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THE educational world of New South Wales is still in a stir with regard to proposed changes in examinations leading to the University, but while things are so unsettled, it is of little use for us to speculate as to how we are likely to be affected. We can only hope that full recognition will be given to the necessity of our type of school to the country, and that the educated public of the State will not allow any undue interference in our own concerns.

Meanwhile it is of interest to note that in spite of all the outcry for

secular education and the attacks on the public school system in the press, in parliament, and in the street, the bodies which govern great public schools in other States are showing confidence in our power to withstand such opposition by the plans they have formed and are carrying out for the expansion of their various schools. Neither has private munificence been discouraged. Guildford Grammar School, in Western Australia, has lately received an anonymous benefaction to the extent of £30,000 for the building of a chapel, and the last

number of that school's magazine received here stated that the building was advancing rapidly. The Council of St. Peter's College in Adelaide have decided to enlarge their chapel, and the school has undertaken to raise between £3000 and £4000 to carry out the Council's ideas. But the most remarkable instance of all is that of the Geelong Grammar School. The old boys of that school have undertaken the task of moving the whole school to a place six miles from Geelong, and erecting new school buildings on a scale hitherto unapproached in Australia. When completed there will be ten houses, to contain forty boarders each. Three of these are in course of construction. The contracts already let amount to £65,000, but the burden has been shouldered with enthusiasm and confidence.

These are facts to which we might call especial attention in view of a letter recently addressed to the parents of present boys which is published elsewhere in this number.

There is another matter of great importance to school sports which must be mentioned here. At the last

meeting of the G.P.S. Athletic Sports Association it was decided that in future return matches should be dropped in both cricket and football, thus halving the number of competition matches to be played by each school. Next cricket season, three of the matches will be played before Christmas and two in the first term of 1914. It is to be hoped that the importance thus thrown upon each match will cause larger attendances at matches next summer than were seen during the last season.

One of the chief factors that led to the change was the increased time necessarily devoted to military work under the new conditions, but apart from that it has for some time been felt that the number of competition matches was excessive. For one thing, games within the school have had to give way to a certain extent to the requirements of first and second teams, and it will now be possible for members of upper teams to take more part in the organization of junior games—such work being one of the most valuable parts of their training in the playground.

School Notes.

THE second term ends on Thursday, June 19th. The school will reopen on Tuesday, July 15th, at 2 p.m.

It was with great regret that we heard of the death during last term of

Father Keating, Rector of St. Ignatius' College, and we extend to members of the school our deepest sympathy in their loss.

The Boating Sub-committee has awarded colours to Hart, Richardson,

Sinclair, Sawyer, Luscombe, Ewing, G. H. Pulling, Allport and Campbell, and the School Blazer to Littler, Mack, Jeremy, Brooks, and Studdy.

We have to congratulate the champion eight on bringing back once more "The little man," and on putting the school once more in the proud position of head of the river.

The following boys left the school at the end of term 1:—

V. T. Hall, entered July 1910, Junior 1911, Senior 1912, Senior Prefect, First XI. 1911-12-13, Colours 1912-13, Captain 1913, Combined Schools First XI. 1912, First XV. 1910-11-12, Colours 1911-12, Captain 1912, Boating colours, Stroke of the Eight 1912.

T. Morell entered February 1909, Junior 1912, Prefect 1913, First XI. 1912-13, Colours 1913, Combined Schools 2nd XI. 1912, 1st XV. 1912, Colours 1912, Boating colours, Cox, 1911, 2nd Crew, bow, 1912, Colour Sergeant of the cadets.

T. G. Gilder entered January 1908, Junior 1911, Senior 1912, Prefect 1913, Second XI, Corporal in cadets.

A. T. Edwards entered April 1911, Junior 1912, Medal for Arithmetic.

G. Braddon entered February 1911, Junior 1912, Second XI.

R. S. Robertson entered October 1907, Cox of crew 1909 and 1912, Boating Colours.

And F. G. Hill, G. F. Shirley, K. V. Williams, G. S. Windeyer.

The following new boys entered this term:—J. Brown, E. L. Hudson,

J. L. Hudson, E. A. Kidman, K. H. Leahy, G. J. Leahy, W. Major, J. A. Martin, O. D. Meares, E. T. McMurdo, E. Rondall, W. F. R. Rosewarne, G. S. Taylor, A. E. Tanning, M. F. E. Walker, E. K. Sheedy.

Re-entered:—J. Cole, C. Retallack, C. Weston.

We congratulate Richardson on his appointment as a Prefect.

At a General Sports' Committee meeting, on 22nd April Mack and Jeremy were elected to the General Sports Committee, and Brooks was elected Vice-captain of Football.

The examination for the "Other Catechism Prize" will take place on August 5th. All boys who are in Middle or Lower School this term may compete. Notes on the Catechism may be obtained at the office.

The examination for the Admiral's Prize will take place on September 5.

Confirmation classes will start on Thursday, August 21st. Boys who wish to join must give in their names early next term, to the Headmaster or the Rev. D. Davies.

At time of going to press, rehearsals for the dramatic performance at the school concert were in full swing. Strange sounds had for some time been heard issuing from the Library in the late afternoons and evenings. Miss Hawtrey came down from Orange to take a part, and her assistance will no doubt have been appreciated by

the whole school as well as by the performers, when this issue appears.

We take this opportunity of congratulating Newington College on their special company's victory in the Commonwealth competition.

Mr. Warren is leaving us this term to enter business. It is with regret that we say good-bye to him. His efficient work as clerk, instructor in gymnastics, and of junior cadets, has been highly appreciated. In his place we welcome Staff Sergeant F. J. Davidson, late of the Scots Guards, which by the way is Captain Cook Russell's old regiment.

Mr. Simpkins after his short stay here of six months is now going away, and will shortly be returning to England, though he intends to return to Australia later. We are sorry to lose him and wish him bon voyage and good fortune.

Alterations have just been commenced in the Laboratory and it is hoped by next term that a little more room, both in floor and cupboard space, will be ready.

In our last issue we omitted to mention the repainting of the school. When we came back after the Christmas holidays the painters had not finished, but it was not long before they left us in peace, and the buildings in a rich yellow glow, which has lost but little if any of its splendour.

It has been said by some that the school ground is very stoney and rather hard.

Mr. H. Goldsmith has come from Armidale to take house duty. He gives very welcome assistance to the masters in charge of football.

We congratulate L. B. Heath on being picked to represent New South Wales against the New Zealanders.

Mr. Harris has moved from Walker Street to the Observatory, thus finding more room for himself and his house, and at the same time making a more compact group of school buildings.

Mr. R. C. M. Boyce is to be congratulated on his success in his final exams. at the University, the results of which came out just too late to be noted in the last *Torch-Bearer*. He gained High Distinction in German and Distinction in French.

The school has been fortunate in hearing an unusual number of addresses this term.

On 11th April, Mr. Broughton, who was travelling in Australia to recuperate his health, gave us a most interesting account of the manners and customs of the Esquimaux in Baffinland.

Dr. Howard Bullock, who is so far the only Old Boy to win a Rhodes Scholarship, also visited the school one morning and said a few words after prayers. He was welcomed back here with great enthusiasm.

On April 23rd, Mr. Fidler addressed the school on the occasion of the Tercentenary of Shakespeare's death. Without entering into the question as to the authenticity of the plays, he gave a most interesting lecture on their matter and manner, which was highly appreciated.

On May 2nd, Mr. Davies rose to address the school amidst a thunder of applause. In a most excellent speech, reported in extenso in this number, he outlined the early history of the school.

On May 4th, the Anniversary Service was held in the School Hall. The sermon was preached by the Rev. Wentworth Shields, Rector of St. James' Church. The attendance of the Old Boys was unusually small.

Dr. Gilbert White, the Bishop of Carpentaria, visited us on 16th May, and described the work carried on by himself and his missionary clergy among the aborigines along the shores

of the Gulf. He told stories to illustrate the improvement in the material prosperity and general happiness and morality of the natives, which had followed the efforts of his settlements, and incidently made us see what pluck and endurance are necessary for those who take up such work as his.

The King's Birthday was celebrated on June 3rd by singing the National Anthem after prayers, and on June 9th by a whole holiday.

On Empire Day, 23rd May, Canon Beck addressed us after morning prayers. He pointed out that patriotism was a religious duty, and showed various ways in which boys might fit themselves to serve their God, their King and their country. He dealt with the symbolism of the Union Jack, showing that it held before us the love of freedom and the necessity of self-sacrifice.

Twenty-fifth Anniversary of the School's Foundation.

THE following letter has been or is being sent to the parents of all boys at present at the school. No comment is necessary as it sufficiently explains itself:—

S.C.E.G.S.

Dear _____

In 1907 a subscription was opened for the purpose of building a School Chapel. Up to the present £2,300 has been subscribed. Next year the School will be commemorating

its Twenty-fifth Anniversary and it has been suggested that it would be a fitting recognition of the occasion if the fund in hand could be increased to an amount sufficiently large to justify the commencement of the building of the Chapel, so that the service on Anniversary Day, May 4th, 1914, might be held in it.

The School has not been fortunate as have some other Church Schools in Australia, in receiving large private

benefactions, such as the recent gift of £30,000 to Guildford Grammar School, W.A., for the erection of a Chapel; but, when the example of the great task undertaken by the Geelong Grammar School is before us, it is not unreasonable to hope that we may ultimately be able to raise say £10,000, so that our Chapel may be worthy to rank with those of similar schools in Australia.

Our immediate effort will be directed towards building the Chancel and a part of the nave of the Chapel with, if necessary, a temporary wooden extension, sufficient to contain the whole school at morning prayers, to serve until the whole can be completed.

It is felt that all the parents of boys attending this School will realise with those in whose hands the direction of the School lies how great is the value of a Chapel in the life of a school. It

is therefore to you, the parents of present boys, that the first appeal is made, and we hope that you will see your way to make a generous response. It is intended next term to make a wider appeal to those who have in the past been interested in the School, and it is hoped that when that appeal is made it may be accompanied by a statement that substantial support has been received in response to this appeal.

Liberal support has already been promised by members of the staff, who earnestly desire to see the consummation of a long cherished project.

Donations may be sent to A. F. Robinson Esq., Hon. Treasurer of the School Council, or the Rev. D. Davies, Hon. Treasurer of the Old Boys' Union, or the Headmaster.

Signed, W. A. PURVES,
Headmaster.

The Great Public Schools' Regatta.

THIS Regatta took place this year on Wednesday, April 16th, and both races were rowed over the usual courses, Gladesville to Blaxlands, and Gladesville to Putney. The officials were—Mr. V. Horniman, umpire; Mr. J. McGregor, starter; Mr. R. B. Fitzhardinge, judge; Mr. W. Kerr, timekeeper. The crews for the eight were—

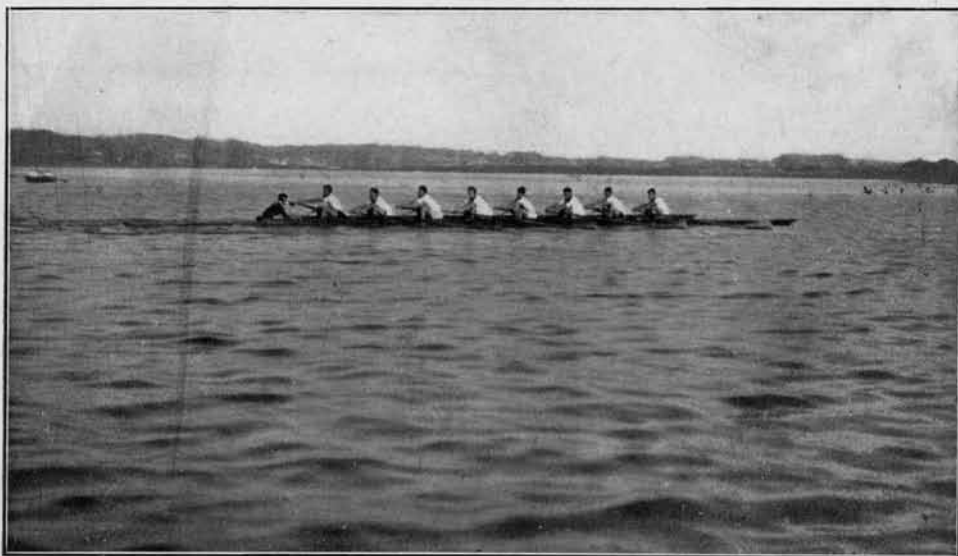
S.G.S. (Northern Shore): R. M. MacNamara (9.13), bow; E. D. Cowdry (10.10), 2; C. S. Holcombe (10.8), 3; R. Holcombe (11), 4; W. L. Calor (11) 5; F. E. Reah (11.3), 6; W. P. MacCallum (11.12), 7; H. J. Ludowici (9.6), str.; R. H. R. Grieve (8.4), cox; W. H. Savigny Esq., coach.

S.C.E.G.S.: J. M. Allport (9.9), bow; G. H. Pulling (10.1½), 2; C. W. Luscombe (10.5), 3; C. R. Ewing (10), 4; N. G. Sawyer (11.8½), 5; E. R. Sinclair (11.3), 6; G. E. Hart (11), 7; L. L. Richardson (10.4), str.; G. E. Campbell (8), cox; Allan Ramsay Esq., coach.

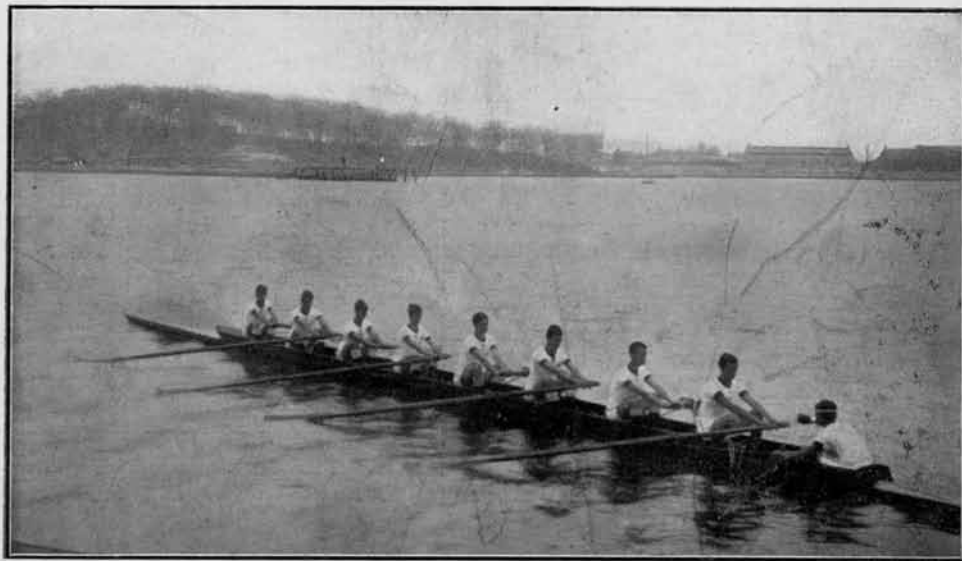
St. Ignatius College: K. Allan (9.7), bow; C. Bryant (9.11), 2; G. Johnstone (10.8), 3; L. McAlary (10.10), 4; K. McKay (10.10), 5; F. Symnott (11.3), 6; C. Wilkinson (10.8), 7; H. Allan (10.10), str.; F. McDermott (8), cox; N. J. McDonald Esq., coach.

St. Joseph's College: E. Weingarh (9), bow; J. Thornton (10.12), 2; G. Murphy (10.7), 3; J. Tracy (11.5), 4; J. Dunne (12.6), 5; B. O'Connor (13.5), 6; E. Day (10.7), 7; E. Foley (10.4), str.; F. Cody (8.2), cox; B. W. Bertrand, coach.

THE EIGHT.



PADDLING



HALF-FORWARD

After considerable trouble and delay Mr. J. MacGregor sent the crews away to a good start. In spite of the fact that the other crews rowed a higher rate, S.C.E.G.S. immediately asserted their superiority by securing a lead after rowing some half dozen strokes. They were closely followed by St. Ignatius, with S.G.S. and S.J.C. on about equal terms in third position, and were about a length to the good in passing Cabarita.

Nearing Tennyson S.G.S., who had worked into second position, drew up somewhat on the leaders and by the time the point was reached St. Joseph's had succeeded in displacing St. Ignatius from third position.

Passing the Gas Works S.C.E.G.S. again went away from S.G.S. and established a lead of quite two lengths before reaching Putney Point, where S.J.C. had drawn up to within half a length of S.G.S., leading S.I.C. by about two lengths.

There was no change in the positions to the finish; S.C.E.G.S. securing the Championship for 1913 by one and three-quarter lengths from S.G.S., with S.J.C. and S.I.C. filling third and fourth positions respectively.

Seeing that S.G.S., the heaviest crew, averaged only 10.10 per man, the time, 8 min. 1 sec., for 1½ mile, equal to 5 mins. 20 seconds per mile, must be regarded as very creditable and indicates to what a high standard of oarsmanship the school crews attain.

The rowing of our own contained good length, a quick, powerful beginning, supported by vigorous leg work and a hard, clean finish. The

hand work and recovery were good, the swing was long and the slides particularly steady. As a result the boat ran splendidly between the strokes, enabling them to cover distances at a fast pace whilst rowing a comparatively slow rate of stroke.

Where every member of the crew acquitted himself so excellently it may perhaps be considered invidious to make special mention of any man, but one cannot refrain from congratulating Richardson on the fine length and steady rowing he set his crew from start to finish, while no stroke could have wished for better backing up than he received from Hart, whose admirable work at seven brought forth many complimentary remarks from the spectators on the Umpire's boat.

The fours race was rowed at 4.15, with only three crews competing.

S.C.E.G.S. (Northern Shore): N. E. Brooks (9.3½), bow; R. P. Mack (9), 2; J. Jereny (11.7), 3; B. G. Littler (10.1), str.; A. S. B. Studdy (5), cox; C. R. Franklyn Esq., coach.

S.G.S.: C. R. Windeyer (10), bow; L. W. Snelson (10.8), 2; G. H. Rowski (11.2), 3; E. C. Rennie (9.7), str.; J. F. Mant (6.11), cox; W. H. Savigny Esq., coach.

S.I.C.: G. Rygete (9.10), bow; D. Arnold (10.6), 2; J. Higgins (10.12), 3; C. Clifford (9.7), str.; J. Payten (5), cox; T. Mitchell Esq., coach.

The cross wind again caused considerable trouble at the start, but eventually Mr. MacGregor was successful in sending them away well together. S.C.E.G.S. soon tailed off, being three quarters of a length behind at the wharf, and between here and Cabarita

S.I.C. established a lead of a length from S.G.S., which turned out sufficient to decide the race. From here on it was a hard race all the way and all three crews gradually levelled up and finished, S.I.C. first by half a length from S.G.S. with S.C.E.G.S. another half length away.

Our own crew was a particularly scratch one as owing to accidents at

the extreme end of term it had so been entirely reorganised the first day in camp, and particular credit is due to the new men for the way they undertook the extra training necessary to get them anything like fit in such a short time. By the day of the race they had worked into a very fair crew, but were rather sluggish and had not the life and dash of the other two.

Review.

BARWON BALLADS AND SCHOOL VERSES, BY "C."

JAMES Lister Cuthbertson was for many years a master on the staff of the Geelong Grammar School, and the memorial publication by members of the school of this book of verse may fittingly be recorded in the *Torch-Bearer*; the author was a personal friend of more than one of the masters at this school and to most was well known by repute; and the intrinsic worth of the book itself should make the review interesting to both masters and boys of any Australian public school. Geelong Grammar was fortunate in the possession of a school laureate. A great part of the volume before us consists of verses written upon critical occasions in school life—matches of all kinds, beginnings and endings of terms, marriages and deaths. Through all these runs a keen perception and deep love for Australia and things Australian, though the poet himself was a Scotchman by birth and only came to

Australia at the age of 24. His most poetical work is inspired by the glamour of the Australian bush, and his most spirited songs are rowing songs, and his most characteristic work is in the combination of the two motives, as in his description of the long Saturday rows down the River Barwon to the Heads, which form one of the chief delights of life at Geelong. Cuthbertson was a keen sport in all ways, but even did the writer not know from personal experience what the favourite recreations were it would not be difficult to guess at them from the superior quality of the work dealing with them. Rowing and fishing expeditions were among the chief joys of his life, and it is in his verses on racing eights, all day rows, and fishing that stand out above his other occasional work.

He was one of those over whom river mouths exercise a peculiar fascination. Most of his happiest

nature verses were inspired during holidays at the mouths of the Barwon and Glenelg Rivers, where the charm of still inland water gains by the contrast of the ocean splendours over the sand dunes on the long southern beaches.

There will be no need to refer those who possess the Anthology of Australian verse to Cuthbertson's contributions—in particular the lines on the Australian sunrise and the fine Ode to Apollo, printed at the end of the book. It will be noticed that he is one of the few Australian poets who has a lively appreciation of the colour of the Australian bush. To him at any rate it was not all drab, gloomy, and monotonous. He enjoyed life to the full and taught others to enjoy it, and this spirit is embodied in his poetry.

We would recommend the book to the authorities of the School Library.

Here are a few specimens in different veins taken at random from among many good things. It is hoped they may appeal to readers of this *Magazine*.

THE INDEPENDENT OAR.

THE Coach's voice is ringing rough
From off the southern shore—
Of "time," and "feather," and such
stuff

I daily hear him roar :
"Your feet against the stretcher jam,"
"Your hands away," and more ;
I care not for the Coach—I am
The Independent Oar.

What ! shall the Barwon Eight go by
Without a glance from "Four,"
Who, with appreciative eye,

Their errors can deplore ?
Shall ladies gaze from off the banks,
And shall I not adore ?
No !—first of their admirers ranks
The Independent Oar.

My vigour—when I give my mind—
Shall time and pace restore,
And this, to their dismay, shall find
The crew who row before.
We may be thrashed—such little blows
The truly wise ignore—
They do not stir from his repose
The Independent Oar.

THE TWO TWILIGHTS.

STARLIGHT, and silence deep,
And gleaming waters dark,
And by the quiet river all asleep
When we embark.

Twilight along the line
Of willows greenly dim,
And faint above the misty eastern
brine
A scarlet rim.

Sunlight above the lake,
And dash of ocean near,
And the glad rush of forceful blades
that take
The listening ear.

Twilight that slowly dies
The rosy reeds between,
And a light boat that ever swiftly flies
Past meadows green.

Darkness, and round the turn,
With long-drawn stroke they run,
With heaving, upward sweep from
stem to stern
All blent as one,

Moonlight, and towards the west,
 O'er water churned to roam,
 O'er the white glimmering river's
 breast,
 Our crew came home.

VOTA MAGISTRI.

Oh! give to me the tidal green,
 The rocks of ruby grey,
 The red the forest trunks between
 At breaking of the day.

Oh! give to me the fiery-scarred
 Black stems of box and pine,
 The virgin fountain's draught un-
 marred,
 The breath of airy wine.

Oh! give to me the line that curves
 Out light as thistle-down,
 The sudden dart of a fish that swerves
 Below the oily brown.

Oh! give to me the water dark,
 To me the ringing reel,
 To me the quivering shocks that mark
 The entry of the steel.

Oh! give to me the fish well played
 And landed in the net,
 And the heavy basket heavier made
 Before the sun has set.

Oh! give to me from Latin prose
 Awhile a welcome rest,
 And the brine-winged ocean breeze
 that blows
 O'er the forests of the West.

A Farewell.

ON 7th April Rev. J. O. Feetham came to bid us farewell before his departure to Brisbane for his consecration as Bishop of North Queensland. He was well-known to the school as the leader of the Bush Brotherhood, and his reception showed that he and his staff have not been the least popular of our visitors.

The Bishop-elect said that he was looking to our school to supply the boys who could fill the more important positions in the country. He wished to encourage the boys' love of history, for in it national events were grouped around certain prominent names, and readers were led to admire these great men and follow their example. For the most part, men who reached high

positions had found out early in life what they were most fitted for. It was worth our while to notice how they found out their true calling; and to try ourselves whether we could not do so as soon as possible. Unless we found out soon what we were intended to be, our life would be full of cross-purposes, and we could not find happiness. Some men had been intended for a great purpose, but had marred their life and made themselves unfit. Henry of Navarre had wonderful talents, but he had some faults, and was prevented from fulfilling his destiny. We must all get rid of the enemies within us that prevent us from being really useful.

Boys could begin to be useful very

early. A boy who laid himself out to be useful soon became indispensable to the people about him and found out his true vocation. We must "keep a way clear to GOD," and have some means by which we might always rise again after every fall. Just as the utmost care and accuracy were necessary in the making of a telescope in order to obtain a true image of the stars, so our hearts and minds should be true and pure, in order to see clearly to Heaven. Every fall from virtue would dim our spiritual eyes a little; only by keeping them clear could we understand our own purpose in the world. All vocations, if conscientiously filled, were sacred, though the most direct way of serving GOD was to become ministers of the Gospel.

Mr. Feetham gave us a few stories of what was being done by the Bush Brothers. The Bush people were really enthusiastic about their religion, and young men would often ride very great distances to attend service. There were formidable stories told of the North of Queensland. Mr. Feetham asked us all to think of him, and help him by our prayers on St. Mark's Day, when he was to be consecrated, as the task which he was undertaking was a difficult one, and he would like to know that his friends in New South Wales were thinking of him at that time. On May 25th, St. Mark's Day, this request was fulfilled at morning assembly, when special prayers were offered and a hymn sung suitable to the occasion.

Address on Anniversary Day by the Rev. D. Davies.

IN addressing you this morning, at the Headmaster's request, I desire first of all to say a few words with regard to the history of North Sydney in the early times so far as it concerns the School. Seventy years ago, the only church in the district was the parish Church of St. Thomas. It stood inside the site of the present church, and was built on a patch of clay—the top soil had been removed to cover the bare rocks on which "Upton" was built. There is, therefore, a close connection between the Church and the School, for "Upton" was the site of the present S.C.E.G.S. "Upton" was

originally a bungalow, built by Commissary-General Miller. Subsequently it was occupied by another Mr. Miller and then by Mr. George Howell, an Insurance Manager in Sydney and the Secretary of the R.S. Yacht Club. It came then into the possession of Mr. B. O. Holterman, whose name is distinguished as the discoverer of the largest nugget of gold in Australia. Many of you, no doubt, have seen a painting of Mr. Holterman and it in the large round window which used to be* in the School Tower. Mr. Holterman practically re-built the home and embellished it with a tower,

*And, fortunately, still is.—Ed.

hence the old name Holterman's Tower. It was built in order to obtain that magnificent view of Sydney and the neighbourhood which can be seen from the top, for Mr. Holterman was a very enthusiastic amateur photographer. Bishop Welldon, when he visited the School some years ago, said the view from the top was the finest he had seen in all his travels.

On the death of Mr. Holterman the property passed into the possession of Mr. T. A. Dibbs, and Mr. Saddington and Mr. Edward Chisholm became in turn the tenants of "Upton." It was afterwards sold by Mr. Dibbs for £11,000 to the Council of the School—Mr. Dibbs generously giving a donation of £1000 to the School Funds.

The name "Upton" has been lost to the School but it still survives in "Upton Grange," a house in our neighbourhood. You know that in the Old Country granges are nearly always associated with ghosts, and I have been asked whether there is a ghost story associated with "Upton," and there is. It is said that, one night, when there was a large party assembled in the house, they were disturbed by the sound of a rapidly driven carriage and pair. When the servants went to receive the new arrivals nothing was to be seen, both carriage and horses had disappeared. There was, however, a mysterious light in the outhouse, and whilst one went for the key another watched the light, and by the aid of it, he said that he saw one or more representatives of the regions below. At the opening of the door, these vanished,

and so the neighbourhood acquired the name of being haunted. We see, at the present time, a great number of parades on the playground, but many years ago there was an especially brilliant, [one the occasion being the second foundation of the volunteer movement in the colony, when the colours were presented to the St. Leonards Volunteer Rifles, and the Grange, close by, was the scene of many a gay gathering of the society of North Sydney when the archery club was in existence.

Without dwelling longer on the history of North Sydney, let us pass on and see what we know of the early history of the School.

The first reference we have to it is in a pamphlet dated 1830, which I came across a short time ago. Under date January 25th, 1830, the Committee of the Trustees of the Clergy and School Lands in the Colony of N.S.W., wrote to Governor Darling, asking him to obtain the sanction of the King to establish two schools and a college. These schools, one of which was to be established in Sydney and the other in Parramatta, were to be Royal Foundations under the patronage and sanction of King George the IV. and his successors upon the throne of England, and in consideration thereof were to be termed the King's Schools.

In an early issue of the *S.M. Herald*, there is a letter, dated August 22nd, 1831, which stated that His Excellency the Governor had the satisfaction to announce that His Majesty's (William IV.) Government had been pleased to sanction the establishment of two

Public Schools, one in the Town of Sydney, the other in Parramatta, to be styled "The King's Schools" and that the Ven. Archdeacon Broughton, who had suggested the establishment of the Schools, and had arranged the plan on which they were to be conducted, was to be charged with the measures necessary for carrying it into effect. The letter further stated that the Right Honourable, the Secretary of State for the Colonies, had been pleased to intimate that the masters necessary for the respective establishments would be sent from England without loss of time. The master sent out for the Sydney School was the Rev. Mr. Innes, a scholar of Trinity College, Oxford, but he died about five months after his arrival and the school was closed.

Such, no doubt, was the first idea for the establishment of the S.C.E.G.S., but the School as at present constituted is in no way connected with Bishop Broughton's plan, and is practically a distinct foundation, although Bishop Barry was fond of connecting them.

On August 27th, 1886, the "St. James' School Compensation Trust Act" was passed, which authorised the erection of "a school of the highest type, in which the teaching throughout shall be in accordance with the principles of the Church of England." A large sum was paid by the Government for the St. James' Schools, of which £10,000 was to be given to the St. James' Church for the purchase of a Parish Hall, and the remainder, a sum (I think) of £28,000, was available for the foundation of our School.

Holterman's Tower was bought from Mr. Dibbs, and £7000 spent in alterations and erection of new buildings. The architects were Messrs. Mansfield Brothers, and the contractor Mr. Duucan McRae. The foundation stone was laid on April 14th, 1888 (25 years ago), by Bishop Barry, whom we always regard as our Founder. Mr. E. I. Robson, late scholar of Christ College, Cambridge (hence our School colours), and Classical Tutor of Ormond College, Melbourne, was appointed Headmaster on December 22nd, 1888. In April, 1889, he, with the approval of the Council, selected as his Assistant Masters, Mr. A. McCulloch Hughes (from the Melbourne Grammar School), the Rev. D. Davies (from The King's School); Mr. C. H. Linton (from the Geelong Grammar School), and Mr. A. J. Kelynack (of the Sydney University), with Herr Laughans in charge of music, and Mr. G. A. Thomas in charge of drawing. Sergt. Major McKay (of the Royal Engineers) was appointed drill sergeant and School clerk.

On May 4th, 1889 (twenty-four years ago), the School was formally opened. Owing to the General Synod being held in Sydney at this time, there was a large gathering of the clergy and laity from all parts of Australia at the opening ceremony in this present Hall. Bishop Barry presided, and on the platform amongst others were the Governor, Lord Carrington, attended by the Hon. Rupert Carrington, the Bishop of Goulburn, the Bishop of Riverina, the Bishop of Brisbane,

Bishop Dawes, then coadjutor Bishop of Brisbane, and the first Headmaster. There were present in the body of the Hall many of the leading clergy and laity of Australia.

The ceremony was performed by Lord Carrington, the Service being taken by the Rev. Alfred Yarnold and his Christ Church choristers. The address was given by Bishop Barry, who chose as his text: "It is written in the prophets, they shall be all taught of GOD" (St. John VI. 45). He said he chose this text because the words embodied the religious idea of education; not instruction in this or that branch of knowledge called sacred, but of all education as it dealt with the body and mind and soul and spirit.

After his address, in calling on Lord Carrington to declare the School formally inaugurated, Bishop Barry indicated the way in which our School would be carried on; the intention being to carry it on on the principles of the Public Schools of England. He hoped that when the Colony should celebrate its second centenary there would be generation after generation of men who had been trained in the C.E.G.S. and have been real servants of GOD and of their country.

Now we come to the first day of the first term, on the 16th July, 1889, twenty-four years ago. One boarder and twenty-three day boys, with five masters to look after their welfare, assembled in this Hall for morning prayers. The buildings then consisted of the large class room block, the Headmaster's house, and this Hall,

intended and used for the School dining room. You all must have noticed the buttress with the bricks exposed in the class room block. The intention was to have a large school hall, a big chemical laboratory (in the form of a theatre), and some school offices to connect the class room block with this Hall. But to go back to the first school day—we found the building finished, but the forms and desks had only just arrived, and, unfortunately, the varnish was not dry, so when the original boys sat down they had some difficulty in getting up again. The same happened with the paper that was placed on the desks. As I told you before there was only one boarder during the first term, and Mr. Kelynack had not much to complain of in regard to arduous house duties when he sat of an evening with Stuart Wallace in the room now occupied by Mrs. Purves as a morning room.

Time will not allow me to go into details of the history of the School from that day to this. I will only mention that the first prefects were chosen in January, 1891; that the present form of service for the initiation of prefects has been used ever since April, 1893; on June 14th, 1892, the study block was opened; on December 20th, 1892, the school flag, presented by Mrs. J. S. Harrison, was hoisted from the tower, and on the same day the pictures were hung in the class rooms. Some of these had been presented by the late Herr Langhans, and the others purchased with a sum of money left to us in the will of the late Mr. Davies, of Leddicot,

Lavender Bay. In April, 1894, the office block, consisting of the office, the old carpentry room, and the science laboratory, was opened by the Dean of Sydney, acting for Sir William Manning, who was ill. In the same year the O.B.U. was formed.

In February, 1903, the memorial library was opened by General Finn, and at the end of the same year, the gymnasium, the dining hall and the sanatorium were ready for us.

A good number of old boys come to see me from time to time, and of course we hear a lot of yarns as to what happened in those times. I could give you a good number, but I will satisfy myself with one.

In our earlier years we were very much troubled by the number of horses that were every night lodged in the playground to the great damage of the cricket pitches. We tried every means we could think of to keep them out but still they came, and the owners took them away when we were in morning preparation and breakfast. So at last we got two long ropes, and for three or four mornings all the boarders in turn took the ropes, and, after haltering the horses, there was seen for two or three hours every morning some very famous circus riding. When the owners came they found the horses absolutely incapable of doing any work, and they were not long in finding out that the grass of the School playground had some demoralising effect on the horses.

But to turn from the humorous to the grave, there was one item I left out among the list of School instal-

lations, and that was the publication of the first number of *Torch-Bearer*, which was published in June, 1891, twenty-two years ago. In the obituary notice to Mr. Hughes, its first editor, the first Headmaster wrote: In it (*i.e.*, *The Torch-Bearer*) he has written his own epitaph:—

Life waster like water poured on sand,
Nor leaves a trace where we have been,
One blade we sowed with careless hand
May grow to keep our memory green.

And his monument, the blade he sowed among members of the C.E.G.S., may justly be the first editorial he contributed to the *Torch-Bearer*.

Let me quote just a few extracts from it.

Mr. Hughes wrote: "It is strange but none the less true that the boys of the School write its history in far more abiding characters than those who from time to time are in authority over them. It is therefore to the boys we must look, to the boys we must appeal for sanction, sound tradition and unwritten laws in school life. The true principles are not hard to grasp, and once established will bind all together in brotherhood with "the triple cord of love." First, there is the tie of school work, with the mental training there obtained. Next, and not less important, is the tie of school games, in which the body is formed and hardened to endure to the end in a good cause, and the mind also is taught the priceless lesson of self-control and self-denial. Lastly, behind these other two and balancing them in fair proportion lies the third strand, which should be of the purest gold;

that moral standard of tone that springs up and flourishes in every school, that feeling that makes each individual think twice before he says or does anything untruthful, or dishonest or impure, lest by his single act he should tarnish the fair name of the school to which it is an honour to belong. The meaning of the old saying, "That Waterloo was won on the playing fields of Eton," is quite plain. The tone implanted at school for good will readily open, in later life, into the qualities that make the noblest soldiers, statesmen, scholars or citizens."

I have given you a brief history of our School and I think the time is come when it is only fair to ask ourselves—Have we justified our existence as a school? Has the expenditure of such a large sum of money on our foundation been warranted? Have we turned out, are we turning out, men who are real servants of GOD and of our country?

From twenty-four boys twenty-four years ago we can now show 350, but let us not forget that "mere numbers do not make a school any more than bricks and mortar make a city," and that it is to the spirit which animates its members and not to their numerical importance that our attention should be turned if we wish to estimate its value.

Now let us just glance at what we have done. Take, if you like, first of all *games*, which some of you think most important. In rowing we have won the championship on no less than ten occasions. We have won the championship and premier-

ship in cricket and football more than once. We have won the athletic sports championship, and our cadet corps has won the Rawson Cup, the N.R.A. Shield, and the Schools Challenge Shield. Look at our Old Boys. We can pick at the present time teams that could easily hold their own against any other school. Several have represented their State in all athletic games. Not a bad record, is it, for a school twenty-four years old?

Then as to learning. It has always been said that the School turned out gentlemen; but it was once said that we did not turn out scholars. By that was meant that we did not win scholarships at the University. But for several years we have proved that we can turn out scholars as well as gentlemen. We have during the last few years won medals in most school subjects in the University Public Examinations; we have won scholarships and high distinction in the various schools in the University; one of our Old Boys was elected a Rhodes Scholar. So we can honestly declare that during the past few years in scholarship the School has held its own.

Turn from sport and learning to the call of our country. As the memorial tablet in the library puts it, "*Pro rege et pro patria.*" Thirty-one of our fellows volunteered for military service in South Africa and China; three gave their lives for their country. Truly they fulfilled their part. "*Tradiderunt lampada vitai.*"

Turn again to commerce and the various professions, and you will find

representatives from us in every branch, holding honourable positions and showing forth by their actions in their various vocations "the stuff that is reaped from the seed that we sow."

So I think we can confidently aver that we have justified and are fully justifying our existence. As the leader in the *Torch-Bearer* on the departure of our first Headmaster says: "We are arrogating to ourselves no undue praise when we say that the name of the S.C.E.G.S. has in these few years of our existence come to be synonymous with *manliness, truthfulness*, and all qualities which go to make up the character of an English gentleman. The endeavour has been throughout to imitate as far as local conditions would allow the character and constitution of the great Public Schools of the mother country, and above all to arouse in every one of us that devotion to duty, that simple Christian manliness which is the noblest result of educational effort."

Now, we often say that this School is modelled on the Public Schools of the old country, and for the benefit of a good number of you who don't know what this means let me read an extract from an address given on Anniversary Day in one of these schools:—

"Let us be clear," it says, "what type of character it is we want to produce at our Public Schools. We want boys who are simple, manly, gentlemanly, hard workers both in the playing field and the school-room; boys who are thorough boys, and not little men; boys who are full of loyalty

for their school and love for their school-fellows. We want boys who have a real sense of GOD's continual presence, yet who do not make a parade of their religion; who are full of fun and glad to feel they are popular, yet have courage enough, if need be, to protest against cruelty or meanness or foulness; boys who inevitably and without knowing it raise the tone of school life; who carry on the best traditions of the place and leave the worst to die a natural death. Happy is the school that has boys of that type; happy is the generation of boys that, as it rises in the school, feels that the highest thing it can wish for is a double portion of the spirit of the departing generation."

Were not these words just a summary of that address which Mr. Hodges gave us from this place some months ago? "Masters and boys," he said, "come and go, but the School still goes on. It must be our business to maintain worthily the traditions of the School, and the way to do this was to be pure in *thought and action*, to live the way of true English gentlemen."

There is an old saying that there are four things which a man can say, and in the saying of which he is distinguished from the creatures beneath us, and they are: "I am, I ought, I can, I will." Then let us take these in connection with ourselves. After the review I have given you of the doings of the School, I am quite certain that everyone in the School is proud to belong to it, and you show this by

the fact of your always wearing your colours, and so you acknowledge that you are proud of them. You are proud to declare, "I am a member of the S.C.E.G.S.," but remember that in making this declaration you put yourself under an obligation to say therefore "I *ought* to do something for the School." Then comes the third, and "I *can*." None of us are so small but that we can do something. The colours that you wear point out to one and all that you are members of this School; therefore let everyone see that by your actions both in and out of school that it is no idle boast of ours to claim to ourselves the name of gentlemen in its fullest significance.

We, like other schools, have traditions of our own, and we continually make the claim that we model ourselves and our traditions after the great Public Schools of the old country. But it is much easier for them to keep up old traditions than for us, and the reason of that is this: They receive all or most of their boys from the great Preparatory Schools, where the customs and traditions are very like what they are in the school itself; but in our case we get the majority of our boys from schools which have no traditions at all, and therefore when a large contingent of new boys come who know nothing of our customs they follow what they have been accustomed to. Thus there is a tendency for some of our traditions to be neglected and fall into disuse. It is therefore to such new-comers that I want to point out certain characteristics of the School in the past.

But not to dwell on these any longer. I have said enough to point out one way at least in which we all can do something for the School, and that is by refusing to do acts which we know to be in opposition to the traditions which we have held sacred for several years. In this respect we can all say "I *can*," and I am quite sure that most of you are quite ready and prepared to say "I *will*"—I will do something for the School. Next year, as you know, we purpose keeping our Twenty-fifth Anniversary, and in whatever way the School decides to celebrate that event let us all do our utmost to make it a big success. An effort will be made to build our School Chapel, and a great many of us sincerely hope that next year the religious service in connection with the Twenty-fifth Anniversary will take place in its proper home—the School Chapel.

A few more words. Why is it that members of other schools have been heard to say, "We like to play the C.E.G.S.?" Is it not because we have the reputation that, whether winning or losing, "we play the game?" Let us bear this in mind, and in the declaration "I *will*" resolve that we will be always *straight* both in work and play, and, whatever the cost, that none of us will ever do a mean or underhand act, but that we will be perfectly fair and open in everything we take in hand. Let us "pull, pull, together boys"; let us bear in mind "I am, I *ought*, I *can*, I *will*"; and then we shall be certain that the "*Tradunt lampada vitai*" which has

been handed down to us from the past will be safe in our keeping and the future of the School assured.

The School Song which, according to the order of to-day's proceedings, will succeed my address, forms a fitting and musical ending to it. It is well worth notice and study, as the verses typify the kind of character we wish to cultivate at the School. The song is nearly as old as the School itself. Those responsible for its composition were Mr. Robson, the late

Mr. Hughes, Mr. Linton, and Mr. Hall, each of whom, I think, contributed one or more verses. It was set to music by the late Herr Langhans at a date long prior to that (1904) given on the copies in your hands, which refers merely to the time when the music was harmonised.

After the song let the walls ring with the echo of your cheers for the old School, and let each one carry away with him the motto of "I am, I can, I ought, I will."

University Letter.

THE EDITOR OF THE
"TORCH-BEARER."

DEAR SIR,

As it happens that in a University course men must either progress or remain stationary without any prospect of going backward, it seems useless to state that 1912 was a year marked largely by progress so far as the old boys were concerned. However, in all faculties and in every year, with the exception of Med. I., which were fated to meet rather stiff papers, the record, as far as passes and higher honours are concerned, was distinctly good. Most of the men, to be mentioned later, passed at their first attempt, and failures in the "posts" were very few, though Cameron had the unpleasant experience of being informed of his failure to pass Med. II., only to find later that a mistake had been made. Though such an experience is rare, yet it is

made possible by the method under which no student can on any pretext whatever see his papers after they have passed into the examiner's hands—a method which the Undergraduates Association have often attempted to have revised without success.

In Arts I. Walker and Hedges passed, but the best results were obtained in Arts II. by Childe, Heath, and Pulling, whose united record of distinctions bid fair to make a formidable show at the end of their course. Hutchinson also migrated from Arts II. to Arts III. Boyce and Simpson obtained their B.A. degree, the former after three years' work of a consistently higher standard, and allied to a large amount of good committee work and sport. Our representatives in Law in 1912 were few—in fact, none. Now the return of D. Williams from a continental tour makes us again represented in the learned faculty.

Engineering results are always a mystery to the writer. The course seems to be a happy paradise for men to get through subject by subject, and after first or second year the various divisions of the curriculum are enough to make a statistician's hair curl. From a whirlwind of results the following were garnered:—That Anderson, Hutchinson, Scarr, Irvine, Day, and Tiley had all passed in something, probably passed in Engineering I., and of those Anderson and Scarr had fulfilled the promise of their senior results, and to all appearances had divided most of the distinctions and credit, while Hutchinson had secured a few of those left. Of Powell the writer could find nothing which, according to Euclid, is absurd, though he has a vague idea that the aforesaid student was awarded a Scholarship and various distinctions later on in the Science course. Certainly some of these results may be wrong, but keeping correct reports of the fifty old boys now at the 'Varsity is not easy when examination results are so scattered. Of later years in Engineering most of the finals come on in August, and so nothing is available.

In the estimable faculty of Medicine first year met stiffer papers than in past years, and numerous students went down, only to emerge triumphant again in March. Willis, Cook, Cuthbert, Faithfull, Hamilton, Morgan, Wilson, and Gillies all passed, the first securing credits in all subjects. These passes are not so good as in 1911, but the standard to all appearances was higher. In Med. II. Cameron passed,

to await an examination for Med. III. in August, when five other old boys from Med. III. and V. will also face the music. Five old boys remain on Med. V. to sit in March, 1914.

To turn to the lighter side of University life, it seems that of the numerous fresh men of this year V. T. Hall is going to make a mark. Hall at present is University and Inter-University light-weight boxing champion, a candidate for the 1st XV., and played for the 2nd XI. Certainly an excellent start. Voss and Woodward are also candidates for the Inter-University Rifle Match. Such is a very healthy sign for the future reputation of S.C.E.G.S.

In the rowing world P. Voss and Hay are in the 'Varsity boat to row in Melbourne. The former is Vice-Captain of the club and one of the best oars at the 'Varsity. Generally speaking, rowing seems to be taken up seriously by a few of the younger men from the School, but the attractions of other sports and the time rowing demands seem to bar most men from keeping the sport up for long. In a very strong cricket team Tozer, Massie, and Minnett (the latter only late in the season on his return from an unsuccessful English tour) played big parts. Massie secured thirty-three wickets in the few matches he did play in, his bowling against Redfern being far the best he has shown. Incidentally he averaged sixty-six with the bat; his aggregate was also sixty-six. Most of the time Massie did not play with the 'Varsity, but played in all the State matches with conspicuous

success, taking far more wickets than any other bowler, or, in fact, any three other bowlers.

Certainly R. J. A. M. was the bowling success of the year, along with Ryder, of Victoria. Tozer was prominent in a record partnership with F. Farrar, late of Sydney Grammar School, in the Inter-Varsity Match, whilst Minnett showed he had lost none of his hitting powers—at any rate, on Australian wickets. Boyce for the 2nd XI. again secured the aggregate and average, 670 runs at 67 per innings, and was indeed unlucky that the batting of the 1st XI. was so strong, as any other first grade team would be glad of his assistance. Walker and Tiley did not pay enough attention to the game as they should if they wish to find a place in the 2nd XI. for 1913. In the football teams L. B. Heath secures a well-deserved position in the N.S.W. XV., after knocking at the door since the end of last season. In the 1st XV. we note Hamilton, Massie (who is captain), Irving, and Pockley (who was sailing for representative honours as a wing three-quarter when laid up by an accident). The figure of Mr. Mackay is not so familiar on the Oval in these days. Is there any relation between this and the poor form shown by the 1st XV? In the 2nd XV. and 3rd XV. many of the new men from the School are figuring—Allport, Hall, Braddon, etc.; and in these days, when Varsity football seems at a lower ebb than usual, places are always apparent for hard triers and keen workers.

In the late Athletic Inter-University Sports Massie was first in putting the shot and second in throwing the hammer, of which also L. B. Heath promises to be a good exponent with practice. Of the others St. Vincent Welch regained some of his old form, and won the Oval Hurdle Race comfortably. Busby, who won the trial race run to pick Sydney representatives for the Inter-Varsity Hurdle Race, though in good form, was hampered by a wet track, and ran poorly. Busby has never performed up to his school reputation here, much—be it said—to the disappointment of St. Paul's Athletic Committee who rely on him for numerous points in the Inter Collegiate Sports. In the oval races were seen numerous old boys whose sprinting abilities were not by any means equal to their keenness.

In the Hockey Team visiting Melbourne now one notices Blight, Hutchinson, and Pulling who have played so far with the A team with fair success. Hockey does not seem to progress much here nor does Baseball and Lacrosse. Allison alone of the old boys plays the latter game, but the University Lacrosse has yet to reach the standard of the other games. Baseball cannot boast any old boy supporter. In Tennis the School has no players in any of the badge teams though Tozer was in the University team which surprised the critics by beating a strong Melbourne side for the Mall Cup. Of the others though many of the old boys play the game at intervals, they do not seem to meet

the eye of the selectors, which is not very wonderful considering that there are about 100 members of the Tennis Club and only twenty-eight can play in badge matches.

In the last and newest sport of all—Boxing, which is run under the auspices of the Athletic Club, Hall won the lightweight and Massie the heavyweight University Championships, the latter having to fight hard to beat Heath. In the Inter-University contests Massie was uncontested for the heavyweight and Hall knocked out his Melbourne opponent, who was runner-up for the Victorian Amateur Championship, in thirty seconds. Massie, besides going in for Cricket, Football, and Athletics, still found time to win the Amateur Heavyweight Championship of N.S.W., for which he was largely boomed in the sporting papers, being hailed as a new "white hope."

In the executive work of University Committees old boys are well to the fore. Massie holds the record of being on nine committees,

while Williams, Heath, and Tozer, guide the destinies of the Tennis, Football, and Cricket Clubs respectively. Various other men occupy positions on the Committee, and on the Sports Union Ball Committee are the names of three old boys. Incidentally R. B. Minnett is one Secretary for St. Andrew's College Dance, and for St. Paul's Heath and Tozer are Joint Secretaries. Verily the social standpoint is not neglected.

Probably the Editor will now be raving over waste of space, but to end up the writer must say that though it is with some pleasure he undertakes the task of chronicling in scrappy fashion the doings of the old boys, yet with the number increasing rapidly and younger men coming along: "who know not Pharoah" he feels that the work would be better and more accurately performed by a younger man, who at any rate would know the men coming along to keep the old School's name prominent in Varsity life.

COLLEGIAN.

The School Concert.

THE School Concert in aid of the Chapel Fund was revived this year in the Masonic Hall, North Sydney, on Friday, 13th June. The hall was packed with present boys and old boys, with parties of friends, and so the audience from the first was enthusiastic. Even before the curtain rose there was much applause, par-

ticularly for the benefit of one of the ushers, ornamental and occasionally useful, who in contempt for the foppish fashions of the day has invented a new and simple method of dressing the hair.

The proceedings started with the singing of the School Song, the audience standing and joining with the chorus. The choir then, conducted by

Mr. Walmsley, rendered a part song, Mendelssohn's "New Year." This was received with much applause, which was renewed on the appearance of Archer's music-stand, and again at the appearance of the performer himself. He played Handel's "Largo," and in response to loud calls played an encore. Miss Hawtrey then delighted her hearers with a recitation from Kipling, the "Camel's Hump," and being recalled recited, by request, the "Coster's Wedding." This amusing narrative had the audience in continual laughter. The next item was a piano solo from Blackwood, a "Minuet" by Paderewski, which was much appreciated. The School's new Rowing Song was then performed publicly for the first time, and made a most satisfactory beginning. The song was sung by Mr. Barton, the choir supplying the chorus. The swing of this particularly appealed to the bulk of the School, and this the producers wished most of all. The School Song and this Rowing Song are an excellent nucleus for a collection, and the enthusiasm with which it was received should inspire many to produce lyrics of other school sports and institutions. Loud—very loud—calls for author a the conclusion were mistaken for "encore," and the last few verses were repeated. Then at last the author (Mr. Barton) heard the call and appeared amid much applause. The next item was the musical gem of the evening, a violin solo, Drdla's "Vision," beautifully rendered by Mr. Gilder. As an encore he played, as charmingly as before, the "Slave-

Berceuse," by Mlynarski. The choir then sang Pinsuti's "Good-night," and this closed the first part of the programme. After the interval a sketch by Lady Gregory, entitled "Spreading the News," was staged. The scene is in a country lane near the fair-green in an Irish village, with the stall of Mrs. Tarpey, with fruit and sweets, in the playground. The lane was represented by a number of gum saplings fixed against a conventional woodland background. The saplings bore a number of most exotic blooms, made of that highly-coloured crinkled paper generally used for lampshades. What Ireland has done to have these hybrids ascribed to her no one knows; but from the audience the effect was excellent. It seems rather a pity that such attention must be paid to detail. It is no doubt necessary since Mr. Oscar Asche and the Christmas pantomimes have made the public so accustomed to gorgeous stage effects that the exercise of individual imagination is no more. A plain green curtain would perhaps have been of assistance in stimulating this greatest of all gifts, for which no one now has time.

The play was very well received, and the audience missed no point; and this is a great tribute to the actors, since the humour and grief are rather delicately suggested than broadly portrayed.

A deaf old woman who hears nothing aright and puts the worst possible interpretation upon it; a very mischievous girl; the Connacht people, ever ready for gossip and fighting, the

people who have the proverb that " 'tis better to be quarrelling than lonesome "; and a new magistrate of a very meddlesome nature are the essential sources of both the fun and the sadness of the sketch.

Miss Hawtreys acting, as Mrs. Fallon, was excellent, particularly in her denunciation of her gossiping neighbours and in her grief at Bartley's arrest. Mr. Pulling was very good as Bartley Fallon, a confirmed fatalist. " If there's any misfortune coming in this world it's on meself it's sure to fall." And so he bears calmly his arrest and equally calmly the clearing of his character.

A part not in the book, but one which helped to complete the picture, was Mrs. Fallon's little boy. Hunt made an excellent little ragamuffin who ate sticks of lollies in most approved style.

R. A. Barton as Mrs. Tarbey was quite a triumph in make up and acting. Mrs. Tarbey's age and deafness were made very plain without any unnatural emphasis, and the control of the voice was good. The only noticeable fault was a tendency to address some remarks to the scenery rather than to the audience. W. D. K. Craig played the part of Jack Smith with great spirit, especially on his second appearance, when his efforts to " go for " Bartley were much appreciated. At times he was inclined to be rather stiff in his carriage and overmuch stooped. E. S. Playfair as Shawn Early was wonderfully well made up, and his acting was very natural, especially in idiom and accent. H. D. Pulling also

acted excellently as Tim Casey ; his performance too at times gave signs of stiffness in bearing. H. T. Thompson as James Ryan acted very well, especially in little bits of by-play. His voice and accent were his least convincing points. G. Susman was a decided success as Mrs. Tully. The make up was excellent, the voice also, and the part of the mischievous, tale bearing young woman was played with remarkable freedom. J. Blackwood as Joe Muldoon was most amusing as a kind of echo to the very positive remarks of his superior, the Police Magistrate. This part was very well played by E. M. Tyler, who was always completely at his ease.

It was noticeable with regard to the acting as a whole, that all the characters were more natural than has been usual in school plays. There was no standing about wondering what on earth to do with one's hands. Everyone acted from the moment he came on the stage until he went off. The parts were well known and there were very few signals of distress to the prompter's side ; the most noticeable was when one player began to enjoy the luxury of a good smoke and forgot the play. But this was not remarked by more than a very few. Some of the characters had made astonishing progress in smoking at the rehearsals, while others seemed uneasy.

The conclusion of the play was met with loud applause, which was renewed when Miss Hawtreys was presented with a beautiful bouquet. The success was in large measure due to the assistance of Miss Hawtreys and Mr.

Digby in character, make up, and coaching, and also to the patient coaching of Mr. Pulling, and to some person or persons unknown for the choice of this slight sketch with its delicate humour, tenderness and grief. Though it appeared difficult at first, by the perseverance of all concerned a newer and more interesting entertainment was given than by less ambitious

attempts such as "Vice Versa" and "The New Boy."

Accounts are not yet definitely settled, but the profits will be of very material help to the Chapel Fund, and if the play has introduced anyone to the works of Lady Gregory, W. B. Yeats and F. M. Synge, two very noble ends have been gained.

E. A. W.

Debating Society Notes.

ON April 8 a debate was held on the subject, "That modern manners are gradually deteriorating."

Dudley (proposer) regretted that many old customs which had no bad effects and some good effects were falling into disuse. Children did not now show sufficient respect for their parents, the courtesy due to women, especially in tram-cars, was being neglected, and the action of the suffragettes confirmed the belief that people had less respect for manners and customs than they ought to. With the growth of democratic ideas in social life, we were showing less respect for our superiors, and so losing a very great and beneficial influence.

Tyler (opposer) said that many ancient customs would be useless now, and had been replaced by other better customs. Our table manners were far better than in the stone age. It was not true that less respect was being shown to women now-a-days. We were becoming more and more civilised, and so were being taught better manners. The suffragettes were a violent exception to the general rule that our manners were better than those of our ancestors.

Pulling explained how it came about that modern manners were generally considered to be deteriorating. In early times women were inferior to men in physical strength and usually in intellect; so arose the custom of men respecting and protecting women,

and this movement reached its highest point at the time of Chivalry. But now women were claiming to be the equals of men in business and politics, and yet expect respect and protection. Women must either be put back to their original position or else chivalry must decline.

McRae referred to the saying, "manners-maketh man," and to the fact that modern men were superior to the men of the past, and argued that modern manners must also be superior. Women most often entered into offices from sheer necessity, not with the idea of rivalling men.

Mr. Boyce said that the modern lack of politeness was due to the fact that school-boys were now much less strictly trained than they used to be. Our social code had gradually been developing for centuries. Business men had often no time to be polite, but we could easily be more polite than we were.

Barton mentioned the frequent strikes and pointed out the insolence of the working men who left their work without the consent of their employers.

Blackwood said that there was most opportunity for politeness between the lower and the upper classes, but now all were coalescing into one middle class.

Susman said that real good manners had degenerated into the superficial manners of a tactful man.

After Dudley's reply a vote was taken and the motion declared lost.

On April 22 the subject was—
 "That it is better to know a great deal about one thing than a little about many things."

Susman (proposer) pointed out that the present age was an age of specialists. The old-fashioned family doctor was going out of date and was being replaced by the specialist. This was also true of every profession. The expression "Jack of all trades" was always used in a disparaging way. "A little learning is a dangerous thing," was a very true saying.

Blackwood (opposer) said that a man's social success depended on his being able to converse on a large number of subjects. If a man has some knowledge of more than one profession or trade, he has still a means of living when he fails in his business. In the matter of education, it is better to know something of a number of subjects.

Dudley said that the increase in one's business, which resulted from specialising, did not make up for the discomfort that one felt, when one could talk intelligently on only one subject, and could not guide the conversation in that direction.

Mr. Davies said that even a specialist had to know something about all subjects that were connected with his profession. A doctor who was nothing but a specialist was of little use when a man was ill.

Tyler said that it was only possible for us to know a little about everything. Our knowledge was very small, and we could not be said to know a great deal about anything.

Mr. Barton thought that the chief characteristic of man was his curiosity, and if he had no curiosity there was something essential missing. It was right to be keenly interested in everything. But people must devote special attention to one single subject, or they would be utter failures.

McRae said that there would be no inventions if men did not specialise. An author had a great deal of general knowledge, but his first aim was proficiency in writing.

Kingel mentioned the pick-and-shovel men as the type of specialist, who would be better off with more variety of accomplishments.

Burke said that all our great men had been specialists in some particular subject.

Mr. Dixon said that no one could fully understand a subject without a working knowledge of all subjects. If the world was to make progress, there must be specialists, who knew also something about many other matters.

After Susman's reply a vote was taken and the motion declared lost.

O. May 6 the subject was: "That a monarchy is better than a republic."

Dudley (proposer) said the perfect government was a limited monarchy. The King was a man who had been educated as well as possible, and who had a great deal of political knowledge. He was in such a prominent position that he was forced to become a model to the nation. The Roman and American republics are good examples of the political corruption that is out of the question with a king. The wisdom of one man was greater than the wisdom of several.

Pulling (opposer) pointed out that England was the only successful monarchy in the world, and was a republic in all but name, and so could not be taken as the typical monarchy. The Emperors caused the fall of Rome. Kings nearly always had favourites. The King did not encourage education because he wished to retain his power. Taking liberty from a man was degrading. France was able to pay off her enormous indemnity to Germany when she was a republic.

Scammell mentioned America as an example of the prosperous republic, and Russia of an unsuccessful monarchy.

Grove said that the King of England was necessary to keep the parts of the Empire together. There was more civil strife in a republic.

Mr. Barton mentioned France, which had become a republic after the French Revolution, and about whose politics we now heard very little. Before that time the people had been the slaves of the King and aristocracy. While a nation was in its infancy it might be governed by a king, but a great people ought to be a republic.

Susman pointed out that Great Britain and Germany, the two most powerful nations

of to-day were both monarchies. France was not nearly as great as it had been in the time of the kings.

Mr. Boyce said that all great nations were governed by a council, not by a figure-head. China had commenced a new era in her history, and after due consideration had adopted a republican form of government. Monarchs were not always models of virtue, *e.g.*, King John.

Kingel said that as the King of England could not use his power, he ought to be abolished.

Brown said that Napoleon's reign was the most glorious point in French history.

After Dudley's reply a vote was taken, and the motion declared lost.

On May 20 the new order of things began, debates now being carried out on Parliamentary lines. The subject was: "That a barrister is not justified in defending a man whom he believes to be guilty."

Dudley (Premier) maintained that a barrister was only justified if there was no other barrister available, or if he really needed the money to save himself from starvation. Otherwise he would have to sink his sense of honour, to say what he believed to be untrue. A lawyer who believed that a man was guilty was not

capable of persuading a judge of his innocence.

Pulling (Leader of the Opposition) said that a lawyer was not concerned with the justice or injustice of the case; his business was to collect and apply evidence. Many cases would go undefended if a barrister never defended a man whose guilt was at all possible. It was a different matter when he knew him to be guilty.

Scammell thought that a barrister's high sense of honour ought to prevent him. He would be personally responsible if a dangerous man was let loose.

Tyler said that every man who was charged ought to be defended. Even if every barrister thought him guilty, it was right that some one should see that he got fair play. Even when guilt was plain, argument should be put forward to get the penalty lightened.

Susman said that the knowledge that a guilty man had escaped unpunished would have a very bad effect on the people, and the barrister who had helped him was responsible.

Mr. Barton said that it was more important that an innocent man should not be punished than that a hundred guilty men should be convicted. A man ought to be defended however appearances might be against him. This measure could not be enforced, as there was no way of measuring motive.

After Dudley's reply a vote was taken, and the motion declared lost.

To a School Blazer—in Youth and Age.

BLUE of a brightness to vie with
kingfisher,
Bluest of birds 'gainst the sky
and the sea;
White of a whiteness to shadow the
ivory;
Proud is my heart to-day; you are
for me!

Cheers for the School with a boat-race
just won for her!
How shall we fare against King's
in the scrum?
Can I keep cool with a fish-tail to
worry me?
Shall I be picked when the summer
has come?

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Faded your brightness, but who loves
you less for that?

Nearest of comrades, all tattered
and torn!

Darken'd your whiteness, but still you
are best of all!

Blazers or badges that ever were
worn.

Tell of the day that the King's School
ran over us!

How of that race when we barely
got in?

Think of the way that we collar'd the
bowling, and

What of that bull's-eye we needed
to win?

PARLINGTON.

Correspondence.

DEAR MR. EDITOR,

In all the Great Public Schools of England and in many in Australia there are many records to be found of the past history and achievements of their old members. We have little to preserve the memory of those who have passed through the School.

It would need little trouble or expenditure to have records kept of those who have distinguished themselves in the past. The names of the first teams in football, and cricket, and shooting, and of the first crew, and a record of prefects and winners of scholarships and so on, might easily be inscribed on metal plates and put up in some

such place as the big hall or the dining hall from time to time, or at least, a record of the captains and head-prefects might be kept.

If some such scheme were adopted a tremendous amount of interest in the past of the School would be created, and without the memory of those who have done good work for it a school has small chance of maintaining high ideals and traditions.

Yours faithfully,

E.M.T.

[On enquiry we learn that steps have lately been taken towards the end you desire, though the exact form and extent of the work has not yet been decided.—Ed.]

Football.

THE 1st XV, this season has been rather disappointing. It has always looked as though it was capable of turning into a good team, but it has never really found its feet. Individual members have played well on different occasions, but the whole

team has never played well on the same day, and there has been a lack of dash throughout the team. The changes necessitated by various accidents have perhaps handicapped it somewhat. Ewing and Suttor's absence has made a good deal of

difference to the pack, and accidents to Bray and Pulling upset the combination of the backs. But apart from the 1st XV, the football has been very satisfactory throughout the School. The 2nd XV. has been beaten once, by T.S.C., drawn with Newington, and won their other matches. This has been largely due to the excellent play and captaincy of Carter, who has now gone up into the 1st XV. The 3rd XV. has as usual suffered from people going up to fill gaps in the higher teams. But in the football inside the School there is no doubt that things are going well. We have started a fresh grade owing to the increased numbers playing, and though this first year there has been a slight difficulty in turning out so many teams at full strength on every occasion, the play has been hard and keen from A grade to C. It is of course of greater importance that as many boys possible should be playing than that we should win competitions, provided that the football played is always hard and clean. Combination in all our football has been very hard to obtain this year, owing to the fact that more than half the time we have had to play in weather that precluded any possibility of passing or clean handling. As a result, our backs have been more ragged than usual. Pulling at half has been somewhat slow, though his defence work has been splendid; and Mayne at five-eighths, though good individually, has not been able to open up the game well, and seems likely to do better work on the wing. Playfair has generally played

well both in defence and attack, while Littler, who started very badly owing to feeling the stiffness of rowing, developed into a first-rate full-back. Brooks has only started to show his form at the end of the term, while Barton has been the most consistently good three-quarter in the team. Of the forwards, Suttor while playing was the pick in the loose, but he does not use his strength in the ruck, and the same applies to Seaton. Richardson, except for a certain ineffectiveness in tackling, worked hard in the rucks, and was always to the fore in the open work, while Witts and Hall could always be relied on for solid work and hard tackling. Fell, Sawyer and Pittar are all solid forwards, at present somewhat clumsy, who should improve with experience into real excellence. Craig, who took Suttor's place as breakaway, was particularly good in the line-out, where the forwards as a whole were rather weak. The team is a young one, and there is promise in it and in the 2nd for success in the near future. As captain, Richardson has been very keen, and has worked magnificently to organise and keep the team together. He is, however, a little too much inclined to silence on the field, partly due to the strenuous game he always plays himself.

This year, owing to a large increase in the number of those playing football, the colour matches are being played in three grades, A, B, and C, the A grade being a separate competition, which will run on till the end of August.

1st XV. Matches.

April 12th—v. Barker College Club. Played home. Won 14-5.

Team: Meares, Playfair, Barton, Anderson, Bray, Mayne, Pulling, Spring, Hall, Fell, Witts, Pittar, Suttor, Grove, Craig.

Scorers: Playfair (2), Pittar (1). Mayne kicked a penalty goal and converted one.

April 14th—v. S.G.S. Played home. Lost 15-11.

Team: Meares, Anderson, Playfair, Barton, Bray, Mayne, Pulling, Spring, Hall, Fell, Witts, Pittar, Suttor, Grove, Craig.

Scorers: Playfair (1), Barton (1), Bray (1), one of which Mayne converted.

April 19th—v. Y.M.C.A. Played home. Lost 9-3.

Team: Meares, Playfair, Barton, Anderson, Bloome, Mayne, Pulling, Seaton, Hall, Fell, Witts, Pittar, Suttor, Grove, Craig.

Scorer: Craig (1).

April 23rd—v. University 2nd. Lost 19-0.

Team: Littler, Playfair, Barton, Brooks, Bray, Mayne, Pulling, Ewing, Hall, Fell, Witts, Pittar, Suttor, Sawyer, Richardson.

April 26th—v. Warroo. Played home. Lost 30-6.

Team: Littler, Playfair, Barton, Brooks, Bray, Mayne, Milton, Ewing, Hall, Fell, Witts, Pittar, Suttor, Sawyer, Richardson.

Scorer: Playfair (2).

April 30th—v. University team. Won 15-3.

Team: Meares, Playfair, Brooks, Barton, Bray, Mayne, Pulling, Spring, Hall, Fell, Witts, Sawyer, Craig, Seaton, Suttor.

Scorers: Playfair (1), Bray (3), Barton (1).

May 2nd—v. Old Boys. Lost 21-3.

Team: Meares, Playfair, Brooks, Barton, Bray, Mayne, Pulling, Fell, Hall, Spring, Witts, Sawyer, Craig, Seaton, Suttor.

Scorer: Barton (1).

May 10th—v. St. Joseph's. Played at Hunter's Hill. Won 5-0. Referee, Mr. Turner.

Team: Meares, Anderson, Brooks, Barton, Playfair, Mayne, Pulling, Seaton, Hall, Fell, Witts, Pittar, Suttor, Sawyer, Richardson.

Scorers: Playfair (1), which Meares converted.

May 14th—v. The King's School. Played at Parramatta. Lost 6-0. Referee, Mr. Blair I. Swannell.

Team: Meares, Playfair, Brooks, Barton, Bray, Mayne, Pulling, Seaton, Hall, Fell, Witts, Pittar, Craig, Sawyer, Richardson.

May 21st—v. S.G.S. Played home. Lost 16-5.

Team: Meares, Playfair, Brooks, Barton, Bray, Mayne, Pulling, Seaton, Hall, Fell, Witts, Pittar, Craig, Sawyer, Richardson.

Scorers: Playfair (1), which Meares converted.

May 28th—v. Newington College. Played at Stanmore. Lost 14-0. Referee, Mr. Harding.

Team: Littler, Playfair, Barton, Brooks, Mayne, Carter, Milton, Seaton, Hall, Fell, Witts, Pittar, Suttor, Sawyer, Richardson.

June 4th—v. St. Ignatius' College. Played at North Sydney. Won 6-3. Referee, Mr. Harding.

Team: Littler, Playfair, Barton, Brooks, Mayne, Carter, Pulling i., Seaton, Hall, Fell, Witts, Pittar, Suttor, Sawyer, Richardson.

2ND XV. MATCHES.

April 12th—25th Battalion. Won 13-3.

Team: Thompson ii., Treatt, Ralston, Bloome, Johnson, Carter, Milton, Seaton, Webb, Small, McRae, Heath, Shields, Archer, King.

Scorers: Bloome (2), Archer (1). Seaton converted both.

April 14th—v. S.G.S. Won 6-0.

Team: Thompson ii., Johnson, King, Bloome, Ralston, Carter, Milton, Webb, Seaton, Shields, Archer, Small, Heath, McRae, Weston.

Scorers: Bloome (1). Seaton kicked penalty goal.

April 26th—v. Barker College. Lost 8-3.

Team: Thompson ii., Ralston, Fraser, Anderson, Johnson, Meares, Carter, Plaskitt, Seaton, Park, Weston, Luscombe, Starkey, Heath, Craig.

Scorer: Weston (1).

May 2nd—v. 3rd XV. Won 15-10.

Team: Thompson ii., Bloome, Ralston, Fraser, Thompson i., Carter, Milton, Weston, Webb, McRae, Luscombe, Heath, Plaskitt, Jeremy, King.

May 10th—v. St. Joseph's College. Played at Hunter's Hill. Won 8-3.

Team: Littler, Ralston, Fraser, Thompson, Bloome, Carter, Milton, Weston, Plaskitt, Spring, Luscombe, Archer, Craig, McRae, King.

Scorers: Bloome (1), Luscombe (1). Thompson ii. converted one.

May 14th—v. King's School. Played at Parramatta. Won 6-0.

Team: Littler, Anderson, Thompson ii., Thompson i., Bloome, Carter, Milton, Spring, McRae, Weston, Luscombe, Heath, King, Grove, Plaskitt.

Scorers: Heath (1), Spring (1).

May 21st—v. S.G.S. Played on No. 2 Oval. Won 6-3.

Team: Littler, Anderson, Thompson ii., Ralston ii., Bloome, Carter, Milton, Spring i., Plaskitt, Weston, Heath, Luscombe, Spring ii., Grove, King.

Scorer: Bloome (2).

May 28th—v. Newington College. Played at Stanmore. Scoreless draw.

Team: Meares, Thompson i., Ralston ii., Thompson ii., Bloome, Fraser, Godwin, Weston, Plaskitt, Spring i., Heath, Luscombe, King, Sinclair, Craig.

June 4th—v. T.S.C. Played at North Sydney. Lost 3-6.

Team: Meares, Thompson i., Ralston ii., Thompson ii., Bloome, Godwin, Milton, Weston, Plaskitt, Spring i., Heath, Luscombe, King, Sinclair, Craig.

C.E.G.S. v. St. Joseph's College.—Played on St. Joseph's ground on Saturday, May 10. Mr. Turner, referee. Won, 5-0.

Shore kicked off against the wind, and after some cross kicking St. Joseph's brought the ball down into our twenty-five, and it was forced. From a scrum near our twenty-five St. Joseph's backs got going, but it was taken out not far from our line. After some hard play among the forwards in our territory, the ball was carried to half-way, when St. Joseph's found the line after a scrum. Our forwards continued to work the ball down into the enemy's territory, and Meares found the line at St. Joseph's twenty-five from a free kick. Mayne then gained some ground for us, but St. Joseph's brought play

back to half-way, and their forwards broke through and carried the ball to our twenty-five, where some good tackling was done. From the line out Suttor broke away, and after a free to Shore St. Joseph's backs got going, and carried the ball into our twenty-five, when Richardson took it out. After some hard work among the forwards near half-way, our opponents again broke through and passed out, but kicked over the line, and Meares forced. After some good work among our forwards, St. Joseph's were given a free well in front of our goal, but failed to kick the goal. Then by means of a line kick by Playfair and a forward rush led by Fell play was taken to St. Joseph's end, but we were penalised for off-side, and once more the ball came into our twenty-five. Then Brooks took it back some distance, but St. Joseph's again pressed. However, Witts, Fell, and Richardson, and then Suttor took it back to half-way. Mayne then secured the ball and ran strongly, passing to Playfair, who kicked out in their twenty-five. But they brought play back to half-way by some good kicking; but Barton by a good kick and Richardson and Fell worked the ball back to their twenty-five. At this stage of the game the forwards on both sides were making things very lively. Shore forwards, led by Hall, worked the ball out of our twenty-five, and Barton picked up and passed to Playfair, who ran very hard from half-way, and after crossing the line in the corner scored under the posts. Meares converted, and we led 5-0. St. Joseph's then worked the ball into our twenty-five, but we took it back through some good kicks by Mayne and by Fell and Richardson breaking away. St. Joseph's were then penalised in their own twenty-five, and Meares just failed to kick a goal. Soon after this the half-time whistle sounded with the score 5-0 in our favour. So far the game had been very even. The forwards on either side frequently got the ball away, while the backs a great many times failed to get the ball to the wing in their passing rushes. Soon after play was resumed our three-quarters carried the ball down to St. Joseph's end, where the play centred for some time. Then the forwards brought the ball back,

but a passing rush from Pulling to Mayne to Barton to Anderson and a good kick by Meares again put our opponents on the defensive, and from a mark near the side-line Meares just failed to kick a goal. Our forwards, particularly Seaton, Suttor, and Richardson, again attacked strongly, and after some passing by our backs from the scrum near half-way Pulling passed to Mayne, who carried the ball well into the enemy's twenty-five, and Playfair got the ball at his feet and seemed likely to score, but knocked on. After some play at St. Joseph's end our opponents worked the ball to half-way, and their five-eight broke away and ran strongly for the line, but was grassed by Brooks. Our forwards, led by Pittar and Seaton, then brought play back towards the centre; but we were soon pressing again, and Brooks, Pulling, Playfair, and Pittar took the ball to St. Joseph's twenty-five, where Meares once more narrowly missed a goal. Then from a scrum our side of half-way Pulling ran hard to their twenty-five, and after some play near their line the ball was forced. From a line out St. Joseph's side of half-way their five-eight intercepted our pass, and was only tackled near our goal by Playfair, who ran hard and did a splendid dive. After some play among forwards and backs in neutral territory the whistle blew, leaving Shore the visitors by 5-0.

The play as a whole was very hard, and the game was an even one. Richardson, Fell, and Suttor were always conspicuous among the forwards, while Meares at full-back and also Mayne and Barton did good kicking. The score might easily have been increased if the team as a whole had passed less wildly when play was near the enemy's line.

Wednesday, May 14th—v. The King's School, at Parramatta. Referee, Mr. B. I. Swanell.

The King's School kicked off against a fairly strong wind in heavy rain, with the field inches deep in water. Pulling replied with a good line kick and soon after by another kick, which took us to King's twenty-five. But their forwards now took a

hand and brought play to our side of half-way. Then they pressed hard, and the ball was taken over our line and Meares forced. King's School forwards then brought the ball to our twenty-five, but we were relieved by a free kick, and Meares broke through and kicked to their twenty-five, where he soon after found the line. After some play this end their forwards rushed the ball to our twenty-five and passed out, but Bray found the line near half-way with a speculator. Play remained here for some time until King's forwards again got the ball at the toe and took it to our twenty-five. But our forwards fought hard, and Seaton secured and kicked down the field. However, they replied with a good line kick to Shore twenty-five. King's continued to press, and after once forcing and the ball once going out of touch Seaton and Richardson rushed it down, and Pittar and later on Meares brought play to half-way by line kicks. King's continued to attack our line strongly, with the ball on the ground for the most part, and we were relieved by a good line kick by Meares, a force by Fell, and another good line from a free kick by Meares. Seaton again brought play back by a kick down the field, but our opponents returned strongly to the attack, and Shore was again compelled to force. From a mark by Brooks at our twenty-five Meares found the line at half-way, and the whistle sounded, leaving the scores nil all, in a forward game of which King's had had far the better.

In the second half, after some hard play in the middle of the field, our opponents brought play to our end, but Barton, Brooks, and Seaton took the ball to the enemy's twenty-five. However, their forwards again pressed, but failed to kick a goal from a mark in good position. They then pressed hard again, and we were relieved for a short time by a rush by Richardson, Seaton, and Brooks, and then by Meares forcing. Playfair and Richardson then took the ball to the other end, and then Barton gained some ground, but in each case it was brought back soon, and after a passing rush near our line King's scored between the posts, but failed to convert. King's School 3-0. Seaton then took the ball to half-way, and our

forwards worked hard and brought play to their end, where Meares did a good line kick; but the ball was brought back, and a kick from Meares was taken by Lester, who passed three of our backs and scored. They failed to convert. 6-0. They still continued to attack, though we were relieved by Seaton and Craig, and then by another forward rush, and by Bray breaking away and carrying to half-way. After our forcing Fell and Witts helped to bring play to King's twenty-five, where Playfair marked. Then Richardson took the ball at the toe to the other end from our twenty-five, and after some more play our end the whistle blew for full time.

The game was almost entirely a forward one, Seaton, Richardson, and Hall being the best of our forwards. The match attracted a large number of spectators, in spite of the somewhat inclement weather.

Wednesday, May 21—v. Sydney Grammar School, on No. 2 Oval.

Shore kicked off from the north end, and we were soon given a free kick, and Meares found the line at Grammar twenty-five. Play remained here for some time, our backs passing and Mayne and Brooks doing good line kicks. Then the Grammar wing-forward and breakaways got round our scrum and secured the ball, and brought play to our twenty-five, where it remained for some time, during which Barton forced, Grammar failed at goal from a free kick, and we were then relieved by a line kick from Meares to past half-way. But soon after Schofield broke away with the ball, and after getting past our forwards ran across and passed to the wing man, who scored in the left corner. Grammar failed to convert. 3-0. After some play at half-way Seaton dribbled down and Mayne got the line at their twenty-five, but their forwards broke away, and Meares forced a hard kick over our line. Soon after Bardsley picked up and broke through and scored. Grammar again failed to convert. They now led 6-0. The ball was then taken to their end and brought back several times. Pittar, Hall, and Fell, and then Seaton and Craig making rushes. Brooks then broke through, but Grammar

marked and failed to kick a goal. Their forwards then dribbled down to our line, and Meares forced. Then Mayne kicked, and following on brought play to Grammar twenty-five. Soon after he broke through and passed to Seaton to Hall. Craig picked up and crossed the line, but lost the ball, though a pass to Pittar would have resulted in a score. Grammar soon took the ball to our end again, and broke through our forwards and scored under the posts, and kicked the goal. 11-0.

Soon after Barton found the line at their twenty-five, and Playfair secured and kicked across in front of Sydney Grammar School's goal, but they kicked out. Then after some rushes by their forwards and line kicking by our backs Mayne kicked down and followed on, taking the ball out near their line. Their forwards then took the ball back, and soon after the whistle went. All through this half the Sydney Grammar wing forward and breakaways kept taking the ball at the toe when it came out of the scrum, and so prevented it from getting out to our backs.

Soon after play was resumed Richardson and then Seaton, Richardson, and Playfair took the ball to our opponents' end at the toe. Here Hall and Bray made attempts to get over, but we were penalised. Then Mayne brought the ball into Grammar twenty-five again, and our backs got moving. But Brooks failed to take a low pass. However, Playfair picked up and ran to the line, where he was grassed. Play then came to our twenty-five once more, but Pulling and Pittar took the ball back. Then Pulling was brought down in attempting to get over, and they took the ball to half-way. But Craig and Richardson brought it back. Then Playfair ran round and passed to Bray, but he failed to get over, and Grammar brought play down to our end. Then Fell kicked the ball out of the ruck. They centred; Barton picked up and passed to Playfair, who crossed the line and ran round under the posts and scored. Meares converted. Score, 5.11. Then Grammar put us on the defensive, but Pittar, Mayne, Richardson and Seaton took it to the other side of the half way, and Pulling kicked down and Bray smothered their kick.

After some play this end, in which Brooks found a good line with a speculator, Grammar forwards took the ball from our three-quarters and did some passing in our twenty-five. However, Brooks relieved the position by a good dive in front of our goal, and Richardson, Hall and Seaton, and soon after Pittar, carried the ball to Grammar end. Our opponents then pressed again. We were relieved for a time by a rush by Fell and Pittar and Hall and a line kick by Pulling, but their backs carried the ball to our twenty-five, where Schofield broke away, passing two men who should have stopped him, and scored under the post. Grammar converted, and now led 16-5. After some play at half-way, their forwards rushed the ball over, but Bray forced. Then their forwards broke through from the line out, and Meares forced. Soon after our backs took play to Grammar end by kicks, and Bray picked up after a kick to the wing from Brooks, but was grassed near the line. Soon after the full-time whistle was blown, leaving Sydney Grammar victorious by 16-5.

They had an advantage over us in playing the wing forward, and a great many times took the ball when it came out of our pack. Pittar, Hall and Richardson did the best work in our forwards, while Pulling and Playfair were the most useful of our backs.

v. Newington College. Wednesday, May 28th. Mr. Harding, referee.

Again we had a wet day, the ball being heavy and hard to handle. Newington College were the better team, and their forwards had the better of us except for a few rare occasions when our pack worked hard together. We lost the toss, and kicked off. Newington soon brought the ball into our twenty-five, and their backs got moving, but Barton intercepted and kicked down, and Mayne took a mark from their kick back. They continued to press hard, and we were relieved by kicks by Littler and Carter, and Brooks and Milton forced. Carter and Brooks then helped to take play to half-way, but soon after their forwards took the ball to our twenty-five, and for a time had their own way with our forwards; but a rush took play back, and H. Taylor

picked up and ran to our line, where he was collared and lost the ball, and Warry fell on it and scored. J. Taylor failed to convert. Newington, 3-0. Then from our kick off over to the right they kicked across, and J. Taylor went through and scored in fair position. He converted. 8-0. After some play at our end we again forced, and Newington continued to press hard till Richardson, Seaton, and then Pittar took the play to their twenty-five. Our forwards now began to do a lot of combined work, and took the ball very close to the line, but Newington forwards took the ball back, and after some cross-kicking, when we should have found the line several times, they kicked out in our twenty-five. At this stage our forwards failed to pack round, and continually let their opponents through. From a mark J. Taylor tried for a goal, but failed. Our forwards then worked the ball back, and Mayne, who had changed places with Milton, now playing half, broke through and kicked down, and then took a mark and found the line at Newington twenty-five, after a high kick from Barton. After a little play this end they kicked down, and after play had remained at our end for some time the whistle blew for half-time. Play had been mostly with the forwards, and Newington shoved our pack about and dribbled through them a great deal of the time.

For a short time after the whistle went our forwards worked pretty well and held their own, but our opponents soon pressed hard, and Littler saved by picking up near the line, breaking through, and finding the line. Barton then did a good line kick, and Carter took the ball to their end. Our forwards then woke up again and held their own for a while. Newington kicked down, and Littler found a good line, and after Robertson had taken it through our team at the toe he went down on the ball, and then picked it up and found a good line. Their forwards then attacked strongly, and we were relieved by Barton taking a mark and Littler finding a good line after picking up well. Our forwards then did a little work, but Taylor secured from a scrum in our twenty-five, and seemed likely to get over,

but a good tackle by Littler saved the situation. Richardson and Carter then took the ball down, but their forwards continued to press, and we forced twice. Then Brooks kicked down, and our forwards brought play to their end, but the ball soon came back, and Taylor secured from a scrum on the line, and ran across to the wing and passed to the wing man, who scored. J. Taylor failed to convert. Newington, 11-0. After a good deal of play in our side of half-way, Robertson kicked through to Littler stopped his kick, and picked the ball up and scored under the posts. J. Taylor again failed to convert. 14-0. Slow forwards now worked hard, and brought play to the other end, but Newington kicked down, and took the ball to our twenty-five. Full-time whistle blew, leaving Newington the winners by 14-0. Littler, who had taken the place of Meares, shone out as full back, while Carter played a very good game, and Barton was also reliable. Richardson was by far the best forward, with Witts second.

Wednesday June 4th, v St. Ignatius College on No. 2 oval, won by 6-3. This time we had fine weather though the ground was somewhat slippery in places. Our opponents kicked off from the north end and soon brought the ball into our twenty-five, where they were given a free kick, but failed to get the goal. Then Richardson kicked down from the scrum and Shore forwards took to half way. Riverview backs now got moving, their forwards heeling the ball from the scrum continually, and play again centred in our territory. But from a free kick Playfair did a good line to half way, and the forwards, led by Suttor, took the ball to their twenty-five; they kicked back, and Mayne secured on the wing and was supported by Brooks, but was stopped, and the ball kicked down and Littler found the line at Ignatius' twenty-five. St. Ignatius then rushed the ball down and kicked over the line on the right wing and were awarded a try for their man being interfered with. They failed to convert. 3-0. After some cross-kicking, neither side finding the line, Shore forwards took the ball to their end,

but their forwards dribbled it back, their rush being stopped by Barton. Carter then got the ball from a scrum and passed to Playfair, who ran down the line and was forced out. Ignatius' forwards soon took the ball to our end again where Mayne relieved with a good line kick. Soon after the same player kicked down the line, but they kicked across, and Playfair picked up and ran down the line but was forced out. Soon after Mayne ran down the line and kicked over near the corner and Seaton rushed up and scored—a very quick piece of work. He failed to convert, 3 all. Playfair replied to the kick off with a nice line kick past their twenty-five, our backs passed out, but as before failed to get the ball as far as the wing, and Riverview forwards brought play to our end, not meeting any strong resistance; after some passing from their backs Hall kicked down and our forwards took the ball on a bit. From a scrum Pulling passed to Carter who ran through but was grassed near the line, then Pulling kicked over and Riverview forced. Soon after the whistle blew for half time.

Shore kicked off again; after four cross kicks St. Ignatius found the line at their twenty-five. The ball then came out of our scrum several times but Carter would not let it out. Then Mayne ran down the wing from half-way and kicked over and a score very nearly resulted from his following on, it was doubtful to the spectators whether it was a score or not. After some hard play at their end Riverview took the ball to our twenty-five and continually broke through our line out with little trouble; we were relieved by line kicks from Littler and a mark by Suttor. Then our forwards led by Suttor and Richardson brought play to the enemy's twenty-five, but they worked it back to our end and continued to have their own way in the line out. For some time play remained in our end, Littler doing several good line kicks. Then Seaton, Pittar and Barton, and later on Suttor and Seaton worked the ball to their end. Then Carter ran round the scrum and passed to Mayne, to Richardson who, however, was too far forward. Our forwards now worked hard together and attacked persistently.

Seaton, Richardson, and Pittar rushed the ball down and Carter picked up but lost it on the line and they forced. Play then came into our twenty-five but not for long. Pulling passed to Carter who kicked high and Brooks ran hard and took the ball getting away from the backs near him and passed to Playfair, who ran over unopposed. This was a very neat piece of work, quite the best in the match. Mayne failed to convert. Score, 6-3, in our favour. Soon after this one of their breakaways intercepted and ran to past half-way, and the ball came close to our line, but the whistle was heard and we retired winners by 6-3.

Our team did not play nearly as well as it might have done, the forwards while sometimes working well together, very often showed signs of slackness. The three-quarters were not properly fed with passes, Carter being too much inclined to cut in and play on his own, though apart from this fault he did very useful work, while Barton and Mayne were very reliable in the backs, and Littler played well, though his handling was at times faulty.

THIRD XV. RESULTS.

Saturday, April 26, v. Marist High School ; Draw 0-0.

Wednesday, May 7, v. S.J.C. iii. ; won 11-0. Tries by Webb and Mack (2), one of which Heath converted.

Wednesday, May 14, v. T.K.S. iii. ; lost 32-0.

Wednesday, May 21, v. S.G.S. iii. ; won 3-0. Score by Godwin.

Wednesday, May 28, v. N.C. iii. ; lost 16-3. Hassall scored one try.

Wednesday, June 4, v. St. Ign. C. ; draw 3-3. Spanswick i scored one try.

A GRADE COMPETITION MATCHES.

Except in the case of a draw the first named team won.

FIRST ROUND.

Monday, April 28, White v. Red ; 5-3. Holcombe scored for White and McRae converted ; Smith i for Red.

Tuesday, April 29, Blue v. Yellow ; 6-0. Casper and Eedy scored one try each.

Tuesday, April 29, Red v. Green ; 18-0. Tries by Godwin (4), Spanswick i and Kierath i.

Tuesday, May 6, Green v. Yellow ; 32-0. Tries by Heath, Johnson i, King iii, Thompson i, Hillyar, and MacKinnon i, three of which were converted by Heath and one by Thompson.

Tuesday, 6th May, White v. Blue ; 29-0. Tries by Fraser (3), Treatt (2), Spring ii (2), Ralston iii and Hassall. Ralston converted one.

Friday, May 9, Red v. Blue ; 12-5. Scores for Red by Cornish, Huie, Kierath, Chapman ; for Blue a try by Campbell, which Orr i converted.

Tuesday, May 13, White v. Green ; 9-3. For White tries by Ralston iii (2), and Hassall ; for Green by Johnson i.

Tuesday, May 13, Red v. Yellow ; 21-0. Scores by Crane (2), Spanswick (2), Kierath i, Huie and Cornish.

Friday, May 16, Green v. Blue ; 21-0. Tries by Ralston ii, Thomson i, Hillyar, Forbes and Webb. Allport converted two and MacKinnon i one.

Tuesday, May 20, White v. Yellow ; 31-0. Tries by Ralston iii (3), Fraser (3), Proctor, Treatt, and Holcombe ; two were converted by Holcombe.

SECOND ROUND.

Monday, May 26, White v. Red ; 9-8. For White Fraser scored three times ; for Red Kierath i, Spanswick i, and Smith i scored tries.

Tuesday, May 27, Blue and Green ; 23-6. For Blue, Griffin, Isaacs, Campbell, Ellerton and Casper (3) scored tries, and Casper converted one ; for Green, King iii and Smith iii scored one each.

Friday, May 30, White v. Blue ; 3-0. Willmetts scored one try.

Monday, June 2, Red v. Green ; 5-0. Spanswick scored one try, which Smith i converted.

Tuesday, June 3, White v. Green ; 14-3. Tries by Hassall, Holcombe, and Treatt ; penalty goal by Ralston iii, who also converted one try ; for Green Hillyar scored.

Friday, June 6, Red v. Blue ; 17-8.

Memorial Library.

THE following books have been added to the Library during the term :—

1595	A Century of French Poets	T. Eccles.
778A	The Intellectual Life	G. Hamerton.
1599	Essays and Studies, Vol. III.	W. P. Ker.
1014D	A History of English Criticism	Saintsbury.
1601	A History of English Versification	Schipper.
1600-1600E	History of English Poetry, Vol. I.-VI.	Courthope.
988B	The Victorian Age in Lit.	G. K. Chesterton.
775H	Panama : What it Means	J. Foster Fraser.
1603	Walking Essays	A. H. Sidgwick.
1614	The Land and the Book	W. M. Thomson.
1593	The Artistic Side of Photography	A. J. Anderson.
236P	Child of Storm	R. Haggard.
1613	Famous Sea-Fights	J. R. Hale.
1596	The Great Moghul	S. Waddy.
1611	The Winning of Barbara Worth	H. B. Wright.
540	The Roll Call of Honour	A. Quiller-Couch.
1588B	Freckles	G. S. Porter.
1591	A Boy in the Country	J. Stephenson.
1512A	The Amateur Gentleman	J. Farnol.
1462G	One of the Marlborough Capts.	M. Gerard.
1594	Darling Dogs	M. S. Williams.

Old Boys' Union.

ADDITIONS and Corrections to names and addresses of members published in last issue :—

L. S. Beckett, Carr Street, Coogee.
 Bruce McArthur, c/o. Mr. F. Gibson, Plevna, Trundle, N.S.W.
 A. E. Brown, c/o N. H. Brown Esq., Gingham Station, via Carinda.
 Dr. Howard Bullock, 221 Macquarie Street, Sydney.
 J. A. H. Cox, Beryl, Longreach, Queensland,
 J. L. Digby, St. Paul's College, Darlington.
 Telford G. Gilder, Kanimbla, Alma Street, Pymble.
 V. T. Hall, St. Paul's College, Darlington.
 T. B. Haydon, Commercial Bank, Muswellbrook.
 J. H. Hedges, Laing House, 51 Cambridge Street, Stanmore.

Dr. Eric L. Hutchinson, Cessnock, N.S.W.
 A. Dowell Kelynack, Vailèle, [The Point Road, Woolwich.
 L. Lillyman, Foyleview Mitchell, Queensland.
 Keith Lumsdaine, Gandah, Mowbray Road, Stanmore.
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 W. H. Preston, Wirrinilla, Carabella Street, Milson's Point.
 A. H. C. Purkis, c/o. Tenterfield Cheese Factory, Tenterfield.
 K. C. Radford, Mungie Bundie, T.P.O. No. 2, N.W.
 R. T. Scott, Coogee, Penrose Street, Longueville.
 G. B. C. Simpson, c/o. Bank of New South Wales, Threadneedle St., London, E.C.

- G. Shirley, Marata, Shirley Road, Woolstonecraft.
 L. Stanton-Cook, Turramurra.
 E. H. Stokes, Drumree, 18 Ben Boyd Road, Neutral Bay.
 D. C. Sturrock, Westburn, Guthrie Avenue, Neutral Bay.
 C. M. Smith, Ormiston, Carabella Street, Kirribilli Point.
 Duncan G. Thompson, Kilmorey, via Mitchell, Queensland.
 G. C. Way, Goodwood, Inverell.

It was with the greatest grief that we heard of the death of Kenneth Allen, and our sincerest sympathy go to Mr. and Mrs. and Campbell Allen in their great trial. There was a very large gathering of Old Boys at the funeral, which testified to the great regard in which he was held by his old school fellows. The School flag was at half-mast, and a short memorial service was held at the School on Tuesday—the morning of the funeral. During his School career he became Senior Perfect, Hon. Secretary for Athletic Sports, and Captain of Cricket, and won universal affection by his kindly disposition.

The following donations have been received for the Headmasters' Portrait Fund since our last issue:—

J. K. Eaton	...	...	10	6
J. F. Fitzhardinge	...	...	1	1 0
Dr. W. E. Giblin	...	...	2	2 0
Dr. Kendall	...	...	2	2 0
J. L. McMaster	...	...	10	6
A. H. C. Purkis	...	...	10	0
G. B. C. Simpson	...	...	10	0
C. Ellison Rich	...	...	15	0
H. C. Day	...	...	5	0

Will Old Boys who intend to subscribe, kindly send their donations to the Hon. Treasurer as soon as possible

so that he can publish a complete list in the next issue of *Torch-Bearer*. A sum of from £15 to £20 is still required.

The Annual Football Match v. the School took place on the North Sydney Oval, on Friday, May 2nd, and was won by the Old Boys by 23 to 3. The O.B.U. were represented by R. C. M. Boyce (Back); J. a'Beckett, J. Hay, D. Pountney, V. T. Hall (Captain) (three-quarter backs); H. E. a'Beckett (Five-eight); K. V. McDonald (Half-back); R. L. Boyce, J. L. Digby, G. Dickinson, E. A. Woodward, E. O. Hutchinson, C. Lindsay, L. B. Heath and W. T. Tucker (Forwards).

The Annual Dinner took place at Sargent's Rooms in Market Street on May 2nd. It passed off very successfully, eighty-one being present. The only toasts were "The King," proposed by the President (Mr. Purves), and "The School," proposed by His Honor Judge Backhouse, and responded to by the Headmaster. The guests who accepted invitations were the Hon. R. J. Black, Judge Backhouse, Mr. F. A. Robinson, Mr. H. H. Massie, Dr. Pockley and Mr. Allan Ramsay. The Committee had decided to limit the number of speeches so as to give an opportunity to Old Boys to renew the acquaintance of their school days. This was fully availed of, and a very pleasant evening was passed. Next year will be twenty-fifth anniversary of the School, and it is hoped that the O.B.U. dinner will hold an important place in the

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celebration, and that Old Boys from all the States will try to make an effort to be present.

The Rev. Rupert Ross-Edwards, who has been deacon in charge of Coolamon, has been ordained priest, and has been appointed Vicar of Coolamon, Diocese of Riverina.

The Rev. O. G. Dent was inducted into the charge of Austinmer, Cole-dale, and Clifton by the Dean of Sydney on April 1st.

Miss Louise Robson, sister of our first Headmaster, has left the Royal Alexandra Hospital for Children, and is now in charge of the New Guinea Mission Hospital at Port Moresby.

Dr. Howard Bullock, our first Rhodes Scholar, has returned to Sydney after a very brilliant career in England. Before leaving Sydney he had graduated as M.B. and Ch.M. At Oxford he was awarded the degree of B.Sc. for bacteriological research, and he gained his *blue* in Rugby football. In his last year he was elected "steward" of his College. Before his return he qualified as M.R.C.S. (Eng.), L.R.C.P. (London), and secured the coveted F.R.C.S. (England). He is now specialising in general surgery at 221 Macquarie Street, and contemplates settling at Melrose, Queen Street, Woollahra, for general practice.

H. Ireland has left Sydney, and has been appointed managing director of

the firm of J. Ireland & Co., Ltd., General Importers, etc., Newcastle.

Dr. C. H. Burton Bradley has left the Government Bureau of Microbiology, and is now Demonstrator of Physiology in the Medical School of the Sydney University.

Dr. Eric L. Hutchinson has taken up the practice of his profession at Cessnock, N.S.W.

Bruce M. Arthur, after a very successful career at the Hawkesbury Agricultural College, has taken his Diploma and is now gaining further experience with Mr. F. Gibson, of Plevna, Trundle, N.S.W.

Congratulations to R. J. A. Massie on winning the heavyweight boxing championship of N.S.W. and of the Sydney University, and also the Inter-Varsity contest; to V. T. Hall on winning the light-weight championship at the University and also at the inter-Varsity contest.

R. J. A. Massie won the "Putting the Shot" at the Inter-University Sports Meeting, and was second in the "Hammer" with L. B. Heath in the third place.

Brian Simpson has left for England, where he intends residing for some years to study sculpture.

The Hon. Treasurer begs to acknowledge the receipt of subscriptions from the following (for the year

1913-14 received up to June :—

LIFE :

A. B. S. White, J. F. Fitzbarding, D'Arcy F. Roberts, O. E. Friend, F. P. Hopkins, Venour Nathan, R. C. Adams, M. J. Dawson, Dr. E. O. Pockley, C. W. Rundle, J. O. H. Nickoll, J. Burns, Spencer Simpson, Dr. E. H. Rutledge, The Headmaster (Mr. W. A. Purves), A. J. Simpson, H. P. Harriott, Dr. H. V. Hordern, W. G. B. Boydell, Dr. J. B. C. Vincent-Welch, Gordon A. Uther, Dr. W. E. Giblin, Rev. I. D. Armitage, George N. Allen, G. Gordon Black, Dr. R. Black, W. N. Stephens, Julian Mackay, F. D. W. Oatley, P. E. Browne, R. G. I. Dent.

FOR 1913-14 :

R. J. Adams, J. N. F. Armstrong (1915), B. M. Arthur, L. S. Beckett, A. D. Blaxland (1916), F. Blaxland, F. W. C. Bootle, Harold Capel, L. C. Carrington, Ivo Clarke, Dr. G. R. C. Clarke, R. C. Cliff (1915), J. A. H. Cox (1915), L. Stanton-Cook, Rev. D. Davies, N. Y. Deane, O. B. Dibbs, J. L. Digby, H. H. Dixon, E. H. Dodds, B. S. Dowling, J. K. Eaton, A. T. Edols, K. A. Fraser, F. N. Frith (1916), T. G. Gilder (1915), E. N. Greenwell, A. D. Hagen, L. Hagen, L. E. Hagen (1919), V. T. Hall, G. R. Hamilton, O. Hargrave, J. O. Harris, C. S. Hay, J. Hay (1915), G. B. Haydon (1915), J. W. Hayne (1915), J. H. Hedges, R. N. Hickson (1917), R. A. Holden (1915), Dr. Eric L. Hutchinson, C. R. Huxtable, H. Ireland, H. V. Jaques, H. Jones, C. C. Liuton, C. H. Linton, I. L. Longwill (1916), L. Lillyman, Keith

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BIRTHS.

Moodie—April 5, at Breckness, Shirley Road, Wollstonecraft, the wife of R. T. Moodie—a son.
Uther—May 30, at Chesalon Private Hospital, Killara, the wife of Gordon Uther—a daughter.

ROBERT KENNETH ALLEN, Born October 11, 1885. Entered the School April 1898, Left 1905. Senior Prefect, Hon. Sec. Athletic Sports, Capt. 1st XI. Died May 25, 1913.
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Sydney Church of England Grammar School Old Boys' Union.
Balance-sheet.

LIABILITIES.		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
To Benevolent Fund	...	14	0	8			
Interest	...		9	10			
					14	10	6
„ Life Membership	...	103	6	0			
Add. New Members	...	8	8	0			
		111	14	0			
Less Depreciation Life Members on a basis of 17 years	...		7	5	0		
					103	19	0
„ Subs. paid in Advance—							
Unexpired 1914	...	14	15	0			
„ 1915	...	5	15	0			
„ 1916	...	3	0	0			
„ 1917	...		10	0			
„ 1918	...		5	0			
„ 1919	...		5	0			
					24	10	0
„ Headmaster's Portrait Fund, 1912	...	24	19	6			
1913	...	31	14	0			
					56	13	6
Less Payment Miss Stephens	...	35	7	0			
					21	6	6
„ Income and Expenditure Account—							
Balance at 25th March, 1912	...	67	18	4			
Add Excess of Income Year, 1913	...	20	2	1			
					88	0	5
					£252	6	5

ASSETS.		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
By Cash Savings Bank of N.S.W., Barrack-st.	207	18	6				
„ Cash Savings Bank of N.S.W., N. Sydney	44	7	11				
					252	6	5

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Income and Expenditure Account from 26th March, 1912, to 25th March, 1913.

EXPENDITURE.		INCOME.	
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
To Stationery, Printing,		By Life Membership	121 16 0
Postage, &c.	10 16 0	Add New Subscribers.	8 8 0
„ <i>Torch-Bearer</i>	20 0 0		130 4 0
„ Old Boys' Union Prizes	3 3 0	„ Annual Apportionment to Revenue on a basis of 17 years...	7 15 0
„ Scholarship...	10 9 0	„ Subscriptions	24 15 0
„ Loss on Dinner	2 12 6	Add Receipts this period	54 10 0
„ Mrs. Hodges' Portrait	4 4 0		79 5 0
„ Excess of Income over Expenditure	50 15 6	Less Subscriptions paid in advance as per Balance-sheet	24 10 0
		„ Bank Interest	8 7 7
	£70 17 7	By Balance brought forward 1912	67 18 4
		„ Excess of Income 1913	24 6 1
			92 4 5
			£92 4 5

Statement of Receipts and Payments from 26th March, 1912, to 25th March, 1913.

RECEIPTS.		PAYMENTS.	
	£ s. d.		£ s. d.
To Balance as at 25th March, 1912	234 19 6	By Stationery, Printing,	
„ Subscriptions—		Postage, &c.	10 16 0
Life Members	8 8 0	„ <i>Torch-Bearer</i>	20 0 0
General Members	54 10 0	„ Old Boys' Union Prizes	3 3 0
	62 18 0	„ „ „ „ Scholarship	10 0 0
„ Interest	8 17 5	„ Loss on Dinner	2 12 6
„ Headmaster's Portrait Fund	31 14 0	„ Headmaster's Portrait Fund	35 7 0
		„ Mrs. Hodges' Portrait	4 4 0
	£338 8 11	„ Balance	86 2 6
			252 6 5
			£338 8 11

Having audited the Books and Vouchers of the Sydney Church of England Grammar School Old Boys' Union, I hereby certify the above figures to be in accordance therewith.

N. Y. DEANE, c/- BROOKS & DEANE.

“Belmont” Buildings,
14th April, 1913.

Incorporated Accountants,
15 Castlereagh Street, Sydney.

School Calendar.

TERM II.

- March 31—School re-opened.
 April 7—Address by the Bishop-elect of North Queensland.
 „ 11—Address by Mr. Broughton.
 „ 16—Boat Race. Won.
 „ 19—1st XV. v. Y.M.C.A. Lost.
 „ 23—Shakespeare Day. Address by Mr. Fidler.
 1st XV. v. University II. Lost.
 „ 26—1st XV. v. Warroo. Lost.
 „ 27—Church Parade.
 „ 30—1st XV. v. St. Paul's College. Won.
 May 2—Old Boys' Day. Address by Rev. D. Davies.
 1st XV. v. Old Boys. Lost 23-3.
 „ 3—Cadet Review.
 „ 4—Anniversary Service.
 „ 10—1st XV. v. St. Joseph's College. Won 5-0.
 „ 14—1st XV. v. The King's School. Lost 6-0.
 „ 16—Address by the Bishop of Carpentaria.
 „ 21—1st XV. v. Sydney Grammar School. Lost 16-5.
 „ 23—Half-holiday for Empire Day.
 „ 28—1st XV. v. Newington College. Lost 14-0.
 June 4—1st XV. v. St. Ignatius College.
 „ 6—Whole holiday in honour of the King's Birthday.
 „ 6—Combined Schools XV. v. Royal Military College.
 „ 11—1st XV. v. St. Paul's College.
 „ 13—Annual School Concert.
 „ 18—Combined Schools 1st XV. v. University.
 „ 19—End of term.
 „ 20—1st XV. v. Royal Military College.

TERM III.

- July 14—New boys examined.
 „ 15—First day of Term.
 „ 16—1st XV. v. V. P. Hall's XV. Home.
 „ 23—1st XV. v. University II. Home.
 „ 26—1st XV. v. Warroo. Home.
 „ 30—1st XV. v. St. Joseph's College. Home.

- August 5—Uther Catechism Prize Examination.
 " 6—1st XV. v. Remington College. Home.
 " 13—1st XV. v. Sydney Grammar School. Rushcutters Bay.
 " 20—1st XV. v. The King's School. Home.
 " 26—Confirmation Classes begin.
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