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EDITORIAL

We are glad to welcome the 'Eulogy on Laughter' a contribution from Miss Santiago, the latest and brightest addition to the staff. The writer appears to have a keen eye to the lighter and more invigorating side of life, and we assure her that in St. John's side by side with the weightier things of life, she will find much that will feed her laughter-loving bias.

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This brings to our mind the Rev. Dr. Isaac Tambyah, the laughing philosopher in our midst. His wit, and sallies that mark an earlier stage of life, but which still linger in him and make him so buoyant and fresh, brighten our life at school, while we heartily envy him for the great popularity he has earned among the students within so short a time. He is a recent asset to our tennis club. But we have reason to believe with Miss Santiago, that the strength and vigour he still displays were not cultivated so much in the Tennis Court as in the other equally vigorous exercise that results from,

"Sports that wrinkled care derides,
And laughter holding both the sides."

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The Old Boys' day was celebrated on the 29th of June. A good number participated in the morning tea and the Lunch provided by the College, and there was a goodly gathering at the Dinner.

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The Cricket Match between the Old and the Present boys was exciting. The Old Boys, under the able captaincy of Dr. S. Kandiah, beat the present boys by 11 runs in the first innings. In the evening the Old Boys gave a treat to all the present boys of the school.

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At the public meeting Messrs. J. J. Hensman and J. W. C. Rock spoke. The burden of Mr. J. Hensman's address was that we should cease to imitate the West slavishly. This has been one of the popular themes of local educationists and politicians of recent times. Our sympathies too are with them. At the same time we would like to emphasise what Mr. Hensman has striven to make clear, that there is still a great deal that we have to learn from the West. With the rise of nationalism in Ceylon we deplore the fact that a tendency has arisen to imitate and to laud the cruder forms of nationalism given expression to in the writings and speeches of some of the political demagogues of India. Though we do not deny that it would be unnatural for us to cut ourselves adrift from Indian thought and ideals we wish to sound a note of warning against those who would idolise Indian educational systems and political prejudices . . .

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The Old Boys' day was a success. Our congratulations are due to Mr. J. K. Arnold the enthusiastic secretary of the O. B A.

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The Magazine, as announced previously by a circular, was sent at the end of last term, by V. P. Post. The response has been encouraging, and we publish below the names of those who have sent in their subscriptions. A few of the copies have found their way back. We learn that the return of most of these was due either to the fact that the addressees were away for the Easter Vacation or to change of address due to recent transfers. We hope that old boys who have not received copies will kindly let us know their addresses.

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COLLEGE NOTES

(By the Principal)

We have been glad to welcome back this term our old friend and master, Mr. J. T. Arulanantham, after his two years' degree course at the University College. He takes chief charge of the Chemistry of the College We have also been glad to welcome Miss F. N. Santiago. who divides the First Year A Special Class with Miss Loembruggen. We have at the same time bidden farewell to Messrs. W. W. MuttuRajah and D. C. Arulanantham. We wish Mr. MuttuRajah all success in the Legal Profession. We are not without expectation that Mr. Arulanantham may one day return to us, with higher qualifications, to carry on the work of instilling science and mathematics into boys of the Middle School, where he has had a distinctly successful, though short term of service. The Cambridge results of last December were below the average. It is only hard working and well grounded boys who can be sure of success in these examinations. Congratulations to Kamalanandan and to Nesadurai and Thambapillai upon their honours and distinctions!

Congratulations to our artists and Art Master who have won for the College the unusual distinction of a three-fold certificate of merit in Object, Nature and Memory Drawing at the recent Colombo Art Exhibition!

It was a very real pleasure at the end of last term to welcome back to the College, after nearly thirty years, the Rev. J. Carter, Principal of the College from 1895-1899. We were all delighted to see him looking so fresh and vigorous. Accompanied by his daughter he paid us an only too brief visit of three days but we were glad that many Old Boys of his day were able to meet him.

The library this term has been enriched by the formerly announced gift of 400 volumes, the united gift of Mr. Thio Kim Chuan and Mr. J. T. Handy

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of Singapore. Our warmest thanks to them. I should also like to thank another Old Boy, Mr. C. A. W. Edwards, for his generous founding of prizes for recitation and prizes for reading for middle school boys. The competitions have awakened a lively interest in a very desirable direction.

Though matches have been few yet the cricket season has been, I think, a very satisfactory one. The Eleven have made marked progress in the science of the game under Mr. A. J. Evans' enthusiastic coaching. Congratulations to Knight House on their Cricket Championship!

EULOGY ON LAUGHTER

There is hardly any need for me to emphasize the fact, that joy and sorrow are essential factors in one's life as sunshine and rain are indispensable elements of nature. But even as rain is intermittent and sunshine holds sway for the greater part of the year so one's joys reign supreme while the "melting mood" plays only a secondary part and for the most time is consigned to merciful oblivion'.

The lamentations of certain of our philosophers of the stock of Heraclitus as, Oh dear me! Woe betide me! Aiyo! etc have a kill joy effect on us whereas a far wiser and saner policy is to join hands with our laughing philosophers and make the best of things. Laughter, as is well known, is a wholesome exercise for men and women of all ages and climes. It invigorates the brain, braces up the nerves, throws off the spleen and generally makes the wheels of life run smoother. The very sight of a person laughing from sheer amusement will serve to convince my readers of the sort of exercise I mean. In modern phraseology the action of laughing is expressed as,

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"shaking one's sides," "holding one's sides" "dying with laughter" "bursting into fits" etc. What can be healthier exercise?

Then again laughter being man's prerogative alone we can have the laugh over the lower animals without being laughed at in return. What a blessed privilege!

A contributory cause to laughter is humour—that faculty which only the gifted few can boast of.—Humour may be defined as mirth or the sense of something ridiculous in our surroundings. Now, to quote an instance. Supposing a public speaker (past the prime of life say) delivers an eloquent oratory from the platform. Being taken up with the heat of his arguments he comes very near the steps, leading down from the dais, (unconsciously of course) suddenly misses his footing and lands on the floor as quick as lightning. Who can help being amused at such an incident! Of course it may be not quite decent to laugh at the person but the high amusement is there, and can be checked by nobody. Besides it is not only the incident that amuses us but the helpless and pathetic look which always follows such stage acting! A well known miser discoursing on the want of generosity of his neighbour is apt to make himself the laughing stock of cultured men. Those who cannot be amused at such diverting scenes prove quite obviously that their internal machinery is sadly out of gear.

So let us one and all try to make our lives and those of others "A joyous Gard" and not "the outer darkness" where there is weeping and gnashing of teeth. I'll conclude with the words of the poet.

"But—should my feeble efforts move your glee
Laugh if you fairly can—but not at me!

F. N. S.

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THE TEACHING OF HISTORY

By K. Nesiah

I. Introduction.

Every Ceylonese child has a right to a particular kind of education. When the child grows up to be a citizen and a man he may forgive his father who was ignoraut; but the State can plead no such excuse in extennation of the crime of either wrong education or no education. The English educators of this country have not realized this in the past. Three generations of our children have been denied their mother's milk. They have been fed on patent foods bought in the markets of the West. It was thought the scientific substitute would be superior; but the results have belied the hopes. English education in Ceylon has been, in some respects, a national tragedy.

There are hopeful signs, however, that the mistake has at last begun to be realized both by the Education Department and our own leaders. The authors of the New Syllabus deserve our congratulations for the bold departure they have made from a narrow tradition. Yet much more remains to be done.

II. Objects.

In a good plan of education, history should form the central subject of the curriculum. I shall briefly state the reasons for this view. History teaches patriotism. Every child should be taught the ideals for which his country stands so that he may be inspired by them; he should be taught what patriots have done for his country so that he may imitate them in his own day. The university student may read his volumes of national history, but even the child in the village school should read his page of the country's story. Besides, the future can only be built on the past: no new thing will endure which is not adapted to the genius of the race: a knowledge of the

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past is an indispensable condition of true progress.

More than most studies, history gives a wide outlook. Along with geography, it reveals to the student that the world is a much larger place than he has hitherto supposed and that he is a member of the large family of mankind. No other subject, except astronomy and perhaps poetry, could kindle the child's imagination and enlarge his horizon as the story of man's adventure on this planet. And history teaches humanity, sympathy for one's fellowmen.

Lastly, history is a science, though a science dealing with man must necessarily be more imperfect than a science dealing with things. I shall illustrate the sequence of cause and effect in history. How is it that England rules an empire? Leaving aside other causes, we can trace the influence of geography as follows. England's geographical position caused her to be peopled by "the strongest members of the strongest races of northern Europe." Her climate is "better adapted to sustain energy than any other in the northern hemisphere." Her insular position and the configuration of the country early welded these races into a united nation. The broken coast-line of England led Englishmen to take to the sea and to a sea-faring life. A sea-faring nation soon develops into a sea-power. A strong sea-power can capture and hold an empire. So it happens that England rules an empire.

Or, again, history might be treated as a study of national character: English history is a study of Anglo-Saxon character.

III. Subject Matter

The subject matter of history is man. Historians have in the past treated man as a fighting animal. History has been the means of instilling age-long national prejudices into every new generation; and probably that kind of education has contributed towards embittering the nations of Europe against one another. But the lessons of the

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last war have led to a change in the viewpoint: it has been realized that our education should unite and not divide. The unity of mankind is the theme of the new historians. History is now conceived as the grand epic of humanity, the story of a great co-operation of all nations towards a common goal. It is a history of civilisation rather than of savage wars. The true history of man is the history of Peace.

Our loyalties expand in a series of concentric circles: the home is the innermost circle to which the individual is bound, then comes the community of which he is a member, the village or town is the next larger circle, then the country, and lastly humanity at large. It is the task of historical teaching to aid the individual to a harmonious ordering of his loyalties, to prevent eccentric circles which cut across one another and produce conflicts.

We may divide our history studies as follows: (1) an intensive study of national history; and (2) an extensive study of other history. But even an extensive study of all histories is impossible. Besides, all histories are not equally important. The highest forms of life are of the greatest interest and we may select for special study those countries which have contributed most to civilisation. The history of India is a subject for our study, partly because India is our mother country and partly because its history is, in some respects, the most wonderful of all histories. The history of Palestine too claims our study because a third of our race owe to it their religion. Culture is the gift of the Greeks to Europe; nothing moves, it has been said, which is not of Greek origin. The histories of Rome and this later-day Rome, England, are also important and worthy of our study.

IV. Connected Subjects

The new syllabus has it: History *or* Geography. It is almost like: either put up the building or lay the foundation. Geography is the handmaid

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of History and they should both go together. I would urge that the teacher of history should plan the syllabus in geography, and if he can, teach it himself. There are other subjects too in the school curriculum which may usefully be correlated with history.

It is the duty of the history teacher to prepare the citizen. His task will not be complete when he has taught social history, the marvels of science, and the romance of travel. It is part of his duty to place before his pupil the problems of his country which are awaiting solution and suggest solutions—the problems of national and local self-government, the objects of the co-operative movement, labour and poor problems, as well as lines for social reform. His task does not end with imparting knowledge of the past. He must show how past history can be used to solve present problems.

V. Method.

With small children history is a great story, and all children love stories. Their history might consist of legend and folklore as well as more historical stories. Children who are a little more advanced read in history the doings of kings and patriots. The history of the world is "the biography of great men." But it should now be biography placed in a framework of chronology; for dates are important, they are pegs on which to hang events. Now too the social aspect of history should be emphasized. With still older children and advanced students, history is besides these, a scientific study of events and movements.

But the selection of stories, of heroes, and of events is nearly the most difficult problem for the teacher. Particularly important is the selection of biographies. I would give the front rank to the long line of great saints who have walked our globe; for religious teachers have influenced mankind more than all others. Science and the heroes of Peace would score over soldiers. But critical treatment is necessary.

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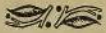
The point of view is important in history. For, in history, unlike mathematics, the facts are in themselves important, and more. The teacher is the interpreter of this knowledge, and he should not abdicate his privilege in favour of text-books. The teacher must therefore be a man of wide outlook and gifted with the synthetic vision: unless he sees the unity of history his teaching might breed hatreds instead of fostering kinships; unless he knows his country's story is only half a story, part of a whole, he might make others blind like himself. He must be widely read too, and he must be a little philosopher.

This is not the place to discuss the evil results of a system of education where the language of the school is not the language of the home. But it requires no discussion that national history must be taught in the Mother-tongue.



SWINBURNE

(A Composite Effort)

(By Two Swinburne Lovers)

I turn to Swinburne for my song,
His words wake music in my heart;
And Lo! I know that all day long
He makes me love him by his art—
Sweet art that daily teaches me
The sweetness of the simplest speech
And love-filled melodies that he
Alone can make my heart to reach.

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VISIT OF THE REV. J. CARTER, M. A.

It was with very great pleasure that we welcomed back to the School on the 3rd of March the Rev. J. Carter, M. A., formerly Principal of the College from 1895-1899.

Mr. Carter, with his daughter, spent Saturday afternoon at the Girls' College, where he met a very large number of old friends. On Sunday afternoon he preached at the College afternoon Service. On Monday morning he spoke to the whole school at Morning Prayers. After the Principal had expressed the pleasure of us all in having Mr. Carter in our midst, the latter gave us reminiscences of his previous time here and some impressions made upon his return. It gave him, he said, the greatest pleasure to be back again among the old surroundings which were familiar to him 29 years ago, but he was struck by the great changes which had taken place during those years. The College had not only extended its premises but added to itself new class rooms, new dormitories and a spacious hall. The boarders in his days hardly exceeded 30, while the total number of the boys in the School was about 200. He came back to find almost 150 boarders and over 500 boys. He was pleased to see that the College had established a great name for herself. During his time, owing to lack of funds, they could not employ efficient teachers, nor were teachers paid what they deserved. To-day with more satisfactory salaries we were enjoying the privilege of having efficient and well qualified teachers.

The Principal had referred to cricket. In his days the field was very small and only a few boys took interest in the game. He could remember St. John's College playing only one match during his time and that was against Jaffna Central College. There was a great deal of difference between the game played 29 years ago and the game he had witnessed the previous day. Mr. Carter went on to say that games had great educational value. An outsider who spent a few days at Oxford said

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that what struck him most was that there were 2,000 students at Oxford who would rather lose a game than play unfairly. That was indeed a great factor in the building up of character. He hoped that games in St. John's College would create in boys a similar spirit. It was the duty of all so to train themselves as to develop character in the way in which God had meant it to be developed. The most brilliant football player was useless in the field if he played a selfish game for his own glorification. So it was in life. In concluding he said it was an important day in his life. He had never expected to see Ceylon and St. John's again. To celebrate his visit he requested the Principal to give the School a whole holiday.

In the afternoon the Principal was "At Home" to the Old Boys of the College, and we had a good gathering of Old Boys who had been students under Mr. Carter. A group photograph was taken with Mr. Carter as the central figure. We would thank Mr. Carter for coming to see us and for what he said to us.

O. B. DAY AT COLLEGE

The annual Old Boys' Day came off on the 30th of June. The celebrations began with a Holy Communion Service at 7.30 a. m. The Rev. H. Peto conducted the service assisted by the Rev. R. Navaratnam. The College entertained the Old Boys at tea immediately after. The cricket match between the Old Boys and the Present Boys was played in the College ground commencing at 8.30 a. m. The Old Boys' team was captained by Dr. C. Kandiah. The Old Boys, winning the toss, batted first and put up a score of 129. The Present Boys replied with 114. The College XI entertained the Old Boys' team at lunch. The match was resumed in the afternoon at 3 o' clock. The Old Boys fared badly in the second innings and scored only 68 runs.

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The present boys went in and scored 72 runs for 4 wickets when stumps were drawn. The match thus ended in favour of the Present Boys. At 4.30 p. m. the Principal was "At Home" to Old Boys and well wishers present. At 6 p. m. the gathering adjourned to the Hall where the public meeting was held. The Principal, the President of the O. B. A., presided: others accommodated on the platform were: Messrs. J. C. W. Rock and J. J. Hensman, the chief speakers of the evening, Mr. T. H. Crossette and Dr. Isaac Tambyah, Vice Presidents, Messers J. K. Arnold Secretary, and S. J. Gunasegaram, Associate Secretary of the O. B. A. The meeting commenced with prayer offered by Dr. Isaac Tambyah. Mr S. J. Gunasegaram, the Associate Secretary, then read the Annual Report of the O. B. A. It was received with applause.

The President then called up on Mr. J. J. Hensman, I. S. O., Retired Assistant Registrar of the Madras University and an Old Boy of the college, to address the meeting:—

Mr. Hensman said that when he returned to Jaffna some ten months back after a long sojourn in South India, the one thing that struck him most amazingly was the inordinate and irrational hankering after, and laudation of things Western and the belittling of everything that belonged to the East. The Government of Ceylon was the worst sinner, it seemed to him, in that respect. The Government seemed to be possessed of the stupid idea that nothing good or worth having could come out of the East. That mentality was, it appeared to him, fast spreading and was taking hold of many people also in Ceylon, and they were thoughtlessly and unreasonably despising that which belonged to their own motherland, and adopting whole-sale Western habits and ways of life. The result was, it seemed to him, somewhat disastrous. For one thing, several of these people were obliged to live beyond their means, and then again life with them was not quite natural. He did not wish to be misunderstood. He was one of those who believed that in order to keep pace with the march

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of progress and the advancement of knowledge and civilisation, a judicious and reasonable combination or co-mingling of everything best in the West with that of the East would conduce to the happiness and well being of the people of Ceylon.

He feared that slavish imitations of the West had affected also the educational policy of Ceylon. Secondary education appeared to him to be conducted according to schemes and methods modelled and designed for English life and English conditions. What was attempted was to transplant a western plant on an eastern soil without making the necessary adjustments and changes that were required by climate, economic and ethnological conditions. The examinations conducted in the Island for High school boys and girls were in English and courses of studies were also in English. He thought Ceylon should have its examinations, its own syllabuses of studies, its own readers in English—all designed and modelled to suit Ceylon boys and girls and local conditions. In several provinces in India, they had for some years past been successfully attempted and carried out by the educational authorities there. He did hope that with the advent of a university in Ceylon, that wholesale and slavish adoption of every thing western even in the educational policy of the country would fast disappear. Mr. Hensman thus proceeded to deal with the questions of specialization and curriculum. He concluded his remarks with the hope that before long Tamil might become to a greater extent the medium of instruction and that the day might also come when Jaffna should possess a great union College, the fruit of co-operative Christian effort.

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Mr. J. C. W. Rock, the District Judge of Jaffna was the next speaker. He said he felt compelled to join issue with Mr. Hensman who had come back to his own country after acquiring considerable experience in South India as an educationist. Mr. Hensman had mentioned in the course of his

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lecture that we in Ceylon were seeking things of the West in utter disregard for things Eastern. A few weeks ago, he received a little booklet dealing with the activities of the Hindu Board of Education. The object of the Board was to carry on education particularly in the villages along lines set forth in that booklet—to learn Eastern things and to develop an Eastern mentality. Whatever direction things may have taken in the past, that was a move in the right direction. He was sorry however to see that the Hindu Board of Education was neither a Provincial Board nor a national one. There was a certain amount of antagonism between the Board and the Misssionary Societies which was not a healthy sign. To reject everything Western merely because it was western would in his opinion be rejecting what was suitable along with what was unsuitable. He pleaded for more tolerance. It was not proper to take the motor car and the electric light, mere physical advantages, from the west and cast away the rest. They should look more deeply into the question. He was trying to show them the other side of the picture. If they looked into the activities of the Government, they would find that it was attempting to carry the benefits of western discoveries into the remote villages of the Island. He instanced the case of Mr. Brayne, one of the ablest of Indian officials, and of his brother in Ceylon both of whom had contributed a great deal towards the uplift of the villagers. They, the people of Jaffna, should emulate the example set by these two men and try to make the villager look at life at a better angle and persuade him to adopt better methods of cultivation. He admitted that they would have to contend against conservatism. There would be a certain amount of suspicion and scepticism of everything foreign. What he was trying to impress on them was that they should take everything that was good in the West and reject the rest.

Speaking about education, Mr. Rock said that he differed from those who held the view that

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examinations and degrees were of no benefit. He mentioned the case of a certain high official of the West Indies who during a stay in London was engaged in reading for a degree though he was 40 years old. He, (the speaker) came there amongst them not as a stranger. He too was a student. When he was lately in England, he attended lectures at the Inns of court. He felt then that he was once again young.

Mr. J. K. Arnold briefly proposed a vote of thanks to the speakers.

THE O. B. A. ANNUAL REPORT (1928)

The Committee of the St. John's College O. B. A. have the honour to present the following report for the year 1927 to 1928.

The St. John's College O. B. A. is now 24 years old having been founded in the year 1904. At the last Old Boys' Day celebration held on the 24th May, 1927, as usual, a good number of Old Boys met together and a happy and pleasant day was spent. At the public meeting the chief speakers were Messrs. A. R. Subramaniam, and A. M. K. Cumaraswamy. The dinner that followed was largely attended. At the Annual General Meeting of the O. B. A. the following were elected office-bearers for the year 1927 to 1928.

President:	The Principal
Vice-Presidents:	The Vice Principal, Mr. J. M. Hensman, Mr. V. Casipillai, Mr. Daniel Joseph, Rev. Dr. Isaac Tambyah, Dr. F. B. Mailvaganam, Dr. E. T. Mac Intyre, Mr. J. A. Muthuvelu.
Hony. Secy:	Mr. J. K. Arnold.
Assoc. Secy:	Mr. S. J. Gunasegaram.
Treasurer:	Mr. C. Newton.
Assoc. Treasurer:	Mr. J. T. Solomons.

Committee: The office bearers and Messrs. J. A. J. Tisseverasinghe, A. R. Subramaniam, C. L. Selvaratnam, C. Arulpragasam, J. W. Arulpragasam, N.

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S. Sanders, Arthur Heusman, A. G. Charles, J. C. Handy, S. M. Thambiayah, C. Cumaravelupillai, A. M. Brodie, Henry Aiyadurai, Drs. A. N. Cumaraswamy, C. Candiah, and R. W. C. Thambyah, Revs. I. S. Ratnathicam, C. T. Williams, and S. Somasundaram and Messrs. K. V. Sinnathurai and Sam. Sabapathy.

During the year under review about 15 new members have been added to the list of old boys. The association has suffered great loss by the death of some of its prominent and loyal members during the course of the year. The death of Mr. J. A. Muthuvelu, (Chief Audit Examiner, Rlys.) removed from our midst one who was a Vice-President of the O. B. A. for several years, and an Old Boy who gave his best to the association and to his *alma mater*. Mr. Muthuvelu was so well-known and so beloved by all who knew him for his great talents and character that it seems superfluous for us to dwell at length on his life of usefulness. He was a man of high ideals whose example will long remain as a source of inspiration to all of us.

Mr. A. Cathiravelu, J. P., U. P. M., Crown Proctor, was another Old Boy whose death occurred recently. He was a prominent member of the bar, a permanent Additional Police Magistrate and acted as District Judge on several occasions. During his life time he had won the respect and confidence of all who knew him.

Mr. C. T. Daniel, who passed away recently was also a devoted Old Boy of the school and one who took great interest in church affairs and led an exemplary life.

Messrs. S. R. John and Christie Ollagasegaram, who died recently, were enthusiastic Old Boys of the College.

The Association wishes to record its sense of deep regret at the loss of these Old Boys and to express its sympathy with their children and relations. We feel proud that we have had among

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our old boys men whose lives have been irreproachable and devoted to the service and welfare of the school and of the community to which they belonged.

The College Magazine.

We are glad to note that the terminal issues of the College Magazine are published with unfailing regularity. Since the last Old Boys' day four issues of the Magazine have been out. At a meeting of the Colombo O. B. A. held on the 16th March this year it was resolved that the magazine be sent to old boys by V. P. Post. Accordingly a preliminary circular was sent to all old boys and copies of the magazines were later sent by V. P. Post.

Achievements of Old Boys.

Mr. A. R. Subramaniam, Advocate, is acting as District Judge, Trincomalee.

Mr. M. A. Arulanandham, Advocate, has been appointed Acting District Judge of Chilaw and Puttalam.

Mr. J. N. Vethavanam, M. A. B. L., has been appointed Police Magistrate, Avisawella.

F. H. V. Gulasegaram, M. A., has been appointed Registrar of the University College.

Mr. S. Kanagalingam, who proceeded to England to continue his studies in Medicine, has passed the L. R. C. P. and S. (Edin.)

Mr. G. S. Chelliah has obtained the 2nd Class Certificate of the Govt. Training College.

Mr. S. R. Kanagasabai has been appointed Asst. Inspector of Arts.

Mr. Navaratnam Richards was ordained deacon in December last.

Dr. J. S. B. Kumarakulasinghe has been appointed Medical Officer, Health Unit, Kurunegala.

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Mr. M. Savundram Joseph, B. D. has obtained the M. A. Degree of the Calcutta University.

Mr. J. J. Hensman, B. A., Asst. Registrar of the Madras University for nearly 30 years has been made a companion of the Imperial Service Order.

Mr. S. Kulendran, was successful at the London B. A. examination held last year.

Messrs. S. N. R. Breckenridge, S. C. B. Kumarakulasinghe and C. Chellappah have passed the London Inter Arts, and Messrs. A. Ramanathan, G. Somasundaram and A. V. Richards have passed the Inter Science.

Mr. Ebenezer Thambirajah has obtained his degree in Forestry at Cambridge.

Messrs. S. Rajasegaram and C. Kanapathipillai have been appointed District Mudaliars of Vavuniya South and North respectively.

Rev. H. Peto was ordained Priest at the Mutwal Cathedral on February 26, 1928.

In conclusion we thank very heartily Mr. J. C. W. Rock for having kindly consented to be one of the speakers at our public meeting and all those well wishers and friends who are here with us to-night.

H. Peto,
President.

J. K. Arnold,
Hony. Secretary.

THE ANNUAL OLD BOYS' DINNER.

The Annual Old Boys' Dinner was held at the College on Saturday the 30th June, 1928. at 8.15 p. m. Covers were laid for sixty. After the loyal toasts were pledged Rev. A. Lockwood proposed the toast of the College. He said that it was a pleasure and a privilege to give the toast of the College. He was reminded of a speaker who had to propose the toast at a dinner at which three nations were represented. The man knew not what to say and so he compared the first nation to the moon, the next to the sun and the

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third to Joshua the son of Nun who made the sun and the moon to stand still. St John's College held a great place in Jaffna. It was very difficult to get away from its associations. He (the speaker) remembered his visit to England in 1914. He thought he had gone away far from Ceylon and would not meet anybody connected with the college. But that was not to be. His next door neighbour at Whitehall Street, London, was Mr. J. W. Fall, a former principal of St. John's College. He remembered the time they spent in talking of the old days when Mr. Fall was principal. He (the speaker) had the highest regard for the traditions the College stood for. When he met Old Boys of the college he knew that they stood foursquare worthy of the college and its principles. He rejoiced in the fact that they (the Old Boys) were holding their own. He could with boldness say that St. John's college had a great future as well as a noble past. Rev. Lockwood then gave the toast of the college. It was enthusiastically drunk.

Help of Old Boys

Mr. Peto in reply said that what Mr. Lockwood had said deserved the most serious consideration. As the head of the college he could say that the prosperity of the college was due largely to two facts. One was the Staff. He had been long in Jaffna to find out that the best men they could get on the Staff were the Old Boys of the college. He had been able to get many Old Boys on the Staff. It was also good that they should be tempered with others from other schools and other lands. The other fact that made for the success of an institution was the help and co-operation of the Old Boys. The Old Boys of the college had done a great deal for the college. The first letter he had about the college before he became Principal referred to the support that the Old Boys were wont to give the Principal. That was amply justified. Mr. Peto than went on to refer to the improvement that had been effected during the past year. He reminded the Old Boys

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that when the College Extensions were proposed the Staff had with commendable spirit of generosity contributed one month's salary. That the Old Boys should also do the same was then mooted. Several had subscribed a month's salary. About one third of the amount subscribed had been paid. He hoped that those who had not paid would be ready with a double instalment soon. Those among the Old Boys who had not contributed to the fund as yet, he would urge to do so without delay. He had considered the matter very carefully and he had come to the conclusion that for a year about two thousand rupees alone were required to make a big difference in the work of the school. That sum would be enough for equipment and other details of administration that could not be met with from the funds available. He suggested that the Old Boys should give a Christmas present of five rupees each. It was not too great a present at that time of the year when the Old Boys were giving presents to those near and dear to them.

Rev. Dr. Isaac Tambyah proposed the toast of the Sister Colleges.

Rev. J. Bicknell, Principal, Jaffna College, replying referred to criticism offered by Mr. Hensman. They did not have in Jaffna that spirit and co-operation between their educational institutions which they should have. There was certainly no animosity.

Mr. Nadesapillai, Principal, Parameshwara College, the next speaker, referred to the remarks made by the Hon. Mr. Ormsby-Gore on Ceylon schools. Mr. Ormsby-Gore found in Ceylon a great variety of effort and a great variety of achievement. If the proper ideals animated the various colleges they should be able to contribute to a fuller and richer national life.

Mr. S. Navaratnam, Assistant Commissioner of Excise, proposed the toast of the Old Boys' Association. He said that he was in the position of the speaker who turned up late and found that

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the ground had been already traversed by the other speakers. He expressed his regret for being absent from the evening's function. He was tied down to his desk by official duties for several hours. Prohibition was killing them (the excise officers.) Dr. Tambyah and Mr. Bicknell were perhaps chosen to speak because they were logicians or metaphysicians. He did not know why he was selected. The Old boys of St. John's College were distinguished in every walk of life. Some of them who were not Old Boys rejoiced in the fame that the College had achieved. She had a distinguished Alumni. He would take a few examples. The late Mr. W. Wadsworth was a very distinguished product of St. John's College. Had he lived he would have risen to the highest position in the judiciary. The late Dr. Vairakiam, a Member of the Royal College of Surgeons, was a very prominent Old Boy. Mr. James Hensman was an educationalist of whom any country in the world could be proud. His distinguished kinsman was no less eminent. Mr. Tambyah was a never ending theme. His erudition was well known in Jaffna. His becoming a clergyman was a distinct loss to the bar and to the bench though it was a great acquisition to the church. Then there was his (speaker's) contemporary, Mr. Suntheralingam who nearly unmade a university. Mr. A. M. K. Kumaraswamy had travelled from China to Peru. Such men whose names he had just mentioned were a source of strength to their country.

Education in Jaffna, like prohibition, was very controversial. Speaking as a son of the soil he was proud to say that the people of Jaffna had a reputation not only in Ceylon but elsewhere for intensive cultivation of the soil. He wished it could be said that they paid as much attention to the cultivation of the mind.

Dr. A. N. Cumaraswamy replied.

Dr. C. Candiah, Judicial Medical Officer, proposing the toast of the guests, recalled

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the advice given in America to speakers:—"If you don't strike oil in ten minutes, stop boring." (Laughter.) He assured them that he would stop in five minutes. (Laughter.) After making references to Mr. Brown, the G. A., and Mr. Rock, the District Judge, Dr. Candiah referred to Mr. Navaratnam, who, he said, was making herculean efforts to make Jaffna "dry." Jaffna was dry, but there were Cases in the desert. (Laughter). He hoped that Mr. Navaratnam would not content himself with taking them to the verge of prohibition but would lead them to the promised land.

Dr. J. D. Brown, the Government Agent, apologised for his lateness. It was all due to the fact that Jaffna was dry. He hoped he would not be misunderstood. He had to go to Kayts where the people were suffering a good deal owing to the scarcity of water. As regards St. John's College it was about the first or second day of his assuming duties that he was asked to be present at a Sports meet. He was coming to take great interest in the college. He thanked Dr. Kandiah for the manner in which he had proposed the toast of the guest and for the kind references he had made about himself (the speaker). They had all had a very good time and he was thankful to the Old Boys' Asssociation for having given them that opportunity.

Mr. J. A. J. Tisseveerasinghe proposed the toast of the Chairman.

Mr. Peto briefly replied.

C. T. S.

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VALETE

C. R. Norman.

Joined 1919.
Junior Cambridge 1925.
Senior Cambridge 1926.
Senior Patrol leader 1926.
College Prefect.
Cub Instructor 1927.
Senior Prefect 1928.
Left—March 1928.

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S. Thambiturai.

Joined 1922.
Junior Cambridge 1924.
College Football team 1926-27.
Senior Cambridge 1927.
Secretary S. J. C. Senior Literary Association 1928.
Left—March 1928.

G. Arthur.

Joined 1922.
Junior Cambridge 1926.
College Prefect.
Senior Patrol Leader 1926.
Secretary, Scripture Union 1927.
Vice-President, S. J. C. C. U. 1927.
Senior Cambridge 1927.
Left—March 1928.

A. S. Ramanathan.

Joined 1919.
Junior Cambridge 1925.
Senior Cambridge 1927.
Oratorical Medal 1927.
Left—December 1927.

Arthur Chelliah

Joined 1923.
Corporal, Cadet Corps 1924—8
Junior Cambridge 1927.
Senior Athletic Champion 1927.
Captain, Handy House 1928.
Left—June 1928.

R. Rasiah.

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Junior Cambridge 1927.
Senior Athletic Champion 1927.
College Football team 1926-27.
Left—1928.

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K. Kamalanathan.
Joined College 1927.
Senior Cambridge 1927.
Cricket XI 1927.
Left—Dec. 1927.

A. Nadarajah.

Joined College 1921.
Junior Cambridge 1926.
Senior „ 1927.
Kumaragulasinghe Scripture Prize 1927.

S. Ratnasingham.

Joined 1925.
Junior Cambridge 1926.
Left—May 1928.

G. D. Thuraisingham.

Joined 1920,
Junior Cambridge 1924.
Senior „ 1927,
Left—Dec. 1927.

R. R. Arianayagam.

Joined 1915,
Junior Cambridge 1926.
Left—May 1928.

OLD BOYS' COLUMN.

M. A. Arulanandam, Additional District Judge, Jaffna, has been appointed District Judge, Chilaw.

F. B. J. Winston, has obtained a Bursary at the Ceylon Medical College.

Arthur Chelliah, has joined the Veterinary College, Bombay.

K. Sangarapillai, K. Kamalananthan, A. S. Ramanathan, G. D. Thuraisingham, S. Thambythurai, C.

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R. Norman, and *A. Nadarajah* have joined the University College.

J. W. W. Jehoratnam, has joined the Bishop's College, Calcutta.

R. E. W. Jehoratnam, has gone to India to qualify himself as an Ayurvedic Physician.

Dr. R. W. Crossette—Thambiah, Medical Officer of Health, Northern Province, who is at present in England, has passed the first part of the D. P. H. examination of the University of London.

Reginald Santiago, has joined the staff of Lorenz College, Colombo.

S. Vivekanandarajah, has left for England to obtain a degree in Medicine.

J. Somasundaram, has passed the London University Inter-Commerce examination, Part I.

A. H. B. Kumarakulasinghe, has passed the London Matriculation examination.

Marriages.

We congratulate the following on their recent marriages.

Mr. V. Ponnuchamy with *Miss Thayalam Sinnatamby*, daughter of *Rev. & Mrs. J. K. Sinnatamby*.

Chiranjeevi S. Vivekanandarajah with *Sowbakyawathi Devamani Ammal*, daughter of *Dr. and Mrs. S. Ponnuchamy*.

Mr. M. R. M. Jebaratnam, Agricultural Inspector, Kurnegalle, with *Miss Lily Pooranam Backus*.

Mr. Ariacutty, Proctor, with *Miss Parameshwari Chelliah* of Vannarponnai.

Mr. J. T. Arulanandam with *Miss Pushpam Asirwatham* of the staff of the Chundiculy Girls' College.

Dr. S. N. Chelliah with *Miss Rosammah Black*, second daughter of *Mr. William Black*, J. P., retired Engineer.

Mr. Thomas Sinnadore Fry of *C. G. R. Hatton* with *Miss Rose Kanagamany Chelliah* of Chundikuli.

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In Memoriam

JOHN CUTHBERT CHRISTIE OLLEGASEGARAM

Born: April 23, 1886

Died: May 28, 1928

Mr. Ollegasegaram, the eldest son of the late Mr. Thomas Ollegasegaram, Sub-Collector of Jaffna Customs, departed this life on the 28th of May. Well known in sport circles in the College, he was in both the cricket and football elevens and was Games Secretary in 1903. He joined the Customs Department in 1904 and after occupying various positions in Colombo, Point Pedro, Jaffna and Valvettiturai, was transferred in 1926 to Batticaloa as Sub-Collector of Customs. He married the eldest daughter of the late Mr. Rasiah William Allegacone, C. C. S., Police Magistrate, Kayts. We extend our heart-felt sympathies to the bereaved family and relatives.

In Memoriam

S. R. JOHN

Born: November 11, 1872.

Died: June 18, 1928.

Mr. John was the Agent of Shanghai China Mutual Life Insurance Co. and Sun Life Insurance Co. for 16 years. He was Church Warden at Nallur and a member of the District Council.

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In Memoriam

REV. D. WOOD

Principal of the College, 1874-1878.

The Rev. David Wood was ordained in St. Paul's Cathedral in 1867 for work abroad, and worked under the Church Missionary Society in Ceylon for twenty five years. He had charge of work in the Jaffna District and was Principal of St John's College from 1874 till 1878. On retiring from the Mission field in 1892 he held several charges in England. He died early this year at his home in Twirton within a few weeks of his 81th birthday. His only son is engaged in ministerial work in England, and one of his daughters is the wife of a C. M. S. Missionary in China.

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BOYS' CORNER

An Evening by the Lagoon

It is evening. The still waters of the lagoon lap gently against the grey stones of the crumbling breakwater. Fleecy clouds chase each other across a reddening Eastern sky. Sea gulls fly silently across the blue waters. The crows keep cawing and circling round the palms before settling down to rest. A few fishing boats return home with the day's spoil. Others prepare to leave for the setting of night lines.

The reddening sky deepens, then turns to crimson and gold. The sphere of fire dips below the still waters, and is gone. All is silent; all is calm; man and beast go home to rest. The sky becomes pale; a large grey cloud floats majestically by; it becomes brighter, thinner, and breaks, and lo, the "queen of the night" shines forth.

I

The shades of night are falling fast,
The gulls speed home to rest.
Fleecy clouds play hide and seek,
The crow caws round her nest.

II

The toilers of the deep return
Back to their homes with spoil.
All nature's still, no sound is heard,
All creatures rest from toil.

III

The sun is sinking down to rest,
The sky becomes dark red,
And in the twinkling of an eye
Dips down below to bed.

IV

'Tis now that nature plays her part,
Dark shadows fall and lo! it's dark.
And now a large grey cloud floats by—
It breaks—the moon shines forth on high.

O. V, W.

F. VI.

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A Ceylon Street Scene

Main Street, Pettah, Colombo

If when the balmy breath of morning is just filling the air a Wordsworth were to stand at one end of Main Street, he would see one straight road decked on either side with two continuous strips of building and two pairs of tram car lines—and that's all. The buildings, some two storeyed, and others with one floor, have one long verandah for which the word 'corridor' would be more appropriate, because these continuous strips of building are divided into several little shops. If when morning breaks a Wordsworth should gaze on this road and its buildings he would doubtless cry out,

"Dear God! the very houses seem asleep;
And all that mighty heart is lying still!"

But in a few moments the 'hues of a rich unfolding morn' would wake our poorest brethren, who sleep "on a stone bed with the wind for a curtain." They, like dumb mutes, dare not disturb the silence of the morn. Each one of them will slowly appear from within the labyrinth of narrow streets and walk along the Main road, but again suddenly vanish into the many intricacies of the maze.

Ere long a distant hum is heard, as it were a beetle wheeling his droning flight. One by one the heavily barred doors open out. Each door leads into a little cell. From out of each cell several drones step out and in a moment the number becomes countless. They are merchants. They hurriedly tidy their little portion of the corridor and hang up their many advertisements. The distant hum seems to have invisibly travelled nearer. It is no longer a hum but a noise. The merchants' feet work fast, their hands faster, and their mouths follow suit. Jabbering and chattering they

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keep themselves busy over something. The grape and apple sellers also arrange their shelves. They cast away the spoilt fruits and arrange the good ones.

But while great arrangements are going on along the 'corridor' the street is not quiet. The street like a gently flowing river patiently receives the waters, the mud, and the pebbles rolled in by its tributaries. Gradually the waters seem to increase and they flow faster and faster. As the tributaries meet their dear old mother they kiss her, not softly, but with all possible rudeness—with clamour and bustle.

Such is the scene by the time the sun has completed a quarter of its daily walk across the skies. The thoroughfare is full to its utmost. Men and women, fathers and mothers, children and babies, flock in from every side. Mingling in this crowd there are the great and the small, the rich and the poor and, last but not least, the poorest. Cars pour in with the rich and the fashionable. A car perhaps pulls up under the conspicuous name-board of "J. L. Roche & Bros." specialists in bridal ware. A salesman is ready at the door to receive the customers and attend to their wants. So that party vanishes for a time. Another may perhaps have, set his eyes on the 'House of Perfection' as it is called, "J. L. Carwallio." Like these individuals there are hundreds who go in and out of these many cells—rather these shops. Winding their way through the most crowded traffic hundreds make their purchases. Walking down the 'Corridors' one hears the calls of the Bombay Merchants, with their Charlie Chaplin faces, "Sir, come Sir. Try our hats, Master. Fine shoes going cheap." At a glance inside these shops everything looks beautiful and tempting. At every step you are stopped by the shrill note of the grape seller. "Australian grapes, Sir, just arrived. Come, Sir, taste and see." This is one of the greatest temptations to little children. They plead with pathetic looks. The heart of the par-

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ent melts at the very look of the child and pounds of grapes and dozens of apples are purchased.

Everything is done in a hurry, everywhere there is noise. The corridors overflow with people; so some have to walk on the road but then with the sound of vehicles continually singing in their ears 'Gno, gno' cries the horn of one car, 'Hoot, hoot' says the other, 'Abna' sounds the third, and all rush past poor pedestrians. One behind the other there is an unbroken string of cars passing up and down. Then slowly but steadily the tram-car glides along. To these "argosies" on land the 'petty traffickers' must do courtesy and reverence. their line must be cleared and they must pass unhindered. Among these fast motor vehicles the jin-rickshaws also do their best. The puller—"poor-devil' he is sometimes called—sweats for his daily bread. He has sometimes to shout 'Ooi' at the top of his voice when his bell is hardly able to be heard. All this noise and hurry is caused by the hundreds who have come for the sake of transaction.

In watching the hustle and bustle of the rich and the fashionable our eyes should not escape the sight of

"The wretch that long has tossed
On the thorny bed of pain."

There is not only one wretch but several. Also there are several of the great who turn a deaf ear to "the mellow ditties of these mourning tongues." These compose the starving thousands of Ceylon. Half clad, sickly and hungry, wretched and unfriended, several of them scavenge the corridors and run along the drains to pick up the rotten apples and the useless grapes and find the sweetness of honey in them. Several are unable to support themselves on their feet from want of food, but in the words of Goldsmith,

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'To the last moment of his breath
On hope the wretch relies;
An e'en the pang preceding death
Bids expectation rise."

This pathetic scene amidst all that is new and beautiful can only be noticed by a quiet looker-on, who is determined to study each face in the crowd.

F. E. R. V.
VI A.

A Sonnet

On a Pen

O son of Chance and friend of every man,
Your might is greater than the deeds in war;
Men's thoughts and actions you can make or mar,
And as a secret priest you easily can
Acquaint yourself with varied tales oft-times,
When men present confessions all with ease.
You shape their thoughts to inky forms with peace,
And set yourself to serve anyone betimes.
Your labours not a few do call their own
And rob you of your well-earned, honest fame,
For, men do often say, "It is my hand."
Your form is built of steel with many a name,
And thus becomes a slave in every land;
But only known at best when you are gone.

E. C. A. N.
VI. A.

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Some Great Sayings

A man is what his thoughts are.
If we have true insight, right action will take care of itself.
No one is really beyond hope.
Justice is giving every man that which is due to him.
Hitch your waggon to a star.
Never too old to turn, never too late to learn.
Character must be kept bright as well as clean.
Life, not lip-belief, is the essence of religion.
Every sinner has a future. as every saint has had a past.
Error is a stage on the road to Truth.
Judge not lest ye be judged.
A Gloomy Truth is a better companion through life than a Cheerful Falsehood.

Faith unsupported by reason is suicide of Reason.
No knowledge is entirely false, though none is entirely true.
Abstract intellect would lead us to false philosophy and bad morality.

R. K. R.
VI A

THE MASTERS' GUILD

Trinity Term.

Since the last report was submitted we have had three meetings in one of which we bade farewell to Mr. D. C. Arulanantham and welcomed Miss Santiago the new addition to the staff.

Rev. Fr. Long, as announced last time, read a very scholarly and instructive paper on "Life in a Mediaeval University" at the lend of last term.

At another meeting, we had the pleasure of listening to a very humorous, useful, and stirring address by Mr. A. J. R. Vethavanam, Lecturer, Government Training College, Colombo on "How to make Teaching Pleasant."

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Both Lectures were very greatly appreciated by all the members. I take this opportunity of again expressing the thanks of the Guild to both the speakers.

We hope to hold one more meeting before the end of the term.

G. S. CHELLIAH,
Hony. Secy.

ST. JOHN'S COLLEGE SENIOR LITERARY ASSOCIATION

Since many of our office-bearers of last term had to say 'Good bye" to us, our first duty this term was to fill up the vacancies. We are all very grateful to those who have left us for the good work they have done. Our thanks are especially due to our former Secretary Mr. S. Thambydurai, who spared no pains in getting up a splendid programme each Wednesday.

This term our Association has undergone a change. It is split up into two divisions (A and B) so as to create a keener interest, and to enable every student to take part in debates and discussions.

Owing to other activities interfering with our meetings off and on this term, we have not been able to hold many meetings. But it must be said that we enjoyed at least one meeting. Mr. T. H. Crossette's lecture on "Tennyson" was a real treat. He gave us a vivid picture of the "Gazer on the Streets", and inspired us to read, study and cherish the wonders set before us in every word of Tennyson.

We are glad that the boys show great enthusiasm at our meetings at present. They are fast learning to exercise their vocal organs which a few months back were in a state of bandonment. They now hold before them the words of 'Cicero, as their motto "Moriar, si non liquor"

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S. J. C. BOARDERS' UNION.

In spite of other attractions our weekly meetings were held regularly.

At the end of last term, we had to bid 'Goodbye' to some of our members including our Secretary and his Assistant. We take this opportunity to thank them all for their services to the Union.

We are glad to note that the boys are taking a greater interest in the meetings than before. We sincerely hope that this Union will be a source of help to them when they go out into the world.

We are very fortunate indeed, in having Mr .G. S. Chelliah as our President. Under his Presidentship we hope to have a very successful year.

Our sincere thanks are due to all those who have helped us both by taking part in the meetings and by their encouragement.

SAMUEL J. ASHBURY,
Hony. Secretary.
S. J. C. B. U.

S. J. C. CHRISTIAN UNION

At the beginning of the term we had a visit from Mr. Wijeyatunge of the Children's Special Service Mission. Under the auspices of our Union, he delivered a series of magic lantern lectures which were well attended.

Another lecture, also under the auspices of the Union, was delivered by Mr. A. L. Miller of India.

Our weekly meetings were held regularly, The open air preaching is still carried on under the leadership of Mr. P. T. Mathai.

We have decided to join the N. C. S. C. A. Camp, which will be held at Kankesanturai from the 20th to the 23rd of July.

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We take this opportunity of thanking all those who helped us in various ways, especially the following, for their inspiring and instructive addresses at our weekly meetings.

Rev. Dr. Isaac Tambiah,
„ Henry Peto.
Mr. P. I. Mathai and
„ R. C. Daniel.

SAMUEL J. ASBUKY.
Hony. Secretary.
S. J. C. C. U.

"SOCIAL SERVICE"

We have nothing much in the way of news to chronicle this term. Our past secretary G. Arthur left us at the beginning of this term to continue his studies. He did his work in the best way possible and carried on this movement very successfully. We wish him the best luck possible in his new sphere of study.

Last term it was under the Secretaryship of my predecessor that we commenced to visit hospitals under the leadership of Mr. P. I. Mathai. We visited the Government Hospital and cheered the patients by showing picture albums and by writing letters for them. We inquired after their health and tried our best to alleviate their pains.

This term the committee met and elected the following office-bearers:—

Secretary.	W. T. GUNARATNAM
Asst. Secretary,	A. RAJENDRAM

The committee met and sanctioned the purchase of a Lily Flute to enliven the meetings at Pariah-Theru.

We hope to give a better account of ourselves next term.

WILLIAM T. GUNARATNAM,
Secy. S. J. C., S. S. U.

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THE SCOUT TROOP

Since the last report was written we had a very pleasant week end Camp at Kayts. With all the usual excitement the scouts and cubs marched off from College on a Friday afternoon to the Customs Jetty and sailed away in a fine little boat. The journey down the lagoon, which was then in all its grandeur with the setting sun shedding its golden rays from the west and the rising moon fast spreading her silvery light from the east, was one which brought forth spontaneous outbursts of music from the mouths of the most unmusical among the party.

The songs, mirth, fun and mischief had soon to cease, for there was jolly hard work to be done when we landed. To walk nearly a mile, with a heavy load on the back, from Kayts jetty to the school compound, was not an easy task; but it was soon accomplished, and it was 9. p. m, when we set to work to cook our food. Early in the morning we repaired to our camping place which was the Government cattle quarantine grounds, kindly lent to us by those in authority. The cubs went with their 'Akela' to the little island fort in the middle of the lagoon, and we learned afterwards that they had a very pleasant time there. During the two days we spent there, in addition to the large variety of scout games we played, we had opportunities of sea bathing and of learning to swim. Mr. A. J. Evans' talk on insects gave ample ideas to learn more of observation and to take greater interest in the insect world. A "Scout's Own" was held on Sunday when the Scout Master gave a talk on 'reliability.'

With the reopening of the College great changes have taken place in the troop. All the Old Veterans in the troop were separated from the rest to form a Rover troop, with a few additional raw recruits from the Fourth Forms. To make up the loss in the Scout troop cubs who were old enough to leave their 'Akela' and venture out of their den were taken into the Troop and this meant the formation of new patrols, with new names and new leaders. The recruits from the pack seem to be quite a promising set, for they look very smart and full of life. Mr. A. J. Evans is in charge of the Rovers and under his leadership this new unit is bound to go ahead and learn to play the great game of life.

S. M.

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THE CUB PACK

A large majority of our full fledged and efficient Cubs were snatched away to form the ranks of the College Scout Troop which had lately been thinned by the formation of a Rover Troop.

The Recruits to the Cub Pack are most enthusiastically going through their Tender Pad tests and are highly enjoying their new experience.

We hope to have the Investiture Ceremony when all the cubs provide themselves with uniforms which are in the hands of the Tailor.

'AKELA.'

KING'S BIRTHDAY SPORTS

These sports took place on June 2nd (heats) and Monday June 4th. The field events took place first; in these we did very badly, but were to a slight extent redeemed by C. M. Alfred's high jump of 5 ft. 2 ins. This was only good enough to get the 3rd place, for the winner cleared 5 ft. 7¼ ins; but it was 5 inches better than he did before. Johnson got a place in throwing the cricketball.

Nadarajah won the 100 yds in 10 $\frac{4}{5}$secs, while A. R. Chelliah was 2nd in the Hurdles. S. N. Dawson, as was expected, made no mistake in either the half or the mile. He ran a well judged race in both although deprived of his corks in the mile. In the latter he showed a magnificent long sprint at the end; the energy which produced this would have been better spent in running the first two laps faster. The Tug of War was an excellent illustration of the value of training and team practice. Owing to lack of brisk organisation it was not possible to hold the heats on Saturday and so heats and finals had to be taken on Monday evening. Our first opponents were Central and our second Manipay Hindu. The latter were fresh while we had already had three pulls, but we managed to beat them. The final

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was between Hartley and ourselves and resulted in victory for us. Our men were a small team in comparison with the others and our victory was very creditable.

In the final position of all events we were third, just behind Central with 38 points, while Manipay Hindu was well at the top.

VOLLEY BALL

On behalf of the Volley-Ball team let me record our thanks to N. Yogarajah, our former captain, for all that he he did to help us during his tenure of office.

We started the year well and our team has reached a pretty high standard. A much higher standard would have been reached if all our players could have practised together and regularly. But under the present circumstances, this is not possible. Some of our players go in for cricket and football too, while some others are members of clubs outside the school. Thus we are handicapped a good deal. About the middle of June we played a friendly match against the newly started North Ceylon Govt. Service Sports Club and won by three games to nil.

There are now six courts within the College premises so that every one who wishes to play Volley-ball can do so. According to the present arrangement each boy has to play twice a week. But it is hoped that as many as possible will make it a point to play every day.

A. V. VELUPILLAI
(Captain)

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JOHNSTONE HOUSE

The games assigned for this term were Cricket and Volley Ball. The members of our house showed great enthusiasm by turning up regularly for practice; so we were able to have a successful cricket season this year.

As many of our scholars left us last term we were not able to do well. But we have promising youths who are determined to maintain the prestige of the House.

The inter-house cricket competitions took place this term. The matches were played on the knock out system. We defeated Adley House last term. And next we played against Evarts House. We fared well in the first innings, and although we did not do well in the second innings. we were able to defeat them by a good number of runs. We played the final match with Knight House but lost against them.

Our congratulations to Knight House on winning the Inter-House Cricket shield this year.

M. ETHIRNAYAGAM,
House Captain.

KNIGHT HOUSE

We wish to record with pride the good work we as a House have done this term. The results of the terminal examination were very satisfactory. Our congratulations to the Thomsonians for holding the first place in the competition with us. In the field of sports the competition was for the cricket championship. As a result of the knock out system we were only able to play with Pargiter and Williams Houses. The former we defeated by runs, the latter by an innings and runs. It was our lucky lot to meet the Herculean team of the Johnstonian cricketers. The match was to decide the champions for the season. It was both interesting and exciting. At one stage all seemed lost to us when the best of our wickets fell with about 30 runs to our credit But the rest rose up to the occasion and thrashed the opponents' bowling. We defeated them by wickets and runs. The Foot-

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ball competition is to take place shortly. We are prepared to do our best.

K. NADARAJAH,
House Captain.

THOMPSON HOUSE.

The Inter-House matches in cricket were played this term on the knock-out system. Although our match against Evarts House did not reach a high standard, still the game was lively and interesting.

Though we have not done well in sports, yet we are proud to say that we top the list in the field of studies.

Our congratulations to Knight House—the cricket champions for the year.

T. E. ABRAHAM,
House Captain.

EVARTS HOUSE.

The annual Inter-House cricket competition commenced during the latter part of last term. It so happened that our first match was against Thompson House whom we defeated by an innings six wickets and some runs.

This term we had high hopes of getting the championship but unfortunately two of our best players were unable to play in the second match. So we had a hard fight against our opponents. We lost by a few runs.

Our heartiest congratulations to Knight House on winning the cricket championship.

M. VELAUTHAMPILLAI,
House-Captain.

ADLEY HOUSE.

"Failures are the pillars of success." The Adleyans have not lost courage although they have fared badly during the past. They anticipate better days.

The first round of the Inter-House Cricket matches were played last term. The unfortunate Adleyans had to face a

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very strong team, and were defeated by a few runs (26) The good show put up by the Adleyans was due to the enthusiastic spirit of the House.

The Inter-House Cadet competition is drawing nigh, and the Adleyans and the Pargitarians (Sister House) combined together are determined to put up a good show as they did last year.

We are proud to note that we are progressing in studies, and we hope to do better.

Our heartiest congratulations to Knight House on their well earned success in cricket.

H. T. NATHANIEL
House—Captain.

HANDY HOUSE.

The chief event this term was the Annual Inter-House cricket competition. Though we had high hopes of winning the championship, yet fortune seemed so dead against us that we were out—classed by many other houses.

The Football competitions are approaching and we hope to do our very best in the matches.

We take this opportunity to thank our late captain Mr, A. R. Chelliah and other Handians for the valuable services they have rendered towards the up-lift of our house.

We had been rather unlucky during the past two terms. But, however, our youngsters are very promising and we hope to do better in the future.

G. KEERTHISINGHAM.
House Captain

PARGITER HOUSE.

We were not very successful in the Inter-House cricket competitions this year. But we have high hopes for the future, because the 'Younger Pargitarians' are developing themselves into promising sportsmen.

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We opened our cricket season with a match against the Knight House, which is undoubtedly the strongest house. In spite of our hard efforts the game was theirs. Since the matches were played on the knock out system we did not have any other chances

We are earnestly looking forward to the football season

J. R. GNANAPRAGASAM
House Captain

WILLIAMS HOUSE.

The tide of fortune has turned this term, partly owing to the loss of our former captain who was all in all to his House, and partly by the defeat we sustained in Cricket at the hands of Evarts House.

They did a good bit of cricketing and gave us a splendid game.

Of course we were far from being their equals at the game; yet, I am quite pleased with my men—especially Beligodapitiya, who was the back—bone of the team, for the good fight put up On the whole I am quite sure that we did very well in fighting against such odds. So better luck next time Williamites!

Well, friends, there is one word of advice I should like to give you all, before I close this and that is—"Be more enthusiastic in the things that you do, and in all cases and in all things learn to "Play the Game."

O. R. PERERA,
House Captain

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THE CRICKET SEASON 1928

Matches played	won	lost	drawn
10	4	5	1

We began very badly, losing our first five matches, but this term we have improved considerably and have not been defeated.

For our first two matches in Colombo in February we were too untrained; later we let the Police beat us and lost twice to St. Patricks, the second time heavily. This term we began with a match against Central College on our ground. We made a very large score but the batting of our opening batsmen against weak bowling was painfully slow. We were able to win by more than an innings.

The Old Boys in their match went in first and obtained a small score in the first innings. We dismissed them a second time for 68. Mills and Gnanapiragasam bowling really well; and we were left half an hour in which to make 80 runs; this we nearly did. As it was, by a magnificent effort on our batsmen's part, we made over 60 which is by no means bad for a school team.

Mr. Thamper brought a team against us which included Workmeister. In this match nearly 700 runs were scored. Gnanapiragasam again bowled extraordinarily well. Alfred scored 70 in the first innings but the match was won by V. Meyappan who helped Thambiah by judicious 'bagging' of the bowling to put on 48 for the last wicket. We won by 13 runs. Taken all round we played distinctly good cricket.

The staff were beaten very easily: in this match Gnanapiragasam scored a century.

The last match was against Jaffna College at Vaddukoddai. Rain had fallen heavily in the early morning and made the pitch slow, this coupled with some excellent bowling, caused us to be all dismissed for 39. Our opponents made 77. The ground being drier we played in our second innings more up to our usual form and scored 150 greatly helped by Meyappan V. Finally Mills with some assistants proceeded to bowl Jaffna College out for 37.

There has been considerable improvement since the beginning of the year, especially in fielding. We hope to have the great majority of the team next year.

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2ND XI CRICKET

We were only able to arrange two fixtures; one against St. Patrick's and the other against Central. We won both games, the latter more easily than the former which was won by 3 wickets.

Rasiah had an average of 24 with Suppiah (11.75) and Guneratnam W (11.25) next.

Our bowling was good. Perampalam took 11 wickets for 6.6 runs each and Richards and Thambapillai, B A both bowled well.

CHARACTER OF THE TEAM

*SIGNIFIES COLLEGE COLOURS

* *J. R. Gnanapragasam.* (Capt.) a good bat with excellent style; has been unlucky more than once. An excellent field. As a bowler began the season erratically but this term has bowled very well.

* *K. Nadarajah.* An opening bowler but except for some very good work against Ananda College has kept too uncertain a length to be of much real use. As a batsman moves away to leg too much. Slow in the field.

* *C. M. Alfred.* A very useful bat. Can hit hard and at the same time stop a straight ball. A good field.

* *V. Meyappan.* Tops batting averages. Very hard to get out, can score rapidly on occasions; should try to learn to judge a run better. Only moderate in the field but has improved.

* *M. Ethirnayagam.* A good bowler who found his length only this term. Has made several useful scores but is not a pretty bat. A useful field.

S. Meyappan. A hard working opening bowler; generally pitches the ball 1½ yds. too short. Does not survive long as a batsman as he tries to hit straight balls with little success: not a good fielder.

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A. Ponnampalam. A stylish bat who when bigger will be very useful; fields well at point.

A. Perumal. Got into the team for his fielding: as a batsman generally scoops the ball into the air.

G Beligodapitya. A very fair bat who is inclined to hit too early on in his innings. A good fielder and a change bowler.

M. S. Thambiah. Wicket keeper. Rather too slow at present. Not a great bat.

J. O. R. Perera. A slogger who usually only gets going when the bowling is bad. Would hit the ball even harder than he does if he could learn to get his left shoulder on top of the ball.

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Batting Averages

	No. of Innings	Times not out	Highest Score	Runs Scored	Average
Meyappan V.	16	4	61	370	30.83
Spencer E. A.	6	0	41	161	26.83
Alfred C. M.	16	0	75	272	17
Gnanapragasam J. R.	16	0	45	219	13.75
Beligodapitya J. G.	6	1	19	66	13. 2
Ethirnayagam M.	15	1	27	183	13.07
Perera J O. R.	6	1	20	57	11. 4
Ponnampalam A.	15	0	59	161	10.73
Nadarajah K.	16	0	49	140	8.75
Perumal A.	7	1	10	33	5.5
Kamalananthan K	8	0	10	37	4.62
Nathaniel H. T.	8	0	13	27	3.75
Meyappan S.	14	1	13	35	2.69
Thambiah M S.	8	4	4	10	2.5

Also batted Gunaratnam W. T., Abraham J. T., and Perampalam.

Bowling Averages

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
Gnanapragasam J. R.	91	15	350	34	10.29
Ethirnayagam M.	44	4	119	15	12.93
Meyappan S.	148.3	23	581	37	15.7
Nadarajah K.	119.2	17	488	31	15.74

Also bowled Kamalanandan, Abraham, Beligodapitya, Perera and Perampalam.

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ST. JOHN'S Vs. ST. PATRICK'S

ST. JOHN'S

1ST INNINGS BATSMAN	HOW OUT	BOWLER	TOTAL	2ND INNINGS HOW OUT	BOWLER	TOTAL
1. V. Meyappan	ct. Alfred	Vethanayagam	2	ct. Ratnarajah	Johnpillai	7
2. E. Mills	Run out		0	Bowled	Vethanayagam	0
3. K. Nadarajah	ct. Christopher	Christopher	1	,,	Johnpillai	2
4. E. A. Spencer	Bowled	Vethanayagam	33	,,	Christopher	41
5. A. Ponnampalam	ct. Ratnarajah	,,	1	L. B. W.	,,	4
6 J R. Gnanapragasam	,,	,,	1	L. B. W.	,,	45
7. C. M. Alfred	Bowled	,,	1	Bowled out	,,	9
8. T. Abraham	,,	,,	0	L. B. W.	Vethanayagam	7
9. S. Meyappan	,,	,,	0	Not out		2
10. H. Nathaniel	,,	Christopher	5	L. B. W.	Vethanayagam	8
11. K. Kamalananthan	Not out		2	ct. Ratnarajah	,,	10
Extras			8			1
			54			136

BOWLING ANALYSIS

1ST. INNINGS BOWLER	OVERS	M. O.	RUNS	WKTS.	AVERAGE	2ND. INNINGS OVERS	M. O.	RUNS	WKTS.	AVERAGE
Christopher	14	1	45	4	11.2	7	1	21	2	10.5
Vethanayagam	15	1	41	4	10.2	65	2	25	7	3.5
Johnpillai	8	2	24	2	12.					
Moses	9	1	15	—	—					
Francispillai	4	—	10	—	—					

St. Patrick's

1st Innings

2nd Innings

Batsman	How Out	Bowler	Total	How Out	Bowler	Total
1. R. Koelmeyor	Bowled	Nadarajah	20	ct. Gnanapragasam	Meyappan	7
2. C. Ayadurai	"	Meyappan	4	ct. Mills	"	13
3 T. Ratnarajah	"	"	0	L B. W.	Nadarajah	0
4. S. Christopher	"	Nadarajah	0	Bowled	Meyappan	0
5. Francispillai	"	Meyappan	1	ct. Ponnampalam	"	2
6. Alfred	"	"	0	Bowled out	Nadarajah	11
7. Jayawickrama	"	"	26	ct. Abraham	"	13
8 Moses	Run out		4	Not out		19
9. Johnpillai	ct. Abraham	Gnanapragasam	5	"	"	17
10 S. Muttukumaru	Not out		12	"	Bat	—
11. Vethanayagam	Bowled out	Gnanapragasam	19		"	—
Extras			18			5
			109			87

Bowling Analysis

Bowler	1st Innings Overs	M. O.	Runs	Wkts.	Average	2nd Innings Overs	M. O.	Runs	Wkts.	Average
S. Meyappen	15	2	50	3	10	13	1	39	4	9.75
K. Nadarajah	9	1	20	2	10	11	2	37	3	12.3
J R Gnanapragasam	5.2	—	21	2	10.5	1	—	5	—	—

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ST. JOHN'S Vs. POLICE

ST. JOHN'S

1ST INNINGS				2ND INNINGS		
BATSMAN	HOW OUT	BOWLER	TOTAL	HOW OUT	BOWLER	TOTAL
1. J. R Gnanapragasam	L. B. W.	Dissanayake	29	c t. Rabbie	Dissanayake	06
2. K. Nadarajah	ct. Zaindeen	Werkmeister	02	,, ,,	Rabbie	10
3 V. Meyappan	Not out	,,	54	ct. Silva	Dissanayake	03
4. E. A. Spencer	L. B. W.	Nardeen	36	Bowled	Rabbie	40
5. K. Kamalananthan	Bowled	,,	01	ct Zaindeen	Dissanayake	06
6. C. M Alfred	,,	Rabbie	12	ct. Nardeen	,,	00
7. A. Ponnampalam	ct. Werkmeister	,,	00	Bowled	,,	08
8, E. Mills	ct Nardeen	,,	02	Not out	,,	14
9 S Meyappan	Bowled	Dissanayake	00	Bowled	Dissanayake	00
10. T Gunaratnam	ct. Nardeen	Rabbie	02	ct. Silva	,,	02
11. H. Nathaniel	ct. Workmeister	,,	13	Bowled	Rabbie	00
Extras			9			10
			160			99

BOWLING ANALYSIS

1ST INNINGS						2ND INNINGS				
BOWLER	OVERS	M. O.	RUNS	WKTS	AVERAGE	OVERS	M. O.	RUNS	WKTS.	AVERAGE
Dissanayake	17	3	51	2	25.5	12	—	37	7	5.3
R Workmeister	14	3	32	1	32 0	2	—	2	—	—
Nardeen	8	—	27	2	13.5	—	—			
Rabbie	11	2	41	5	8 2	9	—	50	3	16.7

POLICE

1ST INNINGS

BATSMAN	HOW OUT	BOWLER	TOTAL
1, Silva	ct, Spencer	Meyappan	04
2. Nardeen	Bowled	Kamalananthan	09
3. Zaindeen	ct. Nadarajah	,,	43
4. Walter Pieris	ct. G. pragasam	Meyappan	05
5. R Werkmeister	ct Nadarajah	Kamalananthan	88
6. Hameed	Not out		00
7 Yain	Bowled	Nadarajah	03
8. Dissanayake	ct Alfred	Meyappan	00
9 Rabbie	Bowled	,,	07
10 Jayatilike	,,	Nadarajah	00
11. Perera	,,	,,	24
Extras			15
			198

2ND INNINGS

HOW OUT	BOWLER	TOTAL
Bowled	Nadarajah	10
ct. Gunaratnam	Meyappan	0
ct. Nadarajah	,,	7
Bowled	,,	6
,,	Spencer	37
Did not bat		—
,,	,,	—
Not out		3
,,	,,	2
Do	Bat	—
Do	,,	—
		5
		68

BOWLING ANALYSIS

1ST INNINGS BOWLER	OVERS	M. O.	RUNS	WKTS.	AVERAGE	2ND INNINGS OVERS.	M. O.	RUNS	WKTS.	AVERAGE
S. Meyappan	15	1	50	4	12.5	8	—	34	4	8.5
K. Nadarajah	9	1	62	3	14,0	4	—	17	—	17
I R Gnanapiragasam	3	—	23	—	—	—	—	—		
E. Mills	3	—	27	—	—	—	—	—		
K. Kamalananthan	5	—	41	3	13,7	—	—	—		
Spencer	—	—	—	—	—	3	—	12	1	12

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1ST INNINGS — ST. JOHN'S — 2ND INNINGS

BATSMAN	HOW OUT	BOWLER	TOTAL	HOW OUT	BOWLER	TOTAL
1. V. Meyappen	Bowled	Cristopher	00	Not out		30
2. K. Nadarajah	,,	Vethanayagam	4	Bowled	Vethanayagam	11
3. J R. Gnanapragasam	,,	,,	19	ct. Cristopher	V. A. Moses	20
4. E. A Spencer	,,	S. M. Joseph	8	ct. Vethanayagam	Vethanayagam	3
5. C. M. Alfred	ct. Christopher	Moses	31	Bowled	Moses	0
6. R. Kamalananthan	Bowled	Christopher	4	Bowled	,,	5
7. A Ponnampalam	,,	Moses	26	Run out		5
8. E Mills	,,		9	ct. Koelmeyer	Christopher	9
9. A. Perumal	Stumped		00	Run out		00
10. S. Meyappen	Not out	Moses	02	ct. Jeyawickrama	Christopher	4
11. H. Nathaniel	Bowled		00	Bowled	Vethanayagam	00
Extras,			6			1
			109			88

BOWLING ANALYSIS

1ST INNINGS BOWLER	OVERS	M. O.	RUNS	WKTS.	AVERAGE	2ND INNINGS OVERS	M. O.	RUNS	WKTS.	AVERAGE
ct. Christopher	12 1	4	30	2	15	14	2	33	3	11
Vethanayagam	13	4	31	3	10.3	6	1	27	2	13.5
V. A. Moses	10	3	19	3	6.33	8	—	20	3	6.6
S. M. Joseph	5	2	4	—	—	8	2	22	2	11

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1ST INNINGS S. P. C.

BATSMEN	HOW OUT	BOWLER	TOTAL
.1 C. Ayadurai	Bowled	Nadarajah	21
2. R. Koelmeyer	"	"	6
3. Jayawickrama	ct. Alfred	"	8
4 Christopher	Bowled	Meyappan	92
5. Moses	ct. Perumal	Gnanapragasam	9
6. Alfred	c t. Alfred	Kamalananthan	38
7. Vethanayagam	"	Meyappan	5
8. Joseph	ct. Nadarajah	"	4
9. Muttukumaru	Bowled	Nadarajah	25
10 Johnpillai	ct Perumal	Mills	3
11. Buljens	Not out		6
Extras			2
			217

1ST INNINGS BOWLING ANALYSIS

BOWLER	OVERS	M. O.	RUNS	WKTS.	AVERAGE
S. Meyappan	18	3	71	3	23.7
K. Nadarajah	12	2	48	4	12
E. Mills	5	1	19	1	19
K. Kamalananthan	5	—	37	1	37
J. R. Gnanapragasam	7	1	13	1	13
E. A. Spencer	3	—	29	—	—

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ST. JOHN'S 1ST INNINGS

BATSMAN	HOW OUT	BOWLER	TOTAL
1 V. Meyappan	ct. Rajadurai	Arambo	61
2. Nadarajah	ct. Arasaratnam	Arasaratnam	49
3. J. R Gnanapragasam	ct Rajadurai	Kumarasamy	05
4. A. Ponnampalam	ct. Nadarajah	Nadarajah	59
5 Beligodapitiya	ct. ,,	,,	10
6. C. M. Alfred	ct. Gunaratnam	,,	75
7. E. Mills	Bowled	,,	27
8. A. Perumal	ct. Rajaduray	,,	04
9 O. R. Perera	Bowled	,,	08
10 S. Meyappan	Not out		02
11 V. Jeyaratnam	To bat		
Extras.			3
			303

1ST INNINGS BOWLING ANALYSIS

BOWLER	OVERS	M. O.	RUNS	WKTS	AVERAGE
S S. Nadarajah	29 1	2	119	6	19.8
V. Arambo	16	—	72	1	72
Kumarasamy	22	2	87	1	87
Arasaratnam	9	—	22	1	22

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BATSMAN	HOW OUT	BOWEER	TOTAL
1. C. Rajadurai	Bowled	Nadarajah	01
2. N. C. Rajandram	,,	Meyappan	00
3. C. S. Nadarajah	ct Ponnampalam	,,	4
4. N. Arambo	Bowled	,,	2
5. P. Dennis	Run out	,,	00
6. S. Kandiah	,,	,,	00
7. P. Gunaratnam	Bowled	Meyappan	2
8. S. Kumarasamy	Run out		00
9. J. Subramaniam	Bowled	Nadarajah	3
10. Arasaratnam	Not out	,,	4
11. Thiagarajah	ct Ponnampalam	Nadarajah	4
Extras			0
			20

2ND INNINGS

HOW OUT	BOWLER	TOTAL
Bowled	Perera	2
,,	Meyappan	4
ct. Gnanapraga-	Nadarajah	10
ct. Perumal [sam		3
Bowled	Perera	1
ct. Nadarajah	Nadarajah	00
Bowled	Meyappan	27
,,	Gnanapragasam	00
ct. Mills	Meyappan	3
ct. Ponnampalam	Gnanapragasam	6
Not out		1
		2
		59

BOWLING ANALYSIS

	1ST INNINGS					2ND INNINGS				
BOWLER	OVERS	M. O.	RUNS	WKTS	AVERAGE	OVERS	O. M.	RUNS	WKTS	AVERAGE
S. Meyappan	7	4	9	4	2.2	7.2	2	24	3	8
K. Nadarajah	6.3	2	11	2	3.2	7	2	13	3	4.3
J. R. Gnanapragasam	—		—	—	—	3	1	11	2	5.5
O. R. Perera	—	—	—	—	—	5	1	9	2	4.5

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BATSMAN	HOW OUT	BOWLER	TOTAL	HOW OUT	BOWLER	TOTAL
1. V. Meyappan	ct. Ratnasingam	Arunachalam	12	Not out		1
2. K. Nadarajah	ct. Sabapathy	Gunasegaram	13	ct. Spencer	Workmeister	14
3. M. Alfred	Bowled	"	6	Run out		1
4. Perumal A	ct. Sabapathy	ct. Sabapathy	4	Not out		1
5. Perera. O R	Not out		13	Run out		20
6. G Beligodapitiya	ct. Gunasegaram	Gunasegaram	16			
7. E. Mills	Run out		19			
8. V. Perampalam	Bowled	Gunasegaram	0			
9. A Ponnampalam	ct. Ponnudurai	Arunachalam	3			
10. J. R Gnanapragasam	L. B. W.	Sinnadurai	2	Run out		18
11. M. S. Thambiah	Bowled	Workmeister	0			
Extras			28			7
			116			62

1ST INNINGS — BOWLING ANALYSIS — 2ND INNINGS

BOWLER	OVERS	M. O.	RUNS	WKTS.	AVERAGE	OVERS	M. O.	RUNS	WKTS.	AVERAGE
Ramanathan G.	4	—	11	—	—	2	—	13	—	—
Workmeister R.	9.2	3	22	1	22	6	1	25	1	25
Gunasegaram S. J.	10	—	54	4	13.2					
Arunachalam A. A.	7	1	18	2	9	2	—	12	—	—
Sinnadurai	3	—	9	2	4.5					
Janson	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	2	—	—

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OLD BOYS Vs THE PRESENT

OLD BOYS

1ST INNINGS

BATSMAN	HOW OUT	BOWLER	TOTAL
1. S. L. Jansen	Bowled	Beligodapitiya	20
2. R. Workmeister	ct. Alfred	"	28
3. E. M. Ponnudurai	ct. Beligodapitiya	Perampalam	13
4. G. Ramanathan	ct. Gnanapragasam	Gnanapragasam	30
5. A. Arunasalam	ct. Ponnampalam	"	9
6. T. Ratnasingham	Bowled	"	0
7. S. J. Gunasegaram	ct. Gnanapragasam	Mills	0
8. Sam. Sabapathy	Not out		10
9. Sinnadurai	ct. Ponnampalam	Gnanagragasam	0
10. Vivekanandarajah	"	"	13
11. Kandiah	ct Beligodapitiya.	"	3
Extras			4
			130

2ND INNINGS

HOW OUT	BOWLER	TOTAL
L. B. W.	Gnanapragasam	36
ct. Ponnampalam	Nadarajah	8
ct. Beligodapitiya	Gnanapragasam	5
Bowled	Mills	0
"	"	5
"	"	8
"	Gnanapragasam	0
Bowled	Mills	0
"	Gnanapragasam	1
ct. Gnanapraga-	Mills	0
Not out [sam		3
		2
		68

BOWLING ANALYSIS

1ST INNINGS

BOWLER	OVERS	M. O	RUNS	WKTS.	AVERAGE
K. Nadarajah	8	—	28	—	×
J.R. Gnanapragasan	9.1	1	33	6	5.5
E Mills	7	—	22	1	22
G Beligodapitiya	4	1	18	2	9
V. Perampalam	3	—	10	1	10
O. R. Perera	3	—	14	—	×

2ND INNINGS

OVERS	M. O.	RUNS	WKTS.	AVERAGE
5	1	25	1	25
10	3	20	4	5.
6	1	18	5	36

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1ST INNINGS — ST. JOHN'S — 2ND INNINGS

BATSMAN	HOW OUT	BOWLER	TOTAL	HOW OUT	BOWLER	TOTAL
1. V. Meyappan	ct. Nadarajah	Muttu	4	ct. Nadarajah	Nadarajah	61
2. K. Nadarajah	Bowled	,,	8	Run out		0
3. M. Alfred	,,	Nadarajah	2		,,	12
4. A. Ponnampalam	,,	Muttu	6	L. B. W.	Muttu	18
5. J. R. Gnanapragasam	ct Pathmanathan	Nadarajah	1	ct. Reuban	,,	15
6. E. Mills	ct Ambalavanar	,,	8	Bowled	,,	11
7. O. R. Perera	Bowled	Muttu	0	Not out		3
8. G. Beligodapitiya	ct. Ambalavanar	Nadarajah	9	Bowled	Nadarajah	19
9. A. Perumal	ct. Navaratnam	,,	4	,,	Muttu	9
10. S. Meyappan	Bowled	Muttu	0	Run out		0
11. S. Thambyah	Not out		0	,,	,,	0
Extras			2			2
			39			150

BOWLING ANALYSIS

1ST INNINGS — 2ND INNINGS

BOWLER	OVERS	M. O.	RUNS	WKTS.	AVERAGE	OVERS	M. O.	RUNS	WKTS.	AVERAGE
V. Muttu	10	3	22	5	4.4	26 2	7	71	4	17.8
V. Nadarajah	8	2	13	5	2.6	18	3	44	2	22
T. Ieyaratnam	2	0	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Ambalavanar	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

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JAFFNA COLLEGE

1ST INNINGS

BATSMAN	HOW OUT	BOWLER	TOTAL
1 T. Pathmanathan	Bowled	Gnanapiragasam	6
2 K. Sabaratnam	"	Meyappan	0
3, A. Ambalavanar	"	Gnanapiragasam	7
4. K. Nadarajah	"	"	18
5. S. Reuban	"	"	4
6. V. Muttu	ct. Nadarajah	Mills	16
7. T. Visuvalingam	Bowled	"	2
8. E. VijayaRatnam	"	Gnanapiragasam	1
9. C. Navaratnasingham	ct. Alfred	Meyappan	11
10. T. Kandaswamy	ct Mills	Mills	7
11. Thaliasingham	Not out		2
Extras			3
			77

2ND INNINGS

HOW OUT	BOWLER	TOTAL
	Mills	
Bowled	Meyappan	14
"	"	1
ct. V. Meyappan	Gnanapiragasam	0
L. B. w.	"	6
ct. Thambiah	Mills	2
ct. Gnanapiraga	"	0
Bowled [sam		7
Not out	Mills	1
Bowled	"	2
ct Gnanapraga-		0
Run out [sam		3
		1
		37

BOWLING ANALYSIS

BOWLER	1ST INNINGS OVERS	M. O.	RUNS	WKTS.	AVERAGE	2ND INNINGS OVERS	M. O.	RUNS	WKTS.	AVERAGE
S. Meyappan	11.1	4	19	2	9.5	8	3	9	2	4.5
K. Nadarajah	4	2	5	—	—	6	1	11	—	—
I.R. Gnanapiragasam	11	5	23	5	4 6	5.2	2	9	2	4 5
E. mills	7		24	3	.8	5	2	7	5	1.5

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May 17th Trinity term commenced

20th. Mr. Wijeyatunge, Secretary Scripture Union, preached at Evening Service

21st,—25th. Lantern lectures by Mr. Wijeyatunge.

22nd, 24th, 27th, 28th & 30th. Mr. Wijeyatunge addressed the Secondary School.

29th Mr. W. W. MuttuRajah left College.
Miss Florence Nightingale Santiago of the Vembadi Girls' School joined the Staff.

June 2nd. Heats of King's Birthday Sports worked off at the Esplanade.

4th. Finals of Birthday Sports. Johnians Champions Tug 'O' War and 3rd place in sports.

8th, & 9th, 1st Eleven match with Central College. Johnians won by a broad margin

15th. Dr. Isaac Tambyah lectured on "Nationalism" to the Historical Association.

17th. Rev. L. J. Gaster, Secretary C. M. S. preached at evening service.

23rd IInd Eleven match with Central College Johnians won.

30th. Old Boys' day celebrations Cricket match. Old Boys *vs* present boys. Former won. Public meeting. Dinner.

July 1st. Mr. J. T. Mann, an old boy, joined the clerica staff.

3rd. Dr. Isaac Tambyah addressed the Scripture Union on "Bible Versions."

5th Mr. J. T. Arulanantham rejoined the staff.
Mr. D. C. Arulanantham left for further study.

9th, 10th, 11th, & 13th. Staff *vs.* College Eleven cricket match. Latter won by a broad margin.

11th. Dr. Isaac Tambyah addressed the Scripture Union on "The Jerusalem Conference".

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Finals of the Recitation contest. Judges : Miss Grace Hensman, Dr. Isaac Tambyah and Rev. Henry Peto.

14th, 1st Eleven cricket match with Jaffna College Johnians won.

16th The Rev. C. C. P. Arulpragasam addressed the College Christian Union.

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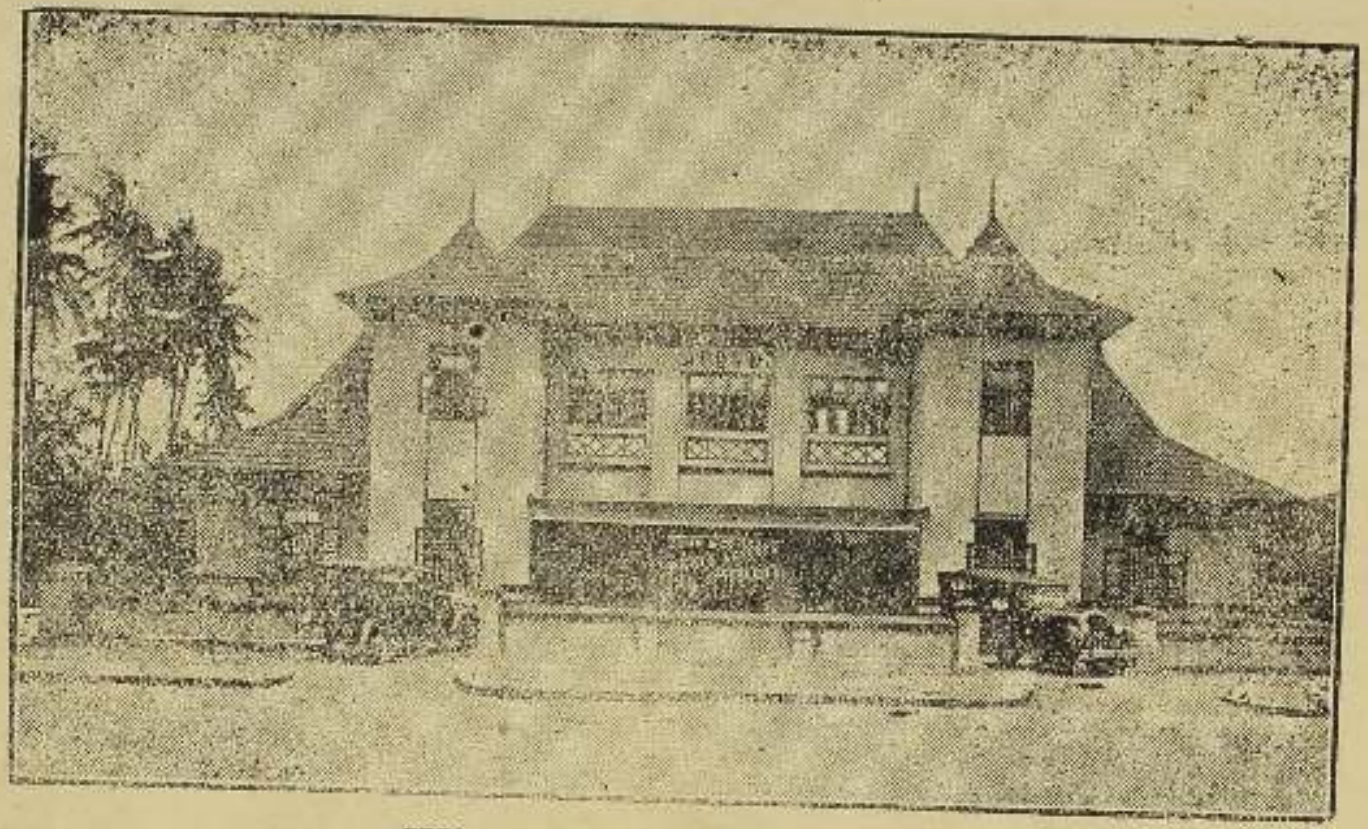

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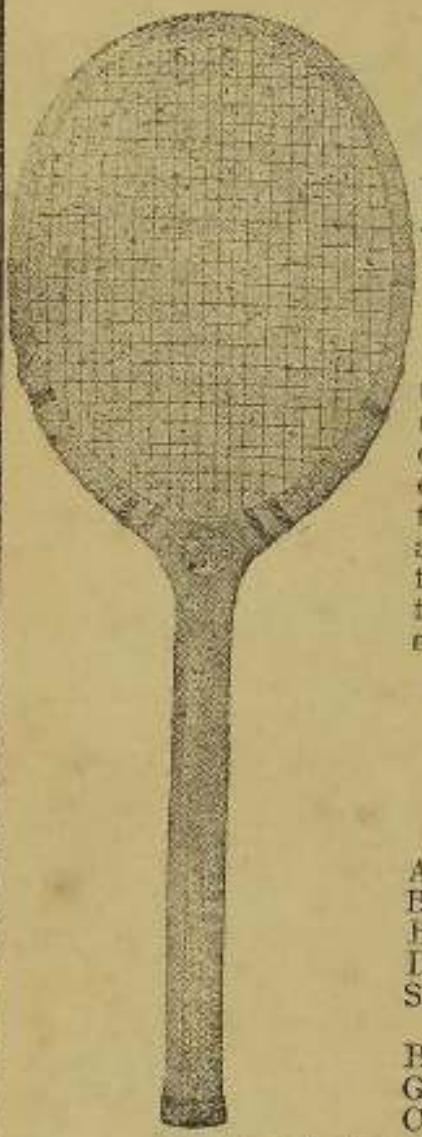

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