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Editorial.

THE pleasantest duty of the Editor is to record the successes of the School in well-fought contests, first, because such successes redound to the credit of the School, and write large its history, and secondly because they give proof that the true spirit and pluck in games, which the TORCHBEARER always aims to foster and extend, is now not merely taking root in our midst but even bearing flowers and fruit. No one, who watched the two races on the now famous 7th of May, could fail to be struck, by the determined, 'never know when you are licked' spirit of both our crews, and the enthusiasm with which the rest of the School hailed their efforts. This speaks

well for the safe keeping of the Championship in future years. In Football our first essays in the School Badges Competition have met with fair success. Our victory over the Sydney Grammar School was the result of plucky and unselfish play. If we only follow up that success with like spirit, we shall have no cause to complain of our position, when the final results are known. We cannot here omit an expression of satisfaction that all Public School matches are now under the rules of a stable Athletic Association of the Schools interested. The system of arrangement of dates and of appointing proper umpires to prevent disputes is a not less excellent than necessary innovation. Equally important is the definition of a

"bona-fide pupil," a subject, which led to many serious wrangles elsewhere, before it was finally settled. A brief resumé of the laws of the new Association appears in the present issue. Before leaving Athletics, the new era inaugurated by our first Sports Meeting should not be passed over. Running and jumping are things every boy is apt to think he can shine in—till he measures himself against his equals, and then he finds that the same good old rule of 'Practice makes Perfect' is the only royal road to victory. Further, such exercises are the corner stone of all other sports, so that we find few indeed prominent in any branch of sport, who are not at least fair runners at their distance or decent jumpers.

But while all Athletics have a very large claim on the sympathies of the School, and rightly so, as they promote mental and physical well-being, the more graceful arts must by no means be despised. The Musical Society lately launched under the auspices of Herr Langhans is deserving of the widest support. It is not merely meant to bring out promising voices, so as to produce a crop of FOLIS or ORLANDO HARLEYS in future years, though that in itself would be an excellent aim. It is even more intended to help those,

who will never individually be distinguished for 'the nightingale rapture of song,' to learn and appreciate by practical acquaintance with its methods the divinest of all arts. Such culture is its own reward. The world of music is vast; and only those, whose taste has been elevated and refined by practice, know the difference of delight between hearing a delicate sonata of Beethoven or Mozart, or a majestic chorus from Handel or Wagner, and the vulgar inanities of 'Nigger' music or 'Ta-ra-ra Boom-de-ay.'

One word in conclusion. While we are ever busy forming and inaugurating new societies in connection with the School and rousing up enthusiasm for their proper starting, it is none the less our duty to maintain in good going condition all societies once formed, and not from sheer laziness or desire of novelty let the old institutions languish. How many boys in the School now trouble about the Museum, or ever dream of bringing a new specimen in to the Curator? Cannot the next holidays see an improvement in this and will not some of those fellows, who have 'nothing particular to do' renew their interest in natural objects, 'when e'er they take their walks abroad?'



— The Camp. —

APRIL 14TH TO 25TH 1892.

A H, if old Homer could have seen us there!
 The sea of glass and mingled fire outpoured
 Forth from the crucible of heaven's lord,
 Apollo, through the crystal of the air:
 The glow of limbs from healthy exercise,
 The graceful play of blades upon the sea,
 The graceful-answering swing of muscles free,
 The boat swift flying, as a swallow flies:
 And crews in heart united by the bold
 But stern companionship that is their pride,
 The chivalry and knighthood of the oar—
 Truly the spirit of the Greek of old
 Had ris'n through mists of centuries, and cried
 'Behold our Hellas come on earth once more!'

BARBARUS.

Our Easter Encampment.

THE Military authorities in Sydney did not hold their usual Easter Encampment this year. Nevertheless the members of the C. E. G. S. Boat Club held theirs. Previous to their going into camp they entertained various ideas as to what part of Sydney should have the honour of their visit, and after many deliberations, it was unanimously decided that Sturt's Mortlake Hotel would be the best place available. So for that place we all set out. The start from Berry's Bay was a very exciting undertaking, in which great masses of luggage, fishing lines and portmanteaus formed a very prominent part. The weather was hardly all we could desire, owing to a very

squally, westerly wind, which made things very lively. The first crew in the "Fitzhardinge," were supposed to tow the light ship up to the camp, but could not make any headway against the wind, so they gave it into the hands of the second crew. The former were fortunate enough to get a tow up the river by a passing steamer. The 'Gertrude' which was at Ward's shed managed to get swamped, just as Mr. Hall and his crew started, and the Blue's Point natives seemed greatly enchanted (as appeared from their grins) when they saw Coach II. (Mr. Hall) knee-deep bailing out the briny fluid from his ship. But once away, there was no holding them. They paddled like swans up to Chris.

Neilsen's shed and had all the boats and baggage unpacked in the twinkling of an eye.

THE DAILY ROUTINE IN CAMP.

The prefect on duty gently roused (with an Indian club) all boys at 7.30 a.m., with good deal of by-play on the Hotel doors. The boys then partook of a cool shower preceded by a little exercise in the way of short sprints round the balcony. Breakfast at 8 and prayers after in the Buffalo Room. Then came an exciting game of cricket, and the brilliancy of our play invariably excited the onlookers into ecstasies of delight, which they showed to us by their applause which rang both loud and long, "Good 'it; Good bowl; young 'un" etc., being some of the remarks that stirred our veterans of the willow and ball into doing heretofore unimagined deeds. About 9.30 tubbing began and about 11 the Fours made their appearance. Everybody (cox's included) had to do their duty-work in the boats. Dinner was at one with a good rest afterwards, during which the repairs to slides, oars, etc., were made. Then came the chief performance of the day when the whole fleet made its appearance. The double work of rowing and coaching was carried on from the "Gertrude." We were always in good condition to do battle with a good substantial tea about 6.30 and as we had all the incidents of the day to discuss it was about the most enjoyable hour of the day. The evenings were spent in various ways. Some boys went to their "aunts" a kind of relation which had a curious fad of changing its residence every night (so it seemed) There was also something done by DUNNO who in the fishing line.

Somebody hinted that they bought the fish they used to bring in. At any rate they bought bait enough to supply any ordinary fishing party for about twice the time.

One of the coxs who used to go out alone caught a shark every day the usual size, but it always fell back into the water. These imperturbable coxs also (thinking perhaps that it was Queen's birthday) invested in some fireworks and as they could not hire a paddock, they took "Français" leave of the Mortlake wharf—to say the least of it the wharf looked very nice at night. But oh! what a difference in the morning. Our lady friends true to their promise paid us one or two formal visits and one "grand visit" ably chaperoned by Yarnold and "your humble servant," who had to put in some useful work in the shape of taking out parties to watch the crews. I hope we did our duty, but that boat (of course it was the *boat*) was such a 'canoe'—why even Yarnold so far forgot himself as to catch a crab, but he made up for it by good hard, honest pulling. On Easter Sunday we went to church at Gladesville in our "togs" namely pants half mast, (that was for the population of Gladesville) and the colours flying. The people looked at us as we went by, but whether their look contained sarcasm or unbounded respect, we could not tell. However on our arrival at the church we entered in a body, and were kindly supplied with books. The centre of the church had been beautifully adorned with floral decorations, which gave it a bright and attractive appearance, and as Mr Davies had come up to assist our old friend Mr. Lumsdaine, we all enjoyed the service very much.

However all good things must have an end, so on Monday morning (thanks to the Cap. of B.C.) the luggage was replaced in the boats and the crews sent off in order, in splendid style. At 9.30 the light-ship left the staging, to join the home-ward-bound procession. Thus ended the '92 camp. We must not forget to add however that, we very often had a visit from A. B. Barton (brother of our 3), an ex-member of the London Rowing Club,

who was good enough to help the coaches in their work. It was not an uncommon thing for one to see him turn out in the "Gertrude" helping to coach the other crews. We also paid a visit to a lady in Ryde, who is a great enthusiast on rowing. She afterwards sent us a subscription accompanied by a very nice letter congratulating us on our success in the all Schools' race.

YE

Trochaics from Camp.

VERSE I.

ARE you ready? Forward! Paddle! Now then Bow, what's wrong with you,
 Can't you hear the coxswain calling? Can't you start when others do?
 Easy all there! Try again, Cox—wait a bit, Three's slide is wrong,
 Three, you know that beastly screwing's sure to send those runners bung.
 Why you idiots can't make certain all is right before you start
 I can't think—what good's the captain? Merely ornamental art!
 Get her round Cox, paddle gently, take her to the stage again.
 Two, you're talking, always talking, silence in the boat, you men!
 Tumble out Three! I say Nielsen, just look at that fellow's slide,
 Put a taek right thro' and turn it down upon the other side,
 Screws will never bite in lignum—sit her up there, Stroke and Two
 Don't be fooling—yes, an inch, Chris, or an inch 'n a half will do—
 Thanks, that's fixed it, tumble in Three, don't you go and put your hoof
 Thro' the bottom. Now, all's right, then? well make haste and shove her off.
 Paddle Stroke, and Two, Three, paddle, back her down there Three and Bow,
 One would think you fellows never'd ever seen a boat till now.

VERSE II.

Now then easy; Forward! Paddle! Wait a bit! Two's slide is wrong,

De capo from line 4, with consequential alterations. Any boating man can make four verses of this for a four (or eight verses for an eight), by judicious changes.

VERSE V. OR IX.

Tea-time. The crew loq. (Fervently.)

Chops }
 Steak } for me, sir! and I say, sir, wasn't that a jolly row,
 When we once got really started, didn't we just make her go?

REDA.

The Riverview Regatta.

(May 7th.)

THE first event of the Regatta in which we were interested was the Maiden Fours' Race, and for this no less than eight crews came to the starting post; nearly all the leading Sydney Clubs being represented. As our 2nd Crew were making their *début* in competition with men much older than themselves, we did not expect to see them victorious; nevertheless we were confident of their rowing a good hard race from start to finish. They paddled up to the buoys at the Gore's Creek rocks in excellent style but unfortunately had to take the fifth position from the inside, which is a great disadvantage to a crew on that course. The appearance of the eight boats all in line at their moorings was about as pretty a sight as any oarsman could wish to see, and one that is possible perhaps only on the Lane Cove. The start was delayed for some time by the eccentric movements of a crowd of steamers, and it is a great pity that this could not have been prevented; however the starter managed to get them away at last, all the crews striking the water together. The Glebe boat lost a length or two through a slight accident to stroke's rowlock, but recovering themselves again quickly, the crew soon took a forward position close behind the North Shore, who had an inside running. The School crew were going well and leading the outer boats, when a ferry boat came down on the inside sending a heavy wash across the course which affected chiefly the Riverview, Sydney, and our fellows, who got so disorganized that it was not till near Longueville that they began to swing out evenly together again. Stephens was

steering a fairly good course and rather cleverly avoided a foul with Mercantile, while the Balmain shortly afterwards clashed with the St. Ignatius' crew through the stupidity of a sculler. At the Longueville turn the disadvantage of the outside position told to the tune of 2 or 3 lengths against the School who were now 4th, while the North Shore, Glebe and Sydney crews were several lengths ahead and keeping well in to the Shore.

From here home a splendid race ensued; the tremendous volley of cheers from our friends on the 'Admiral' put fresh vigour into our crew who were now keeping excellent time with a fine long swing and a big lift on together at the beginning of the stroke. The distance between them and the leading boats grew rapidly less, the Sydney were caught and beaten, and at the mile and a half distance Clarke called on his crew. With a splendid spurt they shot past the North Shore men and drawing smartly onto the Glebes looked very like getting first to the post. They came just too late, being beaten by half a length, and the Sydney crew, who finished well, beat the North Shore for 3rd place. An amusing incident then occurred owing to the Judge's boat being without a flag. The cox of the winning crew steered too close to the post and the oars on the stroke side were broken, with the result that the 2nds were "left sailing in front of them all" with the Sydney crew in hot pursuit. The whistle of the Umpire's boat was repeatedly sounded with the hope of stopping them, but they had evidently 'bolted' and Lane Cove Bridge was reached before the crews

easied down. The Glebe men were the lightest crew in the race and deserved great credit for the plucky way in which they retrieved their unfortunate start. Our boys rowed a sterling race under difficulties and shewed they had both pluck and staying powers. The time of this race was not accurately taken, for the general opinion was that the finish would be at Riverview Wharf, and when near that point a shot from the opposite bank was mistaken for the Judge's signal, the watches then shewing 9 min. 57 secs. The second crew consisted of

M. DAWSON, 10st. 5lbs.
 H. KENDALL, 10st. 10lbs.
 J. MAIR, 11st. 11lbs.
 W. B. CLARKE, (str.) 10st. 2lbs.
 W. STEPHENS, (cox) 6st. 7lbs.

THE ALL-SCHOOL'S CHAMPION-SHIP.

As we possess but one light ship, the 2nd crew pulled back to the staging at once, and the 1st crew took their places in the boat ready to do battle for the Schools' Championship of the colony. Their paddling on the way up to the moorings was admirable, the whole crew working together as one man; the St. Ignatius' representatives too looked well, the time and catch being excellent. We anticipated a hard struggle and were not disappointed. Our position was again on the outside, but with only two crews the disadvantage was not of much importance. Mr. Holmes effected a perfect start, both crews dashing off together at a great pace, and for the first quarter of a mile racing side by side, each of them alternately appearing to have a slight advantage. Jones had begun to steady down and lengthen out his stroke, and

was now rowing about 37, while Riverview kept up a good 40, both coxswains steering a good line for Longueville. Here we had obtained a lead of a length, but the St. Ignatius' cox took advantage of the inside position, and by good steering gained half a length so that the excitement was intense. Opposite the 'Admiral' our fellows made a splendid effort and speedily gained on their opponents and at the mile point were 3 or 4 lengths in front. St. Ignatius however were not beaten yet, but spurred again and again, and fought gamely to come to level terms with our crew, who were doing their best to keep the advantage they had gained. Jones was setting a really good stroke and the men behind him backed him up so well that the final effort of the Riverview was successfully met and the Judge's flag was lowered to a well won victory of 2½ or 3 lengths. The official time for the 13 furlongs was 10 min. 7 secs., which may be considered a very good record. The crew were—

H. POCKLEY, 10st. 5lbs.
 S. B. WALLACE, 11st. 6lbs.
 R. BARTON, 10st. 7lbs.
 N. TREVOR JONES, (str.) 10st. 5lbs.
 R. FITZHARDINGE, (cox) 5st. 10lbs.

The Riverview Regatta Committee are to be congratulated on the excellence of their arrangements for starting the races which enabled Mr. Holmes to get his crews away in each event without a hitch. The way in which the course was blocked by steamers was much to be regretted; it was a great wonder that the Maiden Fours were not interfered with with much worse result. The starter, Mr. Holmes did all he could to prevent it. We are greatly indebted to the kindness of the Mercantile R. C., for the loan of a set of oars during the Easter Camp.

Epinikion.

IN NAVARCHO, NAVE VAPORIFERA,
NONIS MAIIS
SCRIPTUM.

IO triumphe! conclamemus,
Cum bis victores celebremus;
Lauru et laudibus ornemus,
Sodales, nostros remiges!

En! Carcere erumpunt, nacti
Fatale verbum, simul acti
Vi summa lintres;—stupefacti
Pisces fugerunt remiges.

Tum anxii nos expectare;
Quo res inclinet, rogare;
An iam sit actum, dubitare:—
Haud diu, nostri remiges.

Sancti Ignatii fautores
Afflixit pavor, ut colores
Adversos viderunt priores
Non suos, nostri remiges.

Quam almo puellarum vultu,
[Dignissimo heroum cultu,]
Quanto excepinus tumultu
Iam superantes remiges!

Quid multa? Primi—O præclarum!—
Primi perveniunt—O rarum!—
Trium intervallo scapharum
Ad metam nostri remiges.

Io triumphe! Bis victores!
Quantos pertulistis labores,
Scholæ, non vobis, tot honores
Parantes, nostri remiges!

Sic arte nusquam excellenda,
Virtute posteris tradenda,
Ut sit Fortuna indiges,
Sic cute transtris vix radenda,
*Reda** vel hosti invidenda
Sint semper nostri remiges.

*Reda...Anglicè "Coach."

Characters of the Crews.

FIRST CREW.

Bow. H. POCKLEY. A solid and consistent worker, rather inclined to let his back go at times, but generally uses his slide and knees well. Uses his head which makes him a good subject to coach.

2. S. B. WALLACE. A very strong oar with long reach. A little inclined to use his arms, and scarcely holds tight enough with his outside hand.

3. R. BARTON. Rather short and a little unsteady on the forward swing. Inclined to finish light, but rows a mile very strong.

Stroke. N. TREVOR-JONES. A very neat oar, uses back and shoulders well, and slides well. Gets his hands away very smartly, but should watch the outside hand at the finish. A little inclined to hang at the catch.

Cox. R. B. FITZHARDINGE. Has good judgement and uses both voice and strings at the right time.

SECOND CREW.

Bow. M. DAWSON. Ought to be a good oar in time, but at present has rather an awkward screw.

2. H. KENDALL. A neat and useful oarsman, bunches up at times over his work, but is always smart.

3. J. MAIR. Scarcely consistent. One of the best oarsmen in the Club, when he resists the temptation to row slop, which assails him rather frequently and with success. Rowed really well in the race.

Stroke. W. B. CLARKE. Very good at times, but like No. 3 inconsistent. On his bad days lets everything go, but when he does row well is a really useful stroke. He showed plenty of good oarsmanship and judgment in the race.

Cox. W. STEPHENS. A careful steerer with a good head. Knows when to use his voice.

Boat Club.

The Hon. Treasurers of the C.E.G.S. B.C., have pleasure in acknowledging the following donations :

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N. Gilfillan, Esq.	1	10 0
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	£	s.	d
Dr. Pockley	1	1 0
Mrs. Grantley Fitzhardinge	1	0 0
A Friend	0	5 0
'Hermaia,'	0	8 0

Cricket.

THE following were the concluding Matches of the season. The Batting Averages of the 1st XI are also given.

C. E. G. S. v ST. ALBAN'S C.C.—Played on our ground April 9th, 1892. Wallace won the toss for us, and as rain was threatening decided to go to the wickets. Mr. Hughes and W. B. Clarke had hardly gone to the wickets before rain came on and they had to retire. The wet rendered the ball greasy for a bowler to handle. Mr. Hughes was bowled by Lusk, after scoring 6 by careful play, and G. B. Clarke was caught behind the wickets off his first ball. Morson stayed with B. Clarke till 50 had been registered, the latter was then bowled for a very useful innings of 32. Kendall joined Morson, and another good stand took place, Morson played steadily, while Kendall hit more freely than usual, making several good cuts. At 102 Kendall skied the ball to long field where Duggan took a good waiting catch. Mr. Baker followed, in and out, playing too late for one of Shepherd's yorkers, and Morson was soon after run out for 31, and Pockley being disposed of in the same manner, we closed our innings with 7 wickets down for 124. St. Alban's took the creases, and put together 30 for 3 wickets, Webber played a good careful innings for 16 not out. The match was thus drawn.

SCORES :

C. E. G. S.

Mr. Hughes, b Lusk	6
W. B. Clarke, b Lusk	32

G. R. C. Clarke, c B. Hopkins, b W. Hopkins	0
Morson, run out	30
Kendall, c Duggan, b W. Hopkins	31
Mr. Baker b Shepherd	4
H. C. Pockley, run out	5
Yarnold, not out	5
Jones, not out	0
Sundries	11

Total for 7 wickets ... 124

St. Alban's C.C.

G. Lusk, b W. B. Clarke	2
Webber, not out	16
W. Hopkins, b G. R. C. Clarke	4
P. Hopkins, lbw G. Clarke	0
B. Hopkins, not out	7
Bye	1

Total for 3 wickets ... 30

C. E. G. S. v KING'S SCHOOL—Played at Parramatta on April 11th 1892. Our team went first to the wickets, and opened badly, Calvert and W. B. Clarke both losing their wickets for 0. G. Clarke stayed for some time at the wickets, and put together 17 before he was caught. None of the others did much except Barton, who shaped in good form for 9. The innings closed for 59. Waddy bowled splendidly for King's School, taking 7 wickets at a small cost. Our opponents then went in, and at first did not do much better, for they lost five wickets for 32. However F. Bond and Gardner took the score to 56, when G. Clarke bowled Bond. A great stand now ensued between Orme and Gardner, and the pair were not separated till the board showed 169, when Donahoe smartly caught Gardner in the slips. The remaining batsmen did little, and the innings closed for 186. In our second innings we did not fare quite

so well as before, for we only put together 57: G. Clarke and Barton again showed good form for 24 and 13 respectively. The King's School thus won by an innings and 70 runs.

SCORES:

C. E. G. S. First Innings.

Calvert, b Wall	...	0
W. B. Clarke, c Bond b Waddy	...	0
G. R. Clarke c and b Wall	...	17
Morson b Waddy	...	0
Kendall b Waddy	...	1
Wallace c and b Waddy	...	5
Pockley, b Waddy	...	5
Jones, b Waddy	...	6
Barton, b Waddy	...	9
Cliff, not out	...	6
Donahoe, c and b White	...	6
Sundries	...	10
Total	...	59

King's School.

Blaxland, c Kendall, b B. Clarke	...	8
Waddy, c Jones, b B. Clarke	...	18
Wall, lbw, b G. Clarke	...	4
Gardner c Donahoe, b B. Clarke	...	79
Manchee, lbw B. Clarke	...	1
F. Dight c Wallace b B. Clarke	...	0
F. C. Bond, b G. Clarke	...	10
Orme, b G. Clarke	...	46
A. C. Dight, b G. Clarke	...	11
Marsh, not out	...	0
White, b G. Clarke	...	4
Sundries	...	5
Total	...	186

C. E. G. S. 2nd Innings.

Calvert b Waddy	...	5
W. B. Clarke b Waddy	...	0
G. R. Clarke, c Marsh, b Wall	...	24
Morson, c Manchee, b Wall	...	3
Kendall, b Waddy	...	3
Wallace, b Wall	...	2
Pockley, b Waddy	...	3
Jones, b Wall	...	0
Barton, b Waddy	...	13

Cliff, b Wall	...	0
Donahoe, not out	...	0
Sundries	...	4
Total	...	57

G. Clarke took 5 wickets for 98, and B. Clarke 5 for 49.

C. E. G. S. v MR. BARTON'S TEAM—

Played on our ground on April 13th, 1892. Mr. Barton brought over a strong team, including H. Woods of the Manly C. C., W. B. Fairfax of the Belvideres, and H. C. Moses. However, we won by 14 runs. Mr. Barton's team went first to the wickets, but owing to the splendid bowling of W. B. Clarke, only put together 41 runs, toward which F. Moses contributed 10, and Little 8. On taking the wickets we compiled 55, of which G. Clarke scored 13, Wallace 10, Calvert and Kendall 9 each. We started poorly, and it was not until 7 wickets had fallen that Wallace made the winning hit. This was perhaps our best victory this season.

SCORES:

Mr. Barton's XI, First Innings.

H. C. Moses b W. B. Clarke	...	0
H. Woods b W. B. Clarke	...	2
W. B. Fairfax b G. R. C. Clarke	...	7
F. Moses b W. B. Clarke	...	10
B. Barton c Morson b G. Clarke	...	2
T. S. Little b G. Clarke	...	8
E. Trevor-Jones c Calvert b W. B. Clarke	...	2
N. T. Jones b W. B. Clarke	...	0
Cox c G. Clarke b W. B. Clarke	...	4
Donahoe c Cliff b W. B. Clarke	...	3
E. Pockley not out	...	0
Sundries	...	3
Total	...	41

C. E. G. S. First Innings.

Mr. Hall b F. Moses	...	2
Mr. Hughes c Cox b Woods	...	1
W. B. Clarke b F. Moses	...	0
G. R. C. Clarke c E. Jones b Woods	...	13

C. Calvert run out	9
Morson c N. Jones b Woods	0
Kendall b Woods	9
Wallace b Fairfax	10
Pockley c Donahoe b Fairfax	3
Mair b Fairfax	0
Cliff not out	4
Sundries	4

Total... 55

Mr. Barton's XI, Second Innings.

H. C. Moses c G. Clarke b Mr. Hughes	14
H. Woods retired	70

W. B. Fairfax not out'	15
F. Moses c C. Wallace b W. B. Clarke	23
B. Barton b Mr. Hughes	0
E. Trevor lbw b Mr. Hughes	3
Sundries	3
Total for 5 wickets	128

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

W. B. Clarke, 8 wickets for 57.
G. R. Clarke, 3 wickets for 35.
Mr. Hughes, 8 wickets for 26.

BATTING AVERAGES.

From October 1891 to April 1892.

Names.	Number of Innings.	Highest Score.	Total of Runs.	Average.
G. R. C. Clarke	14	142*	475	41.07
S. B. Wallace	13	31*	164	12.6
H. Kendall	12	57*	145	12.08
W. B. Clarke	20	45	216	10.8
† E. Abraham	3	28	32	10.6
W. Morson	16	53	164	10.2
† C. Calvert	13	18	91	7
H. C. Pockley	20	24	116	5.8
A. H. Yarnold	8	8	40	5
R. Barton	8	13	34	4.2
† J. Walker	5	9	21	4.2
N. T. Jones	15	12	59	3.9

† Left.

* Not out.

Average score in each Match 130

Total Number of runs made in the season 1567



Football.

THIS season we have entered for the all Schools' challenge shield, and therefore for the first time play, first school XV's. This we have done not with any hope of being successful, but that our first team may have the chance of learning real Rugby football, which they could not possibly do by playing continually against 2nd teams. Owing to nine out of our 1st XV, being in training for the boat race, we were unable to have more than two practices before being pitted against last year's champions in the first round for the trophy and a severe drubbing was the consequence. However in the match v. the Sydney Grammar School, the team showed great improvement, and the forwards played a splendid defensive game when hard pressed by their opponents for the last quarter of the game. We thus won a hard fought match by a goal potted from the field to nil. We give a detailed account of the matches played up to date below.

BADGES' COMPETITION

C.E.G.S. v King's School.

This match was played on May 25th, at Parramatta. Our team was much lighter than that of our redoubtable opponents, who were in splendid form, while we had had very little practice, as a large proportion of the fifteen were practising for the boat-race. As a result we were beaten by 31 points to nil.

The King's School kicked off, and not long after, M'Phail scored for them after a very pretty piece of passing between himself and A. Bond. Hardly was the ball in play again when Lowcock got a try for the King's. Kicked out again, Waddy made a good run, but was splendidly tack-

led by our full-back, Ireland. However he passed to F. Bond who ran in. Our team now played up a bit better and took the ball into the King's School territory. It was soon back, however, and Gardner, taking a pass from M'Phail, obtained another try. At half time the score was K.S. 17. C.E.G.S., nil. At the beginning of the second half a scrummage was formed right under our goal, but Clarke, Mair, Jones and Wilkinson rushed the ball to half-way. The brothers Bond brought it back again and A. D. Bond scored. Gardener kicked a grand goal from this try. Lowcock and Moore also obtained tries, but from this onward we played up much better and compelled our opponents to force. Scrummages then took place in the middle of the ground and when "no side" was called the score stood King's School 31. C.E.G.S., nil. Our forwards held their own very fairly, but in their back play the King's School quite out-classed us. The kicking for King's School was poor with the exception of Gardner's goal, but Manchee, Gardner, and R. M'Phail played an excellent game. For us Jones and Wilkinson worked hard in the forwards, and Ireland, though rather clumsy at picking up and kicking, tackled splendidly.

C.E.G.S. v Sydney Grammar School.

This match was played on June 1st, on the North Sydney Reserve ground and was throughout a hard fought and exciting game. The play was chiefly confined to the forwards. Just before half-time the ball was passed to G. Clarke, who promptly potted a goal. This score 4 to nil in our favour was not altered in the second half. Our boys held their own

magnificently. It should be added that on one occasion Spier actually crossed our line, but lost the ball before scoring.

C.E.G.S. v St. Ignatius.

Teams representing the St. Ignatius College and Ch. of Eng. Grammar School football clubs met at Riverview on June 4th. The teams were well matched, and when they were ready for the kick off it could be seen, that their weights were about equal. The Grammar School boys ran away with the ball, and got it well into the college territory, but Rudd, by a smart run, soon put it in safety. The superior passing of the visitors at once began to tell, and notwithstanding the collaring of their opponents, they got the ball dangerously near the college line. Dynon (Riverview) here got the ball, and passing to O'Donnell, put it out of bounds near their opponents goal. The C.E.G.S. boys passed to Clarke, who, after a splendid run, was collared by Casey. O'Donnell for Riverview, got the ball out of the ruck, and after getting through the C.E.G.S., team in style, kicked a goal from about half way. On the ball being kicked off Cox did a very good run along the wing, and was only collared about five yards from the college line by O'Brien. Rudd passed to O'Donnell and got the ball away from the line. Shortly afterwards Pockley had a try for a goal from the field, but did not succeed in scoring. The running of Cox and Clarke made the game very lively, Davidson playing well for the local team. The dribbling of Casey, together with the collaring of Corrigan, got the ball into the Grammar School territory; but on its being kicked out of bounds half-time was called, the score standing 4 to nil. On play being resumed Clarke got away, but Casey quickly brought him down, and passed to

Shearer, who brought the ball almost on to the Grammar School line. Cox got away with the ball but was brought down by Shearer, who then passed to O'Donnell. Having brought the ball into close proximity to the visitors' goal, O'Donnell passed to Corrigan, who took it nicely, did a smart run, and got it over the line, but here it was forced by Barton. Davidson now got the ball from the kick out, and after running and taking a shot at the goal, caught a bad cramp and had to retire. Dalton worked well in the scrimmages right through the game, and was ably seconded by Corrigan. Cullinane also did good work. Towards the end of the game Cox and Pockley made the game very lively on the Grammar School side. The better condition of the North Shore boys told greatly in the second half. Time was called with the score at 4 to nil. For the winners, Davidson, O'Donnell, Dynon, and D'Arcy among the backs, Dalton and Corrigan in the forwards, deserve mention; while Clarke, Cox, Pockley, Jones, and Barton played best for the losers.

CLUB MATCHES.

C.E.G.S. v Mr. Davies' Team.

Played on the School Ground on May 11th, as the initial match of the season. The School naturally showed a want of combination. Though individually some brilliant play was shown we were forced to yield to our more powerful opponents, by one point, losing by 11—10.

C.E.G.S. v University III.

Played on the University Ground on May 14th, and after a hard and somewhat rough game resulted in a win for University by a 11 points to nil. Old, Harris,

and Taylor scored for our opponents, and Abraham, M'Nickle and Barton played a good game for us.

C.E.G.S. v Randwick Junr. B.

Played on our ground 28th and resulted in a hollow win for us by 45 points to nil. Our opponents had evidently made a mistake in playing us, for, though we were not much heavier than they, were we out-classed them in every point of the game.

EPITOME OF SECOND XV MATCHES.

v. Penshurst, F. C., Played on the C.E.G.S., Ground, April 30th, and won by 12—3

v. The King's School III. Played on C.E.G.S., Ground, May 18th and lost by 31—nil.

v. Parramatta Ormonds. Played on C.E.G.S., Ground, May 21st, and lost by 22—nil.

v. Moore College, Liverpool. Played at Liverpool, May 28th, and lost by 26—nil.

v. Sydney Grammar School, III. Played on Moore Park, June 1st, and won by 5—nil.

The C. E. G. S. Musical Society.

THE fourth of May, ever memorable in the Annals of the C. E. G. S., as its anniversary, has this year received additional importance through the founding of a Musical Society, an event which we for some time have been anxiously looking forward to. It would be idle in these columns to discuss the merits of music, or by preaching its sublime mission to try to make converts—for we all are fond of music, though we may, not all of us be performers, and, further, we are (I may safely say so after the latest experiences) one and all enthusiastic promoters of our Musical Society, and need no convincing arguments to shew forth why there should be such a thing as a Musical Society. From the Headmaster down to the smiling youngsters, who proudly bears the Roman X behind his name, we are with paternal care watching

its progress, and looking with satisfaction upon the steadily increasing list of members. The aim of our Society is twofold viz. : First, the cultivation of part singing, a much higher class of musical training than that which can be imparted in a singing class and secondly, to lend whenever required, a helping hand; the Society being thus from a practical point of view, a most welcome institution. Sports and music have often been mentioned as being opposed to one another, and they may indeed be so at times; but, on the other hand, there are occasions on which the gentle Muse steps down from her lofty abode, and with her divine qualities, assists her devout worshippers in their worldly requirements. Thus, while the fifth number of the TORCH-BEARER is being prepared for publication, the Musical Society will for the first time

at a concert, to be given in aid of the bi-victorious Boat Club, appear before the public of North Sydney; and a full house, a splendid programme and last, not least, good receipts may be justly anticipated. For not only will the items include several pretty glees, but the musical progress of the C. E. G. S. will be brightly illustrated by the rendering of some vocal solos, such as will touch the strings of our hearts and remind us of the verses of our great reformer Luther:

“ Wer sich die Musik erkieset,
 “ Hat ein himmlisch Gut gewonnen;
 “ Denn ihr erster Ursprung ist
 “ Von dem Himmel hergenommen,
 “ Da die lieben Engelein
 “ Selber Musikanten sein.”

Who chooseth music as his art,
 Has Heaven's own blessing for his part;
 Music her inspiration high
 First drew from realms beyond the sky;
 E'en the least angel, that we love,
 Is a Musician there above.

CONTINENTAL.

The New Athletic Association of the Great Public Schools.

A SHORT account of the constitution and objects of this important body cannot fail to be of interest just at present. A central authority has long been urgently needed in N.S.W., and the great Schools are to be congratulated on having at last taken the matter in hand. The Association is directed by a committee consisting of two delegates from each School. The Schools for convenience are arranged in two divisions: (a) Metropolitan, viz: The King's School, The S.G.S., Newington Coll., St. Ignatius' Coll., St. Joseph's Coll., and the C. E. G. S. (b) Country, viz: All Saint's Coll., St. Stanislaus' Coll., St. Patrick's Coll., and Coerwull Academy. The premiers in each division meet alternately in town or country for the deciding contest in Cricket or Football. A most important point is the rule that only *bona-fide* pupils may take part in School matches. Such pupil is defined

as 'One whose name is on the School rolls and who is in regular attendance during the ordinary School hours, provided that he be under the age of twenty-one years on the day of the contest.'

Turning to details, the Cricket season is fixed as the scholastic (*i.e.* the ordinary) year, with an interval for Football from the third Monday in April to the 30th of September. Competing Schools meet twice in each season. The position of a School in each competition is decided by points, 4 for a win, 2 each for a draw. We note that all Cricket matches must be played out, and that in both Cricket and Football the committee have final power to deal with the choice of grounds, all disputes and the appointment of umpires. We trust that the Cricket umpires as far as possible may be professionals of experience. In Athletics, the

dates of School Sports Meetings and the distances for All School's Races are arranged so as not to clash. In Rowing, the general management is wisely left to competing Schools; each School in turn has choice of water, but they may agree to meet at any regatta under the control of the N. S. W. R. A. The Championship is to be decided once a year only, in May. This of course does not refer to an Intercolonial contest. The boat- used are to be string-test gigs with slides; the

weight of the cox is not restricted; the distance is to be not less than $1\frac{1}{2}$ or more than $1\frac{3}{4}$ miles. The Second Crews row on fixed seats a distance not exceeding $1\frac{1}{4}$ miles, nor less than 1 mile. These rules, which have been accepted as binding on all the Schools mentioned, were drawn up at two preliminary meetings under the presidency of the Rev. D. Davies (C. E. G. S.) Mr. W. S. Corr, (The K's School) has now been formally appointed Hon. Sec., to the Association.

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A Kangaroo(s) Tale.

Brantley

"**M**URRAH! A beautiful morning, rather hot, but that's all the better. I say, Jim, we must not lose this day, so down to the stable, after breakfast, harness the two chestnuts into the buggy and saddle the two best hacks, and out after kangaroos the whole day; not forgetting the most important factor, a good lunch basket with a few water-melons to boot. See that all the guns and rifles are clean, while I get a water-bag." Without this latter it would be useless to move onto the plains. Everything ready, we start off at 10 a.m. sharp. Drive a few miles across country, then stop to look about us. Yes! there they are!—What? Emus or Kangaroos?—Well I think there is a pretty fair sprinkling of each.—Very well, off you go, you two fellows on horseback and round them into the corner where the two fences meet. They start and are soon lost to sight on the plain, but presently we see them returning driving a mob of about fifty

"Boomers" in front of them. It is a grand sight to see these grey and white marsupials coming down the plain jumping ten or twelve feet at each leap, then stopping suddenly and sitting up on their haunches and looking about them to see where the enemy is. We at once jump out of the buggy with guns and rifles and make for the aforesaid corner. In the meantime some of the largest of the troop have taken the fence like greyhounds, but after some hard running to the point of attack, we managed to knock over three or four, before they have time to escape. Then we load the buggy with the spoil and drive for the nearest Myall tree, under which we eat our noon-day repast, with great zest, feeling that we have well deserved it. During our meal the two horsemen relate to us the way in which they skilfully rounded up the kangaroos. Our refreshments over, we skin the kangaroos, then drive after some more, but we were not so successful in

our second attempt, the game being very shy. Firing at one with a wire cartridge; from the buggy, we managed to set a bush fire going.—there is paper wound round these cartridges to keep the shot in, and owing to the grass being about a foot high and also very dry, the paper catching fire soon ignited the grass, the final result being the largest bush-fire ever known on that station. At once we jump out and endeavour to extinguish the flames, but our efforts are all in vain. Then we come to the fellows on horseback, who were some distance away, and tell them to ride into the station as hard as they can lick, and get all hands to come and put out the fire. An hour's hard riding brings them home and in another hour the men return, but by this time the fire had spread over acres and acres of

good feeding country, being fanned by a strong north-westerly wind, and it took a hundred men, black with smoke and pouring with perspiration, and constantly revived with gallons of tea, from 5 p.m. till 12 a.m., to subdue the flames. For this they used 'swabs' made of a piece of green hide about a foot square tied on to the end of a long stick. We eventually reached home about 3 a.m., much exhausted and having lost all our kangaroo skins. But we were not defeated, and in a few days we found ourselves again at the scene of the fire, and this time managing to bag some good kangaroos and also a couple of emus. Alas! but a few weeks later we were back at school doing our ordinary work of fagging!

MARSUPIALIS.

Correspondence.

To the Editor of the Torch-bearer.

DEAR SIR

Last Christmas we were told that we would have a Gymnasium put up, both as a play-house in wet weather and also as a place for being taught "Gymnastics." Hoping that this will be noticed.

I remain,
Yours etc.

CALISTEN

To the Editor of the Torch-bearer.

DEAR SIR,

The enthusiasm *re* the School Museum seems to have waned. There appears to be a feeling that now there are a couple of boxes of insects and sundry snakes in

bottles (unclassified), no more is required, and we have all we want. This should not be so. Judging from the number of blank spaces (undoubtedly left for un-gotten specimens) in the beetle case, the collection is far from complete. Surely with a little energy the required insects could be obtained. No extraordinary skill is demanded for shaking beetles off a tree, or that method failing for climbing trees or rooting about them. Now the cold weather is drawing near, a ramble in the bush or a long walk will become a pleasure, and surely a little business in the way of specimen hunting could be combined with it.

Yours, etc.,

PAPILIO.

To the Editor of the Torch-bearer.

DEAR SIR,

The accompanying extract, taken from an early issue of the *Sydney Herald*, has been sent to me by a friend. It will, no doubt, interest a great many readers of the TORCH-BEARER.

Yours, etc.,

CYMRU.

"GOVERNMENT NOTICE.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Sydney, August 22, 1831.

His Excellency the Governor has the satisfaction to announce that His Majesty's Government has been pleased to sanction the establishment of two Public Schools, one in the town of Sydney, and the other at Parramatta, to be styled

THE KING'S SCHOOLS.

The school in Sydney is intended for day

scholars, and will be prepared for the reception of 100; that at Parramatta for the accommodation of 80 Boarders and Day Scholars.

The Venerable the Archdeacon Broughton, who suggested the establishment of these schools, and has arranged the plan upon which they are to be conducted, will be charged with the measures necessary for carrying it into effect.

The Right Honourable the Secretary of State for the Colonies has been pleased to intimate that the Masters necessary for the respective establishments will be sent from England without loss of time.

By His Excellency's command,

ALEXANDER MOLEAY.

[It must be remembered that though no doubt the first idea of the C. E. G. S. originated with this scheme, the School as at present constituted is in no way connected with Bishop Broughton's plan, and is practically a distinct foundation. [Ed. of T. B.]

School Notes.

The opening of the new School Buildings by the Primate and the holding of our first Athletic Sports Meeting should render this term noteworthy in the annals of the School.

On Wednesday, April 12th, a large assemblage congregated on the somewhat feeble staging of our boat shed to witness the launch and naming of our new tub-four. The ship was named the "Joan" by Miss Joan Fitzhardinge, who performed the ceremony most gracefully. Later in the afternoon she was accommodated on the coxswain's seat and taken around Berry's Bay.

The ship is almost an exact copy of the "Gertrude," but is said to be faster. Ward is certainly to be congratulated on having turned out two such serviceable boats.

No sooner was the Joan off his hands than Ward began a similar ship for Riverview. Except that she is stroked on the left side and has longer slides, she does not differ from our two ships.

Mr. Robson has presented to the club a pair of oars made by Chris Neilsen of Mortlake. They are exceedingly well finished, and seem equally as good as the imported article.

It is to be regretted that more Sydney Schools do not seek for pre-eminence on the River. If one or two Schools would start Boat Clubs they might join our Easter Camp. Coaches would surely be forthcoming and the intercourse of camp life would lead to good fellowship with schools that at present we only learn to know during the brief tussles of Football or in the gentler antagonism of Cricket.

Talking of good fellowship we must not forget the dinner tendered to the Regatta officials and ourselves by the St. Ignatius' Rowing Club on the Tuesday following the race. Father Gartlan occupied the chair and was well supported by Father Keating. The speech-making was of a high order and the entertainment altogether extremely pleasant. Our thanks are also due to the St. Ignatius' R. C. for kindly housing our light ship during the week preceding the race.

We are sorry not to have been able to come to terms with the Scotch College, Melbourne, who have again made good their title to the Victorian Schools' Aquatic Championship. We made a tentative offer to go to Melbourne in the Midwinter holidays, but the Scotch find it impossible to row us then. We must remind our Victorian friends that we claim, technically speaking, the Schools' Championship of the colonies, and would feel justified in demanding that the race should be rowed on N.S.W. waters.

Members of the 1891 Camp will be grieved to hear of the death of the Rev. J. T. Schleicher, of whom, as assisting in Gladesville Church on our first Easter-

day Church Parade we all retain such pleasing memories. This year Mr. Lumsdaine was specially petitioned to let him assist and we were all sorry to learn that owing to an illness, which shortly afterwards terminated fatally, he was unable to be present.

We take this opportunity of noting that the question of a new Boat House to house our increasing fleet must shortly be faced by the School.

The Rev. R. Stewart a missionary from China, gave the school a short but interesting address on China and church-work there on Wednesday morning the 8th instant. Much interest was taken in the native idol, and the cast of a Chinese lady's foot with the real shoe worn on it. Most of the School will long remember the clever acrostic exposition of the word China.

In a late publication of the TORCH-BEARER, the suggestion was thrown out that steps should be taken to get a School flag. We are glad to see that this has been done, and thanks to Miss Lizzie Old we now possess a very neat little flag with the Mitre beautifully painted on each side, which floated proudly over Chris. Neilson's shed at Mortlake, and on the 7th of May occupied a distinguished position on the mainmast of the "Admiral."

The good ship "Admiral," by the way, made a brave show on the river on the great day, being crowded with C.E.G.S. partisans including many lady-enthusiasts as well as the majority of the School. The dark-blue and white favours made

the old boat feel young again. The position, however, of being moored by the 'Red Post' has the drawback of leaving too much to the imagination. The course up to Longueville is quite invisible, as also is the finish. Cannot some arrangement be made with the St. Ignatius' R.C., that each School steamer should follow the Champion crews in turn?

We were glad to learn that the perpetrators of the wanton destruction to the C.E.G.S. (Melbourne) boats have been

duly caught and sent to a reformatory for a term. They proved to be small boys of fourteen or fifteen, of the larrikin type.

A beautiful oxidised silver Shield ornamented with athletic designs has been presented to the school by the contributions of the ladies as a Challenge Trophy for the best all-round Athlete.

The Cricket Sub-Committee have given the following their First XI colours: Wallace I, Barton and Calvert.



*THE HON. TREASURERS IN ACCOUNT WITH THE C. E. G. S.
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