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Editorial.

THE midsummer issue of the "Victorian" is always so full of records of companies and individuals that one can almost feel pleased that the number of contributors of articles is small. Nevertheless it is a matter of regret that past Victorians do not keep more in touch with us, so that we may know what they are doing. We do not accuse them of forgetting the old school—we are sure that that would never happen, but we would feel more complete if the successes and records of the doings of the old boys were added to those of the present in the July issues each year. We know that most of the old boys are holding their own, and more than holding their own, because we hear of it from time to time, especially from the Regimental Journals. But we want to hear of it all direct. Do see to it, old boys. Let us hear from you more. We who are still "serving" will appreciate it.

Good luck to you all—past and present.

Notes of the Year.

THE Staff changes foreshadowed in our last number have come to pass. W.O.I. Morrison and Sergeant Stuart have gone to Burma and India respectively, and to fill their places have come W.O.II. Stuart and Sergeant Dunn. To those who have departed we wish every success and pleasant memories of their sojourn at the School; to those who have donned their mantles we extend a hearty welcome.

The end of the present term will bring still further changes, since we are to lose W.O.I. Brady and Mr. Littlejohn. Mr. Brady has completed his twenty-one years of service as an Army Schoolmaster, and so is leaving us to take over a post under the London County Education Authorities. We wish him every success in his new sphere.

The science and mathematics of the School suffer a great blow by the departure of Mr. Littlejohn, who merits the highest praise for his valuable work in those two most difficult subjects. The laboratory and the Students' Room will indeed seem strange places without his familiar figure and droll humour. One and all, we shall miss him greatly, though the local trout and 'keepers will doubtless heave a sigh of relief. We wish him all success and happiness in his new station at Aldershot.

We offer our heartiest congratulations to Mr. Guttridge, late Highland Light Infantry, on his appointment to Company Sergeant Major; his added qualifications as an erstwhile Army athletic representative have already borne excellent fruit in the School athletic activities.

We congratulate Colonel S. A. Innes, D.S.O., W.O.I F. Brady, senior A.E.C. instructor, and Mr. Andrew Duncan, the oldest member of the School Staff (he has been twenty-six years in the School), on being awarded the King's Silver Jubilee Medal.

The whole School assembled in the central hall, where the presentation was carried out by Vice-Admiral F. A. Whitehead, C.B., R.N., who officiated in the unavoidable absence of Lieut.-General Sir Archibald R. Cameron, K.C.B., C.M.G., the G.O.C.-in-C., Scottish Command. After the presentation, Admiral Whitehead addressed the boys on the value of service and devotion to one's King, Country and Empire.

The new Regimental Sergeant-Major is Mr. William McCubbin, who has been a Company Sergeant-Major at the School for the past eleven years.

Like all other communities we had our Silver Jubilee celebrations. On 5th May we had our own special Jubilee Service in the Chapel, attended by Lord and Lady Kinnaird and a number of other visitors. On the morning of the 6th the School marched down to Dunblane Cathedral, met the City Fathers, all the public bodies, Boy Scouts, Girl Guides, V.A.D.'s, and other formations, and took part in a combined thanksgiving service. In the afternoon the boys joined the children of the local schools, and all were entertained by the Town Councillors to sports and tea. In the evening we all assembled to listen to the King's speech, and at 10.30 p.m. we lit our own huge bonfire on the sports ground. Thus closed a wonderful day of excitement and joy.

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An outbreak of scarlet fever upset our usual routine at the beginning of the year. The epidemic became so widespread that the boys had to be sent away on vacation a week earlier than the scheduled date for the Easter holidays. The enforced quarantine also proved disastrous to the remaining School XV. Rugby fixtures, as well as to one or two military band engagements.

But most disappointing of all was the compulsory withdrawal of all our entries in the annual Perth Musical Festival, especially as we had been so splendidly successful in previous years. However, we were also to reap the fruits of our many weeks of preparation and rehearsal by putting on all the Festival activities at a concert given in honour of the visit of H.M. Commissioners, who expressed their praise and appreciation of the high standard attained by all of the entries. In this connection we are very grateful to Miss Mary MacLean, sister of Lieut.-Col. W. MacLean, M.C., for the valuable assistance she so willingly rendered to the elocution classes, also to Miss Innes for so kindly stepping into the breach with the choral entry when Sgt. Pole was laid aside by an indisposition, and Miss Taylor, who so kindly assisted in the instruction in Country Dancing.



R.S.M. William M'Cubbin, D.C.M.

R.S.M. M'Cubbin has also had a distinguished military career, serving in the Black Watch for 23 years.

During the Great War his courage won for him the D.C.M., gained at the High Wood engagement in 1916.

Before the war, when stationed at Fort-George, Mr. M'Cubbin's heroism saved the lives of two boys who were being carried out to sea on an ebbing tide. For this brave act he was awarded the Royal Humane Society's bronze medal.

Mr. M'Cubbin's kindly personality and devotion to the service have won him the esteem of his colleagues and the loyalty of the boys under his care.

Visitors to the School.

The following Commissioners attended the Annual Meeting which was held at the School in May:—

Lieutenant-General Sir Archibald R. Cameron, K.C.B., C.M.G., General Officer Commanding the Scottish Command, and Vice-President of the School.

Lieutenant-Colonel C. L. Addison-Smith, C.B.E., W.S., Honorary Treasurer.

Vice-Admiral F. A. Whitehead, C.B., R.N. (retd.).

Sir William W. McKechnie, K.B.E., C.B.
Colonel The Earl of Home, K.T., T.D., D.L.
Sir Alexander B. Swan, Knt., the visiting Commissioner for the Easter Term, visited the School on 12th March.

On July 7, Lt.-Col. Sir Iain Colquhoun, Bt., D.S.O., inspected the combined parade before church service and presented the long service and good conduct medal to W.O. R. B. Littlejohn, A.E.C. After the service Sir Iain took the salute as the companies and school colours marched past the saluting base headed by the pipe and military bands. In his remarks he was very complimentary to both boys and staff.

Other Visitors since the last Issue of "The Victorian."

Lord and Lady Kinnaird.

Dr. P. D. Thomson, Moderator of the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland.

Rev. W. D. O. Rosey.

Lieut.-Col. Sir Iain Colquhoun, Bart., D.S.O.

Lieut.-Colonel J. M. Hamilton, D.S.O., Commanding 1st Bn. The Gordon Highlanders.

Captain R. C. B. Anderson, M.C., Argyll & Sutherland Highlanders.

R. M. Keith-Murray, Esq., Argyll & Sutherland Highlanders.

K. B. L. Davidson, Esq., Argyll & Sutherland Highlanders.

Colonel J. Aubrey Smith, C.M.G., Inspector of the Army Educational Corps, The War Office.

Colonel R. F. B. Naylor, D.S.O., M.C.

Major-General A. E. McNamara, C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O., The Director of Military Training, The War Office.

Lieut.-Colonel E. C. Beard, M.C.

Captain W. E. Boyle, A.E.C.

Captain J. E. Nelson, B.A., A.E.C.

Captain Alex. Cross, City of Glasgow Yeomanry.

Miss Eveline Alexander.

D. C. Bowser, Esq., of Argaty.

Miss S. Stuart Thomson.

R. U. E. A. Sanford, Esq., The Black Watch.

Regimental Prizes, 1935.

Primus.

B/Sergt. G. A. MacDonald, The Black Watch.
Boy F. Hamilton, Royal Scots Greys; Sgt. J. R. West, Scots Guards; Boy J. B. Robertson, Royal Scots; C/Cpl. C. Mitten, Royal Scots; Boy A. C. Blewes, Royal Scots; Boy W. Wilson, Royal Scots Fusiliers; Cpl. P. Rutherford, K.O.S. Borderers; Boy T. D. Brown, Cameronians; C/Cpl. F. Morton, Black Watch (Assoc. Prize); Sgt. G. Hutchison, Black Watch (Wauchope Prize); Cpl. D. Benn, Highland Light Infantry; Boy P. Love, Seaforth Highlanders; Cpl. D. Martell, Gordon Highlanders; Cpl. A. Phillips, Cameron Highlanders; C/Cpl. John Oliver, Argyll & Sutherland Highlanders; Boy G. K. Long, Argyll & Sutherland Highlanders. Sergt. W. Hagan, Argyll & Sutherland Highlanders—The Sir Robert Cranston Memorial Prize.

School Prizewinners, 1935.

Junior Division.

Form I.—1, J. McGoohan; 2, T. Thomson; 3, D. Inglis: art prize, J. McGoohan.
Form II.—1, A. Sturrock; 2, J. Maxwell; 3, A. McKell; art prize, A. Sturrock.
Form III.—1, R. Mackie; 2, G. Queen; 3, C. Hamilton: art prize, R. Mackie; woodwork and technical drawing prize, J. West.

Senior Division.

Form IV.—1, H. Arnold; 2, W. Martin; 3, W. McLachlan: art prize, H. Arnold; science prize, W. Barclay; woodwork and technical drawing prize, Cpl. H. Robinson.
Form V.—1, T. Deans; 2, N. McLeod; 3, N. Paxton: art prize, N. McLeod; science prize, T. Deans; woodwork and technical drawing prize, T. Deans.
Form VI.—1, J. Myles; 2, J. McKenzie; 3, P. Wicks: art prize, C. Mitten; science prize, J. Fowler; woodwork and technical drawing prize, Kirk.

Students.

Prize for distinguished academic work—Monitor W. J. Macdonald.
English Prize—Sgt. G. Macdonald.
Mathematics prize—Sgt. W. Hagan.
General knowledge prize—S/Monitor R. J. McKay.
Science prize—S/Monitor R. J. McKay.
Woodwork and Technical Drawing prize—Monitor M. H. Robinson.

The Military Band.

Result of Musical Test, 1935.

Best Progress—Smith, A.; McGoohan, J.
Application.—McDonald, G.; Pegg, F.; Thomson, D.; Deans, T.; Potter, D.; Yardley, J.

Instrumentation.

Grade I.—1, McDonald, G.; 2, Potter, D.; 3, McCabe, W.; 4, Hickle, A.
Grade II.—1, Griffiths, P.; 2, Forsythe, A.; 3, Myles, J.; 4, Wicks, D.

Grade III.—1, Yardley, J. H.; 2, Anderson, J.; 3, Pegg, F.; 4, Gunn, I. D.
Juniors—1, Braid, J.; 8, McGoohan, J.; 3, McKilligan, P.; 4, Cameron, J.

Boys Show Versatile Talent.

AT the end of the Christmas Term the boys of the Queen Victoria School gave their annual concert in the Play Hall at the School before a large audience. The hall was seasonably decorated, and when the curtain rose revealing the band in their scarlet tunics against a background of the Union Jack the setting was patriotic and artistic.

The programme included selections by the band under Bandmaster F. H. Lax, drums and bugles under R.S.M. Peter Scotland, D.C.M.; piping and dancing under Pipe-Major F. Ross, and vocal numbers by the choir under Sergeant Instructor S. Pole. A whistling solo, "Whistling for Me," by Willie Wilson, the whistling paper boy, was much enjoyed. An xylophone solo, "Sparks," by Corporal G. McDonald, and a cornet solo, "Love's Old Sweet Song," by Monitor R. Burke, with Corporal F. Morton as vocalist, and Saxophonist Band Sergeant D. Potter were rendered with expert skill. The dancing of the "Reel o' Tulloch" and "Ceremonial Broad-swords" was a popular item as well as the slow march, "The Banks of Allan Water," by the pipers. The sword swinging display by R.S.M. Scotland was well nigh perfect, while the vocal pieces, "Wee Willie Winkie" and "The Frog," by the choir were sweetly rendered.

A. division, introducing the "Gunmaker" by Willie Bain as Jack Tar and Willie Douglas as a policeman, created much merriment.

"The Dweller in the Darkness," by Reginald Berkeley, was presented by members of Dunblane Literary Society. The sketch, which deals with spiritualism, was given in the Cathedral Hall a week earlier by the same players, who again acquitted themselves well.

The grand finale was "A Brigade Day" by the band; drums, pipes and bugles. The "Dress for Parade" is heard in the distance followed by the arrival of the various regiments of the brigade. The "Brigade Call" is blown, followed by "General Salute," "Slow March," "Troop," and "Grand March" by the massed bands—a stirring spectacle.

The singing (in darkness with a bright star shining afar) of "The Day Thou Gavest Lord is Ended" and the National Anthem was an appropriate ending to a programme of a very high standard which was thoroughly enjoyed by the audience.

Prior to the concluding item, Colonel S. A. Innes, D.S.O., Commandant, congratulated the instructors and the boys on the excellence of the entertainment. He also stated that three of the staff were retiring under the age limit, and he took the opportunity of thanking them for their work among the boys, whom they loved and had served so well, and wished them all that was best in their retirement.

The retiring members of the staff and their record of army service are as follows:—R.S.M. Peter Scotland, D.C.M., 47 years; Sergeant Cook J. Strathee, 43 years; and Night Watchman Blackwood, 38 years.

Annual Inspection, 1935.

Wednesday, 24th July, at 3 p.m.

Inspecting Officer — Lieut.-General Sir HARRY H. S. KNOX, K.C.B.,
D.S.O., Adjutant General to the Forces.

3 p.m.

The boys are drawn up in line, under Regimental Sergeant-Major, Monitors in front.

The School Colour is on the left, guarded by sentries.

**General Salute
3.15 p.m.**

The General Salute is sounded as the Inspecting Officer arrives on the ground.

After inspecting the Parade he returns to the Saluting Base.

**Trooping the Colour
3.25 p.m.**

The Colour Escort, preceded by the band, pipes and drums, receives the Colour from the Colour Party, and the Escort salutes it.

The Colour is trooped down the line, the School saluting it.

**March Past
3.45 p.m.**

The School moves off and marches past in column and close column of Companies.

**Advance in Review
Order
3.55 p.m.**

The School advances in line and salute.

**Presentation of
Prizes
4 p.m.**

A hollow square is formed, the Inspecting Officer presents the prizes and makes a short address to the boys.

4.45 p.m.

Tea for boys and their relatives in the Dining Hall.

5.15 p.m.

Tea for remainder of boys.

5.45 p.m.

Prize-giving in the Play Hall.

Arts and Crafts.

An Exhibition of Work done by boys is being held in one of the marquees on the ground.

An inspection and your patronage are solicited.

Orders may be given for work to be carried out next Term.

The Music.

PROGRAMME OF MUSIC BY THE MILITARY AND PIPE BANDS.

Military Band

Jubilee Selection—" 50 Years of Song " Kennett

Pipe Band

Slow March—" Loch Duich "

March—" Cold Winds "

Military Band

Two Popular Numbers—

" Roll Along Covered Waggon " ... Jim Kennedy

" The Man on the Flying Trapeze " Lee

Military Band

Whistling Solo—" Whistle For Me " Fane
(Musician—Willie Wilson)

Country Dance

" The Duke of Perth "

Highland Dance—" The Ceremonial Broadwords "

Military Band

Xylophone Solo—" Sparks " Alford
(Musician, Band Sgt. George McDonald)

Military Band

Selection—" Reminiscences of Sullivan " Winterbottom

Pipe Band

March, " Hot Punch "

Strathspey, " Highland Harry "

Reel, " The Little Kilt "

School March, " Highland Laddie "

" God Save the King "

Bandmaster—F. H. Lax.

Pipe-Major—F. F. Ross.

Drums and Bugles—C.S.M. W. Watson.

Drummers, Pipers, and Highland Dancers.

The passing of time brings further changes. Bert Martell of "A" Company succeeded Drum-Major A. Finnie, promoted Monitor, and



John Mackenzie, also of "A" Company, succeeded Pipe-Major Peter Ewing, who left for service with Lt.-Colonel Macrae-Gilstrap.

As usual this has been rather a busy term and many engagements have been undertaken. There was the usual Rugby international match at Murrayfield, Edinburgh, between Scotland and England on 16th March. Once again the Thistle prevailed. In addition there were the following:—

- Mar. 20—Pipers and Dancers at the Reel and Strathspey Society Concert at Stirling.
- May 6—Jubilee Celebrations and Sports at Crieff.
- „ 22—Visit of the Duke of Kent to Whiteford House, Edinburgh, and his inspection of the Veterans there.
- June 5—Stirling Cattle Show.
- „ 10—Dancing Team at Buchanan Castle for the Duke of Montrose.
- „ 15—Alloa Cattle Show.
- „ 22—Children's Gala Day, organised by the Deanston Co-operative Society.
- July 4—Lord and Lady Weir's Garden Party at Eastwood, Giffnock.
- „ 11—The Royal Blind Asylum and School, Newington House, Edinburgh.
- „ 12—Midsummer Festival and Crowning of the School Queen at Bo'ness.
- „ 13—Dunblane Cattle Show.
- „ 20—Meikleour Highland Games.

On 6th June the annual competitions were held. As usual, for some weeks prior thereto, keen competition was to be observed among the different boys anxious to qualify for a place. In the many preliminary competitions for eliminating purposes and of those labelled "unofficial" considerable enthusiasm and excitement prevailed at each. The following are the prizewinners in the finals:—

DRUMMING (Side Drum).

- Seniors—1, L/Corp. D. T. Mackenzie, "C" Coy.; 2, Corp. W. Bain, "B" Coy.; 3, Drum-Major B. Martell, "A" Coy.
- Juniors—1, Sergeant J. West, "C" Coy.; 2, Boy D. Riddock, "C" Coy.

BUGLING.

- Seniors—1, L/Corp. A. Weddell, "D" Coy.; 2, Drum-Major B. Martell, "A" Coy.; 3, Corp. W. Bain, "B" Coy.
- Juniors—1, Sergeant J. West, "C" Coy.; 2, Boy D. Riddock, "C" Coy.; 3, Boy R. Messer, "D" Coy.

HIGHLAND DANCING.

(Class A).

1. HIGHLAND FLING—1, Boy W. Martin, "C" Coy.; 2, Boy T. Rennie, "B" Coy.; 3, L/Corp. J. Fowler, "B" Coy.
2. SWORDS—1, Corp. W. Munro, "A" Coy.; 2, Pipe-Major J. Mackenzie, "A" Coy.; 3, Boy J. Jackson, "A" Coy.
3. SEAN TRUBHAIS—1, Boy N. McLeod, "B" Coy.; 2, Pipe-Major J. Mackenzie, "A" Coy.; 3, Boy T. Rennie, "B" Coy.

(Class B).

1. HIGHLAND FLING—1, Boy W. Martin, "C" Coy.; 2, Corp. R. McWilliam, "C" Coy.; 3, Boy C. Anderson, "C" Coy.
2. SWORDS—1, Boy W. Martin, "C" Coy.; 2, Corp. R. McWilliam, "C" Coy.; 3, Corp. C. Mitten, "B" Coy.

PIPING.

(Class A).

1. MARCHES—1, L/Corp. J. Fowler, "B" Coy.; 2, Boy T. Rennie, "B" Coy.; 3, Pipe-Major J. Mackenzie, "A" Coy.; 4, Boy C. Duncan, "C" Coy.
2. SLOW MARCHES—1, L/Corp. J. Fowler, "B" Coy.; 2, Boy A. Marr, "D" Coy.; 3, Boy C. Duncan, "C" Coy.; 4, Pipe-Major J. Mackenzie, "A" Coy.
3. STRATHSPEYS AND REELS—1, Pipe-Major J. Mackenzie, "A" Coy.; 2, L/Corp. J. Fowler, "B" Coy.; 3, Boy W. Martin, "C" Coy.

(Class B).

1. MARCHES—1, Boy C. Duncan, "C" Coy.; 2, Boy W. Martin, "C" Coy.; 3, Boy H. Reid, "C" Coy.
2. SLOW MARCHES—1, Boy C. Duncan, "C" Coy.; 2, Boy H. Reid, "C" Coy.; 3, Boy N. McLeod, "B" Coy.

It seems rather a coincidence that invariably we have a thunderstorm in the afternoon just about the time the Inter-Company competition in dancing is due to commence. We have now come to realise that the air is charged not only with excitement but with electricity. The competition once again was a real titbit, and "A" Company for the first time won the shield, scoring 31½ out of a possible 40. They deserved their victory, and we congratulate them on their pluck and perseverance for years.

The placings were as follows:—

1. "A" Company ... 31½ points.
2. "B" Company ... 30 points.
3. "C" Company ... 27 points.
4. "D" Company ... 26½ points.

Again we were lucky in having as a Piping Judge, Lt.-Colonel Leckie-Ewing, late H.L.L., assisted by Captain G. A. Rusk, M.C., of The Black Watch. For the dancing we were fortunate in having our kind friend, Colonel A. Stirling of Garden, D.L., assisted by Captain Rusk, and we are grateful for the comments and hints as given on previous occasions. Sergeant R. Willerton, from the A. & S. Highlanders' Depot, acted as Judge in the Bugling and Drumming competitions. Our appreciative thanks are devoted to all for the time and trouble they devoted on behalf of the School.

Other unofficial competitions for bass and tenor drum and "C" classes in piping, bugling and side drumming have also been held.

PIPE PRES.

Our Contemporaries.

The Editor begs to acknowledge with thanks receipt of the following:—

- "The Chronicle" (Duke of York's Royal Military School).
- The Household Brigade Magazine.
- The Royal Scots Greys Association.
- The Gunner (Royal Regiment of Artillery).
- The Sapper (Royal Engineers).
- The Wire (Royal Corps of Signals).
- The Thistle (The Royal Scots, The Royal Regiment).
- The Journal of The Royal Scots Fusiliers.
- The Borderers Chronicle (King's Own Scottish Borderers).
- The Covenanter (The Cameronians, Scottish Rifles).
- The Red Hackle (The Black Watch, The Royal Highland Regiment).
- The H.L.I. Chronicle (Highland Light Infantry).
- Cabar Feidh (The Seaforth Highlanders).
- The Tiger and Sphinx (The Gordon Highlanders).
- The 79th News (Queen's Own Cameron Highlanders).
- The Thin Red Line (2nd Batt. Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders).
- Links (The Army Vocational Training Centre).
- The Journal of The Army Educational Corps.

"Socker Interbashemall."

A Grand Football Match.

The School v. The Staff.

Avoid the inferiority complex! How often we are enjoined to do so! This, doubtless, was the spirit, on both sides, which resulted in a memorable game of "Socker" on the last Saturday of the Easter Term, between the Staff and Boy Teams. In consequence, the boys must still remain amenable to discipline.

In contrast to the piecemeal arrival of the Boys' Team, the Staff Team arrived on the field, in battle array, to stirring pipe music purveyed by our worthy Pipe-Smoker, Mr Ross. And, "say boys, what a reception!" However, the game's the thing.

The Staff won the toss—no pancake was available, so the referee had to borrow a penny from "Ronnie," who did not have one. Here the Staff Captain displayed a knowledge of tactics, electing to kick towards the North Pole goal, thus ensuring his men were certain to remain cool in the heat of excitement and realising that the enemy—brawny Highlanders they are—would display no inclination towards hovering in the vicinity of the Equator goal. Of course, on change of ends the Staff, having travelled all over "Eurup," syrup and treacle, were able to adapt themselves accordingly.

The game proceeded on the lines foreseen by the Staff Captain and, within a few minutes, the

Staff were one up. A concerted forward movement, initiated by the Staff Captain, resulted in a spectacular goal scored by the former Jamtown expert. The Boys did not appear to have grown up, and the Staff continued, like our tailor, to press. Following a mix-up (not the cook's kind) in the Boys' aft division, he of the handcovers scored a beauty. Later the Boys missed an opportunity of reducing the leeway. The referee (bless his heart) awarded a penalty against the ex-Woodwork Ranger, for a palpable miskick.

"Charlie" (drat him) took the kick. Looking to the left and shooting to the right he—failed. The ex-Gunner, showing his tiger-like propensities, defied the spiking of his goal—er gun.

The arrival of another Woodwork Ranger, arrayed in wolf's—beg pardon, cook's—clothing, and bearing the thirst quenchers, denoted half-time. Score:—Staff, 2 goals; Boys, nil.

The second half had not been long in progress when another display of tactics resulted in the Staff going further ahead, the Stickystuff merchant again obliging. Then the boys appeared to grow up, and the Staff grow old, as the former scored two good goals, the first by "Charlie" and the second by "John" of the East. The Boys continued to do the tailor's stuff, but could not get on level terms. Hereabouts a regrettable incident occurred. The New York Giant deliberately beat a boy, and the referee ordered the Giant down the Beanstalk. Time-up was at hand. The boys were awarded a corner kick.

"Charlie" neatly placed it at the feet of "Wee Willie" who, a couple of yards from goal, had a clear view of the scenery when, lo and behold (i) a messenger arrived on the field, (ii) obscured "Wee Willie's" view, and (iii) informed the referee time was up—all in the wink of an eye. Naturally, the final whistle immediately sounded, leaving the old campaigners the winners by 3 goals to 2.

Official attendance—Men, Women and Boys.
Team and Officials—See the appended, which was culled from the School Notice Board.

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A pleasing feature, after the game, was the presentation of the cup—so the maker called it—to the winning team by Captain W. H. Williams. It was accepted, midst ringing cheers from the boys, by R.S.M. McCubbin, who once again displayed his knowledge of tactics by—saying nothing.

NOTES ON THE PLAYERS.

VICTORS.

- Brady—Arsenal's loss: our gain.
- Mackay—Should wear braces with his shorts.
- Smith—Showed a knowledge of the "turf."
- Pole—Wore England's colours.
- McCubbin—Proved he is Swift, by his manner of Boltin'.
- Dowling—His mouth confirmed his dribbling abilities.
- Monaghan—His flesh was absent; but his spirit was present in the form of Mr. Ogilvie.
- Mitten—A grand hand-warmer. Ask the enemy's goalkeeper.
- Gutteridge—A sticker. His two goals testify.
- Masterson—Can engineer.
- Watson—Not a Giant in stature, but in spirit—well, what did he threaten to do to the ref.?

VANQUISHED.

Munro—A good wrestler.
 Burke—Not a Hare.
 Aiton—Was like two tons.
 Douglas—Looked like his historical predecessor—black.
 McKay—Was "skinned".
 McKenzie—Just one of the clan.
 More—Could have played some more.
 Macdonald—Guid gear in sma' bulk.
 Easton—Would be an asset to the Weston Bros.
 Phillips—Strong enough to fill anything.
 Mitten—Like father, like son.

Regimental Football Tournament.

After all the Company League Matches had been completed for the season the Regimental Football Tournament was held, which was keenly contested by the boys of each Regiment, and right through it was fought out with all the zeal and good spirit one could wish. The course of the matches was as follows:—

FIRST ROUND.

Gordons, 6; v. The Black Watch "A" Team, 1.
 Cameronians, 2; v. Scots Guards & Camerons 0.
 Seaforth, 0; v. Highland Light Infantry, 6.
 The Black Watch "B" Team, 3; v. The Greys and A. & S. Highlanders, 0.
 The Greys and A. & S. Highlanders "B" Team, 1; v. Royal Artillery & R.E. "A", 5.
 Royal Scots and Royal Scots Fusiliers, 19; v. Scots Guards and Camerons "B", 0.
 Royal Artillery and Royal Engineers "B", 1; v. R.A.S.C. and R.A.M.C., 3.
 K.O.S.Bs.—Bye.

SECOND ROUND.

Gordons, 3; v. K.O.S.Bs., 0.
 Cameronians, 5; v. Highland Light Infantry, 0.
 Royal Artillery and Royal Engineers, 10; v. The Black Watch "B" Team, 2.
 Royal Scots and Royal Scots Fusiliers, 20; v. R.A.S.C. and R.A.M.C., 0.

SEMI-FINAL.

Gordons, 4; v. Cameronians, 0.
 Royal Artillery and Royal Engineers, 1; v. Royal Scots and Royal Scots Fusiliers, 5.

FINAL.

Royal Scots and Royal Scots Fusiliers, 1; v. Gordons, 0.

Boxing.

The annual competition was held on March 27th, 1935. The Judges were Captain R. L. T. Murray, The Black Watch, and Lieutenant P. M. Keith Murray, The Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders. Lieut. K. B. L. Davidson, The Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders, very kindly refereed the contests. At the end he expressed his satisfaction at the good standard displayed, and in a short address gave some valuable advice which should prove useful to all devotees of the noble art.

"A" Coy. won the cup, the following were the points gained by each Company:—"A," 90; "C," 74; "D," 74; "B," 70.

The individual winners were:—

Class 1—T. Rutherford, "D" Coy., beat J. M'Goochan, "D" Coy. (60-65 lbs.).
 Class 2—H. Arnold, "C" Coy., beat D. Inglis, "D" Coy. (66-70 lbs.).
 Class 3—D. Mackenzie, "C" Coy., beat W. McLachlan, "C" Coy. (71-75 lbs.).
 Class 4—A. Loals, "B" Coy., beat J. Mooney, "A" Coy. (76-80 lbs.).
 Class 5—K. Roe, "C" Coy., beat R. M'Geechan, "D" Coy. (81-85 lbs.).
 Class 6—J. Mackenzie, "A" Coy., beat A. Smith "A" Coy. (86-90 lbs.).
 Class 7—A. Weddell, "D" Coy., beat B. Mariell, "A" Coy. (91-95 lbs.).
 Class 8—D. Benn, "B" Coy., beat J. West "C" Coy. (96-100 lbs.).
 Class 9—F. Morton, "C" Coy., beat J. Fowler, "B" Coy. (over 100 lbs.).
 Class 10—S. Musk, "C" Coy., beat T. Thomson, "A" Coy. (under 60 lbs.).
 Best Loser in the competition—J. Beveridge, "B" Coy.

NOTE.—Twenty-eight boys from each Company entered for this competition (112 entries).

His Majesty the King's Silver Jubilee Celebrations.

Glorious sunshine, tempered with a light breeze, made the Silver Jubilee celebrations in Dunblane something to be remembered. On 5th May we had our own special Jubilee Service in the School Memorial Chapel, when the Rev. Dr J. Hutchison Cockburn delivered an address to the boys and staff. Lord and Lady Kinnaird and a number of relatives and other visitors attended.

On 6th May, in the forenoon, a divine service of thanksgiving was held in Dunblane Cathedral, when the Rev. Dr J. Hutchison Cockburn delivered an appropriate address to a congregation which included Provost Rose and members of the Town Council, Freemasons, British Legion, Boy Scouts, Girl Guides, the school children, and the Commandant, staff and boys of the Queen Victoria School.

In the afternoon over 700 young people of the Dunblane schools and the boys of the Queen Victoria School formed up on the Cathedral Square when the children sang the National Anthem, led by the Military Band of the Queen Victoria School. After three cheers had been given for Their Majesties, The King and Queen, the parade, headed by the Military Band, marched in procession down the gaily-decorated High Street to Duckburn Park, where a programme of sports was engaged in. Tea and "bags" were distributed at an interval in the proceedings. The following gentlemen were in charge of the arrangements:—Messrs G. Kilgour (Convener), J. A. Fraser, R. F. Thomson, Rev. L. Pennell, R.S.M. W. McCubbin, D.C.M., and Mr Patrick Cumming, assisted by the school staffs. The programme of music given by the Q.V.S. Military Band was enjoyed by all.

SPORTS PRIZE-LIST.

Races (100 yards) (16)—1, R. Shore; 2, A. Loals; 3, W. Inglis. (15)—1, J. Oliver; 2, D. Moore; 3, R. Bowes. (14)—1, W. Dunn; 2, W. McLachlan; 3, R. Messer.

(13)—1, J. Long; 2, E. Coull; 3, R. Barr. (12)—1, D. Inglis; 2, R. Ross; 3, J. Connell. (11)—1, G. West; 2, A. Audsley; 3, H. Gilchrist. (10)—1, C. Blewes; 2, D. Hutchison; 3, J. Wanless.

Hurdles (Senior)—1, P. Love; 2, W. M'Lachlan; 3, J. Oliver.

Hurdles (Junior)—1, G. West; 2, J. Lawrence; 3, A. Audsley.

Obstacle Race—1, J. Lawrence; 2, C. Robertson; 3, W. Galloway.

Band Race (spot)—1, K. Quinn; 2, P. Rutherford; 3, W. R. Hogg.

Special Obstacle Race—1, J. Sedstrem; 2, E. Coull; 3, T. Morrison.

Hurdles (Schools)—1, Queen Victoria School; 2, Callander; 3, Dunblane.

In the evening we listened-in to the Empire's tribute and His Majesty the King speaking from Buckingham Palace. The final event of the day was the Bonfire. The whole School, headed by our Pipe Band, marched to the Sports Ground, when the Bonfire was lit, the honour falling upon the youngest boy of the Q.V.S.—Freddie Gibson. After such an enjoyable day everyone slipped quietly off to bed and sighed contentedly.

Inter-School Challenge Cup.

On 6th July, 1935, during the presence of the Chief Inspector of Educational Training—Colonel J. Aubrey Smith, C.M.G., Inspector of Army Educational Corps, The War Office—we took the opportunity to run off and complete the five athletic events in connection with the Inter-School Competition between The Duke of York's Military School and The Queen Victoria School. Capt. R. E. Young kindly assisted in the judging.

From the tabulated results below it will be seen that we were successful in securing the trophy by winning four events to the Duke of York's Royal Military School's one event. This is the third time that the cup has come over the border.

RECORD OF EVENTS.

Queen Victoria School.

Long Jump—48ft. 2in.

High Jump, 13ft. 8in.

Throwing Cricket Ball—193 yds. 7½in.

440 Yards Relay—53 4/5 secs.

800 Yards Relay—1 min. 48secs.

Duke of York's School.

Long Jump—45ft. 10½ins.

High Jump—12ft. 7in.

Throwing Cricket Ball—223 yds. 11½ins.

440 Yards Relay, 58secs.

880 Yards Relay, 1 min. 55 secs.

times of the boys. Colonel S. A. Innes, D.S.O., Commandant; Captain W. H. Williams, Headmaster; assisted by the warrant officers, acted as starters and judges, and R.S.M. McCubbin, D.C.M., was clerk of the course, and recorder, W.O.I. H. C. Rigden, A.E.C.

The events were all keenly contested, and many good performances were recorded. C. Mitten won the Victor Ludorum Cup with 20 points, the runner-up being W. Douglas, 12 points. The Inter-Company Championship Cup ("Dandy Ninth") was won by "D" Company with 38 points, "A" Company being second, 26 points, and "C" and "B" Companies equal, 23 points. The relay race for silver medals presented by the officers of the Depot, Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders, was won by the team representing the Lowland regiments, the Highland team being second and "The Rest" third.

At the conclusion of the sports Mrs Innes graciously presented the trophies and certificates of achievement to the winners.

Tea was provided at the close of an interesting day.

SPORTS PRIZE LIST.

- Long Jump (Senior Division)—1, R. Hogg, "D" (16ft. 11ins.); 2, C. Mitten, "C"; 3, J. Oliver, "D"; 4, D. Thomson, "A."
- Long Jump (Junior Division)—1, W. M'Lachlan, "C" (14ft. 9½ins.); 2, R. Messer, "D"; 3, J. Mooney, "A"; 4, K. Quinn, "D."
- Throwing the Cricket Ball (Junior Division, "A")—Mitten, "B" (199ft. 3ins.); 2, W. Douglas, "B"; 3, B. Marcell, "A"; 4, P. McCabe, "C."
- Throwing the Cricket Ball (Junior Division, "A")—1, W. Martin, "C" (155ft. 2ins.); 2, W. M'Lachlan, "C"; 3, J. Robertson, "A"; 4, W. Hogg, "B."
- Throwing the Discus (Senior Division)—1, W. Douglas, "B" (75ft.); 2, C. Mitten, "B"; 3, G. Long "D"; 4, G. Broadbent, "B."
- Throwing the Javelin (Senior Division)—1, C. Mitten, "B" (88ft. 7ins.); 2, W. Douglas, "B"; 3, P. Love, "D"; 4, J. West, "C."
- Relay Race (Junior Division, "A")—1, "D" Company; 2, "A" Company; 3, "D" Company; 4, "C" Company.
- Relay Race (Senior Division)—1, "D" Company; 2, "B" Company; 3, "C" Company; 4, "A" Company.
- Alarm Race—1, J. Myles, "A"; 2, G. Welsh, "D"; 3, J. B. Robertson, "A"; 4, M. Haughey, "C."
- Relay Race (Junior Division, "D")—1, "D" Company; 2, "C" Company; 3, "A" Company; 4, "B" Company.
- High Jump (Junior Division, "A")—1, H. Reid, "C" (4ft. 11½ins.); 2, P. Wicks, "D"; 3, W. Dunn, "D"; 4, R. Quinn, "D."
- 440 Yards (Senior Division)—1, C. Mitten, "B"; 2, W. Douglas, "B"; 3, A. Weddell, "D."
- Staff Children's Race (Girls)—1, Mary Plummer; 2, Gladys McRobbie; 3, Jean Sinton.
- 100 Yards (Junior Division)—1, J. Long, "D" (13.5 secs.); 2, G. West, "C"; 3, J. Georgeson, "D."
- Staff Children's Race (Boys)—1, W. M. Roe; 2, S. Mitten; 3, J. Dowling.
- Hurdles Relay (Senior Division)—1, "B" Company (1min. 10.2/5 secs); 2, "D" Company; 3, "A" Company; 4, "C" Company.
- 220 Yards (Junior Division, "A")—1, D. Moore, "B" (28.1/5secs.); 2, D. Wicks, "D"; 3, W. M'Lachlan, "C."
- Mystery Race—1, "B" Company; 2, "C" Company; 3, "A" Company.
- High Jump (Senior Division)—1, C. Mitten (4mins. 7secs.); 2, J. West; 3, W. Douglas; 4, W. Hogan.
- Ladies' Race—1, Mrs Mitten; 2, Mrs Stuart; 3, Mrs Dickson.
- 100 Yards (Junior Division, "A")—1, D. Moore, "B" (12.4/5secs.); 2, P. Wicks, "D"; 3, W. M'Lachlan, "C."

Annual Games Meeting, 1935.

The annual sports of the Queen Victoria School, Dunblane, were held on Saturday, 6th July, 1935, under very favourable conditions, and were witnessed by many friends and rela-

High Jump (Junior Division, "A")—1, C. Hamilton, "D" (4ft.); 2, G. West, "C"; 3, D. Winton, "A"; 4, D. Inglis, "D."

100 Yards (Senior Division) — 1, R. Hogg, "D" (11.4/5secs.); 2, W. Douglas, "B"; 3, C. Mitten, "B." Maids' Race—1, Miss P. Guigan; 2, Miss A. McGuire; 3, Miss K. Smith.

Sack Race (Junior Division, "D")—1, J. McGoochan, "D"; 2, P. Macdonald, "B"; 3, G. Queen, "B"; 4, G. Welsh, "D."

Putting the Shot (Senior Division)—1, C. Mitten, "C" (25ft. 3ins.); 2, R. Bowes, "C"; 3, R. Hogg, "D"; 4, C. Anderson, "C."

Obstacle Race (Junior Division, "A")—1, W. Gallo-way, "A"; 2, T. Rutherford, "D"; 3, J. McGoochan, "D."

Obstacle Race (Junior Division, "B")—1, A. Lyon, "D"; 2, R. Denholm, "B"; 3, A. McKell.

Obstacle Race (Senior Division)—1, K. Roe, "C"; 2, J. Ferrigan, "B"; 3, W. Douglas, "B."

Monitor's Cup—1, R. McKay, "B" Coy.; 2, R. Burke, "C" Coy.; 3, M. Robinson, "A" Coy.

Staff Race (Handicap) Open to Past and Present Members—1, R.Q.M.S. J. Milne; 2, C.S.M. W. Gull-ridge; 3, Mr R. McRobbie; 4, Mr A. Duncan.

Special Prize—Mr J. Blackwood.

The Commandant expressed to all concerned his grateful appreciation of the efforts made to ensure such a successful Annual Games Meeting.

Drill Competition.

The Annual Drill Competition was held on Wednesday, 10th July, 1935. Major N. McMicking, D.S.O., M.C., The Black Watch, D.A.A.G. Scottish Command, very kindly came over to judge the competition.

Much time and energy had been taken by the boys in preparation for this competition, and the smartness of the turnout was very creditable. The competition was very keen, which will be seen by the small margin of points between the Companies.

The following are the points in order of merit (highest possible points, 30).

	"C"	"D"	"A"	"B"
Dress and Turnout...	7	7	7	7 (10)
Steadiness in the Ranks & Carriage in March- ing	15	14	14	13 (11)
Words of Command and Position of Com- manders	4	4	4	4 (5)
	26	25	25	24

The drill was of a very high standard, and, as the judge remarked, it was difficult to judge owing to the keen competition between Companies, and it was only by deducting points for minor details that he was able to arrive at a decision.

The cup was presented by Colonel S. A. Innes, D.S.O., Commandant, to Monitor R. Burke, who commanded "C" Company. At the conclusion three hearty cheers were given to Major McMicking.

Thrift.

We are pleased to record the progress made in the habit of thrift, as shown by the balance of amount standing to the credit of the boys' banking accounts at the end of the term (£217 10s 8d).

Under the present system each boy has a Post Office Savings Bank Book, which is kept for him until he leaves the School.

As sums as small as one penny can be deposited, thrift is being considerably increased. It is a credit to record that there are only a few boys in the School who have not yet commenced a P.O.S. Bank Account.

Save a small amount of your wages each week. You will be surprised by the amount you can save by the time you reach manhood.

Work it out yourself.

The Whitehead Education Shield.

Challenge Shield for Education awarded annually to the leading Company at the Queen Victoria School. Winners of the Shield for 1935, were "C" Company.

TAILORS' COMPETITION, 1935.

Seniors—1st, John Oliver; 2nd, James Oliver; 3rd, John MacKintosh.

Juniors—1st, A. Easton; 2nd, D. Shields; 3rd, M. McLeod.

DARNING CLASS COMPETITION, 1935.

1st, A. McKell; 2nd, J. Georgeson; 3rd, D. Hutchison; 4th, J. L. Kay; 5th, G. Queen.

KIT INSPECTION, 1935.

The Commandant's Kit Inspection, held monthly. Points are awarded for the general appearance of each dormitory and each individual kit. The order of merit is as follows:—1st, "B" Coy.; 2nd, "A" Coy.; 3rd, "D" Coy.; 4th, "C" Coy.

Swimming, 1935.

The Annual Swimming Competition was held on 17th July, 1935.

INTER-COMPANY RELAY.

Senior Division (three lengths)—1st, "B" Coy.; 2nd, "D" Coy.; 3rd, "A" Coy.; 4th, "C" Coy.

Junior Division "A" (two lengths)—1st, "D" Coy.; 2nd, "B" Coy.; 3rd, "C" Coy.; 4th, "A" Coy.

Junior Division "B" (one length)—1st, "D" Coy.; 2nd, "C" Coy.; 3rd, "A" Coy.; 4th, "B" Coy.

The swimming cup, presented by the 1st Glasgow Troop of Boy Scouts, was thus won by "D" Company with 11 points; "B" Company, 8 points; "C" Company, 6 points; "A" Company, 5 points.

INDIVIDUAL DIVING.

Senior Division—1st, G. Long, 35 ft. 2 ins.; 2nd, John Oliver, 32 ft. 10½ ins.; 3rd, J. Jackson, 30 ft. 3 ins.

Junior Division "A"—1st D. Moore, 31 ft. 10½ ins.; 2nd, W. Barclay, 30 ft. 4 ins.; 3rd, G. Dawson, 26 ft. 6½ ins.

INDIVIDUAL RACE.

Senior Division (four lengths), any style—1st, B. Martell, 1 min. 7 secs.; 2nd, W. Douglas, 1 min. 15 2/5 secs.; 3rd, J. Oliver.

Junior Division "A" (three lengths), any style—1st, D. Moore, 54 secs.; 2nd, J. Lindsay, 59 2/5 secs.; 3rd, W. McLachlan, 1 min.

Junior Division "B" (two lengths), any style—1st, C. Hamilton, 33 4/5 secs.; 2nd, R. Dunn, 37 2/5 secs.; 3rd, J. Long, 44 secs.

The Individual Challenge Trophy, "The Fish," presented by Major G. W. Smith, O.B.E., The King's Own Scottish Borderers, was won by Drum-Major B. Martell, "A" Company. This is the second time "Bert" has won this trophy, winning it by 1 min. 7 secs, beating his time of last year of 1 min. 8 4/5 secs.

NOVICES' RACE.

One Length (any style)—1st, E. McKay, 21 secs.; 2nd, P. Docherty, 21 3/5 secs; 3rd, J. Wanless.

The concluding event was the novice race for those boys who had joined since the beginning of the term.

The Commandant said a few words at the conclusion of the meeting, laying particular emphasis on the gratifying standard of swimming in the School, pointing out that there were only 18 boys in the School without qualifying certificates, the two chief reasons of this fact being due to the sympathetic attitude of those concerned, with the instruction, and the grit and determination of the boys themselves. To learn to swim is every boy's DUTY, and the pleasure which this healthy recreation gives is sufficient reward for the trouble taken in acquiring a knowledge of the art in swimming.

It should be remembered that the secret of good swimming is—CONFIDENCE. SLOW DELIBERATE MOVEMENT—otherwise power is wasted. It should be the PRIDE of every boy to gain his certificate.

At the conclusion of the meeting, Colonel S. A. Innes, D.S.O., Commandant, very kindly presented the Inter-Company Relay Championship Cup and the Individual Trophy and certificates of achievement to the winners.

"BUTTONS FROM THE DURZIS."

Since the last issue of "The Victorian" we have lost the services of H. Martin, who is trying his prowess as a bandsman. We welcome the Hall twins and John Macrae, who though small are proving themselves budding tailors. We do not like blowing our balloons too high, but it gives us great credit when we were complimented on our good work by the Commissioners. We are mainly composed of young boys who have only been a short time here, but we hope it will give them good encouragement. We may soon lose the services of John Oliver and Douglas Moore. We wish them the best of luck, and hope they will visit us. We have lost the "Snobs," our next door neighbours, who have been disbanded.

TAILORS' NOTES.

From the shop comes the annual news of joy, of woe, etc. Of late we have had additions to our happy band; we have welcomed them with open arms, and, of course, the famous "Tailors' Exercise." The latest arrivals we have are the "Hall Twins," James and John, and also Macrae. We have had our tailor competition, and have had satisfactory results. John Oliver was first in Class "A," and Alfred Easton was the worthy winner of Class "B." Our late tailors who have left and gone to the services will be pleased to know that we were represented in the Duke of York's Inter-School Trophy by John Oliver and Ewen Coull, who both put up a fine show. Mr Wright has been looking after his happy family, and has been leading us in the steps of our predecessors. We are shortly to lose John Oliver, Willie Ingles and D. Moore, who are going to the services. Well, our stock of news is fading, so farewell till next time.

D. MOORE.

Company Notes.

"A" COMPANY NOTES.

After the Christmas holidays we started life anew under the auspices of C.S.M. Mitten. We started well by winning the Boxing Cup with a lead of 18 points over "D" Company. There was not much to record last term owing to a severe outbreak of scarlet fever. We finished second in the Rugby and Football League. After Easter we soon settled down to train for the sports. It is interesting to note that during the eliminating contests on the Tuesday before Sports Day, "A" Company's 40 runners were set off so as they would arrive in time for the finish on Saturday afternoon. It reflects great credit on their trainer (M. Mooney), who got them in well in time. They arrived on Friday night at Lights Out to the accompaniment of ironical cheers and sarcastic remarks.

We were sorry to lose D. M. Finnie, who was raised to the exalted rank of monitor, and transferred to "C" Coy. We welcome his successor in Bert Martell. We did well on Sports Day and drill in coming second in both. The swimming and shooting has still to be decided, but we stand a good chance for both.

At the end of the term we are to lose several boys in McKenzie, J., Martell, B., Munro, W., Thomson, D., Currie, D., to the Army; Mooney, M., to the R.A.F., and Wilson to the Navy. Several promising young stalwarts have joined in—Gibson, Thomson, I., Thomson, G., Stevenson, Sturrock, McKay and McRae. We extend a hearty welcome to all old "A" Company boys who may visit the School.

M. MOONEY.

"B" COMPANY NOTES.

Hullo, everybody; this is "B" Company broadcasting from the company studio; so tune in and get a load of news. We are feeling the effects of the loss of our old comrades who have gone to the Army and are doing well. We have had a new lot of boys join the Company, but in spite of all this we are doing very well. We had bad luck in the Boxing Competition when a

number of our stars were injured and unable to fight. We have done exceptionally well in the kit inspections, and on Sports Day we snatched a thrilling victory in the Hurdles Relay, and Charlie Mitten retained us the Victor Ludorum, and Ronald McKay retained us the Monitors' Cup. We did very well in the Drill Competition, although we were not top. We hope to have a good chance of lifting the swimming and the shooting, as we have a team of crack shots. Phillips was missed when we went to Edinburgh for his silver plate. We are not able to record much owing to the outbreak of scarlet fever, which ended the term sooner than we expected. After the holidays we will lose Sgt. Easton, Sgt. Pratt, Douglas Moore, Kenneth McLaurin, David Benn, Duncan Brown, and Alex. Phillips, who are joining the Army. C.S.M. Watson's successor is C.S.M. Gutteridge, who has been a great coach to us in both sport and drill. And that is the end of "B" Company's first news summary of 1935. Cheerio everybody!"

W. DOUGLAS.

"C" COMPANY NOTES.

These notes are being composed in the midst of practising for the impending Swimming Competition, where we hope to carry off the cup. The Drill Competition occurred on Wednesday, 10th July, and we are proud to say that we once more regained the cup. The Cricket League is still carrying on, and we only hope that we will once more carry it off and retain the shield on our shelf. We were very sorry to lose our Colour-Corporal, George Macdonald, who was transferred to "D" Company as Band Sergeant. We extend a hearty welcome to our new boy, Dunstan Hutchison, and we hope he will be as good a credit as his brother. We once more welcome—this time our new N.C.O.'s in our Company, namely David Mackenzie and William Inglis to Lance-Corporal, Kenneth Roe and Robert McWilliams to Corporal, Frederick Morton to Colour-Corporal, and Alexander Finnie to Monitor, and we only hope that they will carry on where their predecessors left off. We are very sorry to hear that Gilbert Hutchison is leaving us this summer to join the Royal Air Force, and he is now just waiting for the results of the examination. We wish him the best of luck. We are very proud to know that ex-Band Sergeant W. Burke has joined the Royal Engineers after making a name for himself in Chepstow Technical School, and we hope he will be of great credit in his present occupation. I think that all Monitors, N.C.O.'s and boys of "C" Company are very glad and proud at our C.S.M. being promoted to R.S.M., and he is doing his work very successfully.

R. J. BURKE.

"D" COMPANY NOTES.

"D" Company is once more on the upward path. We managed to regain two cups on Sports Day, and very nearly obtained a third. Sad to say we lost the Drill Cup to "C" Company. Last year's exhibition must have only been a flying visit of the gods. We must congratulate Monitors Davidson and Morgan on their valiant efforts to gain the Monitors' Cup. Although they failed, we feel sure that next year one of them will succeed.

Scarlet fever broke out once more, but in "D" Company this time. Most of "D" Company were isolated for the better part of a week. This isolation rather handicapped various activities which were going on.

All of us are trusting George Long to walk away with the fish at the swimming competition, and we also see a budding Channel swimmer in Cecil Hamilton.

Welcome newcomers to the Company are C. Hamilton, G. Georgeson, J. Taylor and J. Potter.

W. E. HAGAN.

Band Notes.

We started our season's engagements with a visit to Callander. We played at the concert given by the British Legion. We played a programme similar to our school Christmas concert. Messrs Bain and Douglas took part and their act took well.

On returning from leave we began the summer term with a Sunday programme at King's Park, Stirling. Then followed a visit to Perth, where we played a programme on the North Inch. At Alloa Cattle Show our ranks were depleted by scarlet fever. A number of our musicians were isolated from the remainder of the School, owing to a case of scarlet fever. Despite this, we were able to render a programme, and a few of us were heard through amplifiers for the first time. Our visit to Watson's School, Edinburgh, found us complete in number. There, we played a programme, and when we were finished we were able to watch their gymnastic team and club swingers, who interested us greatly.

The next week-end was a busy one for us. Thursday we spent at Newington House, Edinburgh, entertaining war blinded soldiers and their friends. Friday, we officiated at the crowning of Bo'ness's queen. Saturday, we spent at Dunblane's Cattle Show. On Sunday we visited Perth, and owing to a breakdown in the weather we played our afternoon programme in the City Hall. The evening brightened considerably, so we rendered a programme on the North Inch. In all our visits we have seen that the whistling numbers appeal to most people. Our season's engagements will end with a visit to Girvan, to which we are looking forward.

In conclusion, we may say that we wish all those who are leaving us the best of success and luck for their future occupation.

G. A. MACDONALD.

Drum Notes.

R.S.M. Scotland has left us with no little regret on his or our part. He will be pleased to hear that the drummers are still maintaining as high a standard as ever under C.S.M. Watson, his successor. We were sorry to lose two of our best tenor drummers we've had for a long time. Tenor No. 1, Tommy Davidson, joined the Queen's Own Cameron Highlanders, and was succeeded by Davie Aiton, Tenor No. 2, Ted Morgan, who reached the exalted rank of Monitor, is succeeded by Willie Lloyd.

Alex. Finnie, our Drum-Major, also became Monitor, and was succeeded by Bert Martell.

After summer, Bert Martell leaves us to join the Gordons. Best of luck, Bert!

Newcomers to the drums are:—Lyon, Hamilton; F., Dunnigan, late of the Cobblers; Cecil Hamilton, White, McKell, Taylor, Lindsay, Kay and Dunn.

The Visit to Bertram Mills' Circus at Stirling,

Tuesday, the 16th July, dawned dull and dismal. The weather succeeded in maintaining a bright aspect, and the buses conveyed us quickly to Stirling. On arrival at King's Park we alighted and visited the menagerie. There, the seals were squawking noisily, and the tigers, creeping silently about. The horses and ponies were already harnessed in gaudy trappings for their performance. When we had finally satisfied our curiosity we proceeded to the theatre.

A sudden peal from the band welcomed the parade of horses. Their exhibition was very interesting and intelligent. Two acrobats then followed. Their comical and agile antics elicited a loud applause from the audience. Then interesting displays by elephants, ponies and horses were well appreciated. But of all the items, the performance of the seals was the most entertaining. Their ridiculous contortions and gesticulations and balance were very entertaining. To crown all, they concluded by playing the National Anthem on a row of trumpets. The feats of the Japanese artists, the control of the rope dancer and the jumping jack, and the performance of Alberti on the bamboo pole were truly amazing. The boldness of Togare and his tigers was awe inspiring, and then we must not ignore the performance of the Pipe Band. It was a novelty. Togare's exhibition concluded a most complete and well varied programme, which was adequately accompanied by the circus band.

We owe great thanks to Mr Bertram Mills for his kindness and consideration, Mr H. S. Shield and the staff present for the organisation of the party and proceedings.

W. MACDONALD.

Cricket, 1935.

The outbreak of scarlet fever almost curtailed School XI. matches entirely, only four fixtures being completed. This was extremely disappointing, since a splendid fixture list had been obtained. The opening matches of the season indicated that with Monitors McKay and Burke as the nucleus, the School First XI. would maintain the standard of the past.

8th May, Versus Newstead, at Doune.

On a fast and fiery wicket the School ran out the winners of a most exciting struggle by the narrow margin of five runs. Newstead took first knock, but collapsed sensationally before the bowling of Burke, who returned the amazing figures of "seven wickets for seventeen runs." The School, however, found the making of the necessary 51 runs no easy task, and lost eight wickets before the winning hit was made.

Newstead School, 50 (Burke, 7 for 17); Q.V.S., 55.

15th May, Versus Stenhousemuir 3rd XI., at Larbert.

Amidst the phenomenal arctic conditions which invaded the cricket season all over the country (snow actually falling at Kennington Oval on the same day), this match was played on the Wednesday evening at The Tryst. Winning the toss and batting first the School totalled 99, thanks to a profitable stand of 65 by the opening pair, McKay and Burke. With the former's dismissal a collapse set in, only Mitten being able to stay with Burke. Stenhousemuir made a brave bid for victory, but failed by 25 runs, thanks to steady bowling by McKay and Burke backed up by excellent fielding, which was all the more meritorious in such wintry conditions.

Q.V.S., 99—Burke 48, McKay 19.
Stenhousemuir 3rd X., 74—McKay 4 for 27,
Burke, 4 for 25.

25th May, Versus Trinity College, at Glenalmond.

This proved a most enjoyable trip since there was a return to real cricketing conditions. Glenalmond took first knock on a firm and true wicket, and totalled 114. Monitor McKay toiled manfully in the broiling sunshine, and despite fielding lapses returned the excellent figures of 7 for 21.

When the School went to the wicket they found the pace of the wicket too fast, and failed before the fast bowling of the home side, being dismissed for 43.

Glenalmond 3rd X., 114—McKay 7 for 27.
Q.V.S., 43.

29th May, Versus Stanley House, at Dunblane.

In a low scoring game we ran out winners by the margin of 19 runs.

Q.V.S., 59.

Stanley House, 40—McKay 6 for 11.

Despite the few matches played, the performance of the School XI. gave every satisfaction, although figures would seem to indicate that McKay and Burke carried the side on their shoulders. But statistics are not the be and end all of cricket, and a few runs obtained by correct technique is a far better performance than a pile of runs obtained by "agricultural" methods. Mitten showed himself a left-hander of promise, though he must learn to keep his drives on the carpet.

Perhaps the fielding of the eleven was a shade below the level of past School sides, although the cold winds of May and rough outfields may be allowed as extenuating factors. But McKay and Burke were really outstanding with both bat and ball, and if the former would restrain his impetuosity and the latter concentrate on off-side shots, they both have excellent careers in front of them.

We have to thank the Commandant for his successful efforts in getting the School Commissioners to provide us with new School blazers, flannels and boots. Next year we hope to be similarly "treated" to a slip-catching machine—a device which is essential if our fielding is to be kept up to standard.

R. McK.

VALETE.

**Boys who have left the School since
4th January, 1935.**

To H.M. Services.

W. Armstrong—Royal Scots Fusiliers.
D. Beaton—Scots Guards.
W. Nelson—The Cameronians.
N. Ryan—The Black Watch.
J. Robertson—Argyll & Sutherland Highlanders.
J. Stewart—Army Technical Schools (Boys).
J. Ryan—Royal Corps of Signals.
A. Graham—Royal Air Force.
W. Rennie—Q.O. Cameron Highlanders.
J. Bowler—Q.O. Cameron Highlanders.
T. Davidson—Q.O. Cameron Highlanders.
W. Chandler—Q.O. Cameron Highlanders.
A. Hutton—The Cameronians.
A. Loats—Royal Engineers.
G. Goodall—Royal Engineers.

**Boys who have joined H.M. Services since
Leaving the School.**

T. Gibson—R. Scots Greys.
Frank Aitken—Argyll & Sutherland Highlanders
Archie Carruthers—The Gordon Highlanders.

Withdrawn by Parents.

F. McGoolhan.
J. Elrick.
C. Freeman.
A. Queen.
J. Hopkins.

Civil Life.

J. Holmes.
R. Hunter.
*J. More.
P. Wilson.
W. McKay.
A. Ferguson.
J. Roe.
*P. Ewen.

*Medically unfit for the Services.

Promotions and Appointments.

To:—

Senior-Monitor—R. McKay.
Monitor—A. Finnie.
Monitor—S. Morgan.
Drum-Major—B. Martell.
Pipe-Major J. Mackenzie.
Band-Sergeant—G. MacDonald.
Sergeant—G. Hutchison.
Sergeant—A. Pratt.
Sergeant—J. Easton.
Colour-Corporal—D. Aiton.
Colour-Corporal C. Mitten.
Colour-Corporal—F. Morton.
Colour-Corporal—J. Oliver.
Corporal—W. Munro.
Corporal—R. McWilliam.
Corporal—D. Richford.
Corporal—R. McGeechan.
Corporal—D. Benn.
Corporal—W. Douglas.
Corporal—H. Robinson.
Corporal—K. Roe.
Corporal—J. McDermid.
Corporal—W. Bain.

Lance-Corporal—A. Smith.

W. Inglis.
H. Hogg.
J. Fowler.
G. Broadbent.
D. T. Mackenzie.
A. Weddell.
J. Sedstrem.
W. Lloyd.

Swimming Certificates, 1935.

The following boys have been awarded their Swimming Certificate, having passed the qualifying standard:—

"A" Company—J. Campbell, D. Low, E. McKay, T. Morrison, G. Thomson.

"B" Company—Jn. Hall, P. MacDonald, M. McLeod, W. Murray, H. Paterson, G. Queen, J. Wanless.

"C" Company—A. Audsley, J. Braid, J. Cameron, W. Mackenzie, R. Mackie, D. Riddock, I. Stevenson.

"D" Company—P. Docherty, C. Hamilton, D. Inglis, J. McCallum, A. McDermid, J. Taylor, G. Welsh.

Certificates of Education.

First Class Certificate—S/Monitor R. McKay.
Second Class Certificate—D. Aiton, J. Hopkins, J. Yardley, I. Bell, T. Brown, C. Freeman, G. Goodall, C. Mitten, A. Queen, R. Bowes, W. Inglis, E. Monaghan, F. Morton, W. McCabe, H. Reid, J. Roe, G. Watt, F. Winchester, P. Dunnigan, I. Mackintosh, K. Quinn, D. Wicks, J. Mooney, J. Robertson, A. Smith, W. Wilson, D. Benn, T. Deans, J. Easton, N. McLeod, W. Paxton, K. Roe, C. Hayward, A. Hickey, P. McCabe, D. T. Mackenzie, A. Meechan, A. Forsyth, G. Long, R. McGeechan, D. Richford, W. Fowler.

Good Conduct Badges.

The following Good Conduct Badges have been awarded since 18th January, 1935:—

"A" Company—W. Barclay, 1st; J. Fulton, 1st; D. Winton, 1st; D. Campbell, 1st; O. McNicol, 1st; W. Galloway, 1st; D. Low, 1st; A. Runcie, 1st; J. Connell, 1st; C. Robertson, 1st; R. Warr, 1st; J. Nelson, 1st; J. Robertson, 4th; P. Robertson, 4th; A. Smith, 5th.

"B" Company—A. Easton, 1st; W. Hall, 1st; H. Martin, 1st; R. Messer, 1st; H. Gilchrist, 1st; T. Deans, 2nd; G. Broadbent, 2nd; I. Bell, 2nd; D. Moore, 2nd; W. Lloyd, 2nd; W. Fowler, 4th; G. Jones, 4th; J. Fowler, 5th.

"C" Company—W. McLachlan, 1st; J. Lawrence, 1st; T. Meechan, 1st; I. Stevenson, 1st; J. Cameron, 1st; G. Brittan, 1st; J. Maxwell, 1st; R. Bowes, 2nd; C. Hayward, 4th; A. Meechan, 4th; R. Ross, 4th; A. Hickey, 5th.

"D" Company—A. Loyn, 1st; W. Dunn, 1st; W. Hogg, 1st; R. Messer, 1st; R. McWhirter, 1st; J. Plummer, 1st; J. McGoolhan, 1st; T. Love, 1st; P. Gilliland, 1st; G. Long, 2nd; J. Burley, 2nd; R. Quinn, 4th; A. Kirk, 4th; D. Honeyman, 4th; P. Lowe, 4th; J. Mac-4th; D. Honeyman, 4th; P. Lowe, 4th; A. Marr, 4th; J. Macpherson, 4th.

SALVETE.

Boys who have Joined the School since
8th January, 1935.

E. McKay—The Black Watch.
G. Thomson—Royal Army Service Corps.
A. Sturrock—Royal Artillery.
D. Inglis—Royal Army Service Corps.
J. Beveridge—Q.O. Cameron Highlanders.
J. McCallum—King's Own Scottish Borderers.
J. Wanless—Highland Light Infantry.
J. Stevenson—The Black Watch.
T. Thomson—Royal Scots Fusiliers.
F. Gibson—Royal Army Service Corps.
G. E. Dawson—Gordon Highlanders.
E. Hayward—Royal Navy.
P. Docherty—The Cameronians.

W. Mackenzie—The Black Watch.
A. McDermid—Argyll and Sutherland High-landers.

J. M'Rae—Royal Scots Fusiliers.
D. Hutchison—The Black Watch.
J. Kay—The Cameronians.
H. Paterson—The Black Watch.
Jas. Hall—The Black Watch.
Jn. Hall—The Black Watch.
C. Hamilton—Royal Army Service Corps.
J. Potter—Royal Engineers.
G. Queen—Highland Light Infantry.
A. McKell—Q.O. Cameron Highlanders.
G. White—The Cameronians.
J. Georgeson—Argyll & Sutherland Highlanders.
J. Taylor—Royal Artillery.

Old Victorians' Association.

Membership.

All Old Boys who have passed through the School are eligible for membership.

Subscription.

The Headquarters Subscription is 2/- annually, which entitles the member to "The Victorian" (the School Magazine) free.

Particulars as to Branch Subscriptions may be obtained from Branch Secretaries whose addresses are given below.

Badge and Tie.

Members are entitled to wear the Badge and Tie of the Association.

The tie may be obtained from Messrs. Patrick Doyle, Edinburgh (price 2/6), and the badge from the Regimental Sergeant-Major of the School (price 2/-).

Branches.

There are branches in Edinburgh and Glasgow for members in those areas.

Members resident elsewhere, and all serving Service members are affiliated to Headquarters at Dunblane.

Annual General Meeting.

The Annual General Meeting is held at the School on the first Sunday in May, when reports and financial statements from Headquarters and Branches are presented.

Objects.

- (1) To continue the comradeship and fellowship formed during School life.
- (2) To assist boys leaving School to find employment, and to help Old Boys out of work to find employment.
- (3) To make known the School, its aims and objects, and encourage Scottish soldiers, sailors, and airmen to send their boys to it.
- (4) To uphold the good name of the School, and, should occasion arise, the good name of any present or past member of it.

How to Join.

Apply to the Regimental Sergeant-Major of the Queen Victoria School, stating full name, number, year you left the School, and your address.

Or, if resident in or near Edinburgh, apply to the Secretary, Edinburgh Branch, Mr. B. R. WARD, 40 Pilton Park, Edinburgh, giving the above particulars.

If resident in or near Glasgow, apply to the Secretary, Glasgow Branch, Mr G. STIRRATT, 1 Bal-dowie Road, Glasgow, giving the above particulars.

Old Boy Visitors to the School.

Pipe-Major W. Forrest, 1st Bn. King's Own
Scottish Borderers, Catrick.
Sergeant R. R. Spence, 1st Bn. The Gordon
Highlanders, Aberdeen (Depot).
Drummer A. Wilson, Depot, The Black Watch,
Perth.
Piper D. F. MacKinley, 2nd Bn. The Black
Watch, Glasgow.
Drum-Major E. Elder, 2nd Bn. The Black Watch,
Glasgow.
Bandsmen J. L. Brown, 1st Bn. Argyll and
Sutherland Highlanders, Tidworth.
Mr. R. Malloy, Edinburgh (3 Jamaica Street).
Mr. T. L. Tunnah, 9a Fettes Row, Edinburgh.
Mr. Alex. Kidd, 16 Salisbury Street, Edinburgh.
Mr. G. Bulloch, 18 West Hall Gardens, Edin-
burgh.
Mr. B. R. Ward, 40 Pilton Road, Edinburgh.
Mr. G. A. Munro, 260 Easter Road, Edinburgh.
Mr. C. Fergie, 22 Rosemount Buildings, Edin-
burgh.
Mr. A. J. Burns, 43 St Patrick Square, Edin-
burgh.
Mr. W. C. Smith, 11 Henry Street, Edinburgh.
Mr. J. Edwards, 6 Ogilvie Terrace, Edinburgh.
Mr. R. M'P. Swan, Q.V.S., Dunblane.
Mr. J. Baggart, 148 Morrison Street, Edin-
burgh.
Mr. W. D. Barron, 12b Cumberland Street, Edin-
burgh.
Mr. D. M'L. Scobie, 13 Cleveland Street,
Glasgow.
Mr. Jas. Black, 5 Auchenhill Road, Glasgow.
Mr. J. S. MacLeod, 27 Aberfeldy Street, Glasgow
Mr. D. C. Bunch, Thornton Heath, Surrey.

The Annual General Meeting of Old Victorians was held on Sunday, 5th May, 1935, at the School, after attending the divine service in the School Memorial Chapel on the occasion of His Majesty The King's Jubilee thanksgiving, when the Rev. D. P. Hutchison Cockburn delivered an appropriate address to the boys and staff and Old Victorians. Colonel S. A. Innes, D.S.O., Commandant, who presided, welcomed all the Old Victorians present at their annual re-union. After the meeting, the Pipe Band and Military Band entertained the Old Boys. The afternoon was taken up with the swimming bath, games, etc. The week-end seemed to be a delightful one, the weather was glorious, and everyone enjoyed their annual visit to the School.

R.Q.M. Sgt. J. R. Pirie, A.C.I.S., The Royal Scots, The Royal Regiment, an Old Victorian, Primus 1913, was elected an Associate of the Chartered Institute of Secretaries on 9th April, 1935. Congratulations on your achievements "Dick." Best of luck.

Letters to the Editor.

"B" Company, 1st Bn. The Black Watch,
Plassey Barracks,
Barrackpore,
Bengal, 15th May, 1935.

The Editor, "The Victorian."

Dear Sir,—This letter should be dated about four months ago, but it has taken me a while to

get settled down in this place, so now that everything is going all right, I find time to write and let you know how things are going on out here. I intended to give you a visit at the School, but you know what like embarkation leaves are, there's so many people to visit, that it's hard to realise that you are on leave at all. I sailed on the 13th of November on the H.T. "Nevasa," and I had a very interesting trip out. Tommy Barker volunteered to go on the same draft as myself, but he was put back to the next one, and he arrived out here in the first week in March. It is six months since I came out here, but it's more like six weeks. That's one thing I can say about the country, the time can pass quickly. We were on manoeuvres in January at a place called Behrampore Court. It was a proper out-of-the-way spot, and we did a flag march around the district. I went there with the advance party a week before the Battalion, so I had a good chance to have a proper look round the place. We were camped on the Maidan right next to the political prison of Bengal. We were told that there was 500 prisoners inside; but there was nearly as many of a prison staff. The staff are all Pathans from the frontier, and before we left they gave us a display of their dancing. They did the whole thing in the right manner, lit a bonfire, and the troops had to sit in a circle round about them. It was the music that I had to laugh at. There were two pipe players and three drummers. The music was the usual native style, starting very slow, then working the dancers up into a frenzy. How they managed to twist and turn at the speed they finished at I would like to know. The Civil Commissioner inspected us before we left, and we had a big parade. The natives from the prison were on parade as well. I had to laugh when they marched off the parade ground. The tune the band played was the Grenadiers. I was told afterwards that they always pick up the tunes that are played by the Army bands, such as "Highland Laddie" and the "Wearin' o' the Green," etc. It was a very interesting experience, and I was sorry to leave the camp.

I am now working in the Detachment Orderly Room. There are only two Companies left down here in Barrackpore. The remainder of the Battalion is away up the hills to Lebong for the summer, so I will be in here till the beginning of November. It is a very interesting job. All the warrants are different from the 2nd Battalion. Of course it's a case of being under a different Government that makes the difference. This Battalion is due home in about three years' time, but I am anticipating being transferred to the 2nd Battalion when they come out here. There's a crowd of the old boys out here. Most of them are in the Bands; but there's one or two at duty. I see the Band of the 2nd Battalion had a tour in the Riviera this year. Young Winchester would probably be there. Did you get any news from him. I had a postcard sent to me, but I had to pay extra postage on it. That seemed to be the only drawback of the place. The £ was only worth 11s 4d. What a difference to Linland two years ago—the £ was then worth 26s 8d.

This is not a very good station. It is very quiet; but it is only 15 miles from Calcutta, and that's a fine place to have a good time. I have been in once or twice myself. I was born there at Fort William, so it was just like going home.

There's hardly any men out here that you would know. There's only about three Privates with medals, and all the Sergeant-Majors are post-war men. I don't know if you remember a Captain Bucknall. He has been out here two years. He is in charge of the Detachment, and a proper job he makes of it. It's a case of Adjutants' parades all week. Of course, my being in here I get off a lot of them; but they are right aggravating in this weather. The heat seems to be a right clammy heat. The worst part is at night. During the day the sun does not seem to strike you; but when it comes to taking off the shirt then the surprises come. The walking-out dress for Calcutta is white drill; so we look more like ice cream "wallahs" than soldiers. However, the dress is very comfortable.

Well, sir, if I keep banging away at this typewriter much longer, I will be getting the O.R.S. on my track; so I will better draw this letter to a close, hoping this gets you in the best of health, and still in the same good old spirit.

Cheerio, and the best of luck till the next time.—I am, etc., J. FRASER.

(No. 1033, Band-Sergt. James Fraser, late "C" Coy., Q.V.S.)

The Castle,
Dover, Kent, 8th June, 1935.

Dear Sir,—Herewith notes from 2nd Battalion The Seaforth Highlanders, stationed at Dover, but I'm afraid they will have to be "short and sweet," as at present I am extremely busy.

Since our arrival in "Blighty," no additions have come from the School to the Castle, Dover, so that our strength of "Old Boys" remains the same.

At the time of writing, the majority of the Battalion are at Aldershot rehearsing for the Tattoo—a most spectacular event of the year. Only a few "stragglers" are left here in Dover to prepare everything for the arrival of H.R.H. The Prince of Wales who, on the 5th July, will present new colours, on the Duke of York's School Grounds, to the Battalion.

We are glad to see Drummer Boatland a Lance-Corporal. Congratulations "Charlie." He has played all season in the Battalion Soccer Team.

L/C. Alexander, Pte. Carruthers and Dr. Ross have played "Rugger" for the Battalion, and have assisted Dover and the Garrison on a few occasions.

Unfortunately "Rugger" isn't taken up much in this Battalion; but during the Garrison matches we have combined with two other "Old Boys" from The Royal Scots—also stationed in Dover—namely L/Cs. Nealon (Snowball) and Allan.

Our time at present is devoted to the Tattoo at Aldershot, Presentation of Colours, July 5th, Battalion Sports, July 18th, then manœuvres—so we have a busy time in front of us.

Yours faithfully,

(Sgd.) D. G. ALEXANDER, L/C.,
2nd Bn. The Seaforth Highlanders.

(No. 950, late "A" Coy., Q.V.S.)

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The Editor will be much indebted to all readers of "The Victorian" if they will kindly bring the magazine to the notice of any relatives or friends, or any whom they know or hear of who are likely to become Subscribers.

We are pleased to record that the support of the Regiments has been very gratifying. On the 1st of July our list of Regimental Subscribers was as below. We hope to record all Scottish Units in the Christmas number.

"May I draw your attention to 'The Victorian,' the Queen Victoria School Magazine, and ask that you become a regular subscriber."

"There are always sons of members of your Regiment being educated here, and from time to time old boys enlist in it. Thus your Regiment has a permanent interest in the School and its doings. There are two issues a year, July and December, and the annual subscription is 2/- post free."

"Without the support of all Scottish units the magazine must be run at a loss."

P.R.I., 1st Bn. The Argyll & Sutherland Highlanders.

P.R.I., 2nd Bn. The Argyll & Sutherland Highlanders.

P.R.I., Depot, The Black Watch.

President, Sergeants' Mess, Depot, The Black Watch.

P.R.I., 2nd Bn. The Black Watch.

P.R.I., 2nd Bn. The Cameron Highlanders.

P.R.I., Depot, The Cameronians.

President, Sergeants' Mess, 2nd Bn. The Cameronians.

President, Sergeants' Mess, Depot, The Gordon Highlanders.

P.R.I., 2nd Bn. The Gordon Highlanders.

President, Sergeants' Mess, 2nd Bn. The Gordon Highlanders.

President, The Corporals' Mess, 2nd Bn. The Gordon Highlanders.

P.R.I., Depot, The Highland Light Infantry.

President, Sergeants' Mess, Depot, The Highland Light Infantry.

P.R.I., Depot, The King's Own Scottish Borderers.

P.R.I., 1st Bn. The King's Own Scottish Borderers.

President, Sergeants' Mess, Depot, The Royal Scots.

P.M.C., 1st Bn. The Royal Scots.

P.R.I., 1st Bn. The Royal Scots.

President, Sergeants' Mess, 1st Bn. The Royal Scots.

P.R.I., Depot, The Royal Scots Fusiliers.

P.R.I., 1st Bn. The Royal Scots Fusiliers.

P.R.I., The Royal Scots Greys.

President, Sergeants' Mess, The Royal Scots Greys.

Regimental Adjutant, Regimental Association, The Scots Guards.

The Honorary Treasurer, The Seaforth Highlanders' Association.

P.R.I., Depot, The Seaforth Highlanders.

President, The Sergeants' Mess, Depot, The Seaforth Highlanders.

P.R.I., 1st Bn. The Seaforth Highlanders.

P.R.I., 2nd Bn. The Highland Light Infantry.

P.R.I., 1st Bn. The Black Watch.

P.R.I., 1st Bn. The Gordon Highlanders.

Old Victorians, 1st Bn. The Royal Scots Greys (Royal Regiment).

All subscriptions due will be thankfully received.

The Sir Robert Cranston Memorial Prize Essay, 1935.

Citizenship.

By Sergt. William Hagan.

Have you ever wondered why men do not live alone? Admittedly there are hermits who cut themselves off from the world and live a life of dreary isolation. Fortunately these fellows who live like white elephants are rare, and are regarded as foolish by their fellowmen. As a matter of fact, it is unnatural for men to live alone. The social instinct is inherent in man; it is very strong, and drives them to "herd" together as it does other animals of a gregarious disposition.

The simple truth is that men have need of one another in many ways, as a person can easily see on thinking the matter over. Thus it has happened that from the earliest times men have associated together—lived in settlements—either of the very large family or of the tribe. It was only of time and opportunity, and the needs of an ever-increasing population, that caused communities of the same race, and for these societies to develop into kingdoms and nations possessing fertile countries and populous cities.

So it is to-day that we give the name of citizen to the fully-fledged member of the State—man or woman. The citizen need no longer be merely a member of his own particular town or city so long as he is one of the nation, and possesses the "rights" that his membership of the State confer upon him he is called a citizen. We get the word citizen from the Latin word "civis," which meant a fully-fledged member of any town or city in the Roman Empire.

Citizenship is the privilege of everyone born who reaches an adult age. In ancient times it used to be bought for large sums of money, but to-day it is free. It does not need to be won by any exceptional skill, nor does an examination have to be passed in order to gain it. It is ours by right of birth, and we can claim it without payment in any form. Whether deserved or not, it is the rich possession of all those who are fortunate enough to live in organised communities.

It is necessary that the social intercourse of men should be carried out on certain lines, and civic "rights" as well as "duties" must follow as consequences. But this is only half the truth. The other half will be found in the idea and fact of private property. With the beginning of this idea and fact also began the idea and fact of one man's right against another. This is a true key to unlock the problem of civic rights. The right of private possession is the very basis of man's civic rights.

Another fact of tremendous importance is that we are all born free men and women. Our freedom of birth gives us big natural privileges. These natural privileges are in some States considered dangerous to the common welfare, and are consequently checked, regulated or denied. In the British State our natural privileges have been turned into civic rights, and are enjoyed by every citizen.

In medieval times the common people had little time in which to relieve the monotony of their daily toil. His only chance of social free-

dom was when he saw an occasional cock or dog fight or a wrestling match to change his daily routine, apart from a Holy or Festival Day. The check of his privilege in this direction is best seen in the fact that when he wanted to make a journey or live in some other place he had to obtain the special permission of both the Lord of the Manor and the priest.

To-day, the liberty or privilege of social freedom is enjoyed by one and all. The poor as much as the rich; the poor man's means of enjoying it are less than that is all. A man can live wherever he wishes, go where he chooses, talk to and visit whom he pleases. He can change his mode of occupation, his religion, and his habits of life. He can marry whom he pleases, and bring up his children as he thinks best.

A man who can afford to spend money can spend as much of it and time as he desires on travel, art, education, research, or even amusement. A man can travel anywhere within the borders of his land, in time of peace, without permission.

Although a man can travel during times of peace without permission, he has to get the written permission of the Government to leave it for foreign travel. This permission is generally granted. Except in war time, when enquiries are close and severe, and very few people are allowed to leave the country, this permission is only a formality. All the same it is necessary to get it in the shape of a Passport, and it may be refused.

Again, he is not free in the vital matter of education. The Government compels all children to go to school until they reach a certain age. Any person who prevents his children from going to school will be fined and is liable to be sent to prison.

Examined closely, these restrictions appear in the light of necessary precautions. They safeguard the social interests and welfare of the State. Nobody grumbles at them. As a matter of fact they are apt to say that a little more Government interference would make the State much healthier and more prosperous.

Generally speaking, however, we are socially free to-day. So long as we respect and obey the law we can pursue whatever social line of life we wish.

Lastly, whatever part of this privilege the State calls upon us to surrender, we ought to give up willingly; our small loss is for the big gain of the State as a whole. And, in any case, we shall not be called upon to surrender more than we can well afford.

Monitors' Room Notes.

There has been no impending examination to damp our spirits this term, so we have come through it with a clear conscience. However, our conscience has not been absolutely clear. There were the sports. Instead of the usual 220 yards handicap we had to compete in eight events. There was a deal of enthusiasm about the sports, and we indulged in plenty of training.

Since our last issue we have lost the valiant services of John Ryan, who has joined the Royal Signal Corps. We wish him success in his future career. We hear, much to our pleasure,

that he has been showing to advantage in soccer, rugby and running.

In his place we welcome two newcomers, Alex. Finnie and Bryson Morgan. We would like to congratulate them on their promotion.

We have been glad to see Willie Ramsay, Allan Hogg, Verdun Rosie and Jackie Wright, all of whom have visited us lately. They are all doing well in their various positions.

In case some of the Old Monitors have forgotten, we still do our early morning gyms.

As there has been, unfortunately, little cricket this season, we are looking forward keenly to rugby next season.

The Monitors' Club is still going strong, and the receipts are mounting up.

We would like to thank the Commandant for his successful effort in obtaining a grant from the Commissioners to assist us in the furnishing the Monitors' Room.

R. J. McK.

Gifts to the School.

1st July, 1934, to 30th June, 1935.

A

Anderson, Mrs and Miss.	£4	4	0
Anderson, Wm., & Sons, Ltd.	1	1	0
Anandale, Capt. E.	2	2	0
Aitken, Miss E.	2	2	0
Auld, John, Esq.	3	3	0
Addison-Smith, Lieut.-Colonel C. L., C.B.E.	0	10	6
Addison-Smith, Mrs C. L.	0	10	6
Addison-Smith, D. L., Esq.	0	10	6
Addison-Smith, Robt., Esq.	0	10	6
Addison-Smith, Miss	0	10	6
Addison-Smith, Miss A.	0	10	6

B

Buchanan-Smith, Major A. D.	1	1	0
Burn-Murdoch, W. G. Esq.	1	0	0
Buchanan-Blake, Mrs	0	2	6
Buchanan, Chas. A., Esq.	6	0	0
Bolton, Sir Ian, Bart.	1	0	0
Brodie-Wood, Miss	0	10	0
Black, Colonel G. H.	10	0	0
Barrie, William, Esq.	1	0	0
Burn-Murdoch, Dr and Mrs	1	0	0
Blackburn, The Hon. Lord	1	1	0
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