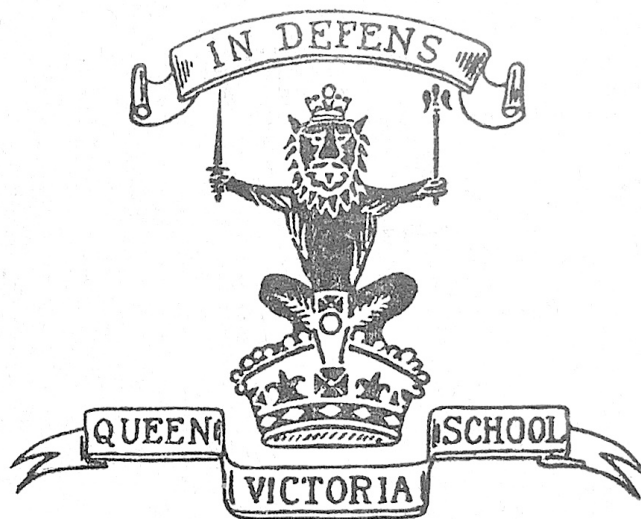


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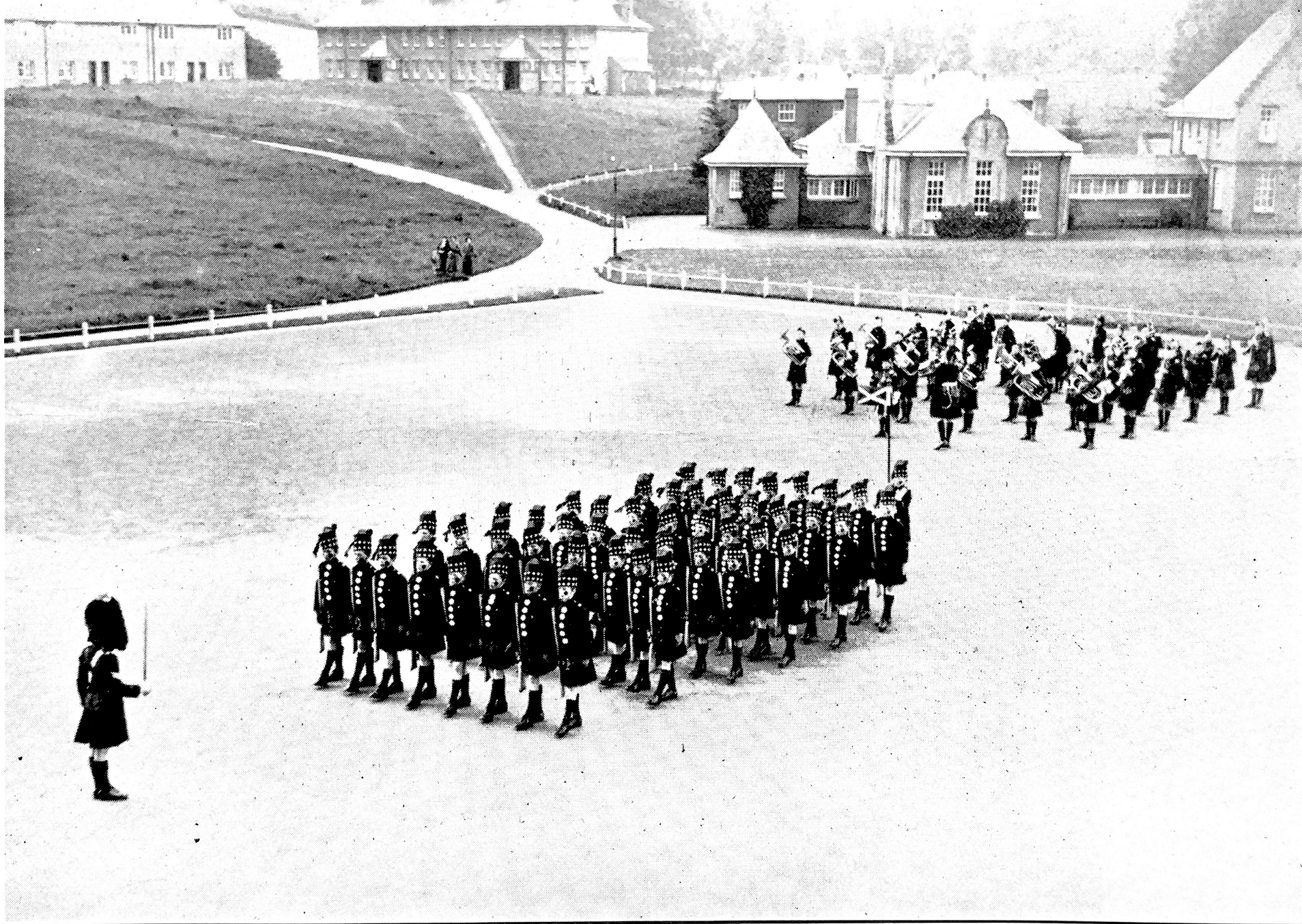
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Toy Soldiers.
The Services Display—Glasgow, 1938.

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Editorial.

LOOKING back to the time of our last issue, the scene seems to have been filled with boys assuming wooden postures and expressions—no, not in the classrooms this time—and accompanied by a weird animal which sometimes reminded us of a horse, sometimes a donkey, sometimes a mule, and generally as if it were a consequence of Noah's careless stowage of his quadrupeds. We refer, of course, to the preparations for the "Toy Soldiers" item given in the Services Display at the Empire Exhibition. The "Toy Soldiers" made a hit with the spectators, as witness the excerpts from the press given elsewhere in this issue.

The boys not taking part in the Services Display had a "school visit" to the Exhibition through the kindness of H.M. Commissioners. They also saw the dress rehearsal of the Display. To those who have never experienced the task of conducting a party of youngsters around a crowded exhibition and attempted not losing them in an Amusement Park, it would indeed be waste of space to give a description. Enough to say that for staff and boys alike it was a big day.

Going back to the winter term, there is only the usual procession of events to record. The Perthshire Musical Festival entries were as successful as in previous years. A summary of the results is given elsewhere.

Early in January, nine boys sat for the Army Apprentice examination. All passed well up the list, Ian Stevenson coming sixth. Since then two other examinations have been held and another dozen boys have been attracted by the possibilities the Army now offers for learning a trade and entering the modern mechanised sections.

At the beginning of the year we had changes in the Staff. Pipe-Major F. F. Ross left us after over ten years on the school staff. We miss his cheery presence, but wish him happiness and success among the Portsmouth Sassenachs. So far his place has not been filled, but Pipe-Major J. M. Geddes from the Depot, Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders, has been carrying on in his off-duty times. A new arrival is Company Sergeant-Major W. Dunglison, late Highland Light Infantry, who is also in charge of the drummers and buglers. At this late date we extend a hearty welcome, and hope his stay in the School will be long and happy.

While referring to arrivals and departures, congratulations are due to ex-Warrant Officer

J. Webber, B.A., A.E.C., who left us a year last January, and who, on last Whit Sunday, was ordained in the Episcopal Church at Aberdeen. He is now serving an Aberdeenshire parish, and we extend our best wishes to him and Mrs Webber.

Other "newsy" items refer to light. Gas lamps now adorn a pillar at each gate. On dark winter nights when one descended from a well lit bus the subsequent groping in the dark for so large an area as the school entrance, and in some notable instances, the unexplainable stumbles, rather gave ground for shadowy reflections on otherwise sober reputations. Before, we saw as in a glass darkly; now our light so shineth before men that we walk without trembling within.

Inside the school the electric wiring has been renewed. The new system of lamp shades in the principal rooms is a great improvement, especially in the Dining Hall and the Central Hall. The electricians doing the contract were so long with us that we now miss their wire traps and topical ditties filling the corridors. At least one member of the firm concerned learned that porcelain lamp shades should not be left on stairs which fifty boys, whooping to the swimming bath, might suddenly decide to descend. But even he could not restrain his admiration for us because, as he surveyed the fragments, he was heard to observe, "It's a great — place, this is."

Lastly, there was the annual inspection by War Office of the work in the classrooms. This year, besides having the first visit of Colonel C. G. Maude, D.S.O., O.B.E., M.C., Chief Inspector, Army Educational Corps, and Major A. R. McIvor, M.B.E., A.E.C., we had a representative of the Scottish Education Department, Dr. J. C. Stewart, who joined the above in their inspection. The object of the latter's visit was to survey the possibility of our boys being presented for the Department's Junior Leaving Certificate. The whole matter is at present the subject of anxious thought, because the Department's requirements are bound to affect our present time-table. Whatever the changes, they will be worthwhile, because the school will come "on the map" of Scottish Education, whereas, formerly, it was a Scottish School for Scottish boys outside the province of the national Education Department. The advantages to boys proceeding to civil life are obvious, and as we shall still be under the Army Council the advantages thereby gained will still be with us.

In conclusion we wish all boys and staff a happy time and good weather for their summer holiday.

"The Victorian."

The Editor acknowledges, with thanks, subscriptions to "The Victorian."

To those who are not already regular subscribers the following information might, perhaps, not be out of place.

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The Editor will be much indebted to all readers of "The Victorian" if they will kindly assist him in his efforts to make the magazine of more general interest, especially to the boys who are still resident in the school.

Articles, serious or of light nature, original or otherwise, snapshots, etc., which are considered might be of general interest, will be most gratefully received.

Finally, without the support of all Scottish Units this magazine must be run at a loss.

Visitors to the School since the last Issue of "The Victorian."

Major J. D. Russell, M.C., Commanding The Depot, H.L.I.
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Major A. Skinner, Royal Artillery, D.A.A.G., Scottish Command.
Colonel C. G. Maude, D.S.O., O.B.E., M.C., Inspector, Army Educational Corps.
Major A. R. M'Ivor, M.B.E., A.E.C.
Doctor J. C. Stewart, His Majesty's Inspector of Schools.
Major F. G. Morley, M.C., R.A.O.C.
Major P. Shaw, M.B.E., Highland Light Infantry.

Miss de B. Ewing.
Mr A. W. Duncan.
Major General J. S. Drew, D.S.O., M.C., A.D.C., G.O.C., 52nd (Lowland) Division, and Mrs Drew.
Miss M. MacGregor.
Captain C. P. Johnston, The Seaforth Highlanders.
Major General P. C. S. Hobart, D.S.O., O.B.E., M.C., Director of Military Training, War Office, and Mrs Hobart.

Gifts to the School.

Lt.-Colonel Chilton L. Addison-Smith, C.B.E., Honorary Treasurer of the School, has received the following subscriptions for the period from 15th December, 1927 to 30th June, 1938, viz.:—

Caledonian Society of Switzerland ...	£2	2	0
Church of Scotland Troops at Redford Barracks ...	1	1	0
Mrs Claude Gray Buchanan ...	1	0	0
Royal Scots Regimental Donation Fund ...	15	0	0
United Services Trustee, being Army Council's grant from profits of the Royal Tournament, 1937 ...	99	0	0
Scottish Union Jack Club Association	20	0	0
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General Sir Archibald R. Cameron, G.B.E., K.C.B., C.M.G., Colonel of The Black Watch ...	11	4	0
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Air Ministry, being donation from Royal Air Force share of profits from Royal Tournament, 1937 ...	5	0	0
J. H. M. Clark, Esq. ...	1	0	0
2nd Battn., Highland Light Infantry (City of Glasgow Regiment) ...	2	0	0
Caledonian Society, Sierra Leone ...	5	5	0
Earl Haig Fund for Scholarship Fund	100	0	0
Do., General Purposes ...	100	0	0
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Melville Gray, Esq. ...	2	0	0
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Lt.-Colonel A. D. Buchanan Smith ...	1	1	0
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T. Potter, Jun., Esq. ...	0	2	6
Lady Mackie ...	2	0	0
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Trustees of the late Miss Margaret Scott Ainslie of Elvingston, Macmerry ...	1000	0	0
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Miss Monteath	1	1	0
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1st and 2nd Battn. The Seaforth Highlanders' Charitable Fund, per Lt.-Colonel C. L. Addison-Smith, C.B.E.	3	3	0
Sir. Jas. R. Wilson, Bart.	2	2	0
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Brig.-General Sir Norman A. Orr-Ewing, Bart., D.S.O., A.D.C. ...	2	2	0
Major J. Lindsay Pullar	3	3	0
Colonel The Hon. David Bruce, D.I.	2	0	0
Mrs Sandeman	2	2	0
Lt.-Colonel Chilton L. Addison-Smith, C.B.E.	0	10	6
Mrs Chilton L. Addison-Smith	0	10	6
R. Addison-Smith, Esq.	0	10	6
Miss Addison-Smith	0	10	6
Miss Nancy Addison-Smith	0	10	6

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 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).
- "The 79th News" (Queen's Own Cameron Highlanders).
- "The Thin Red Line" (2nd Bn. Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders).
- "Links" (A.V.T.C., Aldershot).
- "Cabar Feidh" (The Seaforth Highlanders).
- "The Tiger and Sphinx" (The Gordon Highlanders).

Regimental Prizes.

- No award this year—Royal Scots Greys.
- 1620, D/Major West, G., "D," Scots Guards.
 - 1608, Sergt. Robertson, D., "A," Royal Scots.
 - 1682, C/Cpl. Davidson, W., "B," Royal Scots.
 - 1642, L/Cpl. McRae, J., "A," Royal Scots Fusiliers.
 - 1627, Sergt. McCallum, J., "D," K.O.S. Borderers.
 - 1518, Boy Arnold, G., "C," Cameronians.
 - 1655, Boy Dunnigan, N., "D," Black Watch (Wauchope Prize).
 - 1631, Cpl. McKay, E., "A," Black Watch.
 - 1615, Boy Musk, S., "C," Black Watch.
 - 1658, Boy Neill, W., "C," Black Watch.
 - 1621, Sergt. McLeod, M., "B," Highland Light Infantry.

- 1649, Boy Queen, G., "B," Highland Light Infantry.
- 1599, Cpl. Gilchrist, M., "B," Seaforth Highlanders.
- 1616, Cpl. Welsh, G., "D," Seaforth Highlanders.
- 1635, Cpl. Dawson, E., "C," Gordon Highlanders.
- 1650, Cpl. McKell, A., "B," Cameron Highlanders.
- 1596, Cpl. Stevenson, I., "C," A. & S. Highlanders.
- 1586, Sergt. McKilligan, P., "C," A. & S. Highlanders.
- 1580, Acting Monitor Plummer, J., "A," K.O.S. Borderers.

Piping and Highland Dancing.

Since our last issue of "The Victorian," "Pipey" F. F. Ross has left us, and the vacancy has been filled by Pipe-Major Geddes, late the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders. We have every hope of his being a worthy successor to "Pipey," and of his bringing the pipers' playing up to a high standard. The rest of the Pipe Band, the Drummers, are in the able hands of C.S.M. W. Dunglison, late of the Highland Light Infantry. The following is a list of engagements since Christmas, 1937:—

Callander (twice); Murrayfield (twice), Rugby Internationals v. Wales and Ireland; Dollar Academy, Trossachs Hotel, Denny Cattle Show, Dunblane Cattle Show, Princes Street Gardens, Holyrood Palace, Gleneagles Hotel (twice), Ballinluig, Birnam.

Our annual competitions were held on 14th June, 1938, and the following awards were made:

PIPING.

Class A.

Slow March—1, A. McDermid, D Coy.; 2, A. Garvie, A Coy.; 3, G. Queen, B Coy.

Quick March—1, G. Queen, B Coy.; 2, A. McDermid, D Coy.; 3, A. Garvie, A Coy.

Strathspey and Reel—1, G. Thomson, A Coy.; 2, G. Queen, B Coy.; 3, A. McDermid, D Coy.

Class B.

Slow March—1, S. Musk, C Coy.; 2 (equal), H. Paterson, B Coy., and J. McLeod, B Coy.

Quick March—1, W. Clark, C Coy.; 2, D. Hutchison, C Coy.

HIGHLAND DANCING.

Class A.

Highland Fling—1, G. Thomson, A Coy.; 2, G. Welsh, D Coy.; 3, W. Clark, C Coy.; 4, S. Musk, C Coy.

Swords—1, G. Thomson, A Coy.; 2, G. Welsh, D Coy.; 3, R. Dunn, D Coy.; 4, S. Musk, C Coy.

Sean Trubhias—1, G. Thomson, A Coy.; 2, G. Welsh, D Coy.

Class B.

Highland Fling—1, K. Campbell, A Coy.; 2, John Beveridge, B Coy.; 3, J. Marr, D Coy.

Swords — 1, K. Campbell, A Coy.; 2, D. Hutchison, C Coy.; 3, J. Wilson, D Coy.

Company Ceremonials and Reels—1, D, 20, 16—36; 2, B, 17, 18—35; C, 15, 20—35 (equal); 4, A, 15, 19—34. R. G. R.

Drum Notes.

Since the last issue of "The Victorian," the loss of some of our best drummers has been compensated by the gain of a new Drum Instructor in C.S.M. Duglison, late of the Highland Light Infantry. Mr Duglison, we are glad to say, is keeping our Drumming up to that high standard set previously by R.S.M. Watson.

Our losses include Donald Campbell, Ian Stevenson, and Alan McRell, who have all joined the services. We also regret the loss of William Hall who, unfortunately, was medically unfit for the Army, and went to civilian life. Their places have been filled by a number of promising new boys in Niven, Sinclair, Mathewson, Yule, McRae, Laurie, and Duncan, so the outlook for the drummers is better than we anticipated.

The Pipe Band engagements this term have not been very numerous owing to various other activities, particularly the rehearsals for the Toy Soldiers' Display at Ibrox Park, Glasgow.

The winners in the Drumming and Bugling Competitions were as follows:—

(a) Senior Drumming—1, R. Denholm; 2, A. Dick; 3, L. West.

(b) Senior Bugling—1, R. Denholm; 2, J. Kay; 3, J. Baxter.

(c) Junior Drumming—1, N. M'Fadyen; 2, J. Ridney; 3, D. Lennon.

Inter-School Challenge Cup.

The five athletic events in connection with annual Inter-Schools Competition between the Duke of York's Royal Military School, Dover, and the Queen Victoria School, Dunblane, were decided at Dunblane on Thursday, 14th July, 1938.

As will be seen from the following results we have, for one more year, to acknowledge the superiority of our sister school at Dover in each event contested.

Well done, The Dukies. Heartiest congratulations. Our thanks are due to Messrs A. P. Tregenna, and J. W. Barty, of Dunblane, who very kindly officiated as neutral referees on this occasion.

Long Jump—

D.Y.R.M. School.	Q.V. School.
1, 16ft.	16ft. 2ins.
2, 15ft. 8ins.	15ft. 2ins.
3, 14ft. 9ins.	14ft. 6ins.
Total—46ft. 5ins.	Total—45ft. 10ins.
Avg. —15ft. 5 $\frac{1}{3}$ ins.	Avg. —13ft. 8ins.

High Jump—

1, 4ft. 6 $\frac{3}{4}$ ins.	4ft. 2ins.
2, 4ft 4ins.	4ft. 2ins.
3, 4ft. 2 $\frac{3}{4}$ ins.	4ft. 1ins.
Total—13ft. 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ ins.	Total—12ft. 5ins.
Avg. — 4ft. 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ ins.	Avg. — 4ft. 1 $\frac{3}{4}$ ins.

Throwing Cricket Ball—

1, 193ft. 6ins.	191ft. 4ins.
2, 188ft.	167ft. 11ins.
3, 172ft.	188ft. 3ins.

Total—553ft. 6ins.	Avg. —182ft. 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ ins.
Avg. —184ft. 6ins.	Total—547ft. 4ins.

440 Yards Relay—

Time, 53 4/5ths secs. Time, 56 secs.

880 Yards Relay—

Time, 1 min. 53 1/5th secs. Time, 1 min. 58 4/5th secs.

Promotions and Appointments.

The following Promotions and Appointments have been made since January:—

- 1545, Mon. J. Long to be S/Mon. vice Robinson.
- 1580, Cpl. J. Plummer to be Acting Mon. vice Robinson.
- 1498, P/M. R. Ross, Acting Mon.
- 1586, Cpl. P. McKilligan to be B/Sergeant vice Love.
- 1608, Cpl. D. Robertson to be Sergeant vice C. Robertson.
- 1675, Boy A. Tweedie to be C/Corporal vice McLauchlan.
- 1631, L/C. E. McKay to be Corporal vice D. Robertson.
- 1629, L/C. A. Sturrock to be Corporal vice Galloway.
- 1628, L/C. W. Davidson to be Corporal vice McKilligan.
- 1660, L/C. E. Mullen to be Corporal vice Lyon.
- 1641, L/C. A. McDiarmid to be Corporal vice Plummer.
- 1662, Boy T. Warne to be L/Corporal vice McKay.
- 1664, Boy T. Mooney to be L/Corporal vice Sturrock.
- 1645, Boy A. Patterson to be L/Corporal vice Davidson.
- 1691, Boy J. Meenaghan to be L/Corporal vice Mullen.
- 1686, Boy J. McKendrick to be Corporal vice McCallum.
- 1599, L/C. E. Gilchrist to be Corporal vice Murray.
- 1644, Boy J. Kay to be L/Corporal vice Gilchrist.
- 1660, Cpl. E. Mullen to be Sergeant vice McCallum.
- 1627, Cpl. J. McCallum to be Sergeant.
- 1629, Cpl. A. Sturrock to be C/Corporal vice D. Campbell.
- 1682, Cpl. W. Davidson to be C/Corporal vice H. Martin.
- 1665, L/C. J. Richardson to be C/Corporal vice Murdoch.
- 1662, L/C. F. Warne to be Corporal vice J. Campbell.
- 1664, L/C. T. Mooney to be Corporal vice Sturrock.
- 1645, L/C. H. Patterson to be Corporal vice W. Hall.
- 1650, L/C. A. McKell to be Corporal vice Davidson.

- 1659, Boy A. Garvie to be L/Corporal vice Warne.
 1609, Boy R. Mackie to be Corporal vice Meechan.
 1673, Boy G. Smillie to be L/Corporal vice Mooney.
 1748, Boy T. McDonald to be L/Corporal vice McKell.
 1604, Boy R. Denholm to be L/Corporal vice Patterson.
 1688, Boy R. Morton to be L/Corporal vice Mackie.
 1666, Boy W. Richardson to be L/Corporal vice J. Richardson.

Boxing Competition.

The annual Boxing Competition was held on 30th March, 1938. The judges were:—Referee, Colonel A. Stirling of Garden; Judges—Captain B. A. Innes, The Black Watch (R.H.R.), and Captain W. L. Clarke, M.B.E., A.E.C.

"B" Company won the Boxing Cup for the year. The following were the points gained by each Company:—"B," 106; "D," 101; "A," 86; "C," 85.

The individual winners were:—

- Class I. (60-65 lbs.)—D. Lennon, "C" Coy., beat I. Tollerton, "C" Coy.
 Class II. (66-70 lbs.)—A. Sturrock, "A" Coy., beat E. Donnelly, "B" Coy.
 Class III. (71-75 lbs.)—J. Tollerton, "C" Coy., beat J. Richardson, "D" Coy.
 Class IV. (76-80 lbs.)—W. Davidson, "B" Coy., beat R. Denholm, "B" Coy.
 Class V. (81-85 lbs.)—A. Sturrock, "A" Coy., beat G. Smillie, "A" Coy.
 Class VI. (86-90 lbs.)—T. Mooney, "A" Coy., beat A. Dunn, "D" Coy.
 Class VII. (91-95 lbs.)—G. Arnold, "C" Coy., beat J. Wilson, "D" Coy.
 Class VIII. (96-100 lbs.)—E. McKay, "A" Coy., beat A. Audsley, "C" Coy.
 Class under 60 lbs.—James Hall, "B" Coy., beat J. McCombe, "B" Coy.
 Class over 100 lbs.—G. West, "D" Coy., beat D. Robertson, "A" Coy.

Novices.

- Class III. (66-70 lbs.)—H. Wheelan, "A" Coy., beat E. Cole, "D" Coy.
 Class IV. (71-75 lbs.)—J. Baxter, "B" Coy., beat T. McMullan, "D" Coy.
 Class VIII. (91-95 lbs.)—A. Tweedie, "C" Coy., beat R. Mackie, "C" Coy.
 Class X. (over 100 lbs.)—E. Griffin, "D" Coy., beat D. Campbell, "A" Coy.
 Best Loser throughout the Competition—H. Harrison, "C" Coy.

The Perthshire Musical Festival, 1938.

A summary of the entries from the School in this year's festival is given, together with the awards gained. No vocal choir was entered, but it is hoped to rectify this omission next year.

To the dancers we offer special congratulations on a truly amazing performance.

DANCERS.—Description—"Scots Bonnet," 22 entries, 90 marks, 2nd place, Honours Certificate. "Johnny McGill," 1 entry, 91 marks, 1st place; Honours Certificate. "Eightsome Reel," 12 entries, 90 marks, 1st place, Honours Certificate.

PERCUSSION BAND. — (a) Little Dunmow Country Dance, 2 entries, 87 marks, 2nd place, Merit Certificate; (b) Russian Dance, 85 marks.

ENSEMBLE ELOCUTION.—(a) "Up the Airy Mountain," 8 entries, 84 marks, equal 6th place; (b) "The Hunt is Up," 83 marks; (a) "Song of the Fox," 4 entries, 85 marks, 2nd place, Merit Certificate; (b) "Cradle Song," 87 marks.

NOTE.—84 per cent. and under 90 per cent. gains a Certificate of Merit; 90 per cent. and over gains a Certificate of Honour.

Queen Victoria School Sports.

TROPHIES.

The annual sports of the School were held in the Recreation Field of the School on Saturday afternoon in presence of a large number of spectators. The various events were keenly contested and the arrangements gave every satisfaction. The following were the prize-winners:—

Relay Cup.—Winners—"A" and "D" Coy. (10 points each); 3, "C" Coy. (6 points); 4, "B" Coy. (4 points).

Hurdles Relay Cup.—Winners—"D" Coy. (4 points); 2, "C" Coy. (3 points); 3, "A" Coy. (2 points); 4, "B" Coy. (1 point).

Inter-Company Championship. — Winners—"A" Coy. (33 points); 2, "D" Coy. (32½ points); "C" Coy. (27 points); 4, "B" Coy. (17½ points).

Victor Ludorum Cup and Silver Medal.—Winner—G. West (12 points); Bronze Medal—D. Robertson (10 points).

Monitors' Cup and Silver Medal.—Winner—G. Broadbent (13 points); Bronze Medal—E. Monaghan (6 points).

Long Jump.—Senior Division, C.C., V.L.—1st, G. West, 14ft. 8½ins.; 2nd, D. Robertson, 14ft. 4ins.; 3rd, E. Griffin, 14ft. 2½ins. Points—"A" Coy., 3; "B" Coy., 1; "C" Coy., 2; "D" Coy., 4.

Long Jump.—Junior Division "A," C.C.—1st, L. West, 13ft. 3½ins.; 2nd, I. Duncan, 12ft. 4ins.; 3rd, A. Robertson, 12ft. 3½ins. Points—"A" Coy., 3; "B" Coy., 1; "C" Coy., 4; "D" Coy., 2.

Throwing the Cricket Ball.—Senior Division, C.C., V.L.—1st, G. West, 210ft. 9ins.; 2nd, D. Robertson, 171ft. 6½ins.; 3rd, E. Hayward, 169ft. 4½ins. Points—"A" Coy., 2; "B" Coy., 1; "C" Coy., 3; "D" Coy., 4.

Throwing the Cricket Ball.—Junior Division "A," C.C.—1st, A. Sturrock, 153ft. 10ins.; 2nd, R. Morton, 153ft. 5½ins.; 3rd, H. Warburton, 152ft. 9½ins. Points—"A" Coy., 2; "B" Coy., 4; "C" Coy., 3; "D" Coy., 1.

Relay Race.—Junior Division "A," C.C.—Winners—"A" Coy., Time, 1 min. 2 2/5ths secs. Points—"A" Coy., 4; "B" Coy., 1; "C" Coy., 3; "D" Coy., 2.

Relay Race.—Senior Division, C.C.—Winners—"D" Coy., Time 1 min. 55 1/5ths secs. Points—"A" Coy., 3; "B" Coy., 1; "C" Coy., 2; "D" Coy., 4.

Alarm Race.—Junior Division "A."—1st, Andy Robertson; 2, J. Audsley; 3r, W. McCabe.

Relay Race.—Junior Division "B," C.C.—Winners—"D" Coy. Time, 1 min. 5 secs. Points—"A" Coy., 3; "B" Coy., 2; "C" Coy., 1; "D" Coy., 4.

High Jump.—Junior Division "A," C.C.—1st, I. Duncan; 2nd, H. Warburton; 3rd (equal), A. Robertson, G. Gallacher, D. Hutchison, E. Bulmer. Points—"A" Coy., 3; "B" Coy., 1 1/2; "C" Coy., 4; "D" Coy., 1 1/2.

440 Yards.—Senior Division, V.L.—1st G. West. Time 60 4/5ths secs.; 2nd, J. Tollerton; 3rd, D. Robertson.

Staff Children's Race.—Girls—1st Nancy Pears; 2nd, June Dunglison; 3rd, Joyce McRobbie.

100 Yards Race.—Junior Division "B."—1st, D. Hume, Time 13 4/5ths secs.; 2nd, D. McIntyre; 3rd, G. Dunn.

Staff Children's Race.—Boys—1st James Beattie; 2nd, G. Maxwell; 3rd, V. Beattie.

Hurdles Relay Race.—Senior Division—Winners—"D" Coy. Time, 1 min. 26 3/5ths secs. Points—"A" Coy., 2; "B" Coy., 1; "C" Coy., 3; "D" Coy., 4.

220 Yards' Race.—Junior Division "A."—1st, R. Dyke, Time 30 3/5ths secs.; 2nd, L. West; 3rd, A. Robertson.

Mystery Race.—Inter-Company—Winners—"B" Coy.; 2nd "A" Coy.; 3rd, "C" Coy.; 4th, "D" Coy.

High Jump.—Senior Division, C.C., V.L.—1st, D. Robertson, 4ft. 5ins.; 2nd, E. McKay, 4ft. 4ins.; 3rd, Tollerton, 4ft. 2ins. Points—"A" Coy., 4; "B" Coy., 2; "C" Coy., 1; "D" Coy., 3.

Ladies' Race.—1st, Miss Harrison; 2nd, Mrs McRae; 3rd, Miss Jessie Milne.

100 Yards' Race.—Junior "A" Division—1st, R. Dyke, 13 secs.; 2nd, L. West; 3rd, A. Robertson.

High Jump.—Junior Division "B," C.C.—1st, G. Dunn and D. McIntyre, 3ft. 10ins.; 2nd, J. McKell and D. Mathieson, 3ft. 9ins. Points "A," Coy., 4; "B" Coy., 2; "C" Coy., 1; "D" Coy., 3.

100 Yards' Race.—Senior Division, V.L.—1st, G. West, Time 11 4/5ths secs.; 2nd D. Robertson; 3rd, J. McCallum.

Maids' Race.—1st, Mary McGrandles; 2nd, Hannah McGrandles; 3rd, Isa Brannen.

Sack Race.—Junior Division "B."—1st, J. Emmett; 2nd R. McGill; 3rd, J. McCombe; 4th, M. Killin.

Staff Race.—1st, Mr Beattie; 2nd, Mr Maxwell; 3rd, Mr Guttridge.

Obstacle Race.—Junior Division "A."—1st, R. Morton; 2nd, R. Dyke; 3rd, D. Lennon.

Obstacle Race.—Junior Division "B."—1st, John Kidney, sen.; 2nd, D. Hume; 3rd, J. Niven.

Obstacle Race.—Senior Division—1st, E. Griffen; 2nd, A. Garvie; 3rd, G. Welsh.

Inter-Company Leagues.

Rugby.

Combined Points:—A Coy, 12 points, second position; B Coy., 12 points, second position; C Coy., 16 points, first position; D Coy., 8 points, fourth position.

Goals League

Company	P.	W.	L.	D.	for	agst.	pts.	psn.
A	6	4	1	1	26	6	9	2
B	6	5	0	1	41	3	10	1
C	6	1	1	4	9	25	3	3
D	6	0	2	4	2	39	2	4

Senior.

Points League

Company	P.	W.	L.	D.	for	agst.	pts.	psn.
A	6	4	0	2	70	33	8	1
B	6	4	0	2	105	63	8	1
C	6	3	0	3	45	99	6	3
D	6	1	0	5	27	56	2	4

Junior.

Points League

Company	P.	W.	L.	D.	for	agst.	pts.	psn.
A	6	2	0	4	24	30	4	3
B	6	2	0	4	21	70	4	3
C	6	5	0	1	55	12	10	1
D	6	3	0	3	38	26	6	2

INTER-COMPANY CRICKET LEAGUE.

First Eleven.

Company	P.	W.	D.	L.	Ps.	Place.
A	6	2	0	4	4	3
B	6	5	0	1	10	1
C	6	0	0	6	0	4
D	6	5	0	1	10	1

2nd Eleven.

A	6	3	0	3	6	2
B	6	2	0	4	4	4
C	6	4	0	2	8	1
D	6	3	0	3	6	2

3rd Eleven.

A	6	4	0	2	8	1
B	6	4	0	2	8	1
C	6	2	1	3	5	3
D	6	1	1	4	3	4

Championship Result.

B Company.....	22 points	1st
D Company.....	19 points	2nd
A Company.....	18 points	3rd
C Company.....	13 points	4th

INTER-COMPANY HOCKEY LEAGUE.

Company	P.	W.	D.	L.	Ps.	Place.
A	3	0	0	3	0	4
B	3	3	0	0	6	1
C	3	2	0	1	4	2
C	3	1	0	2	2	3

Inter-Company Shooting Competition.

The Inter-Company Shooting Competition resulted as follows:—

A. Company.

	Grouping	Application	Total
T. Mooney	10	16	36
T. Simpson	15	15	30
G. Thomson	25	17	42
J. Plummer	20	19	39
A. Sturrock	25	18	43
E. McKay	25	17	42
			222

B. Company.

	Grouping	Application	Total
R. Denholm	15	14	29
W. Davidson	20	14	34
G. Queen	10	7	17
H. Gilchrist	25	19	44
J. McDonald	15	18	33
M. McLeod	10	16	26
			183

C. Company.

	Grouping	Application	Total
R. Mackie	15	16	31
W. Neill	15	16	31
E. Dawson	20	13	33
P. McKilligan	w.o.	10	10
— Arnold	w.o.	15	15
— Tollerton	20	16	36
			156

D. Company.

	Grouping	Application	Total
W. Richardson	20	15	35
W. McCutcheon	20	19	39
J. Richardson	10	12	22
J. McCallum	20	19	39
G. West	20	14	34
D. Deveney	w.o.	16	16
			185

1—A Company.....	222 points
2—D Company.....	185 points
3—B Company.....	183 points
4—C Company.....	156 points

Best Shot—1, H. Gilchrist, B Company, 44-45; 2, A. Sturrock, A Company, 43-45.

Drill Competition.

The annual Drill Competition was held on Friday, 1st July, 1938. Captain C. P. Johnston, The Seaforth Highlanders, very kindly came over to judge the competition.

There was great preparation for this competition, the turnout and smartness of the boys was very creditable, and reflects great credit on all concerned.

The competition was very keen, as the close margin of points show (highest possible points, 30).

	A.	B.	D.	C.
Words and Command and				
Dress and Turnout	9	8	6	6
Steadiness in Ranks and				
Carriage in Marching ...	12	11	13	11
Position of Commanders... ..	3	5	4	3
	24	24	23	20

The Drill Cup was presented by Captain C. P. Johnston, the Inspecting Officer, to whom hearty cheers were given at the conclusion.

COMPANY CHAMPIONSHIP.

Kit Inspections.

	A.	B.	C.	D.
8/10/37	140	145	134	142
11/11/37	141	142	136	136
17/12/37	145	142	133	142
28/ 1/38	145	143	137	141
25/ 2/38	142	145	136	146
25/ 3/38	143	143	139	144
27/ 5/38	140	142	141	139
1/ 7/38	85	71	72	82
Totals	1081	1073	1028	1072

Sports, Etc.

Boxing... ..	86	106	85	101
Rugger... ..	12	12	16	8
Soccer	9	10	3	2
Dancing	34	35	35	36
Drill... ..	24	24	20	23
Cricket	18	22	13	19
Sports	33	17½	27	32½
Shooting	222	183	156	185
Swimming	8	7	7	8
Hockey	0	6	4	2
Grand Totals	1527	1495½	1394	1488½
	1st	2nd	3rd	4th

Thrift.

At the end of June, 1938, the total amount standing to the credit of the boys' individual account in the Post Office Savings Bank was £171 11s 7d, or an average of 17s 2d per boy. Now, boys, can we not make an effort to increase this average by, at least, that odd 2s 10d per boy?

I appeal especially to those who have as yet to join the ranks of "The Thrifty." Amounts as small as one penny a week may be deposited with your respective Company Sergeant-Majors, and remember if you take care of the pennies POUNDS STERLING are the natural result.

Ices and ginger pop are nice while they last, but just imagine how very much nicer if, when the time comes, you can face the world with a smile on your face because of a banking account in your pocket.

Just think it over!

Annual Inspection, 1938.

Inspecting Officer :—Lt.-Gen. Sir CHARLES J. C. GRANT, K.C.B., K.C.V.O., D.S.O., the General Officer Commanding in Chief (Governor of Edinburgh Castle), Scottish Command.

Thursday, 28th July, at 3 p.m.

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| 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. |
| 4.0-4.30 p.m. | A Display by Military Band, Pipers and Dancers.
(See Programme on page 11.) |
| 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.



Machine Gunner.
Toy Soldiers' Display—Glasgow, 1938.



Ambulance with "Horse."
Toy Soldiers' Display—Glasgow, 1938.

Inspection Day, 1938.

PROGRAMME OF MUSIC AND DANCING

BY MILITARY AND PIPE BANDS.

Military Band.

Selection.....“ Scotch Airs ” Fraser
Serenade.....“ O Sole Mio ” Cakua

Pipe Band.

Slow March.....“ Castle Wemyss ” ———
March.....“ Bugle Horn ” ———

Military Band.

Fox Trot.....“ Remember Me ” Dubin
Novel.....“ Old King Cole ” Campbell

Dancers.

Ceremonial Broadwords.
Scots Reel.

Military Band.

Selection.....“ Reminiscences of Sullivan,” arr. Winterbottom

Pipe Band.

March.....“ Haughs of Cromdale ”
Strathspey“ The Braes of Mar ”
Reel.....“ The Kilt is my Delight ”

NATIONAL ANTHEM.

Bandmaster—F. H. Lax. Pipe-Major—J. M. Geddes.

Drum-Major—W. E. Dunglison.

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.

Darning Competition.

The Darning Competition was held on Tuesday, 14th June, 1938. Mrs W. L. Clarke, who again kindly came to judge the work, made her awards as follows:—1, M. Lawrie, A Coy.; 2, M. McPake, A Coy.; 3, D. Matheson, D Coy.; 4, M. McCrae, C Coy.; 5, J. Hill, B Coy.

The Whitehead Education Shield, 1938.

Challenge Shield for Education awarded annually to the leading Company at the Queen Victoria School. Winners of the Shield for 1938, "D" Company.

Annual Swimming Sports.

25th July, 1938.

1. Inter-Company Relay Race (Seniors)—
Winners—"A" Coy.; 2nd, "B" Coy.;
3rd, "C" Coy.; 4th, "D" Coy.
Time, 3 mins. 34½ secs.
2. Inter-Company Relay Race (Junior "A")—
Winners—"C" Coy.; 2nd, "D" Coy.;
3rd, "A" Coy.; 4th, "B" Coy.
Time, 3 mins. 11 1/5th secs.
3. Inter-Company Relay Race (Junior "B")—
Winners—"D" Coy.; 2nd, "B" Coy.;
3rd, "A" Coy.; 4th, "C" Coy.
Time, 1 min. 11 2/5ths secs.
4. Individual Diving (Seniors)—
Winners—1st, G. West, 32ft.; 2nd,
Garvie and J. Taylor, 31ft.
5. Individual Diving (Junior "A")—
Winners—1st, W. Neill, 34ft.; 2nd, J.
Mortimer, 33ft.; 3rd, R. Dyke, 32ft. 9ins.
6. Individual Race for Swimming Trophy
(Seniors)—
Winner—E. McKay; 2, G. West; 3rd, P.
McKilligan. Time, 1 min. 8 secs.
7. Individual Race (Junior "A")—
Winners—1st, R. Dyke; 2nd, W. Neill;
3rd, R. Morton. Time, 51 secs.
8. Individual Race (Junior "B")—
Winners—1st, J. Wyper; 2nd, J. Niven;
3rd, W. Warne. Time, 32 secs.
9. Novices' Race—
Winners—1st, D. Matheson; 2nd, D.
Wilson; 3rd, A. Robertson. Time,
20 3/5ths secs.
Points towards Swimming Cup.

Relay Race—

	A Coy.	B Coy.	C Coy.	D Coy.
Seniors	4	3	2	1
Junior A	2	1	4	3
Junior B	2	3	1	4
Total	8	7	7	8

A and D Coys. tied. A Coy. won deciding race for cup.

Swimming Certificates.

1794, Boy G. Dunn; 1775, Boy A. Yule; 1792, Boy A. Robertson; 1752, Boy W. Heath; 1820, Boy J. Niven; 1824, Boy, R. Warburton; 1720, Boy D. Shearer; 1768, Boy, Jas. Baxter; 1704, Boy J. Marr; 1798, Boy G. Cameron; 1742, Boy T. McMullan; 1778, Boy E. Douglas; 1813, Boy E. Cole; 1759, Boy R. Matheson; 1809, Boy J. Wyper; 1729, Boy J. Mortimer; 1803, Boy W. Anderson; 1725, Boy A. Sturrock; 1753, Boy B. Brown; 1826, Boy J. Riches; 1882, Boy R. McDonald; 1706, Boy J. Forbes; 1789, Boy A. McPhail; 1800, Boy J. Gordon; 1740, Boy John Ridley; 1786, Boy R. Fisher; 1782, Boy James Ridley; 1735, Boy T. Tolmie; 1750, Boy R. Richmond; 1766, Boy J. Galloway; 1708, Boy J. Darling; 1815, Boy D. Wilson; 1812, Boy C. Minto; 1817, Boy M. Killin; 1632, Sgt. G. Thomson; 1644, Cpl. T. Mooney; 1673, Boy G. Smillie; 1764, Boy M. Mooney; 1682, Boy R. Campbell; 1754, Boy T. Simpson; 1681, Boy S. Myles; 1752, Boy W. Heath; 1776, Boy M. Wyse; 1775, Boy A. Yule; 1721, Boy E. Donnelly; 1736, Boy Jas. Beveridge; 1712, Boy D. McIntyre; 1670, Boy G. Gallacher; 1773, Boy D. Hutchison; 1733, Boy T. Dunnigan; 1717, Boy D. McKay; 1641, Cpl. A. McDermid; 1758, Boy R. Potter; 1663, Boy W. Warne; 1770, Boy E. Strachan; 1778, Boy E. Douglas; 1809, Boy J. Wyper; 1820, Boy J. Niven; 1729, Boy J. Mortimer; 1759, Boy R. Matheson; 1824, Boy H. Warburton; 1629, C/Cpl. A. Sturrock; 1723, Boy H. Yule; 1744, Boy A. Robertson; 1674, Boy R. Berry; 1748, L/Cpl. T. McDonald; 1610, Boy W. Murray; 1668, Boy N. McIntosh; 1737, Boy J. McKell; 1616, Cpl. G. Welsh; 1620, D/M. G. West; 1761, Boy D. Deveney; 1756, Boy W. McCabe; 1737, Boy C. Smillie; 1642, L/C. J. McRae; 1745, Boy H. McLeod; 1637, Boy J. Wanless; 1613, Boy J. McCartney; 1644, L/C. J. Kay.

Swimming Notes.

At the beginning of the Summer Term we were faced with an abnormal number of non-swimmers. Mr Gutteridge kindly undertook the colossal task of teaching them, and before the end of the term every non-swimmer was able to cross from one side of the bath to the other with both legs clear of the bottom.

The new "harness" for non-swimmers, similar to that used in the Dunblane Hydro Pool, has been found to be very effective. Previously, non-swimmers had to be towed along by the pole and loop method; the loop being round the pupil's body, and the pole in the hands of the instructor. This was such a strain on the arms of the latter that it was impossible to continue for long.

Since the beginning of the term the following School Swimming Certificates have been awarded:—18 special certificates, 27 advanced certificates, and 34 qualifying certificates. It should be mentioned that among those who obtained qualifying certificates there were many who could not swim at all at the beginning of the term. There are now no non-swimmers in the school, thanks mainly to the untiring and very patient efforts of C.S.M. Gutteridge. (Is this a school record?—Editor.)

During the summer term a voluntary class of instruction in Life-Saving was started, and on July 5th an examination was held at the School Baths. Every one of the candidates passed, and the examiners commended them on the very high standard shown. Eleven Royal Life Saving Society Bronze Medallions and 15 Intermediate Certificates were awarded. A list of those who gained medallions and certificates is shown below. It is to be hoped that those boys who have gained awards and are leaving the school this summer will continue to practise the various release and rescue methods taught and to qualify for further awards.

Since the "passing out" of this class another has been formed, and it is evident that many of these will soon be able to qualify for R.L.S.S. awards.

Bronze Medallions awarded to Monitors Hamilton, Broadbent, Ross and Plumer; Sergeants McKilligan and McLeod; Corporals Paterson, Tweedie, Dawson, Lance-Corporal McRae, and Boy Musk.

Intermediate Certificates awarded to Monitors Hamilton, Broadbent, Monaghan, Pegg, Plummer and Ross, Sergeants McKilligan and McLeod, Corporals Paterson, Tweedie, Dawson, and Gilchrist, Lance-Corporal McRae, and Boy Musk.

(Our thanks are due to W.O. II. R. V. Bissett, A.E.C., for the interest he has taken in the training of candidates for Royal Life Saving Society Awards. He is to be congratulated on the success of his efforts.—Editor.)

Company Notes.

"A" COMPANY NOTES.

Having no desire to disclose our failures which, fortunately, are remarkably few, we will first of all discuss our successes.

In regard to competitions we have done very well indeed, but our real success was on Drill Competition Day. On that day we pulled off a double event by winning the kit inspection and tying with "B" Company for first place in the drill. This is a no mean feat. During the Easter Term a cross-country run was held, and we managed to obtain second place, but we did not do so well in the boxing, which was won by "B" Company. Sports Day still lies ahead, and we are all determined to gather in the laurels. We also have confidence that we will do well in the Swimming and Shooting Competitions. Our representative for the "fish" is E. McKay, and we hope that the trophy will soon rest on our shelf.

At Cricket also we have held up the Company prestige. In fact, in one of the matches when "Davie," an unknown, had a chance to demonstrate his spin bowling, the other team literally "walked out on us." Incidentally, "Davie" received as much of a shock as they did.

Since the last issue of "The Victorian" we have lost the following boys:—

Charlie Robertson to Royal Scots Fusiliers.

Donald Campbell to Cameron Highlanders,

Tich Campbell, civilian life.

We wish them the best of luck in their new spheres, and hope they will come back to the School in the future as "Old Victorians."

The term will soon be drawing to a close, and the much-longed-for holidays will soon be realities, so there we leave you till we meet again in the pages of the next "Victorian."

G. B.

"B" COMPANY NOTES.

We commenced the new year with a rather pessimistic outlook. At that time we were unaware of the hidden talent which was soon to blossom forth like a beautiful flower in some quiet corner of the garden after a period of bad weather. The first sign we received of what our lads are really made of was, when we secured the "Boxing Cup" after a hard struggle against the other Companies, who were loath to lose such a coveted trophy.

Sgt.-Instructor Cadman inaugurated a cross-country race for the whole school. Each Company entered a team of ten runners, the first seven "home" in each Company being the ones to count. After some remarkable running by the younger boys we obtained first place. The race was popular and was very successful (apart from our point of view), and it is intended to keep it as an annual event in the school. Our juniors, ably captained by D. McIntyre, won the "Soccer Shield," which now adorns our shelf. The seniors were less fortunate in the "fight" for the Rugby Shield, which was deservedly won by "D" Company.

The beginning of the summer term saw the departure of the Rugby and Soccer goalposts for a season. These were substituted by Cricket nets and Hockey goals. The Cricket and Hockey League matches have been retarded by numerous other activities, and, in addition, Father J. Pluvius did not help any by giving us more than our fair share of rain. However, we hope to complete the competitions before we "break up" at the end of July.

The Friday following the end of the United Services Display at Ibrox Park was the day arranged for the "Drill Competition." The Inspecting Officer was from the Seaforth Highlanders. "A" and "B" Companies drew for first place and, consequently, share the "Drill Cup" for 1938.

We are fortunate in only losing two of our "old soldiers," who are "Ham" Gilchrist and W. Murray (Billy Bones). We shall be sorry to lose them, but a new life awaits them, and we wish them success in the future.

G. K. L.

"C" COMPANY NOTES.

Since we were last in touch with "Old Victorians" at home and abroad, we have lost the services of Cpl. T. Meechan, Cpl. J. B. Stevenson, H. Hudsley, J. Braid, and G. Brittan. T. Meechan went to civilian life, and the others went to the B.T.S., Chepstow. To all of them we send our best wishes for a happy and successful career. We congratulate L/Cpl. R. Mackie on his promotion to Corporal vice Meechan, but we are sorry that he will be leaving us for civilian life at the end of this term.

Our hopes of winning the Boxing Cup were

not realised, but we congratulate "B" Company on their success. We were most successful on the sports field, where we won the Rugby Shield, due to the esprit de corps shown by all members of the Company's teams.

We welcome Mr W. Dungleison, late of the Highland Light Infantry, who has come to take over the duties of Company Sergeant-Major. We are glad to say that he has settled down and, being wise to all our tricks, refuses to have his leg pulled. If you don't believe it, ask W. Neill for verification.

We failed to retain the Drill Cup this year, but we congratulate "A" and "B" Companies (who tied for the cup) on their success. We have pulled up a bit on our Kit Inspections since our new C.S.M. arrived, and we hope to see our Company's name on the top of the list in the near future.

We welcome to our community the following boys:—D. Wilson, J. Tait, C. Patterson, J. Calderwood, M. McCrae, and T. McKay. We are glad to say they are doing well for their first two terms.

As the sports have been postponed for three weeks we cannot enclose any news from that section. We send our best wishes to all our readers, and hope that they will have a good summer holiday.

"D" COMPANY NOTES.

This term we came back from the Easter holidays determined to win as many laurels as we possibly could. As everyone knows, the summer term is the hardest term in the school year, so we prepared ourselves for a good term's work.

At the commencement of the term the following new boys joined us:—J. Emmett, E. Cole, D. Matheson, A. Watts, A. Hume, J. Wyper, and they soon acquired the high standard of efficiency required in "D" Company.

The boys who left us last term were:—J. Georgeson, R. Dunn, P. Gilliland, and J. Murdoch. We wish them the best of luck in their new careers.

We have only had one game of cricket this term, against "C" Company. The First XI. managed to win their match fairly easily, but the Second and Third Elevens were beaten. However, we will pass over our defeats lightly.

As regards Kit Inspections, we did not do very well. We were fourth in the first inspection and second in the second inspection.

The competition for the Drill Cup was exceptionally keen this year, and there was a growing tension when the Inspecting Officer kept us waiting in suspense for the results. The fatal moment came. "B" Company and "A" Company had tied for first place, and "D" Company was second.

The Dancing Competition was greeted by the usual wild enthusiasm, and when "D" Company won the applause was really deafening. "C" Company were a very close second, and we congratulate them.

The Boxing Cup was won by "B" Company, and "D" Company was second. We have held the Boxing Cup for four successive years, so we did not really mind parting with it.

Cross-country running has been again introduced into the school by the unsparing efforts

of Sergeant-Instructor D. Cadman, A.E.C. Everyone had a surprise when R. Dunn started off at a furious pace and managed to keep it up almost to the end, being beaten in the last few yards by Senior Monitor G. Long of "B" Company.

Sports Day has still to come, and we sincerely hope that Drum-Major G. West will win the Victor Ludorum for us. Also the swimming competition is an event of the future, and J. Wyper, a new boy, will be "D" Company's representative for "The Fish."

We will now say "Au Revoir" until Christmas, when we will again tell you all the news.

Military Band Notes.

We started the term looking forward as usual to the engagements which take place during the summer. Stirling was our first engagement, and we played at King's Park to a large crowd of people. The Band seemed to be very popular indeed, and we were greeted with great enthusiasm as we commenced our evening performance.

From the 18th to 25th of June the Band and "Toy Soldiers" took part in the United Services Display at Ibrox Park, Glasgow. It was a great novelty for the boys to mix with the soldiers, but the sailors were easily the main attraction. The sailors and boys were the best of friends. The boys were held spellbound by the daring feats of the Royal Corps of Signals on their motor-cycles. The sailors gave a field gun display in which they took a gun to pieces and carried the pieces by means of ropes and pulleys over a supposed ravine. One would have thought that the gun was a toy one instead of being a real instrument of war, weighing over a ton. It was incredible to behold the magnificent physique and endurance of these men who handled the gun. The "Toy Soldiers' Display was one of the most popular displays of the whole show. Sgt. McCallum, who commanded the "Toy Soldiers," amazed even senior army officers with his stentorian word of command. There was also a Mass Band Display, and the youngest member present was an ex-boy named C. Robertson, who left the school last January. Everyone was sorry when the display ended, but, however, everything has to come to an end sometime.

The Band is receiving a great honour in being allowed to play in the Princes Gardens and the Holyrood Gardens, Edinburgh. All the finest Military Bands in the country play there, and we hope that our appearance will be a success.

Other engagements still to come are the Dunblane Cattle Show, British Legion Pageant, Callander, and Perth, where we have now performed for seven years in succession. The holidays begin on the 29th of July, but the Band remains behind, because they are going to Wick from the 1st to 4th of August. We are looking forward with great anticipation to this engagement, because this will be the furthest north the Band has ever been.

At the close of the term some of our finest instrumentalists, Sgt. McCallum, B/Sgt.

McKilligan, Cpl. Low, and Cpl. Gilchrist will be departing, but their places will soon be filled by the enthusiastic younger boys.

The Band Competition has not yet taken place, but we hope that the competition will just be as keen as it has been in previous years. The Band now wishes you au revoir, and we hope you will enjoy your holidays as much as we are going to enjoy ours.

TREBLE-CLEF.

The Monitors' Room.

Since Senior Monitor (Mac.) Robinson left us in January to join the Royal Engineers we have received two recruits: Monitor Plummer (Prof. Plume) and Monitor (Baby) Ross. This addition to our ranks has helped our club considerably, particularly in the matter of finance. With the little money we have saved we hope to improve the appearance and comfort of our room. We intend getting the walls decorated, while His Majesty's Commissioners of the school are kindly providing battleship linoleum for the floors.

We have only played one school cricket match this season, and we hope that next term our rugby fixtures will be in greater numbers. "Cecil," who, by the way, generally plays "offside" in the forward line, has mastered a new type of swerve, so we are expecting great things from him in the coming season.

The monitors would very much like to know who was responsible for the disappearance of the night watchman's button stick, brush, etc., from the Monitor's Room on the morning of Kit Inspection. I'm afraid this is just another Mon.'s Room mystery, but we all have our theories. The ex-monitors who have visited us recently are R. McKay, A. Finnie, and S. Morgan. We should like to see, or at least hear from other ex-mons. Well, gentlemen, what about it?

Valete.

Boys who have left the School since January, 1938.

- 1306 S/Mon. M. Robinson, Royal Engineers.
- 1592 Sgt. C. Robertson, Royal Scots Fusiliers.
- 1585 Cpl. W. Calloway, Royal Scots Fusiliers.
- 1598 Sgt. T. Love, Seaforth Highlanders.
- 1553 C/Cpl. A. McLachlan, Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders.
- 1587 Boy J. Lawrence, Scots Guards.
- 1566 Boy J. Haughey, Scots Guards.
- 1569 Cpl. A. Lyon, King's Own Scottish Borderers.
- 1628 Boy D. Inglis, King's Own Scottish Borderers.
- 1574 Boy A. Easton, King's Own Scottish Borderers.
- 1793 Boy R. Kitchener—Withdrawn by Parents.
- 1582 C/Cpl. J. Campbell, Q.O. Cameron Highlanders.
- 1584 C/Cpl. H. Martin, King's Own Scottish Borderers.
- 1570 Cpl. W. Hall—Home.
- 1594 Cpl. T. Meechan—Home.
- 1607 Cpl. J. Campbell—Home.

- 1651 Boy G. White—Home.
- 1700 C/Cpl. J. Murdoch—Home.
- 1797 Boy J. O'Hara—Home.
- 1769 Boy J. Queen—Home.
- 1801 Boy M. Gallacher—Home.

Salvete.

Boys who have joined the school since 8th January, 1938, with the name of their father's Regiment:—

- 1883 Boy J. A. Hill, Black Watch.
- 1881 By M. McPake, Royal Scots.
- 1882 Boy D. Matheson, Royal Artillery.
- 1825 Boy M. C. McRae, Cameronians.
- 1826 Boy J. R. Riches, Cameronians.
- 1827 Boy A. P. Hume, Seaforth Highlanders.
- 1828 Boy M. Lawrie, Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders.
- 1829 Boy J. C. Duncan, Highland Light Infantry.
- 1830 Boy R. Westwater, Highland Light Infantry.
- 1824 Boy H. J. Warburton, King's Own Scottish Borderers.
- 1797 Boy J. O'Hara.
- 1820 Boy J. Niven, Royal Scots.
- 1831 Boy S. Bissett, Dragoon Guards.
- 1822 Boy J. Emmett, Royal Navy.
- 1823 Boy J. Tait, Black Watch.

Army Certificates of Education.

The following passed in the subjects shown against their names at the Examination for the Army First Class Certificates of Education held at Stirling in October, 1937:—

- Monitor Lang—Mathematics.
- Monitor Broadbent—English.
- Monitor Pegg—English.
- Sergt. Reid—Geography.

Army First Class Certificates have been awarded to the following Monitors as the result of an Examination held at Stirling in March, 1938:—

- S/Monitor G. K. Long.
- Monitor F. Pegg.

At the same examination the undermentioned also passed in the subjects shown against their names:—

- Monitor G. Broadbent—Map Reading.
- Monitor E. L. Monaghan—English and Map Reading.
- Sergt. H. Reid—English and Map Reading.
- Monitor J. Plummer—English.
- Sergt. G. Thompson—English & Geography.
- Sergt. M. MacLeod—English & Geography.
- Cpl. I. Stevenson—English and Geography.
- Boy C. Dunnigan—English and Geography.
- L/Cpl. A. Sturrock—Geography.

Old Boy Visitors to the School.

1181, Robert Current; 1413, William Dinnie; 1486, John Oliver; 1186, Bryce Currie; 1034, David McKay; 29, John Edmonds; 545, George Munro; 902, David P. Anderson; 1406, Peter Wilson; 745, N. G. Taylor.

Contributions from "Old Boys."

"THERE'S SOMETHING ABOUT A SOLDIER."

When I was a small boy it was my great ambition to become a soldier and fight for my country as my gallant father had done, and, when I was still very young, I was marching the weary miles from Mons to Paris in August, 1914, with Sir John French's "Contemptible Little Army."

As time passed on I became a commissioned officer, and was inspired in my position as a leader.

However, I was one of those who attended the Military Display at Ibrox Stadium, held in connection with the Empire Exhibition in Glasgow.

I cannot express how thrilled I was seeing the spectacular and daring doings of these soldiers, but more particularly thrilled was I to see the boys of my old school performing their well-drilled military movements.

It struck me very forcibly that if any person present was not moved to joy by such brilliance and military pomp and pageantry, I would have willingly returned his admission fee.

I believe that when I was a boy at Queen Victoria School, I was occasionally asked to write a composition on "Discipline," but I fully realise that I understand better now than I did then.

I will tabulate my interpretation:—

THE NECESSITY.

The army is a large unit.

Soldiers cannot be controlled by organisation alone.

The essence of morale is unquestioning obedience.

Those who cannot obey, cannot command.

WHAT DISCIPLINE IS.**(a) Discipline is obedience:**

There are two interpretations. The superior may explain himself to the subordinate, but he need not do so. The obligation comes from below.

(b) Discipline is respect:

The salute is not a mark of servility when addressed to the wisdom of experience.

(c) Discipline is promptness:

Laziness is a positive evil, and obstructs proper obedience to authority. Similarly, hesitation, doubt and lack of promptness are a derogation of authority, implying that the superior has not thought and that someone must think for him.

(d) Discipline is loyalty:

No consideration must compare with this—
"What do my superiors wish and how can I best promote these wishes?"

(e) Discipline is constancy:

Not merely the specific order but the general rule of the unit must be carried into effect. Thus it is the duty of every man or boy to know and to observe orders and regulations, to be guided by their spirit and to be alert to his duty.

QUALITIES OF A WELL-DISCIPLINED SOLDIER.**1. Obedience.**

It cannot be too often repeated.

2. Faith.

Distrust for authority is the dry rot of efficiency.

3. Cheerfulness.

In emergency, the superior has no time for your personal reaction.

4. Sobriety.

Drinking, smoking, or any kind of loose behaviour while on duty is distinctly forbidden by the regulations you have sworn to observe.

Boys of Q.V.S. have not and never will, I trust, reach this stage.

5. Honour.

Remember your parents, your regiment, your school, and those who expect much from you.

6. Habit of response.

Whether the superior is absent or not, do what he wishes and expects. Make this second nature.

You have embarked upon a good and honourable career.

Many millions wore the King's uniform during the Great War, and, even to-day, many millions talk of the good old Army days, the splendid fellows they met, and what the Army and discipline did for them.

GEORGE STIRRAT, Inspector,
City of Glasgow Police.
(Q.V.S. No. 43).

Chips from the Snips.

Hello, everyone! We are leaving behind us a term in which everyone seemed to have more work than ever for us to do.

We have lost one of our best tailors in R. Gilliland, who has forsaken us for the Electrical Shops in the B.T.S. at Chepstow. We all wish him the best of luck in his new life.

We welcome to our ranks James Hill, who takes his place as junior tailor.

The Toy Soldiers' Display at the United Services Display in Glasgow meant much extra work for us, but we managed to survive, and the results appear to have been satisfactory. The Drill Competitions also caused another rush with pressing capes, etc., etc., and now comes our own competition with its many doubts and fears.

After that we may be able to relax a little until the Great Day arrives, and 'tis "Good-bye" to the shop and all that.

The results of our annual competition were as follows:—

(a) Senior Class—1, R. Morton, C Coy; 2, M. McLeod, B Coy.; 3, E. Griffin, D Coy.

(b) Junior Class—1, T. McMullan, D Coy.; 2, M. Dunn, D Coy.; 3, M. Mooney, A Coy.

M. McL.

By the Old Garden Wall.

(The Editor is informed that the erection of a new shed in a certain garden of the School quarters inspired the following.)

GARDEN SHED.

"We can't have that thing there," said the Speculator, looking furiously out of the window at it. "Shutting out all the air and sunlight," he added, peering blindly up at the grey and soaking heavens.

"What do you say we would see behind it?" asked the Commentator.

The Speculator considered. "I can't really say. I'll go outside and have a look."

He returned a minute later.

"Hills," he announced amazedly. "Quite big hills. And as for this, I'm going to move it."

"You can't," pointed out the Commentator, "start pulling up the garden sheds of Britain just like that. Supposing everyone went around denuding the kingdom of garden sheds. And that particularly beautiful garden shed was built over twenty years ago as a symbol of hope to horticultural aspirations. Besides, it ain't your garden shed."

"I'll just," replied the Speculator, with simple strength of purpose, "move it. Just to one side."

"Wouldn't it be gorgeous to have a new one." The Commentator spoke dispassionately, in the manner of one making a general observation.

"I might," answered the Speculator, piling on more simple strength of purpose, "see what can be done. But I'll move this one first."

"That'll be just dandy," said the Commentator.

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SI MONUMENTUM QUÆRIS, CIRCUMSPICE.

In January, 1938, history jerked into action in the potential splendour of the Speculator's garden. Fairies had removed the symbol of hope from that site carefully chosen by the Speculator on the occasion of his "moving the shed to one side" to allow the free access of light and sunshine to his home.

He now stood happily in a gale sweeping down upon him directly from the east, and looked at the elegant framework of a perfectly beautiful new shed.

"Some shed, what?" he asked the Commentator.

"Just dandy," said the Commentator. "Where is the alleged flower bed?"

"Oh, that?" remarked the Speculator nonchalantly, "that's still there. It's just a bit pressed down, that's all."

"One had that impression," the Commentator told him. "They could not see what flowers were at their feet."

II.

A few weeks later the Speculator surveyed the skeleton affectionately, and felt that he would be quite sorry when he could no longer see through it. The flower bed was recovering nicely.

The next day an enthusiastic detachment of unfamiliar persons stormed the airy and untrammelled peace of his blessed plot. The immediate world became gay with jovial shouts and harmless fun. There were sounds of hammering and banging and plenty of percussion; within the portals of the home excitement prevailed because "they had come to do the shed."

For quite two and a half hours the tumult and the shouting continued.

"We shan't be long now," said the Speculator, perceiving that the framework had now acquired four walls and a roof.

"Haven't they got on with it," observed the Commentator, with much admiration. "Only the door to do now, and the painting."

III.

Three or four weeks went by. The Speculator looked at the four walls and the roof and felt that it would never seem quite the same again when there was a door to shut.

"It saves all that bother with the key," said the Commentator.

A day or two afterwards much weeping and gnashing of teeth disturbed the shady glades. Solemnity filled all the air.

"Oh, dearie me," sighed the Commentator. "What's all this?"

"Ah," replied the Speculator, "can't just throw up garden sheds. Stringency of regulations . . . solid construction . . . stand up to things . . . years and years and years . . . no collapsing . . . facing up to the elements, what?"

"St, st," said the Commentator, impressed. "Wasn't that flower bed coming along quite well?"

"That?" queried the Speculator. "Oh, yes. It's a bit flattened down again. Nothing really."

IV.

One morning, some weeks later, mirth and endeavour returned again to the garden of the Speculator and fitted the garden shed with a door, which was duly painted dark red; and thereafter the shed was painted in a slightly lighter shade of red.

"They've finished it now," he told the Commentator.

"There must be fairies at the bottom of our garden," replied the Commentator, "as well as all that irrepressible rhubarb."

"Cheerful sort of colour," the Speculator appositely remarked.

"Most cheerful," agreed the Commentator carefully. "And why have they parked the old shed over there under that tree?"

"I can't think, but I'll probably," replied the Speculator with simple strength, "just move it."



"Toy Soldiers Please the Duke."

(From the "Scottish Daily Express.")

"Toy soldiers," dwarfed by the might and splendour of the Army, Navy, and Air Force, were the proudest little unit in the Services Display at Ibrox Stadium, Glasgow, yesterday, got the biggest cheer.

They were the boys of the Queen Victoria School, Dunblane, training ground for the sons of the Services, who went on parade, their faces blotched by crimson paint, toy rifles shouldered, wearing immaculate little uniforms for their "wooden soldiers" show.

Their turn was a comedy number, with comic "horse" and ambulance playing a part, but even the "horse" could not detract from the slick efficiency of the slow march at which they went past the royal box where sat the Duke and Duchess of Gloucester.

The Duke returned their salute with becoming gravity, standing to attention until the boys had left the arena.

The Duke and Duchess of Gloucester came by road from Dumfries to Ibrox, attended a private luncheon in the stadium.

They entered the Royal Box a few minutes before the display was due to begin, did not leave until the last soldier had left the arena after the finale. They had made provisional arrangements to leave before the show ended.

The Cross Country Race.

On April 1st, 1938, as an experiment, the School had a cross country race. It was a great success, and it is hoped to make it an annual event.

There were a hundred competitors, boys of all ages entering. It was gratifying to see in the field so many young competitors who were willing to battle for position with monitors and sergeants. In some cases the excellent fight they put up was most successful. The weather was, for once, kind to us, and the race was run in fine weather.

Our Commandant started the race, and the one hundred competitors, gayly dressed in their company colours, started off on their jaunt round the countryside.

The first twenty home were as follows:—

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| 1. Long, G. | 11. McKell, A. |
| 2. Dunn, H. | 12. Davidson, W. |
| 3. Campbell, D. | 13. Duncan, I. |
| 4. Broadbent, J. | 14. Hamilton, C. |
| 5. Georgeson, J. | 15. Queen, G. |
| 6. Tweedie, A. | 16. Donnelly, D. |
| 7. Tollerton, J. | 17. Reid, H. |
| 8. Ross, R. | 18. Robertson, A. |
| 9. Patterson, H. | 19. Campbell, K. |
| 10. Pegg, F. | 20. Thompson, G. |

"B" Company Team won the Company competition with 79 points. Their scoring (1, 8, 9, 11, 12, 15, 23) indicates very fine packing, which many experienced cross country teams would envy. "A" Company was second with 137 points. "D" Company was third, and "C" Company fourth.

Dunn, A., was the first boy in under 15, and Tweedie the first in under 14 years of age.

D. J. C.

Over the Hills and Far Away.

On May 24th, Empire Day, the School was given a holiday. As an experiment, an all day hike was arranged.

At 10 o'clock thirty pioneers laden with packs carrying the precious "grub" set out on an expedition led by Mr Cadman and Monitor Broadbent. Singing, laughing, talking, shouting, we took to the open road.

Our party struck up the Kinbuck road. Passing that noble city we headed westwards, but unfortunately we were turned back because permission was refused to us to cross the grouse moors. Undaunted, we returned and took another road. By this time Taylor and Jimmy McLeod were getting hungry and began to wonder when cook-house was to be. The road wound upwards on to heather moors. Upon gaining the top, cook-house was sounded—on a mouth-organ.

Mr Morrison, as is usual, did us royally. Packet after packet of sandwiches were unwrapped and devoured. Then came tinned apricots. It is rather difficult to eat tinned apricots straight from the tin without spoons or forks. But we managed—we're tough. After these had gone came duff—Mr Morrison's best. The only complaint of this came from Micky, who said that it kept running round his tummy all afternoon. That was because he ate too much.

Then, after clearing up and burning the refuse, we moved off. Through bog and heather, bracken and moss the expedition stumbled on.

"Are you sure we are on the right road?" asked Cecil nervously looking around him and seeing nothing but moor for miles.

Then a small burn was seen in the distance. For this we made, and to it we kept, taking its tortuous path through the moor. It was here that the expedition translated itself into a big game hunt.

"A snake, a snake," the cry went up. Detachments of the expedition dashed up. Somebody threw a stone at it. Then Garvie stood on it. Even a snake couldn't stand that, and after hissing plaintively, expired. Garvie bore his quarry on the end of a stick, displaying it proudly to all and sundry.

Then on—to a restful part of the stream; here we paddled, cooling our tired feet in the crystal water. Of course George sat in it.

Striking the road again we reached Braco, and then five miles along the main road. Oh, those five miles!—on and on our weary feet went, revolting at each step. Desperate calculations were carried out at each milestone. But it was of no avail, the tireless road went on without respite. A bus passed. Temptation came upon us, but we resisted. Hikers we started and hikers we would finish.

And then the School—was ever its sight more welcome! The hike was over. The pioneers had returned—silent and slow, foot-sore and weary.

QUEBEC.