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### Editorial.

**S**INCE last issue of THE TORCH-BEARER the Football Season of 1893 has waxed and waned and the present number is full of all sorts of records in connection therewith. They are not all pleasant reading, yet the impression they leave on our minds is far from unpleasant; they do not form a triumphant strain of victorious import, yet the note of despair is never once sounded. There are not many victories on which to congratulate ourselves, yet there are fewer defeats that need cause us any sorrow. The season's record may be briefly summarised thus:—defeats, severe ones too, hard work, growing enthusiasm, some successes, some

defeats, but this time the latter may almost bear the epithet glorious. This was but our second season in the competition for the All-Schools Championship and it is a hopeful sign that it has a record of distinct advance in the game. One most hopeful sign in evidence is that many little fellows of great promise have come into notice, while it is now matter of School History, what worthy substitutes the Second provided for the First when some of its members were incapacitated. There is real football talent and spirit in the school and facts such as we have recorded are good outward and visible signs of their existence. Our aim then for the future must be to develop the

one and foster the other ; each and every member of the school both in his capacity as an individual and as a member of the whole body must become a worker in this cause and as the School Song says

"May it never be ours such workers to lack."

—*Tradunt Lampada Vitai.*

Before leaving the subject of football there is one thing which we must mention in the hope that something will be done to make good what is at present a great defect in the arrangements for the Inter-School football matches. At present the school on whose ground the match is to be played is supposed to obtain an impartial and accredited umpire for the occasion. But this is rarely done—at least, that has been our experience. Only once this season when we played away from home did we find that such an umpire had been obtained for the match, and reference to our football report will show that we suffered severely in two instances by the omission, when what would have proved excellent games were quite spoilt for both sides. This is not as it should be. There is a Schools' Association one of whose duties is supposed to be the providing of umpires for all Shield matches. Perhaps our opponents in the instances referred to above, had the same experience as we had when applying to the Association for a referee,—viz. a prompt and final answer, "Can't get one, you'll have to make your own arrangements." Fortunately we were able to make arrangements, a master from the opposing school being kind enough

to act, with satisfactory results to both sides. But it is not right that a master of a school, particularly if he be the coach and general manager of that school's team should be forced either to umpire himself or to run the risk of seeing the whole game spoilt by the mad freaks or deliberate unfairness of some chance bystander raised suddenly into the position of chief arbiter of the whole proceedings. Something will have to be done in the matter next season. The Association is the proper body to take the thing in hand, but if it does so, must see it through, have one absolute rule and keep to it. If not the individual schools will have to take action. If the Schools' Association does not feel equal to the task it might enter into negotiations with the Referees' Association which would perhaps make proper arrangements. Speaking for ourselves again, we received during the past season, many kind attentions from the latter Association which provided us with excellent umpires for every school match played on our ground, after the one for which we trusted to the other body that governs all Inter-School contests. This question of the umpiring in school football matches is an important one, for upon its satisfactory settlement depends the success of the whole series of contests that occupy the attention of all the Great Public Schools in the metropolitan area, throughout the winter months. In football everywhere, satisfactory and unimpeachable umpiring is essential and it is an earnest desire to see

that obtained in *all* Inter-School matches, —not only those on the result of which the premiership is known to hang,—that has led us to write so strongly on the matter, at the conclusion of a season in which we have had special reason to deplore the lack of that for which we plead.

Cricket may now be considered in full swing and, judging by performances to date, a really exciting season is about to be played through. The practice wickets are crowded every afternoon, genuine enthusiasm pervades the school and satisfactory results may therefore be anticipated. Four teams are already in the field and from the number of active members of the club they should be more than well supported. Though most of last year's team have left us, their loss will not be unduly felt, while competition for the First XI colours must be, for that reason, all the more keen among the new aspirants to represent their School in its chief team.

In "Notes on Various Topics" and in our correspondence columns will be

found two suggestions both of which are excellent in their way and probably could be adopted together into one scheme. The first proposal is that a Paper Club should be started and the second that the magazines received from other schools should be placed where all can consult them. Certainly the establishment of a Paper Club would be a good thing, the main difficulty would be to find a suitable room in which to install it. The Editor too has no desire to keep all to himself, the magazines received from other schools, and in fact does always lend them when asked to do so. But it has been found impossible to give an opportunity to the whole school of reading them at will. The Library could hardly undertake the work of keeping all in circulation — besides few day-boys belong to the Library—and no other feasible scheme has yet been proposed. If however there were a paper club, school magazines might form a very interesting part of the collection of current literature on its desks.

### Football.

AT the beginning of the season now past many misgivings were expressed as to how the C.E.G.S. would fare. The King's School team was known to be little if at all weaker than the brilliant combination that won the Shield in '92 for the historic School, while Newington College was reported to be about to put into the field a team

superior to any of its predecessors. We on the other hand had lost most of our veterans and there seemed to be but little available untried material in the School. One even heard hints that perhaps we should withdraw from the Shield contest and play second teams as we did two years ago.

However in last TORCHBEARER we

definitely laid down our scheme for the season. We should play for the Shield and work all we knew to make our opponents 'go for it.' The forecast then given was that we would have a pleasant and profitable season and at least keep our position on the list of competing schools. That the season has been pleasant and profitable will be heartily admitted by all; unfortunately we have not kept our place on the list to *ourselves* having this time tied for the position of third school. But this last failure has brought us no dishonour for we have established our claim to be treated with respect as a team and have won commendation for our play in the face of considerable odds.

Last year we won two of our Trophy matches, this year two also, but one of the latter, (that against Scots' College), can hardly be taken into consideration in comparing the two seasons.

Nevertheless our '93 game was certainly better than that of '92. The former displayed more combination, more knowledge of the game, more real football in short, than the latter which was always that of a good "individual" team. Determination and go characterised both as they do all that represent the C.E.G.S. in Athletics. The points' record for 1893 shows an improvement on that for the previous year, being,—for matches against Sydney Grammar School, Newington and The King's School,—79 against, 16 for, as opposed to 114 against 13 for. Strangely enough, the latter half of each season had to be played through by a crippled team, though this time we were not so badly off, as our opponents suffered equally with us and in one case worse than we did. It seems then that in spite of defeat and

failure the C.E.G.S. XV of 1893 can compare creditably with its fore-runner. It is good for the School, we can say that, for otherwise it should feel ashamed of its representatives and Football in it were as good as dead. We are still in the period of failure and defeat, but we shall emerge from it and bring Shields, Badges and other trophies of the game to keep the Rowing Cup and the Gars company in their present solitary grandeur.

The season opened inauspiciously enough. Preparation for the Boat Race rendered it entirely impossible for proper practices to be held. We met the strongest Schools first and the inevitable result followed. After about a week's training we had to play Newington. The team did its best, fought the game right through and gave our skillful opponents plenty to do to score as they did, but we were beaten badly.

The following Wednesday saw us at Parramatta. As could only have been the case we were utterly lacking in combination and our opponents who were both heavier and more skilful, played all round us. After the match the team, nothing daunted, set itself to work hard to improve and when nearly a fortnight after we played Scots' College and Sydney Grammar School we scored our first wius. Then came the holidays. When they were over, Jones, Deane and Cox were no longer with us. Nearly three weeks were before us to get into form for the first match—that against Sydney Grammar School. This we should certainly have won. The forwards did their work, the backs what they could get to do, but the quarters failed us, and our halves were almost useless as a result.

The forwards not being heavy enough could not do what was necessary—score a few points and win.

Before we met Scots' College, Kendall had replaced Lyne at quarter, the whole combination was at once improved by the change, and we won as we liked.

When we played Newington, the week after, the measles epidemic had reached us and four of the team were down. Four members of the second took their places and the whole XV still played very well together. We lost by one point after a hard-fought game, in which we certainly had no luck.

The following Wednesday, the King's School fellows visited us and won the last School match of the year. Though we could not reverse the verdict of the early part of the season we still gave them a good afternoon's work. In the forwards only did they beat us and therein is no disgrace, seeing they were heavier and besides have much the best forward team among the Schools.

It will be seen that the points' total is considerably swelled by the number (59) scored against us in the early part of the season when the team with a week's practice was absolutely unfit to meet others that had been practising and playing matches for a good month before. If the date of the Boat Race is to remain the same in future years, our Football season will have to begin a month later than usual and matches must also be put back to the same extent. One of the most satisfactory things to record in connection with the end of the season is the plucky and persevering way in which the second representatives played for the first when required. Nearly all were rather light, but all played with great

heart for the credit of the School.

Several teams consisting of past and present members of the Strathfield Club were kind enough to come over to us last term and give us some enjoyable and educative games. We have to thank them for much we have learnt, and hope to renew our football acquaintance with them next season. The same Club also kindly invited several of our members to their Concert "to end the Season," at which we were most hospitably received.

If the First XV was light the Second was very much more so, and in consequence had often to play against considerable odds. At the beginning of the season the team did very badly indeed, but once licked into shape it picked up wonderfully and in the latter half not only won its own matches but also supplied the first with hardworking and successful emergencies. In its ranks are many who will yet prove themselves worthy representatives of the School in the First XV during future seasons. The improvement in the Second was really commendable, for it represented much hard work and enthusiasm on the part of its members, and they had their reward in triumphantly revenging previous defeats.

The Third XV played only one match. Its members, though small, did very well on that occasion and would undoubtedly have shown as much improvement as the second, had not the measles played sad havoc in its ranks, and made it necessary to cancel all its other matches.

A number of "Age Matches" were also played with varying success. They served to bring forward many younger players and were always interesting. But they were not otherwise so successful as we

might have expected. Probably next season we shall revert to the old system of playing four teams, irrespective of ages.

In concluding this summary of the season it only remains for us to congratulate most heartily in the name of our own School, our elder sister, The King's School, Parramatta, on winning the Challenge Shield and the Championship of the Great Public Schools of New South Wales for 1893, with a splendid and unbeaten record, in the face of great difficulties.

The following are the points scored in the competition for the Schools' Challenge Shield:—

	Trophy Points
The King's School—All matches won ...	32
Newington College—Beaten by The King's School twice, won the other matches...	24
S.C.E.G.S.,	} Beat Scots' College, each one win 12 against the other
Syd. Grammar School	
Scots' College—Retired in second half of season ...	nil.

The tabulated results of the season are as follows:

### — MATCHES PLAYED. —

1ST XV.

DATE.	CLUB.	GROUND.	RESULT.
May 20	Old Boys	C.E.G.S.	Won 17—10
" 26	Sydney High School	C.E.G.S.	Won 10—0
" 27	Newington College	C.E.G.S.	Lost 26—0
" 31	The King's School	Parramatta	Lost 33—3
June 10	Scots' College	Lady Robinson's Beach	Won 20—11
" 12	Sydney Grammar School	North Sydney Oval	Won 3—0
July 18	Strathfield Past and Present	C.E.G.S.	Won 12—8
August 2	Sydney Grammar School	University Square	Lost 3—0
" 10	Strathfield Past and Present	C.E.G.S.	Won 20—6
" 16	Scots' College	C.E.G.S.	Won 49—0
" 17	Strathfield Past and Present	C.E.G.S.	Lost 12—4
" 21	Articled Clerks	C.E.G.S.	Lost 11—6
" 23	Newington College	University Square	Lost 11—10
" 26	Mr. Hixson's Team	C.E.G.S.	Lost 12—0
" 31	The King's School	North Sydney Reserve	Lost 6—0

ALL MATCHES,—Points scored for ... 154      SCHOOL MATCHES.—Points scored for ... 95

" " against. 149

" " against. 90

Played 15, won 7, lost 8.

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### 2ND XV.

DATE.	CLUB.	GROUND.	RESULT.
May 27	Newington III ... ..	Newington ... ..	Lost 31-0
June 3	The King's School III ... ..	Parramatta ... ..	Lost 50-0
" 12	Sydney Grammar School II ... ..	C.E.G.S. ... ..	Lost 20-0
July 22	Christ Church F.C. ... ..	C.E.G.S. ... ..	Lost 7-0
" 26	Newington III ... ..	C.E.G.S. ... ..	Won 17-0
August 2	Sydney Grammar School II ... ..	C.E.G.S. ... ..	Lost 14-5
" 19	Sydney Grammar School II ... ..	C.E.G.S. ... ..	Lost 14-8
Sept. 2	The King's School III ... ..	C.E.G.S. ... ..	Won 47-0

Points scored for ... .. 77

" " against ... .. 132

Played 8, won 2, lost 6.

### 3RD XV.

DATE.	CLUB.	GROUND.	RESULT.
June 3	The King's School IV. ... ..	C.E.G.S. ... ..	Lost 29-0

### AGE MATCHES.

DATE.	CLUB.	GROUND.	RESULT.
May 3	Under 15 v. Sydney Grammar School under 15.	Moore Park ... ..	Lost 6-3
July 19	Under 15 v. Sydney Grammar School under 15.	C.E.G.S. ... ..	Lost 23-0
May 17	Under 14 v. Newington College under 14 ... ..	Newington ... ..	Lost 18-0
June 10	Under 14 v. Miss Macaulay's ... ..	Darling Point ... ..	Lost 15-12
July 29	Under 14 v. Miss Macaulay's ... ..	Darling Point ... ..	Lost 19-0
August 5	Under 14 v. St. Thomas' Choir ... ..	C.E.G.S. ... ..	Won 18-5

*C.E.G.S. A. Team v Sydney High School.*—(The A Team consisted of 8 of the 1st XV and 7 of the 2nd XV.) This match was played on our ground on May 26th, and resulted in our favour by 10 points to nil. The game was uninteresting throughout. Our 1st men seemed to be saving themselves for the match v. Newington on the following day, consequently the brunt of the battle fell upon the members of the 2nd XV. Abraham and Pockley secured tries, and Clarke potted a goal from the field for us. Lusk, Stewart and Roseby played well for S.H.S.

*C.E.G.S. v Newington College.*—Played on our ground on Saturday, May 27th. The team picked for this, the first school match of the season consisted of Abraham I. Full Back; Rundle I, Pockley, Clarke and Cox, Halves, Wilkinson and Deane, Quarters; Kendall, Maddrell, Ireland, Wilson III, Jones, Twynam, Holterman, Coyle, Forwards. Twynam was unable to play, having hurt his leg the previous day in the match against the High School, and Osborne took his place. We defended the southern goal during the first half of the game and with the slight fall of the ground against us had hard work to hold our heavy opponents. For some time no score was made on either side, then from a throw-in close to our line, Shortland secured the ball and just struggled over in the corner. After the kick-out, our fellows made things more lively and for some time play remained in the centre of the ground. But our want of combination told against us in attack and we were driven back again. Then after some passing between the brothers H. and G. Cowlshaw, the latter got in. No goal resulted. Some passing among our halves gave Rundle an opening, but he ran out of bounds at the half way and we were prevented from gaining any more ground. Shortly after Cunningham dropped a goal from the field. After kick-off we had a turn in our opponents territory but could not get in. Near the half way Cox intercepted a pass and got well away with the ball. The full-back managed to stop him, but had he been backed up we must have scored. The Newington forwards worked the ball down the field and Cunningham after a dodgy run got over the line. Stewart kicked the goal. After half-time our forwards played down and having a little more chance to shine, attacked for some time. Then we got a mark and Cox tried for the goal. The attempt though good just failed. We resumed the attack after the kick-out and the ball being passed back, Clarke had a drop at the goal

but his kick was spoiled. Cowlshaw again got going and after doing considerable execution among the forwards who tried to stop him was run out of bounds in our 50. Then the Newington College forwards worked the ball still further in and Shortland after a dribble passed to Busby who ran over, Stewart again kicking the goal. Our team seemed now to tire a little forward and the backs had plenty to do in defending. Rundle collared very well, and Clarke's kicking was very serviceable but we could not prevent two more tries being obtained, the game ending 26 to nil against us. Mr. Buchanan of Newington College kindly acted as umpire, as we were unable to get one from the Schools' Association. The game was by no means so hollow as the score would seem to indicate. Our team played hard all the time, every member doing his best, no one specially needing mention. This match showed us that we had the making of very fair if very light team, but want of practice told both on its condition and combination—of the latter indeed it possessed very little. The Newington fifteen was remarkable chiefly for the bulk of its individual members several of whom scaled 13st. Its combination also was excellent.

*C.E.G.S. v. The King's School.*—Played at Parramatta on May 31st. Our second school match resulted even more disastrously for us than our first. The excellent combination of The King's School team, together with the extra weight in the scrum proved too much for us to cope with and paralysed our play. For this match some alteration was made in the placing of the team. Twynam was back in his old place forward, Pockley came up from half to quarter, and Deane went into the scrum. The King's School won the toss and chose the Northern goal and we kicked off. The ball was soon brought back to our 25 and Waddy getting the throw in from the touch-line passed out to Williams, who when collared by Clarke gave the ball to Rylie, who got over our line. No goal was kicked from the try. Again kicked off the ball returned to our 25 and Waddy repeating his previous performance, Moore scored this time, and the kick was successful. Shortly after Moore scored again. Our fellows seemed unable to settle to their work and the King's forwards out-maneuvring our scrum over-rushed the quarters who were both new to the work and gave our backs more than they could manage to do. However, when our line was threatened for



the fourth time the team pulled itself together somewhat, and Rundle getting away took the ball out of the 25, whence Clarke, Jones, Twynam, and Deane rushed it to about half-way. Here it remained till half-time. Scores: K.S., 13; C.E.G.S., 0. For some time, after play was resumed, things went better, and we resisted successfully all attacks, but The King's School's passing beat us, and Ryrice and Williams scored in quick succession. From kick-off at half-way the forwards headed by Jones, Wilson and Kendall, rushed the ball down the ground with the result that the first-named scored. Cox took the kick but it was not successful. After this the King's School forwards attacked boldly and gave us rather a bad time, their dribbling and passing being too good. The scores at the final whistle stood, K.S., 33; C.E.G.S., 3. Mr. Tunks was referee. Our team worked hard as individuals but displayed no combination,—thanks to want of practice. The result was a weak hand to hand defence just where concerted action was most necessary, and an evident want of dash and spirited concentration on the game.

*C.E.G.S. v. Scots' College.*—Played at Lady Robinson's Beach on Saturday, June 10th. This match was played on the morning of the day following the Sports and in consequence the team, all of whom had been engaged in the events of that cold wet Friday afternoon, made but an indifferent show. Quite a chapter of accidents also occurred to add to our misfortunes. Various members of the team missed the train, so that we had to play two men short and two emergencies, Wilson VII and Osborne, the former acting as sole quarter and the latter going into the scrum. Then too, Cox who had won the Athletic Shield the day before, knocked up before the game was half through and was practically useless. The weather was as bad as it could be, half a gale varied with rain-squalls sweeping down the whole length of the field. Our opponents, most of whom were small and light, played pluckily and scored 10 points while we could only manage to put up 20. For Scots' College Masterton obtained two tries and Aiken one, and Currie kicked a goal. For us Clarke, Kendall, Deane and Rundle got in once each and the first named kicked two goals from the field. Mr. J. F. MacManamey, Head Master of the College, acted as umpire. After the match we were kindly entertained at lunch by the

Principal, who also spoke a few words of welcome to us as a team.

*C.E.G.S. v. Sydney Grammar School.*—Played on the North Sydney Oval, on Monday, June 12th. For this match a couple of changes were made in the team. Lynce played in for the first time, at quarter, and Pockley went up on the left wing forward. We had been unable to play on the previous Wednesday,—which was the date originally fixed upon for the match—owing to the weather being wet, but Monday the only other available day before the end of term fortunately kept fine. The ground was however damp and in parts sloppy, consequently most of the work fell to the forwards. They however had profited much by their King's School experience and though lighter than the opposing lot were well able to hold their own, dribbling and passing in very good style. The play of the backs was also considerably improved and for the first time the whole team worked well together. S.G.S. won the toss and played from the North end and immediately after the kick-off had to defend. From a scrum in S.G.S. 25 the ball was passed out to Cox who ran up almost to the goal line till collared by Campbell. Gradually the ball was worked up the field Parkes showing specially on behalf of the S.G.S. but again by judicious passing among our halves play was transferred to our opponents territory. Rushed back again our forwards resumed the attack and some hot work resulted on the S.G.S. goal line. A weak kick was marked by Clarke; Cox who tried the place kick just missed scoring. After the kick-out centre work was the rule for some time. Eventually S.G.S. was awarded a free kick for off-side and though the distance was long tried for a goal, but without success. After this we had to defend for a time and the half-time whistle sounded with the ball out near the quarter way. S.G.S. rushed the ball after kick off, up the field and White had a shot at goal; Abraham secured and punted well up into touch. Our forwards who had all along been playing up well did some pretty combined work and the S.G.S. line was again in danger. Beaten back for a time they let the ball out and Wilkinson sent it on to Clarke who gave it to Cox who got well away till brought down by Cowdery. Some wild passing and fumbling on the part of the S.G.S. halves gave our forwards another opportunity, but though for some time

they hotly besieged the enemy's lines they could not score and White intercepting the pass our averted the danger his side was in. From our 25 the forwards dribbled down to the half-way and Jones picking up here, an excellent passing rush took the ball down to the S.G.S. quarter. From here the ball was worked across the field, and Pockley starting a dribble on the wing and being well backed up by Kendall, Twynam, and Wilson got it over the line and touched down. Clarke took the kick at goal, but failed in it. From now on S.G.S. made desperate attempts to score, but were baffled. We however could not add to our points though play remained mostly in their territory, the ball going out of bounds just at the 25 flag, at the whistle for no-side. Mr. Spier kindly acted as referee. As the whole team played well and together there is no need to mention individuals. The forwards did most of the work and quite out-played the opposing scrum though much inferior as a body in point of weight. The quarters did very well, their defensive play being excellent and the backs worked neatly together. For the S.G.S. the indefatigable White (captain), together with Cowdery, Parkes, and Skuthorpe were most prominent. After this match colours were given to Pockley, Cox, Twynam, Rundle I, Wilson III, and Deane.

*C.E.G.S. v. A Strathfield Past and Present Team*—Played July 18th. This was the first match after our mid-winter holidays, and although we had only one practice before it, we managed to score a very creditable win by 12 points to 8. Our visitors turned up with three men short, so the vacant places were filled up by members of our 2nd XV. The School won the toss and decided to run down. It was not long before we were in difficulties, as our opponents baffled us with their excellent passing and after about ten minutes play Reed secured the ball and scored near the eastern boundary. This seemed to liven our fellows up for they made a splendid rush and took the ball at their feet to within ten yards of the Strathfield goal-line, but after repeated efforts to score were driven back to half way. Here Kendall picked up and passed to Clarke who landed a beautiful goal. Half time was then called. Our opponents generously allowed us to run down again in the second half, because they were so much heavier than we were. After the ball was set in motion we rushed it down into their territory, and Pockley picking up got over by a dodgy run. Clarke's

attempt at goal although a good one failed to add the extra two points. A passing rush by the Strathfield brought the ball to our line where Moses received a short pass and evading our backs scored between the posts. McCausland kicked an easy goal. Scores 8—7 in favour of Strathfield. During the last 5 minutes the game was very exciting. Pockley and Ireland carried the ball at their feet through a loose scrum, and when near the line the latter picked up and crossed the line. Kendall kicked the goal. Shortly after the whistle sounded for no side leaving the School victors by 4 points. Rundle, Clarke, Pockley, Ireland and Wilkinson played well for the School, while our most dangerous opponents were Moses and Reed, McCausland, Wilkinson, and Manton.

*C.E.G.S. v. Sydney Grammar School*.—This match was played on the University Square on Wednesday, August 2nd. The ground was still wet and slippery from recent rain. This was our first School match of the second term and the XV was, of course, different to that which represented us in the previous half of the season. Jones, Deane and Cox had left and we had received one recruit, Roseby. The team took the field thus: Full back, Roseby; Halves, Abraham, Clarke, Rundle; Quarters, Wilkinson and Lyne; Forwards, Kendall, Maddrell, Ireland, Wilson III, Twynam, Osborne, Lloyd, Coyle and Pockley. Twynam kicked off and Parkes mulling the return, play ensued in S.G.S. territory. Their forwards gradually worked the ball back and out of touch. At the line out Black got a mark off a knock-on but gained little ground. Play remained in our 50 for a time and White took a shot at goal, the ball going wide. Parkes, who in the excitement of the moment had overlapped his centre, as wing-halves often do, ran forward and took the ball over the line, our fellows committing the mistake of appealing for what certainly looked an off-side, and leaving the runner alone. The try was allowed, but the kick at goal failed. After the kick-out the ball was rushed down to the S.G.S. 25, but White relieved with a good punt into touch. Our forwards came again with a passing rush and Clarke made a good shot at goal but missed. Fast play followed, the forwards on either side finding a difficulty in keeping their feet. Black took a fair catch and punted behind our line. We saved by forcing. Kicked out, the forwards again came down the field with a rush, but could not score and S.G.S. by degrees took the ball back.

White took a pass and made a dash for the line, but was splendidly tackled by Abraham. Again White got a pass and this time tried for goal but missed and the ball went to the fence. Shortly after kick-out half time was called. After the interval S.G.S. kicked off and the ball was returned to the half-way. Our forwards dribbled down the field, till S.G.S. sent the ball out of bounds. A free was then awarded to us but the kick gained no ground. Wilkinson passed out to Clarke who sent on to Abraham and he then made a dash through the opposing forwards and running well, took the ball from his own 25 to within a few yards of the line, where Cowdery sent him into touch. This was undoubtedly the run of the day, but was spoilt by Abraham making no attempt to pass though Rundle was backing him up. S.G.S. dribbled to the centre, and Clarke returned into touch. Several scrums took place and S.G.S. with a rush came within an ace of scoring. Gradually the ball was worked up the field and Twynam dribbling and following on hard got almost over but was stopped by the full-back. White then kicked forward but Roseby at back returned in time. Shortly after White kicked back again, and Clarke gained a lot of ground by a skilful return into touch. C.E.G.S. were straining every nerve to score. From a pass out Rundle ran across the ground but though he got by several opponents, did not make much advance; then Clarke, who had no luck throughout the game, with a good kick nearly sent the ball between the post, and some of the spectators raised a cheer in the belief that it was a goal. Rundle then made a great dash on the wing but was forced out just in time. Time was called soon after, and Sydney Grammar School remained winners by 3 points to nil. The game was thoroughly unsatisfactory. To begin with, no regular accredited umpire was provided by our opponents whose duty it was to see to this most necessary part of the affair, and we had to do with a "pick-up." The only score made was not allowable in the opinion of many but it was given. To lose or win a match by a disputed try cannot be satisfactory to any team. Then again our game while very good in every other department and showing great improvement on previous style, was spoilt by the play at quarter. One of the holders of that position had been ill and away from practice for some time and did not play up to the mark at all, the other alone could do little. Consequently, we did not have the full use of

our backs, except in defence. The forwards though they played well could do no more than they did owing to their lightness.

*C.E.G.S. v. A Strathfield Past and Present Team.*—This match was played on the 10th of August at C.E.G.S., and resulted in an easy win for the School by 20 points to 6. Our opponents were rather weaker than they were on the previous occasion when we beat them, but nevertheless, we had a most enjoyable game. Rundle, Abraham, Ireland, and Wilson each secured tries and Clarke again kicked a goal from the field for the School. Knight, Mac-Causland, Wilkinson and Manton did most work for the Strathfield, the two former securing the tries.

*C.E.G.S. v Scots' College.*—Played on our ground on Wednesday, August 16th. For this return match we had our full team and as it played a very fast open and combined game, our opponents were quite bewildered and the score was a heavy one viz. 49—0. The team for this match was altered thus: Kendall changed places with Lyne,—wing forward to quarter—and Wilson VII, played in the scrum instead of Lloyd. From kick-off the ball was rushed into Scots' territory, where Wilkinson and Kendall working together sent it on to Rundle who when collared passed to Clarke who kicked it over the goal though no score resulted as the ball touched an opponent's hand on the way. Shortly after Kendall again passed to Rundle who got in on the Eastern boundary. No goal resulted from the try. After this Scots' forced twice in quick succession, and Abraham scored again for us. From a scrum in their 25 Aiken dribbled well down the field but Wilson III, headed another dribble back again and tight scrums about half-way followed. Then Aiken dribbled again into our territory, but the forwards worked the ball quickly back again and Kendall picking up ran almost to their line, and when collared passed to Maddrell who lost the ball, a force resulting. After the kick-out Rundle ran almost the length of the field, but was brought down before getting home. From here Wilkinson passed out to Clarke who tried for goal but without success. After kick-out again Kendall and Maddrell began a passing rush among the forwards, but the ball was again lost through over-eagerness. Shortly after Abraham got away and passed to Clarke who gave the ball to Lyne from whom it travelled to Kendall who got in under the goal. Clarke added the two

points. After some nice dribbling among the forwards the ball again went to Scots 25 where Clarke receiving a pass after a dodgy run gave to Coyle who ran in. Ireland kicked the goal. The whistle then went for half-time, the scores being C.E.G.S. 16. S.O. 0. After half-time the Scots' team went to pieces and we scored frequently. The ball being dribbled down to the line, Osborne after a scrum picked up and fell over, Kendall's kick though very good was not successful. Shortly after Clarke passed to Twynam who ran in, and then the former scored again after kick-out, and kicked the goal as well. Then followed tries by Abraham, Lyne, and Ireland from the first and last of which the extra points were added. Rundle after a fast run along the wing scored again, and Kendall sending the ball out to Clarke soon after, another try followed. Some passing between the quarters gave Clarke the ball right under the posts, and he kicked it over, but the umpire gave it a punt and no goal. Then Kendall after the kick-out passed to Clarke from whom the ball went to Osborne, Rundle, Ireland, and Roseby the last named getting in. No goal was kicked from the try and the whistle sounded no-side. Scores were C.E.G.S. 49—S.O. 0. Mr. Spier was referee. This was the last time during the season that the whole first played together, as the measles epidemic, had reached us before our next match. In it the team showed that it at least understood how the combined game should be played—as evidence of great improvement. Unfortunately it never had an opportunity of trying to play it against an equal or superior team. After this match Colours were given to Maddrell, Ireland, Wilkinson and Osborne.

*School v Strathfield Past and Present.*—Played on Thursday, 17th August, at the School. We lost by 12 points to 4. This was the third time we met Strathfield during the term, and they brought over a strong team in order to have revenge for their two previous defeats, and also to give us a good practice before our match against Newington. It was a very fast game from beginning to end, besides being a most enjoyable one. We only scored once during the game and that was through the agency of Clarke, who potted a goal from the field, Maun and Reed secured tries for our opponents, for the former of which McCausland kicked a goal. Wilkinson also kicked a goal from the field.

*School v Artsted Clerks.*—On Monday, 21st

August, the Clerks brought over a fairly strong and heavy team and beat us by 11 points to 6. We won the toss and ran down with a slight breeze in our favour. After 20 minutes close play, the Clerks began to make the game open and brought the ball to our 25 where Smith took a neat pass and succeeded in getting in. Dibbs took the kick but failed to add to the score. After the ball was kicked out, long kicks were indulged in until Rundle got hold of it and evading the whole pack of forwards, used his pace and got in right on the line. Clarke's kick although a very good one, lacked direction. Half-time was then called. Scores 3—8. On changing ends the weight of our opponents forwards began to tell on us, and they penned us in our 25 for some time Dibbs scoring twice in quick succession. From the latter try a goal was kicked. This made our fellows rally up and the forwards dribbled into the visitors 25. Shortly after a free was awarded to us for off-side play and Clarke kicked an easy goal. From this on the play was mostly in our 25, but our defence was good and no further scores were made.

*C.E.G.S. v. Newington College.*—Played on the University Square on Wednesday, August 23rd. Our opponents had lost five of their team through measles and we were without four of ours from the same cause. Maddrell, Osborne, Wilson VII and Lyne were the absentees and their places were taken by Heron, Bice, Holterman and Thomas from the Second. Newington took the kick-off and for some time we had to defend though the attack was not very vigorous. Some passing forward on the part of Cowlshaw with the resultant scrums helped us to make the game tighter and gradually relieve our line. Coyle dribbled well down the wing and from a throw, in from the touch line, the forwards together worked the ball into Newington territory. Out of a scrum on the N.C. 25 line Wilkinson passed to Kendall, who threw to Clarke and he made a very fine kick at goal. Both sides thought the ball had gone safely over, but the umpire, to the intense astonishment of all and the dismay of our own supporters gave no goal. After kick-out Newington again visited our 25 and Cunningham got well away, but was splendidly taken by Roseby. Before long Roseby was again called upon to act and neatly saved by kicking out of touch near the centre. From a scrum just within the Newington 50, Wilkinson passed back to Kendall who threw right across the ground to

the right wing half, Abraham,—a splendid pass,—and he after a fast run down his wing got over the N.C. line. Clarke took the kick and scored. Newington rushed the ball, when kicked off, down the field and we had again to work hard to keep our lines clear. Beaten off once the N.C. forwards came back again and Baird just struggled over with the ball. The kick did not add to the score. At half-time the game stood C.E.G.S.—5, N.C.—3. After half-time Newington forwards made their weight felt in the scrums and we were hard put to it to prevent them scoring. After this had lasted some time, Abbott taking what looked to be a pass forward, crossed the line, our fellows foolishly waiting to appeal before stopping him. The score was not increased by the kick. Before long the ball was back again and Baird got over our line once more, this time close up to the posts. The goal was kicked by Stewart. After kick-off fast play all over the ground ensued for a time, Rundle and Clarke doing specially well for us, but gradually we were beaten back to our own 25. Here Wilkinson did some excellent defensive work at quarter, and Ireland, Twynam, and Hulterman collared and worked well in the scrums, till bit by bit we worked the ball to half way. Then our halves came again Rundle and Abraham on their respective wings doing good work both getting nearly in. After a forward passing rush Stewart saved for Newington, and soon after the ball being worked along the boundary was centered well to Ireland who ran in from the 25. Clarke added the goal. For the short interval that remained before our team attacked hotly but could not score, and was just beaten by 11 points to 10. The game although rather lifeless at the start was very well contested. The most unsatisfactory feature about it was the umpiring. No proper umpire turned up and some spectator was allowed to act. His decisions were in many instances remarkable and curiously enough mostly went against us. This being the second time we had suffered in this way, our feelings may be imagined and need no description. This one defect spoilt what would otherwise have been a most enjoyable match. We missed the absentees from the team—especially Maddrell who had become very useful at the line-out—but the emergencies all played up and worked well in the combination. After the match Colours were given to Roseby and Coyle.

*C.E.G.S. v Mr. Hixson's Team.*—Mr. Hixson of the Commercial Bank, organised a team to meet us

this season as he did last. We played on Saturday, August 26th, and after a hard tussle were beaten by 12—0. Our opponents among whom were several retired footballers, well known in their day, proved too heavy for our forwards, consequently our backs got little show to do any offensive work. The quarters were kept busy stopping rushes, and saving, and could not pass out very much. We were not able to score, though Clarke had several tries at the goal, and Rundle got once away but getting too near the boundary was unable to run round the full back. The whole team played well together and the match was an excellent practice, coming just before the last match of the season against The King's School. For our opponents Hilliard, Dangar, Litchfield, and Blaxland scored. No goals were kicked.

*C.E.G.S. v The King's School.*—played on the North Sydney Reserve, on Thursday, August 31st. Our team was the same as that which played Newington two weeks before, with the exception that Armitage was tried in Thomas' place. The King's School team was more affected by the measles than ours, but in play it seemed fully equal to that which we met in the first half of the season and at the hands of which we received so decisive a defeat. We played with the wind behind us first half. King's kicked off, and Clarke returned well into touch. Scrums then followed along the touch line, and the excellent forward work of The King's School brought the ball gradually up. The ball going out of bounds in our 25 was thrown in and passed well out to Moore, who was playing a roving game. Rundle brought him well, and scrums followed in front of our goal. Again Moore got a pass and tried for the goal, the ball going over our line and unfortunately touching the full back on its way. Waugh who was a lot off-side was then enabled to score a morally valueless try. Lowcock's kick at goal was a failure. After kick-off our forwards spoilt the return, and Kendall came with a good dribble. K.S. dribbled back, but Wilkinson stopped their progress by a neat punt out of bounds. They came again into our territory, though they muffed a pass and lost ground thereby. Shortly after Kendall intercepted another pass, and Coyle, following on kicked well forward, but Farnell replied with a good punt, and Roseby ran back a short distance until Moore stopped him. Out of some loose play the ball was kicked over our line and we forced. Kicked-out, Moore came back with a fast run, till Abraham tackled

him, and, getting the ball, kicked forward into touch. Scrummages followed and Coyle put in good work. Cut of a scrum, Wilkinson passed to Clarke who kicked ahead into touch. A free kick was then awarded to us, for off-side play, and K. S. forced. Rundle ran well back, but passed to an opponent, who was, fortunately, soon stopped. King's then came down to half-way, and Ireland cleverly taking a throw-in, started back but was quickly brought to. In some give and take play, Waugh (K.S.) shone out; the ball was passed to Moore, who ran till Clarke stopped him, and Farnell who continued the run, was neatly tackled by Abraham. Again we were obliged to force. Farnell returned the kick-off into touch. Moore, receiving another pass, transferred the ball to Smart who made a shot for goal, but missed. Abraham then dashed away, and had passed his men, but Moore proved too fast and overtook him. Some neat passing took place between Wilkinson, Kendall, and Clarke the last named kicking into touch. Our men were making great efforts to score. Kendall passed to Rundle, who started off, but was recalled for off-side; then Wilkinson passed to Kendall who punted it into touch. The King's School then came with a rush and Moore transferred a pass to Williams, but the latter lost the ball. Again the ball was sent to Moore who passed to Farnell. Abraham intercepted the pass and kicked out of bounds. Half-time was then called. Kicked off, Moore mulled the return, but shortly afterwards King's School took a free kick, from a mark, which Roseby returned. King's School then dribbled up the field, but towards the end kicked too hard, and Roseby was enabled to punt out of bounds. Pockley then made a short run but kicked into Moore's hands, who sent into touch. A series of scrummages ensued. King's School again came with a dribble till Kendall stopped them. Moore (K.S.) passed to Rouse who made an unsuccessful shot at goal. Smart (K.S.) then made a dash but Rundle stopped him and punted back. This kick was marked and Waugh placed for goal, but his attempt was charged down. Shortly after the ball was kicked over our line and Roseby forced. After the kick-out Rundle made a smart run and passed to Kendall who was tackled. The School then came with a rush, and Wilkinson passed to Kendall, but the latter was unable to get his kick. Moore then made a very fast sprint, out-running Clarke and Abraham, but Roseby was able to force him out of bounds. Once more

Moore ran swiftly round the wing, but he slipped and fell. Williams continued the run but was collared in the end. Scrummages followed and K.S. passed out to Smart who by a splendid dodgy run crossed our line and scored for the King's School. No goal was kicked. Moore returned the kick-out and following up, got the ball again but was forced into touch. The ball being returned out of touch K.S. forwards brought it back, Waugh being conspicuous for excellent dribbling and following on. After some play on our line Twynam dribbled up the field, but we were pushed back again. Some very good defensive work followed, Wilkinson, Roseby, and Twynam doing well. Time was called shortly after, leaving The King's School winners by 6 points to nil. Mr. Stockham was referee. The game throughout was very good but would have been more interesting had it not been for the high wind blowing. We were unable to make full use of it in the first half, owing to the tactics of the K. S. forwards who kept the game very tight. In fact it was by the forwards we were beaten, their halves though splendidly fed giving us little trouble. In the second half the ball was constantly in our territory, because our scrum could not make the game close enough and consequently their backs could do plenty of kicking. Rouse indeed made one magnificent punt from within the K.S. 50 right over our line. Our team played a hearty game and stuck very well together. The backs did what they got to do in the way of offensive work, very well, in defence they did excellently, especially noticeable being the collaring of Roseby and Rundle and the saving of Wilkinson, and Kendall. The forwards had hard work to fight the excellent lot against them. Of these Twynam never played better before, while Ireland and Holterman collared well and the former took the throw-in very neatly.

### SECOND XV MATCHES.

*C. E. G. S. II v. Newington III.*—Played at Newington, Saturday, May 27th. This was one of the disastrous matches of the early part of the season. The First XV suffered from delay in beginning operations and the Second fared badly too. The team that represented us was very weak and was defeated by 31 points.

*C. E. G. S. II v. The King's School III.*—Played at Parramatta, June 3rd. We were terribly beaten by 50 points to nil. Most of the team played up under very disheartening circum-

stances, some members, however, seemed bent on disgracing the School. Following this match severe action was taken and a much more healthy state of affairs prevailed afterwards.

*C.E.G.S. II v. Sydney Grammar School.*—Played on our ground on June 12th. The S.G.S. team was much bigger and heavier than ours but our fellows played a very good game notwithstanding. For the first half the struggle was very keen, our forwards doing really good work, Heron, Armstrong, Lloyd and Osborne being most conspicuous. When half-time was called the score stood 3 to nil against us. During the next half, chiefly through the agency of Callaghan and McMahon, S.G.S. scored more freely and we were beaten by 20 to nil. This was the first time the Second played with a proper team and the result was not unsatisfactory.

*C.E.G.S. II v. Christ Church F. C.*—Played on July 22nd as a practice before the return match with Newington. The opposing team was heavy but unscientific and only managed to score 7 points to our nil. For us Rose, Osborne and Heron played best.

*C.E.G.S. II v. Newington College III.*—Played on our ground on July 26th. The day fixed for this return match, so eagerly looked forward to by the School, as the Second were determined to wipe out their previous defeat, proved miserably wet. However, our opponents turned up and the game was played. Roseby who had then only just come to the School was tried for the first time in this match. Newington kicked off and the return being weak, scrums followed in our 25. Then the forwards, who proved too good for those of the other side, got on a good dribbling rush, headed by Day, Heron and Bice and shortly after, the last-named got over the N.C. line. Day's kick was a failure. After the kick out the ball was quickly brought back, the forwards again doing the work, More I being prominent among them, and picking up behind the scrum, Wilson VII scored again for us. No goal resulted. Newington now rallied and for a time play was in our territory but another rush brought the ball down the field once more and MacKnight I who was playing well on the wing of the scrum dived over the line near the boundary. The goal was not kicked. After half-time some fast play occurred in the centre, but as the rain had now stopped, the forwards tried a little heeling out, Wilson VII and

VIII passed out well from quarter and Rose at centre-half took the wet and slippery ball very well indeed. The wing halves were now enabled to do some more work and the game became faster. Roseby and Rose by some good passing brought the ball to the N.C. line and the former got over under the posts. Day added the two points. Shortly after Roseby crossed the line again. Time was then called, the scores being C.E.G.S., 17; N.C., 0.

*C.E.G.S. II v. Sydney Grammar School II.*—Played on our ground on August 2nd. S.G.S. kicked off, and the ball was returned by MacKnight I. After the throw in Hill got a pass, went off well but ran out of bounds. S.G.S. brought the ball back but our forwards gradually relieved the pressure, Wilson VII and Bice doing good work. Shortly after S.G.S. had to force. The ball being again brought back Wilson VII dribbled well down the field and picking up passed to Rose, who, when collared on the line, sent it on to Glover and he dropped over. Day kicked the goal. After the kick off, the S.G.S. came with a rush but Rose relieved with a good kick out of touch. Soon the ball was back again in our 25 and S.G.S. scored, the attempt at goal being a failure. After half-time Day, Heron and Armstrong dribbled well and Dawson saved the line with an excellent tackle. Shortly after S.G.S. were awarded a free and gained the extra 3 points. Two tries were afterwards gained for them from one of which a goal was kicked, the game ending S.G.S., 14; C.E.G.S., 5.

*C.E.G.S. II v. Sydney Grammar School II.*—Played on our ground on Saturday, August 19th. The S.G.S. brought over a very heavy team and much superior to either of the two we had played previously. Nevertheless, we did better than before. The game was well contested throughout, our fellows never lost heart and in fact, would probably have made the result different had there been a few minutes more play. As it was, the game ended 14—8 against us. Black did most of the scoring for the S.G.S., while Mac Knight and Bice got in for us and Robertson kicked a very nice goal from one of the tries.

*C.E.G.S. II v. The King's School III.*—Played on our ground on September 2nd, This return match gave our team another opportunity to avenge a bad defeat and it did so most energetically. The play of our XV was very good and they had the game their own way right

through. Tries were secured by Lloyd (3), Day (2), Thomas (1), MacKnight II (1), Rose (1), Armitage (2), MacKnight I (1) Day kicked several goals and Rose dropped a goal from the field.

#### CHARACTERS OF THE TEAM.

- \*H. W. KENDALL (Captain).—Good wing forward, plays well on the ball and dribbles strongly. Latterly played quarter where he passed well and directed the field with considerable judgment.
- \*G. R. C. CLARKE.—Good centre-half. Very neat kick and dodges well but apt to double on his track before getting off. Tackling not dependable. Passes well.
- \*N. TREVOR-JONES.—Good hardworking centre forward. Dribbles and passes well. Always cool. (Has left).
- \*W. ABRAHAM.—Played full-back first half of season, wing-half latter part. Tackles and punts well, although not very fast is hard to collar. Passes badly and has a tendency to hang on to the ball. Improved in this respect.
- \*E. POCKLEY.—Played in various parts of the field but finally as wing-forward. Tackles and passes neatly, dribbles well. Has a good dodgy run.
- \*N. COX.—A fast dodgy runner at wing-half, with a remarkable 'prop' which does not diminish his pace. In matches never played up to practice form. (Has left).
- \*E. TWYNAM.—Good forward, as centre during latter half of season played very well. Never shirks his work, dribbles well and passes fairly.
- \*W. J. S. RUNDLE.—His first season as

half-back. Fast and neat, should cultivate dodging and fending, kicks well and best tackler in team.

- \*V. WILSON.—Useful forward. Works hard all the time and is very good in scrum work. Improved in dribbling and tackling.
- \*N. Y. DEANE.—Forward. Uses weight well in scrums and very neat in taking the ball and tackling. Weaker in dribbling. (Has left).
- \*S. C. MADRELL.—Plays a good forward game especially in the open. Improved in passing and dribbling and very useful at the line-out.
- \*H. IRELAND.—Forward Improved very much in the course of the season. Tackles very well, neat in taking the ball, uses his feet skilfully. Should be very useful next season.
- \*C. H. WILKINSON.—Quarter. Learnt the quarter game this season, and although very small and light did very well. Very plucky in stopping rushes and tackling. Punts and passes neatly.
- \*D. W. T. OSBORNE.—Forward. Played in team latter half of season. Uses his feet well. Plays hard and does good work in scrums. Not neat and quick enough in taking the ball and passing. Should play a very good game next season with care and practice.
- \*L. ROSEBY.—Full-back. Learnt the work of the position quickly and did it well. Very strong tackler and saves pluckily.
- \*G. E. COYLE.—Forward, usually on wing. Dribbles fairly and plays well on the ball. Inclined to get



off-side and kick too hard, but improved lately.

- J. LYNE.—Quarter and wing forward. As quarter played a very good defensive game. Rather weak in attack. On the wing uses his pace to advantage and tackles fairly.
- B. O. HOLTERMAN I.—Forward. Played with team during first half of season and as emergency second half. Tackles well, but in other respects, has too great a tendency to save himself. When he did work all he knew, played well.
- J. P. WILSON VII.—Forward. Played with First towards end of the season. Could be trusted to do his utmost.

Always on the ball and tackles and dribbles fairly. Not neat enough in the open.

The following members of the Second XV played with the first when required :

- E. HERON (Captain)—Forward. Works hard but not always with judgment.
- E. A. BICE.—Forward. Hardworking and persevering. Will play a good game.
- G. C. THOMAS.—Forward. Played once. Worked well. Must learn to use his pace more.
- I. N. F. ARMITAGE.—Forward. Plays on the ball and is learning to dribble nicely. Tackles hard and should do well.

\* Holders of First Team Colours.

## Grevillea Asplenifolia.

IT is a pretty native shrub, well worthy of garden cultivation, and grows, so the Botany book says, in the neighbourhood of Port Jackson. I have never myself seen it near Sydney, except in a garden. But about this time last year I discovered it on the banks of the upper waters of the Woniora River, near Helensburgh. This year I was in the same neighbourhood, and in one of my daily tramps halted for lunch at Audley, in the National Park. I had one companion at my meal, a gentleman who chanced to betray the fact that he, like myself, was flower-collecting. While comparing notes on various plants, he asked me whether I knew the Woniora River. He had heard that on its banks this handsome Grevillea was to be found and wished much to see it growing. So

we agreed to meet at Helensburgh station the next morning. Helensburgh, it should be noted, is a coal mining township on the Illawarra line. How the engineers of the line hit the railway station is to my mind a trying problem. The line comes out of one tunnel and then rushes into another, and between the two, with scarce room for the platform, is the station.

Taking the path up through the bush we first strike the State School, where the youth of the place spend most of their time except when they are lucky enough to get measles. Then we come to the Post Office—an important place for us, for the postmaster has a boat on the Woniora, which we must borrow. But unfortunately the sculls are lost. He

used to plant them in the bush, but some malicious person or persons sprang the plant and then made one of their own which the rightful owner has not yet discovered. Then away down the main road and off through the cricket ground, for Helensburgh is an athletic place and its footballers—they play British Association Rules—are men of renown. The cricket ground has a concrete wicket, but the out field is somewhat sandy and stumpy, and betrays its first-cousinship to the surrounding bush. But time and energy will mend that.

Crossing the cricket ground the usual question of "where's the track?" arises and we answer it by imagining we see a well trodden path, which of course leads nowhere. Finally after the usual alternation of marsh and scrub and sandstone, we find ourselves on a stony cart track which we follow till we reach the main Illawarra Road, variously known as the Red Road or the Bottle Forest Road. Now I knew that I had to cross the road and descend into the gully on the other side; there was a good track somewhere, but was it further up the Red Road or behind us?

Naturally as guide in charge of the expedition I took the wrong track and landed in some rough country, rocky where it was not overgrown, and overgrown with gum saplings where it was not rocky. My honour as a bushman was at stake, so I made a desperate endeavour to recover it, and, leaving my companion, struggled through the bush for about a hundred yards, and then to my joy discovered the path. On the return journey to find my friend I steered so well, that the deviation of my course did not amount to over thirty yards; then a

cooney had to be resorted to, and a junction of the forces ultimately effected.

Then we marched together down to the river, halting every now and then to examine some strange botanical specimen. I think I stopped most often. I am always making great discoveries in botany—and am always disappointed to find that what I thought to be a flannel flower with wattle leaves is after all only a flannel flower growing up through a clump of young wattles. However in spite of such delays and disappointments we finally reached the river, on whose placid bosom lay the frail bark chartered for our scientific excursion. We left our billy to boil and then put off to sea. The reach of the river is about twenty yards wide, very fairly deep in places, while the banks are clad with trees and flowers, forming a most poetic solitude. I now elected myself chief engineer and proceeded to propel the craft with a piece of plank, kneeling down in the bow, while the other man, with a similar piece of plank, steered from the stern. He had the better billet, the engine groaned and blistered its thumbs, but still science must be served and *Grevillea Asplenifolia* reached. So on down the stream—luckily the current was slack, or we should never have got home again—till at last, rising above the scrub on the bank, we sighted the red and yellow blossoms and the silvery foliage of the object of our search. To land, careless of snakes, and possess ourselves of specimens was short work—unfortunately our quest for young plants was not rewarded. On the return journey the engineer reported his thumbs broken down. So the propelling power was transferred from bow to stern without putting into dock—a great feat of modern marine engineering.

When the captain on the bridge telegraphed "full speed ahead" the engineer lay on his back in the water, curled his knees up to his chin, and kicked the flat stern of the boat as hard as possible. Then he swam after her and repeated the process. If she ran into the bank he applied the engine on the port quarter, and so finally made the harbour after a fairly smart voyage, entirely free from accidents, and was at once passed by health officer and customs.

The water in the billy had of course half boiled away, luckily however we

had the whole Woniora to draw upon and were soon discussing the welcome sandwich provided by mine host of the "Paragon."

The journey home was fruitful in specimens, and we had no difficulties about the track. We had had a pleasant picnic and done some botany too.

And the moral is:—Save up your pocket money, buy a drying press and dive into the bush and collect flowers. The study will take you into pleasant places and lead to a deeper appreciation of the wonders of creation.

BOSSIAEA SCOLOPENDRIA.

## University Letter.

**WE** are now at the end of a five weeks vacation, and are entering on the last term of the year. Speaking of terms, it may interest and inform your readers to know that we have three terms instead of four, the first, Lent Term, from about March 17th to June 1st; the second, Trinity Term, from about June 15th to August 20th; the third, Michaelmas Term, from about September 26th to December 31st.

In Michaelmas Term, however, lectures cease about December 1st, and a clear week is given before the all-important Christmas exams. begin. Altogether about twenty weeks out of the fifty-two are taken up with vacation. "Lucky beggars!" I hear some one say, "we don't get as many holidays." Wait a bit, my boy, till you have been there. No doubt it seems very nice to have five weeks vacation in August and September, but if you are wise you will take advantage of it, not for a good old loaf, but for sweating up your pass work, going

through all your authors, etc. If you are not wise, well, you will find out your mistake when the time comes for the exams, which are getting very close now. At Christmas, certainly, there are ten or eleven weeks vacation. But then, again, at the end come all the Honour Exams, to say nothing of the Post-mortems, which are also held then.

What is a "Post-mortem?" If a student fails in certain subject at Christmas, he is allowed to sit again in March for the subjects in which he has failed. If he passes then, he has saved his bacon and may proceed to his next year's work. If he again fails, he has lost a whole year and has to start once more. These second exams. in March are called Post-mortems—a grisly piece of wit.

In spite of all that was said at the beginning of the season, the University first team has proved itself decidedly the best in Sydney. Only once was it beaten—by the Pirate Club—and it won both the Association Ground Cup and the

Agricultural Ground Shield, the opponents in the finals of both competitions being the Randwicks, who were just beaten each time after a desperate tussle. The Second Fifteen were not quite so successful, for after struggling gamely on through the opening and qualifying rounds with several of their best men disabled, they were beaten in the semi-final by the Globe Club, and that when they had their best team in the field. The Third Team was also put out of the semi-final match. The Fourth Team fared not so well, but still they played the season through for the game's sake.

The Collège Four-oared Boat Race took place on August the fifteenth. St. Paul's were the favorites, and eventually won with something in hand from St. Andrew's. St. John's crew was much lighter than either of the others, but its style certainly seemed superior to that of its opponents though the boat was handicapped by the manifest weakness of one man. It may be remarked in connection with this crew, that it was entirely composed of old boys from St. Ignatius' College. May we soon see St. Paul's crew consisting solely of old C.E.G.S. fellows.

The Sports Association held a ball on August 18th, in aid of its funds. From all reports the affair was fairly successful, though no detailed balance sheet has yet appeared. With regard to the Sports Association, it may be as well to explain that for the past few years all the different Sports Clubs have been amalgamated, and the subscription of £2 2s. allows one to join in cricket, tennis, football, and rowing. Of course this is very cheap—too cheap—for all, but it does not lessen the expense for a fellow who only plays—say cricket, especially as a large part of the summer passes in vacation.

Non-rowing men do not hesitate to say that this arrangement was made for the benefit of the Boat Club, and there appears to be some truth in this statement.

The University Dramatic Society has given another of its entertainments. This time the play was "The Poor Gentleman," and the characters were well sustained. July 20th was "theatre night," the piece being "Sweet Lavender" at the Lyceum. It will be sufficient to quote *Hermes*. "Just a few words about that last theatre night. In the first place there was not enough row; and and in the second place what row there was, was of the wrong kind, and occurred at the wrong time. There are immense possibilities in four hundred undergrads, and if they had all yelled as one man before the curtain was raised, the effect would have been simply grand. They did not do anything of the kind, nor was there anything grand about the whole performance. Too much organisation undoubtedly spoils a thing of this kind, but lack of combination makes it ridiculous. Then again, there was too much row during the performance, which is inexcusable; and altogether the proceedings were inane and silly. The fact is that there were too many small children present, who, being then for the first time allowed out without their nurses, were so overcome with joy that they could not help themselves. Next time the Association would do well to ask some of the ladies to act as nurses for the kids. Until this is done or until they are chained up and kept strictly away from the fatal lemonade bottle, a theatre night can only bring odium on the Association."

A.H.Y.

## Cricket.

FOOTBALL has ended with the winter, and spring is here with its beautiful foliage and flowers and warm afternoons; and cricket reigns supreme on the playground. The epidemic of hockey, like that of measles, was of short duration; and dart-throwing is not exciting enough for the average schoolboy. The outlook of Cricket is at present hopeful, and if boys will but stick to hard and regular practice the result at the end of the term should be satisfactory. We have lost most of last season's Eleven, only three, Clarke, Rundle and Kendall being in the team which played against the Coodras on the 7th ult., nevertheless, the performance of the new members was very meritorious.

The bowling of Hargrave and Thomas, and the batting of Hargrave and White were of great service to the team, while Clarke showed some of his old form in contributing 101 before he retired. Kendall and Rundle should do good work with the bat, but the latter is too anxious to score, and this fault results generally in losing one's wicket before getting set. Woolcott, Merewether and Pockley promise fairly with both bat and ball and there are prospects of useful batting in Armstrong, Thomas and Rose.

The fielding of the eleven is fair, with practice it may become very good, and every member of the team will do well to remember how much depends on this branch of the game, that it helps the bowling while keeping down our opponents score, and that many a match is lost through mistakes or carelessness on the field. The ball should be picked up and returned smartly, and should reach the wickets on the full, or, on good turf, on the hop.

Another matter which requires attention is running between the wickets. In many of our most important matches, we have had three or four men run out. A little advice to batsmen on this subject may not be out of place. (1) Always watch the ball. (2) Back up well and steal runs for short hits. (3) Don't hesitate. (4) If you hit the ball *in front* of the wicket, it is *your* business to judge the run; your *partner's* if the ball is hit *behind* the wicket. Further, all who play cricket can learn a great deal about batting, bowling and fielding, if they will take the trouble to study the advice given in "The Book of Sports and Pastimes," a copy of which is in the House Library.

The 2nd and 3rd Elevens have not yet been selected; there is a lot of cricketing ability among the aspirants which only requires diligent practice to show itself. Maddrell, Gillam, Harriott, Burge, Fitzhardinge I, Glover II, Moore IV, Day and Wallace are beginning to handle the bat fairly, while we may expect to see bowlers from among Glover I, Reid, Day, Tulloh, Randell, Wilson VII, Bice, Lloyd, and Kilgour.

## C.E.G.S. v. COODRAS.

THE School team opened the season in a most auspicious manner on October 7th, when they defeated their old opponents the Coodras. The match was played on the School wicket, the visitors winning the toss went in and made 96. Thomas and Hargrave taking all the wickets. Purcell played a splendid innings for 51. The School made a good start after Pockley's wicket fell, Clarke and Hargrave bringing the score up to 106 before the latter was run out for 32. The former after making 101 retired, White was run

out for 37 and Armstrong batted carefully for 10 not out. The last wicket fell for 205, the School winning by 109 runs. The following are the scores :

<i>Coedras.</i>		
Purcell, b Thomas	...	51
Earl, c Pockley, b Hargrave	...	4
A. Gilfillan, b Hargrave	...	4
Saddington, c Rundle, b Hargrave	...	0
Dibbs, c Rundle, b Hargrave	...	11
Coggins, b Thomas	...	7
H. Pockley, not out	...	3
D. Gilfillan, lbw b Thomas	...	3
R. Old, b Thomas	...	0
G. Old, b Thomas	...	0
Sundries	...	11
Total	...	96

#### BOWLING ANALYSIS.

Clarke.....	0 wickets for	19.
Hargrave.....	4 " "	33.
Thomas.....	6 " "	17.
Merewether.....	0 " "	12.
Woolcott.....	0 " "	2.

#### *C.E.G.S.*

Hargrave, run out	...	32
E. Pockley, b Gilfillan	...	0
Clarke, retired	...	101
Kendall, lbw b Gilfillan	...	0
White, run out	...	37
Rundle, c Purcell, b Saddington	...	2
Merewether, run out...	...	1
Armstrong, not out	...	10
Rose, c A. Gilfillan, b Pockley	...	0
Woolcott, run out	...	6
Thomas, st Binney, b Saddington	...	7
Sundries	...	9
Total	...	209

#### BOWLING ANALYSIS.

Gilfillan.....	2 wickets for	72.
Purcell.....	0 " "	23.
Binney.....	0 " "	24.
Dibbs.....	0 " "	20.
Coggins.....	0 " "	11.
Saddington.....	2 " "	30.
Pockley.....	1 " "	10.

#### C.E.G.S. 1st XI v. UNDERGRADUATES.

ON Wednesday, 11th October, our eleven visited the University Oval; and met a

very strong team of Undergraduates, in whose ranks appeared some of the leading batsmen and bowlers of King's School, S.G.S., and Newington College of the past two or three seasons. Against such odds, however, the C.E.G.S. showed themselves determined opponents and though the runs came fast enough, the bowling was steady and careful and the fielding generally good, at times even excellent. Fortunately, Robison was thrown out by Armstrong with only 14 to his credit, Curtis made a splendid stand and scored 51 when Thomas clean bowled him. Dight, Wall and Vallack put the runs on very fast and the total reached 251 when the last wicket fell. Thomas took no less than 6 wickets at a cost of 45 runs, a very creditable performance against such batsmen. Not a single chance was given, the wicket playing very low. With only 40 minutes to play, Hargrave and Pockley faced the bowling of Sawyer and Dight. Hargrave made several strokes to the off and Pockley after playing carefully was bowled by a shooter for 2. Clarke followed and steady play resulted. Wall relieved Sawyer with the ball. Clarke put on two fours and Hargrave was bowled off his knee by Dight. His score of 27 was made in very good style. Merewether played an over or two, but hitting out at one of Wall's big leg breaks was caught. When time was called we had reached 51 for the loss of 3 wickets. The following are the scores :—

#### *University Undergrads.*

Robison, run out	...	14
Delohery, b Clarke	...	14
Curtis, b Thomas	...	57
White, not out	...	4
Strickland, b Merewether	...	10
Dight, b Thomas	...	14
Garnsey, b Thomas	...	0
Burkitt, b Thomas	...	11

Wall, b Thomas	...	...	45
Vallack, b Hargrave	...	...	30
Sawyer, b Thomas	...	...	0
Sundries	...	...	24
<b>Total</b>	...	...	<b>251</b>

**BOWLING ANALYSIS.**

Thomas	.....6 for 45.
Clarke	.....1 for 57.
Hargrave	.....1 for 42.
Merewether	.....1 for 34.
Rundle	.....0 for 17.
Woolcott	.....0 for 15.
Pockley	.....0 for 19.

*School.*

Hargrave, b Dight	...	...	27
Pockley, b Dight	...	...	2
Merewether, ct Garnsey, b Wall	...	...	0
Clarke, not out	...	...	12
Sundries	...	...	10

3 wickets for 51

**"OLD BOYS" v. THE SCHOOL.**

The "Old Boys" had a very weak team for their match against the school on the 14th October, for to begin with only eight turned up, and consequently they had to play with three pick-ups. They won the toss and going in first were disposed of for 59 runs. W. Morson played well for 10 and had hard luck in being run-out. A. Yarnold also played good cricket for his score of 26, the highest on his side. The school going in remained at the wickets for the rest of the afternoon. White playing a very good innings for 56, and Rundle scoring 21, the total being 106 for 6 wickets. The following are the scores:—

*Old Boys.*

N. T. Jones, lbw b Clarke	...	...	3
H. C. Pockley, c Armstrong, b Clarke	...	...	5
R. Hopkins, b Hargrave	...	...	0
W. Morson, run out	...	...	10
A. Yarnold, b Clarke	...	...	26
S. B. Wallace, b Thomas	...	...	1

M Dawson, c Armstrong, b Hargrave	...	...	5
R. James, c Clarke, b Hargrave	...	...	0
Wilkinson, run out	...	...	0
Gillam, c Clarke, b Hargrave	...	...	0
Wilson VII, not out	...	...	0
Sundries	...	...	9

**Total** ... .. 59

**BOWLING ANALYSIS.**

Clarke	.....3 for 14.
Hargrave	.....4 for 18.
Thomas	.....1 for 13.
Merewether	.....0 for 5.

*School.*

Hargrave, b Hopkins	...	...	5
White, b Pockley	...	...	56
Clarke, c Yarnold, b Wallace	...	...	7
Rundle, c Wilkinson, b Wallace	...	...	21
Pockley, run out	...	...	2
Armstrong, b Jones	...	...	2
Woolcott, not out	...	...	5
Wilson III, not out	...	...	1
Sundries	...	...	8

**Total for 6 wickets** ... .. 106

**C E.G.S. 2nd XI v. S.G.S. 2nd XI.**

Our second began their season on October 11th with a match against S.G.S. second, on the Rushcutt's Bay Oval, and were beaten by 65 runs. S.G.S. winning the toss went in and scored 126, Cook 34, Trickett 22, and Docker 20 being the chief contributors. This total would certainly have been considerably decreased if it had not been for careless work in the field, three far from difficult chances being missed, and several runs being lost from want of dash and bad ground fielding. Glover I bowled in good style. Day, Reid and Burge were the only double-figure scorers on our side. The following are the scores:—

*S.G.S. 2nd XI.*

Jones, b Glover	...	...	13
White, c Reid, b Glover	...	...	0
Johnstone, b Glover	...	...	0
Docker, c Kilgour, b Glover	...	...	20
Cook, b Tulloh	...	...	34

Trickett, b Kilgour	...	...	22
Blake, b Reid	...	...	1
Thompson, c and b Glover	...	...	14
Smith, b Glover	...	...	3
Wallach, b Tulloh	...	...	8
Stephen, not out	...	...	0
Byes	...	...	11
Total	...	...	126

## BOWLING ANALYSIS.

Glover	.....6 for 33.
Reid	.....1 for 36.
Day	.....0 for 8.
Kilgour	.....1 for 24.
Tulloh	.....2 for 10.

## C.E.G.S. 2nd XI.

Rose, b Docker	...	...	0
Gillam, b Docker	...	...	5
Maddrell, run out	...	...	1
Glover, c Trickett, b Docker	...	...	6
Harriott, b Johnstone	...	...	4
Kilgour, b White	...	...	0
Burge, c Docker, b Johnstone	...	...	11
Day, c Jones, b Smith	...	...	13
Fitzhardinge, b Smith	...	...	0
Reid, run out	...	...	13
Tulloh, not out	...	...	4
Byes	...	...	4
Total	...	...	61

## CRICKET ENGAGEMENTS.—1893.

DATE.	1st ELEVEN.	GROUND	2nd ELEVEN	GROUND	3rd ELEVEN	
<i>October</i>						
Sat. 4						
Sat. 7	Coodras	H				
Wed. 11	Undergraduates	O	S.G.S. 2nd XI	O		
Sat. 14	Old Boys	H				
Wed. 18					L.G.S.	H
Sat. 21					King's School 3rd XI	H
Wed. 25	University 3rd XI	H				
Sat. 28						
<i>November.</i>						
Wed. 1	Newington College	H	Newington College	O		
Sat. 4	St. Joseph's College	O	Elderslie C.C.	H		
Wed. 8					Newington 3rd XI	H
Sat. 11	University 2nd XI	H				
Wed. 15			Scots' College	O		
Sat. 18	The King's School	H	King's School 2nd XI	O		
Wed. 22	High School	H			Lower School, S.G.S.	O
Sat. 25			Elderslie C.C.	H		
Wed. 29	S.G.S.	O	S.G.S. 2nd XI	H		
<i>December.</i>						
Sat. 2	Belvidere Veterans	H			King's School 3rd XI	O
Wed. 6					Newington 3rd XI	O
Sat. 9			St. Joseph's B Team	H		
Wed. 13						

H. Means Match to be played on Home Ground.

O. " " " " Away.



## CRICKET ENGAGEMENTS.—1894.

DATE.	1st ELEVEN.	GROUND.	2nd ELEVEN.	GROUND.
February	7			
"	10	Coodras		
"	14			
"	17	Belvidere Veterans		
"	21	University 3rd XI		
"	24	Old Boys		
"	28		S.G.S. 2nd XI	O
March	3	S.G.S.		
"	7	The King's School		
"	10		The King's School 2nd XI	H
"	14	St Joseph's College		
"	17	Newington College		
"	21		Newington College 2nd XI	H
"	24	Easter		
"	28			
"	31			
April	4	Undergraduates		
"	7			
"	11		Ex. St., St. Joseph's Coll. B	H
"	14	High School		
"	18		Scots' College	H
"	21			
"	25			

H. Means Match to be played on Home Ground.

O. " " " " Away.

## Schneckenjagd.

It was one Saturday morning, on the 10.20 boat from Lavender Bay. I happened to have a few roses and forget-me-nots tied up in a somewhat artless posy, a peace-offering to be laid on the shrine of the devastating goddess Measellia who had lately laid her rosy fingers on a young friend, or perhaps rather a friend's youngster.

A gentleman, with a black felt hat of the "we-must-dissemble-conspirator"

type was smoking a Dibbsian cigar near the funnel on the upper deck. Chance sat me down beside him. His cigar was bad—really bad. Possibly it was the very unsavoriness of his weed that inclined him towards my flowers. "Bitte, please, mein Herr," raising his sombrero, "bot wat for putiful flowers." Being graciously allowed to "scent" them, as our fastidious lady friends have it, he grew more communicative. "Mein Name ist

Blitzschneider," he went on, introducing himself in the good German fashion. "I am only since a few months in Australien. Aber Sie sprechen ja Deutsch, nicht wahr?" Now as a matter of fact I had been learning German, on the Gouin system. I could open the door, describe the common pump, but unfortunately had not reached the "Sydney Harbour" series or the "garden" series—"The lady enters the garden—she sees a rose—she puts her delicate foot on seven seedlings—she pricks her finger &c. &c." There was no door on the ferry boat and I could not take my new friend into the engine-room, where I believe I might have been able to find a pump of some sort.

So I could only say that I very much regretted my inability to converse with him in his own language. "Ach, sch, zen vill I English mit you shpeak. You shall, as I see, a putiful garten hef. Ach, dies Sydney gartens—neffer in all my life hef I see something so lofly! Mein friendt, mit whom I stay on Nord Shore, he hef also a garten. And flowers! rosen, vall-flower, lilien, step-mozzers—wat you call pancies—and all. Bot dies schnails, zey defour efferyzingck; ach, wat for honngry deer zey are. On Saturday, on Sondag, mein friendt and I, ve valk round ze garten; he say 'putiful pancy,' I say 'vonderfoll' but on Monday it is no more zere, die schnails hef eat him op—for salad. So mein friendt go and buy a pigg pagg of lime; he say to me: "friendt Blitzschneider, morning early ve vill hont de Peast." And morning early, while I tream shtill of mein natif Lübeck he com and make thonder-weather on my door. 'Mein

friendt' he shout 'get op, ze hont begins.' It was ver' foggy and damp and in my tream was Lübeck all sonshiny, I vished I could hef treamed shtill more. Bot no, I must upon die schnail hont. Vell, ve goes into ze garten, and dere ve takes each a flower-pot, mit lime inside, and ve shtirs about ze plants and ven ve catch ze schnail ve put him into ze lime. Und denn he schqvæk and crackle and his liddle schnail-soul go off in golden foam. At least I zink it is his soul, his life-princip, for it goes out of him ven he die. And I ask mein friendt, vat he zink, I say: "Lucretius, he say, die vorms must souls hef, aud denn Hegel and Schopenhauer—zey say—and ze ozer philosophs,"—bot mein friendt, he cry "Great Heffen, Blitzschneider, for vat art zou out of bett so early got op, to talk philosophie orto hont ze schnail? Make haste, mein goot man, or ve vill not enoff pefore preakfast catch, and canst thou not already shmell die preakfast pacon, how it fries?" And I vos sorry, for I lof dearly to philosophizen, to talk of ze nature of zings. And you, my goot sir, zink you not I vas right about ze schnail's soul. You hef readt surely Kant and Spinoza and you vill, I know, agree mit me" but luckily the boat reached Circular Quay, and I found that I had to buy some tickets and then help a lady with some luggagé and so I lost Dr. Blitzschneider in the crowd. I have not met him since, but trust that his philosophizing tendencies will not interfere with his becoming an adept at "ze schnail hont" for we want snail-catchers badly in North Sydney.

E. BUDGELL.

## Notes on Various Topics.

THESE was great trouble at the beginning of the season, about Football, the history of the matter being briefly as follows. Our team played Newington and was badly beaten. One of the causes of defeat given was, that we lacked weight and the powers that be insisted, if everybody in the school played football, we could have a heavier team. An attempt was then made to get everybody to play. Those whose parents objected were asked to try and get leave, those who had before been too lazy were told they ought to be ashamed of themselves and were slanged into playing. Some of the 'not let' division did get their parents' permission. While the trouble was still in progress the football captain came round the forms and asked each individual if he would play. In one form, at least, if the boy said no, he was hooted, presumably because he had more respect for the safety of his limbs than the honour of the school. But the effect of this display was rather spoiled, owing to the fact that some of those most prominent in it also figured largely in the disgraceful affair of the Second XV match against The King's School III. Now what right have such fellows as these to hoot others who take a thousand times more interest in the school and who, if they cannot play football, at least do not under the pretence of playing, funk, loaf and disobey their captain—all three faults, the perpetrators of which deserve to be kicked round and round the playground till the operators can kick no more. The First XV could do the work, it would do instead of a run for them.

I THINK it would be a very good idea

if everybody had to pay for the TORCH-BEARER, for then all would have a direct interest in it and would try to get a good six-penny worth—sixpence is the charge made in other schools. It is the duty of every boy who can, to write something for his School Magazine, and the only way to test his capability is to try. What is thought of the cricketer who is too lazy to practice up and play for the School? The way to try is to sit down with any subject before you and write on it. If it strikes you as good, just pop it in the TORCH-BEARER box, if not, keep it to yourself. But I think a person is no capable judge of his own work and it is a better plan to submit what you do to someone else and ask for a verdict. Most fellows seem to find the choice of a subject the greatest difficulty; but why not try fiction? This would be a "fresh field and pasture new" as far as the TORCHBEARER is concerned and I don't see why it should remain so any longer. Most boys have imagination enough to invent excuses for not learning Euclid or doing a French Exercise, surely they could take a further step, invent a plot and work it out. But to hark back again—we have to pay to go to the boat race, and to most of the concerts,—why should the TORCHBEARER be free.

I WISH some influential personage would start a Paper Club at the school. I am sure it would boom—perhaps as much as Ta-ra-ra. The idea of such societies is that each member pay a subscription—rather hard work to collect them these times—and with the money papers are bought. The choice could be left to one of the masters, but I would suggest that a good stock of English illustrated papers,

and the *Field* should be provided. After a certain time, say a fortnight, the papers should be put up to auction among the members. I am sure all the boarders as well as a number of day-boys would like to join and it could only do them good to read the really good papers obtainable at the club. They have an institution of the kind at The King's School and as two of our masters are from there they will probably know all the details of the business,—perhaps it should be run in connection with the Library. By the way, why do not more day-boys belong to the Library? There are any amount of books to suit all tastes.

ALTHOUGH all boys who took Latin up for the Junior will agree with me when I say, that Cicero's work on Old Age is a very fine one, and very easy to translate, yet I think he is hardly up to date and misses one or two chances of scoring. Firstly why did he write in Latin? It must have been very hard to look up all the words in the dictionary,—however, I expect he got over that by keeping a boy to look up words for him. He must have been a bit puzzled also about some of the constructions—at least I know I am, even when I try to put such a sentence into Latin, as "Balbus hopped over a wall." I see no reason why I should not put 'hopped' in the subjunctive, yet when I do I am told to go in for 30 minutes, (I expect Cicero had no one to put him in—or perhaps he was a prefect—so could write what he liked). The only reason I can see is that as the book has a lot to do with the immortality of the soul and so with dead people, he thought it would be more appropriate to write in a dead language, and after trial he found

Latin the easiest. Now to point out some of his deficiencies. He mentions a lot of old fogies, like Q Maximus, L Paulus, etc, whom no one ever mentioned before, as being good statesmen when they were old, but you could search his pages through and through and find ne'er a mention of Mr. Gladstone or even the Australian G.O.M. He praises up Claudius for, when an old man, fighting hard against a treaty with Pyrrhus but he does not even mention the elder Pitt who was so old, (and so stout) that he got a fit after making a speech. And, just fancy, a work on old age with no mention of the only "W.G.," or his famous brother "E.M.," why it's simply disgraceful. He also says that old men are quite happy with their dice and knucklebones, but seems to forget that old men also play bowls, and that some old men would find it hard to live without their "B.C.," supposed to represent Bowling Club, while really, the B stands for something quite different, as you can find by reading an account of a bowling match when you will see "Drink 1 Drink 2 etc.," but generally, the reporter having been present during the different "Drinks" is not quite sure of his spelling and leaves out the initial letter. From the way Cicero begins "O Titus, if in any way I can lighten your care," and from the fact that he several times afterwards refers to Titus as being in trouble, it is evident that Mr. Titus was like several others now-a-days—the School amongst them,—rather hard-hit by some bank or other. In conclusion, I can only say that I wish Cicero would reconstruct and introduce people we have heard of before, instead of a lot of old fellows whom no one knows anything about.

UPPER SCHOOL.

## Athletic Sports.

AS the time approached when we ought to hold our Annual Sports Meeting the great commercial depression that prevailed throughout the colony this year was at its height. A motion was therefore brought forward in the sub-committee, to the effect that it would be advisable not to hold any Sports this year, owing to the difficulty that would arise in obtaining the necessary funds. This, however, was negatived and it was resolved to hold the Annual Meeting as usual, but to retrench so far as possible in all necessary expenses, especially in connection with the prize list. It was hoped that our own ground would be fit to hold the Sports on, but it was found to be too uneven, and therefore application was made to the Mayor of North Sydney for the use of the Cricket Oval. This was at once granted and Friday, June 9th was fixed on for the date of the meeting. With our usual luck the morning turned out very wet and though during the afternoon the rain ceased, the ground and track were thoroughly soaked and quite unfavorable for record-making. Notwithstanding the unavoidable discomforts resulting from wet ground and dull cold weather, the friends of the School turned out in great force, the local press estimating the number present at over a thousand.

Altogether, the Sports were a great success, the only unpleasantness being caused by that "certain element" which always manages to find its way to our Public Recreation Grounds when any athletic contest takes place and seems to think that the management has done everything for its benefit, without a thought for those who are specially in-

vited. The result of this is that the Hon. Secs. and Stewards have all they can do to keep a space clear so that visitors may have a full view of the various competitions, the difficulty being most acute in the case of the Jumping contests. Owing to this it will probably be necessary to hold next year's meeting on some other ground unless our own be then ready for such a purpose.

The competition in all the events, except in the 440 and 220 yds. open was very keen, the most exciting being the Mile Open,—which was run on Tuesday, June 6th,—the Old Boys' Race, the One Mile All-School's Championship, and the Tug of War, detailed accounts of which will be found below. Cox won the Challenge Shield as best all-round athlete of the School and Rundle I was second. This year through the kindness of our lady friends a Challenge Shield was obtained for the best athlete under 14. This was won by Aiken, Wilson VIII being second.

The prizes which notwithstanding the depression were but little, if at all, inferior to those of last year, were presented by Mrs. Bowden-Smith to the successful competitors at the conclusion of the Musical Society's Concert, held on June 15th. The Committee tenders its best thanks to those friends who helped either by subscriptions or otherwise to make the Sports of 1893 a success.

The Committee consisted of the following:—The Headmaster (President), Rev. D. Davies and G. R. C. Clarke (Hon. Secs.), W. J. S. Rundle I (Hon. Treas.) N. Y. Deane, N. Trevor-Jones and H. W. Kendall. Messrs. Robson, Baker,

Burnside and Devonshire acted as judges; Messrs. Linton and Holme as time-keepers and Messrs. Hughes and Hall as starters.

### PROGRAMME.

#### 1. *Kicking the Football.*

(Two drops and two place kicks at different angles from line parallel to goal-posts at a distance of 25 yards. Goals only to count.)

1. F. O. Day.
2. G. R. C. Clarke.
3. H. Ireland.

In the preliminary contest Clarke won fairly easily with Ireland second and Day third. This order was however reversed on the day of the Sports when Day and Clarke were equal in the number of goals and Day won by distance, 50 yds. to Clarke's 49 yds.

#### 2.—440 Yards (under 14.)

1. G. R. Wilson VIII.
2. C. F. Fiaschi II.
3. C. D. Abraham II.

*Time, 68 secs.*

An easy win for Wilson who led all through.

#### 3.—*Long Jump, open.*

1. N. Cox.
2. W. J. S. Rundle I.
3. N. Y. Deane.

Cox jumped 17ft. 7in. and Rundle 17ft. 2in.; both of which considering the sloppy state of the ground were very fair performances.

#### 4.—150 Yards (under 16.)

1. R. Hill.
2. H. Ireland.
3. E. Twynam.

*Time, 17 secs.*

A very good race. Won by a yard.

#### 5.—100 Yards (under 14.)

1. P. N. Aiken.
2. W. F. Glover II.
3. C. F. Fiaschi II.

*Time, 13 secs.*

A very good race between Aiken and Glover, and just won by the former on the tape.

#### 6.—100 Yards, open.

1. N. Cox.
2. W. J. S. Rundle I.
3. N. Y. Deane.

*Time, 11 secs.*

Nine started. Cox winning by about a foot.

#### 7.—*Long Jump (under 14.)*

1. A. H. C. Purkis.
2. P. N. Aiken.
3. S. White.

*Distance, 12ft. 3in.*

A close struggle between Purkis and Aiken (12ft. 2in.)

#### 8.—220 Yards (under 12.)

1. R. R. H. Moore III.
2. A. A. Wilson IX.
3. W. B. Rose II.

*Time, 34 secs.*

Well won by 3yds. by Moore who ran in very good style. Wilson and Rose being close together for second and third places.

#### 9.—220 Yards, open.

1. N. Cox.
2. W. J. S. Rundle I.
3. B. Holterman.

*Time, 25 secs.*

Only five started and Rundle slipping at the start it was easily won by Cox.

#### 10.—*High Jump (under 14.)*

1. P. N. Aiken.
2. S. White.
3. E. K. Wilson II.

A prolonged struggle between Aiken (4ft. 1in.) and White (4ft.  $\frac{1}{2}$ in.) Considering the state of the ground, a fair jump.

11.—*One Mile, open.*

1. N. Trevor-Jones.
3. H. W. Kendall.
3. F. O. Day.

This was run off on Tuesday, June 6th with the understanding that the first three should compete in the All-Schools-Championship Mile on the Sports' Day. Twelve started, the whole batch keeping together for the first three laps when Jones drew away from the rest closely followed by Twynam, Day and Kendall. This order was maintained till the last 100 yards when Kendall and Day spurning just passed Twynam and arrived at the post close together, about 5 yards behind Jones. Time, 5 min. 31 secs.

12.—*Throwing the Cricket Ball.*

1. N. Y. Deane.
2. G. R. C. Clarke.
3. N. Cox.

Competition in this began on Wednesday, June 7th, it being arranged that the first three should throw on the Sports' Day. The result then was Cox (97yds.) Clarke, Deane. In the final contest Cox was unable to repeat his 97yds. and Deane won with a throw of 92 yds.

13.—*220 Yards (under 14.)*

1. P. N. Aiken.
2. W. F. Glover II.
3. C. F. Fiaschi II.

*Time, 30 secs.*

A very even race between Aiken and Glover, the former just winning on the tape.

14.—*440 Yards, open.*

1. N. Cox.
2. W. J. S. Rundle I.

*Time, 64 secs.*

Only two started, Cox winning easily.

15.—*100 Yards (under 12.)*

1. R. R. H. Moore III.
2. C. W. Rundle II.
3. E. H. Rutledge.

A very pretty race between the juniors, Moore winning fairly easily.

16.—*440 Yards Handicap (under 12.)*

The preliminary heats were run on Thursday, June 8th.

FIRST HEAT.

1. H. W. Kendall, 5 yds.
2. T. J. Glover I, 15 yds.
3. E. O. Pockley, 8 yds.

A good race, nine out of the twelve arriving in a batch about 10 yards from home.

SECOND HEAT.

1. W. Anderson, 19 yds.
2. N. S. Wallace, 13 yds.
3. R. M. Rose I, 25 yds.

Won easily by Anderson.

THIRD HEAT.

1. W. H. Abraham I, 5 yds.
2. B. Holtermann, 7 yds.
3. S. C. Maddrell, 13 yds.

A splendid race between Abraham and Holtermann who ran almost the whole way, neck and neck, the first named just winning on the tape.

FINAL HEAT.

1. H. W. Kendall, 5 yds.
2. W. H. Abraham I, 5 yds.
3. B. Holtermann, 7 yds.

Run on the Sports' Day: A very good race, resulting in above order, Anderson, Pockley and Glover being close behind.

17.—*One Mile All-Schools' Championship.*

1. H. B. Curlewis, Newington Coll.
2. L. Callaghan, Syd. Gram. School.
3. N. Trevor-Jones, C.E.G.S.

*Time, 5 min. 14 3-5 secs.*

This race was run under the auspices of the N.S.W. Great Public Schools' Athletic Association and the winner is the champion mile runner of the Schools for this year. For the first lap the 11 competitors kept close together, then Waddy (The King's School) began to cut out the running and led for the whole lap by about 15 yards, after which he retired. The third lap saw the last of Brown (K.S.) and Kendall (C.E.G.S.) and the rest all kept close together. In the last lap Curlewis broke away with Smith (S.G.S.) Callaghan (S.G.S.), Baird (N.C.) and Jones (C.E.G.S.) in a batch some 10 yards behind. This continued till the last 50 yards when Curlewis won with some 15 yards to the good, Callaghan being second and Jones third about 5 yards behind him.

18.—*220 Yards Handicap (under 14.)*

The preliminary heats were run on Thursday, June 8th.

## FIRST HEAT.

1. P. N. Aiken, 6 yds.
2. R. B. Fitzhardinge II, 10 yds.
3. S. White, 3 yds.
4. E. F. Harrison II, 10 yds.

An easy win for Aiken, Fitzhardinge and White being close together for second place.

## SECOND HEAT.

1. W. B. Rose II, 20 yds.
2. W. F. Glover II, scratch.
3. A. H. C. Purkis, 12 yds.
4. C. W. Rundle II, 8 yds.

A very good race, won by Rose from the limit by about a yard from Glover the scratch man.

## FINAL HEAT.

## Run on Sports' Day.

1. P. N. Aiken, 6 yds.
2. W. F. Glover II, scratch.
3. R. B. Fitzhardinge II, 10 yds.

*Time, 27 secs.*

A very good race, Aiken and Glover running a dead heat and Fitzhardinge being third by about a foot in front of Rose. Aiken and Glover ran off the heat but it again proved a dead heat between the two. On running the third time a few days later Aiken just won by a yard.

19.—*High Jump, open.*

1. N. Cox.
2. W. J. S. Rundle I.
3. E. O. Pockley.

Considering the state of the ground Cox's jump of 5ft. 1in. was very good. Rundle was second with 4ft. 11in.

20.—*Old Boys' Race, 150 Yards Handicap.*

1. S. B. Wallace, scratch.
2. W. B. Clarke, 10 yds.
3. A. H. Yarnold, 7 yds.

*Time, 17 secs.*

This was the best contested race of the day and proved extremely exciting. All ran in a batch till some 5 yds. from home when Wallace won a magnificent race by a foot from Clarke, Yarnold being a yard behind. The other starters were Abraham, Stevens, Hopkins, Dawson and Wilkinson.

21.—*220 Yards Handicap (under 12.)*

The preliminary heats were run on Thursday, June 8th.

## FIRST HEAT.

1. N. S. Wallace, 10 yds.
2. E. O. Pockley, 8 yds.
3. J. Lyne, 8 yds.

Handicaps were very good, all being together till last 10 yards and it gave



the judges some trouble to decide who had won.

SECOND HEAT.

1. R. Hill, 10 yds.
2. N. Y. Deane, 4 yds.
3. B. Holterman, 6 yds.

Won easily by Hill, White and Day being close behind Holterman.

THIRD HEAT.

1. G. R. C. Clarke, 10 yds.
2. H. Ireland, 9 yds.
3. S. C. Maddrell, 8 yds.

A good race between Clarke and Ireland won by a yard. Kendall also was nearly abreast of Maddrell.

FINAL HEAT.

Run on Sports' Day.

1. R. Hill, 10 yds.
2. N. Y. Deane, 4 yds.
3. G. R. C. Clarke, 10 yds.

Won easily by Hill in 24 secs.

22.—*Three-Legged Race.*

1. { H. Ireland.  
W. J. S. Rundle I.
2. { N. Cox.  
J. B. Yeomans.
3. { G. R. C. Clarke.  
N. Y. Deane.

The partners were drawn by lot, and Cox and Yeomans ran a splendid race against the evenly matched couple Ireland and Rundle.

23.—*Tug-of-War. House v. Day Boys.*

Won by the House.

This evoked a great deal of rivalry and excitement. It was thought that the Day-Boys who were much the heavier would have an easy win, but they evidently held their opponents too cheap-

ly and allowed them to get a good start, with the result that they never recovered the lost ground, and the House won rather easily. The Teams were:

HOUSE.—Cox, Gillam, Heron, Ireland, Maddrell, McEntyre, Rundle, Thomas, and Wallace.

DAY BOYS.—Clarke, Day, Deane, Holterman, Jones, Kendall, Lyne, Pockley, Twynam and Wilson III.

SENIOR CHALLENGE SHIELD.

I. COX—

1st in Long Jump	..	3	points.
1st in High Jump	..	3	"
1st in 100 Yards	..	5	"
1st in 220 Yards	..	5	"
1st in 440 Yards	..	5	"
3rd in Throwing Cricket Ball	..	1	"

Total .. .. 22 points.

II. RUNDLE I—

2nd in Long Jump	..	2	points.
2nd in High Jump	..	2	"
2nd in 100 Yards	..	3	"
2nd in 220 Yards	..	3	"
2nd in 440 Yards	..	3	"

Total .. .. 13 points.

JUNIOR CHALLENGE SHIELD.

(For Boys under 14.)

I. AIKEN—

1st in 100 Yards	..	5	points.
1st in 220 Yards	..	5	"
1st in High Jump	..	3	"
2nd in Long Jump	..	2	"

Total .. .. 15 points.

## Account of a C.E.G.S. Boy's Voyage to England.

(COMPILED FROM HIS LETTERS HOME.)

*Continued from Last Issue.*

**W**E are getting on grand. We are going now along the coast of Italy. It has been very rough the last two days. I have been doing a little French. There is another boy on board who is going to the same school as I and is going to be an electrical engineer. We are near Brindisi and will there about 3.30.

We went on shore for a bit, but Brindisi is a horrible place. We went to the Cathedral, which is a very old and large place, with about half a dozen altars round it. We went round a bit after that and came to a shop, and I bought a match-box and a photograph of the place. This morning I saw Mount Etna in the distance, with snow on the top; we haven't been doing anything all day, and now we are going into Malta (Valetta) with its huge fortifications all round.

We got a boat and went ashore, then straight for St. John's Church, a guide ahead of us. It is most beautiful with its fresco work, and the altars and the paintings were exquisite. There were some huge gates, about the size of our iron gates, made of solid silver—it was lovely. Then we went to the palace, a very old building, where we saw all the armour of the Knights of St. John and the old mortars and guns, and went to the tapestry room. The tapestry is most beautifully done, you would think it was painted. Then I went up and sat on Napoleon's chair and pulled a flower from his window. Then coming down I sat on his carriage near the door. Then we went to a café and had some tea,

The streets of Valetta are very narrow, some all steps, and the houses are so high that a log of wood has to be jambed between them so as they won't fall down.

We weighed anchor at 1 a.m. on Saturday and sailed away from Malta. It was very calm all day, but very rough on Sunday, and I was not sick. On Monday at 11 a.m. we arrived at Gibraltar. It is a wonderful rock. We got a steam launch and went on shore. Then we walked up the main street (there was no name to it) and went into some shops and got some bull-fight fans, and some pretty little jugs and a couple of photos. Then we took a carriage and drove to the markets; we got some lovely oranges, dates and flowers, and after drove down to the Alameda Gardens, which are beautiful. We returned on board at 2 p.m., only a few minutes before they started. We set sail (steam) then and left Gibraltar behind. The next afternoon (Tuesday) we played v. the 1st's cricket, seven a side. I did not bowl this time as there were officers playing, and they bowled for us, but I made two not out, they beat us again, and I'm afraid are too good for us.

We did nothing else but eat and sleep till we got to Plymouth about 7.30 a.m. on Thursday morning, where we left most of our passengers. It was very misty there, but some parts that weren't were rather pretty, not very though.

We weighed anchor at about 9 a.m. and steamed up the coast, passing the Isle of Wight about 4 p.m., and the next morning about 8, we were off Tilbury,

when we tried to get all our luggage together, but only got some of it. A friend of ours remained on board to collect it while we went on board the tender. He followed later on in a rowing boat as there were no more tenders. Then we got in the train and went to Cannon Street, where we had some dinner, and left our friend. We then went to the station to take the train to Folkestone where we are to stay.

On Monday we went up to London where we did a lot of things and saw Cleopatra's Needle, London Bridge, St. Paul's, &c. I was always told that the streets were very wide, but they are narrower than ours. Folkestone is a nice little place near Dover.

We made an expedition to Dover. We drove up to the old castle and the warden showed us all round. First all the old armour hundreds of years old, there was one sword which came from the battle of Hastings; we saw the old chapel, and rooms cut out of the walls which are eighteen feet in thickness; we went over part of the battlements, but could not go over all of them as they were shut to the public; so we drove down again, and it is an awfully steep place. When we got to the bottom of the slope we drove to the station, through such very narrow streets, that two carriages can barely pass one another. I was given a saucer with the Dover Arms on it, here it is: "*Ville et Portus Dover.*" Forgive the drawing, or rather forgive me for drawing it so badly. While waiting for the train I took a walk on the long pier or breakwater that runs out into the channel. We saw the boat that had just come in from Calais. We walked back to the station, missed the rest of them, found them again, jumped into the train and

were whizzed off to Radnor Park, jumped out of the train and walked home. We had a good tea. I wrote part of this letter.

Next morning I read for a bit, then I took a walk to the "Warren," and in the afternoon went to a place called the "Priory" to hear the band play; we paid a shilling to enter, the money going in aid of the Sandgate Disaster; came home, had tea, did some lessons, went to bed, slept well. Next morning went for a walk near the camp of the soldiers (the Life Guards are sent here for punishment, they rather like it) and round about Sandgate. The houses are awfully cracked. We then came up a very steep hill and got on to the Leas, took a turn or two and came home to dinner. *I read all the afternoon.*

Next day I went to fish with a friend at the "Warren" where there is a big pool. We got no bites till six o'clock, when we each got one roach.

Tell the boys to send me the TORCH-BEARER and the names of the new boys at school, and the fellows in the different elevens, and about the football fifteens and everything, and how Sydney Grammar 1st v. our 1st came off—all the little things I like to hear. Has Herr Langhans gone back yet?

I am sorry I cannot see the grand procession at the opening of the Imperial Institute, as I shall be on my way to school. I am glad to say that I am not to wear a belltopper. I do not know whether I said it before, but on board ship there was Edwards the boat-builder from Melbourne. My travels are over for a bit as I am now at school. It is horrible having to get up at 6.30 every morning, but I have improved wonderfully at cricket.

## N.S.W. Great Public Schools Athletic Association.

At a meeting held on Friday, September 15th, it was decided (1) That from this time forth all clubs entering for the Rowing Championship pay an entrance fee of 5/- per oar to be forwarded to the Secretary of the Association not later than a fortnight before the race, and to be applied in meeting the expenses of the contest.

(2) That a sub-committee consisting of the representatives of the Rowing Schools with R. H. Bode Esq. as Hon. Sec. draw up recommendations as to the best time for holding Challenge Fours Race for the Schools' Championship.

## C.E.G.S. Musical Society.

We are glad to be able to congratulate the Musical Society on its increase in numbers towards the end of the second term of this year, which increase was specially noticeable among the Trebles and Basses, two very important parts in every chorus.

From the fact that a School Musical Society must necessarily consist mainly of boys, the tenor part was not as strong as could be wished, although augmented by several friends of the school. As regards the Altos, as their knowledge of music grows, we hope for good results in the near future.

It will be seen from the appended programme of our Midwinter Concert that the high standard of music aimed at in the past has not been departed from. Many thanks are due to the ladies and gentlemen who kindly gave their assistance and contributed so materially to the success of the concert, also to

Messrs. John Broadwood & Sons representatives, who kindly lent the fine Grand Pianoforte used on the occasion. The platform was decorated with palms, etc., a boating trophy, surmounted by the School Arms, adding considerably to the whole effect.

During Term III our record was not so good, the attendance at practices not being at all satisfactory, the reason probably being the winter nights and the fact that many boys live at a distance from the school. To surmount this difficulty in the future the society has just undergone a complete reconstruction, the practices being held in the afternoon, every Thursday after school, from 3.30 to 4 p.m. and every boy in the school, having a voice, being obliged to become a member. The first practice under the new system gave every reason to anticipate good results at the end of the present Term, when we give our Xmas Concert.

## C.E.G.S. Musical Society Concert,

—THURSDAY, JUNE 15TH, 1893.—

1. Part Song ...	...	"Departure" ...	...	Mendelssohn
		THE C.E.G.S. MUSICAL SOCIETY.		
2. Song ...	...	"The Last Muster" ...	...	Pontet
		R. EMPSON.		
3. Pianoforte Solo ...	...	3rd Tarantella ...	...	W. Macfarren
		S. C. MADDRELL.		
4. Song ...	...	"When the tide comes in" ...	...	Millard
		MISS DIBBS.		
5. Violin Solo ...	...	"Tremolo" ...	...	De Berio
		MR. RICE.		
6. Song ...	...	"The Bedouin's Love Song" ...	...	Pinsuti
		MR. L. A. BAKER.		

## A Short Interbal.

## —PART II.—

1. Part Song ...	...	"Gipsy Life" ...	...	Schumann
		THE C.E.G.S. MUSICAL SOCIETY.		
2. Song ...	...	"My Memories" ...	...	Tosti
		W. J. S. RUNDLE.		
3. Pianoforte Solo ...	...	"Faschingschwank aus Wien" ...	...	Schumann
		MR. R. G. BURNSIDE, R.A.M.		
4. Duet ...	...	"Te'l Ramenti" ...	...	Campana
		MISS DIBBS AND MISS J. DIBBS.		
5. Recitation ...	...	"Judd Brownin on Rubenstein's Piano" ...	...	...
		MR. BOGAN BARTON.		
6. Song ...	...	"When the heart is young" ...	...	Buck
		MISS J. DIBBS.		
7. Violincello Solo ...	...	{ (a) "Frühlings Lied" } ...	...	Goltermann
		{ (b) "Saraband" } ...	...	
		{ (c) "Schlechtes Wetter" } ...	...	
		SIGNOR PODENZANA.		
8. Plantation Song ...	...	"Who did?" ...	...	Scott Gatty
		N. WALLACE AND THE C.E.G.S. MUSICAL SOCIETY.		

## GOD SAVE THE QUEEN.

Presentation by Mrs. Bowden-Smith of the Prizes won at the School Athletic Sports, held on Friday, June 9th

## School Notes.

Sydney Grammar School have obtained a new racing ship from Edwards of Melbourne—we trust she will never prove too fast for us.

A North Shore Swimming Club has been formed offering special inducement to boys. The scene of its operations is to be a floating bath in Lavender Bay. Mr. Robson is captain.

Jones, Wallace, and Dawson, and Jack Wilkinson, to mention him in the same category, are rowing at present in the N.S.R.C. maiden eight.

The Boat Club have to thank Mrs. Darvall, R. G. Burnside Esq. and Dr. Pockley for donations.

A photograph of the masters was taken at the end of last term, and resulted in a particularly successful group.

Herr Langhans has lately returned from his trip to Europe. He has, we hear, collected numerous beetles for our museum, which we hope to see soon an entity.

We hear that the Council intends at once to proceed with the erection of a workshop and physical laboratory.

A series of photographs of the Germania monument in the Niederwald has been placed in Form I room.

Large additions have constantly been made to the Library during the last two

terms. Several periodicals are now taken, in quarterly and monthly numbers. Heron and Wilson VII are librarians.

Towards the end of last term a hoe party attacked the ground in the vicinity of the cricket pitch, and worked with such good will as to draw forth from one of our tradesmen while making his usual call, the remark "Them boys is just like so many bloomin' chōws." Great execution was done among the tufts of grass and inequalities that have so long made fielding in the immediate neighbourhood of the wicket, anything but pleasant or comfortable.

Lindsay Clarke has reached England, and is now at Uppingham School.

Deane, Jones, and Cox left us at June. The first and last are at present taking "well-earned rests" before entering upon the serious business of life; Deane has however been making some fine scores for his cricket club. Jones is a solicitor's articled clerk in the office of his brother.

The handsome model of the School arms that formed so conspicuous a part of the decoration at the last M. S. Concert was the work of Mr. Burnside and has been presented by him to the School.

An excellent photograph of the first XV has been taken this term.

The following hold first team colours

for football,—(gained in 1892,) Kendall, Clarke, Jones, Abraham I.

The list for this season is, (in order of seniority)—

Pockley  
Cox  
Twynam  
Rundle I  
Wilson III  
Deane  
Maddrell  
Ireland  
Wilkinson  
Osborne  
Roseby  
Coyle

The list of perfects at present stands as follows:—

Clarke (School)  
Kendall (School)  
Fitzhardinge I (School)  
Heron (House)  
Pockley (School)  
Maddrell (House)  
Ireland (House)  
Rundle I (House)

Just one slight reference as a reminder to Secretaries of the various clubs of other schools. The name of this institution is neither North Shore Grammar School, nor North Shore C.E.G.S. but The Sydney Church of England Grammar School. Its local habitation is North Sydney, which is but an accident of its existence.

## OBITUARY.

JOHN PETER SPILLER,

BORN DECEMBER 11TH, 1875.

— ENTERED THE SCHOOL JULY, 1890. —

LEFT MARCH, 1891.

DIED AT YATHONG STATION, JERILDERIE, SEPTEMBER 30TH, 1893.

SPILLER was not a long time with us, and his health prevented him from obtaining much distinction in sports, but those who remember him will recall with pleasure his quiet friendliness, and unite in offering to his family their sympathy for the loss of a young life cut off by an insidious disease.

## Correspondence.

*To the Editor of the Torchbearer.*

DEAR SIR,

In the previous numbers of the TORCH-BEARER, the Editor acknowledges the receipt of various other School Magazines Nobody ever knows what is going on in the other Schools except our Editor, who probably is the only one who sees them, and then he throws them into the waste paper basket. We boys like to know what is going on at the other Schools. I for one think it would be a good plan if these magazines were put in the library or some other place where they could be seen by anyone who wished to inspect them.

I am, yours, &c.,

READER.

*To the Editor of the Torch-bearer.*

DEAR SIR,

The masters and the XV have been photographed lately, and I think it would be a good thing if the whole School were also taken. Several fellows who have been at the School almost from the beginning will be leaving at Christmas, and it would be interesting to have a group in which they figured.

Yours, &c.,

G. E. S.

## The General Sports Committee and its Sub-Committees.

### *General Sports Committee.*

The Head-master (*ex-officio*) President

- (1) All Masters
- (2) All Prefects
- (3) Twynam
- (4) Wilson III.

### *Cricket Sub-Committee.*

The Head-master (*ex-officio*) President

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| Kendall         |   |        |
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| Maddrell.       |   |        |

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The Head-master (*ex-officio*) President

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| Clarke            |   |        |
| Pockley           |   |        |
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The Head-master (*ex-officio*) President

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| Heron, Captain   | „ | Member |
| Kendall          |   |        |
| Maddrell         |   |        |
| Wallace.         |   |        |



*Athletic Sports Sub-Committee.*

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 Mr. Davies } Hon.  
 Clarke } Secs.  
 Heron (Captain of Boats)  
 Clarke (Captain of Cricket)  
 Kendall (Football Captain).

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 Clarke (Head of the School) " Member

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 Kendall  
 Fitzhardinge I.  
 Heron.

*Musical Society Sub-Committee.*

The Head-master (*ex-officio*) President  
 Rundle, I., Treas. " Member  
 Mr. Baker  
 Maddrell  
 Wallace.

C.E.G.S. Calendar.

1886.

August 27— "St. James School Compensation Trust Act," assented to.

1888.

April 14—Foundation Stone laid by Bishop Barry.

December 22— Headmaster (E. I. Robson, Esq.) appointed.

1889.

May 4— Formal Opening by Lord Carrington in the presence of the Bishops of Australia.

July 16— First School Day. No. on Roll, 1 Boarder and 23 Day-Boys.

STAFF :

E. I. Robson, Esq.	A. J. Kelynack, Esq.
A. McC. Hughes, Esq.	G. A. Thomas, Esq.
Rev. D. Davies.	Herr Langhans.
C. H. Linton, Esq.	Sergeant McKay.

September 27— Last Day of Term.

October 8— First Day of Term. No. on Roll, 2 Boarders and 28 Day-Boys.  
 S. B. Wallace I, Hon. Treasurer for Sports. G. R. C. Clarke II, Captain of Cricket.

December 20— First Speech-Day. Prizes presented by The Very Rev. The Dean of Sydney (Administrator of the Diocese). Head Boy, G. R. C. Clarke II.

1890.

January 28— First Day of Term. No. on Roll, 7 Boarders and 52 Day-Boys.  
 Mr. Davies came into residence as House-Master.

- April 3— Last Day of Term.  
 April 14— First Day of Term. No. on Roll, 11 Boarders and 55 Day-Boys.  
 May 14— First School Football Match, *v.* The King's School III. Lost by 12 points to 8. W. Cliff I, Captain of Football.  
 June 20— Last Day of Term.  
 July 14— First Day of Term. No. on Roll, 16 Boarders and 86 Day-Boys.  
     L. A. Baker, Esq. succeeds A. J. Kelynack, Esq., resigned.  
 July 30— A. H. D. Purcell, Esq., joins the Staff.  
 September 20— Close of Football Season.  
 September 26— Last Day of Term. Public Exams. : 4 Candidates for Junior.  
 October 7— First Day of Term. No. on Roll, 17 Boarders and 87 Day-Boys.  
     G. R. C. Clarke II, Captain of Cricket.  
 October 8— 'The "Tub" arrived from Melbourne.  
 October 27— Mr. Purcell resigns and F. E. Oxer, Esq., appointed as *locum tenens*.  
 December 19— Second Speech Day. Prizes presented by the Most Reverend the Primate, Bishop Saumarez Smith. First Examination by outside examiners. A. H. Yarnold, Captain of the School.

1891.

- January 28— First Day of Term. No. on Roll, 26 Boarders and 89 Day-Boys.  
     A. D. Hall, Esq., succeeds Mr. Oxer, resigned.

## FIRST PREFETS INSTITUTED :

A. H. Yarnold	S. B. Wallace I.
J. Walker I.	W. B. Clarke I.
G. R. C. Clarke II.	R. Barton.
H. W. Kendall	H. Pockley I.
N. Trevor Jones	E. Abraham I.

- March 19— Draft of Rules for regulation of General and Sub-Committees for different branches of School Sports assented to. First Election of Sub-Committees for different Sports. Mr. Hughes undertakes management of Cricket; Mr. Davies, Football; and Mr. Hall, Boating.  
 March 25— The "Gertrude" christened by Miss Robson.  
 March 26— Last Day of Term.  
 March 26— } First Boating Camp at Gladesville. N. Trevor-Jones, Captain of  
 April 6— } Boats.  
 April 6— First Day of Term. No. on Roll, 28 Boarders and 92 Day-Boys.  
     R. Barton, Captain of Football.  
 April 10— Arrival from Melbourne of First Racing Four.  
 May 2— All-Schools' Champion Boat Race at St. Ignatius' Regatta. Won by C.E.G.S.  
 June 18— First School Concert. Presentation of Oars by Miss Robson to members of the champion crew.  
 June 19— Last Day of Term. First issue of TORCH-BEARER.  
 July 14— First Day of Term. No on Roll, 28 Boarders and 92 Day-Boys.  
     E. R. Holme, Esq., joins the staff.

- July 22— First Football Match, House v. School. Won by School, 6 points to 3.
- September 2— Close of Football Season. Team playing v. 2nd Teams of other Schools. Result: Won, 7; Lost, 6; Drawn, 1.
- September 25— Last Day of Term. In Public Exams, 1 Senior and 6 Juniors. Perry, prox. acc. for Arithmetic Medal.
- October 6— First Day of Term. No. on Roll. 31 Boarders and 89 Day-Boys. S. B. Wallace I, Captain of Cricket. W. H. Wilkinson I, appointed Prefect.
- October 28— C.E.G.S. v. Newington College. First Cricket Match v. 1st Teams of the other Schools. Newington, 137 and 58 for 6 wickets; C.E.G.S., 154 and 29.
- November 25— C.E.G.S. v. S.G.S. S.G.S., 173; C.E.G.S., 70 and 41 for 8 wickets.
- December 14— School Concert.
- December 15— Third Annual Speech Day. Prizes presented by His Excellency the Governor, The Earl of Jersey. Extra week's holiday asked for by the Governor and granted. A. H. Yarnold, Captain of the School.
- 1892.
- January 28— First Day of Term. No. on Roll, Boarders, 39; Day-Boys, 95. J. Mair and M. Dawson I, appointed Prefects.
- February 23— C.E.G.S. v. Newington College. C.E.G.S., 101 and 46 for 5 wickets; N.C., 172.
- March 2— C.E.G.S. v. S.G.S. C.E.G.S., 245 for 8 wickets; S.G.S., 102 for 1 wicket.
- March 26— C.E.G.S. v. St. Ignatius College. C.E.G.S., 28; St. Ignatius, 66 and 53 for 4 wickets.
- April 11— C.E.G.S. v. The King's School. C.E.G.S., 59 and 57; K.S., 186.
- April 12— Christening of "Joan" by Miss J. Fitzhardinge.
- April 14— Last Day of Term.
- April 14— } Second Annual Boating Camp at Mortlake. Boat Flag presented  
April 25— } by Miss Lizzie Old.
- April 25— First Day of Term. No. on Roll, Boarders, 39; Day-Boys, 100. R. Barton, Captain of Football.
- May 7— All-Schools' Champion Boat Race, St. Ignatius' Regatta. Won by C.E.G.S. 2nd Crew second in Open Maiden Race.
- May 25— C.E.G.S. v. The King's School. Lost 31 to 0. First time playing 1st teams in All-Schools' Football-Challenge Shield Contest.
- June 1— C.E.G.S. v. S.G.S., won by 4 points to 0.
- June 4— C.E.G.S. v. St. Ignatius', lost by 4 points to 0.
- June 8— C.E.G.S. v. Newington College, won by 9 points to 8. Lecture by Rev. R. Stewart on China.
- June 14— First Annual Athletic Sports' Meeting on the North Sydney Oval. A. H. Yarnold and Rev. D. Davies, Hon. Secs. Champion Athlete of the School, N. Cox; Junior, P. Fiaschi I. Open-

ing of the New Buildings by His Lordship the Primate.  
Presentation (by Miss Snowden Smith) of Prizes won at the Sports.

- June 16— Last Day of Term.  
July 12— First Day of Term. No. on Roll, Boarders, 39; Day-Boys, 107.  
G. R. C. Clarke II, Captain of Football. J. Mair, Hon. Treasurer for Sports.

FOLLOWING APPOINTED PREFECTS :

W. Morson I.	J. McNickle.
J. McIntyre.	N. Cox.
E. Ireland I.	J. Stewart I.

- August 1— G. H. Devonshire, Esq., joins the staff.  
August 3— C.E.G.S. v. S.G.S., lost by 8 to 0.  
August 24— C.E.G.S. v. N.C., lost 23 to 0.  
August 26— Death of C. H. J. Carey.  
August 31— C.E.G.S. v. The King's School, lost 46 to 0.  
September 23— Last Day of Term. Concert by Musical Society. Public Exams., 2 Seniors and 12 Juniors.  
October 4— First Day of Term. No. on Roll, Boarders, 37; Day-Boys, 104.  
Mr. Hughes resigned the Editorship of the TORCH-BEARER.  
W. B. Clarke I, Captain of Cricket.  
October 8— C.E.G.S. v. St. Joseph's College. C.E.G.S., 117; St. Joseph's, 212.  
October 26— C.E.G.S. v. N.C. C.E.G.S., 101 and N.C., 177.  
November 16— C.E.G.S. v. The King's School. K.S., 191; C.E.G.S., 45.  
November 23— C.E.G.S. v. S.G.S. C.E.G.S., 80 and 78 for 1 wicket; S.G.S., 125 and 188.  
December 20— Fourth Annual Speech Day. Prizes presented by His Lordship the Primate. Captain of the School: A. H. Yarnold. Hoisting of School Flag presented by Mrs. J. S. Harrison. Pictures presented by Herr Langhans and hung up in the class rooms.  
December 21— Picnic to M.G.S. Boys in Middle Harbour.  
December 22— Cricket Match on Association Ground, v. Melbourne Grammar School. M.G.S., 420; C.E.G.S., 60 and 72 for 4 wickets.
- 1893.
- January 31— First Day of Term. No. on Roll, 40 Boarders and 107 Day-Boys.  
R. G. Burnside, Esq. succeeds Herr Langhans resigned and G. B. Roskell, Esq. succeeds Mr. Thomas resigned. N. Y. Deane, Captain of Cricket. Mr. Hall undertakes management of Cricket *vice* Mr. Hughes resigned, and Mr. Devonshire Boating *vice* Mr. Hall resigned. Mr. Holme accepts Editorship of TORCH-BEARER *vice* Mr. Hughes resigned.  
February 8— C.E.G.S. v. N.C. C.E.G.S., 25 and 105; N.C., 162.

- February 22— C.E.G.S. v. S.G.S. C.E.G.S., 74 and 29; S.G.S., 78 and 28 for no wickets.
- March 1— C.E.G.S. v. The King's School. C.E.G.S., 145; K.S., 194.
- March 25— C.E.G.S. v. St. Joseph's. C.E.G.S., 106; St. Joseph's, 186.
- March 30— Last Day of Term.
- March 30— } Third Annual Boating Camp at Mortlake. N. Trevor-Jones,  
April 10— } Captain of Boats. First C.E.G.S. Boys enter the University  
(Yarnold, Mair and Morson.)
- April 10— First Day of Term. No. on Roll, 36 Boarders and 106 Day-Boys: H. W. Kendall, Captain of Football. W. J. S. Rundle I, Hon. Treasurer for Sports. Football Ground extended by 100 feet and fenced all round.
- April 14— New Rules for Initiation of Prefects. N. Cox and N. Y. Deane appointed Prefects and H. Ireland, S. C. Maddrell, E. Heron, W. J. S. Rundle I, E. Pockley and J. N. Fitzhardinge I, Sub-prefects. Mr. Holme undertakes management of Football *vice* Mr. Davies resigned.
- May 13— All-Schools' Rowing Championship on Parramatta River. Won by C.E.G.S. "Sing-Song" in Hall.
- May 20— First Old Boys' Football Match. Won by present, 17 to 10. First Annual Old Boys' Supper. "Sing-Song" in Hall.
- May 27— C.E.G.S. v. N.C. Lost, 26 to 0.
- May 31— C.E.G.S. v. K.S. Lost, 33 to 3.
- June 9— Second Annual Athletic Sports' Meeting on the North Sydney Oval. Champion Athlete of the School, N. Cox; Champion Junior, P. N. Aiken. G. R. C. Clarke and Rev. D. Davies, Hon. Secs.
- June 10— C.E.G.S. v. Scots' College. Won, 20 to 11.
- June 12— C.E.G.S. v. S.G.S. Won, 3 to 0.
- June 15— School Concert. Presentation of Sports' Prizes by Mrs. Bowden-Smith.
- June 16— Last Day of Term.
- July 11— First Day of Term. No. on Roll, 34 Boarders and 107 Day-Boys.
- July 14— H. Ireland, S. C. Maddrell, E. Heron, W. J. S. Rundle I, E. Pockley and J. F. Fitzhardinge I, appointed Prefects. E. Heron Captain of Boats.
- August 2— C.E.G.S. v. S.G.S. Lost, 3 to 0.
- August 16— C.E.G.S. v. Scots' College. Won, 49 to 0.
- August 23— C.E.G.S. v. N.C. Lost, 11 to 10.
- August 30— C.E.G.S. v. K.S. Lost, 6 to 0.
- September 11— Public Exams. commences. 1 Senior, 20 Juniors sent in.
- September 14— Photo of Masters taken for the first time.
- September 22— Last Day of Term.
- September 30— Death of J. P. Spiller.

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