men and women of the future, because after all, the function of a school was not merely one of book-learning. That certainly had its place, but an equal place must be given to the developing of sound character and that could be done equally as well on the sports ground as in the class room. "After all it is not so much that brilliant brains count as the possession of a sound character."

"It is gratifying to know that the Board of Governors had such ideals in mind when they secured this magnificent site," said Mr Parr, "and all honour to them for doing so. It is going to be a really fine school with the most up-to-date appliances and conveniences available and will be quite the most modern in the whole of the Dominion. I am also pleased to know that the authorities propose to instal a cinema apparatus for the education of the young

people, and it is a move in the right direction. Invercargill is easily destined to be the educational centre of this particular part of the Dominion and though it may appear to some that the present structure is over large, yet in a few years it will have a much larger number of scholars than it has at present. I sincerely hope that a place will be found for agricultural curriculum, and I hope and trust that many of the boys here to-day will see the benefits such a course of training would give and take it up whole-heartedly."

The Minister concluded by congratulating the scholars on their fine new home and that when they had completed their training they would go out into the world loyal hearted men and women to carry on the work of such a grand country.

Mr J. McCormack, on behalf of his partner and himself, then presented the Minister with a silver trowel in honour of the occasion.

The Minister proceeded to lay the stone and having declared it to be "well and truly laid," said:—May the school prove a granary of learning, a nursery of character, through the portals of which may pass boys who may grow into true men, worthy of their district and worthy of those fine attributes and adventures and loyalty displayed by those pioneers of the past whose passion was education." (Applause).

The Hon. A. F. Hawke read apologies from the Hon. J. A. Hanan and from Mr William Macalister, who was the first president of the Old Boys' Association.

Brief remarks were also made by the Mayor (Mr Bain), Mr John Caughley, Director of Education, Mr J. H. Reed, chairman of the Technical College Board of Governors, and by Mr T. D. Pearce, Rector of the school.

The ceremony closed with three cheers for the school and the singing of the National Anthem.

The new building is to cost £30,000 and will be completed towards the close of next year. The front will be finished in red brick with neat plastered facings finished in cream tints. A flight of steps leads into a large vestibule and off this will be a large-sized library and study. The Rector's will be a very commodious room. There are four large class rooms, two large science laboratories, and a balance room. The assembly hall will be a very fine structure, 75ft. 6in. by 43ft. 6in. The corridor will be 150ft. long and at each end will be a flight of large concrete stairs leading to the first floor where there will be a similar corridor, six large class-rooms, two science laboratories, a balance room, a teacher's common room,

a prefects' room, a store and cinema room. The cinema room is an innovation which will be used for screening pictures in the assembly hall. There will be a balcony from the teachers' room facing the north. On the third floor a large room will be used as a museum.

The roof will be covered with Welsh slates and a special feature of the building will be the amount of glass used. There will be a roof-vent in the centre of the building from which air tubes will lead to various parts. A basement will be constructed to house two large boilers which will generate the heat for the building.

SCHOOL NEWS.

Presentation of Prizes.—On Friday, December 15, the annual prize-giving ceremony was held in the Municipal Theatre. In the unavoidable absence of the Chairman of the Board of Governors, Mr Crosby Smith presided. As on previous occasions there was a large attendance of the public. The dux medal, subscribed to by the Old Boys of 1914, was won by J. S. Francis. The Auckland Southlanders' Trophy, given to the best all-round athlete in the school, was unanimously awarded by the staff to F. Kilby.

Governors.—Mr Crosby Smith tendered his resignation at the June meeting of the Board, consequent upon his intended transfer of residence to Dunedin. He had been a member of the Board for fifteen years. At the election of two members to the Board, as representatives of the parents of the pupils, Messrs John T. Carswell and Robert M. Strang were elected, unopposed.

Staff.—For the first time the School Roll has reached the three hundred. The total enrolment for the year was 301. Of these 124 were not in school last year; fifty per cent. came from the country, and fifty per cent. from the suburbs and town of Invercargill. This increase in numbers, together with the resignation of Mr Lockhart at the end of last year, made it necessary to appoint two additional assistants. These vacancies were filled by Mr E. A. Boxall, B.A. (Oxon.) and Mr A. J. Deaker, B.A. We regret very much that Mr Boxall will shortly be leaving us. His stay with us has been a brief but we trust a happy one, and we wish him the best of good luck in the future. Later in the year, Mr Alexander, our popular mathematical master, resigned to accept a similar position in Napier. Mr A. G. Butchers, M.A., was appointed in his place.

Departures.—Roberts and Lee to Otago University to follow Science; Wells to Medical School; McDonald to Otago University to study Law; Robertson to Southland Times staff; C. Hall to P.O., Orepuki; Nisbet to "News" Office; Francis to W. Stewart, chemist; Hannah, Kettlewell, Horne, Wakeling, Stevens entered the service of the Southland Education Board as pupil teachers; Crane, Fortune, Hamilton, Foley, Willet, Rout received appointment as probationers.

We were all sorry to hear of Douglas Kent's death by drowning in the Waihopai just before we returned to school. He was bathing there and attempted to climb into Pickford's boat. In doing so, he capsized the boat. Pickford managed to get ashore and told Roberts, who recovered the body by diving, but life was extinct. Roberts was complimented by the Coroner on his action.

Mr Bligh, lecturer for the White Cross League, gave an instructive address to the School on 13th June.

On August 15 the School was invited by the Lady Principal of the Girls' High School to hear a selection of gramophone records. We would like to express our thanks to Miss Drennan for a thoroughly enjoyable entertainment.

The Annual Ball was held in Ashley's Hall on July 16. Lea, Scully, Clark and H. Macdonald constituted the committee—the first two acting as secretaries. Reference is made elsewhere to the highly successful function. We have to thank the orchestra for its sprightly music, the committee for its decorations, and also Mrs Dakin, Mrs Page and Miss Pearce for providing supper.

All things considered, 1923 will go down on record as a very successful school year. Unfortunately, during the first term the weather was distinctly unfavourable for indulgence in cricket and tennis and the swimming sports had to be abandoned. In our games with Otago the 1st XV were rather easily defeated, but the Juniors secured a victory from the very jaws of defeat. At the Junior Tennis championship we were successful in winning the Singles and Doubles championships. With the return of so many of last year's seniors high hopes were entertained of repeating the football record of 1922. The First XV retained the Grade Banner and were just defeated on the call of time at the Secondary Schools Tournament. The recent sports gathering saw two school records broken, while several school runners have earned distinction in outside functions.

"HOWLERS."

De mortuis nil nisi bonum—There's nothing but bones in the dead.

Ne plus ultra—There's nothing beyond Ulster.

Tertium quid—A legal term meaning six shillings and eightpence.

A grass widow—The wife of a dead vegetarian.

Ambiguity—Telling the truth when you don't want to.

Etiquette is the noise you make when you sneeze.

The capital of Norway is Christianity.

No one has yet succeeded in edifying the dark lady of the sonnets.

The French Revolution was won violently, not by "freedom slowly broadening down from President to President," as Tennyson wrote.

Guy's Hospital was built to commemorate the Gunpowder Plot. Oceania is that continent which contains no land.

Mephistopheles was a Greek comic poet.

"Things which are equal to the same thing are equal to anything else."

"One of the chief uses of water is to save people from drowning in."

"A circle is a rounded figure made up of a crooked straight line bent so as the ends meet."

"The plural of forget-me-not is forget-us-not."

"Non tenui lacrimas, cum illum a.d. viii. Kal. Sex. vidi de edictis Bibuli concionantem."—I did not restrain my tears when I saw what had been said concerning the preachings of the Bible by that orator on the 25th of July.

A sanatorium is a hospital where people are sent if they study too much and it effects them in the head.

When the Prince of Wales arrived in Invercargill he was clothed with verdure.

Question: What is meant by Red Tape?

Answers: (1) Red Tape is mostly connected with government jobs. If a man did not do as his employer wished he might be given the sack. That is Red Tape. (2) Red Tape is clinging to old ideas. Most politicians are guilty of it. (3) Red Tape is a good time. (4) It means danger, a dangerous place or a bad position. (5) R. T. means that a man is sly and takes care of his money. (6) R. T. means getting the best of a thing. (7) Red Tape—This means that another fellow pulls down what you think is right. It is often carried on in the newspapers. (8) R. T. means that a man is shady, not straight. (9) R. T. is a man who thinks he is better than he really is. (10) R. Tape is connected with business and sometimes with revolutions. (11) R. T. is one who thinks he is

important and does things politely. (12) R. T. is unnecessary work, e.g., bringing your birth certificate when you are enrolled at a H.S. (13) R. T. is tape that is red in colour.

Explain: The Holy maidens who feed the eternal flame.

Answers: (1) This means that the angels are feeding the everlasting flame of life. (2) Hymns which are sung keep up religion. (3) In olden days fairy queens fed the everlasting fire of hell. (4) Angels keep pouring on oil to keep the fire of life burning.

What do you understand by the goodwill of a business?

Answers: (1) Being on good terms with the shop hand and getting things for nothing. (2) To be trusted by a firm is called buying its goodwill. (3) This means that you have to win the hearts of your customers. (4) Receiving everything with a will and the hands are all willing workers.

Explain: Carrying coals to Newcastle.

Answers: (1) This means that different kinds of coal are carted there. (2) Smuggling goods into a country.

Explain meaning of—To run with the hare and hunt with the hounds.

Answers: (1) To run at a very great speed and be searching carefully for something at the same time. (2) To chase the hare on foot and to run with the hounds for foxes. (3) To run with the hare means to live under difficulties, while to hunt with the hounds means to have an easy life, where nothing unpleasant happens and everything goes in your favour. The barons or the peasants lived under these conditions—the barons the hunters and the peasants the hares.

What is meant by a (1) red letter day; (2) don't cross the bridge before you come to it.

Answers: (a) Red letter day is the day when you receive most of your bills through the post; (b) When you are doing any unimportant work, e.g., any government job. If you are on a good track and leading a good life, stick to it and don't become a thief or a suspicious character.

Hyperbole is exaggeration, e.g.:

One fine day in the middle of the night

Two dead men got up to fight.

Question: Write half a page on the Lady of Shalott. What is the moral in the poem?

Answer: The Lady of Shalott was a strange woman. She lived in a castle all by herself. She had never been used to civilisation, but she was a crystal gazer and saw many strange sights in it. Once she saw a funeral. Another time she saw a newly wedded couple

and once only she saw a good-looking man. The lady could not stand this. She was sick of being on her own. So she went down to meet him but he went away. The mat she was making flew all over the room. "The curse is come upon me," cried the Lady of Shalott. So she hopped into a boat and lay down and died. The moral is that curiosity killed the cat.

Correct—(1) Seeing that sugar is going up in price, large supplies were ordered.

Answer: This should be "Hearing that sugar, etc." Reason: You can't see the sugar go up—you hear about it.

(2) Everyone of the cars were badly smashed.

Answer: This is wrong. It should be—Everyone in the cars were badly smashed.

(3) He is not clever like his sister is.

Corrections: (1) "Like" is the wrong word because the likeness of the two has nothing to do with being clever. (2) "Like" is not strong enough. "Love" would be better.

Question: What is your opinion of Long John Silver?

Long John Silver was a cunning sailor. He had one eye. He had one leg too. He was the cook. He was on the bad side. He was a fierce mischief-making man. He would have murdered his mother to save his own neck. He used to rob you and bind you down until you cried for mercy and then he wouldn't give you any. He was a different man altogether when he was in company and out of company. When he was all by himself and not a soul near he would knock you senseless. In fact Long John was the devil himself on one leg.

EXAMINATION RESULTS.

University Entrance Scholarship with Credit—C. Allan, A. Harrington, J. Francis.

Matriculation—W. Cleine, B. Edginton, E. Hannah, W. Hormann, H. Macdonald, S. Macdonald, D. McDonald, W. Lennon, H. Marshall, J. Miller, L. Ferrelle, C. Roberts, J. Stevens, F. Watson, M. Wells.

Partial Matriculation—C. Clark, R. Kidd, W. Fortune, H. Lea, R. Murray, R. B. Scott, J. Willett.

Completed Matriculation after leaving—A. Ferguson, C. R. Walker, C. C. Harris, A. W. Jones.

Senior Free Place—J. Collie, H. Forde, W. Jolly, J. McKinnon, P. Nicholson, A. Paterson.

Senior National Scholarship—H. B. Macdonald.

Junior National Scholarship—G. Anderson, J. Butler, J. Brokenshire, J. Dakin, M. Bleakly.

SCHOOL ROLL.

VI.

Cleine, W.
Clark, C.
Fortune, A.
Hanan, R.
Harrington, A.

Hormann, O.
Kidd, R.
Lea, H.
Macdonald, H.
Rout, I.

Sheehan, E.
Watson, F.
Wells, M.
Wilson, R.

VA.

Barham, C.
Chamberlain, J.
Clapp, C.
Dillon, A.
Gilmour, R.
Gray, G.
Gordon, H.
Griffiths, R.
Grindlay, J.
Hefford, W.

Manson, D.
Manson, I.
Mitchell, J.
Maher, W.
Morgan, R.
Ottrey, E.
Rout, O.
Robertson, J.
Scully, B.
Sutton, H.

Squires, E.
Shaw, Jas.
Shirreffs, H.
Strang, W.
Talbot, S.
Titchener, W.
Todd, Jno.
Wakeling, S.
Wood, N.

VB.

Anderson, G.
Allison, W.
Bagge, J.
Bisset, A.
Brash, G.
Blyth, A.
Boyes, V.
Carson, W.
Currie, W.

Collett, W.
Deacon, D.
Ford, B.
Forde, H.
Greenwood, E.
Jolly, W.
Lyon, C.
Macdonald, D.
McKinnon, J.

Murray, N.
Pont, A.
Poole, G.
Paterson, A.
Ross, A.
Stephens, E.
Simpson, G.
Wilson, C.
Wallace, G.

VC.

Beck, H.
Barclay, W.
Collie, J.
Carswell, G.
Connolly, K.
Gough, J.
Graham, C.
Hannah, E.
Hirst, B.
Hughes, J.

Hynd, J.
Hall, C.
Hall, M.
Jackson, V.
Keown, H.
Lennon, N.
Malcolm, D.
Mann, W.
Mackintosh, R.

Mayhew, I.
Nicholson, H.
Preddy, W.
Rhind, D.
Rout, A.
Ritchie, P.
Scott, C.
Tylee, A.
Wohlers, J.

SCHOOL ROLL.

IVA.

Butler, J.
Clark, L.
Carman, P.
Cushen, A.
Carswell, H.
Cairns, J.
Compton, A.
Cooney, J.
Dakin, J.
Dillon, H.
Fulton, W.

Hamilton, N.
McDonald, R.
McLauchlan, A.
McKay, R.
McMillan, G.
Macdonald, G.
Mitchell, G.
Molloy, A.
Milne, J.
Mayze, M.

Page, R.
Pentecost, C.
Rout, C.
Rodger, M.
Roberts, D.
Stuck, E.
Traill, C.
Tattersfield, W.
Waymouth, H.
Wright, W.

IVB.

Bleakly, M.
Blue, D.
Brass, J.
Bremner, W.
Broadbent, W.
Brokenshire, J.
Ballantyne, A.
Birss, T.
Bryant, R.
Fleck, W.

Golden, H.
Goodall, R.
Hallamore, S.
Hutton-Potts, R.
Henderson, M.
Hormann, R.
Joyce, O.
McAnerngney, G.
McDonald, C.
Mitchell, D.

Pickford, W.
Reed, K.
Robson, S.
Ramage, E.
Ronald, I.
Rogers, B.
Tuck, W.
Thompson, C.
Wedderspoon, C.

IVC.

Brown, A.
Brown, E.
Duncan, D.
Foster, O.
Fraser, E.
Fraser, H.
Geddes, H.
Hardy, R.
Harvey, A.

Jolly, D.
Kidd, A.
Macpherson, O.
Maxted, C.
Mackintosh, C.
MacPherson, H.
McKenzie, A.
Myron, J.

Officer, H.
Poole, C.
Patton, D.
Robertson, I.
Spence, M.
Templeton, A.
Tilley, H.
Tapper, W.

IIIA.

Bailey, C.
Beadle, F.
Brodie, J.
Clapcott, A.
Cameron, A.
Gilkison, A.
Grant, N.
Hamilton, Jas.
Henderson, R.
Horne, A.

Howorth, A.
Kennedy, J.
Littlejohn, A.
Matthews, J.
McGrath, I.
McCurdy, M.
McNaughton, N.
McFadzien, H.
Nichol, E.
Pollok, R.

Ross, F.
Smith, J.
Smith, L.
Shiels, R.
Stevenson, I.
Strang, D.
Thomas, C.
Tuck, R.
Wilson, J.
Webber, E.

SCHOOL ROLL.

IIIB.

Anderson, T.
Brass, D.
Buxton, W.
Calder, A.
Christophers, P.
Cox, G.
Dobbie, A.
Falconer, A.
Forde, J.
Fowler, L.

Fraser, W.
Gough, I.
Gough, R.
Hislop, W.
Homer, S.
Hormann, F.
Lock, A.
Maher, P.
McNeill, E.
Murray, J.

Nicol, R.
Robbie, J.
Rose, N.
Scott, R.
Simpson, E.
Taylor, F.
Trotter, L.
Waymouth, F.
Wilson, A.
Woodnorth, P.

IIIC.

Atley, W.
Bailey, B.
Bird, J.
Boyes, P.
Calder, L.
Fraser, S.
Green, S.
Hanan, J.
Hay, M.
Hefford, C.

Hamilton, Jno.
Jones, F.
King, A.
Lehany, J.
Lyons, B.
McMillan, B.
Martin, D.
McNaughton, N.
Moloney, J.
Morgan, F.

Park, R.
Porter, C.
Provan, A.
Raines, L.
Reid, W.
Tilley, N.
Thomson, T.
Watson, C.
Wilson, J.

IIID.

Anderson, J.
Brash, J.
Cameron, C.
Cook, W.
Fulton, H.
Fletcher, S.
Ferguson, J.
Golden, C.
Green, J.
Galbraith, T.

Hardy, I.
Hill, E.
Harris, W.
Irwin, J.
Jenkins, W.
Kerr, F.
Lumsden, K.
McKinnon, M.
Mayze, I.
McCalman, C.

Moffett, W.
McArthur, I.
Pearce, H.
Porter, W.
Ritchie, S.
Stewart, I.
Squires, F.
Spencer, C.
Tapper, J.

VALEDICTORY.

It is with feelings of deep regret that we have to record the departure, at the end of the second term, of Mr Alexander, who for the past seven years has been the senior mathematical master of the School. Among the many distinguished Old Boys which the Southland B.H.S. has produced, few have had a more brilliant career than Mr Alexander. He entered school with a Junior Scholarship in 1903. From 1905 to 1907 he held a Senior Scholarship. In that year he

tied with the late K. G. Fraser for the duxship of the school, and proceeded to the Otago University with a Senior National Scholarship. There he had a run of brilliant successes, winning in 1910 the Beverley Scholarship in Advanced Physics and in 1911 the N.Z. University Senior Scholarship in Electricity. In 1912 he graduated M.Sc. with Double Honours, first class in Electricity and second class in Heat, Sound and Light. During 1913 he accepted a Research Scholarship at Victoria College, proceeding later to the staff of the Thames High School. He subsequently held an appointment at Gore High School, resigning in 1916 to become Mathematical and Science Master at this school. From 1918 onwards he devoted his time to Mathematics alone, and of his ability as a teacher of that subject we can speak only in terms of the highest praise. He was conspicuously successful in outside examinations. Very few of his students failed to satisfy the requirements of the external examiner, and those few had only themselves to blame. He possessed the unique faculty of imparting vitality to the dry bones of mathematics, and by his departure the school has sustained an irreparable loss in this respect.

But Mr Alexander's interest in the school was not confined to the class-room. A keen and enthusiastic athlete himself, he recognised the place of games in the curriculum of the school, and as coach to the first XI and the junior XV, he was untiring in his efforts to regain for cricket especially the place it deserves as a summer pastime. The success of the 1922 eleven, particularly their splendid up-hill win against the Otago team, was a source of the greatest satisfaction to him and at the same time a signal tribute to his sterling ability as a coach. For his patience and enthusiasm, which no difficulties or discouragement could overcome, the school owes him a debt of gratitude which no words can adequately express.

On his resignation the Board placed on record its appreciation of his services and wished him every success. On August 14, the first XV and first XI entertained Mr Alexander at the Federal Tea Rooms, the Rector presiding. Several eulogistic speeches bore eloquent testimony to the degree of esteem in which Mr Alexander was universally held. Subsequently on the eve of his departure, the school and staff presented him with a handsome set of stainless cutlery.

That the value of Mr Alexander's work was recognised outside the school is shown by the following reference to his activities (quoted from Southland Times):—

"By the departure of Mr M. Alexander to take up a position on the staff of the Napier Boys' High School, Southland loses a fine gentleman and one whose work in the field of sport deserves more



FIRST ELEVEN, 1922-23.

Top Row—D. Blue, E. Ottrey (vice-captain), R. Kidd, G. R. Hannan, H. Geddes.
Front Row—H. Shireffs, S. Hallamore, H. C. Gordon (captain), W. Titchener, F. N. Watson.

than passing notice. No seeker after the limelight, 'Mat' Alexander preferred to work for the games he loved and played so well himself quietly and unostentatiously, and the wild rush for the 'seats of the mighty' in the government of rapidly booming sports in the home province did not interest him. In his younger days at the Southland Boys' High School he was an outstanding footballer, cricketer and all-round athlete, as his brother who followed him was. The pair had brilliant careers at the Otago University, and when the subject of this notice returned to his old school as a master with high academic honours, he not only proved himself a very capable instructor in school, but a painstaking mentor of the boys in out-of-school hours. To the cricket team he devoted a great deal of attention and had the satisfaction of knowing that the game steadily climbed back to a sound standard, after a depressing period in which the game went near to falling through altogether at the school. The junior football teams also had the benefit of his knowledge, and he was able to present each year to that extremely capable instructor of school football teams, Mr J. S. McGrath, material which was moulded into some of those fine secondary sides which were at their best in 1918 and 1919. In the Cricket Association his counsel was marked by sound commonsense and a desire to encourage and keep up the interest of the junior players, when the latter were having a particularly hard row to hoe. It is to the spadework done by such men as Mr Alexander that sport owes a great deal, which too often goes unappreciated save by those who through some set of circumstances are able to get below the surface of things and see where the real work is being performed. The writer is happy to be able to pay this tribute to one who never sought the light of public favour or wanted anything but to work where the truest appreciation is—amongst those who benefited from his help."

CRICKET.

FIRST ELEVEN.

Captain—Gordon. Deputy-Captain—Ottrey.

The past season has not been a very successful one. Out of six matches played, we won only one, lost four and one game was drawn. During the first part of the season we practised on the Forth street reserve, where the wicket is not very good and the ground itself is far too small for cricket. Later on, in view of the

match with Otago, we were allowed the use of a wicket on the Show Grounds. With the prospect of a trip to Dunedin, most of the members of the eleven turned up regularly to practice. However, we were beaten decisively, and we congratulate the Otago team on its meritorious win. This match was the concluding one of the season. We desire to express our appreciation of Mr Alexander's valuable services as coach and also our deep regret at his departure.

1st XI. v. WAIRONGOA.

School batted first and were all out for 100 runs—Thomas made 38, Gordon 16, Kilby 11.

Wairongoa replied with 85 runs. Hallamore bowled unchanged throughout the innings and ended with an average of 5 for 41. Some of his work was particularly clever. Thomas took 3 wickets for 8 runs. Thus the chief honours of the game went to two first year boys, and the School certainly owed its win by 15 runs to them.

1st XI. v. BLUFF A.

School batted first, making 79 runs. The only batsmen to make a stand were—Nisbet 28 and Thomas 13. Nisbet batted for just under two hours and made only 2 runs in the first hour.

Bluff replied with 73 runs. Their batsmen were inclined to steal runs and four of them paid the penalty by being run out. Gordon took the honours in bowling by capturing 5 wickets for 17 runs. School thus won by 6 runs.

1st XI. v. BLUFF B.

School batted and made 141 runs. The best scores were—Thomas 24, Gordon 31, Shirreffs 38.

Bluff replied with 80 runs for 8 wickets when time was called. The result was thus a drawn game.

1st XI. v. OLD BOYS.

Old Boys had a particularly strong team in the field for this game. They batted first and made 92 runs. Of the 10 wickets captured nine were caught, the School's exhibition in this department being very fine. Special mention should be made of a fine catch by Carson in the slips. Nisbet took a wonderful catch one hand in the long-field, and Thomas took two "skyers."

School had three wickets down for 22 when Kilby and Gordon got together. These players—especially Gordon—gave a nice exhibition and were undefeated when the score was 96. School thus won by 7 wickets. Kilby made 42 not out and Gordon 33 not out.

The bowlers' averages were: Gordon 7 for 37, and Hallamore 3 for 41.

1st XI. v. WAIRONGOA.

School batted first and made 123 runs. The chief scorers were: Mr Alexander 30, Hallamore 24, Nisbet 20, and Shirreffs 16.

Wairongoa replied with 136, thus winning by 13 runs. Bowling for School, Hallamore took 5 for 48, Kilby 4 for 50, Mr Alexander 1 for 19.

1st XI. v. BLUFF B.

Bluff batted first and were all out for 65. Mr Deaker took 3 wickets for 2 runs, Gordon 3 for 16, Watson 2 for 20, and Hallamore 1 for 15.

School made 101 runs, and thus won by 36 runs. Geddes gave a good display for 34, retired. His best shots were a leg glance and a good cut past point. He never looked like going out. Gordon made 10, Shirreffs a lively 16 by shots all round, and Watson 13, not out. The whole team fielded rather well. Carson at first slip was very good, as was Page at point. Shirreffs took a splendid catch low down in the slips—one of those that take getting.

1st XI. v. OLD BOYS.

Old Boys batted and made 149 runs. They should not have made so many runs, but the School bowlers had a day off and two fairly easy catches were dropped.

School replied with 122 runs, suffering defeat by 27 runs. Geddes, as on the previous occasion, made top score, 25; Shirreffs also batted well for 18, while Hanan showed much improved form and made 14.

1st XI. v. WAIRONGOA.

School again suffered defeat—this time by 6 runs. We batted first and were all out for 112 runs. The total score must be considered good, seeing that four of our best players were run out. Top score was gained by Gordon with 27. Anderson made 12 (run out). Wairongoa made 118 runs. Gordon, Watson and Hallamore all bowled well, and the latter with his "slows" took 4 for 21.

1st XI. v. BLUFF A.

Bluff were the best team in the competition, and the School team, although beaten, was by no means disgraced.

School batted first and made 110 runs. Gordon 32 and Watson 32.

Bluff replied with 116 runs for 8 wickets. Gordon and Watson bowled well, but our change bowlers were poor and our weakness in this department lost us the match.

1st XI. v. MARIST XI.

School won the toss and elected to bat. The opening batsmen were Geddes and Titchener. Both batted rather stolidly and let many balls go unpunished. Finally, after compiling 15 runs, Geddes played an off ball on to his wicket. Gordon was the incoming batsman. He lost Titchener by a good catch at the wickets. The retiring batsman made 11. Shirreffs came on next. Gordon started confidently, but was mis-timing rather badly, being bowled finally at 25. Shirreffs started to score very slowly, but when he got into his stride he played some very forcible shots, especially to leg. Watson did not stay long and was caught out after making 6. Hallamore gave a delightful exhibition before playing a ball on at 27. He put plenty of power into his shots and showed more variety than any other batsman in the team. Ottrey made 9 (caught), and Page had a lively turn or two, and made 9 not out. Shirreffs played a magnificent innings for 122 not out. School had made 227 runs for 6 wickets when rain stopped the play.

1st XI. v. APPLEBY.

School won the toss and elected to bat first, the innings resulting in 198 runs. The chief scorers were Shirreffs 92, Geddes 25, Kidd 19, and Gordon 16. Shirreffs and Geddes both batted well, the former having bad luck in being caught out off a full toss. Only 8 of the School team batted, the innings then being declared. Appleby went in and were dismissed in a short time for 16 runs. For the School Gordon took 5 wickets for 11 runs, Watson 2 for 2, and Shirreffs 1 for 0. The match thus resulted in a win for the School by 182 runs.

1st XI. v. 2nd XI.

This game was played on Shirreff's half-holiday at the Show Grounds. There was a gratifying muster of boys interested in cricket, both players and onlookers. The wicket was slow and difficult, so that runs came very slowly.

The Firsts batted and were disposed of for 87 runs—Shirreffs 25, Watson 21, and Carson 18. Blue's bowling was deadly and he took 7 wickets, mostly clean bowled. The Seconds replied with 22 runs, being helpless before the bowling of Gordon, 6 for 12 and Hallamore 4 for 9.

1st XI. v. O.B.H.S.

Southland batted first and made a very poor showing. Gordon and Shirreffs were the only batsmen to shape well, the good bowling of Duncan causing most of the trouble.

Otago replied with a brighter display of batting. Our bowling was rather weak and Gordon was the only bowler to seriously trouble the batsmen.

Southland's second innings was about the School's true form. Although he did not make top score, Watson, in his innings, gave the best display of batting on our side.

Our fielding was better than Otago's, and as usual, Carson was easily best in this department.

Southland.	1st innings.	2nd innings.
Titchener	1	0
Geddes	7	0
Gordon	15	1
Shirreffs	10	64
Watson	1	21
Hallamore	0	6
Ottrey	2	0
Kidd	3	5
Carson	2	7
Page	1	14
Blue	0	2
Blue	1	20
Extras	—	—
	43	140

Otago made 200 in their only innings, and thus won by an innings and 17 runs.

Bowling Averages—Gordon, 3 wickets for 38 runs; Watson, 2 for 52; Hallamore, 3 for 60; Blue, 0 for 12; Geddes, 0 for 14; Shirreffs, 2 for 12.

Following are the leading batting and bowling averages for the past season:—

BATTING.					
Name.	Number of Innings.	Times Not Out.	Highest Score.	Total Runs.	Average.
Shirreffs	7	1	122(n.o.)	236	39.33
Gordon	7	—	32	115	16.43
Geddes	7	1	34	89	14.83
Watson	7	1	32	81	13.50
Page	5	3	14	25	12.50

BOWLING.			
	Number of Wickets.	Number of Runs.	Average.
Gordon	18	151	8.39
Hallamore	10	130	13.00

SECOND ELEVEN.

Captain—Grindlay.

2nd XI. v. APPLEBY.

Appleby batted first, declaring at 140 with two wickets to fall. Traill took 3 wickets for 46 runs and Geddes 5 for 58. Owing to the unfavourable condition of the weather, bowling was very difficult. School then batted and compiled 159 runs. Watson went in at the beginning and remained in the whole innings, making 81 not out. Titchener 18, Mayhew 13, and Stevens 10, were the other chief scorers. School won by 19 runs.

2nd XI. v. UNION.

School batted first, making 45 runs, of which Traill made 14 and Kidd 10. Union were then dismissed for 35 runs.

School's second innings closed at 72, Grindlay making 19, Titchener 18 not out, and Kidd 15. Union's second innings yielded 87 runs for 6 wickets; so they won by 4 wickets and 5 runs. In the first innings Traill took 4 wickets for 20 and Geddes 5 for 12, and in the second innings they took 4 and 2 wickets respectively.

2nd XI. v. MARIST OLD BOYS.

School batted first, compiling 199 runs, of which Watson made 102, retiring, and Stevens 28. Marist replied with 90, the last man being caught out on the stroke of time. School won by 109 runs on the first innings. Traill and Titchener each took 1 wicket, Geddes 3 and Grindlay 5.

2nd XI. v. APPLEBY.

School batted first, making 101 runs. Grindlay made 35 and Traill 27, not out.

Appleby's innings closed at 84, School winning by 17 runs. Traill took 4 wickets and Blue 6.

2nd XI. v. UNION.

School batted first and were dismissed for 19 runs, of which Titchener made 9. Union made 69—Traill taking 4 for 28, Blue 5 for 32, and Grindlay 1 for 4. Six of the Union team were caught out. School's second innings yielded 88 runs. Barham made 19, Robertson 17, and Sutton 18, not out. Union, requiring 38 runs, made 43 for the loss of 5 wickets, winning by 5 wickets and 5 runs. Blue took four wickets and Titchener one.

2nd XI. v. APPLEBY.

Appleby batted first, making 77. Blue took 4 wickets for 26, Grindlay 4 for 8, Geddes 1 for 16, and Kidd 1 for 7. School com-

piled 71 runs, Geddes contributing 22 and Stevens 12. As there was no second innings, Appleby won by 6 runs.

2nd XI. v. APPLEBY.

Appleby batted first, compiling 97. Traill took 6 wickets and Blue 3. School were then dismissed for 33. In their second innings Appleby declared with 3 wickets down for 46. Traill took 1 wicket and Connolly 2. Schools second innings yielded 57—Connolly making 15, and Traill and Simpson 10 each. Appleby won by 7 wickets and 53 runs.

2nd XI. v. UNION.

Union, batting first, put together 150 runs. The School fielding was very weak, through lack of practice, though good catches were made by Barham and Wallace. Traill took 6 wickets for 73, Connolly 1 for 28, Hamilton 1 for 11, and Grindlay 2 for 21. School were dismissed for 31, Grindlay making 12 and Traill 11.

School followed on and made 38, Connolly top-scoring with 8. Union won by an innings and 81 runs.

2nd XI. v. MARIST OLD BOYS.

School batted first, making 84. Page 35, Grindlay 12, and Barham 11, being the chief scorers. Marist made 107, winning by 23 runs. Traill took 3 wickets for 23, Blue 3 for 30 and Grindlay 2 for 20. Simpson and Connolly fielded well.

2nd XI. v. APPLEBY.

School's first innings closed at 96. Traill 46, Hamilton 16, and Titchener 11, were the chief scorers. Appleby replied with 42—Traill taking 4 wickets for 24 and Blue 6 for 17. School in their second innings declared with 3 wickets down for 70. Titchener made 19, Connolly 11 not out, and Anderson 23 not out.

Requiring 145 runs to win, Appleby were dismissed in half an hour for 43. Traill took 4 for 27 and Blue 4 for 10. School won by 7 wickets and 81 runs.

2nd XI. v. UNION.

School, in their first innings, put together 60 runs, of which Blue made 20 and Grindlay 12. Union replied with 115, winning by 55 runs. Traill took 6 wickets for 50 and Blue 4 for 45. The fielding was very weak, though Manson took a good catch in the long field.

JUNIOR CRICKET.

As yet, the Juniors have not been defeated. The brunt of the season's play has fallen on some half-dozen boys, who have been very keen and consistent. Their success has been due largely to the batting of Anderson, Hamilton, McCurdy and Lock, and the bowling of Hamilton and McCurdy. Hamilton has taken altogether 81 wickets for 232 runs, giving an average of 2.8. Results:—

FEBRUARY 16th.—Drew with Technical. Juniors declared with 7 for 105—McCurdy 32, Lock 28, and Anderson 15 not out. Technical replied with 5 for 92. Hamilton got 3 wickets for 24.

MARCH 3rd.—Defeated North by 59 runs. School made 129; North 70. McCurdy 42 not out, Hamilton 26, Anderson 16. Hamilton got 6 wickets for 25.

MARCH 7th.—Defeated Marist by 27 runs—School 46, Marist 19. Lock compiled 26. McCurdy took 5 wickets for 8 and Hamilton 5 for 10.

MARCH 10th.—Juniors, with 217 for 7 wickets, defeated Middle by 181 runs. Anderson 81, McCurdy 44, Lock 37 and Hamilton 21. Hamilton took 5 for 14 and McCurdy 4 for 12.

MARCH 17th.—Defeated Waihopai by 81 runs. Anderson 48 not out, Lock 28, McCurdy 29. Hamilton took 5 for 23, McCurdy 4 for 20.

MARCH 24th.—Defeated St. George by 7 wickets and 36 runs. Anderson 22 not out, and Hamilton 20 not out. Hamilton took 4 for 3 and McCurdy 5 for 9.

MARCH 31st.—Defeated South by an innings and 128 runs. Anderson 53, McCurdy 41, Hamilton 19. Hamilton took 13 for 11, including the hat-trick, and McCurdy 6 for 20.

OCTOBER 20th.—Defeated Technical by 2 runs. Hamilton 22, McCurdy 20, Anderson 18. Hamilton took 4 wickets for 26.

OCTOBER 22nd.—Defeated Marists by 12 runs—School 71, Marists 59. Hamilton compiled 43 and took 8 wickets for 21.

OCTOBER 24th.—Defeated North by 77 runs. Hamilton compiled 83 and took 7 wickets for 10 runs.

OCTOBER 31st.—Defeated Middle by 10 wickets. McCurdy 22, Hamilton 19, Christophers 14, McMillan 13. Hamilton took 9 for 17, McCurdy 9 for 34.

JUNIORS v. OTAGO.

This game was played on the side wicket at Carisbrook. The wicket was damp and difficult. School batted first and were nervous and helpless with 6 down for 16, a useful stand by Stevens (17) and Hamilton (9) brought the score to 36. The innings closed for 42.

Otago also were shaky with the bat, and scored slowly against the bowling of Hamilton and McCurdy. They made 53.

In our second innings our first batsmen again failed, and with 5 down for 19, our chances looked black. Anderson then played a fine innings, which was the feature of the match. With clean and hard drives in all directions he scored pretty freely off all bowlers. His score of 62 included 13 4's. McCurdy 16 and Lock 8 also batted well. All were out for 113.

Otago followed, and when stumps were drawn on Friday had 3 wickets down for 71. The persistent blocking of Leader, who made only 35 in over two hours, disheartened our tired bowlers. On Saturday morning, with 7 wickets in hand and 33 to win, Otago seemed sure to win, but Hamilton bowled excellently and they were dismissed for 26, leaving School the victors by 6 runs. Hamilton took 6 wickets for 14.

Bowling Analysis: Hamilton 12 for 48, McCurdy 3 for 36, Patton 3 for 44. The fielding was very good on both sides.

FOOTBALL.

FIRST FIFTEEN.

The 1923 season has come and gone and once more we can look back upon our record with some satisfaction. With eight of last year's team back, and with good material at hand to fill the vacancies, the team promised to be a particularly strong one, and this promise the event has amply fulfilled. We were runners-up to our old rivals, Southern, in the Third Grade competition, winners of the Second Grade competition (after the re-introduction of the Wednesday half-holiday), and were narrowly defeated by Timaru for the tournament honours. Although this record is not quite so brilliant as that of last year, nevertheless the general opinion has been that this year's team was sounder and better balanced. It is undoubtedly one of the best combinations that the School has produced, and it will probably be some years at least before we see their like again.

THE TEAM.

Gordon took Norris's place at full-back, and, though handicapped by lack of weight and pace, played very pluckily and seldom made any serious mistakes. Squires moved out to centre, where he had more room to work. Always safe and reliable, he played his best games against P. and T., Christchurch and Timaru, and the piece of combined play in which he, together with Page and Harrington, took the ball from half-way to the Timaru line, was one of the brightest events in a very fine game. Of Harrington and Morgan it can only be said that they are two of the finest wings that the School has ever had. Possessed of speed above the average, both have had sufficient experience to turn it to advantage, while Harrington's weight and fend, and Morgan's swerve, have made them particularly difficult to stop. Harrington during the tournament had few opportunities of showing his real qualities on attack, but Morgan's try against Christchurch will long be remembered by all who saw it. Ottrey and Page have been our mainstays on defence. Ottrey's play has been what it has always been—solid, determined, unselfish and often brilliant, while his leading of the team, has, with Clapp's assistance, left little to be desired. Page, losing nothing of his determined tackle, has developed pace and initiative. Like Ottrey, he has the faculty of turning up where he is most wanted. Behind the scrum Connolly, though prevented by illness from gaining as much experience as could have been desired, nevertheless did very well indeed, and it is no discredit to him to say that we missed that touch of resource and that instinct for the right move that was so marked a feature of Kilby's play. Geddes, as emergency, was called on to play in every position from half to full-back, and this experience will stand him in good stead. Although his defence is still open to improvement, his attacking ability would in any ordinary year easily have gained him a place on the wing.

The forwards, although a trifle lighter than last year, more than made up for this by their dash and speed. Their play was so uniformly good that it is difficult to make distinctions, but the following deserve special mention:—Murray, Simpson, Graham and Shirreffs, for following up and open work, Clapp for tight work and close dribbling, and Clark for line-out work, but Gilmour, Wilson and Shaw were not far behind.

But, granting the fact that the team contained many fine players, it would not have achieved the success it did but for the attention that every member gave to his training, and the way in which

the forwards especially lasted through hard-fought games against heavier opponents, gave ample proof of thorough preparation of wind and muscle. In this, as in many other respects, the team of 1923 has set a very high standard for those who follow.

CLUB MATCHES.

SATURDAY COMPETITION—THIRD GRADE.

1st XV. v. BLUFF.

School won by 104 to 3.

1st XV. v. SOUTHERN.

Lost—9 to 14.

Southern pressed hard from the kick-off, but School relieved with two free kicks and later by forcing twice in quick succession. Graham marked, but Southern still pressed strongly and scored. The kick was successful and Southern led 5—0. Shortly afterwards Southern again crossed the School line and led 8—0. Southern were compelled to force and from a fine passing rush by the School backs, Ottrey and Harrington outpaced all opposition and the latter scored behind the posts. Graham missed with the goal. Southern 8—3. School forced, then the forwards carried play to the other end of the field where Sheehan had hard luck in not scoring. Southern relieved and School were forced several times.

The second spell opened with a brilliant try by Geddes. Gathering up the ball inside his own half-way he sprinted nearly 70 yards to score a great try, which Ottrey failed to convert. The Southern forwards carried everything before them and scored an unconverted try. Southern 11—6. After some give and take play Southern pressed strongly, but Ottrey relieved with a good kick. The same player later missed an easy penalty. School forwards kicked too hard and Southern forced. Their forwards carried the ball to the School line and scored another unconverted try. Southern 14—6. School retaliated and from a clever piece of passing Harrington raced across. Shirreffs just missed. The whistle blew immediately afterwards with School beaten, 14 points to 9.

1st XV. v. STAR.

Won—40 to 0.

This match finished at half-time, when the score stood at 40 to nil in favour of School.

1st XV. v. INVERCARGILL.

Won—9 to 0.

School kicked off, and play was confined to the Blue twenty-five. From a mark, Sherriffs attempted to kick a goal but failed. A dribbling rush by Blues carried the play into the School twenty-five, and Morgan was obliged to force. Play then went to mid-field, till a passing rush started by Connolly put School in an attacking position, but Blues forced. They began to press and, from a free kick, attempted to kick a goal but failed. They continued to press until School forced. School now attacked and the backs handled to Ottrey, who scored. Graham failed with the kick. Shortly after, a cross-kick enabled Ottrey to score again. Shirreffs failed with the kick. Shortly before half-time Morgan kicked a goal from a free kick. School 9, Blues nil. There was no scoring in the second half, and thus School won the game by nine points to nil.

1st XV. v. BLUFF.

Won—28 to 8.

This match, our first in second grade, was won fairly easily, chiefly owing to training and combination. During the first spell School scored five tries, only one of which was converted. In the second spell Bluff played with more confidence and secured eight points by forward rushes. School, however, wore them down and added eleven more points, making the final score 28 to 8.

1st XV. v. SOUTHERN.

Won—27 to 7.

With the sun in their eyes, School set the ball rolling, and within two minutes Kilby (Southern) had intercepted a pass, cut in and potted a smart goal. Southern attacked strongly, but Connolly relieved with a mark. Morgan failed with a penalty and Southern were forced. The same player centred well and Squires followed up well and scored. Graham failed with the kick. From near half-way the School forwards broke away and Morgan, by a fine cork-screw run, scored a good try. Graham again made a poor attempt to convert. A fine back movement, which began at the half—Connolly—and ended at Harrington, resulted in the latter outpacing all opposition and scoring between the posts. Ottrey added the major points. Another splendid passing rush ended in Harrington scoring his second try. Ottrey again converted, and School led 16—4. A good free-kick had School in difficulties, but Gordon forced. After several scrums in the School twenty-five, Squires brought temporary

relief with a mark. Southern came again, but missed an easy penalty. Ottrey here carried out some good defensive work and half-time was called.

The second spell opened with a Southern attack, but Gordon and Page by good line kicks transferred play to the other end. Southern retaliated, but a break-away by Shirreffs and a good mark by Squires again had them pressed. Gordon retired hurt and Geddes came on in his place. Good work by Kilby ended in Southern scoring an unexpected try. A clever mark by Page interrupted a period of uninteresting play. Fine dribbling by Simpson, and clever following up by Clapp, both of whom were working like Trojans, nearly ended in a score. School were still pressing hard and Harrington dived over at the corner to score his third try. Morgan just missed. School 19—7. Page threw out to Morgan, who scored between the posts. Ottrey converted. Soon afterwards Ottrey cleverly gave the "dummy" and scored a well-earned try. Morgan again missed the kick, and School led 27—7. This proved to be the final score of a game in which School avenged their defeat of the first round. Mr Baird controlled the game.

1st XV. v. PIRATES.

Won—15 to 3.

School defeated Pirates by 15 points to 3 after a somewhat ragged game. From the kick-off School attacked, but good defence prevented any scoring. After pounding at the line for some time passing among backs and forwards ended in Squires getting over. Morgan failed to convert. School kept attacking, but owing to weak handling many good opportunities were lost. After a short time, Morgan potted a goal from the field and the first spell ended with play in neutral territory.

In the second spell Pirates attacked strongly and scored an unconverted try. For about fifteen minutes Pirates pressed, but condition began to tell and School took the upper hand. Morgan drop-kicked a fine penalty goal and play remained in Black twenty-five. Just on time Geddes received in a short passing bout and with a good run scored between the posts. Morgan converted. The game ended with School 15 and Pirates 3.

ANNUAL TOURNAMENT.

Blue skies, warm weather—too warm for some of us—and much kind hospitality, all combined to make our stay in Timaru one of many pleasant memories, while the games themselves, and especially

the final against Timaru, proved to be hard-fought encounters in which exciting incidents were not wanting. We extend our heartiest thanks to Mr Thomas, the members of his staff, our hosts, and to the President of the Rugby Union for the hospitality shown to us, and for all the arrangements which made the Tournament so enjoyable.

For the following accounts of the games we are indebted to the "Timaru Herald":—

SOUTHLAND (14) v. CHRISTCHURCH (7).

The Teams.

SOUTHLAND.

(Red, Blue, and White).

Morgan	Geddes	Harrington
Ottrey (capt.)	Squires	Page
	Connolly	
		Shirreffs

Clark	Gilmour
Clap	Shaw
Graham	Simpson
	Murray

CHRISTCHURCH.

(Blue and Black).

	Kemp (capt.)	
Berry	McMillan	Moffett
	Cromb	Fleming
	Brown	
		Broughton
Skipworth	Thacker	
Esson	Porterfield	Chambers
	Minson	Stirling

FIRST SPELL.

The Reds lost the toss and faced a bright sun. Following the kick-off they swept to the north-east corner, where Murray crossed within half a minute of the commencement. Morgan just failed with a good kick.

Southland	3
Christchurch	0

On resuming Mortlock got the ball away but it did not get farther than the five-eighth line, and a high kick and follow took the Reds to Christchurch 25. (Mortlock retired at this stage and

was replaced at half by Brown, Cromb going on as second five-eighths). Good combined work by the Blue pack shifted play to mid-field, where the Reds were penalised, and Harrington failing to take the free, Moffatt pinned the Reds in their 25. Ottrey got offside in defence and Fleming just failed to goal from outside the 25. Porterfield headed a forward charge, but Morgan relieved. Both rearguards made ineffectual attempts to swing into line, the work of the Blues giving most promise, but a hefty kick by Squires pushed Christchurch back, and the Blue goal was placed in jeopardy by a mark kick by Cromb being charged down, but a solid forward rush saved the situation and play settled at mid-field. The Southlanders returned to the attack again, but hard kicking twice allowed the Blues to force and eventually Cromb found touch outside half-way from a free. Another penalty kick let Christchurch into the Red 25, where Brown opened a nice rush with an infield pass. An infringement nullified the good work, Clark hitting the chalk-mark at the centre flag. From 45 yards out Morgan just missed the Christchurch goal from a free. Passing from a scrum by Connolly and Harrington took play to Christchurch territory, but Kemp replied effectively, and from half-way Brown initiated a rush by a smart run and transfer to Fleming. The last-named lost a likely chance by an abortive attempt to put over the dummy. A counter passing rush by Southland was cut off by Berry, who kicked to advantage, but indifferent handling soon lost most of the ground gained. Brown, Berry and Cromb combined in a more effective rush and caught Geddes in possession, and in the Red 25 Brown again opened up, but a pass went astray and tight play followed in the Red area. Geddes stopped one dangerous assault on his line, and Christchurch lost another opportunity through Cromb holding too long, after which Shirreffs raised the seige by dribbling to half-way. The Red forwards made further progress and a defender was penalised for hanging on, but Morgan made an indifferent attempt at goal. Brown and Fleming, by good runs, eased the pressure on the Blue line, and opened up a high kicking rally which ended in a fumble by Cromb, as the outcome of which Murray set a hot forward rush afoot and Shirreffs topped off the movement by scoring in a good position. The kick was forfeited through the ball being handled on the ground.

Southland	6
Christchurch	0

Another lively forward rush put the Reds on the attack immediately, but a free gave Brown an opportunity to get in a great line kick to safe country. A passing rush by Connolly, Page and

Morgan was ended by a good tackle by Brown. The Reds lost a lot of ground through a rebound, but Clapp placed another kick in the Blue 25. Cromb responded with a good solo run, then Squires and Harrington carried play back to the Christchurch end. The Blue pack next took a hand, and after a good rush gave it to the backs, but weak handling let the chance go by. The Christchurch vanguard came again with a swarming rush to the line, a defender having to infringe to save, but Fleming did no good with the kick. A fresh Blue charge was repulsed by Connolly, and the Red forwards, led by Simpson, made the position secure. Squires carried on to the Christchurch 25, but Brown, Cromb and Moffatt came back again, a fast rush compelling Southland to force. Cromb booted the ball into the Red 25 again and a passing rush developed, but the Red pack broke up the attack. The irrepressible Brown soon had another rush in train, but Cromb declined a pass and Morgan shifted to the safe ground as the half-time bell rang.

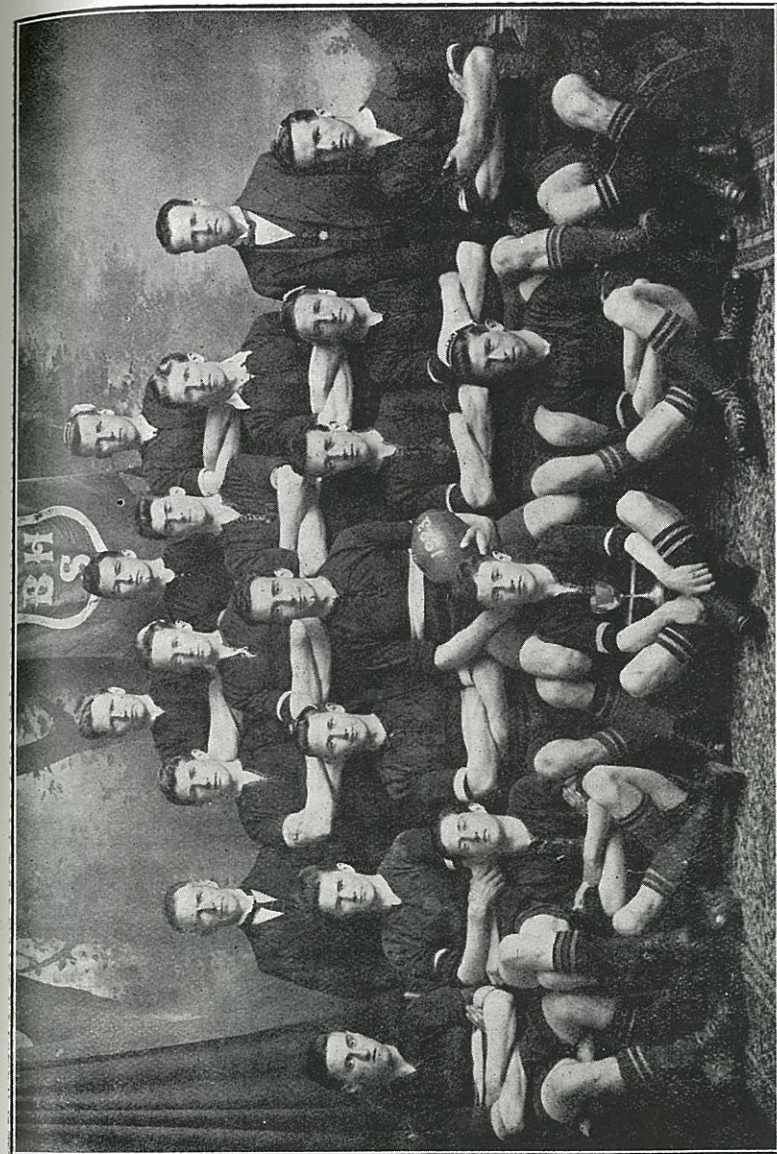
Southland	6
Christchurch	0

SECOND SPELL.

The Blues, who brought Cromb inside Fleming in the second half, began briskly, but a nice kick by Ottrey sent them back to mid-field. A kicking rally ended in Southland's favour, Morgan bouncing out at the Blue 25. Fumbling by both sets of backs produced some dull play, and Harrington, receiving from Connolly, failed to sight a splendid opportunity for a cross-kick. The Red vanguard broke the monotony by a spirited rush which Kemp checked cleverly. Passing by the Reds was upset by Berry, who invaded the Southland 25, and the Blues set up a hot massed attack. A free gave respite to the sorely-pressed southerners, and Harrington and Shirreffs followed speedily and were not checked until Kemp booted out in the Blues' corner. Near the goal Page, Ottrey and Squires handled in turn. The next pass went astray, but Morgan secured possession and went across in the other corner. He made a good but fruitless attempt to convert.

Southland	9
Christchurch	0

A fast straggling rush by the Blues saw Esson put the ball out in the corner. Two attempts to pot both failed to get the leather away, and the Southlanders dribbled out to the half-way line. Each rearguard figured in innocuous passing, but Brown gained much ground from a free, and at the 25 sent Cromb away. The



FIRST FIFTEEN, 1923.

Winners Second Grade Competition; Runners Up Secondary Schools' Tournament.
 Back Row—J. T. Shaw, C. W. Wilson, J. R. Page, E. Squires, A. G. Harrington, Mr. Mawson.
 Third Row—Mr. Page, R. Morgan, H. Shirreffs, A. N. Murray, C. Clark, R. G. Simpson, J. R. Gilmour.
 Second Row—N. C. Clapp (dep. cap), C. Graham, E. Ottrey (cap), K. Connolly, H. Geddes.
 First Row—H. C. Gordon.

five-eighths raced through the opposition until Geddes grassed him in front of the goal. The Blues maintained the pressure, Brown giving his support plenty of opportunities which were not availed of. Squires temporarily drove the attackers off, but Brown, Fleming and Moffatt carried play back again, the last-named tackling Geddes, and from a scramble Stirling secured and dashed across at the corner. Cromb failed to add the extra points.

Southland	9
Christchurch	3

Passing by Connolly and Ottrey and high kicks by Morgan were well countered by Brown and Kemp, then a long punt by Cromb bounced out in the Red 25. Connolly and Squires eased the strain, but near half-way Fleming obtained and tried a long-distance pot, the referee, who was hampered by the sun, awarding the four points.

Southland	9
Christchurch	7

Fast following by Berry threatened to increase the Christchurch total, but Geddes cleared and the Red pack took charge and Kemp was called upon to save. With the scores almost level play became much faster than hitherto, the Blues in particular making strenuous efforts to score. Brown got away from a scrum and handed to Fleming who jinked the inside men opposite and raced to the full-back with three Blues in support, but fell in an attempt to side-step Geddes and the Reds got back to save. Again Brown gave to Cromb and Fleming, but the next pass was declined and Simpson and Clark dashed off to the other end, losing a score through obstructing Kemp and paying the penalty. Brown saved his line from another onslaught, then Cromb got in a big kick and by fast following upset Geddes near the Red goal. Simpson led a relieving rush, and hard even play followed in neutral territory. A nice opening made by Berry was not turned to account, Fleming potting scorelessly, and it looked as though time would expire with the totals unchanged. Just on the call, however, Morgan took the ball from a Blue back and after running three-quarters the length of the field and beating several opponents scored behind, Ottrey concluding the game with a goal.

Southland	14
Christchurch	7

Mr D. A. Clarke was referee.

Timaru defeated Otago by 21 points to 3.

SECOND DAY.

The South Island High Schools Tournament was concluded on the Recreation Reserve yesterday before a good attendance of spectators. The ground was in fine order, and the weather conditions left little to be desired, the sun being less troublesome than on the opening day and the atmosphere comparatively still. Taken all round, the play was of a higher standard than on Saturday, and the final, though it did not produce any Rugby fireworks, was a stirring encounter, neither side registering any points until eighty minutes had expired, and the deciding score being made right on the call of time.

The deciding game between Southland and Timaru was notable for the remarkable improvement in all-round form displayed by the Invercargill team. Marked reversals are by no means uncommon in school games, but seldom has a team made such strides between the first and second days of a tournament. The Red forwards commenced vimfully, obviously intent on bustling the Timaru rearguard, and before long the backs began to take a hand, and for the first half hour the balance of play went in favour of the visitors. Near the end of the spell the White forwards came to light and gradually overcame Southland's superiority in the scrum. Over-eagerness on the part of the Timaru backs, whose five-eighths were playing too deep, and fine spoiling by the Southland winger enabled the southerners to keep their line intact, and half-time arrived with the score sheet blank and with Southland claiming some advantage on the run of the play. The Red pack were full of vim on resuming, and for a time kept play on the home side of half-way. They had, however, lost their ascendancy in the front row, and before long Timaru began to control the play. The White vanguard by degrees wore the opposition down, and the ball went out pretty regularly, but the handling behind was not so safe as against Otago, and time after time good positions secured by fine forward work were lost through the backs being smothered. Ten minutes before the end a long pass out to the wing in the home 25 was fielded by Ottrey, who dashed across in the corner and scored the first points of the match. With time fighting on the side of Southland it looked as though all the efforts of the Whites to save the day were doomed to failure until a loose rush swept to the line and a try looked a certainty. But a defender dashed in and kicked behind, saving for the time. From the resultant scrum the ball trickled out and the Timaru winger just managed to reach over. Amid intense excitement the goal was kicked, the bell rang, and Timaru had pulled the match and the tournament out of the fire after a magnificent battle

between two exhausted teams. The Southlanders, who took their galling defeat like sportsmen, were unlucky to lose in the last stride, and a draw would have been a popular result, but on the day Timaru were just a shade the better team. Had the winners abandoned their efforts to win by the back route and concentrated on forward attacks they would almost certainly have won more decisively. In the victorious pack McPherson and Davies were specially prominent. Marsh was not so bright as in the previous game. Slade maintained his form at half, getting the ball away well and stopping rushes finely. Simmers and Strang did not handle so cleverly as usual, and McConnell was below par, but Tate gave another great display. In the first half the White backs failed to make full use of the sun, Lindsay in particular preferring little kicks which were easily fielded to the up-and-under method, which would have worried Southland's weak full-back. The greatest improvement in the Red back division was shown by Page and Connolly, and with the inside pair going well the team was hardly recognisable as the same one which performed stodgily against Christchurch. Ottrey and Squires, with more opportunities, displayed good form, and Morgan's speed and good handling made him always dangerous. Simpson, Graham and Clapp were usually on the premises in the forward rallies, but the most dashing man in the loose was Shirreffs, the best wing-forward of the tournament. The losers appeared to be more at home on the fast turf than on the previous day, and altogether played a sterling game, the merit of which was not overlooked even in the enthusiasm provoked by the home team's win.

The result of this year's series put Timaru in the lead in respect of tournament wins, making their score three against two to each of the other schools. The appended table gives the aggregate results of the 36 matches contested since the inception of the event in 1915:—

	Games		Points	
	Won.	Lost.	For.	Agst.
Timaru	11	7	216	134
Otago	9	9	172	203
Christchurch	8½	9½	224	141
Southland	7½	10½	111	250

THE FINAL.

TIMARU (5) DEFEAT SOUTHLAND (3).

The Teams.

TIMARU.

(White.)

Bennett	Lindsay		
	McConnell		Tate
Simmers (capt.)		Strang	
	Slade		
			Marsh
Williams		Murray	
Davies	McPherson		Malcolm
	Blue	Jones	

SOUTHLAND.

(Red, Blue and White.)

	Gordon		
Morgan	Squires		Harrington
Ottrey (capt.)		Page	
	Connolly		
			Shirreffs
Clark		Gilmour	
Clap	Shaw		Simpson
	Graham	Murray	

Southland won the toss and elected to play against the sun. A liner by Bennett gave first advantage to Timaru, but from the opening scrum the Reds secured and Page kicked to the home 25. White forwards got offside in a relieving movement and Morgan had a shot which fell short. Squires gave Southland another footing in Timaru territory, and Connolly and Page opened up, but the next pass was declined and a free let Timaru out to neutral ground. Morgan took another penalty kick from 45 yards out, the ball striking the goal-post low down. The Red forwards kept Timaru at their 25 for a time, then Strang shifted the scene of operations to mid-field. A hot forward rush was checked by Slade, and Marsh secured and broke away. Getting near the corner he threw out a pass which nobody was there to receive, and from a line-out Southland got out of difficulties. Slade halted the Red vanguard again, and the Whites returned to midfield, where Simpson was caught offside and Lindsay got in a good line kick. Passing by both teams was not allowed

to make headway, but a smart kick by Tate proved more useful to Timaru. Slade pushed the Reds further back, Clarke saving in the nick of time. The home team now began to find their feet and handled more effectively, and a cut by Simmers looked dangerous. His pass to Tate was intercepted, however, and the Red pack hustled out to midfield. Sherriffs, following briskly, charged down a kick by Lindsay and threatened the Timaru line, but Tate ran back and cleared. Play hovered in the vicinity of half-way with the Reds mostly in possession and having all the opportunities. Strang made good use of a free, placing Southland on the defensive, and Bennett initiated a rush from the touchline which went across to the opposite corner, the White forwards camping on the Southland line. They remained there until the backs let them down and a fast follow by Harrington took the ball back to half-way. The Red forwards lost a likely chance by over-running the ball, and the opposing pack returned to the centre. A mis-kick by Marsh gave the Southlanders possession in open field, and Page, Squires and Morgan made some ground. Another pretty piece of concerted work between Page, Squires, Harrington and Squires put Timaru in difficulties, Harrington just failing to hold a return pass at the corner. A centre-kick by the Reds was seized by Davies and Tate, who raced away to the centre line. A mull by Marsh let the Reds through once more, Slade being the stumbling block. Soon afterwards the Timaru half bounced the ball out in Southland's 25, and the forwards dashed on to the corner, where a free gave much-needed relief to the Reds. A strong run by Morgan took play to neutral territory, and a mix-up between Lindsay and McConnell lost more ground for Timaru. Bennett, beating Harrington for possession, soon made good and with Davies sent Southland back to their line. The White backs broke down again and the Southland forwards made another attack, being stopped successively by Tate and Davies. From a free at half-way Lindsay put up a big kick which completely baffled Harrington at the corner, and Southland escaped a bit luckily with a force. Timaru were now making the play, and they kept Southland penned in for a time. Page, receiving from Connolly, created a diversion by a brilliant run from 25 to 25, being tackled by Lindsay when looking dangerous. Timaru were compelled to force as the result of a break-away by Wilson, but from the drop-out they footed to Southland's 25. A hot forward battle finished up at half-way. Strang and Tate made a spirited attempt to score, being repulsed by Morgan, then Slade and Simmers made a fine opening, but McConnell failed to connect and half-time was signalled with no score.

SECOND SPELL.

A kick by Slade gave Timaru first advantage on resuming, and Strang opened a passing rush which went to the Southland 25. Simpson headed a loose rush to midfield, and Lindsay lost ground by kicking out on the full, leaving Timaru on the defensive. Connolly had a drop at goal from a mark without finding the opening and Timaru forced. A nice kick by Lindsay made much ground for the Whites, but the Red vanguard, who were displaying great dash, surged back to the 25. Bennett and Simmers recovered the loss, but Simpson and Murray instituted another rush which reached the 25 before Bennett pulled it up. After a torrid time near the Timaru line Simmers found touch at half-way from a free. (Blue had to retire after a melee, and was replaced by Martin). A good opening for Timaru was lost by Simmers dropping a pass, and Morgan kicked away and upset Lindsay at half-way. Fast ragged work by the Reds went to Timaru territory, but Bennett reversed the positions and Strang put the ball out in his opponents' corner. An attempt to bring the backs into play lost most of the country gained, and Harrington shifted to outside the danger zone. McPherson was conspicuous in good forward work, and Tate and Bennett made fine runs, but the tackling was sound. Pots by Strang and Simmers went close but did not score, and a shot by Strang from a free was deflected by an opponent. Timaru were now dominating the game, but their backs were failing through over-eagerness and uncertain handling. Strang and Tate reached the corner, and passing commenced by Slade almost proved successful on the other wing. Southland were sorely pressed until Connolly relieved with a clever kick. A White forward attack was backed up by a break by Strang, but his pass out was cut off and again the Reds saved the day. Strang, Simmers, and McConnell ran to the corner once more, but only a force resulted. The Whites returned to the attack, but Squires and Harrington upset a passing rush and went to midfield, and Morgan tackled Lindsay near the Timaru goal. Timaru gradually regained the mastery, and Simmers neatly blocked a dashing attempt by Murray to relieve. Slade, Strang, and Tate drove Southland to the corner again, and a free proved very useful to the defenders. Timaru kept hammering away, but the defence was equal to all demands, and eventually a pass back by Slade went a-begging and Clark stepped in and raced away. Slade overhauled him, but the Whites were penalised, and although Morgan was short with a long shot play went to the home 25. A long throw out to Morgan was not accepted, but Ottrey secured and dashed over at the corner, notching the first points of the game about ten minutes before time.

Southland	5
Timaru	3

Passing by the Whites did not gain much ground, but a free taken by Lindsay sent Southland back. A mis-kick by Strang let the Reds out, and Squires and Harrington shifted to the opposite 25. The Timaru pack bustled back again, and Tate threw Morgan out in the Southland corner. A mark by Ottrey gave some relief, but the White forwards quickly instituted another attack. Bennett took a good mark at the 25 and had a good chance to equalise, but his kick was unsuccessful and it looked as though Timaru's last hope had gone. McConnell gave them new life by quickly following a kick by Tate, and a forward rush went on to the line. A Southlander kicked back to avert a score, and from the scrum Marsh secured and just managed to get the ball over. Morgan charged prematurely, and with an unrestricted kick Strang was able to convert, and the bell then rang—

Timaru	5
Southland	3

Mr J. Harley was referee.

Otago defeated Christchurch by 11 points to 3.

SECOND FIFTEEN.

The record of the Second Fifteen for the 1923 season is, on the whole, a very satisfactory one. The tale of the club matches—four lost, four won—is better than it appears, as the prevalence of influenza and the inroads of the 1st XV. prevented the team on most occasions from putting its full strength into the field. For these reasons the backs, in particular, were unable to attain any efficient combination, a fact that stood out in the matches with Gore and Otago. The forwards, on the other hand, were a magnificent pack, working splendidly together, and could always keep the 1st scrum extended. The match with the Gore High School 1st XV., after a very even tussle, resulted in a win for the 2nd's by 6—3. Encouraged by the success the team arranged for a revival of the once annual game with Otago 2nd XV. A scramble in the mud of Rugby Park, in which the School pack played splendidly against much superior weight, ended with no score on either side.

SCHOOL v. STAR.

Won—8 to 6.

In the firsts pell School pressed, but hard kicking near the line spoilt many promising rushes. Star managed to obtain an un-

converted try. In the second spell play was fairly even. After a good forward rush Rhind scored well between the posts and Blue converted. Star rallied and again scored an unconverted try. Shortly afterwards Blue kicked a good penalty goal from a difficult angle. The whistle sounded with the score: School 8; Star 6.

SCHOOL v. WAIKIWI.

Lost—5 to 8.

Although defeated, School played well against a much heavier team and had Waikiwi on the defensive a good deal. Waikiwi scored two tries, converting one. Mann scored for School, the kick being converted by Blue. Grindlay and Rhind were conspicuous in the backs, while Wilson played the best game in the forwards.

SCHOOL v. SOUTHERN.

Lost—0 to 15.

In this match the Southern forwards dominated the game, which was played in showery weather. Southern did most of the attacking in the first spell, scoring 12 points. School improved in the second spell, Southern scoring only 3 points. Thomson and Maher played well.

SCHOOL v. TECHNICAL.

Lost—0 to 17.

This game was played on a very muddy ground. Shortly after the kick-off Hanan picked up in the Tech. 25 and passed to Manson who scored. The try was not converted. Tech. then scored and converted a try, which was soon followed by another unconverted try by Manson. Tech. rallied after this and at the finish of the game had put on 17 points.

SCHOOL v. INVERCARGILL.

Won—9 to 3.

This was rather a poor exhibition, Sutton being the only outstanding player. Wilson got the first try from a cross-kick by Hanan, followed soon after by a try by Tapper. Neither was converted. In the second spell Sutton scored for School, and Invercargill kicked a penalty goal.

SCHOOL v. SOUTHERN.

Won—9 to 3.

The wet ground made the ball hard to handle, but the game was an exceptionally fast one. Early in the spell Rhind cut in and scored. The try was not converted. Southern equalised, but Geddes brought the score up to 6—3 by scoring after a good run. Near the end of

the second spell Simpson took a pass near half-way and bolted down the field to score between the posts. Again the try was not converted.

SCHOOL v. TECHNICAL.

Won—6 to 3.

School had their revenge in this match by defeating Technical. School pressed and from a scrum near the line Maher secured and ran over. There was no other in this spell. In the second spell School attacked strongly and Manson secured from a centre by Maher and after a brilliant run dived over. Towards the end Tech. scored an unconverted try.

SCHOOL v. WAIKIWI.

Lost—6 to 9.

In the first spell play was fairly even, both sides playing soundly. Gilmour was the first to score, dashing over from a scrum on the line. Waikiwi equalised soon after. After half-time Waikiwi scored two unconverted tries, and Shirreffs landed a penalty for School.

SCHOOL 2nd XV. v. GORE H.S. 1st XV.

Won—6 to 3.

This game was played in fine weather with a fairly strong wind. Early in the game Gore infringed and Blue landed a good goal. In the second spell Gore livened up and equalised with an unconverted try. The School forwards were playing a fine game, Wilson being outstanding. From a rush McCurdy secured and went for the line, beating two men to score. The try was unconverted. Soon after the whistle blew, with the score 6—3 in School's favour. Mayhew shone in defence and attack. McCurdy and Maher also played well in the backs. Wilson was the pick of the forwards, being ably seconded by Sutton.

SCHOOL 2nd v. OTAGO H.S. 2nd.

This was played on Rugby Park in rainy weather. The ground was sloppy and the ball hard to handle, but the game was exciting at times. The School forwards dribbled well and worked hard. Ceoney, Wilson and Sutton were always on the ball, and in the backs Maher played a sound game. Owing to the greasy state of the ball passing was out of the question, and the backs did not get many chances. Several times good chances were spoilt by hard kicking.

THIRD FIFTEEN, 1923.

After the half-holiday had been altered, the 3rd XV. were promoted from the Fifth to the Fourth Grade, and the elevation proved a little too much for them. They found themselves opposed by much heavier players, against whom, however, they struggled pluckily, if unavailingly. The two concluding victories somewhat alleviate the record of disaster.

3rd XV. v. SOUTHERN.

This match was played with eleven players on each side. The School kicked off against the sun, and with the wind behind them. They carried the ball down the field, and from a scrum Robson scored. Soon after Mayhew scored two tries within five minutes, running right from half-way, and then again near the end of the spell, which ended with the score 16 to nil in favour of the School. The second spell was a repetition of the first scores being made by Mayhew, Ronald, Robson (1 each) and Macdonald (2). Final score—35 to nil.

3rd XV. v. TECHNICAL.

The School kicked off against the sun, and the Tech. forwards kept the School on defence. Near the middle of the spell Tech. scored. The try was not converted. Soon after this they again scored, no goal being kicked. Near the end of the spell Tech. again scored, the try being converted. The spell ended with the score standing 11 to nil against the School.

The School started the second spell by an attack from which C. McDonald scored. No goal was kicked. Tech. scored again and converted the kick. Then, soon after, from a quick throw-in by Mayhew, Robson ran from half-way with the Tech. team at his heels, and scored between the posts. He converted his own try. After this Tech. had all the best of the play. They scored one more try, and the game ended with the scores standing: Tech. 21, School 8.

3rd XV. v. MARIST.

In this game the School team was beaten by 15 to 3. The School team was weakened by the loss of Robson, who had to retire with a ricked ankle. The first spell was fairly even, the score being 9 to 3 at the finish. Mayhew scored the only try for the School. In the second spell Marist managed to score two more tries, neither of them being converted.

3rd XV. v. BLUES.

In this match School were beaten by 20 points to 6. Maher, in the backs, and Sutton, in the forwards, were outstanding. The match was fairly even until about the middle of the spell, when Blues kicked a penalty goal. Soon after this the score was equalled. McCurdy, at the head of a dribbling rush, scored well out. No goal was kicked. Blues scored six more points in this spell, which ended: Blues 9, School 3. In the second spell the Blues added 11 more points to their score, while Robson kicked a good penalty goal for School.

3rd XV. v. BLUFF.

The thirds journeyed to Bluff and were defeated by 17 points to nil. Owing to the muddy state of the ground good play was impossible. The Bluff forwards repeatedly broke away in rushes, which the School backs failed to stop.

3rd XV. v. MARIST.

The School kicked off against the sun, and for the first half of the spell nothing happened. Then Marist opened the scoring with a try. No goal was kicked. Near the end of the spell, in a scramble for the ball on the Marist line, Hirst secured a try. Robson converted. In the second spell Golden scored a try at the finish of a passing rush. Soon after Marist again scored. Then Robson dribbled the ball the whole length of the field and scored between the posts. Hirst failed with the kick. The game ended with the score 11 to 6 in favour of the School.

3rd XV. v. TECHNICAL.

The School met Tech. at Herbert street and defeated them by nine points to six. The Tech. forwards were slightly better than ours, but the School backs more than held their own. In the first spell Henderson and Robson secured tries, neither of which was converted. In the second spell the Tech. forwards got over twice, and Ronald scored for the School. Final score—9 to 6 in favour of the School.

JUNIOR FOOTBALL.

This year junior football was confined to first year boys. Although only one team was played, judging from their interest and success, it is probable that next year two teams can be put in the field. The matches played during the season were not numerous. The Juniors won the schools' competition with no score against them.

Four other interesting games were played. These consisted of three against the Senior School Reps., two of which the Juniors won, one being drawn, and a game against Gore High School, in which the Juniors were victorious. Their success is largely due to the forwards, who played excellent football in every game. Bailey, Bird, Martin, Calder, and Squires are all boys of much promise. The dribbling rushes, their chief mode of attack, sorely tried the defence of their opponents. The backs, although outshone by the forwards, always played well. Falconer was the best back and he was ably helped, chiefly by Maher, Christophers, and Hislop.

RESULTS OF MATCHES.

Defeated South by 22 points to nil.
 " Marists by 26 points to nil.
 " Middle by 26 points to nil.
 " Technical by 9 points to nil.
 " Senior Reps. on two occasions by 12 to 6, and 11 to nil, and drew once, 6 points all.

JUNIORS v. GORE HIGH SCHOOL.

Gore were the heavier team, and though School had much the better of the first spell, they were sorely pressed during most of the second spell. The forwards, with good dribbling and tackling in the early stage, dominated the play and tries were scored by Hislop, Falconer and Squires. In the second spell Gore showed up much better and their backs made several fine runs. They scored twice, while Hislop scored once for School, leaving the Juniors the victors by 12 points to 6.

ATHLETIC SPORTS.

OFFICIALS—Judges, the staff; wrestling, Mr W. Murdoch; ground stewards, Messrs L. Cameron and J. B. Mawson; Press stewards, I. Rout, R. Griffiths, I. Stevenson; clerks of the course, Messrs J. McGrath and A. Butchers; starters, Messrs J. Page and D. Deaker; timekeepers, Messrs B. Galloway, A. D. Burn, W. Brown; handicappers, Messrs Page, R. Morgan, A. Harrington and M. McCurdy.

The annual athletic sports were held on Rugby Park on October 17 under ideal weather conditions, and before a good attendance of the public. The track was somewhat heavy, yet some good per-

formances were witnessed and two school records were broken. Morgan, the school champion, ran a magnificent race in the 120yds Hurdles, his time being 17secs, a second lower than the previous record. McCurdy, junior champion, cleared 4ft. 9in. in the Junior High Jump, beating the record by one inch. For the first time a 10 mile cycle race was added to the programme, and this provided a keen and interesting race. Following are the results:—

SENIOR CHAMPIONSHIP.

100 Yards—Morgan 1, Scully 2. Time, 10 1-5 secs.
 220 Yards—Morgan 1. Time 25 secs.
 440 Yards—Morgan 1, Scully 2. Time, 55 3-5 secs.
 One Mile—Morgan.
 High Jump—Morgan. Height, 4 ft. 11 in.
 Long Jump—Morgan 1, Scully 2. Distance, 20 ft. 1 in.

JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIP (under 15).

100 Yards—McCurdy 1, McKay 2, Ronald 3. Time, 11 4-5 secs.
 220 Yards—MacKay 1, McCurdy 2, Ronald 3. Time, 29 secs.
 440 Yards—McCurdy 1, MacKay 2, Kennedy 3. Time, 64 4-5secs.
 880 Yards—McCurdy 1, MacKay 2, Ronald 3. Time, 37 1-5secs.
 High Jump—McCurdy 1, MacKay 2, Ronald 3. Height, 4ft. 9in.
 Long Jump—McCurdy 1, Ronald 2, Kennedy 3. Distance, 16ft.

10in.

HANDICAP EVENTS.

100 Yards (Senior)—1st Heat: Geddes (4yds) 1, I. Manson (5yds) 2. 2nd Heat: Morgan (scr) 1, G. Simpson (5yds) 2. 3rd Heat: Wilson (8yds) 1, Lea (7yds) 2. Final—Morgan 1, Geddes 2, Simpson 3. Time, 10 3-5 secs.

220 Yards (open)—Wilson (18yds) 1, Simpson (10yds) 2, Geddes (8yds) 3. Time, 25 secs.

440 Yards (open)—Geddes 1, O. Hormann 2, Allison 3. Time, 54 3-5 secs.

880 Yards (open)—W. Allison (40yds) 1, T. Thomson (45yds) 2. Time, 2 mins. 16 secs.

One Mile (open)—F. Ross (250yds) 1, R. Jolly (130yds) 2. Time, 4 mins. 54 2-5 secs.

High Jump (open)—C. Rout (4in.) 1, I. Manson (4in.) 2. Height, 5ft. 0½in.

Long Jump (open)—C. Rout (3ft.) 1, R. Wilson (3ft. 6in.) 2. Distance, 18ft. 4in.

120 Yards Hurdles (open)—2nd Heat: I. Manson (4yds) 1, D. Patton (8yds) 2. 1st Heat: Morgan (scr.) 1, B. McDonald (10yds) 2. Final—Morgan 1, Manson 2. Time, 17 secs.

100 Yards (open, under 15)—1st Heat: Fraser (2yds) 1, Hanan (4yds) 2. 2nd Heat: K. Reed (10yds) 1, A. Horne (10yds) 2. 3rd Heat: 1, Simpson (10yds) and G. McDonald (6yds). Final—Hanan 1, Reed 2. Time, 12 3-5 secs.

220 Yards (under 15)—K. Reed (20yds) 1, S. Fraser (6yds) 2. Time, 29 secs.

440 Yards (under 15)—S. Fraser (20yds) 1, McDonald (15yds) 2. Time, 64 4-5 secs.

220 Yards (under 14)—G. McDonald (8yds) 1, R. Tuck (14yds) 2. Time, 30 secs.

220 Yards (under 16)—Thomson (10yds) 1, Robson (yds) 2, Brown (12yds) 3. Time, 27 1-5 secs.

High Jump (under 15)—McCurdy (scr) 1, R. Murray (2in.) 2, M. Henderson (1in.) 3. Height, 4ft. 9in.

Long Jump (under 15)—McCurdy 1, Horne (3in.) 2, Grant (3in.) 3. Distance, 16ft. 10in.

Wrestling (under 7 stone)—A. Ross 1, F. Calder 2.

Wrestling (under 9 stone)—R. Kidd 1, Cushen 2.

Wrestling (over 9 stone)—E. Ottrey 1, C. Clark 2.

Sack Race—Hanan 1, Attley 2.

Potato Race—Geddes 1, Mayhew 2, Paterson 3. Time, 35secs.

Half Mile Walk—J. McKinnon (5yds) 1, J. Milne (35yds) 2. Time, 4 min. 25 secs.

Forms Relay Race—VI Form (Hormann, Hanan, Lea, Wilson) 1, VA Form (Morgan, Squires, Scully, Sherriffs) 2.

Tug-of-War—VA beat VI, IVB beat IVA.

Putting Shot—Ottrey (42in.) 1, Wilson (12in.) 2, Watson (24in.) 3. Distance, 31ft. 5in.

Throwing Cricket Ball—Duncan (10yds) 1, Kidd (6yds) 2. Distance, 72 yards 6 inches.

10 Mile Cycle Road Race, held on Oteramika Road—Bryant 1, T. Thomson 2, Lyons 3, Brash 4. Won by 25 yards. Time, 27mins. 59 3-5secs. Ten starters.

3 Mile Run. This was run along Elles Road under ideal conditions, 121 competitors starting—1, Jolly (VB); 2, Geddes (IVC); 3, Hamilton (IHC); 4, Jolly (IVC); 5, Rhind (VC); 6, Bryant (IVB); 7, Wood (VA). First to finish in the respective classes were:—VA Wood, VB Jolly, VC Rhind, IVA Dillon, IVB Bryant, IVC Geddes, IIIA McCurdy, IIIB Hormann, IIIC Hamilton, IIID Galbraith.

The Forms Challenge Shield was won by VA (Wood, Maher, Grindlay, Strang), with IVB second, and VB third.

POINTS FOR CHAMPIONSHIP.

Senior—Morgan, 30 points, 1; Scully, 9 points, 2.

Junior—McCurdy (28) 1, MacKay (17) 2, Ronald (7) 3.

Bews Medal—Allison (6pts.) 1, Geddes (5pts.) 2.

Todd Medal—Geddes (9pts.) 1, Allison (6pts.) 2.

TENNIS.

During the past few years tennis has been increasingly popular and seriously threatens to displace cricket as a summer pastime. The two courts are quite inadequate to meet the requirements of the school, and we trust that increased facilities will be provided at the new school grounds. Towards the end of last year a very successful tournament was held, the standard of play in many of the games being of a high order. In the final for the Singles Championship D. McDonald defeated Rout, while McDonald and Hughes won the Doubles Championship. The Junior Championship was won by Page.

At the beginning of last season weekly matches were arranged by the Southland Junior Tennis Association, and they were continued until Easter, when the annual tournament was held. School were again very successful in winning both championships, Watson securing the Singles and Watson and Gordon the Doubles.

This season School are providing three teams for the Saturday competitions. These matches go a long way in maintaining interest in tennis and in helping to improve the standard of play. In view of the great popularity of the game we reprint the following article by the world's tennis champion, W. Tilden:—

"Outlining the qualities that go towards the making of a great match player, W. T. Tilden placed first, and above all else, the quality of courage. It is the quality that never allows a man to admit defeat until the last point has been played. No matter how great the strain or how desperate the situation, the match-player must possess the necessary courage to carry him through.

"The second quality demanded of a match-player is coolness under strain. This is the quality that allows the player to make his shots unruffled and unhurried. No matter what the score may be against a player, he is still master of himself, he has a chance. Coolness is a certain guard against the enemy of good play-temper. It permits of quick thinking and complete grasping of the situation.

"The third point in the make-up of a match-player is resource. Resource is ingenuity. It is cleverness. It is the seizing of the opportunity as it comes. It is coolness plus, and it is often the deciding factor at the end of a long, hard match. Resource may come from experience. Courage can be only a personal matter.

"The fourth point is grit. Grit and courage are different manifestations of the same thing—a quality known as 'nerve.' Courage carries you through discouragement; grit causes you to triumph over an acute physical handicap. They are really the same thing, but they serve to distinguish between mental nerve and physical nerve.

"A match player must be able to stand physical pain, and still produce his best game. And he must be able to do this thing without any explanation or excuse. This is not an easy thing to do, as tennis is a game that demands complete concentration. Pain or discomfort tends to distract one's mind from the play. It is all too likely to cause one to think of himself.

"A match player must have more than these four qualities. He must have a fine stroke equipment, must possess a mental calibre of at least average intelligence and speed of foot. He must train, work, and progress. Any player may have all these attributes, but unless he combines with them the four qualities of courage, coolness, resource, and grit, he cannot reach the select class."

This year's tournament resulted as follows:—

SENIORS.

Singles—First Round—Winners: Watson, Lennon, Gilmour, Mayhew, Gordon, Hughes, Hirst, Anderson. Second Round—Winners: Gilmour, Watson, Hirst, Gordon. Semi-Final: Gordon, Watson. Final: Watson beat Gordon, 6—1, 6—3.

Doubles—First Round—Winners: Hughes and Hirst, Gilmour and Manson, Watson and Gordon, Hanan and Squires. Second Round—Winners: Hughes and Hirst, Gordon and Watson. Final: Hughes and Hirst beat Gordon and Watson, 6—0, 6—3, 6—1.

2nd Year.

Singles—First Round—Winners: Blue, Dakin, Robertson, Clark, Rout, Geddes, Rodger. Second Round: Winners—Blue, Clark, Geddes, Rout. Semi-Final: Rout, Clark. Final: Clark beat Rout, 6—3, 6—0.

Doubles—1st Round: Macdonald and Dillon, Clark and Dakin,

Page and Rout. 2nd Round: Clark and Dakin, Page and Rout. Final: Page and Rout, 6—2, 6—2.

1st Year.

Singles—First Round—Winners: Horne, McCurdy, Hamilton (Jim), Hamilton (Jack), Nicol, Boyes, Murray. 2nd Round—Winners: McCurdy, Horne, Hamilton (Jim) a bye, Hamilton (Jack). Semi-Final—Winners: McCurdy, Hamilton (Jack).

Final: Hamilton beat McCurdy, 6—4, 6—1.

Doubles—First Round—Winners: Horne and Squires, Provan and Jack Hamilton, Anderson and Boyes, Jim Hamilton and McCurdy. Second Round—Winners: Jim Hamilton and McCurdy, Anderson and Boyes, Provan and Jack Hamilton. Semi-Finals: Jim Hamilton and McCurdy, Anderson and Boyes.

Final: Hamilton and McCurdy beat Anderson and Boyes, 6—4, 6—5.

FIVES.

SENIORS.

Singles—First Round—Winners: Watson, Shirreffs, Anderson, Rhind, Murray, Sutton. Second Round—Winners: Sutton, Watson, Shirreffs. Third Round—Winners: Watson, Shirreffs. Final: Shirreffs beat Watson, 21—10.

Doubles—First Round—Winners: Watson and Gordon, Shirreffs and Sutton, Murray and Rhind, a bye. Second Round—Winners: Watson and Gordon, Shirreffs and Sutton. Final: Shirreffs and Sutton beat Watson and Gordon, 21—13.

2nd Year.

Singles—First Round—Winners: Page, Henderson, Geddes, Carman, Dakin, Clark, McKenzie. Second Round: Page, Carman, Dakin, McKenzie. Third Round: Page, Dakin. Final: Page 21, Dakin 15.

Doubles—First Round: Henderson and Golden, Page and Geddes. Final: Henderson and Golden 21, Page and Geddes 19.

1st Year.

Singles—First Round—Winners: Bird, Hamilton, McCurdy, Wilson and Shiels. Second Round—Winners: Wilson, McCurdy, Hamilton. Third Round: McCurdy, Wilson. Finals: McCurdy beat Wilson, 21—10.

Doubles—First Round—Winners: Bird and McMillan, Hamilton and McCurdy. Finals—Winners: Bird and McMillan, 21—20.

GYMNASTICS.

The annual competition was held at the end of last year, Mr P. Israel acting as judge. Following were the results:—

School Championship (possible 130)—Howie 122, Edginton 116, W. Lennon 115.

Second Year (possible 130)—Mayhew 119, N. Lennon 116, Hirst 115.

First Year (possible 140)—C. Rout 132, H. McPherson 130, Wedderspoon 129.

Forms Competition—111B 472, 111A 457, 111C 430.

This year's competition resulted as follows:—

School Championship—Hirst 84, Lennon 78, Lea 76, Squires 76.

Second Year—C. Rout 89, Tattersfield 85, Wedderspoon 74.

CADET NOTES.

Another successful year of military training has been completed. At the beginning of the year the platoons were re-organised and the new arrangement has proved successful. No. 1 platoon consists of boys in their third year and upwards; No. 2, second year boys; No. 3, first year boys in 3A and 3B; No. 4, first year boys in 3B and 3C. Mr Deaker and E. Ottrey were appointed platoon commanders. The last week of the first term was again spent at the Garrison Hall and Show Grounds, where the boys received instruction in infantry training, musketry and physical drill under an excellent staff of instructors. A high standard of efficiency was reached. A special class was held for N.C.O.'s, and at the end of the week an examination was held. The following were the results:—Qualified for C.S.M.: E. Ottrey; qualified for Q.M.S.: I. Rout; qualified for L/Sgt.: Hanan, Gilmour, Griffiths; qualified for Corporal: Cleine, Sutton, Wallace, Clark, O. Hormann, Barham, Mansen, Shirreffs, Clapp, Graham, Mitchell, Lennon, Page, Dakin, O. Rout, Morgan; qualified for L/Corporal: Ritchie, Murray, Shaw, Geddes, Blue, Barclay, C. Rout, Hallamore.

A parade was held on Anzac Day, and on the 14th October a Church Parade was held at the Garrison Hall.

The School extends its heartiest congratulations to Messrs Mawson, Cameron and Page on their promotion in His Majesty's Forces. Mr Mawson and Mr Cameron now hold the rank of Captain, Mr Page that of First Lieutenant.

Last year's Shooting Championships were won by Cpl. Barham (senior) and Cadet J. R. Page (junior). The following are the results for the year:—

SENIOR.

	Classification Practices, 5-9. Possible 120.	Imperial Challenge Shield. Possible 100.	Special Practices. Possible 80.	Aggregate Possible 300.
Cpl. Barham	112	89	75	276
Cadet A. Currie . . .	109	94	72	275
Sgt. C. Allan	144	83	72	269
Sgt. M. Wells	98	88	79	265
Cpl. O. Hormann . . .	101	90	68	259

JUNIOR.

Cadet J. R. Page . . .	113	90	76	279
Cadet A. Rout	106	92	70	268
Cadet N. Murray . . .	110	83	73	266

At the Easter meeting the School retained the Challenge Shield open to teams of six from each Cadet unit. The School representatives were:—K. Connolly, J. Shaw, C. Barham, N. Murray, O. Hormann. Connolly was third in the Aggregate, and various other prizes were won by the members of the team. During the week's drill the whole company shot for the Imperial Challenge Shield.

The team entered for the Weekly Press Challenge Shield shot well, although they did not secure first place. The average was 61.3 out of a possible of 68. The team now practising is reported to be doing exceptionally well, and great hopes are entertained for the future. In this connection our thanks are due to the Defence Staff, especially S.-M. Stewart for his coaching and continued interest in the company.

THE RIGHTS OF THE BODY

(By Dr Truby King, in the Dominion).

Without adequate daily or at least weekly stimulation of the whole body, through the skin and nervous system, no man or woman short of old age—and especially no child or adolescent—can possibly keep in the best of spirits and maintain really good all-round health and bodily and mental efficiency. We all need the free play from time to time of cool, fresh air and water on the skin—naked or thinly clad for the time being—in order that the whole organism may be driven actively and kept in proper working order. There is only one way—Nature's way—to keep fit, enjoy life to the full, and fulfil one's daily duty to oneself and one's fellows—and that is by giving the body its primary rights.

When one speaks of the rights of the body almost everyone assumes that the maintenance of proper condition and health depend essentially on food and feeding, pure air for breathing, and a very moderate allowance of exercise. This they think can be got by merely "taking a constitutional." The eternal fact remains that most people won't take constitutionals as such, and detest the dull monotony of routine walking for the mere sake of exercise. Most of us are at our best when our energies and powers are kept from flagging by reasonable employment and work, alternating with the pleasure of more spontaneous and alluring activities, **afforded, say,** by games and gardening—provided we are neither sports masters nor professional gardeners.

Matter-of-fact people say: "Then choose the useful thing—why waste time—take to gardening." But gardening, as Mrs Earle shrewdly says in her "Pot-pourri from a Surrey Garden," is naturally a taste and enthusiasm of middle life. Children and young adults full of superfluous energy need something more exciting; gardening is good for them too, but they want something besides—the young need and crave for what is called recreation. Gardening may afford enough, indeed the best and most enjoyable form of recreation for many of us, but not for them. Public authorities, charged with the safeguarding of public trusts, are naturally and rightly inclined to hesitate before assenting to extensive recreational schemes affecting public property until they are convinced of the soundness of what is proposed. However, there need be little hesitation when it comes to any reasonable provision of due incentives

and facilities in regard to forms of recreation which will take people into the open air and sunshine, and keep them there—getting the maximum of benefit (physical, mental and moral) in the minimum of time. In these respects nothing can compare with the effectiveness of children's playgrounds, public swimming baths (the chill off for eight months in the year), and tennis courts, open to all.

Some of your readers may remark: "But why has he said nothing about the need for rest and sleep, or that 'cleanliness is next to godliness'?" Of course, cleanliness is an excellent thing, but the dirtiest body—foul and poisoned through and through—is the unstimulated, sluggish, inactive body which banks up poison in the blood. This is internal dirt and poison, and gives rise to the sallow, flabby skin, muddy complexion, and fishy, lack-lustre eyes of inertia and chronic constipation. This is much worse than surface dirt; it depresses all its victims, makes them question whether life is worth living, and drives more people mad than all other causes put together. It is worth reflecting that our mental hospitals alone cost us over £350,000 a year. Habitual swimming, tennis and gardening would go a long way towards saving this, and freeing nearly 1000 picked, healthy, capable men and women, in the prime of life, now employed as asylum nurses and attendants, for really useful activities and more pleasurable lives.

Recreation is not synonymous with mere enjoyment. Many pastimes and passing enjoyments, such as "going to the pictures" on Saturday afternoon, may be enjoyable, but the effects on the rising generation are disastrous. This does not build up, re-create, re-charge the cells and batteries of the parts of the body which, having done their work and run down, need replenishing. That is the function of true recreation—one of our highest duties to ourselves and the community. As Romanes so admirably put it: "Recreation is partial sleep, and sleep is universal recreation." But the boy and girl at school, and the young people in shops, offices, and factories need much more rest and sleep in the way of recreation, and to keep their muscular tissues (weighing, in the case of adults, say, $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt., or nearly half the total weight of the body) in decent form—not to mention the brain and nervous system, and all the rest of our marvellous mechanism. We all need active enjoyable outing and exercise, and nothing more significant can be mentioned in this connection than the wiping out of anaemia in women of late years, in direct proportion to community provisions made in the way of playgrounds, swimming baths, and tennis courts.

OLD BOYS' ASSOCIATION.

OFFICERS : 1923-24.

Patrons—Hon. J. A. Hanan, T. D. Pearce, Esq., Hon. A. F. Hawke, M.L.C., and R. A. Anderson, Esq.

President—W. Macalister, Esq.

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Committee—J. L. Stead, D. Cox, W. J. Paterson, P. Gilfedder and J. B. Mawson.

Secretary—E. J. McLauchlan.

Treasurer—J. D. Cox.

Auditor—R. S. Green.

N.Z. UNIVERSITY—DEGREE EXAMINATIONS, 1922. (Notified in April.)

J. Laurens Cameron, M.A., with double first-class honours in Latin and French and in History.

Harold O. Jefcoate, M.A., with second-class honours in History.

Francis C. Lopdell, M.A., with second-class honours in History.

Arthur J. Deaker, B.A.

David H. Hay, B.A.

Ronald G. Lockhart, B.A.

Oliver A. B. Smith, LL.B.

Robert G. McDowall, B.A.

D. Stuart McNaughton, B.A.

Alister Brass, Bach. of Med. and Surgery.

Sam. James Thompson, Bach. of Med. and Surgery.

George R. Kingston, Bach. of Med. and Surgery.

Arthur R. Ford, Bach. of Dental Surgery.

Hugh R. Fraser, Bach. of Dental Surgery.

Phil. Wild, Bach. of Commerce.

FINAL EXAMINATION OF M.B. CH.B. DEGREE (August).

First Section : Norman M. Matheson; Wilfred R. Ryburn.

A. F. Roberts and C. D. Read (from Woodlands) passed Second Professional in Medicine last May.

Charles E. Reid passed the First Professional with first-class honours.

Norman Millard, B.A. and M.Sc., with first-class honours.

In the Law Professional Examinations at the end of last year, the following passes are given:—

J. O. Saunders, two subjects.

In the LL.B., J. C. Prain, one subject; E. H. J. Preston, two subjects; W. F. M. Ott, four subjects.

PHARMACY EXAMINATIONS (1922).

Section B : William T. Green, Hugh Kirkpatrick.

Section C : Herbert J. Hiskens, Reuben F. Dodds.

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TERMS RESULTS, 1923.

W. J. Lennon—3rd Elementary Greek, 3rd pass Degree Psychology, 3rd pass Degree Ethics, 3rd pass Degree Economics.

G. M. Cameron—1st Honours English Advanced (first year), 2nd Advanced French (first year), 2nd pass Degree History.

A. T. Sligo—1st Honours English (second year advanced), 2nd Advanced French (second year).

J. D. Cameron—3rd pass Degree English, 3rd pass Degree Education.

R. P. Kania—3rd pass Degree English, 3rd Advanced Mathematics, 3rd Mechanics.

H. B. Laytham—3rd pass Degree English, 3rd pass Degree History.

H. D. Morgan—3rd pass Degree English, 3rd pass Degree Education.

E. H. Diack—3rd pass Degree French, Oral French Certificate, 3rd pass Degree Mathematics.

H. L. McKinnon—3rd pass Degree French; Oral French Certificate.

L. Rogers—1st Advanced Logic, 1st Advanced Ethics, 3rd pass Degree Economics.

J. F. McKay—2nd Advanced Psychology, 2nd Advanced Ethics.

W. H. Jackson—2nd pass Degree Psychology, 2nd pass Degree Ethics.

G. A. Macgregor—2nd pass Degree Education.

R. G. Kitto—3rd pass Degree Education, 2nd pass Degree Economics.

E. R. Service—3rd pass Degree Education.

J. G. Leckie—3rd pass Degree History.

J. H. Galt—3rd Advanced Mathematics, 3rd Mechanics, 3rd Advanced Physics II.

C. C. Roberts—3rd pass Degree Mathematics, 3rd pass Degree Physics, 3rd pass Degree Chemistry.

A. G. Butchers—3rd Jurisprudence, 1st Roman Law, 2nd Conflict of Laws, 3rd Criminal Law, 3rd Property I.
 P. Gilfedder—3rd Jurisprudence, 3rd Constitutional History, 3rd International Law, 3rd Conflict of Laws.
 D. A. McDonald—3rd Constitutional History.
 G. A. Kelly—2nd International Law, 2nd Roman Law, 2nd Conflict of Laws, 3rd Property II, 3rd Practice and Procedure.
 J. C. Prain—3rd International Law, 2nd Conflict of Laws.
 M. M. Macdonald—3rd Criminal Law, 3rd Contracts, 3rd Evidence.

R. Don. Cox—3rd Criminal Law, 3rd Contracts.
 A. W. Jones—3rd Torts, 3rd Contracts.
 E. H. J. Preston—2nd Contracts, 3rd Evidence.
 W. F. M. Ott—3rd Property II, 2nd Evidence, 3rd Practice and Procedure.
 A. M. Scott—2nd Biology, 3rd Inorganic Chemistry, 3rd Organic Chemistry, 3rd Physics.
 T. G. Fouhy—2nd Organic Chemistry.

UNIVERSITY OF OTAGO, 1922 COURSE IN DENTISTRY DEGREE COURSE.

Tade G. Fouhy—1st class in Dental Histology, 2nd in Mech. Dentistry.
 Arthur R. Ford—3rd in Medicine, 3rd in Surgery, 2nd in Mech. Dentistry, 2nd in Clinical Dental Surgery, 2nd in Dental Surgery, 1st in Dental Pathology.
 Hugh R. Fraser—3rd in Medicine, 2nd in Mech. Dentistry, 2nd in Clinical Dental Surgery, 1st in Dental Surgery, 2nd in Dental Pathology.

CERTIFICATE COURSE.

Graham Pitcaithly—3rd in Anatomy, Physiology, 2nd in Mech. Dentistry, 1st in Dental Mechanics.

TEACHERS' EXAMINATIONS.

(August and September, 1923).

Class C.—Robert Donald Cox, Douglas Brown, Hugh L. McKinnon, 2 subjects.

Class D.—George Conland, Archie A. Cook, Reg. A. P. Cox, Rich. P. Kania, Harold B. Laytham, Hugh L. McKinnon, Aubrey C. Witting, Ernest H. Diack.

Partial Class D.—Archie Ferguson, Ewart Hannah, Rich. S. Johnstone, John E. Stevens, Ramsay Howie, David S. Pickford, James G. Templeton.

Partial Pass in 3 Groups.—John R. Gardiner, Stuart Kettelwell, John Willett, Herbert C. Cullen.

Partial Pass in 2 Groups.—Will Cleine, Walter Omer Hormann, Allister P. McDonald, Cyril L. Matthews, Reg. N. Wakeling, John J. Young.

Partial Pass in One Group.—Robins F. Crane, Alan E. Fortune, Allan Pont, Will. C. S. Templeton, Stanley Foley, Will. O. Neas.

TEACHERS' APPOINTMENTS.

Cecil P. Beck, Wyndham South (Sept. meeting); William C. S. Templeton, Waimumu (Sept. meeting); Cecil B. Lopdell, Houipapa (Otago, October); Arthur G. Linn, Glenham (Aug. meeting); Gordon Gifford, Lora Gorge (Aug. meeting); Alex. I. Milne, Nightcaps (Aug. meeting); Lindsay McCaw, Waikaia (July meeting); Percy Bryant, Oteramika; Richard S. Johnstone, Assistant, Orepuki; Edmund A. Brown, Birchwood; Oswald Webber, Bunnythorpe, Palmerston North; John Watson, Public School, Browns; Harold O. Jefcoate, M.A., Christchurch Boys' H.S. (Feb.); Geoff. Wild, B.Sc., Edinburgh, Feilding Technical High School.

C. L. Bennett has concluded his N.Z.E.F. Scholarship course at Cambridge and has gone to Nova Scotia to be Professor of English Literature at the Dalhousie University. At Cambridge he took the Arts degree course, and he won a valuable scholarship. Bennett made a point of travelling in Europe during his vacation periods and he went very much off the beaten track in Czecho-Slovakia, Hungary, Austria, Rumania, and Bulgaria.

OLD BOYS' ASSOCIATION (Auckland Branch).

The second annual reunion was held on September 6th and was a great success. Mr Anthony Rowlands, President, in the chair. Mr Cutten, S.M., and Mr Fraer represented Otago B.H.S.; Mr Furly, Christ's College; Mr Ensoll, Thames; and Mr Metcalfe, Auckland Grammar. The annual meeting was held on the 10th September.

OFFICE-BEARERS FOR 1923-4.

President: A. Rowlands; Vice-Presidents: J. Carlyle Irving, Tom. R. Burt, Hugh R. Macdonald, Les. McCartney, Llew. S. Piper. Committee: Pres., Vice-Pres., Allan Cameron, G. R. Canavan, James Guy, Don. Hamilton; Hon. Sec. and Treas.: R. M. Firth.

It was decided to donate the sum of three guineas for the Auckland Southlanders' Trophy, the conditions to be the same as those of last year.

The Hon. Sec. (Address, Tourist Bureau) will be glad to welcome visiting Old Boys to Auckland.

Sinclair Charles Sutherland, who has been acting-manager of the Invercargill Branch of Wright, Stephenson and Co., has been appointed manager of the Dunedin branch of the firm, taking office early in November.

Oliver A. B. Smith, LL.B., entered the office of Messrs Grave and Lee, solicitors, Oamaru.

Eric Price (from Riverton), of the Government Architect's office, is supervising the erection of our new school in Herbert St.

Walter Taylor, manager of the National Mortgage and Agency Co., Invercargill, was transferred in July to Waimate. In November news comes through that he has resigned to enter into private business.

J. O. Sanders was admitted as a solicitor in November.

Walter G. Spite was transferred in July from Waimate to be sub-manager of the National Mortgage and Agency Co.'s branch at Christchurch.

John R. McKay, son of R. B. McKay, Conon street, is now Electrical Engineer at Launceston, Tasmania.

Harry Gray, Assoc. Otago School of Mines, has joined the staff of the Transvaal State Railways as surveyor.

Albert J. Geddes (from Orepuki), in N.Z.R. Traffic Office, Dunedin.

Tom Mackay (Orepuki), in Dairy Factory, Kennington.

D. M. Henderson (from Kennington) is in business for himself as a chemist at Balclutha.

Lance Rigg was appointed reporter to Gisborne Herald in May.

John M. Hoffmann is in the Naval Defence Accounts Branch, Treasury, Wellington.

John B. Scott, of the Union Bank, was transferred to the Napier branch last April.

Phil. Wild left last January for Samoa to take up the position of Assistant Treasurer to the Samoan Administration.

Harry Robertson, in the office of the A.M.P. Society, was transferred to the branch in Wellington at the beginning of the year.

Arthur Ford, after obtaining his Bachelorship of Dental Science in June, took charge of the Napier Clinic under the Education Dept.

Cyril R. Mabson was appointed in June to the position of Assistant Engineer to the Masterton Borough.

Dr. Alister Brass is on the staff of the Waikato Hospital, Hamilton.

Dr. James Thompson (from Glenham) is on the staff of the Timaru Hospital.

Eric C. Marshall left the staff of "The Dominion" newspaper of Wellington last June to join the staff of the Sydney "Guardian."

Mat. Alexander, M.Sc., in September resigned from this school to become Mathematics Master at Napier B.H. School.

Oswald Webber, at the end of May, resigned his position at Makarewa to take a headmastership at Bunnythorpe, near Palmerston North.

R. R. Macgregor, who is Professor of Philosophy and Sociology at the University of Notre Dame, Indiana, is publishing through Messrs Ginn and Co. a book on "Spoken English." In conjunction with another professor, he is writing "A History of the Laureateship from the earliest times." He has also been commissioned to write a text book on "Sociology."

Roy MacGibbon, Bach. Engin., Glasgow, was appointed second in command in the electrical department, Christchurch City Council.

Cecil Harris has become a home missionary in the Presbyterian Church.

Norman Allan, from the Deeds Office, Nelson, paid us a visit when in the south, seeing his brother in the N.Z.R. at the Bluff.

Tom Burt, Tom Preston, Cedric Smith, Charles Thompson, having passed the final examinations, became licensed surveyors last March.

Otago University Inter Faculty Sports, 1923—H. D. Morgan, 2nd 100yds, 2nd 220yds, 1st 440yds, 2nd 120yds Hurdles, 3rd Long Jump (19ft.), 3rd Putting the Shot (32ft. 11in.). In his three seconds, Morgan was narrowly beaten by A. E. Porritt. G. R. Kingston—1st in Putting the 16lb Shot (35ft. 3in.), 1st High Jump (5ft. 6in.), 1st Throwing the Hammer (114ft. 3in.). Kingston established a new record for the High Jump. In Putting the Shot, Sydney Reid's put of 36ft. 10½ inches in 1911 still stands, and Dr Kingston beat his own last year's put. In Throwing the Hammer, James M. Boyne's throw of 120ft. 7in. in 1913 still stands. In both the Shot and the Hammer events, Dr Kingston is the present holder.

At the Otago Championship meeting in amateur athletics, H. D. Morgan secured the Reid Cup for most points, winning four firsts, 12 points; Alan Harrington was second with 9 points, one first and three seconds. Harrington won the 440 yards Hurdles Championship in 1 min. 4-5 secs; H. D. Morgan won the 120 yards Hurdles, 100yds, 220yds, 440yds—all championships.

During our sojourn at Timaru we were glad to meet Eric Cockcroft again, who now places B.A., B.Sc. after his name. As coach of the school fifteen he received our congratulations for his defeat

of Southland. We also came across Harold Stewart, from Georgetown.

Dr. George L. Deschler, after an absence of seventeen years in the U.S.A. studying and practising dentistry, spent the month of August in his native town of Invercargill. He remembered his old school and came up to see us one day. He briefly addressed us on the value of making use of our opportunity at school—above all, to matriculate, as matriculation was a passport to many avenues of life and to many institutions outside of New Zealand. He then presented to the school a handsome Challenge Cup for general merit in the classroom and in sport. This is to be awarded annually. He was heartily welcomed by the school and was heartily thanked for his address and for his benefaction.

Eric McPherson is in the Government Geological Survey Office.

J. R. Bushill (1915-16) is on a sheep and cattle run in Victoria.

D. D. Leckie, of Messrs Fairbairn, Wright and Co., Christchurch, paid a visit to his old school in October. In his spare time he organises the Y.M.C.A. orchestra and teaches the violin.

G. Canavan is travelling the Bay of Plenty in the interests of a firm of dairy plant specialists.

Ian Miller has passed his solicitor's examination and has received a transfer from Wellington to the **local Deeds Office**.

Ewen McLauchlan resigned in August from the Deeds Department to enter the office of Messrs Stout and Lillierap.

John Humphrey has been transferred to the Stamps Department, Wellington.

Robert Stout is Associate to the Chief Justice, Sir Robert Stout, Wellington.

Representative honours for Southland Rugby were won during the past season of 1923 by the following:—Full-back—Geo. Cleland; three-quarters—Rob. Oughton, F. Holz, J. Coakley; five-eighths—Ray Bell, Albert T. Walsh; forwards—Percy Rice, Jock Fraser, Andrew White, Harold Strang, W. Matheson.

Hermann Morgan represented Otago in several matches, and New Zealand in the last match against the visiting New South Wales team.

Andrew White represented N.Z. in the third test against N.S. Wales at Wellington.

Ray Bell represented N.Z. in the second test at Christchurch against N.S.W.

Harold Jefcoate and Ian Brown (from Otautau) represented Canterbury in the three-quarter line.

Norman Cowie played as full-back for the Manawatu team on tour in the South.

Lance Johnson (from Lumsden) was captain of the Wellington F.C. Senior team, Bill Whyborn being deputy-captain. Lance Johnson toured the North Island with the Wellington Colts and later earned a place in the Wellington representative team. He played a fine game against Auckland.

T. Meredith has been president of the Southland Rugby Union during 1923. During his year of office the new stand at Rugby Park has been erected and the old one enlarged and improved.

Ray Bell, the Southland Maori and "All Black" five-eighths, has had a strenuous season, having played in 21 representative fixtures, a record that will take some beating. He played 14 games for the Maori team during a seven weeks' tour of Australia and New Zealand, four games for Southland during the tour, for the South Island v. the North, for New Zealand against N.S.W. in the second test, and Southland v. Wairarapa. In addition he has played in several club games. Bell represented Southland for the first time in 1919 against the Maori Pioneer Battalion, playing at the side of the scrum. The following year he was transferred to the country and did not play much football, but in 1921 he toured with the Southland team and played half-back. Last season he toured Australia and New Zealand with the Maori team, playing in 13 matches and being the utility member of the party, although wing forward was his allotted position. He represented Southland as winger in six matches, and until he left with the Maori team this year was playing in that position with the Star Club. For so young a player Bell has a great record in representative football, having played in nearly fifty matches during the past four years, including about thirty for his province.—(Southland News, Sept. 8).

Ernest H. Diack (from Thornbury) was the star performer in the N.Z. University tour in New South Wales. In five matches he scored one try, potted a goal, kicked five penalties, and converted seven tries—a total of 39 points.

MARRIAGES.

DYER—CALDECOTT.—Henry Dyer, M.Sc., Boys' H.S. Christchurch, to Thelma Caldecott.

SALMON—MASSEY.—On February 28, at Wellington, Cedric Salmon, of Messrs Cory, Wright, and Salmon, Civil Engineers, Wellington, to Isabel Massey, daughter of Hon. W. F. Massey.

MILLAR—MATHIESON.—On February 20, at Greymouth, William W. Millar, of Millars Limited, Invercargill, to Jean Mathieson, formerly of Invercargill.

GRIEVE—GEE.—In January, William Grieve (of Watts and Grieve, Esk street, Motor Engineers) to Charlotte Gee, of Riversdale.

MUNRO—RAESIDE.—In November, at Invercargill, George Munro to Jessie Raeside.

FORTUNE—BLAKIE.—On August 29, at Ryal Bush, Raymond Fortune (from Orepuki) to Hilda Blakie. Address: Ryal Bush.

KEAST—McRAE.—On August 28, Robert Francis Keast (from Makarewa) to Mary McRae, of Dunsdale. Address: Grove Bush.

MATHESON—HARRAWAY.—On June 5th, Norman M. Matheson to Dorothea (Thea) Harraway, of Belleknowes, Dunedin.

DOBIE—ADAMS.—On April 4th, Henry Havelock Dobie to Eileen Adams, of Dunedin.

MACGIBBON—BALLANTYNE.—In November, 1922, David MacGibbon, Farmer, Orawia, to Bella Ballantyne, of Feldwick.

HANAN—WILSON.—At Timaru, Stanley Hanan, chemist, U.F.S., Timaru, to Sister Wilson.

TEMPLETON—BROWN.—On 24th January, William Templeton (from Otaitai) to Isabella M. K. Brown, of Winton. Address: School, Waimumu.

HAMILTON—SPENCER.—Douglas Hamilton, Treasury Department, Wellington, to Phyllis Spencer, of Wellington.

DEATHS.

STEWART, Gordon Robert, of Georgetown, in July; aged 27. At school, 1909-1910.

SMITH, J. Allison (from Riverton)); aged 21. At school, 1914.

KENT, Douglas, of North Invercargill, in January; aged 14 years. Drowned in the Waihopai while bathing. At school 1921-1922.

McDOWALL, Robert West (formerly of Nightcaps), was accidentally killed by a fall from a window in Dunedin on March 27th; aged 27 years. At school, 1910.

THE SCHOOL BELL.

Massey's on the bell,
How punctual sounds its knell!
The fags in the Gyms set up a yell,
But the late-comer says "Oh H——!"

Tich. is at the old school gate,
Beating his breast and cursing his fate,
That on this day he should be late;
For Mr D——n decides his fate.

The usual punishment is Detention,
And heaps of impots—don't mention—
The watchful one deserves a pension,
For no late-comers escape his attention.

So take this from one who knows,
Don't let the grass grow under your toes,
But early in the morning show your nose,
The bell won't wait for those who doze.
"One Who Knows."

A TALE OF LONG AGO.

Down beside the babbling Puni,
Several years before the flood,
Lived a famous Maori chieftain
Who loved to spill the enemy's blood.

But his tribe was most unhappy,
And they lacked their usual fun
For a large and hefty Moa
Was eating them up, one by one.

Summoned the chief, his wives and children,
Summoned all from far and near,
Swore he'd put the dreaded moa
Where he'd cause no more to fear.

So he struggled with the monster
For six weeks without a break;
But he only came off second,
While the moa still was jake.

His high priest he then consulted,
 Who, having racked his priestly brain,
 Thought unto himself a wheeze,
 Whereby the moa's scalp to gain.

So he hied him to the seashore,
 Where the slimy oysters sleep,
 And, by a scientific process,
 Gathered salt from out the deep.

Everything was dark and gloomy,
 As the high priest sought his chief,
 Gave to him the precious chloride,
 Who crept out, just like a thief.

Travelled over plain and forest,
 Travelled over hill and dale,
 Found the moa lost in slumber,
 And placed the salt upon his tail.

Thus there passed the stately moa,
 And we find his only fault
 Is, that he is now extinct,
 The victim of a cruel assault.

S.B.H.S. ANNUAL BALL, 1923.

Act I.

- Enter 5 or 6 masters and nearly 40 couples dancing.
 Scenes 1 to 8—Ashley's Hall, evening, July 16th.
 Scenes 1 and 7—Waltzes, which were evidently boring to some of the non-performers.
 Scenes 2, 4 and 8—The whole company engaged and taking a keen delight in acting.
 Scene 3—This scene was slightly confused at first, but soon evolved itself into the "Lancers."
 Scene 5—Many male performers were apparently unable to work out their "Destiny."
 Scene 6—Some actors and actresses were acting Scene 2.

Act II.

- Scene 1—The Supper room. Everyone enjoying a sumptuous repast.
 Scenes 2, 3 and 4—The Hall. Those waiting for Scene 1 to finish have a little extra performance.

Act III.

- Scene 1—The Hall. Enter the whole company greatly refreshed. The lights were dimmed to imitate twilight.
 Scenes 2 and 5—Some performers again in the wrong scene.
 Scenes 3, 4, 6 and 7—Everyone enjoying his or her part.
 Scene 8—1 a.m. Finale—"God Save the King."

THE LIBRARY.

ADDITIONS TO THE SCHOOL LIBRARY, 1923.

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Presented by Caroline A. Oates—Matabele Land and the Victorian Falls (F. Oates).

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