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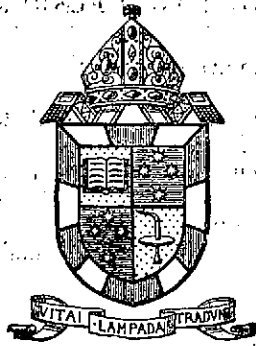
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TERM II. will end on Thursday afternoon, June 18th. Next Term will start on Tuesday, July 14th, at 2.30 p.m. New boys will be examined on Monday, July 13th, at 2 p.m.

The following boys have entered the School this term:—P. D. Braddon, A. C. Carter, R. B. Clark, R. A. Charlton (re-entered), M. Haxby, W. E. Du Moulin, G. S. Reid, D. V. Saddington, E. A. F. Smith.

The following boys have left since our last issue:—L. G. Amos, E. G. Garland (Junior 1907, Matric. 1908), V. Granowski, L. H. Jacob (Junior 1906 M, Matric. B. 1908, 1st xv. Colours), E. S. Kater (Prefect, Captain 1st xi., Captain 1st xv., G.P.S. xi. 1906-1907, G.P.S. xv. 1907), G. L.

Mackenzie, J. J. A. Mackay, H. R. Olver, D. W. B. Rankin, K. R. Traill (Sub-Prefect, Junior M 1907, 1st xi), P. N. Whitehead (Junior M 1907).

J. O. H. Nickoll and K. V. McDonald have been appointed Sub-Prefects.

On Empire Day a Union Jack, presented by Mr. and Mrs. Hodges, was duly unfurled and saluted by the School. The flag supplies a long-felt want, and will, we trust, float over us for many years on this and other State occasions.

In connection with the celebration of the School Anniversary, the annual football match v. the Old Boys took place on Thursday, April 30th, when a half holiday was given in honour of the occasion. On

Sunday evening, May 3rd, the Anniversary service was held in the School Hall—the preacher being the Vicar-General the Ven. Archdeacon Gunther. On Monday morning a special address was given by the Headmaster after morning prayers. A detailed account will be found in the Old Boys' Union article in this issue.

The Chapel Committee beg to thank Mrs. Stewart, of Culgruff, N.B., for a donation of £10 os. od. to the Building Fund.

In our last issue W. H. Porter was stated to be Church Primary Schools Exhibitioner instead of Council's Junior Scholar.

The examination for the "Uther Catechism Prize" will be held on Thursday, June 18th. The council have received a cheque from the executors of the late Mr. F. W. Uther to ensure that his prize for Church Catechism shall be provided for annually.

The subject for the "Admiral's Prize" will be Froude's English Seamen. The examination will be held next term.

At a General Sports Meeting of May 4th, Pockley i. was elected captain of football, *vice* Kater, left. At the same

meeting Pennefather, McDonald and Tucker i. were elected to the vacancies on the Football Sub-Committee.

At a General Sports Meeting of May 12th, Hordern, Massie and Marsh were elected to the vacancies on the Rowing Sub-Committee.

The Annual School Concert and Dramatic Entertainment will take place at the North Sydney School of Arts on Friday, June 12th. During the interval a presentation will be made on behalf of past and present to Mr. Allan Ramsay as a token of gratitude for all he has done in connection with the Boat Club.

The Boat Club Committee desire to express their hearty thanks to Mr. C. Moseley for his kindness in placing his motor launch at their disposal during the training of the crews for the G.P.S. Regatta.

The following have been chosen to represent the School in the Combined G.P. Schools' Football Matches against the University on Wednesday, June 17th:—1st XV.—B. C. A. Pockley, H. E. a'Beckett, E. R. H. Merewether; 2nd XV.—C. A. Pennefather, K. V. McDonald, R. L. Sayers and J. G. A. Pockley. Reserves—F. P. Macintyre, J. O. H. Nickoll.

Empire Day.

EMPIRE Day was celebrated at the School in a fitting manner. The School assembled as usual for prayers. Special collects were said, and the hymn, "O God Our Help in Ages

Past," was sung. The special lesson, 1 S. Peter, ii, was read.

The Headmaster, addressing the boys, said that it was a fitting thing that on that day they should realise their position in

the great chain of sentiment and patriotism which bound the various parts of the Empire together. It was fitting also that that day should be always associated with the name of the great Queen under whose reign the prosperity of the Empire had been forwarded to a marked degree. He referred to the watchword suggested by the British Empire League, "Responsibility, Service, Self-sacrifice, and Duty," and reminded the boys how those principles were to be realised in school life.

Professor M. W. MacCallum, M.A., LL.D., then addressed the boys. He said that they would find, as they went on in life, those who would offer objections to their celebrating the spirit of Empire as they were doing that day. On the one hand some would say it was too broad a spirit: they should think rather of Loyalty to their own land. On the other hand there were those who said that the Empire spirit was a narrow one, and that their sympathies should go forth to the whole of the human race. There was truth in both of these objections, for on the one hand their first duty was the duty that lay nearest them, and the Gospel bade them love their neighbours, that is those nearest them; and on the other hand St. Paul reminded them that in the highest view there was neither bond nor free, neither Jew nor Greek, barbarian nor Scythian, and they must remember their brotherhood with the whole human race. What then was the answer to these objections? The Empire, as they believed, had been, and was still, an agency for the spread of liberty and other blessings to the race, and in upholding the Empire they were upholding an agency for the good of mankind. Singly they could do something, but unitedly the Empire could accomplish a great deal for the good of the world. The formation of

noble character should be the aim of an individual life; so, also, the formation of a noble national character must be the aim of all citizens of the Empire. Then again they must remember how much was owing to the Motherland—for the defence of their coasts, for the principles of liberty, for the homes and the pure ideals of home life which they enjoyed. Let them think only of the words they used and the literature they enjoyed, and they would see that here their debt to England was incalculable. Let them think also of the great principle of constitutional freedom which has been wrought out in England as a heritage for them. He had met in a railway carriage in England a man who was discussing politicians, and who remarked that the King was the greatest man of his subjects. Making an unconscious use of a figure of speech used before by Milton, the man had stated a very important fact. Thinking of all these benefits inherited from the past they must endeavour to pay back their debt. Prof. MacCallum then quoted, to enforce his point, the great lines of Browning:

"Nobly, Nobly Cape St. Vincent to the North-west died away,
Sunset ran, one glorious blood-red reeking into
Cadiz Bay;
Bluish 'mid the burning water, full in face Trafalgar lay;
In the dimmest North-east distance dawned
Gibraltar grand and grey.
'Twere, and here did England help me; how can
I help England?--say,
Whoso turns as I, this evening, turn to God to
praise and pray,
While Jove's planet rises yonder, silent over
Africa."

He was glad, he said, to hear that a cadet force had been established in the School. It was well to have the spirit of patriotism and courage. But to this must

be added efficiency; that the spirit might be carried into practical effect.

At the close of Prof. MacCallum's speech, "God Save the King" was sung with enthusiasm. Mr. L. A. Baker sang "Rule Britannia," the school joining heartily in the chorus. Cheers were given for the King, for Prof. MacCallum and for the Headmaster.

The School assembled in the playground to salute the Union Jack, which had been presented by Mr. and Mrs. Hodges, and which was for the first time flown from the tower. Tozer, on behalf of the School, accepted the gift, and called for three cheers for the donors, which were given with great zest.

The Snowy River.

FIERCE winter storms round Kosciusco whirl

The flickering snowflakes over peak and glen,

Over this shroud the snow-cloud falls again. With icy shriek the blasts of tempest hurl

The gnarled limbs of many an ancient gum Far-flung, and all the deepening drifts become

White as the sea-foam or the glistening pearl;

Around, the frozen hills are desolate and dumb.

But when the spring breaks winter's ice-gripped sway

With milder breezes from the western plain, Down every slope the long-bound waters strain

Through rock and precipice tearing a way, An angry giant roaring in his might

With weird dim voices mingling in the night—

Through granite boulders reared in long array,

While hills mist-wreathen tower far up above the fight.

The blazing sun of summer now displayed Looks down upon a gentler rippling stream,

Whose clear cold waters in the sunlight gleam;

The pool is still beneath the mountain shade,

'Mid tinkling bells and wildest melody

Of nature's music onward to the sea,

With winding course through plain and forest glade,

By bush and briar the river glides where silent places be.

H.

At the Snowy River.

THE veracity of those who endeavour to capture fish with hook and line is so often challenged that to indulge in that form of recreation is to jeopardise one's reputation. Now

this injustice is undoubtedly owing to the ignorance of those who do not fish, to the jealousy of those who do, and to the natural tendency that fish have to increase in size and weight in due proportion

to the time that has elapsed since their capture. Moreover, anglers have such opportunities of seeing the beauties of nature and the wonders of the deep, that they unconsciously develop poetical proclivities, and poetry admits of *hyperbole*. You should not be surprised then, and certainly not annoyed, because he tells you that the fish that broke his tackle and got away was a five-pounder. It must have been or it would not have broken his cast.

Yet there was a time when the angler was held in high estimation. Izaak Walton, the great father of angling, wrote a charming little book in the days of Oliver Cromwell, a book which everyone should read and read often, for, not only does he instruct how to angle, but also how to live happy and die well. How delightfully he conjures up the gentle stream flowing through the pleasant meadow, the woody hills, the summer day, boys and girls weaving garlands of wild flowers, the trout rising under the green bank, the country woman with her daughter a-milking and singing, "Come stay with me and be my love," in return for his present to her of a nice fish! We are not surprised that she bids him come again, saying, "I and my daughter love anglers, for they be such honest, civil, quiet men." And when the nightingale pours forth her song in the neighbouring thicket he exclaims, "Lord, what music dost Thou provide for the saints in heaven when Thou afforded bad men such music on earth?"

Well, though I may endanger my reputation by divulging the secret of my piscatorial propensities, yet I yield to the earnest solicitation of the Editor, and venture to tell you somewhat concerning

the Snowy River and the rainbow trout, in the hope that by doing so I may unlock for some of you the gate that leads to the joyous fields which are the possession of all true lovers of angling.

We—I say we, but I dare not risk the reputation of others—left Sydney about eight o'clock at night, comfortably ensconced in a sleeping compartment, and found an excellent breakfast awaiting us at Cooma. A twenty-mile drive in the rain landed us at Berridale, where one hotel and some willows and tall poplars filled the scene; the willows and poplars were strikingly gay, for, while parts of them retained the greenness of summer, the tops and often one side had put on the "russet shot with gold" of autumn.

Before making another start we took the precaution of putting on our waders, and if this did not improve our personal appearance, it enabled us to reach our destination about seven miles beyond Jindabyne in comparative comfort.

Prospects were distinctly shady; the rain promised to last for days, the river was swollen, and our camp had been pitched thirteen miles farther up the river, so we had to remain in our comfortable quarters for several days till the weather cleared up, and our tents were brought down to the seven mile camp, after which conditions were satisfactory, and we had no fault to find with the behaviour of the rainbows we had come so far to seek.

To describe the Snowy River is a large order, and Professor David's geological description would no doubt be of very deep interest to the Moderns; but, as the fisherman sees it, it is a lovely river flowing for miles through a deep gorge with steep, often precipitous sides covered with trees and scrub. Its bed consists of granite

rocks and boulders, through which the snows of Kosciusco, melted by summer sun and rain, dash like an angry giant, crashing, seething, roaring, humming and tearing a way out to the more open country and the quieter pools past Jindabyne and on to Dalgety.

But when the snow waters are all gone down through Victoria to mingle with the sea, a great change comes over the Snowy, and how brightly its clear crystal water sparkles in the sunshine! What possibilities of luring a lusty trout from his haunt beneath the boulders, which now rise up above the surface, present themselves everywhere. The long gently-flowing stretch of the glassy pool with its still water towards either bank, the ripple over the smaller rocks in the shallows, the eddying swirl of the deep dark hole, the waterfall that here and there plashes down between solid walls of granite, the ever-changing shadows and reflections, all these charm and delight and call for a variety of method in fishing.

Often we waded with difficulty out to a rock in mid-stream, and from this coign of vantage sent the flies searching for a feeding fish to every likely spot within reach. What a splendid fight X (the unknown quantity) put up with that three-pounder! and how, when his quarry made down stream, he leapt from boulder to boulder, rod in hand, performing feats of which A. D. Fisher or St. Vincent-Welch would have been justly proud, till at last he got below his fish and bore him struggling in his net to the shore.

On another occasion I saw him perched upon a slippery, well-polished rock on the

opposite side of the river about six feet above the water fully occupied with a big opponent of extraordinary valour and resource; he could not reach down far enough with his net, and the water was too deep for him to slip down into it. At this interesting stage I passed round a huge mass of rock, and at once found myself extremely busy with a very worthy $3\frac{1}{4}$ pounder, so that I do not know how X solved his equation; but the trout *did* find its way into his net.

When the sun sank rather hastily behind the mountains, and tired and hungry we got back to our camp to find our faithful henchman waiting beside a pile of burning logs with the evening meal ready for us, it did not take us long to doff our waders and come to an anchor on a bag close to the fire, for the nights were cold.

How bright the stars shone through the frosty air! Fortunately our supply of blankets was sufficient to keep us warm, and we were tired enough to appreciate bed by nine o'clock.

In the stillness the weird noises of the river, like voices in the night, mingled with monotonous cry of the mopoke and the jangle of the bullock-bell that hung on the neck of the camp-horse, stirred the imagination, and, till we became accustomed to it, kept sleep at arm's length. But sleep would not be denied, and peaceful, restful, unalloyed sleep, from which we awoke, not too early in the morning, refreshed and fit to attack first our breakfast and then any rainbow trout that liked to challenge our prowess.

SALMO IRIDEUS.

A Day in the Laboratory of the C.S.R. Co.

THE difficulty in describing the day's work lies in the endeavour to make the proceedings clear without using too many technical expressions.

We reach the "lab." at 9 o'clock and take off our coats (and vests if the day is hot) and put on aprons.

At about 9.30 some ten or twelve samples of raw sugar are brought to our benches to be analysed. Their numbers and the mills they come from are entered in our note-books. The analysis consists in finding out the percentage of cane-sugar, fruit-sugar, other organic matter, ash, and moisture.

The first thing is to place in a brass basin, about the size of a round match-box lid, five grams of the sugar. When this has been done for each sample, the basins are placed in a water-bath which is kept at a temperature of 100°C by a steam jacket. A greater heat would decompose the sugar and cause an inaccurate result. The time required to properly dry them is four and a half hours.

Next we have to determine the ash. For this purpose a platinum basin (worth about £6) is employed, as it does not change in weight when heated. Five grams of sugar are placed in each platinum, sulphuric acid is added, and they are heated in a gas-furnace. All the sugar burns away, and the traces of sand, iron, calcium, and potash are left in the basin as a soft grey ash.

To ascertain the cane-sugar present, 16.3 grams of each sample are weighed out and put into a small flask which holds 100 cubic centimetres. The sugar is dissolved in water, lead acetate is added to remove the brown colour of the solution, and the flask is filled with water till it

contains exactly 100 c.c. of solution. It is well shaken and filtered through filter-paper. A clear sparkling solution is obtained. A brass tube with a flat disc of glass at either end is filled with the solution, and taken to the polariscope room. This is quite dark, except for a small yellow light, obtained by burning common salt in the flame of a bunsen burner.

A solution of cane sugar twists a beam of light from right to left, and a piece of tourmaline twists it from left to right. Therefore, if we know how much we have to twist the tourmaline to get a clear beam of light through the solution in the tube, we shall know how much cane-sugar is present. Having viewed each solution through the polariscope, or, as we call it, "read the tubes," we enter our results in our note-books.

Now we go to the furnace room and remove our ashes which have been cooking, while we were doing the cane-sugars. When cool, each platinum is weighed, and the difference between the weight of the clean vessel and its weight combined with that of the ash, gives the ash of that sugar.

At one o'clock we have lunch. We are allowed half-an-hour, but if very busy we waste as little time as possible.

The fruit-sugar is estimated by its action on a solution of copper sulphate. Some sugars contain more fruit-sugar than others, and it is desirable that about 20 c.c. of sugar solution should be used in each estimation, so varying quantities of sugar are weighed out and put into the 100 c.c. flasks mentioned above. They are dissolved and made up to 100 c.c. with water. We now fill a graduated glass tube, called a burette, with one of our solutions; boil

our copper solution in a wide-mouthed flask, and add small quantities of the sugar solution to it, boiling after each addition. When the blue colour is almost removed, a small quantity of the liquid is tested with chemicals. If there is still copper sulphate present, a little more solution is added, and another test taken. This is repeated until a point is reached where no copper sulphate is left in the liquid. From the quantity of sugar solution which we have found is necessary to change all the copper sulphate, we know how much fruit-sugar there is in that sugar.

We probably finish the fruit sugars about 3.30. Then we weigh our dried sugars, which were removed from the water-bath at about 2.45, and have been cooling in a glass vessel, containing sulphuric acid, to prevent the absorption of water from the air. The difference between the first weight of sugar and the weight of the same sugar dried, gives the moisture. The cane-sugar, fruit-sugar, ash, and moisture are added up, and the difference from 100 is the organic matter

other than sugar, such as citric, tartaric, and other organic acids.

The following is a typical analysis of a New South Wales Sugar:

Number of Sample	...	S 178
Name of Mill	...	Broadwater
Percentage of Cane-sugar	...	98.90
" Fruit-sugar23
" other Organic Matter39
" Ash27
" Moisture21
Net-Titre	...	97.32
Colour	...	18

As ash and fruit-sugar are disadvantages, they must be reckoned with in getting a true estimate of the value of the sugar. A standard has been agreed upon, called the net titre, which is obtained by adding the fruit-sugar to five times the ash, and subtracting this result from the cane-sugar.

The last thing is to compare the colour of the sugar with that of sugars, called the Dutch colour standards. These range from 20, which is almost white, to 8, which is very dark brown. All our analyses are now entered in a book. It is about 4.20, so we clean up our benches and finish our day's work at 4.30. C.

Cadet Corps.

A HEARTY response has been received to the circular issued at the end of last term intimating that a Cadet Corps was to be formed. Before half term 80 boys had joined, and the numbers to date are slightly over 100. This will form a full company and about 20 or 30 over. The School Company has been gazetted, and will form G Company of the 3rd Battalion of Senior Cadets.

It is the intention of the authorities to form a company composed of boys of different schools in order to provide for those for whom there is no room at present in their school company, so that no

one of the requisite age (14) and height (5ft. 2in.) will be obliged to wait.

Mr. Pulling has taken the command of the Company, and is assisted by Mr. Harris and Mr. Wilshire in the organisation of the Company. Captain Digby, an officer of long experience, has won our thanks for sparing some of his time to give instruction. The arms and ammunition have been applied for and measurements for uniforms taken. It is hoped, therefore, that next term the corps will be fully equipped.

The full Company parade takes place on Friday, and on Tuesday and Thursday

afternoons there is a voluntary parade, and these are invariably well attended. On the occasions of the voluntary parades the playground frequently presents a scene of great activity, for while from one corner two buglers, assiduously practising, give us "*lituo tubae sonitus permixtus*," in the centre a junior football match, "*bella matribus detestata*," keeps up a guerilla warfare with the squads of the "*multi quos castra iuvant*."

The School is to be congratulated that a large number of boys in the new cadets are those who already take a leading part

in football, cricket and rowing. This example is one which will be followed by generations of boys to come. While this unselfish spirit is shown by the boys their officers will spare no time or pains to bring the corps up to high-water mark, without encroaching more than is absolutely unavoidable on the time of other sports.

If the enthusiasm continues, and at the beginning of next term leads to good, hard work, the School Company will be ready to take part in the welcome to the American Fleet in August.

Inter-School Debate.

THE return debate with the S.G.S. was held last term. Mr. Weigall presided. The meeting was well attended by adherents from the School.

Lloyd (S.G.S.) opened by moving that "We gain more from reading than from observation." He apologised to the audience for having to advance arguments in support of an obvious proposition. Of course primitive man had to rely on observation alone; but the more his mind developed the more he wrote. The experience of wise men was thus preserved to save future generations from wasting time and strength. The opposition preferred their own observation to that of the greatest men. Could the average mind conceive for itself the mighty theories of a Darwin or a Spencer? What pleasure do we gain from reading the novels of Dickens? Such reading is superior to our own observation. From the writings of great men we get lofty ideals to mould our own lives, and deeper reasonings than we derive from our own observations. From the study of History we have learned to found our constitution. Observation must be limited to things seen with our own eyes. Reading has greater and deeper effects than observation.

Pulling (S.C.E.G.S) defined the word gain as meaning "contribute to our material welfare." The business man must have perception. The soldier is trained more in the field than by reading tactics from a book. The doctor learns more from the dissecting room than from the Library. Our opponents would soar to higher things; would live the higher life. How would they live? By "devouring" books! The higher development of the intellect is not produced by reading. It is produced when a man gets thoughts of his own. Original thought is the high-water mark of each man's life. What is the use of the bookworm? Compare Mr. Stephen's "futile don" with Professor David. The "futile don" lived buried in his carpeted library, and no one was the wiser or the better. Professor David dares the perils of an Antarctic winter for the sole purpose of *observation* for the benefit of humanity. It was by observation that Newton discovered the laws of gravitation, and James Watt the power of steam. It was asserted that originality was increased by reading. Just so, if right books are read. But inferior books are read; so many, indeed, that we must believe that reading is not an unmixed blessing. Nat Gould was harmful, and so was Marie Corelli. The reader might better go to sleep; or, better still, wake up and observe. Fifty per cent. of all

books published are of inferior quality. A reference had been made to history. But history proved that the best systems of government existed in States without libraries, such as Rome and Sparta. The Romans would have been better under Augustus than under Numa, if books counted. Alexandria was a highly immoral city in spite of its 700,000 volumes.

Barbour (S.G.S.) : Reading and observation are really complementary. We form our opinions and see all standpoints by reading. The subject of debate really is this : "Is it better to make our own observations or to use those of the greatest men?" Doctors must read in order to know how to dissect and what to look for. We can avoid harmful books. Harmful observation cannot always be avoided. Men must read to get general ideas about the world. The progress of Christianity was greatly furthered by reading. The advocates of observation as against reading must be mad.

Pockley (S.C.E.G.S.) said that observation comes first and the book follows. Many mistakes were made in books. Men had to *observe* the mistakes and correct them. The difference between reading and observation can be best illustrated by a parable : Two men are in a desert, a student and a man of observation. Enter lion. Student is devoured while looking up lion in dictionary. Observer *observes* a tree, climbs up it, and so escapes. The observer is more broad-minded than the man of books. The mere book-worm is apt to be a fierce resister of progress.

Graham (S.G.S.) remarked that if a young man went into a dissecting room without reading a book on anatomy, he might take his scalpel and slash and slash, and be very little the wiser. If we did not read we should never get beyond our predecessors. To govern a country rightly, statesmen must read of political crises of times gone by. We learn how not to repeat the mistakes of our ancestors by reading history. History cannot be learned by *observation*. Sciences like astronomy must be recorded in books. A man who has no reading is a bore. Observation will not make us high-souled if we observe vile things. If books are harmful, observation may be harmful too. Professor David, when he returns must write a *book*, in order to benefit humanity.

Digby (S.C.E.G.S.) : Wordsworth was essentially an observer. Observers like Huxley are better than men who spout Horace. The school-

men accepted statements as true because they were written in the works of Aristotle. Men of old did not observe much. When the observers came the world became much more rapidly civilized.

Taylor (S.G.S.) : Without books Greek and Latin would have been lost, also Roman Law. Developments in science would be forgotten. Young men and boys must read to pass examinations. The weariness of a wet day is best counteracted by reading a nice book.

Anderson (S.G.S.) criticised the monks. They did not help on the world. Reading is a weight on our minds, only to be digested by observation. Information is only cramming, not knowledge. A man can read about suffering, and is affected in the abstract ; but if he sees the suffering he is moved to alleviate the suffering. A man observes and writes. The cause was the observing and the writing is the effect. Cause is greater than effect. Ergo observation is greater than what is written.

Donovan (S.G.S.) made a witty speech, most of which, unfortunately, was not reported. Pockley's parable of the two men and the lion was emended. The student escaped owing to the difficulty the lion had in assimilating the dictionary. The observer was left literally and metaphorically up a tree.

Boyce (S.C.E.G.S.) : Observation is necessary for a man to write a book. The reader needs observation to appreciate what is written. One cannot learn science by reading without observation. He might get theory but he would have no practice. We must not rely on what other people have written. We must use our observation to further our reading. The reading of the *World's News* and of *Truth* would not benefit us much.

Lloyd (S.G.S.) made a very brief reply.

Mr. Weigall, for the judges, declared that the S.G.S. speakers had proved the abler debaters, but that Pulling (S.C.E.G.S.) had made the best speech of the evening. After a vote of thanks had been tendered to the Chairman the proceedings terminated, and the visitors were entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Weigall in the Headmaster's room.



A. R. HORDERN. R. L. SAYERS. MR. I. G. MACRAY. C. H. EDWARDS. J. O. H. NICHOLL. R. J. A. MASSIE.
 J. G. A. POCKLEY. C. A. PENNEFATHER. K. V. McDONALD. B. C. A. POCKLEY (Capt). E. R. H. MEREWETHER. H. E. ABBEY. W. E. TUCKER.
 C. M. M. MARSH. S. C. IRVING. F. P. MACINTYRE. E. H. DODDS.

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Junior Debating Society.

THE meetings have been largely attended, but considerable difficulty has been found in getting speakers. The first debate this term was on the subject: "The Pen is mightier than the Sword."

Boyce, ii. declared that all learning depended on knowledge of writing. The sword was purely a destructive agency, and besides only a limited number of the inhabitants of the world could fight; while both sexes were able to use the pen. Without writing, accounts could not be kept, and all business would be at a standstill, and we should only have the most incorrect accounts of the past history of the world.

Dibbs referred to the classics, instancing Hannibal as an example of the power of the sword. Shakspeare could never have conquered an empire for England by his writings. All the greatest changes in the world's history had been brought about by the sword. Mahomet did not spread his religion by writing; other great military successes such as the defeat of the Armada, the conquests of Joan of Arc and Napoleon were not made by the pen.

Macintyre iii. said that the pen gave us the Bible and our religion. There would be no literature, no great poets like Shakespere if writing was unknown.

Tucker iii. said that the only satisfactory means of settling disputes between nation and nation was by fighting.

Cummings asserted that but for the protection of sword, writings would not have been preserved for us.

Carrington said that the pen was the emblem of peace. But for writing we should have no newspapers and could not keep in touch with current events.

Boyce (in reply) pointed out that the Mahometan religion had been handed down in the Koran. Joan of Arc was the "exception that proves the rule."

The proposal was defeated by 22 votes to 18.

The next debate was on the proposal "That all boys in the School over the age of 14 should be compelled to join the Cadets."

Carrington (proposer) said that the boy was father of the man. Unless military services was made compulsory, Australia must fall a victim to some stronger race, such as Germany. Patriotism was of little avail by itself, but needed military training as well. He supported his appeal by several apt quotations, and also pointed out that cadets could have very good fun in the execution of their duty.

Boyce, ii (opposer) objected to compulsory cadet service, on the ground that it was an infringement of liberty, the keynote of England's history. Compulsory training had never proved necessary hitherto. Patriotism in Australia, "The land where Old England is youthful again," could well dispense with compulsory training.

Newmarch declared in favour of the proposal if England's prestige was to be maintained.

Wood alluded to the splendid exercise afforded by cadet drill.

Lloyd, in criticising a former speaker's remarks, showed that compulsory training was no novelty, as at earlier periods of English history men had been obliged to practise archery. We must not always look to England for protection, as in case of war she would be busy protecting her own coasts.

Musgrave said that cadets were very well for boys who wanted to wear red coats and look pretty, but had no attraction for those who had other amusements.

Cornwell pointed out the difficulty of an invasion of Australia if all the inhabitants were trained soldiers.

Allworth denied the necessity of compulsory service. Men nowadays were sufficiently civilised to be able to rise to an emergency.

Young ii. supported the motion. If boys were trained in the use of firearms there would be fewer shooting accidents.

Boyce in reply said that no one had attempted to deal with his arguments, and pointed to England the centre of power of the British nation in support of his contentions.

Carrington (in reply) called attention to the absurdity of one member's statement about red coats: the cadets did not wear red coats. William I. had conquered England because that country was divided: Australians must present a firm and united front to a foreign foe.

The proposal was carried by 29 votes to 5.

Boat Club.

THE Schools' Races for this year have been rowed and once more we have gained the championship, while the Second Crew was third in its race.

This year the standard of school rowing all round was perhaps higher than it has ever been, and had the race been won by either the S.G.S. or St. Ignatius' crews, the winning crew would have been well up to the average of other years. As it was, the three placed boats were overlapping at the finish while St. Joseph's were scarcely further from the leaders than the second boat has been on some occasions. For a change the weather conditions this year were favourable to good rowing, as the strong westerlies which prevailed during the last two races were this time avoided. Consequently the times were good in both races, and both were free from mishap.

As a description of the race is given further on, it may not be out of place here to say something of the training; especially that portion of it compressed into the fortnight of our encampment at Gladesville. This year, both crews — and particularly the Second Crew — were backward in their work at the time of going into camp; for practically no long work had been done, and while we might have been doing courses we were only doing short pieces. This was chiefly because there were no facilities for following the crews during long rows, and if they were to have the benefit of coaching at all, then they had to confine themselves to short rows to get it. However this difficulty was done away with in the last fortnight, through the generosity of Mr. C. Moseley

in placing his new motor launch "Skedaddle" at our disposal for coaching purposes. There is no doubt that the success of the Crew is largely to be attributed to the extra coaching Mr. Ramsay was able to give from the "Skedaddle," and we take the opportunity of heartily thanking Mr. Moseley for his kindness in lending the Club his boat. Although at first training was somewhat hampered, this in no wise lessened the interest which both the First and Second Crews took in their work, and if ever a race was won by keenness, that same quality made our Crew winners this year. From cox to bow the Crew made more than ordinary efforts to carry out instructions, and it was solely on account of this concentrated interest that they were able to develop into the fine crew they proved to be on the day of the race. Edwards showed himself an excellent stroke, and the manner in which he rowed himself to a standstill in the race was typical of the work of the whole crew in their training. With two light men in the stroke and bow seats, and two extra heavy weights in the body of the boat, it was a somewhat ticklish job to get all into condition at the same time. However by extra tubbing and work outside the boat for the heavy men, the condition of the four was eventually brought into line. The crew in practice gave promise of being fast, and it was recognised that if the *two* and *three* could only be got to swing out, the boat would take a lot of beating. No one was more impressed with the necessity of this than *two* and *three* themselves, but it was not till the Friday before the race that the Crew finally attained its swing and showed

anything like championship form. The Second Crew was a good deal undeveloped on the day of the race, which was the more unfortunate because this year St. Ignatius' and S.G.S. were represented by particularly strong second crews. Our Crew had any amount of dash at the start and for a time led the others, but it lacked the ability to settle into a solid swinging stroke, and in the end we were a good many lengths in the rear. Bow and two were the novices of the Crew, and though they made rapid strides, considering the time they had been rowing, two or three weeks more were required to fit them for such a race.

The Gladesville Hotel turned out to be quite a superior abode, and our quarters being comfortable the success of the camp, from a social point of view, was assured. This year, unlike crews of the past, we boasted several musicians in the party. Day was the violinist, Marsh played the ocarina, and Hordern manipulated the bones, while Sayers was found to be a soloist of no mean ability. The pianistes, however, had to be imported, and we cannot let this opportunity go by without thanking heartily those ladies who were so good as to come and play for us. Mr. Ramsay also provided amusement by the introduction of a new arrangement for teaching slidwork out of the boat. The Headmaster and Mrs. Hodges paid us their customary visit, and presented a case of fruit. Mrs. Hodges also very generously made a gift of honey, but we blush to relate that the whole 21 lbs. were consumed in the first week. During our stay in Gladesville we were visited by St. Andrew's College Crew; the N.S.W. Eight-Oar Crew, and by many Old Boys and friends of the School.

In the week immediately following the race there was no lack of entertainment for

the Crews, for Mr. H. H. Massie took the First Crew to "Humpty Dumpty," while the Headmaster entertained both Crews at dinner at the A.B.C., and afterwards took the party to see "A Beggar on Horseback."

The oars used in the race are to be presented to the winning First Crew and the rudder to the cox, and we have to thank Miss E. M. Dibbs and Messrs. T. A. Dibbs and H. H. Massie for subscribing towards that purpose.

Mr. Allan Ramsay was again as painstaking and unselfish as ever in his handling of the Crews, just how painstaking may be gathered from the form shown and the success gained. Mr. Keith Williams also lent valuable assistance in the coaching and conditioning of the Crews.

We thank the following Old Boys for sending congratulatory telegrams upon our success in the race:—H. V. Jaques, A. T. Edols, C. L. Willcox.

The account of the regatta given below is taken from the *Referee* of May 6th:—

PUBLIC SCHOOLS' CHAMPIONSHIP.

CHURCH OF ENGLAND GRAMMAR SCHOOL WINS.

The Great Public Schools of Sydney held their annual rowing carnival on the Parramatta River last Wednesday afternoon. Wind and weather could not have been more suitable for the event. The Sydney Church of England Grammar School annexed the Championship after one of the finest battles the schools have yet made, and the Yaralla Cup went to St. Ignatius' College rather easily. Particulars of the events are as follow:

SCHOOLS CHAMPIONSHIP, $1\frac{1}{4}$ mile, carrying with it the Major Rennie trophy and Schools' Association badge and certificate.

SYDNEY CHURCH OF ENGLAND GRAMMAR SCHOOL.—C. M. Marsh 10.6 (bow), A. R. Hordern 11.13, R. J. A. Massie 13.8, C. H. Edwards 10.1 (stroke), F. H. Day 5.7 (cox) 1

- SYDNEY GRAMMAR SCHOOL.—S. R. Stafford 10.6 (bow), A. T. Woodriff 11.7, J. C. Lamrock 11.7, J. R. Garland 11.3 (stroke), J. T. Anderson 5.2 (cox) ... 2
- ST. IGNATIUS' COLLEGE.—J. Dalton 10.10 (bow), C. Veech 11, J. Carlton 12.12, B. Veech 11 (stroke), A. Kelly 5.7 (cox) ... 3
- ST. JOSEPH'S COLLEGE.—P. Walsh 10.4 (bow), D. Poett 11.4, J. Tracey 12.12, S. Kelly 12.11 (stroke), T. Healy 5.11 (cox) ... 4

The boats were started from opposite Peter Kemp's boatshed. Approaching Gladsville Wharf the Church of England crew had a slight advantage over St. Ignatius', Sydney Grammar School being third, and St. Joseph's in the rear. The boats passed the wharf 1min. 40sec. after the start, and Sydney Grammar School had then jumped into second place, but were not steering too well. Cabarita was passed in 2min. 45sec. St. Joseph's labored along behind, but were pulling well. Half-way to Mortlake St. Ignatius' appeared to shoot to the front, and they were leading at Tennyson, which was passed in 5min. 2 4-5 sec. But the Church of England crew had stamina, and were ahead again at Mortlake (6min. 28sec.). Thence to the end they were not caught. It was a splendid finish. The judge's verdict was that the first, second, and third boats overlapped each other, and the distance between each of them was not more than a third of a length. The time recorded was 7min. 35 4-5 sec.

SECOND CREWS, trophy, the Yaralla Cup, and Schools' Association certificate. Distance, 1 mile.

- ST. IGNATIUS' COLLEGE.—L. Veech 10.12 (bow), F. Fanning 10.12, J. Wilkinson 10.6, A. Cox 10.11 (stroke), F. Kinkead 7 (cox) ... 1
- SYDNEY GRAMMAR SCHOOL.—C. R. Sheldon 10.7 (bow), H. R. Cowdery 10.13, G. P. Arnold 10.7, A. J. Robson 9.12 (stroke), H. K. Crawford 5 (cox) ... 2
- CHURCH OF ENGLAND GRAMMAR SCHOOL.—K. V. McDonald 10.3 (bow), R. L. Sayers 11.2, W. E. Tucker 10.13, C. W. Snook, 10.8 (stroke), W. Webster 6 (cox) ... 3
- ST. JOSEPH'S COLLEGE.—T. Roche 11.4 (bow), C. Lynch 11, E. McCaffrey 10.9, R. Quinn 10.10 (stroke), H. Nash 4.8 (cox) ... 4

Church of England were smartest away, but St. Ignatius soon got on equal terms, and then forged to the front. At the Gasworks St. Ignatius had a well-established lead, with Sydney Grammar

School in close attendance, and the others tailed off. Sydney Grammar School moved up a bit closer to the leaders in the next quarter of a mile, but St. Ignatius had the best water, and, pulling strongly, reached the judge's boat winners by two lengths, four lengths separating the other boats. The time was 5min. 37 3-5sec.

Mr. N. J. McDonald was umpire, Mr. J. Degotardi judge, Mr. J. McGregor starter, and Mr. W. Kerr timekeeper. The coaches for the respective schools were: Messrs. G. Towns (St. Joseph's), sc. Ramsay (Church of England Grammar School), W. H. Savigny (Sydney Grammar School), and D. McDougall (St. Ignatius').

The Major Rennie Trophy has, to date, been won by S.C.E.G.S.; 7 times; St. Ignatius' College, 4 times; and S.G.S., 3 times.

Below will be found Mr. Ramsay's criticism of the Crews:—

FIRST CREW.

- C. H. EDWARDS, 10st. 11b. (stroke).—Has a clean solid beginning, covering blade instantly by application of full weight of body; drives the stroke through splendidly with legs, finishes hard and clean; hands good; body recovery free and elastic; slide steady; forward swing firm and well controlled; length good. Possesses a large measure of coolness, coupled with dash and endurance, and has proved himself a reliable stroke, capable of brilliant work at a pinch. Shows a slight tendency to swing out at the finish, and to keep shoulders back too long.
- R. J. A. MASSIE, 13st. 6lb. (3).—Has a good smart beginning, supported from stretcher by solid leg work; hands smart; recovery free and easy; forward swing long and massive; slide steady, and length good. Is very powerful, game, and full of endurance, and must be regarded as a tower of strength in any boat. Requires to curtail the back swing slightly, keeps body well up at finish, and rows both elbows well past sides.
- A. R. HORDERN, 11st. 12lb. (2).—Is a very formy and effective oar; his beginning, finish, leg, body, slide work, and hands are particularly good. Has great power, pluck, and endurance. Requires to check a tendency to swing short occasionally.

C. M. MARSH, 10st. 6lb. (bow.)—Has an effective, crisp beginning; makes admirable use of body and legs; finishes hard and clean; recovers smartly and freely, both with hands and body. Is cool, plucky, and has considerable endurance. His watermanship enabled him to fill efficiently what must always be regarded as a difficult seat. Is inclined to "kick" his slide a little, and to hurry it slightly on the recovery.

F. H. DAY, 5st. 7lb. (cox.)—Proved intelligent, attentive and obliging; showed improvement each day, and unless he grows too heavy, will be very useful to next year's crews.

Never before in the annals of school rowing in New South Wales have three such excellent crews faced the starter for the Schools Championship as those which represented the Sydney Grammar School, St. Ignatius' College, and the Sydney Church of England Grammar School on the 29th April last, nor has a closer or harder-fought-out contest than their took place ever been witnessed.

The high standard of rowing maintained by each crew throughout a particularly severe and gruelling contest, demanding exceptional skill, pluck and endurance, is a matter for the greatest congratulation, denoting as it does considerable general improvement in school rowing. The chief points in the work of our crew were: A stroke of great length, driven very hard and fast through the water; smart hands; steady, elastic recovery; evenness of swing; absence of labour, hurry or hang; and any amount of dash.

SECOND CREW.

C. H. SNOOK, 10st. 8lb. (stroke.)—Has a fair beginning and finish, good length, fair hands and body recovery; is gritty and determined, and works very hard.

W. E. TUCKER, 10st. 13lb. (3.)—At present is rather uncertain as to time, swings short, and labours somewhat on recovery. Possesses plenty of dash and pluck; occasionally shows very good work, and with a little more

experience will develop into a stylish and effective oar.

R. L. SAYERS, 11st. 2lb. (2.)—Is a strong but somewhat erratic oar. Possesses pluck, determination and endurance, and occasionally rows well; with a little more practice, will develop into a very useful oar.

K. V. McDONALD, 10st. 3lb. (bow.)—Is a very gritty and determined oar. Has fair beginning and finish, and uses his legs hard. Has plenty of pluck and endurance, and with a little more practice will become a very serviceable oar.

W. WEBSTER, 6st. (cox.)—Handles his boat very well; is quick, intelligent and attentive to instructions; steers a good course.

This crew had not sufficient time to acquire that ease of movement and freedom from labour so necessary to enable pace to be maintained after the first few hundred yards, and consequently failed to reap the full benefit of the good work they undoubtedly accomplished.

All showed much encouraging improvement, and it would have made all the difference to them had it been possible to keep them at slow work for another two weeks.

It is high time now to turn to the doings at the Shed since the race, for upon the amount of work accomplished this off season the success of the Crews next year will depend. It is to be hoped that now we hold the championship, a special effort will be made to retain it. Already some very promising material has offered itself to the coaches, but no material is of use unless it is fully prepared to undergo the tedious and dreary initial work. Let all who have given in their names stick to their training in dark days and bright and let us at all costs put on the water crews determined to keep the laurels which have been brought back again this year. The most promising boys receiving coaching at present are Digby i., Voss i., Park, Tucker

ii., Tucker iii., Macintyre i., ii., iii., Jones, Martin, Voss ii., Grieve, Warden, Lindsay, McMaster i., and Bevan. From these it is hoped that one or two crews may be

got together towards the end of the year, so in the meantime all should endeavour to make themselves as proficient as possible.

Football.

THE term's football has ended and we are left in the, to us, novel position of being at the head of the Schools' Competition with an unbeaten record. The characteristic feature of school football this year has been the remarkable evenness of the teams, and although we have managed to establish a lead on the first round of matches, it is such a bare one that a single defeat would put us level with St. Ignatius', and leave us only one point ahead of The King's School. The place we hold then is far from being secure, and the team next quarter will be given plenty of opportunity of proving their claim to it. The fact, too, that most of the return matches are to be played away from home will test the fighting qualities of the team, so that on every hand there is plenty of incentive to stimulate the energies of the First Fifteen, and the School looks to them to secure the laurels upon which at last they have been able to get a grip.

Starting the season with eight of the 1907 team available, a good nucleus was provided, while there was plenty of good material left from last season's second and third teams to build a creditable structure on such a foundation. The absence of seven certainties in the crews, gave plenty of opportunity to the new blood to prove itself and to the selectors to observe its possibilities. On one occasion, in spite of

the absence of ten men whom it was recognised would be in the fifteen, the School managed to play a scoreless draw with University III., and from this and other matches it was evident that whatever happened we should be strong in defence. The seven gaps mentioned above were filled by Massie, Dodds and Hordern (forwards), and a'Beckett, Nickoll, Marsh and Macintyre (backs). In the S.G.S. match Hordern was absent through accident, and thereafter his place was filled by Irving. Of the material tried in the early matches, there remain unselected, MacDonagh i, Barden, Digby i, Cansdell, Pountney, Park, Garbett and Macintyre i. Should a vacancy at any time occur in the First XV. it could be filled with a feeling of confidence from amongst those just mentioned. Right at the outset the most difficult question to settle was that of the selection of the halves. However, a'Beckett i. fully bore out the good reports which rumour had of him, and McDonald proved exceedingly apt, so that most difficult problem to all teams, the choice of its halves, was satisfactorily settled. The first School match was played on May 6th, and it proved to be the least interesting of the series. Perhaps the poor quality of the attack shown by both St. Ignatius and ourselves may be ascribed to the fact that only a week had elapsed since the Boat Race, and that their team con-

tained no less than eight oarsmen and ours seven. Perhaps, again, attack was difficult owing to the quality of the defence, and, in our case at least, owing to the inexperience of the halves. Whatever the cause, it is certain that the match was quite devoid of brilliancy, and both teams might have gone on playing as they did for ever without either side gaining an advantage. In the succeeding matches our team improved vastly in pace and attacking ability, so that some of the games, notably those against N.C., S.G.S., and S.J.C., provided very stirring contests from a spectacular point of view. In the end we drew one and won five of the School matches, scoring 71 points to 6. It is a coincidence that we are also undefeated in outside matches, so that, although some of these games were not against very strong teams, we have come through the first half of the season without a defeat. The outstanding feature of the team's play has been its tackling and quick working on to the ball by backs and forwards alike. The handling has been sure and the kicking good; but then those things are always expected to be up to the mark. It has been said that the backs have won us our matches, and no doubt they have; but in offering this opinion people are apt to forget that it was the forwards who first had to secure the ball to make the passing rushes of the backs possible. At any rate, when the other side attacked, it was the forwards, well backed by the halves, who dived in to tackle or stop rushes. The attacking by the backs has, on the whole, been very effective; and in the matter of dash and determined running, B. Pockley has been a fitting example to his team.

Turning to football other than that of the 1st XV., it is satisfactory to find that play is sound in all the teams. Both the

Second and Third teams have strong forward divisions, and if only they would always put the maximum of "devil" into their play, they would carry off many a match which, under present conditions, they lose, owing to the lightness of the backs. The backs of the Second XV., though light, were chosen primarily for their strong tackling abilities. It has only been towards the end of the term that anything like an attack has manifested itself, but now that the Seconds have shown powers in this direction, it is hoped that next quarter will see the development of the attack into something formidable. The Seconds drew their match with T.S.C., defeated N.C., S.H.S. and T.K.S., while they lost to S.G.S. 8—0, and S.J.C. 9—0. The Thirds are much retarded by having a three-quarter line which makes for the boundary instead of the goal line. When these gentlemen make up their minds to run forward always, and always at their top pace, the match-winning powers of the Thirds will be 100 per cent. greater than they are at present. In spite of this great drawback, the Thirds managed to defeat N.C., and draw with T.K.S. and S.J.C., though they were defeated by S.G.S.

A few junior matches have been played, and the Colour Competition has provided four matches a week regularly. This season only three colour teams were selected, leaving a liberal number of emergencies. Some of the latter, however, could not get games as often as they would have liked, so that next term the question of again having four colours will be considered. Altogether 127 boys played in this competition, and when we add to these the First and Second XV.'s, the total number of footballers is 159. There are still too many of the casual sort playing, and upon consulting the result list of the

Colour matches, it must be concluded that a great number of them have congregated in White, B. This team was twice strengthened by transferences from other teams, but in the end lost matches just as easily as before. It will behove members of White B next term to make more strenuous efforts than apparently they did this one.

For the benefit of those who do not recognise the importance of these junior matches on the First teams of the future, we will mention that this time last year Macintyre ii., Marsh, Edwards and Irving were in the Third team; now they are in the First XV. Besides those just mentioned, the following members of the present First team have played in the Colour Competition in 1906 or 1907:—Dodds, Massie, Sayers, Nickoll and Pockley ii. It will be seen then that it is not a very far cry from Colour Team to First XV, and the more boys try in these junior matches, the more they fit themselves for the higher teams.

We give the results of matches:—

May 6, 2. St. Ignatius' College.—Played at Riverview, the result being a scoreless draw. Mr. C. E. Morgan, referee. The teams were:—S.C.E.G.S.: Full-back, P. Macintyre; three-quarters, Marsh, B. Pockley (captain), J. Pockley, Nickoll; halves, McDonald and a'Beckett; forwards, Merewether, Sayers, Dodds, Pennefather, Hordern, Tucker, Massie, and Edwards. St. Ignatius' College: Full-back, Murray; three-quarters, B. Conlon, O'Halloran, Lenehan, Dandison; halves, A. Johnstone, Wilkinson; forwards, B. Johnstone, Murphy, Dalton, L. Veech, Fanning, C. Veech, Carlton, and Malone. A strong wind blew across the ground when St. Ignatius' kicked off, and play opened with an interchange of kicks amongst the backs. At the first line-out, from the way the two sets of forwards packed round the ball, it was at once apparent that these two divisions were very evenly matched, and if left to themselves, were capable of playing a close

scoreless game till Doomsday. The backs on both sides seemed content to have it thus, but for a change St. Ignatius' made a passing rush, in which Conlon, Lenehan and O'Halloran figured. Following some desultory play in the centre, S.C.E.G.S. made their first attack, and after a series of slow, curly passes, the ball reached Pockley ii., who promptly knocked-on when in a fair position. Then at the end of two more funereal rushes, Marsh found the ball coming his way, and twice knocked-on. Thereafter passing was almost abandoned, chiefly because McDonald and a'Beckett were not happy in gathering and sending to the three-quarters. St. Ignatius' were getting the ball from most of the scrums, and Johnstone passed out to his backs in a business-like way, but our tackling was good, and not much headway was made. Murray, the Riverview full-back, handled the ball well, and made some excellent kicks along the line. After some close play, our forwards worked the ball to St. Ignatius' line, and Merewether got over in a scramble, but a five yards' scrum was the only result. Veech and Johnstone were instrumental in clearing the Riverview line, and by some quick footwork soon had the ball in our territory. Here a'Beckett made a weak kick, which Lenehan marked. Carlton took a shot at goal, unsuccessfully, and then the half-time whistle sounded. In the second half, play was a little brighter, though still far from being fast. The ball was thrown out further in the line-outs, but so evenly were the forwards matched that neither side could get it away. St. Ignatius', though, were the cleverer pack in heeling the ball, and Johnstone gave his three-quarters many opportunities, and on one occasion Lenehan almost got across. Once Pockley broke through, and looked like scoring, till Murray upset him a few yards from the line. Then Merewether made a couple of unsuccessful attempts at goal from free kicks, and these were followed by a few rushes, which brought play into the Riverview 25 just as the whistle sounded time. A drawn game very fairly represents the merits of the play. Perhaps the fact that the match was played only a week after the boat race may account for the want of pace shown, for the Riverview team included eight oarsmen and ours seven. Easily the smartest of our forwards was Sayers, while Massie shaped well on the line-out. The backs were poor except Macintyre ii., who generally did what was required of him. For Riverview, the best forwards were Veech, B. Johnstone, and Malone, while of the backs, A. Johnstone, Conlon, and Murray seemed most conspicuous.

May 15, v. Newington College.—Played on North Sydney Oval, and won—12-3. Mr. C. E. Morgan, referee. The teams were:—S.C.E.G.S.: Full-back, Macintyre; three-quarters, Marsh, J. Pockley, B. Pockley, Nickoll; five-eighth, a'Beckett; half, McDonald; forwards, Merewether, Sayers, Dodds, Pennefather, Hordern, Edwards, Massie, Tucker. Newington College: Full-back, Paull; three-quarters, Wesley, Prescott, Goodall, Tasker; five-eighth, Jekyll; half, Abbott; forwards, Morris, Nosworthy, Roberts, Brough, Crowley, Dinning, McKenzie, Truscott. Newington won the toss, and ran with a light wind at their backs in the first half. Play from the blast of the whistle was fast and furious, and by means of quick kicking by the backs and smart footwork and following by the forwards, N.C. at once took the ball into our 25. There they commenced a series of onslaughts on our line, and it was quite apparent they were an exceptionally neat side. Hooking quickly from the packed scrums, and heeling at once from the rucks, the N.C. forwards set their backs going, and the ball flew along the backs hand-to-hand from Abbott to Tasker. Each man was, however, very quickly tackled, and not much ground was gained. N.C. returned to the charge time after time, and it seemed as if they must at last break through. Merewether, Pennefather, Dodds, McDonald, and a'Beckett wasted no time in getting to the man with the ball, and after a quarter of an hour's play we were able to clear our line. Then S.C.E.G.S. commenced to attack, and from some passing J. Pockley was given a clear run in, but lost the ball. N.C. were still beating our forwards for the ball, and Abbott was given plenty of time by the forwards to get in his pass to Jekyll, and again we were placed on the defensive. By good line-kicking, however, a'Beckett and B. Pockley relieved, and the ball was worked to the other end, where Pockley got hold, and after a smart run scored behind the posts. Merewether put the ball over the bar, but Brough had touched it, and the score remained 3-0 in our favour. S.C.E.G.S. kept up the attack, and shortly afterwards, from a weak kick in-field by Jekyll, B. Pockley again secured and scored. Merewether failed to convert. S.C.E.G.S., 6-0. This ended the first half. Upon reopening, N.C. forwards played even more dashing than before, and soon had the ball on our line. For a space, S.C.E.G.S. appeared non-plussed at this sudden attack, and N.C. backs at once embraced the opportunity. Abbott passed to Jekyll, to Goodall, who ran very strongly, and getting into good position, sent the ball to Wesley,

and the latter, though tackled near the line, was able to ground the ball. Prescott failed with the kick. 6-3. Following the drop-out, play was taken to N.C. territory, where from a scrum McDonald passed to a'Beckett, to B. Pockley, who ran strongly, and scored his third try. McDonald failed with the kick. S.C.E.G.S., 9-3. Keeping up the pressure, our three-quarters made their best combined rush during the match. From a scrum McDonald passed to a'Beckett, to J. Pockley, to B. Pockley, J. Pockley again, to Marsh, and the latter scored in the corner. The kick at goal failed, and the whistle sounded shortly afterwards with the score 12-3 in favour of S.C.E.G.S. The game was an admirable one from the spectator's point of view, being fast and keenly fought from start to finish. N.C. were the better team in combined play, but S.C.E.G.S. were harder tacklers, and their play on the whole was more strenuous. Macintyre ii. at full-back made some serious blunders in the first half, but was better after half-time. B. Pockley, McDonald and a'Beckett were the best backs, while Merewether, Pennefather and Sayers were the smartest of the forwards, though all did well. For N.C., Abbott, Jekyll, Goodall and Tasker shaped very well amongst the backs, and in the forwards Brough, Dinning and Truscott were most noticeable.

May 16, v. Sydney High School.—Played at No. 2 Oval. Won, 29-0. Mr. T. McMahon, referee. Teams:—High School: Full-back, Lenthall; three-quarters, Perkins, W. Kidston, Bourne, and Symons; halves, Deane and Oakes, forwards, Niel, Kidston, McDonald, Medlicott, Gallagher, Ireland, McNamara, and Hyndes, S.C.E.C.S.: Full-back, Macintyre; three-quarters, Marsh, B. Pockley, J. Pockley, Nickoll; halves, a'Beckett and McDonald; forwards, Edwards, Massie, Tucker, Pennefather, Hordern, Merewether, Sayers, and Dodds. This match was by no means such a runaway one as the score seems to indicate. High School were often aggressive, and though not successful in scoring, their attack was by no means to be trifled with. Their forwards, too, were a good deal more successful than ours in hooking the ball in the scrums and in letting it out cleanly. At half-time the score was 13-nil, tries being scored by B. Pockley, a'Beckett and Sayers, while Merewether and McDonald converted one each. For a long time in the second half no score was obtained, but finally the persist-

ency of our attack was rewarded, and tries were secured by Nickoll, J. Pockley, Sayers and B. Pockley, two of them being converted. The match ended with the score 29-nil in favour of S.C.E.G.S. The whole team played well, some of the passing rushes being exceptionally fine. Hordern played his best game to date. For High School, Medlicott and Kidston showed good form in the forwards, while Deane as half played exceptionally well all round.

May 20th, v. S.G.S.—Played on No. 2 Oval, North Sydney. Won, 11-nil. Referee, Dr. O. Bohrsmann. The teams were:—S.C.E.G.S.: Full-back, Macintyre; three-quarters, Marsh, J. Pockley, B. Pockley, Nickoll; five-eighths, a'Beckett; half, McDonald; forwards, Merewether, Dodds, Irving, Pennfather, Tucker, Sayers, Massie, Edwards. S.G.S.: Full-back, Stafford; three-quarters, Carr, Willis, Buckle, Slade; halves, Ritchie, Grieve; forwards, Ross, Hoeburn, Sheldon, Bull, Jamieson, Cowdery, Arnold, Henry. For this match Hordern was away ill, and a readjustment was made whereby Irving was brought into the front row and Tucker and Sayers were put into the second and third lines respectively. S.G.S. were very unfortunate in being without the services of Lamrock, their captain, who was on the injured list. A stiff breeze was blowing, and the ground was still wet from the rain of the previous night, so that the ball was rendered just the least bit slippery. S.G.S. had first use of the wind, and at once attacked. Play was fast among the forwards, and at the start our backs were not happy. Several passes went astray between B. Pockley and a'Beckett, and there was a disinclination to stop the rushes of the S.G.S. forwards. Carr made several dashes along the line, but he was not allowed to go very far. Arnold put in some good work in the line-out, and, aided by a lot of tumbling on the part of Macintyre, the ball was brought right to our line. S.G.S. then commenced a determined attack, lasting for some time, and on one occasion actually crossed the line, a five yards scrum being ordered. The backs of the S.C.E.G.S. began to work more quickly on to their *vis-a-vis*, and the passing rushes of the latter at once seemed to lose their dangerous character. McDonald obtained the ball in mid-field, and followed on quickly after a high punt. Stafford mulled, and the ball was on the S.G.S. line. A scrum was formed, and McDonald passed on the blind side to Marsh, who scored after a neat run. The kick at goal failed, and we led—3-0. The first half

ended shortly afterwards with the score unaltered. Although we were leading, S.G.S. had had easily the best of the half, and a reversal of the scores would perhaps have more nearly represented the state of the game. In the second half S.G.S. were the first to attack, and Carr almost scored in the corner, but the ball was soon worked into their territory and a scrum resulted. McDonald secured and passed to a'Beckett to B. Pockley, who ran smartly and scored. Again the kick failed. S.C.E.G.S. 6-0. Continuing the attack, S.C.E.G.S. made many rushes to the S.G.S. line, but the tackling was good, Carr in one bout tackling three men in quick succession. At length Buckle relieved by a serviceable line kick. However, S.C.E.G.S. renewed the attack, and B. Pockley again scored, Merewether kicking the goal. S.C.E.G.S. 11-nil, at which the game ended. In the first half S.G.S. had the best of the play, though they failed to score, and for the first five minutes of the second half they attacked strongly, but thereafter S.C.E.G.S. forwards generally secured the ball, and some neat passing was witnessed amongst the backs, who attacked right up to the final whistle. S.G.S. forwards were quick with their feet and reliable on the line-out, Arnold especially beating our forwards for the ball, mainly because in the close line-outs he was left unmarked, and the throw over the heads of the others was worked to advantage. Of the other forwards Bull, Sheldon and Cowdery were the best. S.G.S. backs did not get going much in attack, but their kicking and tackling was good, Ritchie, Buckle and Carr being perhaps the best. Stafford was reliable at full-back. For S.C.E.G.S. all the forwards played well, and the scrum work was quite the best shown to date. Although not quite so quick as S.G.S. with the ball at their feet, they stuck together well, and S.G.S. made little headway with their rushes. The tackling of our forwards was very solid, and in the end they were able to give the backs the ball on every occasion, and so victory was made possible. In the first half the play of our backs was patchy—handling faulty, rush-stopping weak, and the tackling done too slowly. However, in the second spell there was more combination and some of the work was very fine, and, with a little more judgment as to cutting in by the centres, more tries might have been scored. McDonald, a'Beckett and Pockley i. played best.

May 27th, v. The King's School, at Parramatta. Won, 6-nil. Mr. W. J. Howe, referee. The

teams were:—T.K.S.: Full-back, Milson; three-quarters, Lowe, Westropp, Smith, Gardiner; halves, Reynolds, Bundoek; forwards, Reynolds (captain), Barton, Buckland, Robertson, Lee, Wharton, Bowman. S.C.E.G.S.: Full-back, Macintyre; three-quarters, Marsh, J. Pockley, B. Pockley, Nickoll; halves, a'Beckett, McDonald; forwards, Edwards, Massie, Sayers, Pennefather, Tucker, Merewether, Dodds, Irving. Hordern's ankle could not be guaranteed to last through a hard match, and Irving having played well against S.G.S. the pack was the same as the previous week. T.K.S. were without the services of Hodgson, through influenza. Reynolds won the toss and chose to run with a fair wind behind his team. Play was very even at the outset, the forwards of each team being exactly where the ball was at every instant. From the first few scrums we secured the ball, but Bundoek was very quick on to McDonald, and for a time the latter had his work cut out to get the ball away in face of the attentions of the T.K.S. forwards. a'Beckett and Pockley i. were also exceptionally closely marked by Smith and Westropp, so that at the start we made little headway. Making good use of the wind Smith sent the ball to our territory. From some loose play following a line-out our halves and centres became momentarily bunched, and T.K.S. backs took advantage of their opportunity to execute a beautiful passing rush. The ball flew from Reynolds along the line of three-quarters to Lowe, who seemed certain to score till Pockley i. forced him out near the corner. Our three-quarters were making the mistake of standing too far from their opponents in defence. From a close line-out and knock-back T.K.S. started another rush, but Sayers and Edwards dashed at once for the half and five-eighth, and the effort only lost ground. S.C.E.G.S. then worked the ball to T.K.S. territory, but some fumbling by McDonald gave T.K.S. forwards a chance to relieve and dribble almost to our line. From the resulting scrum Bundoek almost sneaked through the scrum and scored. By using the line, a'Beckett, McDonald and Pockley ii. worked the ball to the T.K.S. end, and, following a scrum there, a grand passing rush brought S.C.E.G.S. the first score. The ball was heeled to McDonald, who sent to a'Beckett, to B. Pockley, J. Pockley, to a'Beckett again, then to Nicholl, who dodged the full-back and scored. This rush and the first one made by T.K.S. were the best bits of passing in the game. McDonald failed to convert the try. S.C.E.G.S. 3-nil. Following this success more attacking was done by the backs, but there was considerable

fumbling, and some golden opportunities were lost. The half-time whistle sounded soon after with the score unaltered. In the second half S.C.E.G.S. had the benefit of the wind, and they did most of the attacking. The defence of T.K.S., however, was very sound, and no more tries were scored. From a free kick Merewether put the ball over with a good effort, and we led—6-0. Many passing rushes were made by our backs, but though they got close to the line on many occasions no one succeeded in crossing it. T.K.S. backs defended ably, and it was particularly noticeable how their forwards—Barton, Buckland and Reynolds—came across time after time to assist their backs. Our rushes were correct enough, but the passes always went to a'Beckett and then to Pockley i., so that it required no particular smartness on the part of T.K.S. to predict where they could find the ball, and, in consequence, they were always on the spot. The running of the backs, too, was not at top-pace, and when the additional fault—that the outer centre and wings were generally too far behind their fellows at the start—is pointed out, it will be better understood why our attack was not so deadly as it might have been. T.K.S. have a very good pack of forwards, and in the closing 10 minutes they were keener after the ball than our own pack. Barton was good on the line-out, and Reynolds was always at the head of his men. Our forwards played well up till the closing minutes of the game, when they seemed to slacken, and several could be seen standing quite erect in the loose rucks. The scrum work was, however, good throughout. Irving, Pennefather and Edwards were the best all round. Tucker's play was very disappointing. T.K.S. backs had to defend more than attack, which perhaps was just as well, seeing the nature of the first passing rush they made. Milson, at full-back, was given plenty to do, and seemed bothered by the wind. Of the others, Bundoek, Smith and Westropp were the best. For S.C.E.G.S. Nickoll was the trickiest back on the day, his running and kicking always gaining ground. Pockley i. was not in his best form; though sometimes he kicked well, several times against the wind he failed to reach the line. Pockley ii. gained a considerable amount of ground by excellent line-kicking. McDonald and a'Beckett were not given much quarter by T.K.S., but they came out of the ordeal very creditably.

June 3, v. St. Joseph's College.—Played at No. 2 Oval, North Sydney. Won, 13-3. Dr. O. Bohrsmann, referee. Teams:—Grammar School:

Full-back, F. Macintyre; three-quarters, J. Nickoll, B. Pockley, J. Pockley, C. Marsh; halves, H. a'Beckett, K. McDonald; forwards, R. Irving, Dodds, Tucker, Massie, Merewether, Pennefather, Sayers, C. Edwards. St. Joseph's: Full-back, V. Stephens; three-quarters, Marien, Small, Quinn, Baker; halves, Tier and O'Brien; forwards, Walsh, Cameron, Thorley, Kelly, Treacy, McLaughlin, Lynch and Fahey. For the fourth time in succession Pockley lost the toss, and in the first half we ran against a fairly strong wind. St. Joseph's attacked strongly, and in the first twenty minutes were playing a winning game. By fumbling, Macintyre again brought the enemy into our camp. Failure amongst the backs to go down on rushes enabled St. Joseph's to take the ball right to our line, and we had to defend strenuously to keep them out. Coming round on the blind side of the scrum, Tier looked very dangerous till forced out at the corner. Quinn joined Tier and O'Brien in some passing, the former two proving themselves strong and dangerous runners near the line. Continuing the attack, the ball came from a scrum to O'Brien, Tier, Quinn, then on to Marien, who made a good run and scored. Marien himself took the kick but failed to convert S.J.C. 3-nil. For a few minutes after this St. Joseph's attacked, but a'Beckett by good line kicking worked the ball to the other end. All at once our forwards seemed to be galvanised, and the ball was rushed right to St. Joseph's line. Then ensued the brightest ten minutes of the game from the point of view of defence as well as attack. S.C.E.G.S. forwards obtained the ball from every scrum, and McDonald set his line moving, first to the open side, then to the blind, then to the open again, but all to no purpose. Our backs simply hurled themselves at the S.J.C. line, but the latter showed a magnificent defence, and five-yards' scrums followed one after the other without the ball ever going out of bounds.

The cannonade on St. Joseph's line was renewed, and one after another B. Pockley, a'Beckett, and Edwards actually reached the line only to be held up in the end. Eventually St. Joseph's cleared their line and the half ended. These closing minutes' play were the best seen so far in any of our matches. After the interval St. Joseph's forwards attacked, Cameron being noticeable upon the line out. However Merewether, with a long punt, transferred play to the other end. Keeping the ball in play by means of high punts, Sayers and Marsh worked S.C.E.G.S. into an attacking position, and from a scrum McDonald sent to a'Beckett, then on to B. Pockley. The latter made a hard serving run at top pace and dived over near the posts. McDonald converted, and we were put in the lead by 5-3. After the kick-off St. Joseph's took play to our 25, but Nickoll relieved by a high punt, which he smartly followed-up and caught the full back by a diving tackle. This was one of the few mis/takes Marien made; for throughout the whole match he was very reliable in taking and kicking the ball. From this out S.C.E.G.S. attacked, and after more passing Nickoll and B. Pockley scored tries, the last one being converted by McDonald. The game thus ended in a win by 13-3.

In line-out play S.J.C. forwards were better than ours, Cameron being one of the best. The ruck play was pretty even, and in scrum work in the second half S.C.E.G.S. had a decided advantage. Fahey, Walsh and McLaughlin played well. For S.C.E.G.S., Massie played his best game to date, not only in the line-out but in the loose rushes also. Pennefather, Sayers and Merewether were again the most consistent forwards. Of St. Joseph's backs Stephens was the best, but Quinn, O'Brien and Marien did a great deal of hard work well. For S.C.E.G.S., Pockley, a'Beckett and Nickoll were the best of the backs. Macintyre was again patchy and unreliable.

Appended will be found a tabulated list of the results of Competition matches:—

	S.C.E.G.S.	St. Ig. C.	T.K.S.	S.J.C.	N.C.	S.C.S.	S.H.	Points.		Comp. Points.
								For.	Against.	
C. of E. Grammar School ...	—	0-0	6-0	13-3	12-3	11-0	29-0	71	6	11
St. Ignatius' College ...	0-0	—	0-3	6-3	10-0	8-0	14-0	38	6	9
The King's School ...	0-6	3-0	—	11-13	6-0	6-5	22-0	48	24	8
St. Joseph's College ...	3-13	3-6	13-11	—	5-0	3-6	49-0	76	36	6
Newington College ...	3-12	0-10	0-6	0-5	—	11-13	16-0	30	36	4
Sydney Grammar School ...	0-11	0-8	5-6	6-3	3-11	—	16-0	30	39	4
Sydney High School ...	0-29	0-14	0-22	0-49	0-16	0-16	—	0	146	0

RESULTS OF MATCHES.

1ST XV.

- April 4, v. Wayfarer F.C. Home. Won, 11-0.
 April 11, v. Town Hall F.C. Home. Won, 6-3.
 April 15, University III. Home. Drawn.
 April 30, v. Old Boys. Home. Won, 9-3.
 May 2, v. Kaitara F.C. Home. Won, 38-0.
 May 6, v. St. Ignatius' College. Riverview. Drawn.
 May 9, v. Taralga F.C. Home. Won, 15-0.
 May 13, v. Newington College. Home. Won, 12-3.
 May 16, v. Sydney High School. Home. Won, 29-0.
 May 20, v. Sydney Grammar School. Home. Won, 11-0.
 May 27, v. The King's School. Parramatta. Won, 6-0.
 June 3, v. St. Joseph's College. Home. Won, 13-3.

2ND XI.

- April 4, v. Keira F.C. Won, 6-3. Voss i. and Cansdell each scored a try.
 April 11, v. Norwood. Lost, 8-3. Irving scored a try.
 May 2, v. Culwulla F.C. Lost, 30-3. Macintyre i. scored.
 May 6, v. Scots College. Drawn, 3-3. Cansdell kicked penalty goal.
 May 9, v. Barker College. Lost, 13-0.
 May 13, v. Newington College. Won, 11-6. Cansdell, Digby i. and Irving scored a try each, and Cansdell converted his try.
 May 16, v. Sydney High School. Won, 8-5. Pountney and Cansdell scored tries, and Macintyre i. converted one.
 May 20, v. Sydney Grammar School. Lost, 8-0.

May 27, v. The King's School. Won, 9-0. Cansdell, Barden and Garbett scored a try each.

June 3, v. St. Joseph's College. Lost, 9-0.

3RD XV.

May 15, v. Newington College III. Won, 29-0. Hamilton scored twice, and Tucker iii., Bevan, Minty and Warden scored one each, of which Arnot converted three tries and Tucker iii. one; also, Tucker iii. kicked a goal from a mark. R. A. Holden, referee.

May 20, v. Sydney Grammar School III. Lost, 18-0. R. A. Holden, referee.

May 27, v. The King's School III. Drawn, 3-3. Arnot kicked a penalty goal. Rev. E. F. Waddy, referee.

May 30, v. St. Aloysius' College I. Won, 5-3. Bevan scored, and Arnot converted. R. A. Holden, referee.

June 3, v. St. Joseph's College III. Drawn, no scores. R. A. Holden, referee.

4TH XV.

April 11, v. St. Mary's. School ground. Won, 44-0. Tucker iii. (3), Hamilton (3), Trenerry ii. (3), Parks, Williams iii., and Garland scored tries. Tucker iii. and Trenerry i. converted two tries each. R. A. Holden, referee.

May 22, v. Sydney High School. School ground. Lost, 5-3. Grainger scored a try. R. A. Holden, referee.

5TH XV.

May 9th, v. Barker College III. School ground. Won, 29-0. Musgrave, Lequesne, Dibbs, Braddon i., Lillyman, Suttor i. and Moore scored. Grainger converted three tries.

6TH XV.

May 9, v. Barker College IV. Played at Hornsby. Lost, 14-0.

May 16, v. St. Leonard's Public School. School ground. Lost, 12-9. Grainger (2) and Musgrave scored. K. V. McDonald, referee.

June 2, v. Sydney High School IV. School ground. Drawn, 3-3. Browne scored a try. R. J. A. Massie, referee.

8TH XV.

May 23, v. Church of England Preparatory School. Mosman. Lost, 9-3. Walker ii. scored a try.

June 1, v. Church of England Preparatory School. School ground. Lost, 9-0. Mr. Dixon, referee.

COLOUR COMPETITION.

"A" GRADE.

May 14, White A v. Red A. White won, 9-5. Warden scored twice and Williams iii. once for White, while for Red Braddon i. scored and Merewether ii. converted. Mr. Mackay, referee.

May 19, Blue A v. Red A. Blue won, 13-0. Arnot, Hayne and Parkinson scored once each, of which Arnot converted two tries. Mr. Mackay, referee.

May 21, Blue A v. White A. Blue won, 8-3. For Blue, Neill and Parkinson scored tries, Arnot converting one, while for White Tucker iii. scored. Mr. Mackay, referee.

May 26, White A v. Red A. Drawn, 8-8. For White, Tucker iii. scored and converted, and kicked a goal from a mark, while for Red Merewether ii. and Jones i. scored, and Christie converted one try. R. A. Holden, referee.

May 28, Blue A v. Red A. Blue won, 6-3. For Blue, Hamilton scored a try and Arnot kicked a penalty goal, while Studds scored for Red. Mr. Mackay, referee.

June 2, Blue A v. White A. Drawn, 6-6. For Blue, Clarke i. and Trénerry ii. scored tries,

while for White Tucker iii. and Merewether iii. obtained tries. Mr. Mackay, referee.

June 4, White A v. Red A. White won, 6-0. Robey and Sutor i. scored tries. Mr. Mackay, referee.

"B" GRADE.

May 14, White B v. Blue B. Blue won, 12-3. For Blue, Musgrave (2) and McDonagh ii. scored tries, and Musgrave kicked a goal from a mark, while Dent secured a try for White. Mr. Dixon, referee.

May 19, Red B v. White B. Red won, 32-0. Newmarch (3), Moore (3), Digby ii., Smith ii. and du Moulin scored tries, and Newmarch converted one try and kicked a goal from a mark. E. R. Mereweijer, referee.

May 21, Blue B v. Red B. Red won, 6-5. For Red, du Moulin scored twice, while Musgrave scored and converted for Blue. Mr. Dixon, referee.

May 25, White B v. Blue B. Blue won, 17-8. For Blue, Le Quesne scored three times and Musgrave once, and Musgrave converted one try and kicked a penalty goal, while for White Moore and Haydon scored, and Haydon converted one try. Mr. Dixon, referee.

May 28, Red B v. White B. Red won, 9-0. Smith ii., du Moulin and Webster scored tries. Mr. Dixon, referee.

May 22, Blue B v. Red B. Blue won, 6-0. Howard and Le Quesne scored tries. R. A. Holden, referee.

June 4, Blue B v. White B. Blue won, 22-0. Le Quesne (2), Musgrove (2), McDonagh ii. and Sutor ii. scored tries, two of which were converted by Le Quesne and Musgrave. Mr. Dixon, referee.

RESULTS OF MATCHES AND POSITIONS OF TEAMS.

"A" GRADE.					"B" GRADE.				
	Blue.	White.	Red.	Points.	Blue.	White.	Red.	Points.	TOTAL.
BLUE	—	8-3	13-0	13	—	12-13	5-6	8	21
	—	6-6	6-3		—	17-8	6-0		
	—	12-8	—		—	22-0	—		
WHITE	3-8	—	9-5	8	3-12	—	0-32	0	8
	6-6	—	8-8		8-17	—	0-9		
	8-12	—	6-0		0-22	—	—		
RED	0-13	5-9	—	1	6-5	32-0	—	6	7
	3-6	8-8	—		0-6	9-0	—		
	—	0-6	—		—	—	—		

1st XV.

Full-back—	F. P. Macintyre ii.	st. h.	11 6
Three-quarters—	C. M. Marsh i.	10 8	
	J. G. Pockley ii.	10 12	
	B. C. Pockley (Capt.)	11 6	
	J. O. Nickoll	10 5	
Halves—	H. E. a'Beckett i.	11 3	
	K. V. McDonald	10 6	
Forwards—	E. R. Merewether i.	11 6	
	E. H. Dodds	11 6	
	S. C. Irving	9 7	
	C. A. Pennefather	11 7	
	W. E. Tucker i.	11 2	
	C. H. Edwards	10 3	
	R. J. Massie	13 8	
	R. L. Sayers	11 5	
A. R. Hordern i.	12 1		

2nd XV.

Full-back—	D. I. Macintyre iii.	st. lb.	11 1
Three-quarters—	S. N. Sendall	9 0	
	R. Pountney	10 4	
	S. Garbett (Capt.)	9 2	
	J. C. Ross i.	9 4	
Halves—	D. M. Cansdell	10 4	
	J. G. a'Beckett ii.	8 3	
Forwards—	O. MacDonagh i.	10 6	
	J. L. Digby i.	10 11	
	A. G. Park	11 0	
	P. E. Voss i.	10 11	
	H. U. Manning	11 6	
	D. Macintyre i.	10 2	
	S. L. Barden i.	11 2	
	J. A. Elliott i.	10 12	
L. Grieve	11 0		

3rd XV.

Full-back—	L. Trenerry ii.	st. lb.	8 10
Three-quarters—	H. A. Merewether ii.	9 2	
	K. Hardie i.	9 10	
	A. C. Arnot	9 7	
	A. M. Warden	9 12	
Halves—	H. P. Christie	9 8	
	J. M. Bevan	10 2	
Forwards—	G. R. Hamilton (Capt.)	9 4	
	D. I. Smith i.	10 0	
	C. C. Minty	9 10	
	E. C. Haxby	10 0	
	N. D. Jones i.	10 10	
	C. Smith iv.	10 5	
	H. R. Tucker ii.	9 7	
	C. Bechtel	10 5	
W. T. Tucker iii.	10 3		

COLOUR TEAMS (2nd Term, 1908).

The following are the names of those playing in the Colour Competition :—

RED.	WHITE.	BLUE.
A Grade.	A Grade.	A Grade.
Studds (Capt.)	Merewether iii. (Capt.)	Hamilton (Capt.)
Merewether ii.	Bevan	Crisford
Minty	Williams iii.	Trenerry ii.
Jones i.	Tucker iii.	Hardie i.
Bechtel	Warden	Parkinson
de Kloot	Haxby	Neill
Pulling i.	Suttor i.	Loder
Trenerry i.	Lindsay	Arnot
Ibbott	Maclean ii.	Snook
Saddington i.	Tucker ii.	Hayne
Ward	Robey	Maclean.
Gregory	Hardie ii.	Clarke i.
Braddon i.	MaeMaster i.	Parkes
Arthur	Lillyman	Smith i.
Dyer	Huxtable.	Smith iv.
Freeman	Martin	Randell
Slade	Browne	Elliott ii.
Wilson	Bassett	Cowper
Irvine	Allport i.	Holdsworth ii.
Pickles	Shand	McMaster ii.
Christie	Grainger	Cameron
B Grade.	B Grade.	B Grade.
Newmarch (Capt.)	Playfair (Capt.)	Musgrave (Capt.)
Digby ii.	Scott i.	Braddon ii.
du Moulin	Charles	Howard
Barton	Wallford.	Suttor ii.
Scott ii.	Haydon	Thornton
Cooper	Spencer	Bentley
Hall	Hardie iii.	Le Quesne
Young	Day	Thomson
Webster	Scarr	Hope
Allport ii.	Dent	Flint
Simpson ii.	Moore	Cox
Smith ii.	Pulling ii.	Seaton
Johnson	Craig	McDonagh ii.
Tindale	McKimmin	Fox
Miller	Loveday	Tait
Robinson i.	Mayne	Walker ii.
Robinson ii.	Way	Cole
Wellford	Tyler	Dixon
Lloyd	Miller ii.	Sinclair
Pulling iii.	Barden ii.	Robertson
Regg	Clarke ii.	Carrington
		Gilder



A. B. HORDERN (2) C. M. MARSH (bow)
C. H. EDWARDS (stroke) MR. I. G. MACKAY R. J. A. MASSIE (3)
F. H. DAY (cox)

G.P.S. Championship Four, 1908

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C. M. Warden, The Hutt, Milton.

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The Annual Football Match, Old Boys' Union v. The School, took place on Thursday, April 30th. There was a good attendance of Old Boys and lady friends of the School. The game resulted in a win for the School by 9 to 3. The Old Boys were represented by C. G. M. Marsh, G. H. Salwey, L. H. Jacob, C. E. Rich, G. C. Way, R. W. Russell-Jones, N. C. Laurence, K. N. Amphlett, J. A. H. Cox, L. H. Lehmaier, I. L. Longwill (captain), C. E. Murnin, K. Quinn, N. W. Turton, and H. L. St. Vincent-Welch.

On Thursday evening, April 30th, the Annual Meeting of the Union took place in the Memorial Library. There was a much better attendance of members than usual. The Head Master was in the chair. The Annual Report and the Treasurer's Statement were read and adopted. The election of officials for the year 1908-9 resulted as follows:—Vice-Presidents, Messrs. N. Y. Deane, G. Milbourne-Marsh, K. Williams, H. W. Wilkinson, and Dr. Kendall; Hon. Secretary, Mr. A. B. S.

White; Hon. Treasurer, Rev. D. Davies; Hon. Auditor, Mr. A. D. Hall.

Twenty-three nominations were received for members of Committee, and the result of the post ballot was the election of the following:—Messrs. W. B. Clarke, O. G. Dent, A. D. Fisher, H. P. Harriott, K. B. Lumsdaine, R. B. Minnett, I. G. Mackay, Venour Nathan, and C. W. Rundle.

In the course of the meeting the Hon. Secretary gave a hearty welcome, on behalf of the Union, to the President on his return from a visit to Europe, and Mr. Hodges, in reply, stated how glad he was to be in his old place again, and gave an account of his interviews with Old Boys whom he had met on his travels.

The meeting also gave a warm approval to the suggestion that the Union should co-operate with the School in presenting a testimonial to Mr. Allan Ramsay for his highly valued self-denying services in connection with the Boat Club.

On Friday, May 1st, the Annual Dinner was held in the A.B.C. Café. There was a very good gathering of Old Boys. The toasts were as follows:—"The King," proposed by the President; "The School," proposed by Mr. N. Y. Deane, and responded to by Mr. I. G. Mackay; "The Union," proposed by Mr. E. R. Holme, and responded to by Mr. K. Williams; "The President," proposed by Dr. Kendall, and responded to by Mr. C. H. Hodges; "The Visitors," proposed by Mr. A. B. S. White, and responded to by His Honor Judge Backhouse and Messrs. A. F. Robinson and Allan Ramsay. In the course of their replies Judge Backhouse and Mr. Robinson alluded to the great loss the School had sustained by the death of Mr. Uther, but said that his name would be perpetuated among future generations by a

provision which he had made to have his name associated with one of the prizes at the Annual School Examinations. A very successful function was brought to a close by the singing of "Auld Lang Syne" and "God Save the King."

On Sunday evening, May 3rd, the Annual Commemoration Service took place in the School Hall. There was a good attendance of friends, and the Hall was well filled, but it is to be hoped that more Old Boys will in the future make a point of attending. The service was, as usual, of a special nature, with appropriate collects, lessons, and hymns. The prayers were read by the Rev. D. Davies; the lessons by the Head Master; Mrs. Hodges presided at the organ; and the address was given by the Vicar-General, the Ven. Archdeacon Günther.

Old Boys and their friends were entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Hodges after the Football Match, the Annual Meeting, and the Anniversary Service, and the Committee of the Union take this opportunity of thanking them for their kindness and hospitality.

Among the successful candidates in the recent Solicitors' Examination we note the names of C. W. Rundle and E. R. Way (Section IV. Final) and N. C. Laurence (Legal History).

On Saturday, May 30th, A. D. W. Fisher and E. R. Way were admitted by the Chief Justice to practise as solicitors. N. Trevor-Jones has started practice as a solicitor in Hay, N.S.W.

G. N. Larkin has entered into partnership with Mr. Hall, and is now practising his profession in Blue Street, North Sydney.

Dr. A. H. Moseley has started practice at Gloucester, and Dr. G. H. Vernon at Upper Burraborang. Drs. E. H. Rutledge and J. B. St. Vincent Welch are at the Royal Alexandra Children's Hospital, and Dr. W. E. Giblin at the Royal Prince Alfred Hospital.

Dr. C. H. B. Bradley is at present doing original research work at the Lister Institute, London, under Dr. Martin. He writes that he is very much interested in his work.

Hearty congratulations to R. T. Moodie on joining the ranks of the Benedicts. Rumour states that some other Old Boys are ere long going to follow his example.

We sincerely regret having wrongly announced in our last issue C. A. Laurence's wedding. The announcement was copied from the Sydney morning papers, but it appears that his initials were given in mistake for those of his elder brother.

Jack Finn is now at the Caledonian Locomotive Works, St. Rollox, Glasgow.

It is intended to present the testimonial to Mr. Allan Ramsay at the interval during the Annual School Concert on June 12th.

Walter Rundle paid a visit to the School last month. He had come out for a holiday visit, and was then on his way back to Edinburgh, via America, for his final medical examination.

Dr. E. O. Pockley represented New South Wales in the recent Inter-State Lawn Tennis v. Victoria. G. P. Sayers and N. W. Turton won the Open Doubles in con-

nection with the meeting, and Sayers and Doust the Doubles Handicap.

C. E. Murnin played for the Metropolitan 1st XV. v. The Country and H. Bullock for the 2nd XV. H. S. Bland played for the Southern District and R. Macdonald for the Western.

A very interesting letter has been received from Miss Robson, describing her voyage from Thursday Island to the Gulf of Carpentaria in the *Francis Pritt*, a ketch of 21 tons, given to the Northern Diocese by the widow of Archdeacon Pritt. The following is a description of cricket as she saw it played on the Mission Station: "The field, who are all massed at the bowler's end, are provided with rice mats, sacks, bits of canvas, &c. With these they flop down on the ball and smother it, as you would put out a bush fire. For safety's sake, there are two wicket-keepers, holding a mat by the four corners to catch the ball. If it does hop in, they close up the mat quickly, as if they had caught a wild creature, and then cautiously draw it forth. When a ball flies at them, and they cannot douse it, they all fly screaming in pursuit, hurling spears at it, for they nearly all have spears and womeralhs (throwing sticks) in one hand. Any brilliant play is the occasion for screams and yells of frenzied happiness, and each man embraces his neighbour in an ecstasy of delight."

In the May number of *The Fleur-de-Lys*, the magazine of Trinity College, Melbourne University, there is a very good photograph of Mr. Robson, and from the Editorial in the same issue we quote the following which will prove interesting to Old Boys:

"It is particularly fitting that in a number of the College magazine of this year should be found a portrait of the Vice-Warden. Mr. Robson first became connected with the College some four years ago, when he was appointed classical lecturer; at that time he was not connected solely with the College, as he was also senior classical master at the Melbourne Grammar School. But two years ago he commenced to live at Trinity, and a year later became Vice-Warden, at the same time giving up his connection with the Grammar School. He has now thoroughly identified himself with the life of the College, and has made himself felt in every department of College life, as thoroughly as he once did in that of a neighbouring institution. But that single blot on his scutcheon he has completely erased, for is he not now as much a Trinity man as any of us? We feel sure, therefore, that Mr. Robson in his capacity of Acting Warden for the year will more than justify the confidence the Warden has placed in him; such an appointment can, we think, convey but the best of auguries for the well being of Trinity College.

"There is no necessity to introduce Mr. Robson to present Trinity students, but it may interest past men to learn that our Vice-Warden is known both for his interest in sports and for his achievements in the more serious sphere of College life. The Trinity crews have had the benefit of Mr. Robson's assistance in coaching each year since he has been in residence, and last year he coached the University crew which won the Maiden Fours at the V.R.A. Regatta. The additional facts that he is or has been a member of the Grounds' Committee of the University, and Chairman of the Inter-Collegiate Delegates, serve to convey some idea of the wide

interests Mr. Robson shows in College and University life."

OLD BOYS' UNION ANNUAL REPORT.

GENTLEMEN—Your Committee beg to present their Annual Report for the year 1907-8, and desire to congratulate the members on the uninterrupted progress the Union has made.

MEMBERSHIP.—During the year there has been a satisfactory increase of members. The books show that there are 127 members who have paid their subscription, including life members.

SOCIAL.—The Smoke Concert was held at the School on November 1st, and an interesting programme was appreciated by a representative gathering of Past and Present Members of the School.

The cricket match, Past v. Present, was played on the afternoon of the same day, and although the Past put a powerful team in the field, the Present proved more than a match for them.

The Annual Dinner was held before the beginning of the present year, to afford the members an opportunity of bidding "bon voyage" to our President.

Your Committee now takes the opportunity of extending to our President a hearty welcome on the occasion of his return.

The Football Match was played at the School on 30th April, and won by the School.

SCHOOL.—The usual prizes were presented during the year, one for the best essay, and one for the athletic sports.

The Union desires to congratulate the School on the success it has achieved in the University Examinations, and wishes to make special mention of the excellent results obtained by Pulling.

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The Union also offers its congratulations to the School on success achieved in sports, especially in the All Schools' Boat Race. The Union, at the same time, desires to express its appreciation of the valuable service rendered to the Boat Club by Mr. Allan Ramsay.

It is with deep regret that the Committee has to record the death of Mr. F. W. Uther, who until the time of his death was a member of the School Council, and always took a keen interest in the welfare of the School.

The Chapel Fund has steadily increased, owing to the generosity of members, Past

and Present, and friends of the School. Next year will be the Twentieth Anniversary of the School, and your Committee thinks that we should make an effort to raise sufficient funds during the present year, so that the foundation-stone of the Chapel may be laid on that occasion.

In conclusion, your Committee would urge on members of the Union the importance of using their influence to further the interests of the Union, and to persuade other Old Boys to become members, and do likewise.

A. B. S. WHITE,
Hon. Secretary.

STATEMENT SHOWING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE AS AT MAY 4TH, 1908.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
To Balance as at May 4, '07				35	10	1	By Loss on Smoke Concert	5	12	3			
„ Subscriptions	39	8	0				„ School Prizes	3	3	0			
„ Interest	1	8	10				„ Torchbearer	8	8	0			
				40	16	10	„ Petty Cash, Printing, Stationery and Stamps	3	16	8			
							„ Balance				20	19	11
											55	7	0
											<u>£76</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>11</u>

STATEMENT SHOWING REVENUE.

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
To Expenditure as above	20	19	11	By Gross Revenue	39	8	0			
„ Balance Nett Profit	10	16	6	„ Interest	1	8	10			
								40	16	10
				„ Subscriptions received in advance prior to 1907				6	10	0
				„ To Balance errors				2	7	
								47	9	5
				Less subscriptions paid in advance	7	5	0			
				Less Life Membership	8	8	0			
								15	13	0
								<u>£31</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>5</u>

BALANCE SHEET AS AT MAY 4TH, 1908.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
To Benevolent Fund ...	12	13	1				By Cash in Savings Bank ...	52	17	11
„ Interest ...		7	5				„ Cash in hand ...	2	9	1
				13	0	6				
„ Life Membership ...				21	0	0				
„ Subscriptions paid in advance for 1909 ...	5	15	0							
1910 ...	2	15	0							
1911 ...	1	15	0							
1912 ...		5	0							
				10	10	0				
„ Balance—Nett Profit...				10	16	6				
				<u>£55 7 0</u>						<u>£55 7 0</u>

Audited for Hon. Auditor by N. V. DEANE.

D. DAVIES, *Hon. Treas.*

The Hon. Treasurer begs to acknowledge receipt of subscriptions for the year 1908-9, &c., from the following:—A. B. S. White (life), J. F. Fitzhardinge (life), D'Arcy F. Roberts (life), O. E. Friend (life), F. P. Hopkins (life), Venour Nathan (life), Rev. I. D. Armitage, E. N. Allen, G. N. Allen (1911), J. N. F. Armstrong, W. A. Burcher, H. Bullock, Dr C H. B. Bradley (1910), G. E. Browne, L. C. J. Broughton, R. W. L. Boyce, R. Black, A. D. Blaxland (1910), L. Cadell, A. T. Carlisle, C. H. Calvert, H. F. Clarke, J. A. H. Cox, G. Stanton Cook, M. L. Clarke, Rev. D. Davies, R. G. I. Dent, O. G. Dent, R. O. Dent, S. E. Dent, O. B. Dibbs, A. T. Edols (1910), R. G. H. Fotheringham, J. W. Gibson, H. J. Gould, the Headmaster, J. W. Hayne (1911), L. Hagen (1910), J. Hay, R. N. Hickson, F. C. Kater (1911), D. T. Kilgour, A. J. Kelynack (1912), E. S. Kater, A. R. Lomax, I. L. Longwill, G. N.

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MARRIAGE.

Moodie-King.—On June 3rd, at Christ Church, North Sydney, by the Rev. J. H. Maclean, Robert Troup Moodie to Una Beresford King.

School Calendar.

TERM II. 1908.

- April 16. -- } Annual Rowing Camp at Gladesville.
 " 27. -- }
 " 27. -- School re-opened after Easter Vacation.
 " 29. -- G.P.S. Regatta, Parramatta River.
 " 30. -- 1st XV. v. Old Boys. Won, 9-3.
 " 30. -- Old Boys' Union Annual Meeting.
 " 31. -- Meeting of the Junior Debating Society.
 " 31. -- Old Boys' Union Annual Dinner.
- May 3. -- Anniversary Service. Preacher, The Ven. Archdeacon Gunther.
 " 4. -- Anniversary Day. Address in Hall by the Headmaster.
 " 4. -- Meeting of the General Sports Committee.
 " 6. -- 1st XV. v. St. Ignatius' College. Drawn, 0-0.
 " 12. -- Meeting of the General Sports Committee.
 " 13. -- 1st XV. v. Newington College. Won, 12-3.
 " 14. -- Meeting of Senior Debating Society.
 " 15. -- First Cadet Parade.
 " 16. -- 1st XV. v. Sydney High School. Won, 29-0.
 " 20. -- 1st XV. v. Sydney Grammar School. Won, 11-0.
 " 24. -- Empire Day.
 " 25. -- Address in Hall by Professor MacCallum.
 " 26. -- Meeting of the Junior Debating Society.
 " 27. -- Half-holiday for Empire Day.
 " 27. -- 1st XV. v. The King's School. Won, 6-0.
- June 3. -- 1st XV. v. St. Joseph's College. Won, 13-3.
 " 8. -- Prince of Wales' Birthday. Whole Holiday.
 " 9. -- University Junior Examinations start.
 " 9. -- School Examination starts.
 " 12. -- Annual Concert and Dramatic Entertainment.
 " 18. -- Last Day of Term II.

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