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• "Every failure is a step to success, every detection of what is false directs us towards what is true."

## SCHEDULE

1914

- December 1. Bible Class, Juniors, 4-45 P.M., A. V. Moses, Esq., M.A.  
" " Technical Teachers' Examination at Y. M. C. A.  
" " Inter-Collegiate Debate—Christian College vs, Presidency College, 5-50 P.M., Auditorium.  
" " Opening of the Graduates' Club, 5-30 P.M.  
" " Territorial Department—Indoor Games.  
" 2. Territorial Department—Phonograph Concert.  
" 3. Boys' Branch Literary Union Lecture, 4-30 P.M., Cinema Show, 6-30 P.M.  
" " Territorial Department—Mail Night.  
" 4. Second Inter-Collegiate Debate—Winner of 1st Debate vs, Pachiappa's College, 5-30 P.M., Auditorium.  
" " Y. M. C. A. Lodge Social, 4 P.M.  
" " Territorial Department—Variety Night.  
" 5. Boys' Branch Membership Social.  
" " Territorial Department—Illustrated Lecture.  
" 6. "The Incarnation of Christ"—Prof. F. E. Corley, M.A., Auditorium, 4 P.M.  
" " "P. S. E.," Territorial Department, 8 P.M.  
" 7. Sub-Juniors' Bible Class, 4-45 P.M., G. D. Edwards, Esq.  
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" 11. Territorial Department—Cinematograph Exhibition.  
" 12. Boys' Branch Anniversary.  
" 13. "The Christian Church"—Prof. F. E. Corley, M.A., Auditorium, 4 P.M.  
" " "P. S. E." Territorial Department, 8 P.M.  
" 14. Sub-Juniors' Bible Class, 4-45 P.M., G. D. Edwards, Esq.  
" " School of Commerce Half-yearly Examination begins.  
" 15. Juniors' Bible Class, 4-45 P.M., A. V. Moses, Esq.

## WORK AMONG THE TERRITORIALS

The past two weeks have kept busy the Special Committee appointed to plan and organize the work among the 4th Somerset Light Infantry. Ever since the arrival of the Territorials in India, the Association in different parts has been and is doing all that it possibly could not only to make their stay in the country pleasant to them and profitable to us but also to give them a right conception of it and to guard them against undesirable influences. The portion of the building set apart for this work here is well equipped with writing tables and stationery, ping-pong, chess, draughts, billiards, library books and papers, all of which are in constant use. Last week over 400 Christmas cards and dozens of other postcards were sold and a dealer in curios was present. Many of the men purchased gifts to be sent home to their loved ones and several ladies were also present to help them in purchasing suitable presents and in packing them up for post. Outdoor games, such as foot-ball, volley ball and hockey are being organized. The Cinema Exhibition given by the Rev. J. Mathers of the Bangalore Y. M. C. A. and the Lantern Lecture by Mr. F. Budd were much appreciated by the men. Capt. J. A. H. Russell delivered a lecture on "How to keep fit in the tropics" when the Hon. Surg.-Genl. W. B. Bannerman, C.S.I., presided. The men were very much interested in the numerous charts

and samples of live flies, mosquitoes and microbes that were used to illustrate the lecture.

On the 24th November a tea and concert was given to the Somersets and an enjoyable time was spent. The Ladies' Auxiliary served tea and refreshments and Messrs. Doss Bros. took a group photo of the men. Their Excellencies Lord and Lady Pentland were present and expressed themselves much pleased with what was being done for the Territorials. The concert was given in the Auditorium and the items contributed by the Somersets and the songs by Miss Higginbotham and Miss Mather were highly appreciated. His Excellency in a short speech welcomed the men and in doing so said that they felt all the more pleasure in welcoming them as their visit was under exceptional circumstances. To give up their business, occupation and everything at home and to feel that they could not be happy unless they were doing their level best for their King was a fine thing. Wherever they were and in whatever they did they should show to the world the courage and chivalry of the British nation. The pleasant function closed with the singing of the National Anthem. On Saturday, the 28th, Mr. Terrence Ramsdale gave an entertainment to the men in the Auditorium which kept the men spell bound. The P. S. E. meetings are being well attended and several take part in the singing.

*Annual Election.*—There are five vacancies on the Board



and nominations by active members must reach the Executive Committee before the 5th December. The election will take place on the 15th at 5-30 p. m.

*Monthly Membership Social.*—Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Worman were at-home to the members at their residence "The Woodlands," Kilpauk, on Friday, the 27th November at 7-30 p. m. After the cycle party and the tram group had arrived, Mr. Worman gave the members a hearty welcome. Then followed an interesting programme consisting of songs by Messrs. Kuruvilla, Sebastian, Fernando and Thomas and recitations by Messrs. Victor Subraman Gideon, Worman and 'Rev. Peter Mildman,' all of which were much appreciated. After tea, the members played some indoor games, such as, 'Jerusalem and Jericho,' 'Cat and Mouse' and 'Musical Chairs.' This pleasant social came to a close with a suitable vote of thanks to the host and hostess proposed by Mr. A. I. Simon.

#### STUDENT DEPARTMENT

The Malayalam and Sanskrit competitions were held Tuesday, November 24, at 5-30 p.m. in the Auditorium: eight competitors entered but only four competed. Mr. K. M. Kesavanair won the medal in Malayalam, and Mr. B. K. Bhakthavatchulu won in Sanskrit. The Judges were P. Narayana Menon, Esq., Malayalam, and T. M. Krishnamachariar, Esq., and S. Srinivasa Iyengar, Esq., Sanskrit.

*Lodge.*—The members of the Y. M. C. A. Lodge went on an

excursion trip to Red Hills on Saturday, November 28, in a motor bus kindly lent for the purpose by Mr. Padmanabha Pillai, Proprietor of the Motor Agency.

An enjoyable time was spent there and the party returned to Madras the same evening.

#### EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT

*School of Commerce.*—The half-yearly examinations will commence on Monday, the 14th instant, and will last for a few days. At the end of the month progress reports will be sent to the parents or guardians of students.

The classes will close for the Christmas holidays on the 23rd December and re-open on the 4th of January. Class fees at the beginning of the second term should be paid in full.

#### BOYS' BRANCH

The Literary Union of the Central and Royapettah Branches for the boys is working well. Mr. P. John Varugis, M.A., delivered an interesting lecture on "The moral gains of the war" on Saturday, the 7th November, to the members of the Central Branch. Nearly forty of them were present to hear him. Mr. E. C. Worman gave a short talk to the Royapettah members on Thursday, the 12th, on "Y.M.C.A. and its work."

The Indoor games competition is now going on and we hope to give the results in our next issue. A large number has entered for all the games and the competition is quite keen.

The annual sports for the Boys' branch was held on

Saturday, the 14th November, in our Athletic grounds where there was a large gathering of spectators. A few ladies were also present not only to witness but also to take part in the games. Long jump, high jump, obstacle race, slow cycle race, pot race, three-legged race, tug-of-war and a few others were among the events. The special feature of this year was the two events hop-a-lap, run-a-lap, cycle-a-lap, and one-mile race which were thrown open to all students under 18.

The following are winners of the first prize—Roop Singh, Handoo Vijiarangam, Abdul-lah, A. P. Rajagopal, Aga Mohisein, D. V. Rajah Arulswamy, Neelakantan, Askar Ali, James, Absolem, D. Samuel and Ramakrishnan.

The prizes will be distributed at the Anniversary Meeting which comes off on the 12th of this month. Our thanks are due to Mr. A. V. Moses and Rev. A. Templeton who contributed not a little towards the success of the sports.