

Che Record.

Che Magazine of the Boys' high School, Sydney.

VOL. I.

SEPTEMBER, 1910.

No. 4.

Officers.

Patron-J. Waterhouse, Esq., M.A. Editor-R. I. Kay.

Business Manager—H. W. MacBride.
Sub-Editors—B. S. Glass and C. O. Hamblin.

Sports Editors-O. OBERG (Cricket), and J. R. BROADBENT (Football).

Committee—V. J. Miles, Esq., B.A., G. C. Saxby, Esq., B.A., W. L. Atkins, Esq., B.A., C. G. McDonald, N. E. Biden, J. Bogle, J. R. Nield.

School Notes.

We understand that twenty-six of our 2nd year Probationary Students are to compete in the Training College Entrance Examination, which takes place towards the end of this month. We wish them all success.

We are sorry to state that the School loses one of its most popular senior boys, in the person of Arthur C. Berman, who left quite recently. In all branches of the School activities he was conspicuous for his enthusiasm and loyalty to the interests of the School. He was specially concerned with the Cadets, and the foundation of the School Tuck Shop; and the fact that his name appears in the first list of prefects, testifies to the respect in which he was held by both teachers and boys.

The formation of a Rifle Club, in connection with the School Cadet Corps should give a great impetus to shooting. The new recruits, especially, are showing enthusiasm in their training for the musketry course, and there is every prospect of the number of marksmen being greater even than that of last year.

A section of cadets, in charge of a N.C.O., is receiving special training in scouting work from Major Dove, D.S.O. They will have an opportunity of putting their instruction to a

practical test in the manoeuvres, in which the N.C.O's. of the battalion are to participate this year.

We are pleased to see that our tennis players are taking full advantage of the new court. Judging by the performances of the members, the club should turn out some excellent players this year.

Our boys continue to receive great benefit from the physical instruction of Major Alderson, who, in addition to conducting a special class, gives instruction in drill to the whole School, each Tuesday morning.

We offer our heartfelt sympathy to J. G. M. Beale, who has sustained a sad and unexpected loss in the death of his father—a well-known Methodist clergyman of Sydney.

The Life-Saving Class, instructed by the Sports' Master, seems to be gaining in popularity. There is a marked increase in last year's membership. About 40 boys will compete in the examination to be held during the swimming season. Two have also entered for the Award of Merit, a much coveted distinction.

The School again made an honourable showing in the recent Junior, securing medals in English, History, and Physics, and "proximes" in Latin, Physics, and Algebra.

It is interesting to note some of the uses to which the shelves under the new desks are being put. A heterogeneous mass of articles, dear to the heart of the schoolboy, and defying all attempts at classification, reward the enterprise of anyone with exploring tastes.

The pressure of work, caused by the approach of the Senior Exam., has necessitated the resignation from the position of Editor of C. G. McDonald. We cannot, however, allow this resignation to pass without expressing how great a debt the School owes to his untiring energy on behalf of its paper. He spared no efforts to produce a magazine worthy of the High School, and the marked improvement which has distinguished the later editions is largely due to him.

Our First Cricket Team has decided to enter the Great Public Schools' Cricket Competition this season. We have some very good players, and the School generally takes a great interest in this new venture. We hope that our cricketers will make a very good showing.

We are pleased to note the splendid little programme issued for the benefit of members by the Committee of the Literary and Debating Society. The advantage of a systematic arrangement of debates is already being shown by the great increase in the membership.

We have received from Mr. Mussman, our German Master, a prospectus of a School of Languages, which he has recently formed. He offers special advantages to those desirous of obtaining a conversational knowledge of German and French.

The following boys passed the State Public Service Examination, held in May last:—Cadet Draftsmen: N. E. Biden (1st place), J. S. Berry, T. le M. Wells, C. V. Chadwick, G. A. Whiffen. Junior Clerks: E. H. Swift, G. M. Stafford, H. D. Allen, T. D. W. Asprey, C. G. Roberts, H. L. Pelham, R. C. Vader. Our congratulations.

At last, the names of the first prefects of the School have been announced. We have been long awaiting them, and the selection met with the approval of the boys. We congratulate C. G. McDonald, a late editor of the paper, on his appointment as Senior Prefect.

Our Junior boys paid their usual toll of sore heads and broken straws on the morning of the publication of the Junior results. No doubt it is a painful experience, but we are sure that the delight of the successful candidates is in no way diminished by this vigorous expression of congratulation.

Our Baseball Club has closed its first season well, having gained second place in the competition. The players are much encouraged by this success, and hope for the premiership next year.

The photographer made another incursion on the School a few weeks ago, securing photos of our triumphant baseballers and gallant cadets.

We are glad to note that the waste of picket-guarded earth, which surrounded our playground, has given place to something more artistic. The work was carried out by an expert from the Botanical Gardens. A hedge of privet has been planted inside the fence, and ornamental trees have been placed at intervals near it.

Scholars and masters have subscribed generously towards the fund for the erection of a tablet in the main room to the

memory of the late Mr. J. W. Merrick, B.A., who gave such devoted service to the School before his untimely death.

The School sends up about 18 boys for the Senior this year. We wish them all success.

We heartily congratulate C. Clemenger on winning the All Schools Race—a Mile Championship—at St. Joseph's Annual Sports Meeting. His time was 4 min. 59 secs.

It will be seen by reference to our tabulated statement that the candidates from this School at the recent Junior gained 103 A.'s, 96 B.'s, and 77 C.'s. To have gained more first class passes than second class, and more second class than third, is an achievement of which the School is justly proud.

Joy!

Thud of whirling papers falling On the victim's guiltless straw, Hurrying of bewildered footsteps Making blindly for the door,

Cries of rage as sudden onslaught Falls on unsuspecting pate, Woe to him, who, on that morning, Passes through the fateful gate!

Sudden silence falling strangely As a master passes, grim, Never more this glad upheaval Chanced a blow to fall on him.

Bang your best, ye clanging foundries! Echo, walls, the joyous shout! Shake the very skies with clamour For the Junior is out!

P.U.D.

In 1950.

By way of introduction: my name is Theodore Brownlow, my residence in the Federal Capital, Yass-Canberra. Forty years ago, when the pater was a High School boy, this place was only a dreary waste occupied by rabbits, members of Parliament, and such-like.

I was waked violently this morning by my automatic bed, which tossed me unceremoniously into my bath (filled over-night). Scrambling out with a shiver, I soon completed my toilet, slipped two or three tabloids of compressed food into my pocket, and stepped on to the moving footpath outside my door. This quickly conveyed me to the Aerial Agency, where I hired wings, and in a short time was heading for Sydney.

A lamentable accident occurred "en voyage." I was speeding towards the coast under the registered limit of five miles a minute, when the passage of a wireless current across my track necessitated a slight deflection. This resulted in a collision with an old maid who was taking a constitutional flutter before breakfast to raise an appetite. Happily, I inflicted no injuries; but an officious aero-policeman bore down on me with threats to report me for obstructing the traffic.

Before long I arrived above the school, which is now situated at Moore Park. I could hear the inspiring strains of "Australi-ah" rendered by the school automatic radium-driven orchestra. The pater often tells me that when he used to go to the "High," they were charmed during the livelong day by the Wagnerian, crashing chords of three or four hundred steam hammers, denizens of the dark recesses of neighbouring factories.

I lost some time in descending, and for being three seconds late was severely lectured by the master. He waived my excuse that I had been caught in an aerial typhoon by saying that the real cause was that I was "too fat" to hurry. I here ventured a mild pun, but was cautioned at once against the impropriety of such conduct; this, I was told, being the privilege of masters—particularly some. A patent electric bell, announcing the change of lessons, soon broke in upon the eloquence of the master who was conducting the lesson. The pater says that in his day his ears were jarred by a huge dinner-bell, loud and nerve-racking.

After the second lesson the wall slid gently back, and allowed us to pass into the extensive grounds, where we performed some extraordinary pedal gyrations and grotesque twistings, in deference to the cult of the physical. The teacher's voice being cracked, we were instructed in this "exercise" by the school gramophone, which gave the orders "Dismiss" and "As you were" in an unmistakeable tone.

Nothing notable occurred until dinner-time, when I gladly rushed to our Tuck Shop—a most up-to-date establishment, connected by a 3-inch pipe to a ginger-beer shop. After dinner, I was given detention by a master for frivolity in a lesson which purported to be one on Ancient History but degenerated into a heated debate on Chinese customs and on White Australia. Detention seems to be the only link between our time and the pater's school days. Now, however, it is easier for the master, as he has not to attend, but simply to press a small button on a switch in his waistcoat pocket, which gives him a faithful photographic representation of the detention room at any distance. In the morning condign

punishment is meted out with a firm hand to the unlucky offenders. The pater says that forty years ago these inventions were unnecessary, as they were always quiet! Having sat out ten minutes' detention (a long time in these quick days), I raced down town on the express pathway to the "Morning Post" board, on which they were publishing the results of the Federal election on Mars, our planetary neighbour. I then returned to school by the underground railway, and, folding my wings in a compact bundle, returned home by the electric monorail—an interesting but slow trip, as it only travels at three miles a minute.

Some Thoughts on Sport.

Addison tells a story from the Arabian Nights of a King who was in poor health. A physician came forward who guaranteed a cure. He hollowed an opening in the handle of a hammer, in which were placed several drugs. Having fitted the hammer, he instructed the King to use it vigorously every morning till he perspired freely. The royal patient soon recovered his health, and great was his wonder at the marvellous virtues which penetrated the wood. Addison remarks how finely contrived is this Eastern allegory to show

the beneficial effects of bodily labour on the health.

Away back in ancient life, the Spartans formed a very peerage of muscles. In their eyes the best was he who rode the boldest steed, ran the swiftest race, or whirled the heaviest sword. Bodily weakness was despised; bodily strength and skill deified. The victor at the great Olympic games was a hero of heroes. For him was plaited the laurel wreath of olive leaves, from the splendid symmetry of his body a Phidias took his inspiration for a statue, and in his praise a Pindar sang his deathless lyrics. But the Greeks did not aim at mere brute strength. Their goal was the evenlybalanced activity of every part of the system. With the achievement of this came ease and grace of demeanour, litheness and agility of movement, erectness and dignity of bearing. These are the attributes of true manly beauty. Bodily weakness minimises a man. It is a derogation, a subtraction from his complete manhood. With it he ceases to be a full counter in the game of life. No heroism of spirit can entirely free him from such a handicap. Solitary development of thew and sinew is irksome and limited in its effect. Exercise should take place in combination with the nervous stimulus of a game. In this form it becomes fascinating, and acts as a true tonic to the system. Who does not know the pleasant sense of half fatigue after exercise, the buoyant fulness of the lungs, the state of body which converts hard fare into a sumptuous banquet, the sweet sleep which gives redoubled vigour to the limbs? One knows the athlete on the instant by the elasticity of his step, the buoyancy of his bearing, the ruddy glow of his cheek, and the bright glancing of his eye. A shuffling gait often goes with a shuffling character, an erect carriage with a frank and open nature. There is some delicate inter-relation between mind and body.

For trouble, excitement, and fatigue of mind, a man who has muscles has a dozen specifics—the oar, the ball, the foil, the bicycle, the bracing walk or ride hold a place in his pharmacopæia. How many gloomy humours and broody cares have been dispelled under the genial influence of a bracing swim or an exciting game? What stagnation of spirit is not overcome by the continuous delicate interaction of nerve and muscle essential to making fifty runs? What care of the spirit does not vanish before the rush, the wild excitement, the peril of a brilliant try on the football field?

Again, in the varying fortunes of a game, with its keen hope of victory and its close rivalry, every point of the character is shown. In those unguarded moments the real nature is tested. The demand for fairness fosters the generous instincts, and the fear of arousing contempt makes the player conceal and conquer his meaner impulses. There is no place here for small irritations and petty displays of temper. The constant endeavour is to exercise the virtues of self-restraint and self-control.

"Who misses or who wins the prize?
Go, lose or conquer as you can;
But if you fail or if you rise,
Be each, pray God, a gentleman."

The successful athlete must never be reckless or impatient. Alert, quick, and resourceful, he must display calm judgment, coolness and deftness of hand and eye in order to excel. All these virtues constantly practiced on the playing field are carried with advantage into other spheres of life.

Again, what a corrective of vanity is sport!

Amongst his fellows the self-sufficient and conceited man soon feels the sting of the rods kept in store to chasten him to a modest and proper appreciation of his capacity. Sport is a great leveller. On the playing field the artisan is the equal of the aristocrat. Manly qualities and generous instincts are all that count.

Socially, the effect is fine. Boys become knit together by the bond of a common object and a common sympathy, and in later life by mutual memories of happy days and hard-fought battles. Feelings of sympathy and good-fellow-ship are fostered. Among members of a club loyal and anxious to win, men learn to lean upon one another. Personal ambitions and weaknesses must be cast aside in the common interest. In the tense, long struggle and severity of strain inseparable from a boat race or a great test match, where the slightest weakness on the part of one may destroy the chance of all, the inter-dependence of man upon man is learned and valued. "When I row in a boat with a man,"

said an English Bishop recently, "I seem to know him from top to toe. If I had to lead a forlorn hope, I should choose

my old comrades of the rowing shed."

But, after all, the grandest use of athletic exercises is the acquirement of perfect health. With the promise of this, the very atmosphere of sport is radiant. Among the ancients Hygeia, the goddess of health, was young, smiling, and beautiful. To go out among Nature's beauties, to gaze on her grand harmonies of sky and sea and landscape, and to feel that Nature's laws are fulfilled in you as well as in tree and plant and ocean is fine indeed.

Symmetry of mental, moral, and physical development should be the aim of all. It seems an impossible ideal. But Qui credit posse potest. Remember that the whole of a man goes into his work. Be he a poet or philosopher, statesman or servant, professional or artisan, his body holds the pen, shapes the thought, and

imparts its quality to all he does or says.

" LANCELOT."

Results of Junior Public Examination, JUNE, 1910.

Distinction in Individual Subjects :-

English History—Farranridge, T. (Med.)
English—Corbett, J. A. (Med.)
Latin—Fincham, W. R. (prox. acc.)
Algebra—McRae, J. D. (prox. acc.)

Physics—Sharpe, D. S. (Jun. 1909.) Fincham, W. B. (Med.) Emmerton, G. F. (Jun. 1907)

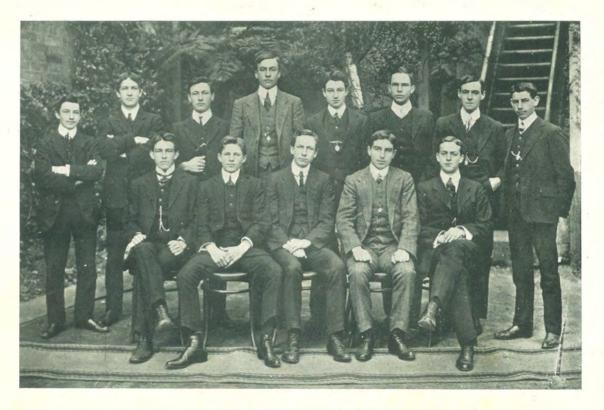
Total No. of A's., 103.

Total No. of B's., 96.

Total No. of C's., 77.

INDIVIDUAL PASSES .- Matriculation, Division A.

							tic		8	
Name of Scholar.	History	English	French	German	Latin	Greek	Arithmetic	Algebra	Geometry	Physics
Allworth, P. R	В	В	C		C		A	A	В	
Asprey, T. D. W.	A	A	В		A		A	A	A	
Bogle, J	A	A	C		В		В	A	A	
Bradfield, E. V		C	C		В		C	C	C	C
Brown, L R		A	B	**	A		A	A	A	A
Corbett, J. A	A	A	B		A		A	A	A	
Emmerton, F. G.		В	C		В		A	A	A	A
Farranridge, T	A	A	C		C		C	В	В	
Fincham, W. R.		A	A		A		A	A	В	A
Goodwin. E. W.	В	A	В		В		C	A	В	
Hall, L V		В	C	**	В	C	C	В	В	
Herlihy, F. C.		B	C	Α	C		A	A	C	
King, W. L	- 10	В	В		A	C	В	C	В	
McCredie, DW		В	В	A	A		В	A	A	
McNamara, W.M.J	A	A	A		A		A	A	В	
Main, L. J. M		В	C	C	В		C	A	A	
Mauldon, N. F		В	C		C		В	В	В	В
Moroney, J. T		В	В		В		В	A	В	A
Noble, R. J.		A	В		A		A	В	A	В
Scott, A. L. H		В	C		C		В	В	A	В
Waterhouse, A. S.	11	A	C		C		A	В	A	A
Whale, N. O.	В	A	A		A	17.00	В	В	В	**



S. H. S. PREFECTS, 1910.

Standing—L. F. Watt, C. Uren, H. W. MacBride, O. Oberg, A. C. Berman, N. E. Biden, J. Bogle, A. J. Howard.
Sitting—E. J. Saxby, C. G. Smith, C. G. McDonald (Sen. Pref.), J. R. Broadbent, J. R. Nield.

Name of Scholar	History	Geography	English	French	Latin	Arithmetic	Algebra	Geometry	Physics	Geology
Broadbent, J. R.	C		В			A	В	В		
Brooke, T. H	C		A			A	В		C	
Clarke, R. C			C			В	A	C	C	
Donnan, S. K		В	C			В	A	A	В	
Garling, H. M			C			В	C	C	В	
Gray, A. W	C		B.			В	В	В		
Gray, C L	В		C	C		A	A	C		
Henry, C. L. C		В	A	C		В	В	C	A	
Jenkins, W. H			В			A	A	C		
Kline, R. V.			В			A	A	В	В	
McCutcheonJ.H R			C		C	A	C	C		
McRae, J. D			В		В	A	A	A	A	
Mahoney, C. W.	В		A		C	C	C			
Marr, F. C	C		C	C	C	В	A			
Paterson, N. R			C		C		В	A		
Readford, W. A.		2.91	C		C	- B	В	C	В	
Richards, G. A. H.	C					C	В	В		
Richardson, C. C.	C					В	A	C		
Sharpe, D. S									A	A
Shepherd, A.S			A		C	В	A	A	A	
Skevington, F	A		A	C		A	В	A		
Vale, R. A.	C		В			C	C	C		
Vick, W. W			A		C	C	C	B	В	
Vincent, H. N			A		В	В	A	В	C	

Of this list, it is only fair to say that some boys did not attempt more than four or five subjects, devoting their attention to those which suited their purpose; most of these came from the lower forms.

S.H.S. Cadet Corps.

Officers—Captain J. A. Hedberg, Lieutenant D. J. Sullivan. N.C.O.'s—Col.-Sergt. N. Biden, Sergt. C. Uren, Sergt. J. R. Nield, Sergt. H. Beasley, Lance-Sergt. J. R. Broadbent, Corpl. A. Coyle, Corpl. B. Glass, Corpl. E. Saxby, Corpl. J. Close, Lance-Corpl. C. Campbell.

The interest of the rank and file in the work of the Company is still as great as ever, and is serving to maintain the very high state of efficiency for which the Corps is so deservedly noted. In fact, in all departments there is abundant evidence of the greatest energy. Whether it is owing to the fact that compulsory service is looming in the near future, or whether it is that increased facilities for shooting are being offered the members of the Company, applications for admittance are many, and recruiting is going on briskly.

Mention of the recruits reminds us of those cadets who have left. Unfortunately, after every vacation, we find our ranks thinned by the departure of many boys from school to enter upon a new phase of life. The June vacation was no exception in this respect. We were obliged to lose a great number of cadets. Among them we would like to refer specially to Sergt. Berman, Lance-Sergt. Vader, Corpl. Hosie, Corpl. Wells, and Cadet Best. All of these were fine shots, while the first three were members of our invincible tentpitching team. We wish them and the others who have left every success in life.

An examination for applicant N.C.O.'s was held at Newington College on September 8th. Twenty-eight boys presented themselves from the S.H.S. There are only three vacancies for Lance-Corporals, but no doubt these boys have an eye to the future, and to the formation of new companies at the beginning of next year.

From the list of N.C.O.'s published, it will be seen that some have gained promotion. We offer them our congratulations.

A detachment of permanent Scouts has been selected from the Company, and placed under the command of Sergt. J. R. Broadbent. Major F. Dove has very kindly undertaken to give special instruction to the Scouts, and the Company may consider itself fortunate to be able to have the advantage of the services of that distinguished officer. The members of the detachment have so far shown great interest in both the practical and theoretical work, and promise to form a very up-to-date and efficient unit.

A signalling class has been started by Capt. Hedberg. He is very anxious that as many Cadets as possible should become thoroughly acquainted with both the Semaphore and Morse systems of signalling.

On September 3rd the officers and N.C.O.'s of the 3rd Battalion had a day's skirmishing and scouting in the vicinity of Long Bay. A full complement represented the S.H.S. We were also called upon to provide the "enemy," Major Dove's scouting class being assigned that arduous and honorable role. Some very creditable work was carried out in both attack and defence, and a great deal of instruction was gained.

Early in August, at a meeting of the Cadets, it was decided to form a Rifle Club in connection with the Corps, about 40 Cadets promising to become members. The following officers were elected:—Captain, Cadet Rhodes; Hon. Secretary, Cpl. Berman; and a Committee consisting of Col.-Sergt. Biden, Sergt. Beasley, and Sergt. Uren.

The Committee met on August 22nd, and decided upon holding the first Rifle Meeting on August 31st, to consist of two events—7 shots at 200 yards, and 7 shots at 500 yards, with three prizes of 5/-, 3/-, and 2/- for each event. It was also determined that there should be an entrance fee of 6d., ammunition being supplied free.

* * * * *

The Rifle Meeting was accordingly held on August 31st, the weather being fair, with a strong rear breeze. There was a fair number of entries for each event, and the following gained prizes:—

Event I.—Cdt. Mortimore (35), 1; Cdt. A. Bradfield (34), 2; Cdt. Paterson (34), 3.

Event II.—Cdt. A. Bradfield (34), 1; Cdt. Andrews (32), 2; Cdt. Mortimore (32), 3.

Our University Letter.

Dear Sir,

Now is the joyful time for those of us who delight not in unseasonable fag, for have we not five weeks vac. upon us, when work is anathema, and pleasure irresistible in its

appeal.

Our holiday lightness of heart, however, seems not to interfere with our work in term, for in every exam. the good old S.H.S. has been well represented, and when, on the occasion of a recent exam., we failed to score the "proficiency," it was talked of, even for weeks, as though an

extraordinary event had taken place.

In our last letter, I wrote of no exam., but chronicled much sporting news. Now the order is reversed. Third and Fourth year Med. results are causing much talk and thought, whether pleasant or painful. Amongst the fourth year's, W. E. Kay, our crack oarsman, scored a credit; while J. Dawson, T. Furber, J. Herlihy, H. R. Hodgkinson, and J. B. F. Mackenzie, all old-time High warriors, have climbed another rung of the degree ladder. In Pathology, R. Bush passed with distinction, and K. Boulton with credit; and in 2nd Dentistry a high distinction stands to the credit of R. P. Lane. In Med. III., two old boys, R. V. Graham and A. Benjamin, gained distinction, while another of our old boys, J. E. Bateman, now a B.Sc., passed with credit. In 2nd Engineering, we have two well-known Old Boys, A. L. Campbell, a former captain, and C. A. Bourne, a popularity prizeman, who have both passed degree exams. with distinction. Bourne also represents us, with his fellow prize-man, A. Todd, in Military Science, both first and second years of which they have passed, having taken the two years con-

currently. Maths. II., seemingly an unpopular subject, has been tackled successfully by C. A. Bourne (Eng.), and S. J.

S. Davis, A. B. Taylor, and E. A. Southee (Sc.).

Of freshers there are quite a number, all of whom have been successful in the Maths. Among the passes were A. B. Colville (Arts), A. M. Dunkley and F. W. Lennox (Sc.), and C. Blumer, J. Mackinnon, F. E. Tidswell, and W. Pike (En.).

On the social side we, as old High Boys, have something to regret, for, on the occasion of our last re-union, of the fifty or more Old Boys at the 'Varsity, only a very small number turned up. However, we can assure you that there is among us of the past a very warm interest in all things affecting the old School; and I am not alone in wishing you, in conclusion, a very pleasant vacation, and distinction in the coming exam .- Yours, etc.,

B. L. A.

[The disappointment, to which our University Correspondent gives expression, at the loss by the "High" of the proficiency will vanish when he sees our analysis of the first, second, and third class passes gained by our candidates in the recent Junior. The general average of merit more than balances the lack of individual brilliance.—ED.]

Old Boys' Column.

The Smoke Concert and Euchre Party, under the auspices of the Old Boys' Union, was held at the School of Arts, Sydney, on August 16th. Our expectations of last issue, in regard to this function, were not at all realised, and the attendance was rather poor, there being only enough Old Boys present to make half-a-dozen sets. However, the enthusiasm displayed more than balanced the lack of numbers, and all present spent a most enjoyable evening. Some of the games were very exciting, and keenly contested. Messrs. L. May and C. A. Fairland were the winners of the first and second prizes respectively. The musical items rendered by Messrs. O. Nickless, K. E. and W. Deane, were well received, and Mr. A. Bohrsmann very capably filled the role of accompanist. In passing, we would like to call the attention of the older Old Boys to the fact that the majority of those present consisted of those Old Boys who had but recently left the School. Surely your School deserves more of you than this. Wake up, Old Boys!

Owing to business pressure and consequent lack of time for attending meetings, Mr. A. C. Ross has resigned from his position as a member of the Council of the Old Boys' Union. He has been a hard-working member of the Council for some years, and it was with regret that his resignation was accepted. The vacant position for the rest of the year was filled by the appointment of Mr. K. E. Deane, of the Sydney Training College. We consider the selection a good one, and we venture to say that, at the Annual Meeting, the Council's nominee will be elected for another year.

At the Second Annual Sports Meeting of the Sydney Training College, held recently, we noticed that two Old Boys acquitted themselves rather creditably. G. Millar, our distance champion of a few years back, won the Mile Championship, and was a member of the winning team in the Group Relay Race. W. Matheson, also a member of this team, won the 120yds. Hurdle Handicap. Both Millar and Matheson represented the Sydney Training College in the team against Melbourne Training College.

Amongst the passes at the annual examinations in connection with the sheep and wool-classing at the Technical College, we notice that Messrs. O. Symons and L. W. Michael passed with credit in the wool division, while D. Souter gained second place in the sheep division.

We have pleasure in offering our congratulations to Dr. J. F. Flashman, who has been appointed to the position of Acting-Professor of Pathology at the 'Varsity, in place of Prof. Welsh, who is on leave until March next.

The return match against the School resulted in the rather easy defeat of the Old Boys, who were, on this occasion, not fully represented. Of course, the secretaries received a fair amount of scathing criticism, but critics should remember that if the secretaries do not receive word from those who are unable to play among the selected, there will probably be a repetition of this happening. The state of the weather, we believe, led some of the Old Boys to think that the ground was under water, and hence their absence. One result of the game was to unearth some new players from amongst the Old Boys.

We are at the close of another year's work of the Old Boys' Union, and soon we will have our new Council working as hard as past Councils have done. Reviewing the past year and its work, we are inclined to think that the Council has not been supported by Old Boys' generally as it should have been. True it is, that the number of subscriptions this year was larger than previously, but a fair percentage of these were entirely new. Where are those who left the School four, five, or more years ago? The Council has worked hard, and tried to make the Union popular by bringing Old Boys more into touch with one another. This has been done

at considerable expense and trouble, but with poor result. All have done their best, but we must appeal to Old Boys to rally up more at our social gatherings. The objects of the Union are good, and worthy of support.

We note that Assistant-Professor Barraclough has just returned from a trip to the old world, whither, we understand, he went to study developments in engineering science. He was one of the first pupils of the School.

It is not generally known among the boys that Lieut.-Colonel Legge, the distinguished military officer of the Commonwealth, was at one time a master of this School. Old Boys have watched his career with interest.

We congratulate Mr. A. B. Piddington on his election to the Senate. He was at one time on the High School staff.

Cricket.

Interest has been redoubled in the forthcoming season, as the School has determined, for the first time, to enter the Great Public Schools' Cricket Competition. After our very creditable display during last season, we have every reason to hope that this year we will prove our merit against the other Schools. We have, however, lost our best bowler, Asprey, who performed so well last year.

At a meeting held recently, J. R. Nield was unanimously elected secretary—a position he has now held for three years—and Neild, Bogle, and Oberg were elected as the selection committee. Encouraged by the enthusiasm in cricket displayed in the School, these boys hope to conduct a successful season.

Baseball Club.

Our Baseball Club has just concluded a highly successful season. The defeat by Petersham School, mentioned in the last issue, is the only one we have sustained. Out of twelve matches played, eleven have been won—a very creditable record.

The match with Cleveland-street followed directly upon that with Petersham, and its issue considerably brightened our prospects. Kline 5, Clarke 5, Bignall 4, Hooke 3, and Bardsley 3, were the principal scorers, the School making 22 in all, whilst our opponents only succeeded in securing 8. Several unimportant matches intervened, and then the great contest of the season was fought out. Hurlestone College met the School at a carnival held on July 23rd. After a fine game, we found ourselves victors by two runs, the scores being 9—7. Every player showed exceptionally good form on this occasion, Kline (captain), Clarke, and Bignall (our catcher) especially distinguishing themselves.

The team which has done so well during this winter, consists of: Kline (pitcher), Bignall (catcher), Clarke, Hooke and Corbett (basemen), and Bardsley (short-stop), with Kenniff, Otter, Brooke, and Robertson as fieldsmen. These boys have won for their School the honour of second place in

the Baseball Competition.

Football.

After our somewhat disappointing display in the first round, it was hoped by the football enthusiasts in the School that we would make a better showing in the second round of the Competition. They were quite satisfied by our display in several of the matches, but, owing to our great disparity in age and weight, we were not able to withstand the on-

slaughts of our heavier opponents.

After the first round, we played a return match against the Old Boys, and defeated them rather easily by 23 points to 9. In justice to them, we must say they were not represented by their full team. We then played Stott and Hoare's Business College, but our opponents lacked the necessary combination and weight, and so we scored an easy win by 81 points to nil. After several practice matches, the selectors chose the following team to represent the School in the first competition match in the second round against St. Ignatius Firsts:—Full-back, Lenthall; three-quarters, Nield, Florance, McBride, Oberg; five-eighth, McKellar; half, True; forwards-Readford, Garling, Love, Tonkin, Saxby, Biden, Della Ca, Broadbent.

Our team had been somewhat weakened, as several members of the first team were unable to play for diverse reasons; but their places were filled by members of the Second Fifteen, who acquitted themselves well. The results have not been very satisfactory, but we put up really fine games against St. Ignatius and Church of England Grammar School. The former match was full of incident from beginning to end, and the School supporters were kept on the tip-toe of expectation by the continued attacks of the School; but we had not the good fortune to penetrate our opponent's defence. The College just managed to score a try on time, which won the

match

In the match against C.E.G.S. we were for some time leading by 3 to nil, but in the end the Grammar backs proved too fast and the forwards too heavy, and so we were defeated by 17 points to 3. It is a matter for regret that, as several of our leading players were injured, we were forced to forfeit the match against St. Joseph's College, with whom we put up such a good game in the first round.

The forwards have shown good form in all the matches, but have not been well supported by the backs, who show lack of initiative in attack, although their defence is very solid. Their line-kicking, too, is generally faulty.

We feel sure that we were not able to do ourselves justice in many of the matches, as the draw has been decidedly against us. In the first round we had to play six strenuous matches within three weeks, and, strange to relate, the same thing occurred in the second round, with the result that the effort proved too much, and, in the last matches, our play was devoid of that dash so necessary for victory.

The Second Fifteen, under the captaincy of Thompson, has much improved this half, and has given a good account of itself in all the matches. The forwards, especially, have played well, but the backs have been weak. However, they have accounted for some very close games, but the faulty passing of the backs invariably spoilt many opportunities. We feel that if the backs had had any combination many of the results would have been altered. The first match was against Scots College, who won by 30 to 6. The School more than held their opponents in the second half, scoring 6 points to 3. Tries were scored by Phillips and Thompson. Newington defeated us by 20 to 5. For the School Allanson scored and Phillips converted. The next match was against C.E.G.S., who defeated us by 20 to 6. Tries were scored by Murray and Howie, neither of which was converted. King's defeated us by 34 to nil—a score which shows great improvement on the display in the first round. The last match was against S.G.S., who defeated us by 13 to 3. This match was keenly contested throughout, and Howie scored for the School, Bardsley failing at goal. In this match Bardsley played a great game at full-back, his line-kicking evoking frequent applause. The most consistent players among the backs were Murray and Thompson, while among the forwards Smith, Hague, Meldrum, Phillips, and Stone played well. The Thirds played matches with varying results. The Fourths have played eight matches, of which four were won, two drawn, and two lost.

On the whole, the season has not been very successful. However, we played good games, and although we suffered defeat after defeat, we have reason to hope that very soon we shall find our School occupying a higher place in the competition.

DETAILS.

S.H.S. 1st v. Old Boys.—This match was played on Wentworth Park, before the second round of the competition commenced. As the Old Boys had beaten us by a narrow



S. H. S. FIRST FIFTEEN, 1910.

Back Row—A. Fry, A. Tonking, A. J. Hague, O. Oberg, D. Love, N. E. Biden. Second Row—E. J. Saxby, F. F. Florance, F. A. Lenthall, J. R. Broadbent, J. R. Nield. Front Row—K. McKellar, H. W. MacBride, W. Readford, E. True. margin in the former match, it was anticipated that this would be a close game; but the Old Boys were unable to obtain a full team, and had to make up their number from members of the Technical College. Consequently, they were very weak and were not able to withstand the repeated attacks of the School backs. Shortly after starting, Oberg scored from a passing rush, and soon after repeated the performance. failing with the kick each time. Old Boys shortly afterwards scored under the posts, Kidston scoring the try, but the kick at goal failed. In the second half, High School attacked nearly all the time, and tries were scored by means of good passing rushes. McKellar scored two tries, one of which was converted by McBride. Florance also scored a try, but the kick at goal failed. Lenthall and MacBride also added tries, which were not converted. The Old Boys scored two more tries, but were unable to convert either. High School were attacking when the full-time whistle sounded, leaving the "Present" winners by 23 points to 9.

S.H.S. 1st v. St. Ignatius 1st.—This was the first match of the second round, and was played at Wentworth Park. As we had been training hard for this match, a fast game was anticipated. From the kick-off St. Ignatius pressed heavily, but the defence of the School backs and forwards proved too stubborn, and the College were gradually pressed back to the centre. Here Florance secured, and, evading the opposing centre three-quarter, beat the full-back and raced for the line amidst the roars of the School supporters. However, he was brilliantly tackled and had the bad luck to fall on the line. St. Ignatius, by means of good line kicks, drove the School back. Half-time arrived with no score for either side. On resuming, the School, now playing with the wind, attacked time after time, but never had the good fortune to cross the line. Just on time the College backs broke away, and Rorke scored a try in the corner. The kick at goal failed, and full-time arrived with the College victors by 3 to nil. The game was hard and fast throughout, and we feel sure we deserved a better fate, as time after time we were almost "in." Florance and Lenthall played well among the backs, while all the forwards worked hard and each did his share.

S.H.S. 1st v. Newington College 1st.—This match was played at Newington College. We had a good representative team, but our backs were not up to the standard of the opposing three-quarters. The forwards played well throughout, but their lack of weight was against them. During the first half, play was confined to High School territory, and Newington, by means of good passing rushes, scored three tries, and were leading at half-time by 9 to nil. Shortly after resuming, Broadbent was unfortunately injured, and was forced to retire. His loss was keenly felt in all the remaining matches, and as we had now to play nearly the whole of the second half with one man short, the score soon rose against us. Newington attacked throughout, and we put up a very good defensive

game, considering we had lost a wing three-quarter. This match was a great improvement on our showing in the first round, but our team lacked dash, and our opponents, quick to realise the weakening of our back division, kept up the attack. The final score was 29 to nil.

S.H.S. 1st. v. C.E.G.S. 1st.—Played at North Sydney Oval. From the kick-off the School attacked, and were awarded a free kick, from which Oberg kicked a goal. However, Grammar attacked vigorously, and from a passing rush scored a try. Resuming, the School was penalised, and our opponents landed a goal. The School now attacked, but the defence was too good, and from a scramble on the line another try was added against us. Half-time found "Shore" leading by 9 to nil. Resuming, School attacked, but were again and again driven back by the fine kicking of the opposing backs. At last another try was registered against us. However, the School played up, and for some time our opponents had to defend; but they were not to be denied, and just on time added another try, which was unconverted, leaving Grammar victors by 17 points to 3, after a hard, well-contested game. We were at a disadvantage, as Hague, one of the Seconds, had to play in both matches, Della Ca having failed to put in an appearance. This match was a good showing by the School, and both backs and forwards played a hard, fast game; but the passing was at times erratic.

S.H.S. 1st v. King's School, 1st.—Played at Parramatta. The premier team was too heavy for us. The School fought gamely throughout, but their efforts were of little avail, and the score mounted up. For some time we managed to keep our opponents at bay, but at last, from a fine passing rush they scored a try, which was converted. The game was now confined to King's 25 for a while, but we were gradually forced back, and another try was registered against us. At half-time, the score was 36 to nil against the School. In the second half, the score was quickly piled up, and the game resulted in a win for King's by 74 points to nil. Shortly after recommencing, Readford was compelled to leave the field, owing to an injury to his ankle. His absence in the forwards was felt in the remaining matches, as he was always a willing worker.

In this match the greater weight of our opponents told against us, and our forwards and backs were soon worn out by having continually to stave off the attacks of players much heavier than themselves. A feature of the match was the brilliant tackling of Florance, whose defence is easily the best of the team.

S.H.S. 1st. v. S.G.S. 1st.—Played at Wentworth Park. From the kick-off, Grammars attacked, but were kept off by the defence of the School. However, they soon scored a try in the corner. After the kick-off, the game was soon back in

the School's 25, and here, from a penalty kick, Evans landed a goal for Grammar. The School was still kept on the defensive, but was not able to resist the attacks of Grammar, who added two more tries. Half-time sounded, the Grammar leading by 12 to nil. On resuming, the School's defence improved greatly, and our opponents were for some time kept at bay. However, another try was added. Shortly after, one of the Grammars picked up in a scramble near the posts, and kicked a nice field goal, to which another try was soon added, by means of a cross-kick which found the School backs out of position. The Grammar School half was unfortunately injured, and had to leave the field. The School now took a hand in attacking, and Biden securing, dived for the line, and apparently scored a try, although he knocked the corner post out. However, the try was disallowed by the referee. School continued to attack, but were unable to penetrate their opponents' defence. Full time whistle sounded with Grammar victors by 24 to nil. The School's defence was not up to previous standards in this match, and both backs and forwards lacked their usual dash.

Prefects.

We are pleased to be able to publish the names of the newly-appointed Prefects. We feel sure that this innovation will be a means of extending that public spirit which is such an essential feature in our secondary schools. The selection shows that Mr. Waterhouse and the Masters have given the matter careful consideration and we congratulate the Prefects on this proof of appreciation of their services to the School.

C. G. McDonald, the first editor of this journal, has the honour of being Senior Prefect. The others are:—A. C. Berman, N. E. Biden, J. Bogle, J. R. Broadbent, A. J. Howard, H. W. MacBride, J. R. Nield, O. Oberg, E. J. Saxby, C. G. Smith, C. Uren, L. F. Watt.

To be entrusted with authority over one's schoolfellows

is no small privilege, and the duties of a prefect will call for the display of tact and firmness. We are certain, however, that, in the hands of these manly and level-headed boys, they will be conscientiously carried out. The one thing necessary to ensure complete success is the loyal and friendly support of all the scholars at the School.

Sports Meeting.

On Friday, September 16th, the School held its twentyfifth Annual Sports Meeting. Radiant with the health their training had given them, aglow with the possibilities of this, their own day, the boys entered with joyous eagerness into the events of the afternoon. It was a most successful funo tion, favoured with beautiful weather, which made the afternoon extremely enjoyable to both visitors and competitors. Much excitement, too, prevailed with regard to the School Cup, as it was uncertain which of our athletes would carry off this coveted prize.

Early in the afternoon a considerable number of parents and friends arrived at the Cricket Ground, and fresh visitors appeared at frequent intervals, so that in the prime of the afternoon the pavilion and lawn were bright with a happy gathering of spectators, interested in the School and its doings. The preliminary events had been successfully gone through on the preceding evening, and both masters and boys were eager to begin the day. The masters acted as starters and adjudicators, and worked splendidly in making the meeting the most successful the School has yet held.

To the Sports Committee the greatest honour is due, for the smoothness with which the events were run off. They had evidently spent much care and thought in the handicapping, which was so accurately judged that competition was of the keenest in most events. The orderly arrangement of the field, and the celerity with which the whole was conducted matters which contributed greatly to the success of the afternoon—were in a large degree the result of their forethought

and judgment.

The excitement of the more important events was relieved both for visitors and scholars, by the laughable displays of some of the competitors in the Siamese and Sack Races. One could not but be amused at the frenzied struggles to regain an upright position on the part of the "tumblers" in these events. Their efforts to escape from the bags, or the bonds which had caused their downfall, created much laughter.

It was pleasant to see so many Old Boys among the visitors, renewing the memories of their own happy Sports' Days; some of them, too, adding a further charm to this reunion with the School by entering with all their former enthusiasm into the Old Boys' races. If our sports effected no other purpose than to retain a place for the old School in the hearts of past students, the endeavours of the Committee would indeed be amply rewarded. But we feel sure that visitors, masters, and boys all spent a most enjoyable afternoon. The following are the results:—

100 Yards School Championship.—Lenthall, 1; Campbell, 2. Time (against the wind), 11 4-5 sec.

Tug-of-War.—VI. A Team, 1; VI. C Team, 2.

Siamese Race.—True and Thompson, 1; Saxby I. and Saxby II., 2.

100 Yards Championship (Under 15).—Elgar 1, Pearce 2.

Potato Race.—True and Waterhouse (dead heat), 1; Hansen, 2.

High Jump.—Loveridge, 1; Lenthall, 2. Height, 5ft. 120 Yards Handicap (Under 16).—Paterson, 1; Mahoney,

Mile Walk.—Meldrum, 1; Stone, 2. Time, 8min. 42sec.
 75 Yards Handicap (Under 14).—Thomas, 1; Coombes,
 Time, 9 4-5 secs.

440 Yards Club Handicap.—Hall, 1; Rae, 2. Time,

55 4-5 sec.

50 Yards Sack Race.—MacBride II., 1; True, 2.

880 Yards Handicap.—Couchman, 1; Brooke, 2. Time, 2min 8sec. (From 70yds.).

880 Yards Championship.—Clemenger, 1; Biden, 2. Time, 2min 17 1-5 sec.

Bicycle Race, 1 Mile.—Stone, 1; Murray, 2.

150 Yards All Schools' Race.—Cox (T.S.C.), 1; Smith (S.G.S.), 2; Brown (T.K.S.), 3.

220 Yards Club Handicap.—Paterson, 1; Thompson, 2. Time, 24 2-5sec.

Obstacle Race.—Thompson, 1; Milne, 2.

Old Boys' 100Yds. Handicap.—Blake, 1; Taylor, 2.

Flag Race.-VI. C., 1; Probationary Students, 2.

Old Boys' 440 Yards Handicap.—Taylor, 1; Hardy, 2. Time, 56 1-5 sec.

220 Yards Handicap (Under 15).—Thomas, 1; McKellar, 2.

Mile Handicap.—Saxby II., 1; Clemenger, 2. Time, 5min. 3 1-5 sec.

Consolation Race, 100 Yards.—Webster, 1; Geoffrey, 2. SCHOOL CUP.—Lenthall (12 points), 1; Clemenger (10 points), 2.

Literary and Debating Society.

The present state of this society could not be more satisfactory. The meetings are well attended, interest is maintained throughout, and the subjects show thorough preparaion. We may trace this happy revival to the printing of the sessional programme in detailed form. Since our last edition, the Society has indulged in five vigorous debates, four literary discussions, and what proved, perhaps, the chief feature of this quarter's work, a Shakespearian Afternoon. An interclub debate with the Old Boys is to be held on October 13th, and judging by the progress of our youthful orators, no mean "tussle" will result. The following is the programme for the half-year:—

Aug. 18th—Debate, "Heredity v. Environment."

" 2t5h-" My Favourite Book."

Sept. 1st-Debate, "Poetry and Music as forms of Art."

" 8th-Shakespeare Afternoon :-

Shakespeare—The Man	 R.I.K.
Historical Drama of Shakespeare	 H. W. MacB.
Humour of Shakespeare	 B.S.G.

- " 15th-Manuscript Journal.
- " 22nd—Debate, "No. License."
- " 29th-Vacation.

Oct. 6th-Another Shakespeare Afternoon-

Shakespeare's Outlook on Life V.J.M.
The Nature and Ethics of the Great Tragedies—C.G.McD.
Characters of some Women in Shakespeare .. C.G.S.

Oct. 13th-Challenge Debate with Old Boys.

- " 20th-Impromptu Speeches.
- " 27th-Debate, "The place of Sport in School Life."

Nov. 3rd—"Renaissance of Wonder,":—Shelley N.E.B.

Wordsworth .. A.J.H.
Coleridge J.R.N.

- " 10th-Debate, "Is the main function of a University Cultural or Utilitarian?"
- ,, 17th-Some Australian Poets-short papers.
- " 24th—Lecture (illustrated by lantern slides), "Evidence in support of Evolution" Mr. H. Hallman, B.S.C.

Dec. 1st-Manuscript Journal.

- " 8th-Debate, "A Universal Language-is it necessary and practicable?"
- " 15th-Mock Banquet.

C. F. BEST, Hon. Sec.

The Library.

During the last six months our Library has been improved by the purchase of about 70 new works, so that the total has now reached almost 1200 books.

Among the latest additions, we might specially mention the much-discussed work of Foster Fraser on Australia. The frequent requests for this new book give evidence that even schoolboys are specially interested in outside opinions of our national characteristics.

We are glad to see so many of the younger boys making use of the library, but we cannot congratulate the senior boys on the interest they display in the efforts put forward by the Committee. Members and others are also reminded of the Reading Room, in connection with our library. It is open during the dinner-hour on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday, and contains all up-to-date magazines.

Tennis Club.

Unusual vigour has, of late, distinguished the play of our Tennis Club. A new interest in the game seems to have arisen in the School, and great efforts are being made by the players to reach a high standard. Hard practice is steadily improving the form of members. Several of the younger enthusiasts are showing promise, and the older members are keeping up their form well. We have material for a really strong team, and we hope that in our contests with other clubs we will make a good showing.

Our best players are Oberg and Clemenger, who are fast, hard-hitting men; and Waterhouse, McCredie, McNamara, and Howard, who are of a more solid and steady type. Both styles, with careful practice, are capable of being used to good advantage in the game. Among the younger members, King and Fitzroy promise to develop into fair players, but need plenty of practice.

We cannot conclude without a word of hearty thanks to Mr. Moore, whose kindly interest has been so influential in placing the club in its present sound condition.

Swimming.

On Friday, September 2nd, a meeting of those interested in swimming was held, for the purpose of deciding upon the baths for the coming summer. Owing, however, to lack of time, it was not possible to arrive at any definite decision at this meeting, and accordingly, later in the day, a ballot was taken, which resulted in a majority for the Municipal Baths—the voting being 49 to 40.

By the number of votes recorded, those who have the matter in hand hope for a highly successful season. Swimming is an exercise which combines the advantages of health and enjoyment, and with our Wednesdays free, it should have a large number of supporters. To further increase the interest, it is proposed to hold handicaps during the summer, and it is possible that the season will be concluded with a carnival. The subscription is one shilling.

Editorial Notices.

The subscription to The Record is 2s. 6d. per annum, post free. All communications should be addressed "The Editor, The Record, Boys' High School, Sydney." M.S.S. should be written on one side of the paper only, with a quarterwidth margin. The next number of The Record will be issued about the middle of December, 1910. Contributions should therefore reach us no later than December 1st.

Owing to our going early to press, exchanges recently received will be acknowledged in the next issue.

The Business Manager begs to acknowledge the following subscriptions from Old Boys:—J. King, A. Bohrsmann, L. May, C. L. Chapman, R. P. Lane, W. J. MacKenzie, H. W. Baum, P. J. Pratt, H. K. Prior, C. P. Walker, B.A., C. E. Hall, J. Baldwin.

Further subscriptions will be acknowledged in our next issue.

