

Light blue and dark blue

THE well-known Milton colours, light blue and dark blue, were chosen on August 25, 1910. The light blue represents plumbago, Cecil Rhodes' favourite flower, and the dark blue Oxford — his university.

The badge, featuring the elephant, is the Bulawayo Crest, which the Town Council of the time agreed to let the school use.

The origin of the first Milton motto, "Play the

Game", was given by the first headmaster, Mr. E. de Beer, in his Silver Jubilee celebration report in 1935.

When he was a student in England, he explained, he had often noticed the inscription at Selwyn College, Cambridge: "Stand fast in the faith: quit ye like men".

This inscription was in memory of a great churchman, Bishop Selwyn, who

won renown for his work both in England and New Zealand.

Mr. de Beer suggested the adoption of this as a motto for Milton when the school was founded, but Col. Brady, then Senior Inspector of Schools, thought it might be better if the latter part of the phrase was adopted under the free translation "Play the Game".

Today the original version, "Quit Ye As Men" is the High School's motto.