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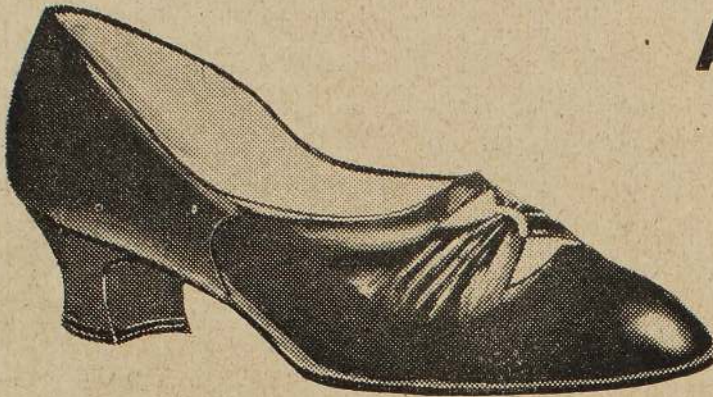
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The PASSING HOUR

By The Editor

THE June issue of *The Ceylon Causerie* was the fiftieth of the series and many of our readers who remembered the fact were kind enough to send us felicitations, for which we sincerely thank them. We are glad that the effort we made to fittingly celebrate the occasion with an enlarged number received due appreciation. We are publishing in this issue the first of a series of articles on the History of Rugby Football in Ceylon from the facile pen of that acknowledged authority on the game, Col. E. H. Joseph, V. D., whose "Notes by Wellcome," in the columns of the "Ceylon Independent," for over two decades, were generally acclaimed as the best published in any local paper. As one who represented Colombo in the inaugural match with Up-country in 1892, and in several succeeding Tests, Col. Joseph's Reminiscences will no doubt create widespread interest at a time when Rugby Football in Ceylon has reached such a high standard and with the present season in full swing.

Our old friend and valued contributor to these columns, the Rev. C. Victor A. Mac Echern, former Pastor of the Scots Kirk, Colombo, sends us a characteristic skit for the present issue, and A. F. A., whose initials will be easily recognised, describes, in charming style, Nachchamalai, a peculiar pinnacle of rock standing out above the jungle, in the Eastern Province, 19 miles north of Trincomalee. Mr. E. H. van der Wall, the retired Chief Inspector of Schools, whose scholarly contributions have been a feature of this journal, continues his interesting notes on "The Homes of Charles Lorenz," and also pays a graceful and well deserved tribute to the late Mr. F. L. Goonewardene. There

are several other articles of high literary merit which help to make this issue an outstanding one.

The first of June proved to be a red letter day at Hultsdorp, marking as it did the temporary assumption

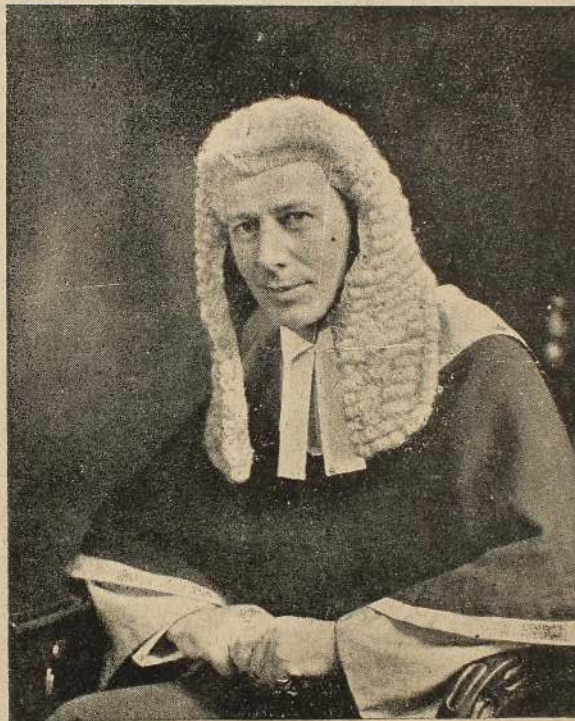


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THE HON. MR. L. C. DALTON,
*Acting Chief Justice, during the absence on leave of
Sir Philip Macdonnell.*

by Mr. Justice Dalton of the high office of Chief Justice of the Island of Ceylon and the swearing in of Messrs. W. E. Barber and F. H. B. Koch, K.C., as Acting Puisne Justices, to fill the vacancies created by the departure, on well-earned furlough, of Sir Philip Macdonnell and the absence of Mr. Justice Garvin. The tribute paid by Sir Edward Jackson, the Attorney-General, to the eminent qualifications of the Acting Chief was both gracious and well-merited, for no occupant of the Bench within recent years has so impressed his strong and vigorous personality on the firm and indepen-

dent administration of justice as His Lordship, who has given not only ample evidence that he possesses the ideal judicial temperament, but has at heart as well the highest welfare of both branches of the profession and would wish to see it always maintain that high standard of professional etiquette and morality which alone can make it one of the most valuable assets in the public life of the Colony.

Mr. Justice Barber is no stranger to the Supreme Court Bench inasmuch as he has presided as Commissioner of Assize on several occasions already and the fairness and impartiality that have always characterised his work render him an eminently reliable and satisfactory Judge with a wide experience of all classes of witnesses and a thorough grasp of criminal law and procedure.

To Mr. Justice Koch, who has for many years commanded a leading practice in the District Court of Colombo, the serene atmosphere of the Bench should prove a welcome relief. His Lordship will bring to the discharge of his responsible duties not merely a singularly courteous and unruffled disposition, but a clean and lucid presentation of the law to the unravelling of the intricacies of which he has during his distinguished career at the Bar applied himself for several years with distinction and success.

It would interest our readers to know that Mr. C. Driberg's Reminiscences are now in the press and will be published shortly. Mr. Driberg is known to the public as one of our most delightful writers. He holds an unquestioned place in public esteem as a leading authority on Agriculture, Literature and Music. He has a vast range of information and experience, derived from his travels in Europe, India and all parts of this Island. We feel confident that his Reminiscences will provide literary enjoyment of high quality to all classes of readers.



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Current Topics

By "Vigilant"

THE death of Mr. F. A. Cooper, C. M. G., at the age of seventy-three revives memories of the strong, silent man, who administered our Public Works Department from 1897 to 1913, and lived in retirement in England for twenty years.

The P. W. D., as we know it today, owes a great deal to the rule of Mr. Cooper, who was not merely an administrator of first-rate ability, but a capable engineer of like ability. Like many a man of genius, he was somewhat impatient of criticism because he realised he could give to the service of this island much more than others were able to give, and some of the major works carried out by the P. W. D. during his *regime* now stand as a permanent memorial to his name.

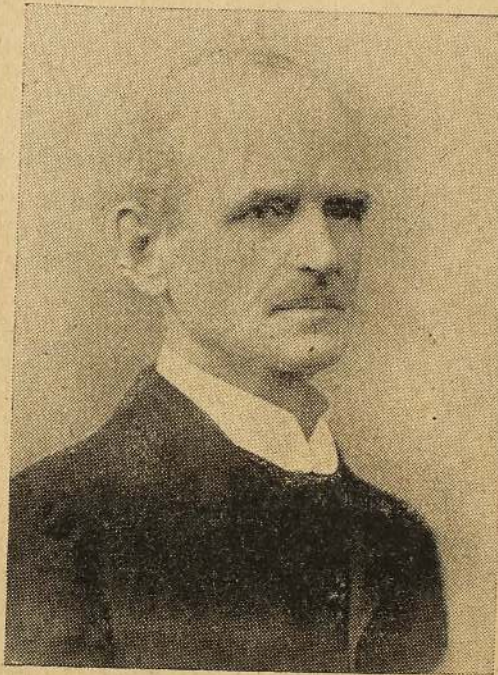
The Royal College, the new Technical Schools, the Victoria Memorial Eye Hospital and the Public Works Department offices are some of the buildings erected during his administration.

He was known as a strict disciplinarian and the P. W. D. code of regulations was first introduced by him.

The public are so little accustomed to associate the North Central Province with prosperity that the optimistic note struck by Mr. C. L. Wickremesinghe, the first Ceylonese Government Agent, in his administration report, comes as a welcome surprise. While Ceylon as a whole touched the depths of depression in 1932, the North Central Province achieved a degree of moderate prosperity, which is all to the good. The health conditions of the people were as good as could be expected in a malarial area, the cultivation of paddy was on a greater scale than in the previous year and the collection of revenue was unusually high.

Back waters, which lie away from the tide of commercial life, have their advantages in times of financial depression, which cannot affect them in any direct way.

Mr. C. L. Wickremesinghe reports that frequent representation has been made to him that the home-grower of paddy should be protected by increased tariffs imposed on imported paddy. But it should be remembered that cheap rice serves the greatest good of the greatest number



THE LATE MR. F. A. COOPER, C. M. G.

and that growers of local rice, who have no import duties to pay, should sit up and think how they should compete with imported rice. It would not serve the public good to inflate the price of rice, which is used by nearly every one, in order that local growers may realise the profits they expect.

His Excellency the Governor's remarks at the Royal College prize distribution on the teaching of the Vernaculars deserve the careful attention of all those who are interested in education. The study of the Vernaculars is an important requirement, the need for which cannot be over emphasised. But, on the other hand, there is the obvious risk that in the hands of enthusiasts for Vernacular education there may be a set back in English education.

The Governor pointed out that in a country like ours, where 90 per cent of the schools are purely Vernacular, the main object of an institution like the Royal College should be to give a boy a thorough knowledge of the right use of English. He added that English was the language which would be of the greatest use to boys who left the Royal College in the positions they would occupy later in life and that English would help to bring Ceylon into commercial and political contact with the world outside. It was desirable that boys of the Royal College should have a good colloquial knowledge of the Vernaculars, but their primary business was to read, write and speak the purest English.

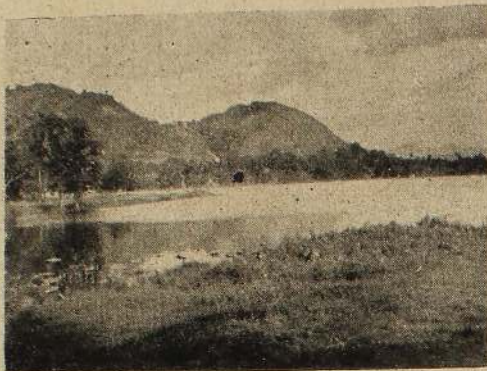
I feel sure that a very large body of responsible opinion in Ceylon warmly endorses His Excellency's weighty pronouncement.

I would add here a plea for the study of Latin and Greek as an aid to the study of English. The English language has drawn largely from the ancient classics, not only in vocabulary, but in directness, clearness and grace. By all means, let students who desire to read the Sinhalese and the Tamil classics do so, but let there be equal opportunities provided for those who desire Latin and Greek. If the ancient classics disappear from the curricula of our leading schools, our pupils will be deprived of the opportunity "to read, write and speak the purest English," under the best conditions.

The reorganisation of the Forest Department, which is expected to save the Island over a lak of rupees, while the activities of the scientific staff are to be concentrated on a scheme of reforestation, is a tribute to the genius of the Hon. Mr. D. S. Senanayake, our Minister of Agriculture and Lands. It hardly needs demonstration that the performance of routine duties such as the issue of licenses and the sale of firewood by qualified scientific officers is an economic waste. These duties will in the future be entrusted to Kacheris, while the development of our Forest areas will be placed in the hands of a scientific staff.

Our Monthly Amateur Snapshot Competition

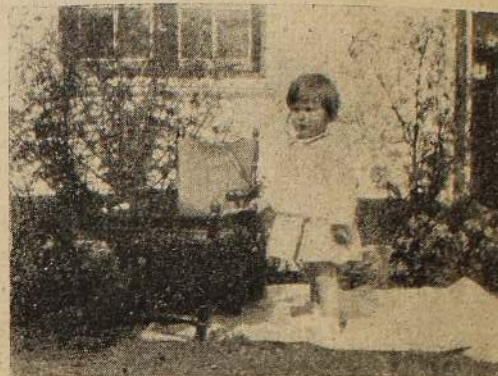
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DON'T WORRY.

By The Rev. C. V. A. Mac Echern.

THE subject is suggested by a recent occasion, when I arrived at the church considerably late for a wedding at which I was due to officiate. The bride and bridegroom had already been waiting in the Vestry for some time, and on my arrival I proceeded, with some trepidation, to apologise. "I am fearfully sorry," I commenced, "to be so late; but, as a matter of fact, I very nearly did not come at all." To my immediate relief the bride quite casually replied, "Don't worry, Mr. MacEchern, I very nearly didn't come myself."

This same advice I read recently upon a wayside pulpit. "Don't worry; the worst never happens." But even if we admit this to be true, we have to acknowledge the fact that something approaching the worst does happen, and is happening to-day; so that such advice is dangerous. When the Income Tax goes soaring upwards, when repeatedly fresh cuts are being made in the workers' wages, when the Metropolitan Chief declares that we need a superior brand of constable, when your favourite football team occupies only the fifth place on the League Table, and when the speeches in the Legislative Council become steadily longer, instead of shorter, surely it is unkind, to say the least, to counsel us not to worry. True, worry gets you nowhere, but who wants to go anywhere, except to the Talkies or to the Perahera?

The Talkies to me are perhaps my premier cause of worry, and I question whether the Pulpit and the Press together wield as strong an influence in moulding the youth of to-day as do the Talkies. "Reading," wrote Frank Crane, not so very long ago, "has become the playground of humanity." But to-day there is scarce time for reading; and even the daily Press has had to resort to pictures. The microphone and the Talkies are usurping the place of reading. Hollywood has become the world's dictator in many respects. Advertisers proclaim that their special brand of face powder is a favourite with the stars at Holly-

wood, and forthwith the woman of the world must order it. But perhaps its most marked influence is upon our English speech. The other day I heard two young girls, half-products of a West-end school for girls, conversing on the tramway on which we were travelling. "I'm goin' to the pictures tonight." "No, you ain't?" "I sure are." "Gee, you should see Joe Brown. He's a

A "TIT BIT."

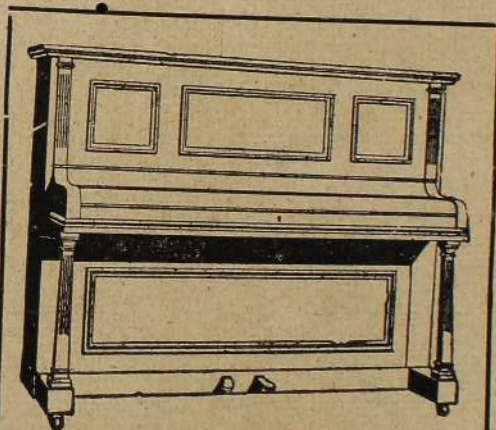
In a letter, bristling with humour, Rev. Mac Echern sends the Editor the following "Tit-Bit," which is worth reproducing.—
*"While I was visiting a woman recently who was suffering from some mysterious growth on the top of her head, she said.—"They took me to the Hospital and the doctor opened up my head, but strange to say, he **could find nothing in it**; and he told me that he simply couldn't account for my swelled head!"*

perfect scream." "Joe Brown nothin'. I guess I wanna git the real thing." "Yeah?" "Yeah." At the point they left the car, to return home to study their English grammar.

Soon we may expect to witness the method of thrilling love-making which the screen provides. Enter a young blonde gazing into the eyes of a New York sheik from her own heavily painted eyelids, when the real lover, an ardent gold digger, comes upon them and roughly drags the girl from the rival's arm. "Say, kid, who's the big noise anyway?" "Oh, jest a friend," she drawls. But the New Yorker meets him with the challenge, "Say, boob, what's the big idea now?" The gold digger, drawing forth a six-shooter

from his hip, says, "Wall, I guess I ain't got no time to converse with you." And the New York magnate drops dead. The girl in admiration exclaims, "Atta boy, you're wonderful". "Say, baby, do you think you could learn to love me jest a lil bit?" "Sure, boy." Then the fierce voice of the sheriff is heard, "Put 'em up there." And while he covers them, with a proud blood thirsty look upon his face, a cowboy dashes forward with a pistol in either hand, exclaiming, "Put 'em up, sheriff; grab this guy." And to the young lovers he adds, "Pass, friends, all's well; to the Sky pilot."

We may not quite yet have come to that, but who can tell how soon it may come? Meantime, we can but repeat optimistically, "Don't worry; the worst never happens." And when we have said it, some young modernist will be sure to make reply, "Gee, you've sure said a mouthful, but you can't throw that dope in my face."



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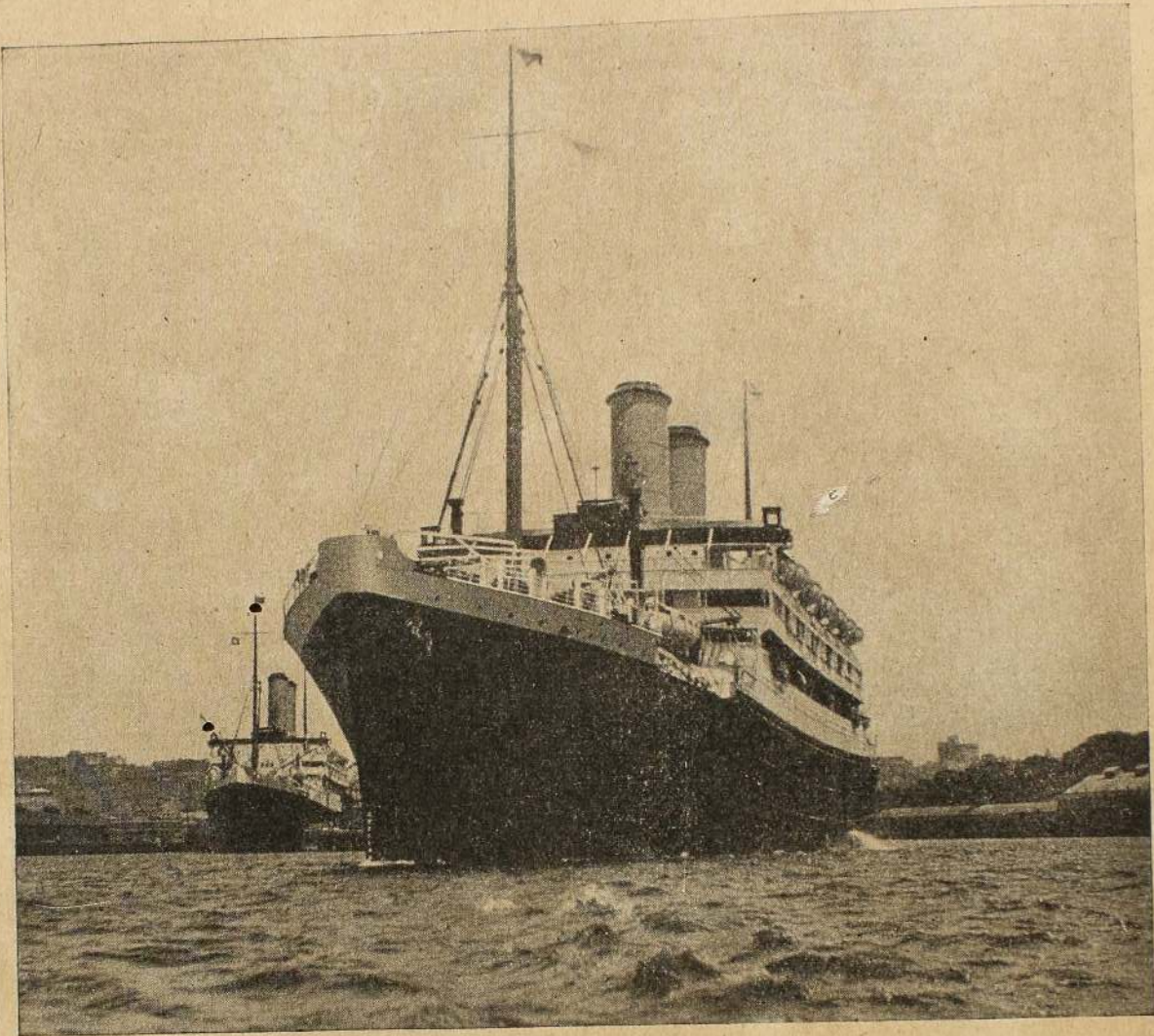
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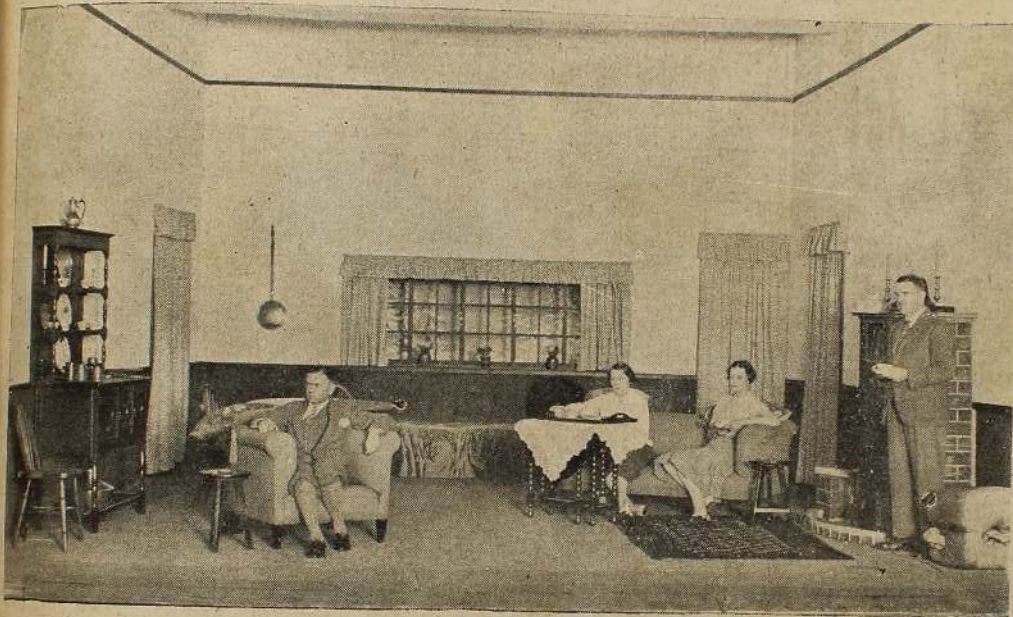
ANOTHER C. A. D. C. SUCCESS.

(Special to *The Ceylon Causerie*.)

THIS play, first produced in London in 1926 and subsequently both revived this year and filmed with Tom Walls in the lead, is frankly not one of Frederick Lonsdale's most brilliant productions, despite its apparent resuscitated popularity, for it lacks, perhaps, the satire of "The High Road," the effective swiftness of repartee of

small cast, whose task was long and arduous. As a whole they were even, always audible, and, carried the play extremely well with them.

I have never, personally, had the pleasure of watching a C. A. D. C. production before, but I am told that it is long since Mrs. Speer and Mr. Bennett have played to us. In which



A scene from "On Approval."

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The part was somewhat colourless, but it was made the most of, and her scene in Act 2 with the Duke was particularly good. Mrs. Marks is a thoroughly competent actress, and deserves a bigger part than the C. A. D. C. usually find for her.

Mr. E. E. Spencer is, of course, a born comedian, and knows all the tricks of the trade—quite extraordinarily so, for an amateur. After reading the play and seeing it, it is not easy to decide what Lonsdale intended this character really to be—a brilliant bore? an outrageous bounder? just a pleasant cynic? Honestly I cannot make up my own mind, and am just a little doubtful if Mr. Spencer could either! In any case he certainly did get every ounce out of this somewhat ungracious part, and was a delightful foil to his friend Richard—which all goes to show that at heart he must have been quite a pleasant person.

Mr. Bennett's good, kindly "Richard" delighted me. He was splendidly dog-like and supine. His wooing of the increasingly tiresome Mrs. Wislack, first of all abjectly devoted and then surprisingly contemptuous, was a great accomplishment. He was easy on the stage, he was quiet, he knew how to stand still in a way that compelled attention, and above all he appeared to be enjoying himself immensely. Such a spirit was indeed infectious.

The play was excellently produced by Mr. A. Gammon. The task on a small stage was not an easy one, but the whole production showed signs of careful and knowledgeable rehearsing. But why is it necessary for an actor always to leap to his feet when the seat next to him becomes occupied?

A word of praise must be accorded to Mr. Hills for his unseen and, I am told, tireless activity behind the scenes. I have a shrewd suspicion that most of the set was composed of Jute Hessian. I am told that he changed all the scenes single handed! I was personally of the opinion at the time, as a matter of fact, that the set was a special importation from abroad and that he was assisted by an army.....

I hope that the C. A. D. C. will not rest on these well deserved laurels for long.

case Ceylon audiences have indeed been unfortunate.

Mrs. Speer, after a little initial uncertainty, made an excellent portrayal of Mrs. Wislack, the widow of disputable 38, saddled rather ungraciously with Lonsdale's proverbial £ 25,000 a year, a bad temper and a selfish longing to marry again. She must be congratulated on the manner in which she changed from cynicism to silliness (the step perhaps is not so very great after all), from bad temper to hysteria, from rationalised love to irrational sentimentality, with such well controlled turbulence.

Mrs. Marks, as Helen Hayle, was decidedly easy to watch, her voice clear, and stage sense very marked.

some of his earlier plays so essential to atone for the lack of movement from which such farce is bound to suffer by its very nature. But nevertheless—for the falling off is but comparative—it has excellent entertainment value. Lonsdale's four puppets—the cast is scanty but concentrated—quarrel and make up in every combination that the number "4" affords with amazing mutability; by turns fatuous and serious, extravagant and serene, faithful and faithless in the same breath. The comedy of it all is not a little human.

The C. A. D. C. are to be congratulated on their most competent production of a play which, as would appear, is by no means an easy one. Full credit for this is due to the

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IT was in 1902 that Sir Francis Burdett, Bart., A. D. C. to the Governor, offered a handsome Challenge Cup for Inter Club Competition between the Royal Colombo Golf Club and the Nuwara Eliya Golf Club. That trophy has provided some extremely interesting annual contests.

TEAMS IN THE BURDETT TROPHY GOLF CONTEST.

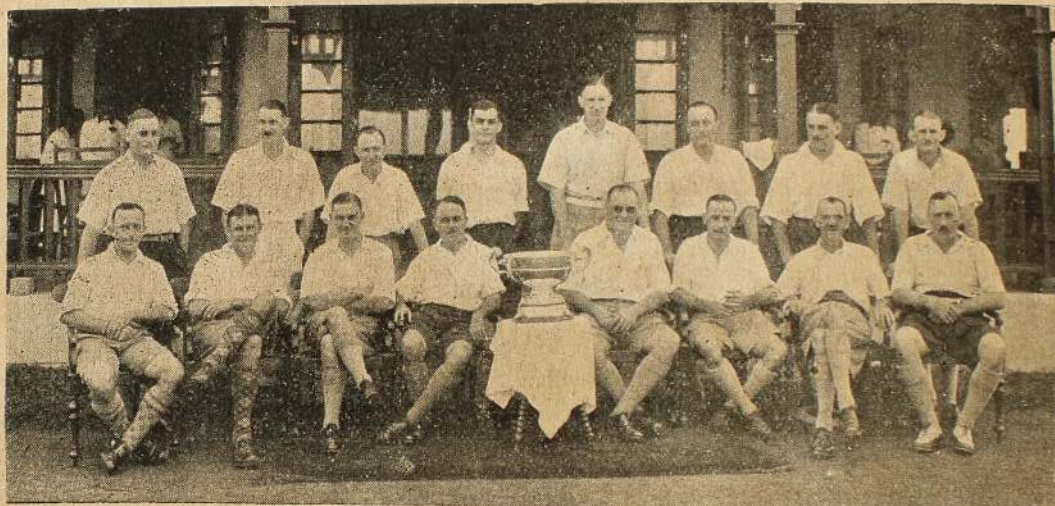


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Standing :—K. Logan, M. MacLean, S. G. Coutts, M. P. Davis, R. K. S. Murray, L. B. Gourlay, J. B. MacLachlan, T. E. Wilson.

Seated :—B. J. Lallyett, F. H. Creasy, E. S. Danks, C. A. S. Booth, A. R. Aitken, D. F. Fitz Gibbon, M. H. Lushington and M. Gardner.

It is noteworthy that Colombo have invariably been successful on the Ridgeway Links, while Up-country have won the majority of their victories at Nuwara Eliya. Last year at N'Elia, the Up-country golfers overwhelmed the Colombo team. In the latest contest for the Burdett Trophy, on the Ridgeway Links, Colombo won a smashing success over the N'Elia Golf Club team by 10 matches to 2. Colombo was strongly represented including the reigning Champion E. S. Danks and ex-champions in M. P. Davis and Kenneth Logan, besides F. H. Creasy and B. J. Lallyett, who had been runner-up. All these men had showed good form in recent Competitions, while the Hillsmen, not so used to the local links, had evidently not indulged in

as much practice as their opponents. In the morning's play Colombo won all the four Foursomes matches. Three of these contests ended most decisively and only R. K. S. Murray and M. H. Lushington were able to extend their opponents, Davis and Booth, to the last green.

In the afternoon's play A. R. Aitken, perhaps the greatest golfer

Ceylon has ever had, defeated E. S. Danks, 2 up. It was a great feat on the part of the older Up-country man to have beaten the Ceylon Champion, on the latter's own course. On his day Aitken is irresistible. He proved his greatness on this occasion when he won one of the two solitary victories obtained by Up-country. R. K. S. Murray was the only other Up-country player who won his match, beating M. P. Davis 5 and 4. At the conclusion of the contest, the Hon. Mr. F. G. Tyrell, the President of the R. C. G. C., in making the presentation of the Trophy to the Colombo Captain, C. A. S. Booth, referred to the start of this series of annual matches and alluded to the good it had done in promoting healthy rivalry and a fine feeling among the contestants.

Ceylon's Tennis Blue.

F. C. de Saram, son of the former Ceylon Champion, who is now at Oxford has brought much credit to Ceylon by his skill at Lawn Tennis. Last year young de Saram was awarded a half Blue for Tennis, having played in the Doubles. This year he received his full Blue and represented Oxford against Cambridge in the annual battle of the Blues. This old Royalist is the first Ceylon player to gain a full Blue for Tennis at Oxford. Some years ago Donald Rutnam gained a full Blue at Cambridge, being the first Ceylonese to gain that distinction. It might be mentioned that F. C. de Saram, who was partnered by the American Burrell, beat so good a pair as J. W. Nuthall and Young 9/7, 6/4. A few days earlier de Saram and Burrell beat L. A. Godfree and J. B. Gilbert of the All England Club. With the experience he is gaining in England de Saram should in a few years be a really fine player. At present he appears to be more successful in Doubles than in Singles, but he has the makings of a good Singles player and in his third year at the 'Varsity should be a force to be reckoned with even by the best of the Cambridge players.

Rugby Football.

Extraordinary interest is being centred in the present Rugger Season owing to the greatly improved form shown by both Uva and Dimbula. The Merrie Men, who used to be such a formidable side in the days when the late A. E. Ogilvy captained them, have shown remarkable form in their last two engagements with the C. H. & F. C. and Dimbula, and their victories in these two games, recall the fine records of the district in the years prior to the Great War when such brilliant exponents of the game as H. Walter, the brothers Peter, D. G. Norman, L. C. Davies, G. K. Thornhill, C. R. Lundie, N. Bannerman and F. Doveton Boyd helped Uva to win the District Championship. It is refreshing to find that Up-country are again well off for good players, and that there are at least three district sides capable of holding their own with the strong C. H. & F. C. team. With such a plethora of talent available this year,

everything points to another great contest in August, and it will be surprising if Up-country fail to repeat the success they gained last year.

Hockey.

The B. R. C. have figured with conspicuous success in the Hockey Tournaments run by the Ceylon Hockey Association, and while their "B" Team won the Pioneer Shield, after a thrilling final with St. Michael's, the "A" Team look like annexing the Senior Competition for the Andriesz Shield. Their concluding match with the C. L. I., on July 3rd, will decide the result, and even a draw in this game will give them the shield. The B. R. C. have won every match they have so far played, while the C. L. I. tied in one of their engagements. The latter, however, have shown greatly improved form in their last three matches, and their acknowledged speed and fitness may have an important bearing on the result of their meeting with the present leaders.

The August Race Meet.

The August races promise well for even without any entries from India there are so many animals now racing in Ceylon. But it is very likely that the August meet will once again attract several candidates for our chief prizes from India. If this happens it will only enhance the success of the August Carnival. As stated before the favourite for the Governor's Cup promises to be Mr. Lyon's Compris. When he is tuned up to concert pitch before Cup day he should be a real smasher. Still it must be said that Blissful, Yuwill, Aroostook, Silverton and other candidates for the Governor's Cup will not let Mr. Lyon's candidate have things all his own way.

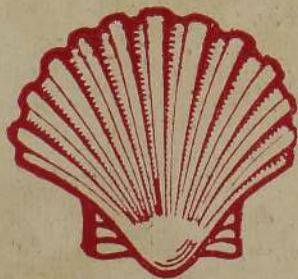
The way in which the two chief Totes were patronised on the last day of the June meet showed that when the big meet comes along there will be a good deal of public money put into circulation. Last year in spite of the "depression," Cup day saw a record crowd at the races. The forthcoming carnival is sure to provide even bigger crowds, that will mean more investments than before.

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The two new Members of the Order of the British Empire are both officers of the Ceylon Light Infantry. Major Stanley Fernando, the Municipal Works Engineer, has done much for the City's amenities, while Major Griffith, who has won the honour in the Military Division, is well known in Mercantile and Sporting circles.

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The B. R. C. "B" Team, winners of the Pioneer Shield.

The Medicine of Nachchamalai.

By A. F. A.

THE Eastern Province has its singing fish and walking fish; so perhaps the fact that this very interesting part of the Island also produced fish whose pulverized remains cure all ills of the flesh may not be a great surprise.

The stories which the local villagers told about the powerfulness of this specific were, however, sufficiently interesting to warrant investigation:



Nachchamalai.

Photo by A. F. A.

In a few minutes the broad lagoon had been left behind and the canoe turned into a stream and glided under tangled masses of mangroves. In places these almost touched overhead; then the river widened again; the mangroves were left behind, jungle trees and bushes taking their place. Birds, flowering trees and plants now attracted our attention. Green pigeon passed overhead, a solitary

Vessagiriya and Anuradhapura, with the drip ledge above the entrance and the usual inscriptions, indicating the name and standing of the occupant, cut out of the rock above it. Remains of the rough stone boundary walls still remain in the condition that they must have been in the time of the last occupant.

Cutting through a tangle of thorny bushes and creepers beyond the cave, and passing through a small opening between two rocks as large as houses, the party stepped out on to a flat rock terrace of considerable size, from which a magnificent view of jungle, hill and river was obtained. The old hermits had extremely good taste in the matter of choosing sites to retire to and, although the country beneath this wonderful terrace may have been thickly populated then, the calls of birds, the scents of flowers and the colours of the sunrise and sunset must have contributed in no small part to their worship and to their solitary meditations.

Two hundred feet below, the jungle spread out to the horizon; isolated hills rose from a sea of trees and here and there a small paddy field marked the last efforts of a receding civilisation to hold its own. From left to right wound the Maddi-aru; in front was a sandbank at the water's edge, across which a wide track marked the recent passage of a herd of elephants. To the right, a number of deer moved along the bank, occasionally halting to drink. Behind us, two miles away, was the sea, Salapai-aru ferry, and the large tank, Periyakarachchikulam, all glistening in the morning sun.

The guides, who had left us to rest and admire the view beside a water hole, in the terrace, filled with lotus flowers, had been searching for the source of the mysterious stream. Calling us to follow them, they led the way down the hill, over fallen trees, past bear caves and hornet's nests, up the hill again and stopped at the base of another immense rock, towering fifty feet into the air.

From a fissure at the bottom, a whitish deposit lay across the slab rock at our feet. This was evidently where the petrifying liquid poured out of the rock. To reach the fissure it was necessary to scramble up the slab. A short crawl inside, with a

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with the result that the author arrived at the Salapai-aru ferry, complete with guides, just as the first signs of dawn were appearing over the sea.

Salapai-aru ferry is 19 miles north of Trincomalee and from the middle of the lagoon, into which several rivers empty their waters, a peculiar pinnacle of rock stands out above the jungle. This is Nachchamalai—the mistress's hill—and out of this rock the mysterious fluid, which turns everything it touches into stone, is said to flow into the stream below.

The party embarked and distributed its weight along the centre of a frail mango wood canoe. A nice balance having been obtained, the canoe headed across the lagoon in the direction of one of the streams. It was a beautiful morning and the colours of the sunrise were reflected in the smooth water which was hardly disturbed by the primitive paddles of the boatmen.

crane flew across the river and a large hawk lazily watched the canoe from a tree. The jungle woke to the calls of animals and birds.

The waterway twisted and turned until a long stretch of river was reached and Nachchamalai was seen very near. After an hour's journey the boat was beached and the party clambered ashore to walk the remaining half mile. Elephant tracks abounded on the bank of the river and, before many steps had been taken, a large herd of spotted deer was seen very close in the low bush.

The walk to the hill was through prickly scrub, but on the lower parts of the hill itself, the usual jungle trees and bushes had to be cut through. The way led up a rough slope and, after a scramble, the base of the enormous rock, which is seen from the ferry, was reached. To our left was a large cell, or cave, similar to those which are so common at

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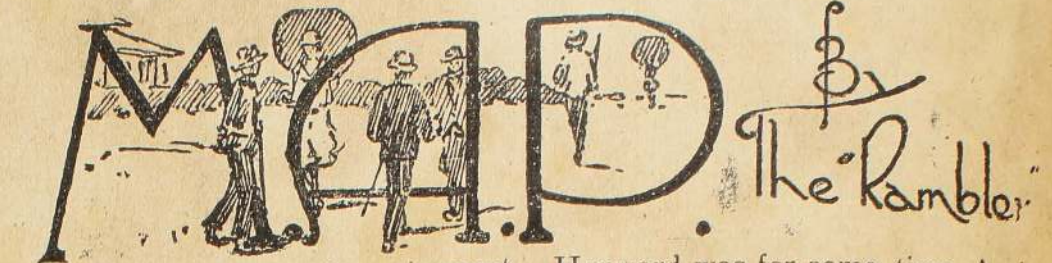
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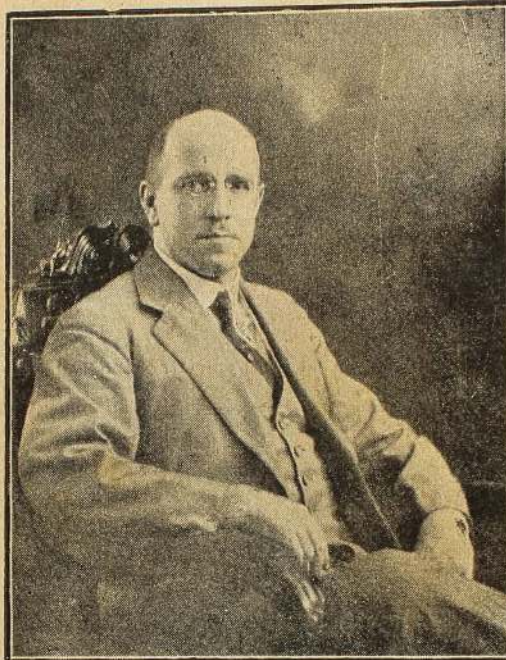
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THE somewhat early retirement of Mr. L. J. B. Turner, of the Ceylon Civil Service, deprives the Government of an officer of exceptional merit, particularly in the specialised departments of statistics and office routine, while the public

Harward was for some time Assistant Post Master General.

The sad death of Mr. P. O. S. E. Silva, Police Magistrate of Jaffna, deprives the Civil Service of a young



MR. L. J. B. TURNER.

will deplore the loss of a historian, whose careful investigations into the early British period, led to the publication of that useful work, "Collected Papers of the History of the Maritime Provinces in Ceylon, 1795—1805."

The death of Mr. John Harward, late Director of Education, is now followed by the death of his brother, Mr. C. C. Harward, late of the Irrigation Department. When Mr. John Harward arrived in 1893, as Principal of the Royal College, he was followed by his sister Miss Mary Harward and by his younger brothers, Mr. C. C. Harward and Mr. T. Harward. All these brothers served in the Ceylon Public Service. Mr. C. C. Harward rendered much distinguished service as the author of the Flood Protection Scheme and was created a C.B.E. He lived in retirement in New Zealand where he died. Mr. T.



THE LATE MR. P. O. S. E. SILVA.

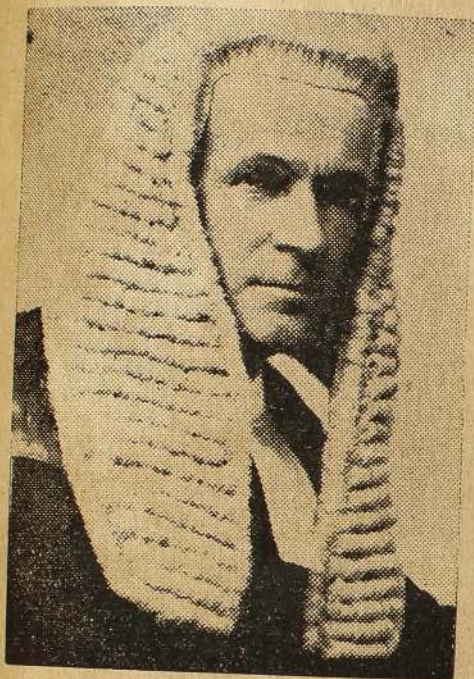
officer, who achieved popularity and a reputation for efficiency and a high sense of duty at the various stations where he served since he was appointed a Cadet, six years ago. Tributes to his memory were paid at the various Police Courts over which he presided.

A very promising young life has been lost to the Public Service by the death last month of Mr. G. F. Berenger, Assistant Superintendent of Police, Kalutara. Mr. Berenger was one of the earliest officers to enter the Commissioned ranks of the Police Service by competitive examinations held in Ceylon. Although he was at the very threshold of his career, Mr. Berenger was held in very high regard by those who were most competent to judge of his work.

ONE of Ceylon's greatest Chief Justices was Sir Alexander Wood Renton whose sudden death, within a week of his 72nd birthday, was reported last month. He adorned the Supreme Court Bench for 13 years, first as Puisne Judge, and then, from 1914 to 1918—those troublous times—as Chief Justice. Circumstances conspired to make him unpopular at the close of his career. His judicial methods did not appeal to everybody. But there can be no doubt that Sir Alexander was an

useful pastime of bird-lore, of which he is now a recognised authority.

Two years ago Mr. R. H. Wickremasinghe, of the Ceylon Civil Service, won the brilliant distinction of obtaining his degree at Cambridge as a B Star Wrangler. Now his brother, Mr. P. H. Wickremasinghe of Trinity College, Cambridge, has achieved the same triumph. Both these Wranglers are sons of Mohandiram D. L. Wickremasinghe of the Chief Secretary's Office. Earlier



SIR ALEXANDER WOOD RENTON.

MR. P. H. WICKREMASINGHE.

outstanding personality, a Judge of infinite courage, profoundly learned in the Law and inspired by a consuming passion for justice. His judgments were models of lucidity and conciseness. His sure grasp of the essentials of intricate problems and his intellectual eminence were also recognized after his retirement, when he was appointed Chairman of several important Commissions. His literary tastes were not confined to legal lore. He had lectured on Aristophanes and on the Life and Letters of Napoleon. Ceylon will rank him high among her great Judges of the past.

Ceylon Wranglers were Mr. Del Tufo and Mr. H. E. Peries of the Ceylon Civil Service. The success of these Wranglers indicate the greatly improved standard of mathematical work in our Ceylon schools and are a triumph for the Royal College and its old Principal, Mr. H. L. Reed, who was himself a Cambridge Wrangler.

Nowhere will the Knighthood conferred on Sir W. T. Southorn, late of our Civil Service, be more heartily welcomed than in Ceylon where both he and Lady Southorn are so deservedly popular among all sections of the people. Sir W. T. Southorn was one of the most famous in the illustrious roll of men who filled the office of Principal Assistant to the Colonial Secretary, while Lady Southorn is well-known to the Ceylon Public not only by her books, but by her interest in all movements for the welfare of the people.

We congratulate Mr. W. E. Wait of the Ceylon Civil Service on his appointment as Deputy Chief Secretary. His excellent public services have already obtained the award of the C. M. G. decoration. In the intervals of a busy official life he has found opportunities for perfecting his

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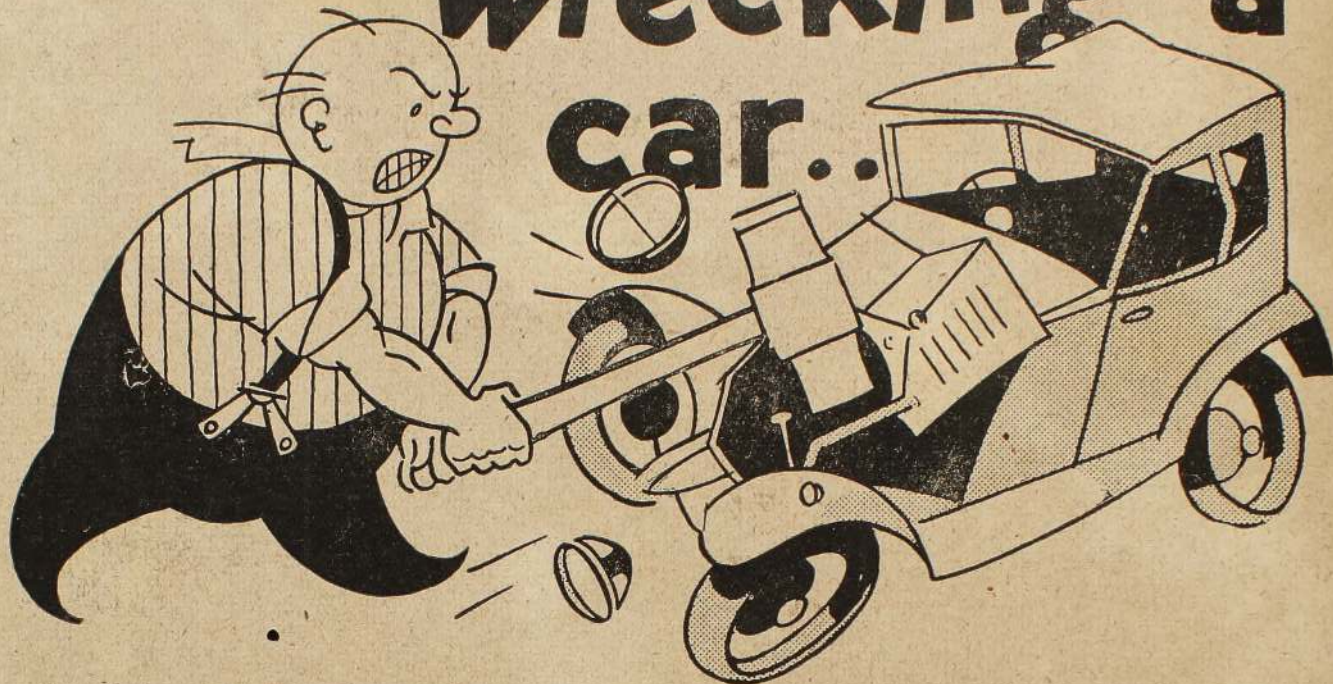
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A VISCOUNT'S VISIT TO CEYLON.

AND ITS NOTE IN HISTORY.

By Frederick Lewis.

II.

ALL sorts of schemes for the Visitor's entertainment were projected: durbars; balls; excursions; in short, the noble Lord was to be feted and feasted no matter if he was ill or well. To make things more restless, to be sure, Christmas was close at hand, so that the visit of one, such as he, coupled with the Governor's usual Christmas hospitality, must be amalgamated into some suitable demonstration. But there was no getting away from the air of uncertainty that spread through official and unofficial homes. Military officers, as well as their men, were equally deeply affected by the heart burnings over the Kandyan disaster, for which they blamed the Governor as well as the unhappy Commandant of Kandy, who at the time was believed to be dead. The General was shortly to be relieved of his command,—a fact that added much material for gossips to circulate stories over, and likewise speculative rumours, so that our visitor's arrival synchronised with a period of most anxious unrest and disquietude. It can hardly be conceived that the atmosphere of the Governor's own residence could escape the popular infection, more especially as it was humanly impossible for him not to feel, that rightly or wrongly, he was, or would be, blamed for the miserable failure of diplomacy with the Court of Kandy. Had it succeeded, the world would have acclaimed North as an Empire builder; but as it failed, the foundations he laid have ever since been buried in the mire of a colossal miscalculation for which the Governor alone was not responsible. He has had to bear the sins of his bad advisers; they have escaped, without so much as a suspicion that by their miscalculations as to consequences, they let down their Chief. He, ever since, would certainly bear the brunt of a failure that had its birth in their ideas as well as his. Truly, a Chief's sorrows are made

for him by those he is expected to trust. North was no exception.

Lord Valentia, as the guest of North, was unlikely to miss drawing conclusions for himself, when the very air he breathed was saturated with the undisguised spirit of the time, and that was the season in which he arrived here. His host was just as human as he was himself; so what more natural step for North than to confide to his invalid guest the details of his anxiety, even if it was communicated with a certain amount of reserve? Could anything be less natural than to seek for sympathy in anxiety and distress?

We find confirmation in the pages of Valentia's book, but its author tactfully omits to mention from what authority he recorded with meticulous detail events that could only have been recorded in official chronicles, or its authenticity might have been impugned. The Governor's diary contained the most reliable authority, and that authentic service was at hand. We do not suggest that it was obtained without the fullest consent of North himself. In a sense, it was his vindication; but in another it was his condemnation, in that it established that North hopelessly miscalculated the character of the traitor who openly disclosed his own wicked and cunning designs.

The sick man noted events, and the dates of those events, which could not have been of personal interest to himself, as a visitor or a traveller. Yet we find the record corresponds with official records, unpublished at the time, and certainly unlikely to be found in private collections at that particular date. Valentia's visit began on the 18th. December, 1803, and he left Talaimannar, on the 25th of January following, but he and Mr. Salt actually quitted St. Sebastian on the 14th. January, so that he actually remained under the Governor's roof for twenty three days,

with much of the time in the care of Dr. Christie, "being," as he tells us in his fascinating travels, "by indisposition much confined," but he adds, "I was able to collect many interesting particulars concerning the Island." His book entitled "Voyages and Travels to India, Ceylon, the Red Sea, Abyssinia, and Egypt, in the years 1802, 1803, 1804, 1805, and 1806," was published in three volumes in 1809. In the section that relates to Ceylon, Valentia faintly outlines the situation at the time of our superceding the Dutch, but he does not enlighten us as to the atmosphere of anxiety that pervaded Colombo when he arrived there, after his trying palanquin journey of over 70 miles. We are given, with almost wearisome exactitude, the dates on which the Adigar met North, or the Chief Secretary, and what passed between them on those occasions, and the painful comment is made that "as Major Davie was apprized that supplies and succours were on the road to join him, it is incomprehensible that he should be induced to capitulate to so weak a foe as the King of Candy". In fairness to Lord Valentia, we can only suppose that when he wrote those words, he had not before him the details of all that happened in Kandy, in June, 1803. At the time of this Nobleman's visit to North, it was unknown if Davie was alive or dead, but there is proof to show that the general opinion was that he no longer existed. Possibly the story that Greeving had to tell when he escaped to the British Fort at Hanwella, may not have been believed in the absence of anything to support it, and this belief was absorbed by Valentia; but if that account had been accepted, it is strange that Davie's refusal to capitulate, and threat of self-destruction rather than submit, found no mitigating note in the condemnation of this unhappy man, in which Valentia implies his acquiescence.

Cordiner, the friend of North, and faithful historian, was in Ceylon up to a date later than Lord Valentia's departure, so that it is more than likely that he too contributed much information that Valentia incorporated in his notes, though an exact statement that he had is just as wanting as his authority for the dates he records.

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Reminiscences of Over Forty Years of Rugby Football in Ceylon.

By Col. E. H. Joseph, V. D.

MY experiences of Rugger in Ceylon might have dated back to close on fifty years had it not been that just before my return to the Island from school, in 1886, the game had been suspended for a period of six years, owing to the death of young Hall, the son of the Deputy Fiscal, during a match on Galle Face, in 1885. Hall did not actually die on the field of play. He was carried off in a state of collapse to the Military Hospital just across the road, and died there soon after his admission, it was said. Considering that his death was attributed to heart disease, and that he should not have played with such an affection, Rugger should not have been blamed for the sad occurrence. Be that as it may, the game was practically abandoned for six years, and was not seriously revived till 1892.

I have not the names of all those who took part in that ill-fated match of 1885, nor do I know what the two teams styled themselves, but I remember two of the players. They were the late V. A. Julius, who was afterwards the first President of the Colombo Hockey Club, the precursor of the C. H. & F. C., and E. C. Davies, the Factory Engineer—both stalwarts and, I imagine, very convincing forwards.

The first Colombo-Up-country fixture that I remember and took part in was in 1892. The venue of the match was the present Rifle Green, and the captains of the two teams were Geo. Vanderspar (Colombo) and Norman, better known as "Toby"—Rowell (Up-country). I fancy the revival of the game and the inception of this annual fixture was due to the initiative of these two protagonists of the game. Why the fixture was played on the Rifle Green and not on the ground opposite the Hospital, on Galle Face, I do not recall. Perhaps the taboo following on the Hall tragedy extended to the ground. The Rifle Green was by no means an ideal ground for Rugger. It was uncommonly hard, not too even, and being open for the recreation of all the gamins of Slave Island, and not being very specially prepared for a match of this importance, it was no uncommon experience for players to pick up quite formidable chunks of metal on the ground and throw them outside the field of play. Besides this the ground was somewhat restricted, in breadth at least. When one recalls the doubtful amenities of this ground and contrasts it with such playing

fields as obtain in Colombo nowadays, such as the C. H. & F. C. ground, on the Racecourse, and that of the C. R. & F. C., at Longden Place, one is apt to envy the present generation its luxurious equipment. And yet in dry weather one hears complaints regarding the hardness of these grounds by the present day Rugger Sybarites. I would wish that the worst of these grouse could be made to go through a gruelling game on the Rifle Green, as it was in 1892.



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COL. E. H. JOSEPH, V. D.

In looking through the names of that 1892 team how vividly I recall most of the players. Geo. Vanderspar was an enthusiastic leader, for he was all out all the time and being an excellent three-quarter with a thorough knowledge of the game and an effective drop and place kick, he was invaluable to his side. "Toby" Rowell, at scrum half, sometimes doing duty at three-quarter, was an equally great acquisition to his side. T. Y. Wright was one of the Up-country side and in the hey-day of his young manhood, being only 23, and having come out to the Island with his blushing sporting honours thick upon him, barely three years previously. He was a versatile genius in the back division, in which he was capable of filling any position most efficiently. Another stalwart for Up-country was A. L. Hine-Haycock, one of the best forwards ever seen in action in Ceylon, though he played at "Three" in this game. He was a Rugger enthusiast of the finest type, and afterwards skipped Up-country with marked success. He was an old Wellingtonian. It is good to know that he is still going strong in "the old country," and though he has had no son to emulate his sporting example out here, it is of interest to record that in his godson,

Leslie Waldock, we have a first-class exponent of a sister game—Hockey. In W. A. Lane (Bill), "Hine" had a *confreere* after his own heart, who though somewhat slimly built was a glutton for work in the scrum and a standout player in the loose, being an exceptionally fine dribbler, who was seldom parted from the ball. I do not intend to detail the characteristics of each of the players in this match. There were many other good men I can recall, but I should like to make special mention of one other Up-country man, the ever-green J. R. Neale, happily still with us to serve as an example to the youngsters of the *calibre* of the old stock. He was a very fast and a very dashing three-quarter, who took a lot of stopping. He contributed a son to the game in Ceylon. The latter was a most useful forward for Colombo, but gave up the game far too soon. Of the Colombo players, W. E. Mitchell made his first appearance in Ceylon Rugger, in which he was a shining light for some years. It may be of interest to note that two Ceylonese played for Colombo in this match—W. van Langenberg, who had played in the Richmond team, and myself.

It may be of interest to reproduce the names of the two teams in that Colombo-Up-country match. They were:—

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Three-quarters: G. Vanderspar (Capt.)
Lieut. W. L. Loring and W. E. Mitchell.

Halves: J. A. Macdonald and Capt. G. Caldecott.

Forwards: W. Ferguson, Hewitson, Lt. Farquhar, Murray, Bremner, Joseph, H. W. Bailey, F. R. Watson and W. van Langenberg.

UP-COUNTRY.

Back: A. King Harman.

Three-quarters: J. R. Neale, T. Y. Wright and A. L. Hine-Haycock.

Halves: N. Rowsell (Capt) and E. Fox.

Forwards: E. M. Wyatt, L. St. Geo. Carey, A. Christie, H. A. Hayes, J. Bayley, G. F. Barber, W. A. Lane and T. Marshall.

Up-country routed Colombo by 25 points to nil.

It will be noticed that each side only played three three-quarters, the four three-quarter game not having been adopted then in Ceylon, though it had been in vogue for some time in England, for instance in my school as far back as 1884.

In 1892 there was no Rugger Club in existence in Colombo, but there was a Colombo Hockey Club formed in that year, with V. A. Julius as President and W. E. Mitchell as Secretary. In 1893 the Colombo Football Club was inaugurated as a separate organisation at a meeting held at the Bristol Hotel. Mr. H. H. Capper, the Editor and Part Proprietor of the "Times of Ceylon" was elected President and Mr. H. S. Jeaffreson as Hon. Secretary, with Surgeon Major Pike as its first Captain. Three keener

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officials it would not be possible to find. H. H. Capper had been a very useful three-quarter in his day and was a most enthusiastic supporter of the game. As evidence of this we have the "Capper Cup," donated by him for competition between Colombo and Up-country. This Cup had a bit of a history of its own. A few years after it was presented it was nowhere to be found and, therefore, could not be presented to the winning side after, at least, one of the annual fixtures. Search by an extra-efficient Hon. Secretary discovered it reposing in the vault or safe of a local Bank, where it had been deposited for safe-keeping. Happily resurrected, its presentation, after each annual contest, has since uninterruptedly served as a feature of the amenities of this popular annual contest, serving to recall the sporting donor. H. S. Jeafferson was as keen a rugger man as ever came to Ceylon, and a first rater as a forward. Unfortunately he was prevented by illness from taking part in the game early in his career in Ceylon, and chafed considerably at his enforced abstinence from it.

A Famous Army Player.

Surgeon-Major W. W. Pike, who captained the Colombo team in 1893 and 1894, was an Irish International and a wonderfully inspiring skipper. He, needless to say, was thoroughly conversant with every move of the game, and a great opportunist. Keen as mustard he never spared himself and following his example his men gave of their best. Now Major-General W. Watson Pike, K.C.M.G., D.S.O., he still takes the keenest interest in the Colombo (or Low-country-Up-country) match, and still awaits the result of it with the greatest eagerness. I cannot illustrate Sir William's interest in Ceylon Rugger better than by quoting, an extract from "Sport in Ceylon" in 1922, in which the gallant Major-General writing to the Editor of that publication some years before, under the caption "The Old Badge" says:—"Last week, while turning out an old box that had been left at home during a couple of tours of foreign service, I unearthed a red elephant badge, made of calico, which we wore in the old days as the Colombo Badge versus Up-country. Seventeen to eighteen years vanished as a flash, and I was back again on the Rifle Green (1893) and in the middle of the *hardest match of my life*. I shall never forget the strain in the last half of trying with four backs (one of them a "forward") to keep out such scoring demons as Wright, Rowsell, Hine-Haycock and others. Black and I were "corpses" for days after.

Whether we won or lost by a point will never be settled now. I think we won; Rowsell thinks we didn't and the match has been passed down to posterity as a draw. The winners, however, gave a very fine reception that night at the Public Hall, which was well lit up and "the fires of goodwill" burned very brightly. I fancied

the firewood was rather costly, but that's another story.

The "old badge" is now back again in its box; the writer is now a spectator, but every year the post that brings home the result of the Colombo-Up-country match is eagerly looked for, and when, as is now frequently the case, he sees the "win for Colombo," a glow of exultation steals over him and the good old times come back vividly.

I believe Jeafferson was the man who started the "Red Elephant" for Colombo and no keener "Colombuster" (good name that) ever existed. I remember well how he came for *vocal* repair after each match, owing to the generous aid he gave by cheering each effort of Colombo towards victory.

Colombo's uniform in those days was white shorts, white jerseys, Red Elephant badge on left breast and colours—I do not remember what coloured hose—probably black. The General has for several years past been wishing to be present at the encounter, and to witness the August Race Meet, a wish which all who know him will hope to see fulfilled before many moons have passed.

The C. H. & F. C.

The two Clubs, the Colombo Hockey Club, and the Colombo Football Club continued as separate entities, for three years. In 1896, however, at a meeting held, as far as I remember in the Colombo Sports Club Pavilion, an amalgamation was effected under the title of the Colombo Hockey and Football Club—the term "football" embracing both Rugger and Soccer. Mr. V. A. Julius was unanimously elected the President, and was the only honoured guest at the 25th anniversary celebration dinner at the Galle Face Hotel, on February 23rd, 1921. He was an out and out sportsman, and in proof of this I will relate one incident of which I was personally aware. This was in 1896, when the Colombo team was composed of no less than five members, four officers and one N. C. O. of the European Infantry Regiment then stationed in Colombo. A very reprehensible letter had been inadvertently (as it was subsequently discovered) slipped into the only morning newspaper of that day, for the obvious purpose of reflecting discredit on the Officer Commanding that Regiment. Naturally he was extremely indignant, but he took the foolish step of writing to the Committee of the C. H. & F. C. stating that he would not permit any officer and N. C. O. of his Regiment to play for the Club, in whose team and on whose Committee was a member of the Staff of that paper. This was on the very eve of the Colombo-Up-country match. A hastily summoned meeting of the C. H. & F. C. was held in Mr. Julius' office. The O. C.'s letter was laid before it for consideration. The

member of the offending, or was it offensive? Staff, who was present as a Committee member, was about to retire, when he was stopped by the President, who merely wanted confirmation of the fact that as Manager, this member had no knowledge or nothing to do with the publication of the letter complained of. This was, of course, readily given and at the instigation of the President, the O. C. was informed of this fact and also told that the Committee would not for a moment entertain the suggestion of leaving out of the Colombo team the member referred to by him. The O. C. was brought to reason and the five regimental players—all invaluable men—took part in the game with that member of the Fourth Estate. The President and the Committee, at his direction, were fully prepared to risk the chances of Colombo in the match, by the replacement of these five players, by others of less worth, rather than have an injustice done to one man.

A Memorable Match.

The 1893 match was chiefly memorable for the first appearance of Pike and Geo. Black (Asst. Accountant of the Bank of Madras) for Colombo. They were both wonderfully effective "Threes" and to them fell the bulk of the work. Black was powerfully built and, though not very fast, had a truly wonderful swerve. It was most difficult to tackle him low as he was able to shake off the tackles by pivoting on his legs from his hips, which was most disconcerting. He is now a high official in the Imperial Bank, or was, when I last heard of him. Jeafferson too made his first appearance in this game. As Pike mentions above it was decided to consider the match a draw, "all bets being off." The result turned on the reckoning of points, whether they were to be computed on the old terms of scoring or the new which had then just been introduced by the Rugby Union. The question was referred to that body, which would not give a decision and hence the "draw." Rowsell, going by the old reckoning, contended that Up-country had won by 6 points to 5, while Pike based his claim on the new reckoning a victory for Colombo. However, all contentions, if any;—and I don't think there was any, since the claims were urged in the very best sporting spirit by the respective captains—were entirely forgotten in the subsequent celebration, which opened with a dinner at the Colombo Club. The enthusiasm in the reception of the toasts was so great that extra "Highland honours" were accorded and the toasts drunk among sounding glass and tinkling crockery—much to the detriment of both. The dinner was followed by a show at the Public Hall, by a visiting Variety Company, whom the C. H. & F. C. had booked for the entertainment of their guests. The Variety Company gave a turn or two—I think they worked almost through the first half of their programme. They then, quite rightly, decided that the Public Hall was on that occasion at least, no place for them. Adopting as their motto "Safety First" they vamoosed, and the stage was taken charge of by a very well-known veteran of

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The Moon a Pointer to Planets.

By Leonard Arndt

HOW often one asks or is asked the question, what is that bright star?

In how many cases is the answer given, That is not a star but a planet!

And yet on the ordinary mundane plane an error in perspective would be laughed at. (After all at the root of humour is a sense of proportion, and the sight of a Malvolio chasing his hat infallibly evokes laughter!)

Now, while the eye fails to detect the difference between a star and a planet (even the old catchword that stars twinkle but planets do not being an unsafe guide in misty weather or at a low angle), we have a convenient pointer in the moon as it grows big and moves eastward every month. A proper calendar of the month should show the conjunctions of moon and planets. Here follows such a calendar for July-August.

JULY—AUGUST.

(SUN IN CONSTELLATION OF CANCER.)

23rd July 12 noon New Moon and Mercury in conjunction.

24th July, 22 h. New Moon and Venus in conjunction.

26th July, 22 h. Moon and Jupiter in conjunction.

28th July, 13 h. Moon and Mars in conjunction.

5th August, 20 h. Moon and Saturn in conjunction.

CLOSE.

(17th August, Venus and Jupiter in close conjunction.)

MERCURY.

The elusive planet Mercury is well-named. We are catching a brief glimpse of these evenings when clouds allow. On 25th June, it was near the young moon. On 2nd July it was at its maximum height in the night sky, i.e., 26 degrees above the eastern horizon. Mercury and Venus being inside the earth's orbit cannot be seen far from the sun in

the night sky. Of Venus in the daylight, more anon.

MOON, MERCURY AND VENUS.

Those three will make a striking picture in the twilight sky on the nights of the 23rd and 24th July, the moon passing Mercury at noon the previous day, as the above calendar shows. It passes Venus at 10 p.m. on the 24th.

That would be almost the last of Mercury as an evening star, for its brief half-course would be over, and it would retire on the 28th to the other side of the sun in the morning sky for the rest of the year.

A telescope (even a surveyor's theodolite) would reveal Mercury at its highest as a thin crescent.

Venus, too, is waning slowly but surely; she loses about a tenth of her disc each month, decimal 9 being illuminated in July, decimal 8 in August, decimal 7 in December, until she finally *slims* away to nothing. It is important to note that as the illuminated disc wanes, the light of the planet increases. This is because it is rapidly approaching nearer, and its diameter increases accordingly.

MARS AND JUPITER.

Readers of *The Ceylon Causerie* would have been prepared for the near approach of Mars to Jupiter on the night of Sunday, June 4th. Mars is now rapidly leaving Jupiter's neighbourhood, and both planets are passing out of the Lion into Virgo. Mars will be close to Spica, the bright star in Virgo, on 13th August.

On the night of 27th July, the Moon will be between Mars and Jupiter.

RINGED SATURN.

The Moon will make a very close approach to Saturn on 5th August, about 8 p.m. The planet should thereafter be watched; its present movement is westward, and that will continue till October.

HINTS ON BEE-KEEPING.

II.

By C. Driberg.

THE bee colony is made up of three different kinds of bees, viz., the queen, the drone, and the worker.

The *queen*, or mother bee, is the only perfectly developed female bee in the hive. She can be distinguished by her greater length and comparatively shorter wings.

The queen meets the drone but once, when fertilization takes place in the air, and this suffices for the production of worker eggs practically through the life time of the queen, who will lay up to a thousand or more eggs a day, according to the season.

If a queen should not meet the drone, she can still lay eggs, but these, on hatching, produce only drones. This strange phenomenon is known as parthenogenesis.

The success of the colony rests entirely with the queen, who must, therefore, be young and vigorous and prolific, if the colony is to be kept strong and active.

When the queen's powers of reproduction begin to wane, the bees themselves generally replace her with a fresh queen; but if it is not done by them, the bee-keeper should do it. This will be explained later.

The queen possesses a sting, but has been rarely known to use it.

The *drone*, which is the male bee, is larger than the worker bee, and darker in colour; its eyes, too, are larger, closer together, and more prominent. It is stingless, and carries no "pollen-baskets." The duty of the drone is to fertilize the queen, but why drones should be produced in such large numbers it is difficult to explain. Compare the preponderance of drones with that of pollen in flowers. The theory that they are required to raise the temperature of the hive and help in the evaporation of the honey is now not held. When their presence is not desired, especially after the fertilization of the queen, the drones are

slaughtered in large numbers by the workers.

The *worker-bee*, which is lighter in colour than the drone, is an undeveloped female, and is a familiar object, as it flits about from flower to flower gathering nectar and pollen. It is the smallest bee in the hive, but the most active, and is furnished with a sting which it is always ready to use when annoyed. The worker carries "pollen baskets" i.e., receptacles for holding pollen; one on each leg, and is furnished with a long tongue adapted for gathering nectar. Under the reticulations of the abdomen are wax pockets, in which wax is secreted for comb-building. In the front part of the abdomen is a receptacle called a honey sac, in which nectar is collected. Under exceptional circumstances, workers have been known to lay eggs, but these only produce drones.

All the duties of the hive are performed by the worker bee. It feeds the queen and larvae, constructs comb, gathers honey, water, pollen, and propolis. (This last is of a gummy resinous character, and is used for stopping crevices or fixing loose parts in the hive.) The worker also attends to the ventilation of the hive by fanning out the hot, vitiated air, and fanning in cool, fresh air; sees to its sanitation by cleaning out all waste and useless matter, even to the removal of dead bodies; lastly, the worker is the policeman and soldier always on guard, and ready to fight when necessary.

(To be continued.)

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[In the June issue an unaccountable error has crept in, viz., the insertion of the words ("and drones") in para 7.

If the drones are permitted to enter the upper chamber or "super," they will assuredly draw upon the honey-store, for they do no nectar-gathering and consume the food provided by the worker-bees.]

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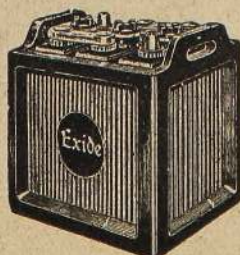
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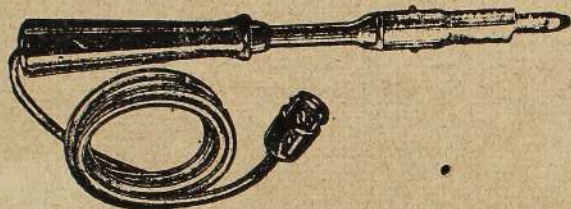
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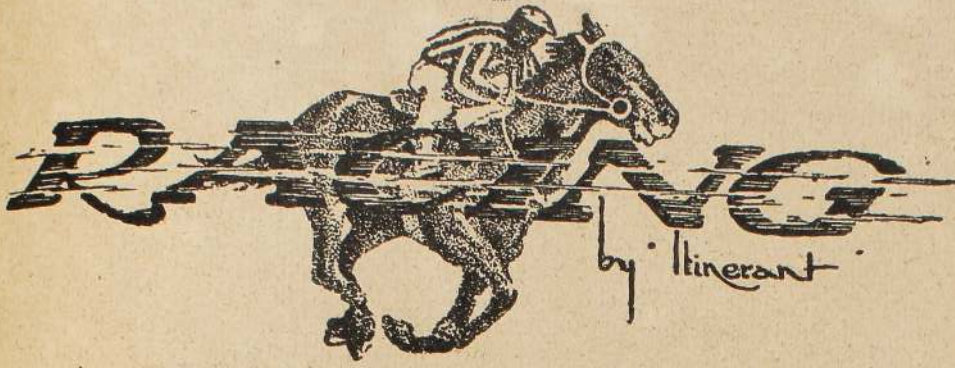
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THE C. T. C. June Meet, consisting of three days' racing, was productive of fairly exciting sport that tended to enhance the interest of turfites in the forthcoming August Meet. The gathering on each day was quite satisfactory even though the money invested on the Totes was not as much as the C. T. C. authorities would have liked it to be. On the first day of the June Meet that champion Arab, Firtashanur, won the Shireen Plate, a race over 5 furlongs 23 yards, in convincing style, proving that 9 st. 3 lbs. was no handicap sufficient to stop his winning progress. Star of India, also ridden by Marrs, won a fine victory from that promising animal Balakumar.

There was only one three figure dividend paid out on the opening day and that was when Mrs. Selvaratnam's Joseph romped in $2\frac{1}{4}$ lengths ahead of Talaat to pay Rs. 121. White Label, also ridden by Marrs, who scored a treble, provided the winner in the last race to pay Rs. 86.

The Treble dividend on Guadaluiver, Joseph and White Label was the handsome one of Rs. 677. The pool in this event constituted a record for racing in Ceylon. On the second day, too, the Treble paid a huge dividend, namely Rs. 607, on May Queen, Manik and Kamal Beg. The Treble has proved to be one of the most popular attractions on the course and no wonder for such excellent dividends have been paid out by it.

On the second day of the meet Coomber once again met with most success as a trainer. He saddled four winners, who were Aniseed, Castlebar, May Queen and Kamal Beg. Coomber has in his charge a fine string of animals and he deserves credit for the splendid manner in which he brings each of them to the post. There were no century divi-

dends in any race on the second day, but for all that the dividends were generally excellent. Mohannad gave each of his backers Rs. 84, for a place, and Nigger Minstrel Rs. 70 for a place, when he ran second to Silverton in the big race of the day.

Unfortunately the starting on the second day was very unsatisfactory. The regular starter, Mr. R. Morrison,



MR. G. L. LYON'S COMPRIS,
Winner of The City Stakes.

was taken suddenly ill and his deputy failed to get the fields off as all punters, owners and riders would have wished to see.

The success of Capt. Fenwick's Silverton in winning the Club Stakes was a popular one. This handsome son of Diophon has since November last won 4 races and been placed second on two occasions and fourth twice. Only once has his number not appeared on the board at the finish.

The Meet was brought to a very successful end on Saturday the 24th, with a programme of eight events that included a rehearsal for the Governor's Cup in the form of the City Stakes, over a distance of $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles. Among the starters was last year's Cup winner, Aroostook, besides Silverton, who had run so well on the second day. The race proved the outstanding merits of Mr. G. L.

Lyon's Compris, who, though by no means as fit as he will be on Cup Day, was able to beat the field, carrying the top weight of 9.3. It was a remarkable achievement on the part of Compris, who on a heavy going lay well back till the straight was reached. Then Warren gave him his head and away the crack New Zealand horse raced to go on and beat Silverton by a neck. Yuwill, the favourite, was placed third, while Aroostook finished fourth and Blissful, the winner of the Governor's Plate at N'Elia, was unplaced.

The racing opened with an upset when Rezashak romped in ahead of Saujar to pay a dividend of Rs. 57.

Mr. Lyon earned a double during the afternoon, his other New Zealand purchase, Hunter's Moon, winning the Midsummer Stakes, hard held by five lengths. There was only one horse in this race and by his convincing victory Hunter's Moon showed that he will soon have to be reckoned with in a much higher class.

One of the features of the day's racing was the victory of Mrs. Selvaratnam's Manshad, whose consistency has been outstanding. Since the May Meet, Manshad has had five outings in Colombo, won three of them and been placed second twice. On the form he has shown in the past two months he will take a lot of beating in the Roberts Cup.

The Treble paid the huge dividend of Rs. 803 to each of seven persons who had named Compris, White Cross and Manshad correctly. This form of betting on the Treble event has proved a big attraction to punters and has become the most popular feature of the recent C. T. C. meets. During the June meet the Treble has paid over Rs. 600 as a dividend on each of the three days. No wonder the Treble has so great a following.

The statistics of the meet show that Mr. Douglas is once again at the head of the winning owners, while Trainer Wallis was more successful than any of his rivals in turning out winners and placed animals. Mr. C. A. Laing and Mr. G. L. Lyon have also met with a measure of success, while among other trainers Coomber and Selvaratnam were the next most successful. Jockey Marrs rode most winners at this Meet and well deserved his success.

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The spirited open letter addressed by the Rev. J. McLeod Campbell to the Minister of Education on the subject of teachers' salaries has been followed by vigorous protests from teachers from all parts of the country. The responsible statement made by Mr. Macrae, Director of Education, has to some extent relieved the tension. Of course, our teachers realise that they must make their sacrifices like others at a time of financial distress. But while the reductions in the salaries of public servants are of a temporary character, the proposed reduction in teachers' salaries is intended to be permanent. That is, of course, just cause for complaint.

The Rev. J. McLeod Campbell says that the reason given at one time for the proposed schemes is that Government desires to limit its liability in respect of education, and at another time that it is designed to secure a more ideal distribution of teachers. He adds that when a school-boy presents alternative excuses neither is valid and that this approximately re-

presents the truth about the scheme. Why cannot the scheme depend on two good reasons or even more? We can see no reason to the contrary.

Well deserved tributes were paid to Mr. W. D. Niles, Commissioner of Requests, Colombo, on his retire-



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MR. W. D. NILES.

ment last month, at the two farewell demonstrations given him by the members of the Bar. Mr. V. L. St. Clair Swan, speaking on behalf of those practising at the Court of Requests, referred in eloquent terms to Mr. Niles' admirable qualities of head and heart, remarking that the retiring Judge combined all the virtues of his predecessors in office, but displayed none of their short comings. Very high praise indeed!

The Rev. W. J. P. Waltham, who has celebrated the 50th anniversary of his ordination to the priesthood, has done important

service to the Island, not only as a Parish Priest, at Badulla, and elsewhere among the members of his flock, but as a Manager of Schools. Uva Collegiate School, Badulla, owes a good deal of its efficiency to his efforts and control. Association with him taught among other things the importance of arrangement, order and neatness, a lesson that is not too readily learnt. Mr. Waltham is happily still at work as Vicar of the Church of the Ascension, Bandarawela. *Ad multos annos!*

Mr. J. L. Kotalawala, the Acting Minister of Agriculture and Lands, gave the public a taste of his quality in his speech before the State Council on the Reconstitution of the Board of Agriculture. It was an excellent and well reasoned speech, in which the Government's Agricultural policy was traced from early beginnings up to the present time. This speech is a valuable contribution to our knowledge of the subject. Those who deplored the loss of Mr. Senānayaka's strong personality from the State Council should realise that the mantle of Elijah has fallen on Elisha.

We are pleased to learn that Mr. Neville Wijeyekoon, second son of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. G. Wijeyekoon, has been elected to the Committee of the Oxford Union Society. He topped the poll at the election held on June 12th. This is Mr. Wijeyekoon's first year at Oxford and second term at the Union. He is at Hestford College.

The merits of ebony, calamander, nadun and teak are well known to purchasers of furniture made of Ceylon wood. It is the fashion to disparage the cheap and homely jak wood. And yet old jak wood has a beauty and merit all its own. A regency table made from Coramandel jak wood, inlaid with satin, has been in Buckingham Palace and in constant use for 120 years. Its colouring now is of a rich browny red, quite dark. Naturally the table has always been kept in good condition and forms a striking example of the durability of this wood and how age increases its beauty.



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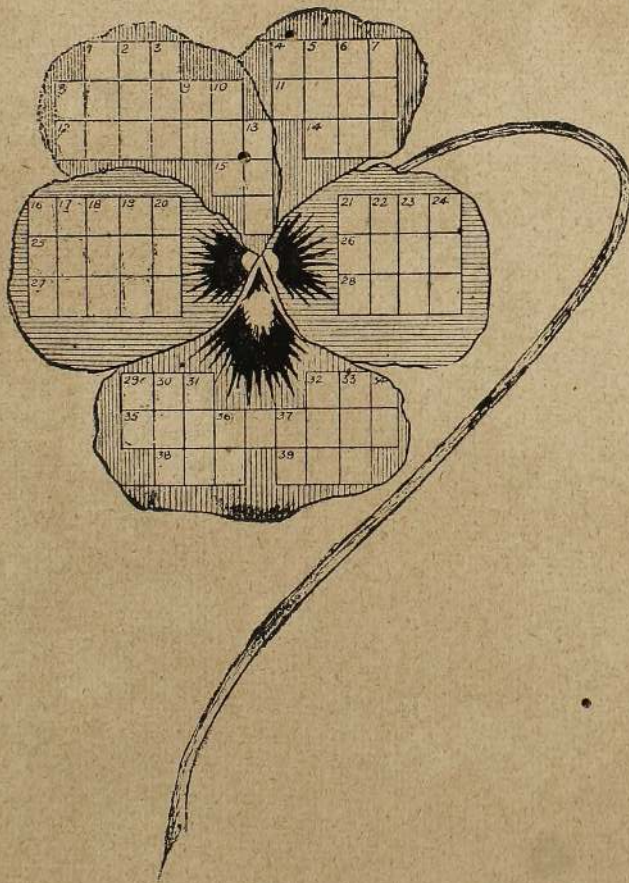
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25. Borders; 26. Song; 27. Flood;
28. Spanish wine; 29. Yarn; 32. Sink; 35. Witty; 38. Favourite;
39. High explosive.

VERTICAL.

1. Hostel; 2. Consumed; 3. Born;
4. Father; 5. Eggs; 6. Troops;
7. Inspect closely; 8. Part of verb to be; 9. Islands S. E. of Australia;
10. To spread out; 13. Obsolete French coin; 16. Animal; 17. College servant;
18. Girl's name; 19. Tennis term; 20. Direction; 21. Animal; 22. Crude metal; 23. Peg;
24. Corrode; 29. Preposition; 30. Wooden drinking bowl; 31. Atom;
32. Age; 33. Except; 34. Degree;
36. And; 37. Pronoun.

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THE HOMES OF LORENZ.

By E. H. van der Wall.

II.

WHEN Lorenz was a student, his long room in Mr. John Driberg's home, which was near the Colombo Kachcheri, was well-known to his numerous friends. It was in this room that Lorenz's band met for practice.

Before Lorenz left for England he lived at a house in Sea Street, which was then a respectable residential quarter of Colombo. Commerce and the claims of the harbour have made it now rank among the items of disappearing Colombo.

When Lorenz lived in England he took lodgings in Kensington, which is one of the pleasantest districts of London. We could picture him walking down its quite streets or taking the air in Kensington Gardens and Hyde Park. Probably he lingered, as one sometimes does, near Kensington Palace, the home of Queen Victoria's childhood or sat on a seat by the Round Pond watching the toy argosies making their perilous voyages to points on the opposite shore.

But whatever Lorenz did during his visit to England, which extended from 1853 to 1855, this would be perhaps a suitable opportunity to correct a popular misconception and to point out that there was one thing he did not do and that is to write "The Wishing Well."

Various correspondents to the newspapers who ascribe the authorship of this poem to Lorenz have stated that it was published in 1854, when Lorenz was known to be in England. But a bound volume of Frazer's Magazine in the possession of Mr. Charles vanderWall of Kandy shows that the "The Wishing Well" was published in that Magazine in September, 1864, or ten years later.

It is true the poem is signed C. A. L., but it is well-known that Lorenz never referred to it himself and that no one ever connected it with his name in his life-time. After all, why should C. A. L. be the one and only known to us in Ceylon? I say this in the interests of historical truth.

There is an old Sinhalese saying that happy is the man who is born at Matara and bred at Kalutara. And happy must Lorenz have been who was born at Matara and had his well-known holiday home at Kalutara.

"Teak Bungalow," so called from the fine teak trees which still stand on its grounds, is situated on a hill about a mile and a half from the Kalutara Rest House and commands a glorious view of the sea, the smoothly flowing Kaluganga and wide stretching paddy fields.

The grounds cover an extent of about nine acres, but part of these are now, alas, used as a Government Excise Warehouse.

"Teak Bungalow," was originally known as "Mount Layard" and belonged to Charles Edward Layard, of the Ceylon Civil Service, father of Sir C. P. Layard, Government Agent of the Western Province. Charles Edward Layard, who at the age of 20 married Barbara Bridgetina Mooyart, a lady whose ancestors came out to Ceylon in the Dutch Service, and by whom he had 26 children, occupied "Mount Layard" during the period 1808—1814, when he was Collector of Kalutara.

The property still belonged to him in 1825 when Bishop Heber visited Ceylon, for Mrs. Heber's journal refers to "Caltura, where in a very pretty bungalow, belonging to Mr. Layard, commanding a beautiful view of the river and the sea, we breakfasted."

Perhaps the prospect from "Mount Layard" reminded the good Bishop of his famous and much debated lines:

"Where every prospect pleases
And only man is vile."

Shortly after the death of Charles Edward Layard, Lorenz bought the property and renamed it "Teak Bungalow." Along with this property Lorenz also bought some adjoining lands and paddy fields, and appointed as Superintendent his nephew, Edwin Poulier, who maintained them in excellent condition.

Every year for six weeks, during the Easter Recess, Lorenz resided at "Teak Bungalow," dispensing hospitality to his many friends. Among his particular Kalutara friends were the two vanCuylenburgs, the Medical Officer, and the Headmaster of the Government Boys' School at Kalutara. The former was father of Sir Hector vanCuylenburg, the latter father of Arthur vanCuylenburg, Inspector of Schools. F. S. Thomasz, the well-known Kalutara Proctor, was also an intimate friend and a frequent visitor at "Teak Bungalow." In addition to the Easter Recess, Lorenz spent nearly every week-end at "Teak Bungalow," entertaining his friends with shooting parties and giving his numerous nephews and nieces a good time.

A most interesting book of pen and ink sketches in my possession was evidently produced by Lorenz at "Teak Bungalow," to judge by the month, April (1862) and also by the persons immortalised in its pages.

There are sketches of Dr. van Cuylenburg, his daughters, Cornelia, who married Abram de Saram, and Ada Rosella, who married John Koch, Eliza Juliet La Brooy, Lorenz's housekeeper, who married Cecil Morgan, Emmy LaBrooy, who married J. F. Lorenz (junior), Eddy Poulier and his sisters, F. S. Thomasz and finally Richard Morgan, a distinguished visitor from Colombo.

A verse is addressed to Cornelia vanCuylenburg, with a humorous suggestion regarding the derivation of her name:

Your father went to Adam's Peak
And hence was said to *toil on a berg*,
And those who couldn't distinctly speak
Mistook the name for Cuylenburg.

Eliza Juliet LaBrooy, the housekeeper, had no doubt occasions on which she deemed it necessary to offer salutary advice or objections to procedure. She is shewn lying on an easy chair reading Mrs. Caudle's Lectures.

Flying foxes still abound in "Teak Bungalow" and its neighbourhood and destroy the produce of fruit trees. So did they in the days of Lorenz to judge by a sketch, with the following verse:

One Emma and two Alices
Leaving pleasures and palaces
Are observing Edwin Powlia
Shooting at a Vowila

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THE CHILDREN'S CORNER

MIDSUMMER EVE FAIRIES.

By Elisabeth Mayo.

JENNIFER was very excited when she heard that her little cousin, David, was coming to stay with her.

David was a dear. (Have you ever known a little boy named David who wasn't rather a dear? I haven't). He was a very kind-hearted and gentle little boy, delightful to play with, because he was splendid at inventing games.

David's home was on a tea-estate, right away among the hills, and as he had no brothers and sisters, he led rather a lonely life, compared to children who live in a town. But he never felt in the least bit dull, because he could always amuse himself.

David believed in fairies. Now Jennifer was not quite sure whether she did.

When she was in England, her Daddy and Mummy had taken her to the theatre to see "Peter Pan."

Perhaps some of you have seen Peter and Wendy, and the Lost Boys, too. If so, you'll remember that thrilling moment when the poor little fairy, Tinker-bell, is almost dying, and Peter calls out:

"Do you believe in fairies? Oh, please say you believe in fairies!"

Well, Jennifer had clapped like anything; she was quite sure, just then, about fairies. But that had been more than a year ago, and she didn't feel so sure about them now.

"Fairies are as real as us," said David, one day, when he and Jennifer were sitting on the side verandah, blowing soap-bubbles.

"But if they're real, why can't we see them?" asked Jennifer.

David blew a beautiful bubble. It soared up and up, and as the sunlight fell on its delicate rose, and

blue, and green transparency, it had a brief moment of golden glory before it was wrecked on the branch of a tree.

"We can see fairies, sometimes," said David, very seriously, "there are some in our garden."

"Are there any here?"

David looked round the garden rather doubtfully. It was a fair-sized garden, with a large lawn, with a gravel drive round it, some beds of cannas, and some ferns in pots; which needed lots of watering to keep them alive. In David's garden, at home in the hills, there were glorious roses, and carnations, and many other lovely flowers which do not grow well in Colombo.

"Well," said David, for he did not want to hurt Jennifer's feelings, "I think there are too many houses for the fairies to like it very much. But there's one day in the year when they always come, and that's Midsummer Night's Eve."

"When is that?"

"It comes in June, but I forget which day."

"Let's ask Mummy." So the two children ran to Jennifer's Mummy, and she told them that June 21st is Midsummer Day, the longest day of the year.

"And David is quite right," she added, "Midsummer Eve is the fairies' night. They come out and dance at midnight, and sometimes you can see the places on the grass where they have danced. They are called Fairies' Rings."

"Couldn't we stay up till midnight and look for the fairies?" asked Jennifer. But Mummy did not think that a good plan.

"The fairies would much rather that you and David went to bed,"

she said, "and if you stayed up, you would be so tired and miserable, that you would frighten them away! It will be much nicer to go to sleep and dream about them."

Mothers always know best, of course. But when Midsummer Eve came, a few days later, Jennifer said to David:

"Let's stay awake tonight, and get up after everyone's gone to bed, and go out and see if the fairies are dancing?"

"But didn't Auntie tell us we must go to bed, like usual?" David was very seldom naughty.

"No, Mummy didn't tell us not to stay awake," said Jennifer; "she only said it would be nicer to go to sleep, because we'd be tired. You won't be tired will you, David?"

"No, David wouldn't be a bit tired," he said.

So that night, instead of going to sleep when they went to bed, these two little people stayed awake. Jennifer's father and mother had gone to the Talkies, and the house was very quiet after the servants had had their dinner.

Presently the ayah came up and went to sleep in the baby's bedroom, which had a door opening into Jennifer's room. The ayah had peeped in, and thought that her little Missie was fast asleep. She had also peeped into the room where David slept, and she thought what nice children they were, to sleep so peacefully.

Soon the ayah's loud breathing told that she was fast asleep, and then Jennifer hopped out of bed, and pattered across to David's room.

"Are you still awake? Come on, let's get up, and go out, and watch for the fairies!"

Together they crept softly downstairs, and out of the house. Raman, the house-boy, was asleep on his mat, on the front verandah, and they nearly fell over him, but he only turned over, muttered "Coming, Master," and went right back to sleep. Raman would be very little use if burglars came, I fear.

It was a lovely moonlight night, and the garden looked so pretty and different from other times. There were two chairs out on the lawn,

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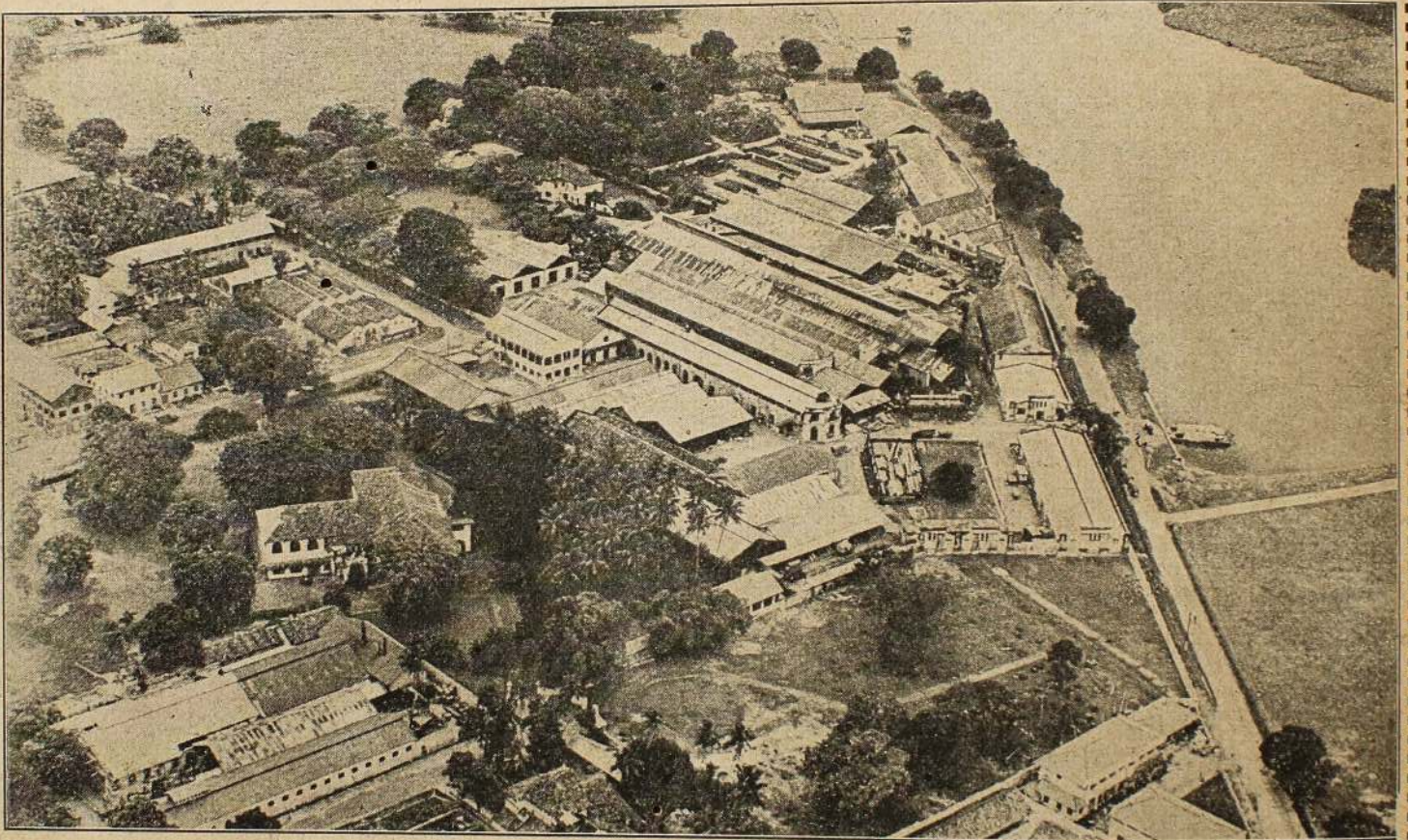
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Plant Lore

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THE passion-fruit (*Passiflora edulis*) is to be found growing freely and bearing profusely Up-country. The plant, according to Macmillan, can be cultivated successfully from 2,000 ft. upwards. It is a rampant creeper.

A variety, suited to lower elevations, is the "Sweet Cup" of the West Indies, which I saw flourishing at Baddegama Estate; but there artificial fertilisation has to be practised for the setting of the fruits which are more globular than ovoid in shape.

In the April number of the *Tropical Agriculturist*, the Curator of Hakgala Gardens (Mr. J. Nock) contributes a note on the "Banana Passion Fruit" (*Tacsonia mixta*) a native of Peru, which is also a perennial climber. This plant bears handsome, pendulous pink blossoms, and longish fruit shaped like a banana. It is a high-altitude plant, flourishing from 5,000 ft. upwards. The fruits, which are edible, turn yellow when ripe; and the main fruiting season is from September to November. For the benefit of the housewife I extract Miss E. M. Kellow's simple recipe for preparing passion-fruit for dessert: Cut 3 or 4 of the fruits in half, scoop out the seeds and juice into a tumbler: add sugar to taste and a pinch of bicarbonate of soda. The decoction will be found to be ambrosial.

Another member of the Passion Flower family, which produces an edible fruit is the "Granadilla," (*Passiflora quadrangularis*). The plant which is a climber, is characterised by square stems,—hence its specific name. The fruit is large, somewhat like a water melon, and contains a purplish sweet-acid pulp and flat seeds. Where the fruit does not set satisfactorily, the flowers should be artificially pollinated. Granadilla thrives up to about 3,000 ft. elevation.

A common introduced weed of the same genus is *P. foetida*, the fruit of which is enveloped in a moss-like covering, and explodes when crushed.

According to an article which recently appeared in a local paper, the cultivation of Chrysanthemums in Kenya is a promising industry. This does not refer, however, to the favourite flowering plant, but another species, which is a source of insect powder and more familiar to us under the generic name of *Pyrethrum*, one species of which is commonly known as the "Toothache plant." *C. cinerariaefolium* yields Dalmatian, and *C. roseum* Persian insect powder.

Strawberries are now being fairly extensively grown in Nuwara Eliya, and sold at reasonable prices. It is not generally known that the plant belongs to the Rose family, like most English fruits.

The fruit is a compound one, consisting of a number of achenes (the so-called seeds) borne on a fleshy receptacle. After fertilisation the flowers bend down to ripen the fruits, and are prevented from coming in contact with the earth by a protective covering of straw. The strawberry belongs to the genus *Fragaria*. The so-called "strawberry tree" (*Arbutus*) belongs to the Heather family (*Ericaceae*), to which the *Rhododendron* also belongs.

"An elegant Cypress-like tree" is how Macmillan describes *Callitris rhomboidea*, which is found in the Nuwara Eliya Park. It is a native of Australia, and was introduced and acclimatised at Hakgala, where it seeds freely. *Callitris* is one of the *Coniferae* or cone-bearing plants, like the Cypress. Another species, *C. quadrivalvis*, found in N. Africa, yields Arar wood and Sandrach resin.

The Violet and the Pansy belong to the same genus, and are respec-

tively known in Botany as *Viola odorata* and *V. tricolor*. The old name of the Pansy is "Heart's ease." Delphinium and Larkspur are members of the same genus, viz. *Delphinium*. The former is *D. hybridum*, and the latter *D. cardiopetalum*. To the genus *Dianthus* belong Indian Pink, Sweet William and Carnation. The first is *Dianthus chinensis*, the second *D. barbatus* and the third *D. caryophyllus*.

The May number of the *Tropical Agriculturist* contains an interesting account of ginger-curing (contributed by the Chemist of the Department of Agriculture), which should prove useful to those who are looking for new industries in these days of agricultural depression. The author tells us that there would appear to be a market abroad for a good quality local product, cured according to the method he describes in the article referred to. Dr. A.W.R. Joachim's contribution deserves to be carefully read by land-cultivators, both small and big, in the Island, as containing valuable suggestions.

In the same number the Editor draws attention to the possibilities of Turmeric cultivation as a remunerative industry. Turmeric, which consists of the dried rhizomes of *Cucuma longa*, is an indispensable concomitant in Eastern cookery. It is often erroneously called "Saffron" (a species of *Crocus*) which belongs to the Iris family. Commercial saffron is derived from stigmas of the flowers and fetches a high price as a special colouring matter, and an ingredient in Eastern Medicine. Sixty thousand flowers are required to make a pound of dry saffron.

Only those who are acquainted with the history of N'Eliya, know to what extent the Sanitarium is indebted to William Nock (now living in retirement in Worcestershire) for the beautifying of the town and its environs, as well as the laying out of its park, without which the inhabitants (and especially the children) would lose much of the enjoyment they derive as residents of this beauty spot of the East. It would, indeed, be a graceful tribute to the skill of William Nock, to set up a memorial in the park to commemorate the man who made N'Eliya what it is to-day.

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I saw the West Indians at Lord's and again at the Oval. They are a capital team. They are not the type that indulge in "Safety First" methods. They are concerned mainly with the joyous adventure the game of cricket affords. They are unlikely to win Test matches as they are unstable, but they possess the greatest drawing power of any team in England to-day. Headley proved his claims to rank with the finest batsmen in the world. He is unlike any of the crack world batsmen taken as a whole, but he seems to combine the excellences of many. He has the footwork of Macartney and steps back to the good length ball and drives it just as the famous Charles used to do. He has the

genius of Hammond and Pataudi in his ability to watch the ball to the last fraction of a second, and play back. He has the complete self assurance and mastery of Jack Hobbs, and built like Bradman he deals with the short ones with all the precision of that wonder batsman. He has one cricket peculiarity and that is he hits the ball off the wrong foot and imparts enormous wrist power into his shots. Unfortunately Bowes hit him rather badly and he is laid out at present. I hope it wont affect his batting, as given fine weather he is sure to take heavy toll of the English attack.

[Headley has resumed his place in the team and, as predicted by F. L. G., is certainly taking heavy

toll of the English attack.—Ed. *Ceylon Causerie*.]

Constantine played an amazing innings of 51, in 20 minutes. Facing Allom he got a full pitch and he revolved on his heel in a flash and dealt the ball a terrific blow past the bewildered wicket-keeper's ears and sent the ball for six into the Pavilion—the first time a ball was sent into the Pavilion at Lord's from that end.

Against Surrey, Roach played a wonder innings. It was the most brilliant and sustained effort of fast scoring seen since the war. For 170 minutes he wielded a bat of magic and never once did he raise the ball. He made 180 by the most superb cutting, driving and hooking imaginable. In the same match Jack Hobbs played a great innings of 221, a tribute to his ability and remarkable fitness.

[It is sad to reflect that F. L. G. has "crossed the border" and that we have read the last of his delightful contributions on the game.—ED. C. C.]

The Medicine of Nachchamalai.

(Continued from page 15.)

handkerchief tied round one's face to prevent entire asphyxiation from bats, disclosed the fact that the rift ran upwards towards the top of the rock. The faces of the rift were also coated with the deposit. The rock mass then must contain a compound of calicum which, forming a solution through the percolation of rain water from the top of the rock and along the fissure, is deposited on reaching the open air, or on such objects with which it comes in contact. Such petrifying streams are well-known in other parts of the world and deposit carbonate of lime on shells, twigs or any other article placed in them,

A "petrified" crab was found and examined. The outer shell remained but it was very brittle. The entire interior of the shell was filled with the whitish deposit. The local name for it is "Senthuram," but its origin is certainly calcareous, such seams

being found occasionally intruded into the gneiss of Ceylon.

For medical purposes the crab, or fish, as the case may be, which looks like stone, is ground down to powder and administered, in milk, to persons suffering from diabetes. For those suffering from dysentery, it is given in lime juice and so on. It is the base of many medicines compounded by the villagers.

'So far this very interesting hill has not been examined by the Archaeological Department, but it is proposed to do so in the near future when, no doubt, another page will be added to the interesting story, now being pieced together, of ancient civilisation in this wild corner of the Island.

The Rev. C. E. V. Mac Echern, former Minister in charge of the Scots Kirk, Colombo, writes to us as follows, from "The Mause," 8, Salisbury Terrace, Aberdeen, on 10th May:—

"Through the regular receipt of *The Ceylon Causerie*, we are kept in

touch with the educational, aesthetic and political life of the Colony, where we were privileged to spend six happy years. They say there are "no fools like old fools," and the truth is evidenced by my recent captaincy of an eleven of Ministers, who played a football match here recently against a team of Lawyers, in aid of the funds of the Royal Infirmary. By winning the match by 5 goals to 1, we gave the Lawyers good reason to respect "the cloth!"

"St. Andrew's Scots Kirk is to be congratulated upon the appointment of my friend, the Rev. Mr. Henrie, as its Minister. His aesthetic tastes will find the interior of St. Andrew's to his liking, and I hope that his literary gifts will be shared by the English Association and by the Dutch Burgher Union.

"I have not been very diligent with my pen of late, but with the strenuous activities of the Winter ended, I must get to my desk with a contribution to *The Ceylon Causerie*." (This has duly come to hand and finds inclusion in this issue.—Ed. C.S.)

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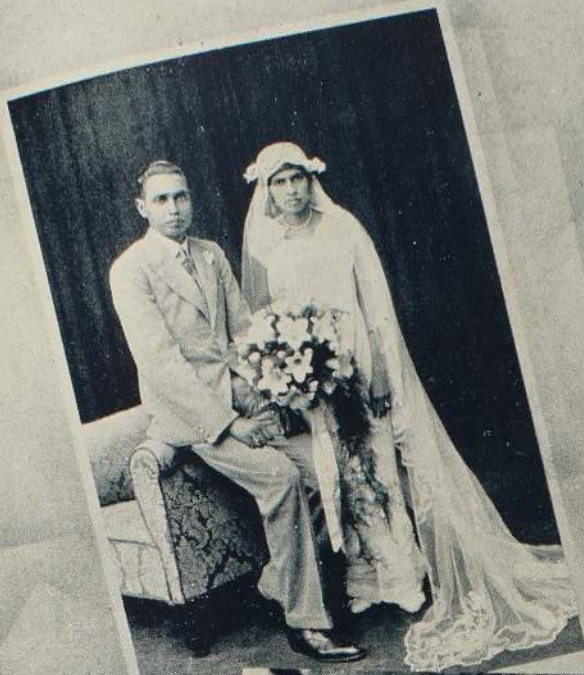
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WELL KNOWN CEYLON CRICKETER WEDS.



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The marriage of Mr. Mervyn Kelaart, the B.R.C. and All-Ceylon cricketer, with Miss Neliya Foenander, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. E. W. Foenander, took place on 10th June, at the Dutch Reformed Church, Wolfendaal, and was very largely attended.

The Late Mr. H. Mamoojee.

HIS numerous friends throughout the Island must have heard with feelings of genuine regret the news of the death of Mr. H. Mamoojee, the well known Borah merchant and Partner of Messrs Davoodbhoj Jafferjee, which occurred in Colombo, on the 11th June, following on an operation at the Private General Hospital. Mr. Mamoojee, who is a



brother of Mr. A. Mamoojee, of the same firm, came out to Ceylon thirty-three years ago and was a familiar and respected figure in Mercantile circles, his business acumen, coupled with his friendly dis-

position, making him greatly sought after by his circle of friends, who were legion. As a keen sportsman, who took an interest in all kinds of pastimes, besides being an ardent devotee of the Turf, Mr. Mamoojee was probably best known on the cricket field, where his keenness as a member of the Borah C. C. and the Malays won for him great popularity with all classes and communities. He gave liberally to the funds of both these Clubs, and his enthusiasm for the game was really extraordinary. A fine type of sportsman, he always played the game on and off the field, and it would be difficult to fill the gap which his untimely death, at the age of 41, has caused.

MORRIS NEWS.

Morris Forging Ahead

BY 10th May last the Morris Factory had received overseas orders for 1933 models in excess of their whole 1932 season's export output, which latter in turn exceeded the 1931 figure by more than 40%. There being almost a third of the 1933 season still to run at the time of going to press, Morris Motors Ltd. are confident of achieving yet another very satisfactory increase by the termination of this period. In the home market their predominance is being easily maintained; there are more Morris cars on English roads to-day than any other make.

The Railway Refreshment Cars and Rooms.

AT a time when every effort is being made to popularise the C. G. R., it is gratifying to the public to learn that Mr. Walter H. Anthonisz, for many years Manager of the Grand Hotel, Mount Lavinia, has secured the rights for running the Railway Refreshment Cars and Rooms, from July 1st. Mr. Anthonisz has had wide experience as a Caterer, and his services to the Ceylon Turf Club in recent years have earned for him such



Mr. W. H. Anthonisz.

a high reputation that the C. G. R. are to be congratulated on having made such a splendid choice. We are confident that Mr. Anthonisz will give the public every satisfaction, as he will be personally supervising the business. While the present rates will be appreciably reduced, Mr. Anthonisz assures us that the meals will be up to the standard associated with his regime at the Grand Hotel, Mount Lavinia.

As an example of their popularity overseas, the number of Morris cars licensed in Egypt at 31st December, 1932, was 1388—a figure almost four times in excess of the second British make. In Fiji, at the same date, 93 Morris cars were in use, the second British make being represented by 30 units.

Ceaseless Service

A MORRIS-OXFORD saloon purchased by the Dunlop Rubber Co. Ltd. on 14th July, 1932, and placed in service on that date, had covered 67,979 miles by 30th April, 1933.

The car is used for tyre-testing purposes, also being employed in skidding, braking, and riding comfort experiments. Despite the fact that it is kept running day and night, its drivers working in three shifts, this Oxford shows few signs of the gruelling tasks it has performed to date, and is fit for a considerable further period of similar service.

The Isis Overseas

THE following extract is taken from a recent letter to *The Autocar* from Mr. F. V. Jordan, of Mosul, Iraq:—"The Morris will give excellent service overseas.

I refer to the Isis model. My Isis is now just over one year old, has done 24,000 miles over bad roads, and all I have done to it is to have the water pump gland packed and the engine decarbonised. Two of the original tyres are still on the front wheels; it has never failed to start at once in the cold weather; the paint and upholstery are still perfect; the petrol consumption is over 22 m.p.g and oil 10 0 m.p.g."

A British veterinary officer in Uganda writes of his 1930 Morris Isis model:—

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Our August Number.

The Ceylon Causerie August Number will be a very special one, containing a series of interesting articles on the August Races and Sporting Contests between Colombo and Up-country, profusely illustrated. There will also be the usual features.

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HUMOROUS AND OTHERWISE



THE Treasury has been receiving one windfall after another.

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It's an ill wind, that blows only the Government good.

The Board of Ministers are anxious to be punctual with the Budget this time.

The sooner we know the worst, the better.

According to a Councillor, "doing the bona fide" is a popular pastime at Resthouses.

What about those that "do" the traveller.

"Baby Car Turns Turtle," says a headline.

Not, we hope, a Mock Turtle.

A London Editor asks: "Does Sport Really Make Us Friends?"

Yes; especially body-line bowling.

It is indeed a great pity that it has been decided to discontinue the Annual Schools Singing Competition, instituted by Mr. John Harward. This annual event created the greatest interest in schools and undoubtedly raised their standard of singing. We trust that this popular event will be revived at an early date.

The passing away of Mr. D. B. Gunasekara will be mourned by all cricketers in Ceylon. A great all-rounder in his day, "D. B." as he was known to his friends, established a reputation for himself not only in Ceylon, but as a member of the Hampstead Club, and was described as one of the best cricketers in London Club Cricket. An appreciation of this well-known sportsman will appear in our August issue.

A Berlin motorist received compensation for "mental disturbance" on account of a stolen car.

A Colombo motorist claiming the same damages might have to plead insanity.

Ceylon tea is at last being boosted in Ceylon.

It is the Propaganda Caravan that put the "tea" in boost.

A Bridge-player complains that Dummy trod on his toe.

There is, however, going to be no drastic revision of the Laws of Bridge.

Statisticians often tell us that women live longer than men.

Now, why do they do that?

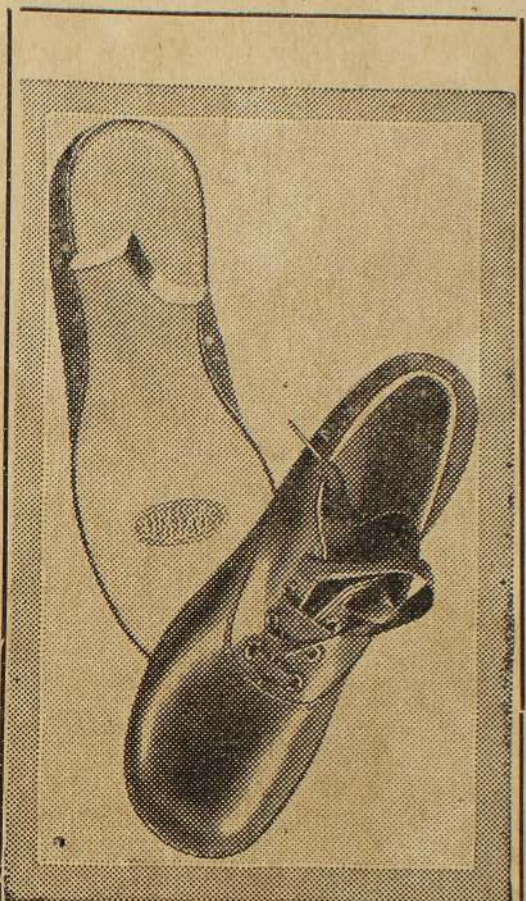
A lexicographer remarked that his job was like a quarrel with his wife. One word led to another.

A tailor's advertisement asks us: "Why mar your appearance?"

He is evidently willing to do it himself.

The late Mr. F. L. Goonewardene, writing to the Editor of *The Ceylon Causerie*, on the 31st May, from his home in London, a week before his lamented death, mentions that his daughter was definitely out of danger, having shaken off the symptoms of blood poisoning. Mr. Goonewardene himself had not been feeling too well at the time, and to quote from his letter:—

"I have consulted Dr. F. J. T. Foenander's old tutor, Dr. Webb Johnson, regarding my physical condition and am going into Middlesex Hospital to-day, (May 31st), to have myself examined under an anaesthetic and X ray. I hope to be back in three days. I shall most probably be returning to Ceylon in July."



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The Late Mr. F. L. Goonewardene

AN APPRECIATION

By E. H. V.

THE sad and utterly unexpected news that Frank Goonewardene was dead illustrates the uncertainty of human life. The June Number of *The Ceylon Causerie*, which contains a characteristic sketch on the opening of the English Cricket Season, sent by him from London, on the 11th May, also announces his death.

It is terrible, this passing from vibrating life to the silence of the grave. And yet, when one recovers from the terrible shock and awakes to realisation, there is reason for thankfulness.

Frank Goonewardene's life, which was one ceaseless effort of service, leaves no memories of lights that were turned low. No creeping decrepitude had begun to weaken his powers of physical endurance or his rare gifts of mind. It was best so, though none the less, he is deeply mourned by his friends.

His capacity for forming friendships was remarkable. Genial, considerate and well-spoken, he attracted men at a first meeting and when he formed the ties of friendship, his friendship was a vital force, founded on loyalty. He was catholic in his friendships, for he had friends in every community who learnt to respect and love him.

I think the secret of his popularity lay in selfless service. There was nothing he would not do for his friends and their name was legion. To do a good turn to another was with him a daily experience and often repeated during the day. To a wide knowledge of men and matters he added excellent powers of judgment and his advice was widely sought. Had he lived, there is no other man I know who would have made a more useful warden for the Ceylon students, settled in various parts of the British Isles. But the fates have willed otherwise and ours is the loss.

It was natural that a man with so great a gift for forming friendships should be held by a strong tie of

loyalty to his old school. St. Thomas' College has an illustrious roll of Old Boys who have won name and fame for themselves and for their school. Some of these no doubt were greater scholars than Frank Goonewardene or have risen



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THE LATE MR. F. L. GOONEWARDENE.

to greater heights in public life. But if loyalty and service to the school is the test, Frank Goonewardene holds a prominent place in the very front rank. St. Thomas' College has never had a more loyal Old Boy, in thought, word or deed.

The surprisingly large rally on last Old Boys' Day was a tribute both to Frank Goonewardene's organising ability and to his popularity as Secretary. The numerous letters he wrote inviting friends of the College to attend on the occasion, met with a most gratifying response.

The great pains he took to train the College cricket eleven had its reward in highly improved form and victory on the field. Nowhere will Frank Goonewardene be mourned

more sincerely than at St. Thomas' College.

As a citizen and a lawyer he held a leading place in Kandy. He commanded an important practice at the Kandy Courts and achieved a reputation for outstanding legal ability and unimpeachable honesty. Papers entrusted to him were as safe as in the Bank of England. He took a good deal of interest in beautifying the town of Kandy and served as a member of the Municipal Council for many years.

As a business man he won remarkable success and his business deals bore evidence to his extensive knowledge and unerring judgment.

At a comparatively early period in his life he had amassed sufficient wealth to realise his life's ambition of settling down in England and giving his girls an education in that country.

Nothing gratified him so much as the success of his daughters Lorna and Glen, and his friends realised that these successes contributed largely to his happiness. He lived his life over again in his children.

Frank Goonewardene was ardently devoted to cricket and excelled as a descriptive writer of the game.

His style of writing had an ease and a grace that fascinated his readers and they knew besides that he was writing with the inside knowledge of a man who knew the game thoroughly well. He had not only captained the eleven at St. Thomas' College, but was also elected Captain of the Kandy Sports Club.

The latter was an honour he valued very highly, as a gesture of confidence from a Club that was very largely composed of Europeans.

It was Frank Goonewardene's intention to settle down once again in Ceylon, and had he lived, it was certain, humanly speaking, that a great and successful career would have opened out before him.

But "Man proposes, God disposes", as he wrote in his last letter to me from England, in which he discussed his daughter's illness and the altered plans for the future.

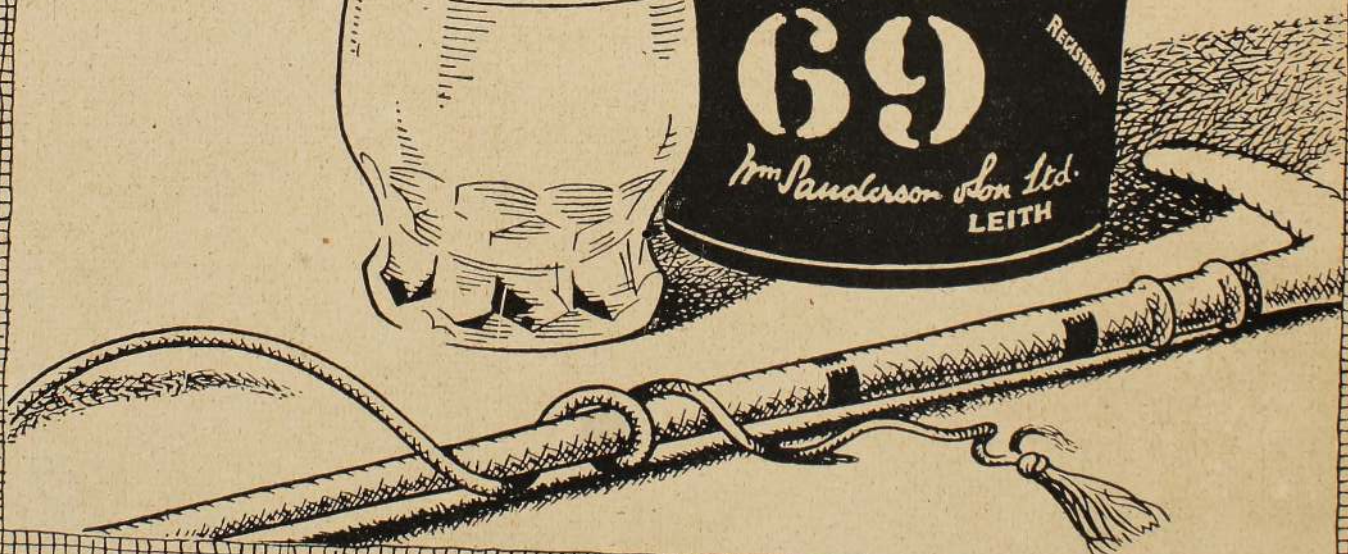
I would add in all sincerity that Frank Goonewardene leaves a great gap in our lives, which it would be difficult to fill adequately.

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A CHAT ABOUT MR. A. C. W. CLARKE

By "Wellcome"

I wonder how many of the scores of men who meet and are greeted by that genial and widely popular personality, the veteran and capable Secretary of the Nuwara Eliya Golf Club, know of his prowess as a cricketer in the old days. Not many I trow, for there has risen a generation since those days, who were either not born or were in their cradles, when Clarke was at the zenith of his fame as a cricketer in the eighties.

In writing about Clarke and his achievements, I wish I could have a peep into the excellent book of cuttings of cricket matches, etc, of which he is said to be the proud owner. I have had instead perforce to content myself from gleanings from various sources which, I fear, are but a very fragmentary record of those achievements. Although he played for Dimbula for so many years and had also made more than a dozen useful appearances for Up-country vs. Colombo, I am unable to trace his name in "Test" Cricket, such as the first Europeans vs. Ceylonese match in 1887, or the long series of matches between the Europeans and the Colts from 1888 to 1902. This could not have been because he was not invited to play, I feel sure, since he was for four years, prior to 1897, Captain of Dimbula and during an appreciable part of this time was also Captain of Up-country.

Clarke came out to Ceylon in the early eighties and fortunately for him, began his planting career within easy hail of the famous Radella ground. Clarke had, I believe, all his planting life in Dimbula, being on Uda Radella Estate for nearly, if not more than, two decades. Dimbula

was then the premier Up-country cricket district and this was not to be wondered at considering that W. P. Halliley, the most deadly bowler Up-country ever had, was then in the



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MR. A. C. W. CLARKE.

zenith of his fame, and that the district also boasted of having in the team the old Oxford Blue, A. O. Whiting, who was a first class batsman and a first rate wicket-keeper. A. O. Whiting held the Island's record for the biggest individual score—180 not out, till ousted from that position by another Dimbula man, the famous A. L. Gibson, with 218 not out in 1902. In addition Dimbula then counted as one of their eleven C. G. Inglis, said to be the greatest hitter Up-country ever produced. In fact from 1885 till 1891 the Dimbula team was invincible, in the inter-

district matches with Dickoya at any rate. Clarke was a very welcome asset to the Dimbula side. A reference to his scores in the Inter District matches and for Up-country vs. Colombo during this period will prove how consistently useful he was to both teams. I am able to reproduce a few of his more noteworthy achievements for Dimbula.

In 1890, when a strong Dickoya team was easily defeated, being out for 41 and 91, in their two innings, Halliley was the chief engine of destruction, bagging 7 wickets for 22 and 9 for 32 respectively, in the two innings, making in all 19 wickets for 54. Clarke contributed materially to the one innings' victory with an excellently compiled 54 not out.

In 1893, Clarke and Gaisford between them practically won the match for Dimbula, at Radella. The home team was left with 216 to win in the second innings, after they had been dismissed for 74 in their first effort. They secured the required number of runs for the loss of 8 wickets. Gaisford (78 not out) and Clarke (46) established for the 5th wicket an invaluable combine which produced a hundred runs. Incidentally it is interesting to note that Dickoya's finest emulator of "Johnny Walker", the evergreen Lewis Wright, made his first appearance for the D.M.C.C. in this match and scored 71. After exactly 40 years he is still going strong, and I would not like to bet against his making 71 to-day. What better advertisement for Ceylon Tea can the newly formed Tea Board want than this. His photograph in colours to reproduce the characteristic "flush" would be just the thing!

In 1895, opening the Dimbula innings against Dickoya, with A. O. Whiting, Clarke made 42. Inglis made 71 in this match in less than no time and Dimbula won by an innings and 31 runs.

In the same year playing at Radella, on March 1st and 2nd, against the Royal Warwickshire Regiment, —a very strong side, which included the local test bowler, Lieut. Bowen,— Clarke with Whiting put together 223 runs for the first wicket, creating a record for Ceylon, Whiting scoring 120 and Clarke 111.

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By W. T. K.

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DAVID was a boy, and Johnson and True were dogs, and there was also a squirrel in a cage with a wheel that turned round when the squirrel walked on the bars.

David wore blue trousers and a white shirt. He thought that he was the only David in the world. All Davids do think that; but as a matter of fact there are Davids all over the place, Davids in Heaven and China, Davids in London and on ships on the sea, Davids in Canada trying to climb the highest tree in Saskacewan, and at least one David sitting on a chair in Ceylon, and the story is about that one.

It was a hot day, and the crows were resting on the trees and forgetting about stealing rice from the kitchen, and the wild squirrel outside was saying "Kee kee kee" rather dreamily to himself and cooling his tail in a little puddle of water in the gutter that ran round the roof of the house.

David did not want to sleep. He wanted to find something to do that he had never done before. He sat on the bottom step of the stairs which he knew was the best place to think of new things in.

The clock on the table said "Tick, tock, thick, thock, think, thonk", and David thought and thought, until at last he thought of the big store-room at the back of the house, whose door was always locked and the keyhole so full of dust, that he could never see through it, though he often tried. What could be inside that mysterious room, he wondered. Did some strange person live in it, who always kept the door locked? Was there a treasure of five rupees and ninety cents hidden there somewhere, or could there be a staircase there leading under the gardens and rivers and towns to the bungalow up in the hills? He went as far as the step that stood at the foot of the door, and sat down on it to consider how he could get inside. He thought for a long time, kicking his heels on the floor, and at last

he decided that the only way was to give the door a most tremendous push, and see if he could break the lock. He walked three yards away, and then ran at the door.

Bump

Bang

Crash!

The door flew open, and David went tumbling head over heels down a flight of steps, that seemed to go on down and down for a very long way. He bumped his head and he bumped his toes, and his arms and his nose, but he did not hurt himself, because the stairs were all lined with very soft wool, and he landed at last, with a bounce like a football on a soft mat whose wool was as deep as his little sister's bathwater after a shower of rain.

"Why don't you walk down stairs properly?" said a gruff voice close to David's ear.

When he landed on the mat out of the air, his head had bumped into something soft that squeaked and jumped up, and now it stood before him in the dark, grumbling and growling in a very unpleasant manner. "I'm very sorry," said David, "I didn't know there was anybody there". "Why don't you switch on the light?" mumbled the voice, "You will tread on my toes if you are not careful. The switch is just over your head. Put it on, before you batter my ribs again."

David stretched his hand over his head and found the switch.

Flip

flick

flash!

The light came rushing down from the bulb in the ceiling, and went hunting round the corners of the room, and chased the dark shadows out of the window.

David found himself in a large room full of tables and chairs and windows and doors. He was standing on the largest mat with the wool

coming over the top of his shoes, and in front of him was Johnson, wagging his tail at one end, and growling at the other, as if he were not quite quite sure to be pleased or angry at meeting David in that strange place.

"Hullo, dear old dog," said David, who was rather glad to find somebody he knew. "Was it you talking? I thought you could only bark."

Johnson smiled a rather superior smile.

"A little knowledge is a dangerous thing," he said.

"I don't know what you are talking about," said David, "but what is your name, now that you can talk?"

"Johnson, sir, Doctor Johnson, the great lexographer," said Johnson. "You're only a beagle, you know," said David, "why do you call yourself a Legs what's-its-name?"

"Johnson, sir, Doctor Johnson. It's true I'm a dog now, but that is the schoolboy's fault. It's a sad story," he added, gently scratching his ear. "When I got to heaven, I had a very good time, until the school boys began to arrive. I don't know why they let them in. It was altogether contrary to my advice. When they got there, they said that the first man who made a dictionary ought to go back to earth, and be a boy again and be made to learn all the words in it, so that he should see how difficult they were. Then they decided that as I had written the dictionary, I should know all the words in it, and so I should know more than the masters. Then they thought I should have to cane the masters for not knowing, and they decided that that was not fair, as the masters had been caned already when they were boys. And so they made up their minds that I should be a dog, and make it up to the boys by going for walks with them in the holidays. And here I am." "It's really very sad," said David, though he could hardly help laughing at Johnson, for two large wet tears appeared in his dark brown eyes, and began to trickle down on each side of his nose, and he was trying to wipe them away with the end of his tail, and it was not long enough, so that he went round and round backwards, trying to stretch it out far enough.

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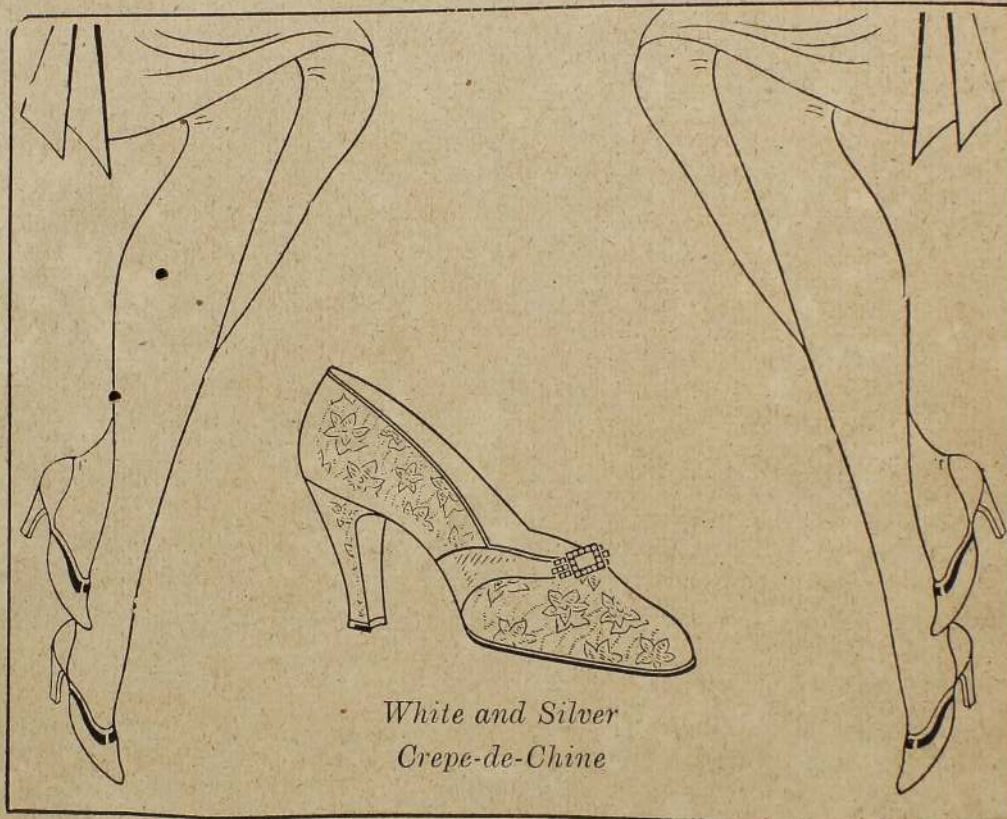
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By Catherine Adams.

"Many Happy Returns to His Majesty the King!"

WHEN Mr. L. Mc D. Robison, acting as Commentator on the occasion of the King's Birthday Parade on Galle Face, suggested that to fill up the time of waiting we listeners-in should begin by wishing His Majesty "Happy Returns," we fell into line, stood to attention and obeyed the "order." This planked us, at once, down on the Galle Face. We were *there!* And there we remained, thanks to the Commentator's remarks and little word-pictures, and a most excellent Reception. We really could hear a great deal of what was happening all those miles away.

We knew it was a fine morning and that the sea was calm. Also, we had been fortified by Mr. Robison's news (to us!) that Mr. Tom Villiers had received the honour of Knighthood, and several other Ceylon personalities honoured with various Orders. So-Cheers! from Up-country.

We knew to the second when the Governor and Lady Thomson had arrived, with the Mounted Escort of the *C. M. R.*, all looking very smart. The various Bugle Calls came through splendidly, and as to Col. Ferrers' voice, in giving the Word-of-Command, this came through with ringing strength. After the Inspection—the March Past! For this the Bands had moved towards the Saluting Point, and as the various detachments came marching up we could distinguish the particular "March-Past" that heralded each succeeding Unit. Such as—: "A Life on the Ocean Wave," "Hearts of Oak!" "The British Grenadiers" and other well-known Martial Airs; all very cheery and inspiring.

The Commentator seemed much impressed by the splendid "line" kept by the detachment from H.M.S. "Enterprise." In fact he was scattering compliments on the excellent marching and good "line" kept by nearly all the Units as they

passed the Saluting Point, making special mention of the *C. P. R. C.*, led by Lieut.-Col. Hannin.

And so this eventful hour passed on, until the Royal Standard was broken and the Union-Jack hoisted once more. Next, the Royal Salute, of Twenty-One Guns, and this came booming up to us here, loudly, at



MR. L. MC D. ROBISON.

Mr. L. Mc D. Robison, who is now Acting Director of Education, has administered the Department on two previous occasions when his chief was on leave and has made an excellent impression by his courtesy, judgment and capacity for work. Mr. Robison, who came out 24 years ago as a Lecturer on the staff of the Government Training College, has justified his rapid move up the line of promotion by his outstanding efficiency and his administrative ability. His gifts are widely diverse and extend from specialising in Geography to Rugby Football and the training of actors for amateur theatricals. Under his energetic command the Ceylon Cadet Battalion attained a high standard of efficiency.

short intervals. "God Save the King!" played in its entirety; then Col. Ferrers' Order—"Remove head-dresses!" and next. "Three Cheers for His Majesty!" All this came through very distinctly, as also the cheering.

In conclusion the whole Broadcast

was a huge success and our patriotism felt greatly refreshed. Thank you very much, Mr. Robison; and many thanks to the Colombo Broadcasting Station.

Relay From Kuala Lumpur via An Unknown Station.

One evening an unknown station was picked up. We had evidently missed the "Calling," but as the announcer was speaking in English, at first, we learned that a Relay from Kuala Lumpur was expected. Next, we heard Kuala Lumpur announcing an item by the Berlin State Opera Company. This was a long but really gorgeous Operatic Record. The music was new to us, but very beautiful and a perfect rendering. Organ, Orchestra, Chorus, all splendid. And to crown all—the Soloist had the most amazingly beautiful Soprano we had heard for ages! When the unknown Station spoke again the announcer had reverted to what we were certain was Dutch. Evidently Kuala Lumpur had acquired a new Record and was passing it round. By sheer good luck we had tapped this very acceptable Relay.

The Great Conference.

Owing to atmospherics it was impossible to make use of the Relay from Colombo, so we got what we could from London direct. Unfortunately, a terrible storm of wind was raging round in our close vicinity, upsetting Reception. We persevered, however, and got snatches of the King's Speech and his concluding remark came through fairly well. His Majesty appeared to be speaking more strongly than usual and his diction is always excellent.

Before and after the King's speech an Announcer provided "Aural-Glimpses" of the great assembly. We learned that General Smuts was an outstanding figure, and that he had flown from Africa! Also, that the assembly stood to receive His Majesty and remained standing throughout the speech. It was a perfectly unique occasion!—the Sovereign of one country addressing the notabilities of the world! This was history, and even with a hindered reception we did appreciate the fact that we could participate a little. This is one of the joys of Wireless.

The Children's Corner.

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which ought to have been brought in, but hadn't. Jennifer and David sat down on them, and talked in whispers.

"Don't the trees look lacey in the moonlight?" said David. That was just what they did look.

They sat there for a long time, but though it was Midsummer Eve, and the fire-flies had lighted their lamps all ready for the Ball, the fairies took a long time in coming.

.....When Jennifer's father and mother came home, they were very much surprised to see the two children fast asleep on two chairs on the lawn. Even the noise of the car did not wake them.

"I only hope they haven't caught cold," said Jennifer's mother, as she and Daddy half carried, half led them up to bed. And I'm glad to tell you that they were none the worse for their prank, though rather disappointed that they went to sleep before the fairies came.

The Story of David.

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"There is much too much of furniture in the room," said David, to try and cheer him up by changing the subject. But Johnson was not a bit cheered. He stuffed a paw into each ear, and began dancing round on his hind legs in the most extraordinary manner.

"Confound your vile grammar, sir," he yelled. Here have I poured out the exuberance of my fancy upon a generation of blockheads, and what is my reward? They don't know any grammar, and I, well look at me, I am a mere quadruped of various species, wild and domesticated, a soulless brute, biting the herbage upon the mountains".

"Dogs don't eat grass you know," said David.

Johnson was puffing a good deal after his speech. He thought it had been rather a good one, and that made him smile again.

"I was only using poetic licence," he said.

"Using what?" asked David.

"Poetic licence," repeated Johnson.

"I don't believe you have got a licence," said David.

It so happened that particular year that Johnson had forgotten to get one, and he felt rather guilty about it, which made him blush under his grey whiskers.

"Have you seen the piano?" he asked rather hurriedly.

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Sporting Celebrities.

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In January, 1899, against Nuwara Eliya, at Radella, W. P. Halliley and Clarke made 151 runs in 55 minutes—some rate of scoring!—Halliley hitting out for 104 and Clarke compiling 70. Clarke's last appearance for Dimbula in the inter district matches with Dickoya seems to have been in 1896, but in view of his performance just chronicled above, I am inclined to doubt this earlier disappearance of his from these contests. This is where that peep I mentioned into his scrap-book would be so useful; but the purpose of such a peep would have to be very carefully disguised, for the veteran has a horror of all publicity.

His enthusiasm for the game was proverbial. There was no keener cricketer in the Island; and even today any reference to the cricket of a by-gone age brings a sparkle to his eyes and has a Kruschen effect on his vitality. I omitted to mention that he was a very keen and capable fielder.

He has been described as "a prince of good fellows", a title which he earned years ago and his claim to which has been enhanced during succeeding years. His circle of friends during all these years has considerably widened and I feel sure that golfers throughout the Island will unhesitatingly agree that not the least of the attractions of Golf in Nuwara Eliya is the cheery welcome and ever ready and willing help always awaiting them from this fine sample of sportsman of the old school. It has not been the good fortune of many men, when they have excelled in one particular branch of sport and given up participation in the game to be able, in their latter years, to promote the interests of other branches of sport, and it will be the sincere wish of all who have come in contact with A.C.W. Clarke that he may be spared *ad multos annos* to carry on the good work.

Reminiscences of over Forty Years of Rugby Football in Ceylon.

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the Kalutara planting fraternity who constituted himself M.C. The first item was a Pillow Fight—the pillows being unearthed from the Property Room at the back of the stage. The pillows burst, the cotton was scattered over the Orchestra and the front of the Hall.

The "fires of goodwill" and the "fire-wood" referred to by Pike was a conflagration of the cotton at the front end of the Hall where a carelessly thrown lighted match, set fire to the cotton and the matting. The fire was soon extinguished, but not without some amusing incidents. A well-known Planter and rigger player, returned that day from home leave, was among the visitors, arrayed in a brand new dress suit, of immaculate fit. Unfortunately for him and confusing the elements, he recalled the act of Sir Walter Raleigh laying down his clock on a puddle of water to enable good Queen Bess to walk across dryshod. He, the Planter, promptly proceeded to divest himself of his new swallow-tailed coat and lay it on the flames and then solemnly invited the Planting Member in Council, who was present, to tread on it. This may have helped to extinguish the fire, but did not effect any improvement of the dress coat!

Some of the cotton having found its way to the open piano, it was decided by one bright sportsman that the piano required toning and some spirituous application was prescribed and tried. It was then voted that the piano had assumed too high a tone, and the contents of a flower pot were emptied to reduce this. It was a mad merry night, and, as may be imagined, the resultant damages were by no means light. But the sporting spirit prevailing at that time was such that the proceeds of a Special Benefit Amateur Variety Show at the Garrison Theatre, to which all Colombo rolled up, and the handsome spontaneous voluntary contributions from most of those who had participated in the Public Hall binge, reduced the cost to the hosts for the dinner and the variety entertainment—there was no doubt about the variety—to a mere fraction.

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Director of Education.

Mr. L. Macrae, Director of Education, has left on short furlough after a spell of strenuous labour in one of the most difficult periods through which his Department has passed. We hope to welcome him back in health and strength to the difficult duties which still await him. He has proved himself one of the ablest and most sympathetic Directors of Education which this country has ever had.