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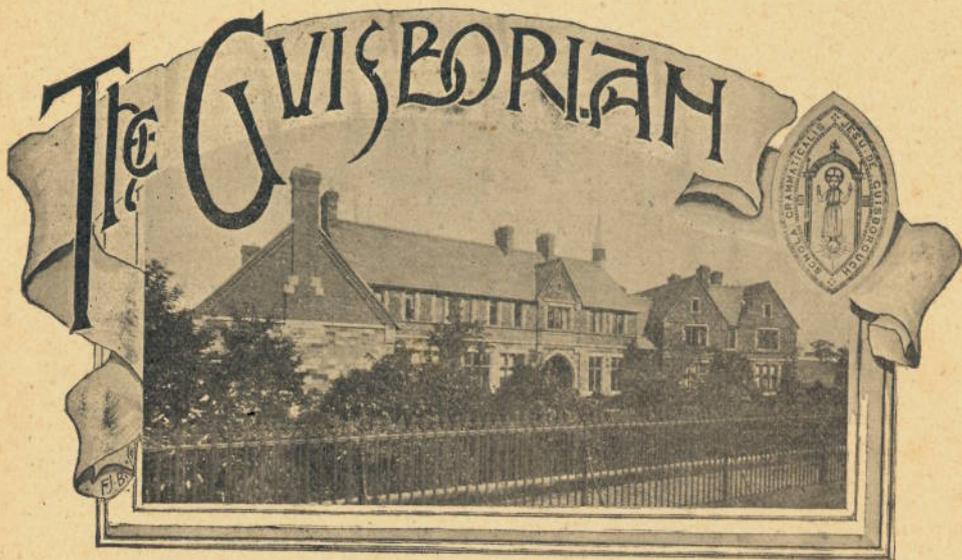
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SCHOOL NOTES.

THE School reassembled for the Christmas term on Thursday, Sept. 13th, and will break up on Friday, Dec. 14th.

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Tuesday, Oct. 16th, was a day to be marked with red in the School Calendar. Mr. Lee-Jones saw the one thing wanted to render our football equipment complete, and most generously presented the Club with a set of goal nets. The "opening" ceremony took place on the afternoon mentioned, when the donor, by special request, netted the ball for the first time. We can now lay claim to be better provided for, as regards ground and fittings, than any school in the district. What remains to be done to make the Club successful can only be done by the members of the team themselves. Play up!

Whilst on the subject of Football, we may mention that there are in the Library two books which should be diligently studied by every boy. One contains hints on the game by that prince of half-backs, Ernest Needham; in the other there is a clear exposition of the off-side rule, with diagrams. From the number of senseless appeals made in our matches and practice games it would seem that few boys have ever taken the trouble to read and understand Rule VI.

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About half-term the measles appeared amongst us, and we were deprived of the society of several of our Lower School worthies, who went into enforced retirement. The epidemic, however, seems now to have spent itself, and we hope that by the time

this is in print the gentlemen referred to will be in their places again, throwing themselves into their studies with all their old vigour.

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On Dec. 10th the Upper School will be in the throes of the Cambridge Locals. Let each one do his level best. We ask for nothing more, and we shall be content with nothing less.

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A FAMILIAR REFRAIN.—Scene, 2nd XI. pitch; fast match in progress. Noah eludes the backs, and sends in a hot shot which hits the hedge with terrific force. Ball encounters a thorn and promptly succumbs. Chorus (Omnes): "Where's Clarkson?"

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In this number we begin an Acrostic Competition, which we hope will prove popular. Another new feature is a contribution on the history of the School. The Editor will be grateful to any Old Boys who can, and will, give any interesting details of the School history of the past fifty years.

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A MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL!

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SCHOLA GRAMMATICALIS JESU DE GIBBORNE.

I.

AS members of the School of Jesus of Gisborne, all of us have a great past to look to. And it must be of interest, even to the youngest, to compare our lot with that of those who were scholars here in less favoured times. What was their work? How did

they play? What manner of men were the masters set over them? What changes have taken place in the old school since that far-off day in 1561 when the Rev. George White, first master, took up the work of teaching here?

We cannot answer these questions fully; but to answer them in part is better than to give no answer at all.

Nearly three years before the birth of William Shakespeare, Robert Pursglove founded a school and hospital in Gisburne "in honour of our Lord Jesus Christ his Saviour." Pursglove seems to have been a man of considerable wealth and intellectual power, and held high ecclesiastical appointments. He was educated at St. Paul's and at Corpus Christi College, Oxford, and before his death, which took place in 1579, had been Bishop of Hull, Archdeacon of Nottingham, and Prior of Gisburne Abbey.

The Master of the new school had to be sufficiently learned in grammar, honest, and a Priest in Holy Orders. Apparently the Prior had some grudge against Scotchmen, for he expressly states that no Scot is to be eligible for the mastership, though an English layman might be chosen if a priest were not forthcoming. The master was required to teach freely, and to take nothing from his pupils beyond fourpence, which was paid on admission. He was not, however, prohibited from receiving gifts from the parents or friends of the boys—a present of game, for instance, need not be refused, and a jar of wine might be accepted with a clear conscience, and without any risk of dismissal.

The salary paid to the master was to be as much as £10 per annum, and two rooms were provided for his use; but both master and boys fared badly in the matter of holidays, only twenty days in the whole year being allowed for change of air and scene.

And when we come to consider the school-hours we realise more fully that "the spacious times of great Elizabeth" were not altogether a golden age from a schoolboy's point of view. Most of us regard it as a thing to be proud of if we succeed in rising at six in the morning now and then; three hundred years ago the Grammar School boys began work at that hour and continued without a break till eleven o'clock. Eleven was the dinner hour; school began again at one, and at six the scholars were once more at liberty—a liberty which they had certainly earned. These were the hours during summer. From the end of September to the end of March some relaxation was allowed, as there were at that time no Locals to prepare for. The regulations provide for an extra hour in bed during winter, and school now closed at half-past four in the afternoon instead of six.

We still retain the original division of the school into four forms; but on one point we have sadly fallen away from the traditions of the past. It was decreed that "the 3rd and 4th Forms shall speak nothing within the school house but Latin."

And yet we have every reason for believing that the 3rd and 4th Forms express themselves in mere English (or what they are pleased to call English) "within the school-house"—and that, too, without the slightest twinge of conscience. The Governors should see to this!

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FOOTBALL.

IN September the prospects for the season seemed bright enough, though up till the middle of November the team has not done what we believed it capable of doing. However, we live in hopes.

We have lost two good men in last year's Captain and Vice-Captain—C. Hadfield and Charlton; otherwise the Eleven remains much as it was. There is still a sad lack of dash in the work of the forward line as a whole, whilst the half-backs do not seem to realise that they have to attack as well as defend. More following up and some exercise of judgment in placing the ball to the forwards is what is wanted in this part of the team. Another word to the front line. Pass *forward* in nine cases out of ten instead of passing square.

The best features of the term's play are the sound defence of the backs and the phenomenal scoring of our outside left. It is fitting to acknowledge here the debt of gratitude the Club owes to our genial linesman, who has taken infinite trouble in looking after the balls.

The summary of results up to and including November 17th is as follows:—

Played.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	Goals—For.	Against.
9	3	5	1	39	42

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SCHOOL v. MR. R. MERRYWEATHER'S XI.

This, the first match of the season, was played on the School ground on Sept. 19th, and resulted in a win for the visitors by 4 goals to 2. We kicked off and, after some mid-field play, Sanderson got well up and shot in hard. The visitors' custodian stopped the shot but failed to clear, so that Annett, who was lying handy, had no difficulty in opening the scoring. Even play followed and the visitors managed to equalise before half-time, when the score stood one all.

The second period was well contested, Sanderson put on another for us, whilst the visitors added three to their total.

SCHOOL.—Ward; Bourn and Richardson;

Wilkinson, Mr. Cawood, Bewick; Annett i., Lancaster, Mr. Johnstone, Heslop, Sanderson i.

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SCHOOL v. MR. R. MERRYWEATHER'S XI.

The return match with Mr. Merryweather's XI. was played on Sept. 26th, in most disagreeable weather. We had the wind to start with, but our opponents were the first to attack. Lancaster stopping Merryweather in good style. Lancaster then put on a point for us, and Sanderson followed suit. Before half-time Lancaster got another, and the score on changing ends was 3 to nil in our favour. Assisted by the wind the visitors soon began to press, and gained a corner from which they scored. Play then became very exciting, and the School goal was hotly attacked. Another point was scored, and the equaliser came just on time, the match thus ending in a draw of 3 all.

SCHOOL.—Ward; Mr. Cawood and Richardson; Bourn, Lancaster, Kennedy; Annett i., Pybus i., Mr. Johnstone, Heslop, Sanderson i.

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SCHOOL v. MIDDLESBRO' HIGH SCHOOL.

At Guisborough on Sept. 29th, when we won handsomely by 6 goals to 2. Play in the first half was very even, each side pressing alternately. The Middlesbro' forwards were smart, and gave our defence a good deal of trouble. Ultimately Lancaster opened the scoring for us. The visitors equalised; but Lancaster added another before half-time, when the score stood 2 to 1 in our favour. In the second period the home forwards put in some fine work, Annett, Sanderson and Lancaster being prominent. Lancaster raised our total to 3, and Sanderson added 3 more.

SCHOOL.—Ward; Bourn, Morgan; Wilkinson, Kennedy, Bewick; Annett i., Pybus i., Lancaster, Heslop, Sanderson i.

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SCHOOL v. STOCKTON GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

At Stockton, in miserable weather, on Oct. 5th. Unfortunately we were considerably under strength. The result was that we lost by 2 goals to 5, though we had almost as much of the play as our opponents, and had distinctly hard lines in not scoring at least two more. Guisborough started with wind and rain behind them; but Stockton were first to attack, and soon had a couple of goals. The visitors then pressed, and gained four corners in succession, but these were not improved upon. Stockton scored again, and before half-time Sanderson got through for Guisborough. Our team played up desperately in the second period; but luck—and refereeing—were dead against them, and they had to own defeat.

SCHOOL.—Ward; Bourn, Richardson; Wil-

kinson, Kennedy, Bewick; Annett i., Craig i., Annett ii., Heslop, Sanderson i.

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SCHOOL v. COATHAM GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

At Coatham on Oct. 13th. The home team started with the wind, and immediately began to tax our defence. After a prolonged siege they got one past Ward, and shortly after scored again from a corner. Guisborough now attacked; but Sanderson, who seemed certain to score, slipped, and fisted the ball through instead of kicking it. We were 6 goals down at half-time.

On crossing over, Guisborough had a much larger share of the play. Sanderson scored in the first minute, and soon after hit the bar with a good shot. Annett then had a try, but Williamson saved. Coatham put on another, and Sanderson brought our score to 2. Result—Coatham 7, G.G.S. 2.

The drive home was enlivened by our inside left, who was in capital voice, and gave several selections from his repertory.

SCHOOL.—Ward; Bourn, Morgan; Wilkinson, Kennedy, Bewick; Annett i., Pybus i., Lancaster, Heslop, Sanderson i.

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SCHOOL v. AYTON FRIENDS' SCHOOL.

This match was played on the School ground on the day after the inauguration of the goal nets, and resulted in a win for us by 5 goals to 2.

Guisborough set to work at once and forced a corner, which came to nothing. For some time Ayton were confined to their own part of the field, but Linney managed to score from a break away. Once or twice Ward distinguished himself by clever saves, though we had the best of matters, and at the interval led by 3 to 1. In the second half Ayton played up better, and Linney was often dangerous; but once more we asserted ourselves, and had the game well in hand at the close. Our team played very well together, and showed good combination.

SCHOOL.—Ward Bourn, Mr. Johnstone; Kennedy, Mr. Cawood, Bewick; Annett i., Pybus i., Lancaster, Heslop, Sanderson i.

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SCHOOL v. STOCKTON GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

The return match with Stockton, played on Nov. 3rd, found our team in their best scoring mood, as all the forwards succeeded in netting the ball. Bewick also scored from half; and the figures when the whistle blew were 12 to 3 in our favour.

Stockton defended the Abbey goal to start with, and Sanderson was not long in sending in a shot which grazed the bar. Play after this was even, the visitors having a good share of the game; but our backs were in fine form, and easily disposed of all attacks.

Towards time, Stockton fell off considerably

and our forwards seemed to score as they liked. Flemming, for the visitors, worked hard and was always dangerous.

SCHOOL.—Ward; Bourn, Morgan; Hadfield i., Kennedy i., Bewick; Annett i., Pybus i., Lancaster, Heslop, Sanderson i.

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SCHOOL v. OLD GUISBORIANS.

We regret that our special reporters were off duty on Nov. 10th, so that we cannot give details of this interesting match. The game was notable for the number of goals scored, and also for the unexpectedly poor form of the School. Our backs alone came out with credit; the halves were much below their usual, and the forwards, with the exception of Sanderson, seemed unable to do anything right. They continually lost ground, either by hanging to the ball too long or by square passing. The visiting forwards, on the other hand, made straight for goal whenever they got an opening. For the Old Boys, Hillary at back and H. Stokeld at outside right were most conspicuous. We lost by 5 goals to 8.

SCHOOL.—Ward; Bourn, Morgan; Kennedy i., Mr. Cawood, Mr. Johnstone; Annett i., Bewick, Lancaster, Heslop, Sanderson i.

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SCHOOL v. COATHAM GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

We may admit at once that we are still some way from being as good an all-round team as Coatham. There is a dash, a precision, and a method about all they do in the field that we wish would be taken as a model by our XI. The day fixed for the home match—Nov. 17th—was wet and disagreeable, and the heavy ground told most against us as the lighter team. In the first portion we scored once, through Annett i., while the visitors put on 5. In the second half Sanderson as usual got a goal, but for the first time this season failed to score from a penalty. Coatham added 3, and won by 8 to 2. The many remarks addressed to the referee in this match go to show that there are others besides Guisborians who would benefit by a study of the rules.

SCHOOL.—Ward; Bourn, Morgan; Clarkson, Kennedy i., Bewick; Annett i., Pybus i., Heslop, Annett ii., Sanderson i.

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The Team.

ANNETT i. (Captain).—A hard-working forward, who dribbles and centres well. Has hardly enough pace for a wing player, and should shoot oftener on his own account.

SANDERSON i. (Vice-Captain).—The one redeeming feature in the forward line. Has good speed, and always makes ground when he gets the ball. Shoots whenever he has the ghost of a chance, and oftener than not finds the inside of the net.

HESLOP.—Has plenty of pluck, and often plays very well to his outside man. Too unselfish, and is under the impression that he should part with the ball whenever he gets it. Weak in front of goal.

PYBUS i.—Very energetic, but has much to learn in the art of passing and shooting.

BEWICK.—Tenacious as a bull-dog, and a first-rate tackler. Quite makes up for his lack of weight by his persistence, and is generally in the right place at the right time. Knows how to feed his forwards.

WILKINSON.—His place in the team is anything but secure. Too dreamy for a half, and does not know what following-up means.

KENNEDY i.—Means well, but has not yet acquired complete control over his feet. Is, however, improving.

HADFIELD i.—Has a good idea of the half-back game, and with some experience will make a very useful man.

BOURN.—A steady and reliable back—sure kick and safe tackler. Is the heart and soul of our defence, and a worthy successor to the great backs this School has produced.

MORGAN.—Good kick, but a trifle slow, and has still a little to learn from his more experienced partner.

WARD.—A very safe custodian on the whole, but lacks agility between the sticks, and often fails to clear properly a shot which he has stopped.

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ACROSTIC.

CONDITIONS.

- 1.—Solutions must be given in to the Editor before the end of the term. Each paper must bear the solver's name.
- 2.—The series will contain three acrostics, and a prize will be given to the solver who scores most points.
- 3.—A point is scored for each correct perpendicular and for each correct horizontal.
- 4.—The Editor's decision on all questions must be held as final.

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Acrostic No. 1.

PERPENDICULARS.

Hitherto we've done without them,
Now we're jolly proud about them.

HORIZONTALS.

1. When we travel to attack,
He conveys us there and back,
2. Two of our rivers thus are named,
On both there stand Cathedrals famed.
3. With science this goes hand in hand
In many schools throughout the land.
4. Train-boys know this station well,
More we are afraid to tell.