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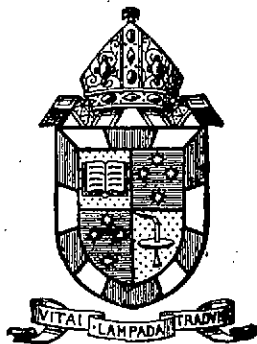
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School Notes.

TERM I. ends on April 8th, and Term II. will commence on Monday, April 19th, at 2.30 p.m. An entrance examination will be held on Monday, April 19th, at 9.30 a.m.

The following boys have entered this Term:—C. Aiken, C. F. Allman, G. M. Arnot, C. L. Boyce, A. S. Boyd, H. S. Brackenbury, R. V. Campbell, D. B. Carver, F. A. Chapman, E. S. Claydon, S. Claydon, L. B. Coward, W. H. Cullen, E. H. Cunningham, A. T. Doig, L. A. Duncomb, A. H. V. Evans, P. F. Fenwick, A. E. Gibbes, E. A. Hall, N. G. Hewison, K. Hufnagel, W. E. Kingston, N. F. Leslie, C. S. D. Hay (re-entered), H. V. Hoskins, J. Z. Huie, A. O. McPhillamy, J. Maguire, A. R. Marshall,

T. Morell, A. Musgrave, J. W. L. Ormiston, J. Rankin, R. J. Rodgers, A. R. J. Rodgers, N. N. Ross, A. E. Salwey, R. B. Scammell, I. E. Suttor, P. G. Taylor, H. T. Thompson, R. H. Wilshire.

The following boys left at the end of Term IV., 1908:—A. N. Arnot (Junior M. 1908, Junior Athletic Shield 1907), S. L. Barden, J. M. Bevan, K. Bayley, H. P. Christie, R. B. Cowan, C. T. Cowper, N. G. Chambers (Junior 1908), H. G. Cummings, T. B. Dibbs, W. B. S. Fell, G. H. Francis (1st XI. colours, Junior 1908), R. K. Hardie, J. K. Hardie, L. C. G. Howard, C. R. R. Huxtable (Sub-Prefect, Junior 1907, Matric. 1908), A. W. A. Macarthur, G. A. D. Macarthur, A. P. Maclean, G. Martin,

M. E. McPhillamy, O. McDonogh (1st XV.), E. R. H. Merewether (Prefect, 1st XI. colours, 1st XV. colours, G.P.S. XI. 1908, G.P.S. XV. 1908, Junior M. 1906, Senior 1908, Matric. (Med.) 1908), E. O. Moore, D. Nettleton, A. G. Park, K. Paul (Venour Nathan Shield 1908), C. A. Pennefather (Prefect, 1st XV. colours, Swimming Championship 1907, G.P.S. 2nd XV. 1908, Junior M. 1906, Senior 1908, Matric. (Eng.) 1908), J. G. A. Pockley (G.P.S. 2nd XV. 1908, 1st XV. colours, Junior 1908, Sub-Prefect), J. H. C. Ross, S. N. Sendall, J. C. Shand (Matric. 1907), Q. S. Spedding, R. N. Swallow, A. J. Syme, J. Taylor, C. R. Z. Throsby, L. W. A. Thomas, N. L. Tyson, B. Walford, R. G. Ward (Junior 1908), E. Way, W. Webster, V. V. W. Williams (Junior 1908).

The School has missed with much regret during the past few days the familiar figure of our old friend and neighbour, Mr. T. A. Dibbs, on his afternoon homeward journey through the grounds. All will be glad to learn that the operation which has during the past few days kept him a prisoner has been successful, and that we may confidently hope to see him once more among us in a very short time. On behalf of the School, we ask Mr. Dibbs to accept our sincere sympathy with him in his suffering, and our earnest hope for a speedy and thorough cure.

On March 19th the following were admitted Prefects:—C. M. Milbourne Marsh, J. M. Maclean, J. L. Digby, K. V. Macdonald, (C. W. Lee Pulling *abs.*); and the following Sub-Prefects:—L. B. Heath, C. F. Maxwell, R. C. Anderson, C. C. Minty, P. E. Voss, J. H. Stephenson, R. O. Middleton, C. V. McCulloch, R. L. Sayers, C. S. Tiley, F. C. Bechtel, E. H. Dodds

(D. I. Smith *abs.*). R. J. A. Massie has been appointed Senior Prefect.

The Annual Commemoration Service will be held in the School Hall on Sunday evening, May 1st, at 7.30 p.m. The preacher will be the Warden of St. Paul's, The Rev. L. B. Radford, D.D.

On Thursday, 18th March, after Morning Prayer, the Head Master, took occasion in presenting Tozer with the Latin Medal, which he won in last Senior Exam.; to express his sense of the loss the School was suffering in his proceeding to the University. He referred to the prominent part Tozer had taken in both the intellectual and athletic life of the School, and the highly meritorious manner in which he had discharged his duties as Prefect and as Senior Prefect, and urged the School at large to keep such a bright example ever before them, and endeavour to follow it in their own cases.

The following have entered the Sydney University this Term:—Engineering School—C. Deane, C. A. Pennefather; Medical School—B. C. A. Pockley, J. C. Shand, D. I. Smith, W. F. Stevenson, C. J. Tozer; Arts—J. H. Stephenson, D. Williams. E. R. H. Merewether and C. R. R. Huxtable also passed Matriculation (Medical), and R. J. A. Massie (Eng.), but have not entered the University.

On February 20th a collection was made for the Rawson Memorial Fund, and the sum of £8 has been sent to the Hon. Treasurer.

We have to thank Mr. Card, the Curator of the Mines Museum, for a number of fossils characteristic of the various groups

of rocks in New South Wales, and also for about 50 test specimens of rocks for those doing practical work. Mr. Card is always pleased to see students of geology at the Mines Museum, and to give them every help in overcoming difficulties. Mr. R. W. Carey, one of our Old Boys, and contractor for the first section of the North Coast Railway, has kindly sent us a number of fossils found in excavating the new line near Maitland, and has promised a further contribution later on. At this rate, we shall soon be asking for another new cabinet.

DEBATING SOCIETY.—A debate was held on Tuesday, March 2nd, when a motion was brought forward by Boyce i.—“That prize-fighting is brutalizing.” Smith i. led the opposition. The voting was close, but the motion was carried by a majority of 4. A challenge has been received from the S.G.S. Literary and Debating Society to another inter-school debate, soon after the beginning of next term, probably on the third or fourth Friday evening of the quarter. It has been accepted, and we have to choose a subject, and defend whichever side our opponents leave us. The debate will be held in the Hall.

The Committee of the Chapel Fund beg to thank the following for donations received since our last issue:—Mrs. Longley, £1 1s.; executors of Trenham Old, Esq. (deceased), £3 3s.; Mr. G. A. N. Woodcock (second donation), £1 1s.; Mr. E. H. Wright, £1.

The prizes for the general information paper have been awarded to the following:—Digby i., Voss i., Hay, Blackwood.

At a meeting of the General Sports Committee on the 8th March, Marsh was elected Captain of Boats, *vice* Edwards, left, and Adams i., Adams ii., Busby i., Garbett, Grieve Lillyman, McCulloch, Merewether i., Tucker ii., Voss i., and Wilkinson were elected members of the General Sports Committee.

The Cricket Sub-Committee have awarded colours to the following (in order of merit):—Francis, Boyce i., McDonald, Merewether i., Lillyman; the Cricket Blazer to McCulloch, Sayers, Adams ii.; and the School Blazer to Garbett, Forbes, McIntosh, Adams i., Merewether ii., Suttor, Thornton, Elliott i. Fraser, Williams ii.

The bat presented by Mr. A. B. S. White for the best aggregate in competition matches has been won by C. J. Tozer.

PREPARATORY SCHOOL.—There is nothing of particular note to record about the Preparatory School this term except, perhaps, certain marked successes in swimming. At the “Carnival,” held by the Preparatory Schools Association on March 13, out of the four inter-school races we won three and came second in the fourth. The open championship was won by A. Martin, the under twelve open championship by J. Godwin, while C. King was second in the diving championship, and H. Bloome won the egg-in-spoon race from a field of fifty or thereabouts.

At the Carnival held by the Main School, two ex-Preparatory boys won the chief events, viz., D. Suttor the championship of the school, and G. Arnot (who passed out of the Preparatory last Christmas) the diving championship.

The school prizes were distributed this time by Mr. A. F. Robinson, treasurer to the School Council. The School Scholarship was won by F. Perks who was also Dux of the School.

Mr. Petersen's classes for Physical Culture have largely increased in numbers this year. Some 80 boys have now joined.

The number of boys at the Preparatory School this term is 108, of whom 18 are boarders. Mr. Harris is at present in charge of the Boarding Establishment.

The total number of boys who have been sent on to the Main School since the establishment of the Preparatory School some four years ago is now 51.

The Cricket Competition for the past season is not yet decided, but it is probable that we shall occupy either second or third place on the list out of a total of five schools. The personnel of the staff has undergone several changes lately. The Masters at present on the staff, in addition to the Headmaster, are Messrs. G. Robinson, H. B. Shaw, V. Cullen, and H. Veal.

N.S.W. Rhodes Scholar for 1909.

THE following summary of the School and University record of Dr. Howard Bullock, who has brought honour to the S.C.E.G.S. by his selection as Rhodes Scholar for this State, will be of interest to our readers, and will, we hope, impress upon present members of the School the necessity for steady work in school and consistent practice in the field if they desire to emulate a most conscientious career thus brought to a fitting termination:—

Entered the School, July, 1898.

Left, March, 1904.

1899—Head of Remove Form and Div. 5.
Winner of Junior Athletic Shield.

1900—Head of Form III.B. and Div. 4.

1901—Head of Form III.A. and Div. 3.
1st XI.

1902—Head of Form IV. and Div. 2.
Junior Public Exam. (Matriculation).
Sub-Prefect.

Open Broad Jump.

1st XI. (G.P.S. Premiers).

1903—Head of School. Prefect.

1st Crew. 1st XI. (colours).

1st XV. (colours).

Open Broad Jump, and Throwing
Cricket Ball.

1904 Sydney University, Entrance Medical Matriculation.

Member of the Committee of the Old
Boys' Union.

Re-elected 1905, 1906, 1907.

(He was thus Head of the School,
and had won his Triple Colours—
Rowing, Cricket, and Football.)

SYDNEY UNIVERSITY.

Medical School.

1st Year (1904)—Inorganic Chemistry,
credit.

2nd Year (1905)—Organic Chemistry,
credit.

3rd Year (1906)—Anatomy and Physiology,
credit.

(1905-6)—Prosector to the Anatomy
School. (selected for efficiency in

dissecting and knowledge of anatomy):
 4th Year (1907)—Surgical Anatomy and Pathology, distinction.
 5th Year (1908)—Professional Subjects, credit.
 Graduation, second-class honours.
 1908—Resident Medical Officer of the R.P.A. Hospital.

Athletics.

1907—Athletic Cap: High Jump in Inter Varsity Sports.

Cricket.

1907-8—2nd XI., runners-up for Electorate Premiership.

Football.

1905—1st XV., Blue.
 1906—1st XV., Blue.
 1st XV. v. N.Z. Universities.
 Metropolitan 1st XV. v. Combined Country.
 N.S.W. 1st XV. v. Queensland.
 1907—1st XV., Blue.
 Metropolitan 1st XV. v. Country.
 Emergency forward, Australia v. N.Z.
 1908—University 1st XV., Blue.
 N.S.W. 1st XV. v. Queensland, and v. England & Wales.
 Metrop. 1st XV. v. England & Wales, and v. Combined Western Districts.
 Invited to become member of the Australian XV. for England.

Cadet Corps.

CRICKET and the hot weather have somewhat interfered with any great development in the Cadet Corps. The numbers, however, have not fallen, as those who have left the ranks have been replaced by recruits who are already fit to enter the ranks. It is always, however, with a feeling of misgiving that we say good-bye to those who have taken the lead; and although we ever find that in our School there are others coming behind ready and willing to take the places of those who have gone, we cannot but feel regret at losing N.C.O.'s as zealous as Colour-Sergeant D. Williams and Sergeants Deane and J. Pockley, to be soon followed, alas, by Lieutenants Tozer and B. Pockley.

The camp, which was held at Yarra Bay, may be said to have been successful; it was the real thing, not much to eat or

time to eat it. Those who grumbled at the hard fare may get comfort from the fact that it did them good, and that, with a little forethought and experience, they can mitigate the severity of it on the next occasion.

Not that any real grumbling was indulged in—only so much as is expected from Tommy Atkins, be he man or boy. At any rate, our fellows acquitted themselves splendidly. K. Company got second marks for tidiest lines; G. Company fourth out of eight, and both were commended, both then and at inspection, by Colonel Paul, and acquitted themselves well on the parade ground and in the field.

The O.C. was well pleased both with the conduct and efficiency of the corps, and proud of the commendation received from other quarters.

It is with much regret that we have to announce the protracted illness of Major Buchanan, who has sacrificed his health for the benefit of the Battalion. We, however, hear that he is now picking up, and hope before long that he will be able to resume command.

Captain Dunkley is acting as O.C. and Captain Pulling as Adjutant during Major Buchanan's absence.

An account of the camp will be found elsewhere. The thanks of the School are due to Mr. C. Tayler, who has voluntarily undertaken the coaching of a rifle team. The School is indeed fortunate in obtaining the assistance of men as enthusiastic and generous as Mr. Ramsay for rowing and Mr. Tayler for rifle practice.

To undertake the coaching of a rifle team means the sacrifice of many Saturdays, many leisure hours, and little

amusement for one's self. It is hoped that a team will be got together who will put into shooting the determination which S.C.E.G.S. boys have shewn they can put into other sports, for it is only thus we can repay the good services of friends like Mr. Tayler.

The miniature range is at last open for practice, and constant practice at this will be the surest road to success at the main ranges.

A Battalion Parade was held in the Domain on March 5th, Captain Dunkley in command.

On Tuesday, March 17th, the prizes won at the shooting for the Venour-Nathan Shield were presented (in the absence of Mrs. Hodges) by Miss Pulling. 1st, Cadet Paul, who, unfortunately, has left the School; 2nd, Sergeant Boyce; 3rd, Cadet Le Quesne.

Caesar de Bello Cadetico.

THE following is a literal translation of an ancient manuscript in Latin found during the digging of the foundations of the armoury. It appears to be a portion of a lost book of Cæsar. Several hiatus occur; where these have been filled in by the translator, the words occur in brackets. The story is interesting to readers of the *Torch-Bearer*, as there is a striking similarity between it and the incidents of the recent camp.

On the next day, Cæsar gave orders to those legions which had been in winter quarters in Nova Gallia Australis to meet together at a place not far from the sea which faces towards the rising sun, which place seemed to him fit for a camp not

only because it afforded to his men a means of washing their tired bodies by swimming, but also because the inhabitants of that place had led the water thither with extraordinary art by means of little streams derived from a great lake. Where, the camp having been pitched before nightfall with great sweat and toil of the men, our men were moved with anxiety, because it was reported that there were no cattle in or near the camp, and that Cæsar was in difficulties about the corn supply; and, indeed, all the days the men murmured because, as they said, there was too little flesh and bread, so that they could scarcely support their hunger. Cæsar, however, had brought up certain iron

boxes into which cooked fruits had been poured, exceeding precious, so that one box apiece could be given to each group of six men.

During the night about the first watch, there was a rush on the part of the guards, in command of whom there was a man who, on account of his great daring, had been named by his fellow-soldiers Hector, and, indeed, many times the guards thus rushing forth were less in danger from the enemy than from their own friends, who were inflamed with anger, because they, when wearied out with toil, were thus vainly awakened from sleep by the noise of those rushing out.

At break of day the signal was given, and Cæsar having led his men to the sea shore, he himself standing on a high hill, ordered the trumpet to be sounded, on hearing which all threw themselves with one rush into the sea.

These things having been finished, Cæsar being affected by a grave disease, Labienus, the chief of his staff, ordered the men to be led over the fields; but for what purpose this was done it was not easy to be decided; for the captains, whether from ignorance or from sloth, themselves each stood in the middle of a flat place and commanded the men to march round them many times and very quickly, so that it was not very far but that the faint-hearted became disaffected.

Now, on the third day, Labienus, when it had been announced that the enemy was approaching, a council having been called, and Columba Major a tribune, who had taken part in the former wars in Africa, and had survived many battles there, and Coqus Rossellus, a most gallant man, to whom fighting in former days with great bravery, the mural crown

had been granted, and many other marks of honour, being added to the council, sent forward three cohorts of infantry from the northern shore, the flower of all his army. Lucius Ahenobarbus (to whom the name was given on account of the colour of his beard) being placed in command.

Now, Ahenobarbus was, on the one hand, a man of little experience in military affairs, but, upon the other, he was of exceeding zeal and some natural craftiness; and as his lieutenant he had Arrisius, a man held in high esteem by Caesar.

Ahenobarbus with the greatest speed occupied a hill that sloped with three spurs up from the plain, Arrisius being on the right, Arenosus Macdonius, the centurion, in the centre spur, whom he ordered to lie hidden there with his men, for the grass in that place was of so great a height that men could easily be concealed in it.

Not long afterwards, the enemy appeared, clashing their arms and running hither and thither, who, when they had advanced some way, received a shower of darts from the Arrisiani, and while falling back with great loss were attacked unawares in the open flank by Arenosus and his men.

These having been driven back, Arenosus turned his men backward with great speed, and by the great zeal of his men *** **
*** Say that Cæsar of set purpose did this thing either for a sport or in order that he might the more easily exercise his men as for battle. ***

[On that day] later many matrons [and maidens] came from the city to the camp, and there was revelry and much joy and [feasting] until sunset ***

*** Next day many men were afflicted with ***. "Thunder and hail, ***"

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The Cadet Camp.

(BY RANK AND FILE.)

ABOUT three months before Christmas it became known throughout the School that a camp was to be formed for the 3rd Battalion at La Perouse. This site was afterwards changed for Yarra Bay.

The date fixed for the encampment was from the 14th December until the 18th. On the 13th a Church Parade was held at Christ Church, Lavender Bay. The two companies marched thither to the strains of the bugle band.

The following morning G and K companies set out to their destination, laden with the articles, needful for camp life.

Reaching Circular Quay, we boarded a special tram, that was to carry us to Yarra Bay. Behind our tram were seen other cars, each containing different companies of the Battalion. We arrived at the camping ground about 4 o'clock, and found the ground strewn with bags, which, after some investigation, we learnt contained our tents. After some difficulty being experienced, our line of the encampment was completed.

When things had been put in order, we waited patiently for tea; most of us were ravenous, but after a time our wants were attended by the camp orderlies, who served us liberally with the finest of all foods, "Bread," washed down with a mug of milkless tea. Tantalising odors arose from the officers mess, and the bugle sang its song. "The officer boys gets puddin's and pies while we poor beggars gets skilly."

We were soon ready to prepare for bed, but not for sleep. Fistic encounters took

place when it grew dark, between chosen men from rival companies, and weird shadows darted to and fro as lighted candles were held up for the benefit of followers of Burns and Johnson.

At "first post" some retired within their tents. Then the "second post" was sounded, which was intended to keep all within their tents. The first night it can scarcely be said that it did so, for ghostly figures were seen darting from tent to tent. Finally the "last post" was heard, and all lights were extinguished, but not the talkative powers of the budding warriors. Loud protests could be heard coming from different beds in each tent, demanding the silence of their more animated companions. This noise continued until two or three o'clock, when at last these noisy roisterers were drafted into the land of nod. The next thing heard was a deafening report and the reveillé sounding, and the turbulent boys of the night before arose from their blankets, perhaps a little sorry for their late talking.

At six the bugle sounded, and the cadets formed into companies, in order to go for their swimming parade; and after some delay they started off, looking from a distance like a remnant of Napoleon's army retreating from Moscow, clad as they were some in pyjamas, others in bathing suits and bath towels. The men of each company quickly stripped, and at the sound of the bugle dashed into the sea. The roar they made must have surely brought mighty Neptune from his watery dominions, if he had happened to be at hand. For five minutes this went on, and

then a second bugle sounded, and all came out. This was to see that all were well. Then another dash into the surf, with a ten minutes swim, and we walked slowly back to our tents, wishing that all parades were as welcome as the bathing parade.

After getting dressed we prepared for the day's work. A discussion generally took place about who was to act as tent orderly for the day; at last two unfortunates were chosen, and the breakfast bugle sounding, they went for the daily rations. The morning was taken up with company drill, by an experienced Sergeant Major. Two hours off for dinner. More drill was given in the afternoon, and that night six hundred tired boys lay down and slept, without the least noise, exhausted with their labours.

The next succeeding days numerous incidents occurred. One afternoon the battalion set out in companies, and quickly deployed into skirmishing order. We passed through some very thickly wooded country, so thick in fact that one squad could not see its next neighbour. So after some very nasty but enjoyable struggles through mud and thick bushes, we came out into open and were surprised to see that we were at the foot of a hill in perfect order with the remainder of the battalion, and after some difficulty captured the Penitentiary without the loss of a single man.

We marched "at ease" homewards, and after supper we slept soundly until the gun woke us up for another day's work.

Wednesday afternoon was made into a holiday, by the offer of the Rev. Stacy Waddy of a prize for the smartest team in taking down and pitching a tent. G company was exceptionally smart in this

undertaking, but failed to get the tent rolled sufficiently tight to get it in the bag.

Thursday was our big day in camp. It comprised the sham fight, ceremonial parade, and visitation. At 8.30 a.m. the battalion formed up for the sham fight. Three companies, two from S.C.E.G.S. and of Armidale, marched out under the command of Captain Pulling, towards Long Bay, and took up a position in front of the Penitentiary. The remaining companies were charged with the task of dislodging them. The attacking force moved off steadily, threading its way through the scrub. The summer sun beat down pitilessly, and the loose sand and stones made heavy walking. But the little army swept on. On emerging into the open the enemy on the hill opened fire. The attackers replied with a vigorous fusillade, and then pushed forward. Taking what cover they could, they worked to the base of the hill, replying all the time to the enemies fire. Then came the final rush. A continued rattle of musketry was kept up, attackers and attacked firing rapidly until the victorious assailants gained the summit. I cannot help thinking that if there had been some lead at the end of the cartridges the result would have been different, for K company, under Lieutenant Harris, successfully enfiladed the left of the attacking party, and Sergeant Macdonald's section, keeping perfect order, played the same trick on their right. However, the attackers refused to consider themselves dead or wounded, and continued to advance although most of them carried imaginary bullets in their insides.

In the afternoon the battalion formed up in line, then changed into column formation for the march past. The buglers' band, supplemented by the

Rockdale Municipal Band, filled the air with martial music. After the march past and inspection, Colonel Paul expressed his appreciation of the work done and great improvement of the cadets since the first day of the camp. After parade we

were free to see our friends, and amongst the many people present were to be seen Mr. and Mrs. Hodges, and many of the masters. On the next day, Friday, camp was struck, and the battalion went home for the holidays, tired, sunburnt and dirty.

Storm and Calm.

High Heaven's vault was bright with lightning flash,

The rain in never-ceasing stream poured down ;

Methought, while listening to its endless splash,

That once again it meant the world to drown.

The thunder-peals were many, long and loud,

They vied with roarings from the wave-beat shore ;

The trees before the shrieking storm low-bowed

The lofty heads they erstwhile proudly bore.

But still the clouds scud on before the blast

Of stormy wind, most terrible to hear,

And now the stress of rain and wind being past,

The flocking sea-mews seek the wind-swept pier.

High in the heavens the silvery moon rode bright,

The wide lake lay as if composed in sleep ;

Scarce could one think that on this very night

The foam-capped billows raged upon the deep.

So, when a storm of thoughts has swept the mind,

Thoughts that can harrow up the very soul,

These, passing, leave a sense of peace behind,

Which, soothing, makes the spirit calm and whole.

DELTA.

A Sleeper Camp in North Queensland.

(Extract from letters to the Editor by an Old Boy from Sleeper Camp, Cardwell.)

PERHAPS a description of my surroundings will be of interest to others, and at the same time give me something to do this long evening.

The locality is in North Queensland, near a town marked on all the maps, which

fact would lead one to think it a place of importance. Perhaps it was once, but now Cardwell is dead, absolutely and unmistakably dead. The town consists of a post office, an hotel, two stores, and, at the most, half a dozen houses. Some cocoa-

nut palms indicate the site of a bank long since dismantled and its timbers gradually removed by natives, black and white. The visitor is shown where once upon a time there was a two-storey hotel. The chief item of interest about it seems to have been two long wire ropes that passed right over the building, being made fast, at each end to posts sunk deep in the ground, this with the object of defying the festive cyclones that periodically visit this coast.

On the whole, the seascape is the best feature of the town. The northern end of Hinchinbrook Island with its wonderful chain of mountains is only a couple of miles away across the Channel, while further out to sea are the many islands of the Family and Bernard Groups, making a pleasant variation in the horizon.

My habitation is a 10 x 12 tent in a camp ten miles south of Cardwell, a camp consisting of some twenty tents, and inhabited by a highly coloured population, principally Japanese, but with a sprinkling of Malays, Cingalese, and Kanakas, together with four other Europeans. At the present time there are forty men under a ganger engaged in getting timber suitable for sawing into sleepers for the C.S.R. Co.'s tramways, as the zft. gauge light railway is called.

About twenty men are employed actually cutting the blocks, while the rest are kept busy making roads and crossings for the transport waggons, loading and driving the waggons, looking after the horses and mules of which there are about twenty all told, and last but not least there are a couple of cooks, one for the Japs who live on such luxuries as rice, katsuoboshi, koyadofu, miro, and shoyer, and one for the rest of the camp.

The camp itself is on the high bank of a creek just now running quietly but ready, on the least excuse, such as an inch or two of rain, to come tearing down in great style, carrying stray logs and debris of all sorts with it to be deposited further down, in some twist or turn of which there are dozens in its course.

A mile or so down the creek we have built a wharf, to which the logs are carted there to be loaded into punts, and towed to the mill by a large oil launch. A small corrugated iron store provides a dry resting place for rations and supplies sent back on the return trips.

Lately, we have had a good deal of rain, this being the wet season, two feet all but ten points is the score for the last three weeks of January. This has interfered a lot with the carting, as much of the country round is so called devil-devil and very soft, after heavy rain it would "bog a duck," as the local people express it. The result of this is that we have to corduroy our roads here and there to make them passable in dry weather.

The Japs are in many ways the most interesting of those in camp. Their wonderful powers of imitation make them a most adaptable crowd, and having been shown anything once or twice they soon find a way to do it as well or better than their instructor. Certainly they know how to make themselves comfortable, though of course to our idea there is little comfort in a piece of matting laid flat on the floor and a wooden pillow.

The conversation, at all times animated, is amusing, even though quite unintelligible to the listener. There seems to be neither beginning or end, and everyone

speaks at once. Their evening dress often takes the form of a narrow loin cloth, as worn by the ju jitsu men, and a pair of wooden sandals with two bars across the sole which raise them a couple of inches off the ground. All their tents are partially floored with sticks or split saplings on logs and stumps a foot or two high, and the sandals are always left on the ground, so in the wettest of weather the floors are kept clean and dry.

In addition to our camp there are several small ones, of men engaged in cutting squared sleepers by contract; one or two of these men are artists, and it is a treat to see the 14-inch blade of a squaring axe come down on the line time after time without a mistake.

It is part of my work to inspect and pass their sleepers, branding them all with a hammer made for the purpose, and rejecting those that do not come up to the standard.

On the whole, it's not a bad life in the open air all day and generally with a good horse under one, even though it is very wet or blazing hot, and the mosquitoes, sandflies, stinging flies, flying ants, and

beetles galore at times reminded one of the plagues of Egypt.

This day, being Saturday, I put in part of the afternoon adding to my furniture by converting an empty box into a comfortable seat. This was done by tacking a piece of hessian over the open top and then covering that with a rice mat. These latter are of closely plaited grass, and are just the thing for the job, and the finished article reminds one of the seats in the suburban railway carriages. I have a most comfortable camp bed, a rectangle of iron piping on four legs with a piece of canvas in the centre laced all-round with rope; there is a wonderful lot of give in it, and I appreciate it greatly after a couple of weeks on a layer of grass. A solid table made of kerosene case timber and stumps; an office chair, of potato case and rice mat; an office safe of kerosene case with a shelf and door; and a chest of drawers without any drawers (three kerosene cases), with a towel rail and posts for the very necessary mosquito net, complete the suite; so you see I'm pretty well set up. On a tree in front of my tent I have some staghorns and orchids growing, and in the ground a couple of crow's nests. It's just as well to make oneself at home while one's about it.

A.W.

The University Camp for Great Public Schools.

ON the 9.30 a.m. boat to Manly on Monday, January 18, 1909, could be seen many boys with bags; it looked as if they were going somewhere for a holiday; and so it was, for they were off

to the first University Camp for the G.P.S. of N.S.W. I was one of the party that gathered together, most of us unknown to one another, except of course our own school fellows. At Manly we got into two

four-horse coaches and drove straight to Newport. I won't say that we went through without a stop, for I think there was at least six "half-way houses." However, we got to the Camp at about 12 o'clock, and found that all the tents were pitched, except the marquee. We soon had that up, because it was underneath this that we were to have our dinner, and after our 13 mile drive most of us were very hungry. Our names were read out and the tents were allotted to us, the boys from the different schools being mixed up in the tents, so that we might become better acquainted with each other. There were in all 44 boys and 11 officers. The Commandant and the two Adjutants of course did not take tent duty.

By looking round it could easily be seen what an admirable place had been picked for the Camp. There was a beautiful beach; with good breakers and a fine stretch of sand, lying in between two headlands, about half a mile apart. Of course the cry "Swim Oh!" went up soon after our arrival, and we went into the breakers accompanied by an officer.

Every day we got up at 6.30 a.m., when Kelynack, the camp bugler, sounded the "Réveillé." We were then served with biscuits, and "Swim Oh" soon followed. Breakfast was at 8 and prayers at 9. We then had the day to ourselves. When I say "to ourselves," I mean that we were not compelled to do any one particular thing; but there was something arranged for us every day, such as fishing, boating, swimming, or cricket. We had a paper-chase which was very exciting; a big cricket match; a trip to Barrenjoey Lighthouse, when half the camp rowed there and walked back, and the other half walked there and rowed back; a beach carnival

which included flat races, wading races, broad-jump, and throwing the cricket ball; and, one day, the boys went out for a sail in a yacht belonging to a friend of Mr. Chapman's. We used to go in for at least three "surfs" a day.

I think that the greatest fun of all was at meal times when, without exception, our dear commandant, Mr. Walsh, always made three good jokes, and when speeches were made by other members of the Camp.

What was the tucker like? Well, we had an expert military cook—not of the Yarra Bay type—and he *was* an expert, too, for he made some rattling good dishes.

In the evenings we had a "Sing-Song," or some other entertainment. Once we had a Mock Trial of Tom Mann who was sentenced to the "Order of the Bath." One evening we sung our school songs, and now and then the cries of "Shore," "Grammar," "Newington," and "School" would go up, but to my mind "Shore" was heard the best, though there were only seven of us to eight "Grammars."

Supper was served at 9.15, and the day closed with prayers. At morning and evening prayers addresses were given by one of the officers or a visitor. To help the singing, we had an excellent piano.

At tea, the Camp Paper was read by the Commandant, the editors of this interesting journal were Street (S.G.S.), Anderson (S.C.E.G.S.), and Blumer (S.H.S.).

My readers will see that it was not at all like the fattening Cadet Camp, and I shall not be surprised if the U.C.G.P.S. has at least 100 boys next year. We made, at least I did, a number of new friends there, and came away on the 25th quite sorry to part, but hoping to meet again before long.

Lycus.

Boat Club.

THE Boat Club is at present enjoying a season of prosperity, for not only is there abundance of good material; but, which is just as important, there are coaches available to mould it. To the list of coaches, mentioned in the last issue, has to be added the name of G. Gunning, an Old Boy, who, after rowing for the School in the 2nd crew of 1898, has gained wider experience both in Sydney and Melbourne. He has been a regular attendant at the shed during the past few weeks, and, in addition, has promised to join the Easter Encampment, at which his experience in racing should prove invaluable to the crews.

Competition for the seats in the first and second boats has been keen, and at present there are no less than 19 regular attendants at the shed, who row in fours on slides. In addition to these, there are four who row in tub-pairs on fixed seats, while many others are in a lower grade still, and patronise the pleasure boats. The Leichhardt Rowing Club, through Mr. Ramsay, very kindly loaned the Club their practice eight for a week, and the use of this boat was of great assistance for coaching purposes. Two fours have been rowing regularly on Saturday afternoons, while on two occasions (March 15 and 20) an observer would have seen an eight and a four; all on slides; leave the School Shed, while the crew of another four was unavailable, owing to cricket. The whole of the School boats have been fitted with the new patent Nielsen poppets, which have proved very satisfactory, and Berry's Bay on afternoons now resounds to a weird rattle, which, however, to the grief of the coaches, is not always together.

With so many candidates for selection this year, it was decided to enter two crews in the Second Crews' Race, for when the best second crew is selected (by no means an easy task) from the remnants, a very fair crew may be got together. Of last year's crews, there remain Marsh and Massie from the first crew and Sayers and McDonald from the second. Marsh is Captain of the Club, and will stroke the crew, having behind him, in all likelihood, Massie (3), Heath (2), and McDonald (bow), with Day as cox. The second crew has been arranged as follows:—Voss i. (stroke), Maxwell (3), Sayers (2), Tucker ii. (bow), and Cullen ii. (cox); while the No. 2 crew will be Greive (stroke), Digby i. (3), à Beckett i. (2), Voss ii. (bow), and Robertson (cox). These places, however, may be altered at any time, according to the form displayed. Minty is held in reserve as an emergency. The names of those who have been coached, in addition to the above, are C. S. Hordern, Warden, Simpson i., Saddington, Needham, and te Kloot, slides; and à Beckett ii., Ross ii., Arthur, and Fenwick, fixed seats. All these, with steady practice, should be capable of rowing in the trial races at the end of the year. Mr Ramsay has very kindly promised to secure a boat from his Club for the No. 2 crew to race in. A fast and as yet unnamed motor launch has been secured for the Easter training, so that in the matter of boats we may regard ourselves as particularly fortunate. It is, however, to the men in the boats that we must look to chiefly for success, and, if their final preparation is entered upon with the same determination as was displayed by last year's crew, the School may

rest assured, that if the crews do not win, it will not be for want of trying.

The race will be decided on the Parramatta course, as usual, on Wednesday, 21st April. On Thursday, 8th April, the

crews will take up their quarters at the Gladesville Hotel, where they will remain during the Easter holidays. Old Boys and friends are cordially invited to visit the camp, where they will be certain to receive a hearty welcome.

Football.

THE School will commence the season in a new capacity, that of holders of the premiership. This proud position has been attained only after the struggling of many years, and every boy should consequently make up his mind to keep the position, if possible, for many years.

The prospects for the coming season are by no means bad, for a large proportion of last year's team remain, though they are perhaps somewhat unevenly distributed. The question which seems most difficult to answer is—"Where are the three-quarters coming from?" for with the exception of Marsh, who will be available for portion of the season only, the whole of last year's three-quarters have gone. Maxwell, who played full-back last season, should develop into a good centre, while from the old 2nd XV. there remain some promising men in Garbett, Pountney, Suttor i. and Forbes, though all these are unfortunately on the light side. Still it is a consolation to have last year's halves—McDonald and a'Beckett i.—again available, for these two were invaluable for their strong play, both in attack and defence, and young players working with them will have every chance and encouragement to improve. At the present time it seems improbable that the full-back position will be filled by a player

of the physique of F. Macintyre or Maxwell, unless it fall to someone who has hitherto played in the forwards. A reliable full-back may be found amongst those already mentioned as likely three-quarters, or possibly one may arise from such players as Trenerry ii., Warden, Williams, and Hamilton of last season's 3rd XV.

The forwards this season should be strong, for there are again available Dodds, Irving, Greive, Sayers and Massie. To these have to be added the names of Heath, Elliott i., Tucker ii., Voss i., Digby i., Minty, Lillyman and Jones i., and it will be at once seen that a formidable pack may be selected. It may become necessary to turn a forward or two into the backs in order to introduce weight into the three-quarter line, and in this case there are other promising forwards in Lindsay, Bechtel, Tucker i., MacMaster i., Bassett, and Coward. Practically all those already mentioned should gain positions in the 2nds if they fail to win their way into the 1sts, while the remaining positions can be well filled from the old 3rd XV. with such men as a'Beckett ii., H. Merewether i., Merewether ii., and Grainger. The 3rds will have to look to the Colour Teams of last year for material. Those who seem at time of writing to have most chance of selection are te Klood, Ibbott, Saddington

i., Braddon i., Arthur, Dyer, Freeman, Maclean, Browne, Allport i., Crisford, Parkinson, Loder, Hayne, Randell, Holdsworth ii., Elliott ii., Cameron i., Newmarch, Hall, Scott i., and Charles.

Following the custom of previous years, which however is not actually a rule, McDonald, as the Senior Colour, will most likely be captain. Should he be elected to the position, the indications are that he will fill it worthily. The Colour Competitions will be again contested in two grades—over 7 stone and under 7 stone—and it is hoped that there will be an even larger number of players than last year. These matches are played on the following days:—A Grade, Tuesdays and Thursdays; B Grade, Mondays and Thursdays. The practice days for the 1sts and 2nds will again be Mondays and Fridays. The matches for the Premiership will be played on practically the same dates as last year, while a full programme

of extra matches has been arranged, commencing on Saturday, April 3rd. Fixture cards will be again printed and distributed, but as these are not yet available, a list of matches for the early portion of the season is appended.

Saturday, April 3—1st XV. v. Wayfarer F.C.
 Wednesday, April 7—1 XV. v. University 3rd XV.
 Thursday, April 22—1st XV. v. H.M.S. Powerful.
 Saturday, April 24—1st XV. v. Taralga F.C.
 „ 2nd XV. v. William St. Y.M. Institute.
 Thursday, April 29—1st v. Old Boys.
 „ 2nd XV. v. 3rd XV.
 Saturday, May 1—1st XV. v. Toxteth F.C.
 „ 2nd XV. v. St. James F.C.
 „ 3rd XV. v. Barker College
 2nd XV., N.S., 10 a.m.
 „ 5th XV. v. Barker College
 3rd XV., Hornsby, 10 a.m.
 Wednesday, May 5—1st XV. v. St. Ignatius
 College.
 „ 2nd XV. v. The Scots'
 College 1st XV.

Cricket.

Season 1908-9 has had a dramatic ending. The School held an unbeaten record till the last match, which was lost probably through losing the toss, the game being played on a bad wicket. The School headed the Sydney Grammar School first innings total by a few runs, but, having to bat again on the bad wicket, 6 wickets were lost for 49, which practically ended the match, for the following day the wicket was good, and S.G.S. lost only three wickets in winning the match. This result necessitated a final game. The School won the toss, and put together the good total of 301, but S.G.S. eclipsed all

previous school records by compiling the huge total of 916. A remarkably good and almost chanceless innings by Barbour for 356 decided the match. Massie and McDonald bowled very well, the team fielded with dash, sparkle and brilliancy throughout, but they could not pierce the defence of Barbour. Probably no team has bowled with more good heart and fielded with more untiring energy than the School XI. A casual spectator watching the game for an odd hour without enquiry or reference to the scoring-board would probably comment that he had seen good batting, bowling and fielding,

and would never have dreamt that the Schools' record (probably of the World) was being compiled. The greatness of the game from the School point of view, however, ended there, for instead of making three or four hundred runs in reply they were disposed of for 96.

The School congratulates its vanquishers, and recognises the greatness of their win. It is not often a total of three hundred is faced successfully, but in this case it was simply annihilated.

G.P.S. PREMIERSHIP, 1908-'09.

	Won.	Lost.	Possible Points.	Points Obtained.
S.G.S.	8	1	18	16
S.C.E.G.S.	7	2	18	14
T.K.S.	3	5	18	4
S.J.C.	2	5	18	4
N.C.	1	7	18	2

SCHOOL V. ST. JOSEPH'S COLLEGE.

The School won the St. Joseph's match by 161 runs. The game was played at the N. Sydney Oval, No. 2, on February 24th. S.J.C. batted first for 116 (McDonald 25 and Stevens 24). McDonald took 4 for 20, Adams, 2 for 2, and Massie 2 for 35.

The School made 277, although at one stage 5 were out for 94. McDonald played a vigorous innings for 132, which included four sixers and 20 fours, or 104 in boundary hits. Tozer played a good innings, but got out to a most wretched cross-bat swipe off a straight ball. Thorpe, Whealy and Baker did the bulk of the bowling.

ST. JOSEPH'S COLLEGE.

Glazier, b McDonald	0
Whealy c McDonald	11
Baker, b McDonald	2
Quinn, c Wilkinson	15
Maipn, b McDonald	0
Cameron, c Massie	0
Stevens, c Massie	24
McCaffery, b McCulloch	4
Thorpe, b Adams	25
McDonald, not out	25
Boland, c Adams	0
Sundries	10
Total	116

SCHOOL.

Wilkinson, c and b Baker	1
Tozer, b Whealy	55
Merewether, c Quinn, b Thorpe	8
Boyce, run out	17
Sayers, c Glazier, b Whealy	7
McDonald, c Whealy, b Thorpe	132
Adams, st, b McDonald	16
Massie, c Thorpe, b Stevens	2
Adams, c McDonald, b Boland	8
McCulloch, not out	19
Lillyman, b Thorpe	0
Sundries	14
Total	277

SCHOOL V. NEWINGTON COLLEGE.

The N.C. match took place at Stanmore on an inferior wicket, and ended in a victory for the School by 41 runs. The School made 132 (Wilkinson 38 and McDonald 35). Whyte, a slow left-hander, took 4 for 18 and E. Morris 3 for 25.

N.C. made 91, but never looked like overtaking the moderate score. P. Morris made 35 (not out) and Roberts 20. The ninth wicket fell at 59, but a stand was made for the tenth. Massie took 7 for 28, which included the hat-trick, the victims being Wipple, Morris, Beaver and Jasper. McCulloch secured the other three wickets for 28 runs.

Our second innings resulted in 117 being scored for 6 wickets (Tozer 44 not out).

SCHOOL.

First Innings.

Wilkinson, b Brough	38
Tozer, l b w, b Wipple	16
H. Merewether, c Roberts, b E. Morris	14
R. C. Boyce, b P. A. Morris	2
McDonald, b Whyte	35
Sayers, c Beaver, b Whyte	5
A. B. Adams, b E. Morris	2
McCulloch, c E. Morris, b Whyte	0
Massie, b Whyte	0
Thornton, c Wipple, b E. Morris	2
Lillyman, not out	5
Sundries	13
Total	132

BOWLING ANALYSIS.—Whyte 4 wickets for 18 runs, E. Morris 3 for 25, Brough 1 for 15, Wipple 1 for 19, Perkyll 0 for 13, P. A. Morris 0 for 28.

Second Innings.

Wilkinson, c E. Morris, b Brough	16
Tozer, not out	44
Merewether i. l. b w, b Brough	6
Boyce, c and b Brough	11
McDonald, c Meek; b Jekyll	0
Sayers, b Brough	6
Adams ii., c and b Roberts	6
McCulloch, not out	16
Sundries	12
Six wickets for	117

NEWINGTON COLLEGE.

First Innings.

Meek, b Massie	5
Roberts, b Massie	20
Prescott, b McCulloch	9
P. A. Morris, not out	35
Jekyll, c Boyce, b McCulloch	9
Wipple, c Tozer, b Massie	4
Brough, b McCulloch	0
E. Morris, b Massie	0
Beaver, b Massie	0
Jasper, b Massie	0
Whyte, c Tozer, b Massie	6
Sundries	3
Total	91

BOWLING ANALYSIS.—Massie 7 wickets for 28 runs, McCulloch 3 for 28, McDonald 0 for 18, Sayers 0 for 4, Adams 0 for 10.

SCHOOL V. THE KING'S SCHOOL.

We defeated T. K. S. at Parramatta on February 27 by 137 runs. Winning the toss, we put together the respectable score of 234, to which Tozer contributed the top score. The feature of the innings, from a batting standpoint, was the last wicket partnership of 50 by Sayers and Lillyman. The latter blocked and dodged the strike, whilst the former hit well for 58 not out in 67 minutes. Biddulph and Lee each bowled 21 overs, and secured 6 for 74 and 4 for 66 respectively. T. K. S. innings totalled 97; the younger Walford, going in first wicket down, carried out his bat for 27. Massie took 5 for 25, McDonald 2 for 14, and McCulloch 2 for 27.

SCHOOL.

Wilkinson, b See	24
Tozer, c and b Biddulph	79
Merewether, c and b Biddulph	1
Boyce, b See	15
M'Donald, b See	30
Sayers, not out	58
S. Adams, b Biddulph	1
Massie, b Biddulph	0
M'Culloch, c Walford, b Biddulph	3
D. Adams, c Brown, b Biddulph	0
Lillyman, b See	2
Extras	21
Total	234

Fall of wickets: 51, 58, 88, 139, 165, 166, 166, 180, 184, 234.

BOWLING ANALYSIS.—Biddulph, 6 for 94; See, 4 for 66.

THE KING'S SCHOOL.

K. Walford, c Sayers, b Massie	1
Brown, b Massie	11
D. Walford, not out	27
Biddulph, b Massie	0
Bundock, b Massie	10
Rutledge, c Tozer, b M'Culloch	8
Little, run out	12
Durham, b Massie	1
Dowling, b M'Culloch	1
Matthias, b M'Donald	8
See, c D. Adams, b M'Donald	0
Extras	18
Total	97

Fall of wickets: 12, 23, 27, 43, 52, 68, 69, 72, 92, 97, 97.

BOWLING ANALYSIS.—Massie, 5 for 25; M'Donald, 2 for 14; M'Culloch, 2 for 27.

SCHOOL V. SYDNEY GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

The weather played an important part in the game between the leading schools of Sydney, and for that reason it is well that a deciding game is to be played. Two whole days, Friday and Saturday will be given to it, and it is sincerely to be hoped that the wicket will be good throughout. The scene of the game will be the North Sydney Oval No. 2.

This wicket appears to have a large proportion of Prospect soil in it, and on Friday not only was the wicket bad at the start but it remained so until

the drawing of stumps. On Saturday morning it had greatly improved, and by noon was as good as could be desired. Thus the winning of the toss by S.G.S. gave them the only good wicket of the four innings, and they won by seven wickets. S.C.E.G.S. had better bowling for the wicket than S.G.S., whose very fast and very slow show to more advantage when the wicket is fast. S.C.E.G.S. lost six for 19, but totalled 59. Tozer played stubbornly, and McCulloch hit very pluckily for 23. S.G.S. got 19 without loss, but the six fell for one run. Barbour and Reeder made a short stand, but 48 was the final tally, of which Barbour made more than half. In the hour left for play, S.C.E.G.S. lost six for 49, the wicket improving but slightly.

Conditions were in favour of the bat on Saturday, and the innings closed for 101, Boyce making 41, and Merewether, who was missed before scoring, 31. S.G.S. had now 113 to make, and McDonald kept things exciting by bowling three of their best for 18. Thenceforward, with the exception that Pratten was badly missed at point when he had scored 26, the bowlers made no impression on the defence of Lamrock and Pratten, and in an hour and a half these two put on 96 without being separated. Pitt, keeping wickets for S.G.S., caught one and stumped three, and allowed but two byes in the two innings. McDonald did some splendid bowling for S.C.E.G.S., taking altogether 10 for 57. Massie, who got three wickets, was much more difficult and beat the bat four times in every over, but the ball flew consistently a foot over the balls. For S.G.S., E. P. Barbour got 10 for 70, three with successive balls, Barry six for 45, and Sheldon four for 22.

SCHOOL.

First Innings.

C. Tozer, c Lamrock, b Barbour	9
Wilkinson, lbw, b Sheldon	4
McDonald, c Lamrock, b Barbour	1
Sayers, lbw, b Sheldon	4
R. J. B. Massie, b Barbour	1
Merewether, c Barbour, b Barry	0
Boyce, b Barry	1
McCulloch, c Gregg, b Barry	23
Adams, c Farrar, b Barry	8
McIntosh, st Pitt, b Barbour	1
Lilyman, not out	4
Sundries	3
Total	59

Second Innings.

C. Tozer, c Farrar, b Sheldon	19
Wilkinson, c Pitt, b Barry	4
McDonald, st Pitt, b Barbour	0
Sayers, lbw, b Sheldon	0
R. J. B. Massie, c Gregg, b Barry	4
Merewether, b Scott	31
Boyce, b Barbour	41
McCulloch, c Lamrock, b Barbour	1
Adams, c Lamrock, b Barbour	0
McIntosh, not out	1
Lilyman, st Pitt, b Barbour	0
Sundries	0
Total	101

BOWLING ANALYSIS.—Barbour 9 wickets for 70, Barry 6 for 45, Sheldon 4 for 22, Scott 1 for 16.

SYDNEY GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

First Innings.

Barbour, c Adams, b McDonald	25
Lamrock, c Wilkson, b McDonald	11
Buckle, c Massie, b McDonald	0
Barry, c Merewether, b Massie	0
Gregg, c and b McDonald	0
Pratten, c Tozer, b McDonald	0
Farrar, c Tozer, b McDonald	0
W. Sheldon, c Lilyman, b Massie	6
Scott, c Sayers, b Massie	3
C. Sheldon, c Lilyman, b McDonald	1
Pitt, not out	0
Sundries	2
Total	48

Second Innings.

Barbour, b McDonald	5
Lamrock, not out	49
Buckle, c Tozer, b McDonald	2
Gregg, b McDonald	4
Pratten, not out	42
Sundries	12

Three wickets for 114.

BOWLING ANALYSIS.—McDonald 10 wickets for 57, Massie 3 for 59, McCulloch 0 for 31.

SCHOOL V. SYDNEY GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

The previous match having been won by Sydney Grammar School a final game was necessary. A final match is supposed to be played outright and

to take place on a neutral ground. At a week's notice it was difficult to secure a ground for Saturday, and since North Sydney No. 2 was at the disposal of the School, Mr. Barbour graciously agreed to play there.

For the first time in the three games with S.G.S. C. Tozer won the toss and the School batted. Tozer and Boyce took the score to 139, before the latter was out to a lbw decision. Boyce had batted well for 61, but gave two chances at 52 to silly mid-on and silly mid-off. Tozer and he were very slow in running singles, and must have lost at least 30 runs. The second wicket advanced the total to 204, the third fell at 237, and the fourth at 272, at which stage Tozer got out for a well made 140. He gave a difficult chance to square-leg at 88, and seemed to get out finally with rather the appearance of having contributed his share. At the fall of the fifth wicket, the wickets fell rapidly. It was an excellent chance for the tail which numbers three hitters. The wicket was perfect and the bowling tired, but it mattered not. They never looked like making runs. Barbour came out easily with the average, taking 7 for 78. The wicket did not suit the fast bowlers.

S.G.S. began with Barbour and Lamrock who batted steadily till almost time when Lamrock was dismissed for 38, with the total at 155. At six o'clock, one wicket was down for 161, Barbour 113.

On Saturday, S.G.S. continued to amass runs. The second wicket fell at 215, the third at 265, but the fourth added 117, the fifth 140, and the eighth 178. All the batsmen with the exception of Barry batted carefully and waited for a ball to score from. This statement needs some explanation, for 673 runs were made in 390 minutes, but the grass was well mown, the outfield fast and the boundary short. Massie, for instance, bowled 64 overs for less than 3½ runs per over, and McDonald sent down 37 overs at about the same average. Barbour's wicket was the seventh to fall, with the total standing at 653. He showed masterly defence, his placing and timing were excellent, and with the exception of two strokes in the slips before he was a hundred he did not give a chance. He scored innumerable boundary hits, and batted in the same patient manner right through his long innings. His 356 is the second highest innings ever played in the G.P.S. competition and in a measure was more meritorious than O. H. Dean's 412 for the School versus N.C. some years ago. In the first place, the score was made against infinitely better bowling and fielding although the

boundary was somewhat shorter. From a physical standpoint the innings cannot be compared to Dean's. Dean made his runs in the one day, in 210 minutes, while Barbour must have taken almost one minute per run. He made 113 runs one day and 243 the next.

Farrar, too, compiled the large score of 229. He is a very fair batsman, but should never have made this score. He was missed four times, and although two of the chances were difficult, the one at 56 was easy.

Barbour, Lamrock and Pratten were easily the best batsmen, although the latter two made but moderate scores. The innings closed on Monday for 916. It has been mentioned elsewhere that the fielding all through was high-class, and the bowling mostly good, but to particularise: Massie took 5 wickets for 220, off 64 overs. On the perfect wicket he bowled well and untiringly. For half an hour he would bowl medium pace against the wind, and after a few minutes' rest he would start to bowl fast with the wind. McDonald bowled 37 overs at a fast pace. The wicket suited his bowling less than the slows, but by keeping a good length his bowling was never collared. The change bowlers bowled fairly, and could hardly grumble at not being given a chance to show their prowess.

The fielding was good. The first day Forbes shone out as a bright particular star, but on the second he was eclipsed by Boyce and about equalled by McDonald. What strikes the eye is most commented on, but much praise is due to the untiring watchfulness of the slips, and to the knocking about which the wicket-keeper uncomplainingly put up with.

The School's second innings was a *déjà-là*. Surely a team, which had comfortably beaten the same opponents before Christmas, and who had on equal conditions excelled their opponents just a week previously, were capable of a better finish than a total of 94, but they failed. The team have finished the season without having learnt the valuable lesson that to die hard is to rob defeat of half its sting. But cricket is a strange game, and a team that fielded and bowled its best throughout a record innings may be allowed to hide its last failure under the painful uncertainty of the game.

SCHOOL.

First Innings.

Boyce, 1 b w, b Gregg	61
Tozer, c Gregg, b Barbour	140
Merewether, c Gregg, b Barbour	31

McDonald, c and b Barbour	20
Sayers, b Sheldon	4
Adams, b Barbour	13
McCulloch, b Sheldon	1
Forbes, c Lamrock, b Barbour	5
Massie, b Barbour	2
Fraser, not out	1
Lillyman, b Barbour	0
Sundries	21
Total	301

BOWLING ANALYSIS.—Barbour 7 wickets for 78 runs; Sheldon 2 for 50, Gregg 1 for 37, Scott 0 for 48, Barry 0 for 46 (2 wides), Buckle 0 for 14, Lamrock 0 for 7.

Second Innings.

Tozer, b Barbour	4
Boyce, thrown out	25
Merewether, c Buckle	11
McDonald, b Scott	0
Sayers, b Scott	5
Adams, b Barbour	0
Forbes, b Barbour	2
McCulloch, b Scott	7
Massie, b Barbour	18
Fraser, not out	5
Lillyman, b Scott	1
Sundries	18
Total	96

BOWLING ANALYSIS.—Barbour 4 wickets for 42 runs, Scott 5 for 17, Barry 0 for 19.

SYDNEY GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

First Innings.

Barbour, c McDonald, b McCulloch	356
Lamrock, c and b Massie	38
Pratten, b Tozer	31
Buckle, c Adams, b Massie	14
Gregg, c McDonald, b Massie	27
Barry, c Merewether, b Adams	47
Farrar, c Fraser, b Massie	229
W. Sheldon, l b w, b McDonald	20
Scott, b McCulloch	32
C. R. Sheldon, b Massie	33
Pitt, not out	9
Sundries	80
Total	916

BOWLING ANALYSIS.—Massie 5 wickets for 225 runs, McDonald 1 for 133, McCulloch 2 for 183, Adams 1 for 41, Sayers 1 for 88, Forbes 0 for 77, Tozer 0 for 43, Merewether 0 for 36, Boyce 0 for 5.

BATTING AVERAGES IN SCHOOL MATCHES.
Season 1908-'09.

Batsmen.	Inns.	N.O.	H.S.	Total.	Avg.
C. J. Tozer	13	2	140	562	51.0
†E. R. Merewether	5	0	129	159	31.8
R. C. M. Boyce	13	1	76	340	29.1
H. A. H. Merewether	13	1	64	313	26.0
K. V. McDonald	13	1	132	283	23.5
*L. L. Treuerry	4	0	62	77	19.2
†G. H. Francis	5	0	39	89	17.8
A. C. Wilkinson	11	1	38	157	15.7
R. L. Sayers	11	2	58	136	15.1
C. V. McCulloch	8	2	23	70	11.6
R. J. A. Massie	12	1	25	97	8.8
A. B. Adams	9	0	16	58	6.4
N. E. Lillyman	8	4	5	17	4.2

The following also batted:—J. W. Forbes, 2 innings for 6 runs; K. A. Fraser, 2 for 6 (not out); C. F. McIntosh, 2 for 2.

*Left at Christmas. †Absent for term.

BOWLING AVERAGES IN SCHOOL MATCHES.
Season 1908-'09.

	Overs.	Mdns.	Runs.	Wkts.	Avg.
R. J. A. Massie	229.2	43	587	43	13.8
K. V. McDonald	147.3	35	436	27	16.1
C. V. McCulloch	61	4	295	8	36.85

The following also bowled:—L. L. Treuerry, 5 for 67; R. J. H. Merewether, 1 for 17; A. C. Wilkinson, 3 for 38; R. L. Sayers, 2 for 103; A. B. Adams, 3 for 53.

2ND XI.

This term the Second Eleven have won two out of their three competition games. N.C. and T.K.S. were beaten, but after a close first innings with S.G.S. the second team were easily defeated by 7 wickets. For the first time for years the Second Eleven contains no very promising batsmen. They have made runs, but usually different batsmen have succeeded on each occasion. This, perhaps, ought to be gratifying, but one naturally looks to the second team for batting stars for the first team, but next season we shall look in vain; but most of the First Eleven will

be with us; so that no alarm need be entertained.

There are quite a number of bowlers, and of different types. They are all second graders at present, but one is inclined to prophecy that Thornton, Gregory and Merewether will meet with some success with the First Eleven ere long. The team, too, possessed a good wicket-keep in Fraser, who invariably accounted for one or two batsmen behind the wickets, and sometimes three. He is superior to Lillyman in taking the ball from the field. Several names have been mentioned but the captain's (Forbes) has not appeared. He looked after the team with untiring energy, and always set a good example either by taking five or six wickets or by making 60 or 70 runs. In the field, which was weirdly placed at times, the team looked cricketers. First-slip was always ready to stop byes or chase leg snicks, while the backing-up was good. Busby, who did not fulfil his early promise as a batsman, made an excellent mid-off while Forbes and Suttor fielded well anywhere. Macintosh, Adams, Garbett and Suttor were useful batsmen, and they all bowled well on occasions. Williams, too, made some useful scores.

COMPETITION MATCHES.

v. T.K.S. 2nd XI. School 262 (Forbes 26, Merewether 50, Macintosh 58, Boyce ii. 54); T.K.S. 170 (Rock 60, Mitchell 45). Thornton 4 for 61, Macintosh 3 for 32. Won by 92 runs.

v. N.C. 2nd XI., who made 86 (Stewart 25). Williams i. 3 for 45, Adams i. 6 for 19; School 191 (Busby 35, Williams ii. 42, Elliot 28, Macintosh 21); N.C. 2nd innings 164 (Thompson 63, Dolman 26). Williams i. 3 for 16, Adams i. 2 for 50, Boyce ii. 2 for 32, Macintosh 2 for 13). School 2nd innings 6 for 68 (Busby i. 30). Won by 4 wickets.

v. S.G.S. 2nd XI. School 104 (Forbes 38, Boyce ii. 19, Williams ii. 10). Ritchie took 6 wickets. S.G.S. 117 (Waine 43, Farquhar 24).

Forbes 6 for 34, Adams i. 4 for 24. School 2nd innings 28; S.G.S. 2nd innings 2 for 19. Lost by 8 wickets.

NON-COMPETITION MATCHES.

v. N.C. 2nd XI., who made 63 (Macintosh 4 for 10, McCulloch 3 for 30, Adams i. 3 for 8); School 73 (Ibbott 18, Garbett 19). N.C. 2nd innings 61 (Forbes 6 for 27, Gregory 3 for 12).

v. Callan Park 2nd XI. School 122 (Williams ii. 41, Forbes 19); C.P. 94 (Thornton 6 for 59, Forbes 2 for 28).

v. Gladesville 2nd XI. School 164 (Merewether ii. 52, Macintosh 67, Fraser 22); Gladesville 85 (Fitzgerald 19). Forbes 4 for 29, Thornton 6 for 34.

v. High School 2nd XI., who made 31 (Thornton 8 for 22, Williams i. 2 for 1); School 193 (Macintosh 47, Busby 29, Suttor 57, Thornton 31). High School 2nd innings 59 (Merewether 2 for 16, Macintosh 2 for 11, Thornton 1 for 15, Suttor 2 for 9).

v. High School 1st XI. School 206 (Garbett 39, Fraser 48, Boyce ii. 27); H.S. 106 (Halstead 35). Forbes 6 for 39, Thornton 2 for 29.

v. Messrs. Dalgety's XI., who made 86 (Thornton 8 for 38, Adams i. 2 for 11); School 129 (Gregory 37, Treneary 23, Thornton 19).

JUNIOR CRICKET.

3RD XI.

v. Barker College. Lost by 19 runs. B.C. 69; School 50 and 73 (Suttor i. 23, Connell 27, Tiley 15). Tiley 3 wickets for 21, Stevenson 3 for 15.

v. N.C. III. Won by an innings and 11 runs. School 99 (Grainger 21, Allport 22 not out); N.C. 33 and 55. Grainger 7 for 35, Tiley 6 for 14, Stevenson 4 for 29, Beckett 3 for 2.

v. Methodist Boys' Institute. Won by 47 runs. School 178 (Suttor i. 37, Tiley 36, Braddon 36, Thornton 22); M.I. 131. Thornton 8 for 68, Beckett 2 for 27.

v. S.G.S. Lower School. Lost by 1 run. School 54 (Connell 12); S.G.S. 55. Walker 3 for 4, Connell 2 for 9, Grainger 2 for 11, Ibbott 2 for 22.

v. Arnold College. Won by 102 runs. School 7 for 142—closed (Grainger 81, Connell 16); A.C. 40. Tiley 4 for 5, Haydon 2 for 7.

v. Killara Boys' Club. Won by 29. School 144 and 6 for 102 (Haydon i. 48, Trenerry. 25 and 34 retired, Tiley 26); K.B.C. 115. Gregory 4 for 17, Grainger 2 for 12, Haydon 2 for 37.

v. S.G.S. Lower School. Lost by 12. School 62 (Trenerry ii. 21); S.G.S. 74. Connell 4, for 8, Iubott 4 for 12.

4TH XI.

v. N.C. IV. Won by 17. School 50 and 70 for 5 wickets (Gillies 14 not out, Haydon i. 23, Tiley 10 and 17); N.C. 33. Haydon 5 for 11, Pountney 3 for 7, Tiley 2 for 8.

v. T.K.S. IV. Drawn. School 122 (Tiley 56 retired, Ross i. 16 not out); T.K.S. 3 for 59. Pountney 2 wickets.

v. N.C. IV. Won by 119. School 9 for 186 (Holdsworth i. 52, Tiley 44 retired, Stevenson 20, Lindsay, 20 not out); N.C. 67. Stevenson 5 for 25, Smith ii. 4 for 38.

5TH XI.

v. N.C. V. Won by 38. School 72 (Lindsay 10, Neill 12, Holdsworth 10); N.C. 34. Hill 4 wickets, Cooper 3; Lindsay 2.

v. T.K.S. Lost by 20. School 25 (Smith ii, 8); T.K.S. 45. Smith ii. 4 wickets, Suttor ii. 3, Everett 2.

v. N.C. V. Won by 7. School 45 (Last 13 Neill 11); N.C. 38. Barton 5 wickets, Cooper 3

6TH XI.

v. N.C. VI. Lost by 6. School 47 (a'Becket ii. 14 not out); N.C. 53. Everett 7 wickets.

v. T.K.S. VI. Lost by 59. School 16 (Salwey 10); T.K.S. 75. Brown 4 wickets.

7TH XI.

v. Highfield College. Lost by an innings and 44. School 40 and 76 (Fell 23, Wellford 20); H.C. 160.

v. T.K.S. School 52 (Morgan 25, Barton 20).

v. C.E.P.S. Lost by 6 wickets and 22 runs. School 38; C.E.P.S. 60.

8TH XI.

v. T.K.S. VIII. Lost by 2. School 26 and 40 (Miller ii. 6 and 20 retired); T.K.S. 28. Miller 6 wickets, Barden 3.

v. T.K.S. VIII. Lost by 1. School 34 (Miller 16); T.K.S. 35. Miller 7 wickets, Morell 2.

v. T.K.S. VIII. Won by 8. School 79 (Ormiston 10 not out); T.K.S. 71.

v. C.E.P.S. Lost by 35. School 22 (Seaton 9); C.E.P.S. 57.

9TH XI.

v. Highfield II. Won by 19. School 73 (Tindale 22, White 17); Highfield 54. Tindale 3 wickets, Young ii. 6.

v. C.E.P.S. II. Lost by 17. School 34 (McKimmin ii. 13); C.E.P.S. 51. Tindale 5 wickets, Flint 4.

v. T.K.S. IX. Drawn. School 44 (Rodgers ii. 12 not out); T.K.S. 6 for 16. Tindale 3 wickets, White 2.

v. Randwick P.S. Lost by 15. School 41 (Tindale 11); R.P.S. 56. Tindale 5 wickets, Boyce iv, 2 wickets.

DISTRICT CRICKET.

This term, as usual, constant interruptions of various kinds have delayed the progress of both competitions so much that they both remain unfinished as we go to press. Some captains have also neglected their duties in providing returns of matches according to instructions. If this is not done in future, only such reports as are furnished will be published.

Following are the details of matches:—

SENIOR COMPETITION.

Points.

Senior House, 180 v. Hornsby, 72 and 4 for 89. Thornton 27 n.o. and 10; Boyce ii. 24; Grainger 105; Scott iii. 28; Haydon 10. Thornton 7 for 85; Boyce 2 for 24; Grainger 6 for 28; Stevenson 3 for 15.	2-0.
Mosman v. North Sydney. Gregory 22 and 24; Allport 28 n.o. and 13; Tucker i. 27 n.o.; Allworth 11; Arthur 14. Gregory 5 for 22; Hill 5 for 20; Becket 3 wickets; Suttor i. 2 wickets; Williams 4 wickets.	0-2
North Sydney, 115 v. Senior House, 139. Haydon 29; MacMaster 26; Braddon 12; Playfair 11; Scott iii. 12; Hamilton 11; Allport 48 n.o.; Tucker i.	

18; Tiley 14. Smith ii. 2 for 14; Tiley 6 for 39; Grainger 6 for 26; Stevenson 2 for 40	0-2
North Sydney, 6 for 152 v. Hornsby, 9 for 125. Gregory 27; Tiley 21; Allport 30; Wordsworth 32 n.o.; Tucker i. 12 n.o. Hill 5 for 18; Tiley 2 for 18; Cooper 2 for 27	2-0
Senior House, 182 v. Mosman (unfinished). Grainger 55; Haydon 40 n.o.; Ibbott 22; Trenerry ii. 14.	
Hornsby, 137 v. Mosman, 1 for 5 (un- finished).	
JUNIOR COMPETITION.	
Junior House, 52 and 1 for 47 v. Mosman, 48 and 33. Cameron i. 20 n.o.; Cox 16 n.o.; Suttor ii. 26 n.o. Ross ii. 6 for 21; Miller 4 for 23; Cox 2 for 16	3-0
North Sydney, 98 v. Mosman, 54 and 5 for 42. te Kloot 18; Barden 17; Brown 30; Dargin 13 n.o.; Fell 11 n.o.; Wood 16 n.o. te Kloot 4 for —; Wellford 4 for —; Barden 2 for —; Dargin 3 for 15; Wood 3 for 21	2-0
Hornsby, 79 v. Mosman, 16 and 8 for 50. Young ii. 21; Hall iii. 11 n.o.; Fell 12; Neill 15; Dargin 12 Charles 3 for —; Gilder 3 for —; Cooper 5 for 2; Everett 5 for 14; Fell 3 for 10; Neill 2 for 6; Dargin 8 for 24.	

Junior House, 5 for 123 v. North Sydney
(did not bat). Scott iii. 37; aBeckett
ii. 12; Suttor ii. 14 n.o. Miller 3 for
12; Scott, iii. 3 for 25

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The following reports have since been
furnished:—

SENIOR.

Senior House, 182 v. Mosman, 55. Grainger 3 for 16; Haydon 4 for 23; Ibbott 2 for 16; Beckett 14; Fell 17; Beckett 6 wickets	2-0
Hornsby, 137 v. Mosman, 1 for 5. Hornsby forfeited	0-3

JUNIOR.

Junior House, 59 v. Hornsby, 19 and 31. McMaster 21; Cooper 12; Young 14 n.o.; Miller, 8 for 9 and 4 for 7; Bar- bour 6 for 10	3-0
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Thus both Competitions have been won
by the Houses for the first time in each
case. Total points are:—

SENIOR.		JUNIOR.	
Senior House	6	Junior House	7
North Sydney	4	North Sydney	4
Mosman	3	Hornsby	3
Hornsby	0	Mosman	0

Swimming.

THE seventh Annual Carnival was held in the Lavender Bay Baths on Thursday, February 25th. The marked increase in the number of competitors this year shows that this branch of our School sport is rapidly becoming more popular. Invitation cards were issued to the parents of the boys for the first time, and the attendance was in consequence more numerous than usual. The Committee wishes to take this opportunity of thanking all those friends of the School

who, by their attendance, helped to make the Carnival a success. A string band (also a new feature) caused the interval between the races to pass pleasantly by. The Committee is deeply indebted to Messrs. Wickham, Kirke, Rosenthal, and Solomons for their splendid exhibition of scientific diving, which was the most interesting feature of the afternoon; also to Mr. Karl Berg, who showed to advantage in the Monte Cristo feat. The races were all closely contested, several being

won by a touch. The Championship was won by Suttor, who just managed to win from Fell, after an exciting contest.

Results were as follows:—

50 Yards Open Handicap—
1st, Kelynack. 2nd, Gallop. 3rd, Sayers.

50 Yards under 15 Handicap—
1st, McDonald ii. 2nd, Phelps.

50 Yards under 13 Handicap—
1st, Robertson.

100 Yards School Championship—
1st, Suttor. 2nd, Fell. 3rd, Marsh.
Time, 1 min. 14½ sec.

50 Yards under 15 Championship—
1st, Holdsworth. 2nd, Phelps.
Time, 36 secs.

Diving Championship—

1st, Arnott. 2nd, Fell. 3rd, Suttor ii.

50 Yards Old Boys' Championship—

1st, Solomons. 2nd, Day. 3rd, T. Dibbs.

200 Yards Lower School Form Championship—

1st, IIIA. 2nd, IIIB.

200 Yards Upper School Form Championship—

1st, IVA. 2nd, Mods. A.

100 Yards Back and Breast Stroke Championship—

1st, Sayers. 2nd, Willis.

Musical Lifebuoys—

1st, Sayers.

Spring-board Wrestling—

1st, à Beckett i. 2nd, Voss ii.

Old Boys' Union.

Notice of change of address should be at once sent to the Hon. Secretary of the Old Boys' Union, S.C.E.G.S.

The following were elected members of the Union at the last committee meeting:—

G. H. Taylor, Owanyitta, Tumut.
W. E. Tucker, Cardoness, Vacy, Patterson.

The Annual Football Match, versus the School, will take place on Thursday afternoon, April 29th. Members of the Union who wish to play must send their names to the Hon. Secretary, or to the selectors of the team (Messrs. I. G. Mackay, B. C. A. Pockley, Dr. H. Bullock), on or before Wednesday, April 21st.

The Annual General Meeting of the Union will be held in the Memorial Library on Thursday, April 29, at 8 p.m. Members are reminded that nominations for officers for the coming year "may be sent to the Hon. Secretary by post, and such nominations, if the nominees consent to be nominated, shall be declared by him at the Annual General Meeting." The question of a *Blazer* which may be worn by members of the Union will be brought before the meeting.

The Annual Dinner will take place at the A.B.C. Cafe on Friday evening, April 30th. The arrangements are in the hands of the Hon. Secretary, the Hon. Treasurer,

and Mr. W. B. Clarke. A new departure will probably be made with regard to the Toasts and only two will be proposed, "The King" and "The School." Tickets may be obtained from the Hon. Secretary.

The Anniversary Service will be held at the School on Sunday evening, May 2nd. Members are particularly requested to notice that, in order to meet the convenience of those coming from the distant suburbs, the Service will commence at 7.30 p.m. The preacher will be the Warden of St. Paul's College, the Rev. L. B. Radford, D.D.

The Annual G. P. S. Regatta will take place on The Parramatta on Wednesday, April 21st.

Hearty congratulations to H. Bullock on taking his medical degree, and also on being elected Rhodes Scholar for 1909. An account of Bullock's School and University career will be found in another column.

Hearty congratulations to A. J. Hopkins on being selected a member of the Australian XI. The popularity of Hopkins' selection can be gauged by the numerous presentations made to him before leaving for England.

A few copies of bound numbers of the *Torch-Bearer*, Vols. XV. to XVIII. may be obtained early next term from the School Office. Price 5/-

O. G. Dent was ordained by the Archbishop of Sydney at St. Andrew's Cathedral on Advent Sunday. Our best wishes go with Dent in his new sphere of

labour. He has been licensed to the curacy of St. Peter's, Wolloomoolloo.

Congratulations to K. Williams on passing the final LL.B. examination, and to K. Lumsdaine on passing his second year at the University with "Distinction" in English.

The Hon. Treasurer begs to acknowledge receipt of subscription 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), R. C. Adams (life), M. J. Dawson (life), Dr. E. O. Pockley (life), C. W. Rundle (life), Rev. I. D. Armitage, E. N. Allen, G. N. Allen (1911), J. N. F. Armstrong, C. D. Abraham, C. P. Allen, H. B. Allen, R. K. Allen, 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), H. M. Barker, G. D. Browne, G. D. Briggs, F. W. C. Bootle, H. S. Bland, W. G. B. Boydell, L. A. Baker, L. Cadell, Ivo Clarke, A. T. Carlisle, C. H. Calvert, H. F. Clarke, J. A. H. Cox, G. Stanton Cook, M. L. Clarke, Dr. G. R. C. Clarke, D. G. Campbell, W. B. Clarke, Rev. D. Davies, R. G. I. Dent, O. G. Dent, R. O. Dent, S. E. Dent, O. B. Dibbs, H. H. Dixon, B. S. Dowling, C. J. I. Dent, V. Y. Deane, N. Y. Deane, A. T. Edols (1910), J. K. Eaton, F. N. Frith, R. G. H. Fotheringham, C. B. Fidler, J. F. G. Fitzhardinge, L. A. Fogge, J. W. Gibson, H. J. Gould, Dr. W. E. Giblin, L. E. Giblin, the Headmaster, H. P. Harriott, J. W. Hayne (1911), G. B. Haydon (1910), L. Hagen (1910), A. Hagen (1910), M. B. Hordern, H. V. Hordern, J. Hay, R. N. Hickson,

A. D. Hall, W. P. Hall, H. Ireland (1910), H. V. Jaques (1910), F. C. Kater (1911), Dr. H. W. Kendall, D. T. Kilgour, A. J. Kelynack (1912), E. S. Kater, E. D. Kater (1912), A. R. Lomax, C. C. Linton, I. L. Longwill (1910), G. N. Larkin, A. C. Laurence, K. Lumsdaine, C. H. Linton, L. Lehmaier, H. H. I. Massie, G. A. More (1912), I. G. Mackay, C. E. Murnin, L. A. Minnett, H. H. J. O. Marshall (1911), G. Milbourne Marsh, R. Martin, R. T. Moodie, C. W. H. Macarthur, Rev. H. McWilliam, R. A. L. Macdonald, Julian Mackay, H. Meredith, W. J. Morson, R. V. Minnett, R. B. Minnett, K. N. Niall, J. O. H. Nickoll, H. C. H. Nicholls, F. G. A. Pockley, T. A. Playfair, K. Quinn (1911), C. Ellison Rich, K. C. Radford, Dr. E. H. Rutledge, Reg. Roberts, A. G. Reid, J. F. Reid, R. S. Reid, C. W. Rundle, G. P. Sayers, S. N. Sendall (1910), H. B. Shaw, E. H. Slade, D. H. Slade, G. W. Sinclair, L. Solomons, G. H. Salway, C. W. Sinclair, Spencer Simpson, J. E. Taylor, G. H. Taylor (1910), O. J. Taylor (1910), Ed. Twynam (1911), W. E. Tucker (1910), N. Trevor-Jones, G. A. Uther, Dr. G. H. Vernon (1910), W. H. Wilkinson, K. Williams, R. C. Wilson, P. A. Wright, Max E. Wright (1912), C. M. Warden (1910), A. A. Wilson, J. B. Wood, G. A. N. Woodcock (1911), E. H. Wright (1912), Dr. J. B. St. Vincent-Welch, H. L. St. Vincent-Welch, A. H. Yarnold (1910).

BIRTHS.

January 17, at "Aelbryn," Killara, the wife of W. R. Morgan—a son.
February 18, at Regent Street, West Maitland, the wife of R. W. Carey—a daughter.

March 5, at "Strathden," Willoughby, the wife of G. L. Hobson—a daughter.

March 6th, at "Atherton," Greenwich, the wife of D'Arcy F. Roberts—a son.

MARRIAGES.

Wilson-Treffone — On December 23rd, 1908 at Boulder City, W.A., Richard Cunliffe Wilson to Olive Treffone.

Moseley-Gorman—On February 4th, at St. Anne's Church, Strathfield, by the Rev. H. J. Rose, Arthur Henry Moseley to Leila Maud Gorman.

Wilson-Roberts.—On October 21st, 1908, at St. Barnabas's Church, Sydney, by the Rev. C. C. Dunstan, Alick Ronald Wilson to Lilian Allison McDonald.

Friend-Clift.—On January 28th, at St. Jude's Church, Randwick, by the Rev. E. Cappo, Owen Esmond Friend to Enid Clift.

Rundle-Needham.—On January 20th, at Canning Downs, Warwick, Queensland, Beaumont Rundle to Barbara Needham.

Uther-Braund.—On March 17, at Christ Church, North Sydney, by the Rev. J. H. Maclean, Geoffrey Temple Uther to Ethel Grace Braund.

Binny-Evans.—On February 23rd, at St. Stephen's Church, Elsternwick, Victoria, by the Rev. A. Pelham Chase, Arthur Alexander Crawford Binny to Fanny Josepha Evans.

Rundle-Tooth.—On March 23rd, at St. John's Church, Darlinghurst, by the Rev. E. C. Beck, Charles Wostenholm Rundle to Gwendoline Tooth.

Memorial Library.

THE following books have been added to the Library:—

123I	Life of Gladstone	J. Morley
1224	Myths of Greece and Rome	H. A. Guerber
1224A	Myths of the Norsemen	"
1235	Wordsworth and his Circle	D. Rennie
462E	Across the Plains	R. L. Stevenson
462F	Ballads	"
462G	Memories and Portraits	"
462H	The Art of Writing	"
885A	The Holy Roman Empire	Right Hon. James Bryce
1226	Voyages Round the World	Captain Cook
298C	Plays and Puritans	Charles Kingsley
298D	Poems	" "
298E	Literary and General Essays.	" "
English Men of Letters—						
1183F	William Morris	A. Noyes
1183A	Rossetti	A. C. Benson
1183B	Pope	Leslie Stephen
1183C	Swift	"
1183D	Gray	Edmund Gosse
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We are indebted to Mr. Clarke and to several of the Masters for the following notes on new books :—

NOTICES OF NEW BOOKS.

"*My African Journey*," by the Right Hon. W. S. Churchill, M.P.—This is a record of travel, as entertaining as many works of fiction, and at the same time instructive. Mr. Churchill travels from Mombasa, on the East Coast of Africa, on to the tableland, where are the great lakes, and then down the Nile to Egypt. The scenes of this long journey are drawn with light and graphic touch, so that one seems to have seen the forest, the lakes, and the wide landscapes in company with the author. The problems that face England in the government of her East and Central African territory are briefly touched upon, in a manner most helpful to any who would understand these matters. The railway, soon after leaving Mombasa, plunges into the primeval chaos of the world. From the carriage window can be seen a whole zoological garden; at Nakuru, six yellow lions walked across the rails in broad daylight. The lion is a coward, and is only dangerous when brought to bay, but then he must be killed instantly and outright, or, otherwise, certain death to his assailant follows. The African protectorates afford great opportunities for earnest and intelligent youth. But what of the healthfulness of the climate? The book should be read for its account of the insect plagues and the sicknesses that are rife even in Uganda. All praise to those who are combating these, and to those who are doing such a wonderful work in civilizing and Christianizing that lovely land. The Nile leaves Victoria Nyanza by the Ripon Falls, and Mr. Churchill dreamed, as he watched the waters there, of the mighty force of the falling torrent as converted into electric power and chained to a host of useful services. From Albert Nyanza the tremendous river flows through a cleft that is *not six yards wide*. The hippopotamus is a dangerous beast to light craft on the water, for he lolls in the water, showing only his eyes and the tips of his ears, with perhaps glimpses of his nose, so that at 300 yards he may be mistaken for a floating water lily. The fisherman's boat that happens to disturb him is crushed to atoms by a snap of his tremendous jaws. The elephant hunt and the killing of Mr. Churchill's rhinoceros must be read of in the book itself. When the immemorial river reaches the Desert of Sudd, the beauty and luxuriance have faded from the landscape, and as the steamer emerges from

this waste of waters, we come into the wilderness of drought. Here we are approaching districts somewhat more familiar, and soon we pass Gordon's Tree at Khartoum. The romantic interest of the journey is then at an end. "*My African Journey*" will be one of the most popular books in the library.

"*Young Nemesis*," by Frank T. Bullen, F.R.G.S.—In this work, teeming with the author's sea lore, we have a thrilling account of the dangers which beset the merchant ships at the end of the reign of George I. The hero is the son of the captain of the "*Phyllis*," a ship of 300 tons, named after the captain's wife. After disappointing ventures in the Eastern seas, she was finally fitted up for the West Indian trade. In those "good old days," a voyager took his life in his hands, as the Western seas swarmed with piratical craft, heavily armed, and filled with bloodthirsty crews of every nationality, and unless his ship was swift and as well armed and manned as were those of the enemy, his fate was slavery, mutilation, or walking the plank, while his worldly goods swelled the hoard of some buccaneer. No mercy was shown, and, naturally, when the supposed prey obtained the upper hand, none was shown to the inhuman captors. In a second fight, though the ship proved victorious, disaster befel the captain, his wife and daughter (who always sailed with him), whilst the only son, suddenly developed to stern manhood, swore eternal vengeance against pirates, individually and collectively. The name of the "*Phyllis*" was altered to *El Vengador*, and the goddess Nemesis became incarnate in Stevie Wilson, the hero. The author has a motive, which seems to have originated when on a visit to Australia, where he found people transfer their sympathy from the victim to the criminal, and where, to his amazement, there is an "avid demand for tales and theatrical representations glorifying those ghastly thieves and murderers known as bushrangers." He gives in their place vivid pictures of sea fights, with annihilation of ships and crews; of a derelict slave ship, with its ghastly cargo; of a cruise among the Bahamas; of a cutting-out expedition; of the human land sharks of Exeter, who lived on "poor Jack" when ashore; of British who are not ashamed to act as spies against their countrymen; of the press-gang crews; of the circumvention of a bullying post-captain of H.M. Navy; of the romantic rescue of a Spanish lady, and of its

result in subduing the hideous demon of revenge, which was paralysing the young life of his hero. We trust that the author has authority for the statement, on p. 181, that the French national hymn, "*Parlant pour la Syrie*," was in vogue in the reign of George I. The air is usually attributed to Queen Hortense of Holland, who is said to have composed it at Paris after 1807.

Colonel Stow deals with the early part of the Commonwealth Period of English History. Stow is the embodiment of what we think to be typical of British manhood. He had received his training in the Thirty Years' War, and brought that training to bear on the regiment given to him by Rupert in the early part of the war. Incidentally, light is thrown on the character of historical

persons engaged in the Civil War. The development of characters is powerfully shown, especially by the court-martial described at the end of the book.

"*The Riverman*" (Stewart Edward White) is an extremely interesting book, dealing with the lumber trade in Michigan some 30 years ago. Jack Orde, the riverman, is just the type of man most of us like to read about, possessing as he does those attributes which go to make strong and true natures. He is just the opposite of his cunning and secretive partner, Newmark. Carroll, in many ways a great contrast to Orde, is a grand wife to him. To read of Canadian woods in spring-time makes one long for fresh country air.

School Calendar.

- 1908: Dec. 17—Term IV. ended.
- 1909: Jan. 18-26—University Camp for Great Public Schools.
- February 2—Term I. begins.
- " 20—1st XI. v. St. Joseph's College. Won.
- " 25—Annual School Swimming Carnival.
- " 27—1st XI. v. The King's School. Won.
- March 5—Battalion Parade, in Domain.
- " 6—1st XI. v. Newington College. Won.
- " 9—Presentation of Shooting Prizes.
- " 12-13—1st XI. v. Sydney Grammar School. Lost.
- " 19—Admission of Prefects. Half-holiday, at request of the Governor.
- " 19-20—1st XI. v. Sydney Grammar School. Lost.
- April 8—Term I. ends.

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