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Editorial

THE year has in general been one of only partial success for the School. Among the clubs we have obtained little success; Rugby football, the chief sport of the School, was almost paralysed by the lack of sufficient members, and it became impossible to put four teams in the grade competitions on the same day; the other clubs have experienced a similar difficulty. It is becoming increasingly evident that the School cannot continue to tolerate any sport that individuals may desire. We must decide to uphold one or two sports during a season, and to allow no others to be introduced. The basis of the trouble seems to be that boys engage in various sports in their respective preparatory schools, and expect to continue them on entering this school. But the argument is almost groundless. Boys, from twelve to fourteen years of age, are very unlikely to have obtained a scientific groundwork in any sport in which they have previously been engaged. Then, a four years' training in the recognised sports of the School, would fit any capable individual for success in the grade teams.

Some form of football as the general sport, with a less exhilarating game for those physically unfit for football, in the winter season; and cricket and swimming in the summer, would satisfy the requirements of the majority. By concentration on these sports, specific success might be obtained, instead of the series of seconds

and thirds which the present system has brought upon the School this year. The School is not deficient in sporting circles, the athletic sports defy such, the fault lies in the fact that we seldom produce a united front.

Moreover, frequent interruptions, delay in obtaining text books, had placed us in a rather embarrassing position with regard to our School work, when the announcement of Mr. Waterhouse's retirement came upon us. Everybody realised that a retirement was imminent, many were acquainted with Mr. Waterhouse's request to the Department, but none anticipated the event at the time of its coming. Many farewells have been bidden, our late headmaster has thanked those connected with the School on several occasions, so another repetition would be useless here. In 1883 Mr. Waterhouse laid the foundation of the State Secondary Education by opening the Sydney Boys' High School; in 1911 he commenced the task of modelling the new system. During the intervening years he parted only twice with the Sydney High. Once on taking up the Headmastership of Maitland High School, then during his illness in 1913, when we celebrated Speech Day without his elevating personality. The modelling of the new system of Secondary Education was carried out in this School, by our late head; it rests with our present headmaster, R. J. Hinder, Esq., B.A., to complete the work so ably begun by his predecessor. We feel confident that Mr. Hinder will fulfill his task.

A change of leader necessarily means some change in principle. Many minor changes have been made in the execution of school duties, but little has been done with regard to more important affairs. Our new head has no love for sweeping reform. Although it is rather late to bid Mr. Hinder welcome to the Sydney High, we now give him a very cordial welcome to the dear old school.

School Notes.

We regret to announce that we have lost our late headmaster, J. Waterhouse. Esq., M.A. It had been rumoured that Mr. Waterhouse intended to retire as soon as the Department could arrange for a successor, but none of us apprehended the event at the time of its coming; it was indeed, as Mr. Moore said, "a thunderbolt." The holidays over, the masters arranged to give Mr. Waterhouse a dinner, and an address, while but lately the boys of the School presented him with means of obtaining a long cherished desire—an adjustable chair. We take this opportunity of bidding a written farewell.

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But naturally, on our return to school, thoughts recurred as much to expectancy as to the person of the new headmaster, as to regret at parting with the old. In introducing Mr. Hinder, Mr. McLelland assured us of the value of the master we had obtained,

a worthy successor to our former head. Although the change in system effected some materially at first, all soon realised that this was the truth. From the boys we therefore give R. J. Hinder, Esq., B.A., a very hearty welcome to the School.

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The three photos printed in this issue, are not published for mere spectacular effect, but with the idea, first of reviving pleasant memories in the hearts of Old Boys, and second, of giving a memento of this most eventful year to the boys now at the School.

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At the recent P.S.A.A. Sports, on the Sydney Cricket Ground, the School had the honour of furnishing a guard of honour to His Excellency Sir Gerald Strickland, G.C.M.G. Practically all the cadets volunteered for the Guard, and many had to be refused. Captain Parker was congratulated on the promptness in execution of orders, and the general appearance of the Guard.

Australia Day became a day of business for the School. For the three preceding weeks the collections, usually given the Belgian Fund, had been devoted to the Australia Day Fund, and a gigantic auction was organised for the day itself. We were honoured by the presence of Mrs. and Miss Hinder; the latter kindly consented to present the cushion given by Mr. Parker to the lucky winner of the raffle, G. C. Law. A musical programme, arranged by Mr. Steele, passed away successfully, but it was the auction that made the day. The verse and comments of A. W. W. Grey, of 3AG., greatly encouraged the buyers; he deserves congratulation for his able work. Altogether about £55 was obtained for the fund.

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Fort Street have lost much by the death of S. W. Cantrell, Esq., B.A., late master of Mathematics. The late Mr. Cantrell was well known among our teachers, and many of them attended his funeral.

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The Athletic Sports are this year in the hands of a well representative committee. The representatives of the boys are as follows:—E. J. Burrows (Hon. Sec.), R. A. Bradley (Hon. Treas.), L. F. Claremont, J. Cross, A. Cunningham, A. M. Forbes, W. Sherwood.

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Our success in the G.P.S. and High Schools' Sports, is greatly handicapped by injuries to many of our star performers. S. Claremont injured his ankle during the football season, W. Sherwood had his collar-bone broken in a grade match, while F. B. King, the best of our junior runners, broke his arm while hurdling. However, we are still confident, and hope once again to obtain the High Schools' Cup.

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So far two comrades of the School have felt themselves called upon to go to the front. Corp. J. Muir is at present in Egypt, while Priv. Robertson is still in camp. We wish them good luck.

Both were members of the 1st XV. and took a keen interest in swimming. Corp. Muir was presented with a wristlet watch by the fourth year general classes.

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The trustees of the School of Arts Library have extended the privilege of the use of that library to senior scholars of the High Schools. We thank them cordially, and urge those concerned to make full use of the privilege.

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Our thanks are also due to Mr. Coombes for his assistance in training for the sports, and for his kindly invitation to the rifle shots of S.H.S.

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During the quarter some notable alterations have been made in the general organisation of the School. The idea of a "General Parade" at 11 a.m. for the purpose of making announcements is a great improvement; the morning recess is now had before drill, and not after, as previously; a definite period has been set aside for all Scriptures; while the Junior Cadets find themselves detained on Tuesdays and Thursdays for half an hour.

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Our sympathy to L. M. Jackson, a member of the Committee of the Record, who, as the result of being electrocuted, has lost both his hands. He was a member of 4A.C., and in this issue we publish a poem which he wrote a few weeks before the accident occurred.

The football season has been disappointing. At the beginning of the season the 1st XV. looked like winning the competition, but as the season progressed Muir and Robertson left for the front, while Manton, Kearney, and Claremont sustained injuries which prevented them playing for several weeks. The result was that several of seconds were promoted, the process was continued down to the lower grades, and finally, owing to the lack of younger players, the teams became completely disorganised. We hope for better success next year.

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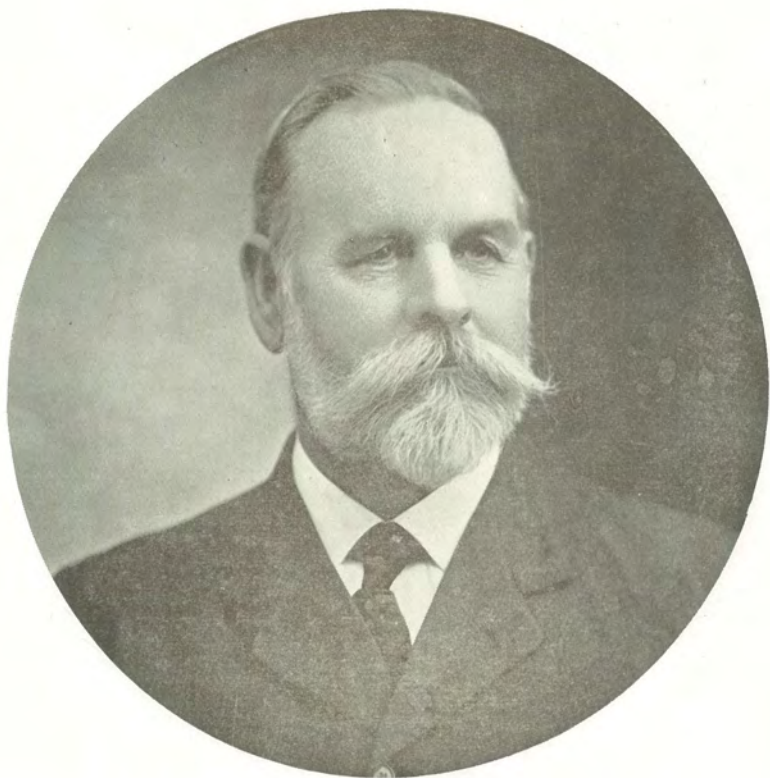
The Old Boys' Football Match, proved a very close game. The Old Boys brought along a strong team, and succeeded in winning on time by 12—10.

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On the last day of the second quarter, the usual Old Boys' challenge debate was held, the subject being:—"Which gives the truer insight into reality, the poet or the scientist?" The Old Boys, represented by Messrs. Carson, Nield, and Sheed, took the side of the scientist, and after a close debate, Mr. Smairl pronounced against his personal opinion and gave the victory to our visitors.

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Since last issue, several vacancies in the staff have been filled. Mr. Back has been absent temporarily in order to complete his University course, while Mr. Johns has been transferred to the



R. J. HINDER, Esq., B.A.

Science staff. We welcome three other masters to the staff:—A. Castlemaine, Esq. (English), C. E. Hicks, Esq. (Science), W. Noakes, Esq., (Mathematics).

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In Soccer circles Howell, Cooper and Hicks are to be congratulated on their splendid play in the High Schools v. Metropolitan Public School, at University Oval, recently.

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If we were asked which was the most successful club this year, the rifle club would probably be given the choice. In the High Schools' Competition they are at present leading by 38 points from Fort Street, and should in the end win the competition.

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Senior boys do not seem to like marching into school after general parades; in fact, some are indignant. Our sympathy given unanimously.

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This issue sees the birth of a new cover-design for the magazine. It occurred to several of the masters on the Record Committee that a design embodying the photograph of the school used in the Masters' Address to Mr. Waterhouse, would be preferable to the one that formerly appeared. A kind of competition was originated, of which the winner was R. Hansen, an old boy, who left the School in 1913.

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We take this opportunity of thanking him for the trouble he has taken, his patience in carrying out the alterations suggested by the Committee, and his gracious offer to have the block made at cost price. The exquisite effect of the design will speak for itself.

R J. Hinder, Esq., B.A.

In Mr. R. J. Hinder, the Sydney High School receives its third Headmaster since its foundation in 1885. Mr. Hinder comes to us with a big reputation gained from a long career at Maitland. By a strange coincidence, he succeeded at Maitland, years ago, our late headmaster Mr. Waterhouse, whom he now succeeds at Sydney, but while for a period Mr. Waterhouse took up the duties of Inspector of Schools, before coming to Sydney, Mr. Hinder refused all invitations from the Department to accept such a position. He preferred settled home life to one involving much travelling such as the post of Inspector demands. For twenty-five years—almost a record—Mr. Hinder worked diligently as Master at Maitland, and by his untiring efforts raised the school to the high position it now occupies in the scholastic world. A large number of boys coming from the north, and north-western parts of the State, passed through his hands that his name became a household word there. Mr. Hinder always had the best interests of the boys at heart, and this, together

with his genial disposition, won the appreciation and respect of them all. As a result, though scattered far and wide, old pupils ever cherish loving memories of the time spent at Maitland, and speak of their old school with pride.

On the expansion of the system of Secondary Education, Mr. Hinder was promoted to North Sydney, where he opened the High School at the beginning of the present year. As he only remained there six months, he had not time to get into touch with the boys such as he would have desired.

In July last he took charge of the Sydney High School. As he himself stated in his opening address, Mr. Hinder does not come as a new broom to sweep away old customs and to make sudden and startling changes. On the contrary, he observes quietly, yet keenly, and when he sees the necessity of some reform, makes it without delay. And the School has already felt the beneficial effect of his long experience in teaching. Careless boys, boys given to slang, and lazy fellows, will not find Mr. Hinder to their liking. But to all with their little School troubles, Mr. Hinder is ever kindly disposed, always ready to listen and willing to give sympathetic and useful advice. There is no external barrier of reserve to break through, and there is no pretence. So feeling we have a sincere friend and helper, the School extends a hearty welcome to its new Headmaster.

Style in Literature.

"How forcible are right words!" By "words" we may understand both the written and the spoken word. With the Greeks one expression denoted these two great functions of reason in human converse. But while they have of necessity much that is common, they have also much that is distinctive. "The orator," if we may alter slightly a noted expression, "is heard; the writer is overheard." The immediate or personal influence of the one is transitory, that of the other is undying. How is it that so many speeches and addresses, great in their own time undoubtedly, according to historical evidence, seem to us now so tame and pointless? So much that is local is bound up with oratorical success; the pressing question of the hour; the sympathetic impulses evoked by a vast concourse of people; the magnetic power with which the speaker connects the temporary matters under discussion with the eternal realities of human life and character. Through this bond of sympathy the orator's burning words act as a tinder; soul ignites soul, and the fire of emotion sweeps all before its irresistible advance. But most emotional influences are not enduring in their effects. New conditions awaken corresponding feelings. "Time," said the wise Verulam, "is the greatest innovator"; and thus the idol of to-day becomes one of the "lost causes" of to-morrow.

The speaker has an audience definite in point of place and time; the writer has to make an audience for himself. No matter how extensive his sway may become in time, he has to begin with

the individual. Spirit strives to commune with spirit, but how best to do so amid the fever and excitement and specious attractions of life is the great problem which genius alone can solve. To win the attention, to satisfy the reason, to kindle the feelings, to lift the imagination from the sordid and low to the beautiful and the good, this is the function of the true literary artist, and the medium through which he effects it is his style.

What, then, is style? Is it the manner in which thought finds expression; in technical language, is its effect due to an element of form? Or does a good style result from the weightiness and sincerity of the substance of the thought? We are soon assured that the substance of thought, however valuable in itself, is not necessarily constitutive of good art. A "proverbial philosophy" will most likely be weighted by dullness, though instinct with wisdom. Style, then, must depend on the formal element in literature. But we need a clear conception of form. It is not some rigid hard-and-fast rule with its independent, objective existence. It is not the mere mechanical regularity of an hexameter verse or a prescribed copy. Such limits and restraints would be fatal to style; they would produce paralysis and death. But style is formal in this respect, that it is the objective expression of a subjective process of selection and arrangement in the presentation of ideas. This process implies a great deal. As the man is, so will be his work. His character will subtly assert itself in his writings, so that we can readily understand the remark of a keen critic when he speaks of style as "the gesture of the soul and of the mind." This is what is meant in the well-known aphorism of Buffon—*le style c'est l'homme*; or as the quaint pedantry of Burton puts it—*stylus virum arguit*.

Since, then, style is of the individual, it will have many different forms. We speak of the easy grace of Herodotus; the pregnant, closely-packed phrase of Thucydides; the picturesque description of Livy; the suggestive brevity of Tacitus; the sonorous rhythm of Bacon; the profuse rhetorical wealth of Jeremy Taylor; the strength and propriety of Dryden; the epigrammatic terseness of Pope; the clear forcefulness of Swift and Hume; the attractive elegance of Berkeley and Addison; the philosophical splendour of Burke; the prophetic vividness of Carlyle; the exquisite melody and precision of John Henry Newman; the expressiveness and insight of Matthew Arnold; the lucidity and dignity in the work of Seeley; the scenic power of Froude and Green; the perfected elaborateness of Walter Pater; the Greek-like beauty and simplicity of Oscar Wilde. Where so much is of the individual and so little of the type, it would seem hard to arrive at any general conclusions as to the meaning of form or style. But a closer analysis will reveal the truth that beneath the variety of means there is one end, that of idealising in language the passion and reality of human experience.

The instrument upon which a great artist plays is the heart of man, with its infinite capacity of response. As the cunning musician selects and harmonises his notes, so does the writer his words. He

studies them; he knows their history and associations; their suggestiveness. He does not study them for themselves. He is no mere philologist. He wishes to call forth the music of life. At the right word, memory, "the warder of the brain," will draw back the bolts of the past, and reveal its mingled sorrows and regrets, its good and its evil. Or, by his imaginative insight, the "wings of the soul" may be helped to soar from the grosser atmosphere of material cares and thoughts to the purer aether of beauty and of love. He, too, more than most men, will know the moving force of humour and of pathos; purging away by his laughter the follies and foibles of mankind, and strengthening hearts by the fellowship of suffering for deeds of endurance and self-sacrifice. What an influence, then, have words! "The mind of man," it has been said, "is peopled, like some silent city, with a sleeping company of reminiscences, associations, impressions, attitudes, emotions to be awakened into fierce activity at the touch of words." Hence the scrupulous quest of a Flaubert for "the one word for the one thing, the one thought, amid the multitude of words." But that which influences style is not the mere word, but the word as selected. Some English scholars have become overpowered by the pedantry of purism. Use none but homely, hearty, crisp Anglo-Saxon words. Avoid the long-trailing, cumbrous words of classic origin. Follow Swift, not Johnson. But how disastrous to the language would such a procedure be! Could we afford to lose all those words of Greek and Latin ancestry, rich in what Mr. Pater called their "double intention"? By all means let us prefer a concise, definite, concrete expression to what has been called "the fine style" in writing. But in proportion as our vocabulary is supplied from many sources, so will our faculty of expression be the richer and more accurate. The old feud between the classic and the romantic is never ended. But from the former alone there could be no progress. The present will ever rise in protest against the past. Classicism with its statue-like repose and decorous observance of "the unities" will always have its charm, but there will still be room for the flesh and blood of the romantic, the effort of the individual to be free from the bonds of conventionalism.

A good style is not hampered by the scientific spirit. The work of science is analysis and classification; that of art is synthesis and creation. Realism struggles to portray the very fact; true art presents the fact humanised, "touched with emotion." Nor does the true artist stoop to gain the vulgar ear by ignoble means. Like Montaigne, he is too aristocratic to become tutor to the meanest understanding; rather would he raise it to a higher level.

How many delicate witnesses are there to the truest style; its rhythmic beauty as in the poetic prose of Plato, Lamb, Ruskin, and Burke; its austerity, as in the case of Pascal, and of Newman's parochial sermons; its simplicity, which is the last achievement of art! But, after all, even when so much has been said, we cannot approach the problem of style by process of rule and plummet. Per-

haps we do not know *how* the grand style arises, but this we do know, that it *will* arise when one of the gifted among the sons of men sets himself "to keep language in touch with reality; to lade it with action and passion; to utter it hot from the heart of determination."

J.H.S.

"Evening."

The blue gums are whispering, the shadows are clustering,
The north wind is sighing itself into sleep.
The brown leaves are falling, the young birds are calling,
Far away comes the answer, sweet echoes respond.

The dim light is fainting, the sun is departing,
The long boughs are wooing the nestlings to sleep.
The tall pines are standing, like dim sentinels waiting,
To greet, cold and distant, night's beautiful star.

The gloom has descended, the cattle have wended
With deep-throated lowing their way to the home.
The swift bats are flying, the curlew is crying;
Night's shadows have fallen, bright day is no more.

With sleepy life listening, sweet night is soft singing,
Her song of pure gladness to the silver-shot sky.
In the west, soft and billowy, full of magic and mystery,
Purpling clouds mark the gentle death of a day.

L.J.

In Pensive Mood.

Once more Spring, bright and happy, has arrived. As I rode through the bush this morning on "Old Nell," I felt as though new blood was in my veins. I wanted to gallop and jump; the horse would not go quick enough for me. Even the bush itself seemed enshrouded in its shining spring garments, and was happy and gay. The trees were sparkling with pearly dewdrops, and the flashing sunlight was broken into a thousand hues by them.

The birds had learned new songs, and were singing to their hearts' content. Just as I passed the ridge out darted two or three rabbits, who had been enjoying the new, sweet verdant grass, and I no sooner descended into the gully when a hare caught the sound of my horse's hoofs, and off he went, stopped, looked round, and was off again at breakneck speed. Indeed all was happy and filled with life and beauty here!

By this time I had reached the shiny green-banked stream, and a big gum afforded me an ideal spot to enjoy my midday meal, and —to meditate.

High up in the blue vault of heaven, through the leaves of the gum, I saw the blazing sun with his streams of goldenish-silvery light, waving out in all directions. What had led me to look up there? To see how far advanced the day was. But as I still looked up, a new, terrible yet beautiful thought flashed upon my brain.

What a story this light bringer, enthroned above, could tell of many scenes he had thrown his searching rays upon! As this thought flashed into my mind two of those scenes at once seemed to stand out above the rest; a striking contrast rose before me, that of war and peace, apparently co-existing. That same sun which was streaming down on this scene of joy, happiness and peace, about me, had but a few hours ago, been shining on the shell-furrowed, desolated, devastated fields of Europe, and drawing to its bosom, the life blood of the heroes of many lands. May that blood descend again as a shower of peace, lasting peace, was my soul's sincere desire.

Ah! what irony was here! Surely He, who was above, had some great end in view! Here were the birds, the animals, the flowers and even the trees sporting and happy, free of all cares and sorrows, and there was man, the highest of all creation, striking down man in grim and bloody battle. But still that sun was looking down on me, and there came to me another thought. What led that youth of some twenty summers, to say good-bye, perhaps a last good-bye, to these scenes of peace about me, and go to a far land to pour out his life's blood? What was it that had led him to give up home, and loved ones' to face the roaring guns, the death bringing shells, the glistening bayonets, and last but not least to face, at a moment's notice, even death itself? It was patriotism! Yes, but not that boasting, vaunting patriotism which talks in loud-sounding words, and seeks the passing glory of the hour, but a patriotism of action and deeds, which finds its home in the very soul, and vibrates in every chord of our being. And if he should fall in his country's service, what will mark his grave in lonely foreign lands? A rude wooden cross at most. Is this then the reward of self-sacrifice, and service, unto death? No; he only sought to do his duty, but his name will be written in letters of purest gold on the scroll of his Empire's glory, and that glory will be his in his death.

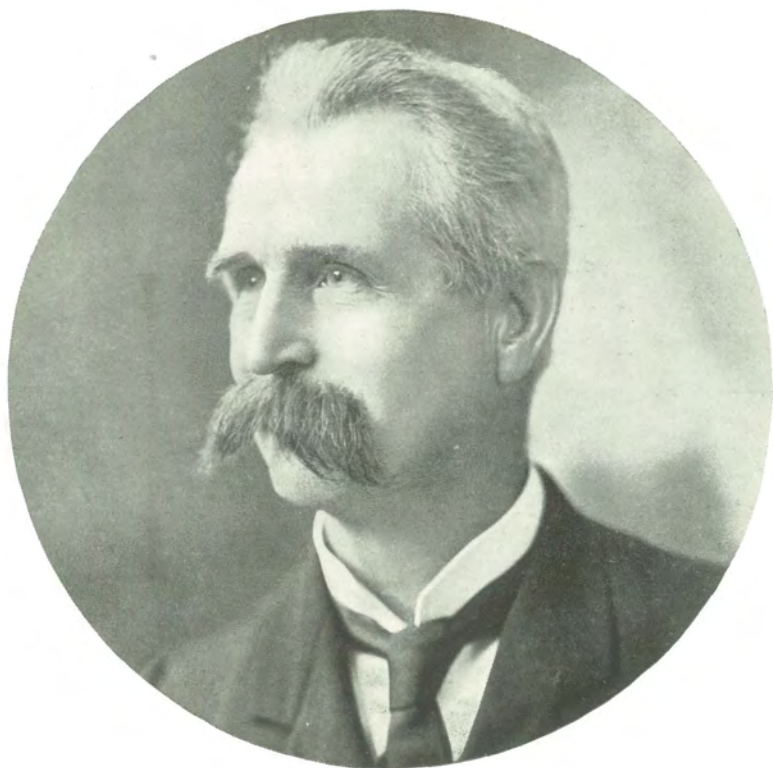
C.E.W.

The Money-Seekers.

Aurora wakes the land from slumber,
The poppy peeps to greet the dawn.
The dew is cast from opening petals,
A rustling comes with the breath of morn.

Chirping, sparkling,
Glistening with their emerald plumage,
Tinted grey in seasoned mother;
Bursting brown among the yearlings,—
Singing as they wend their way,
Joyful tidings hail and gay.

Aurora, now, half done his journey,
Is gleaming 'mid the azure sky;
The blossoms love to bathe in sunshine,
The birds are resting, silent lie.



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That lurid fire has shed his glory,
 The clouds reflect the fading beams.
 The watcher thinks of heavenly beauties,
 Till sweeter tone disturbs his dreams.

Chanting, loving,
 Breathing music forth to evening,
 Flitting through the flowering flame-trees.
 Honey-seeking 'midst the verdure;—
 Careless, thoughtless beauties, cease
 Songs of joy, and rest in peace.

John Waterhouse, M.A.

AN APPRECIATION.

Palmarum qui meruit. What C. E. Weigall, C.M.G., late Headmaster of the Sydney Grammar School was to the Great Public Schools of this State, that was John Waterhouse, M.A., late Headmaster of the Sydney Boys' High School to the State Secondary Schools.

Pioneer in both Sydney and Maitland, his association with the higher education has been a State asset, whose value can never be estimated. Sufficient tribute to the lasting influence of his 44 years' service in the schools of N.S. Wales is the fact that sons of sons of pupils of his earlier years were placed at the Sydney High School in order to be under his care. In October, 1883, Mr. Waterhouse was appointed Headmaster of the Maitland High School, but the opening of that school was deferred, in order that he might take charge of the Sydney High School, pending the release of Mr. J. Coates from Newington College. Thus Mr. Waterhouse had the distinction and task of laying the foundation of State secondary education in the school of which subsequently he was the able head for so many years. How well and truly that foundation was laid during the initial three months, the Departmental records, and the testimony of the school staff, and of "the immortal 40" can furnish ample proof. In January, 1884, Mr. Waterhouse opened the Maitland High School, but his work between 1884 and July, 1896, cannot be touched on here.

The writer well remembers the position at the S.H.S. in June, 1896. Eyes were anxiously turned on the probable candidates for the pending vacancy in the Headmastership. The school was passing through a period of decline, and apparently had reached the lowest point consistent with usefulness. The enrolment had fallen to a few over 100, while the attendance at times fell below the century. Where was the man to restore the School's prestige and fulfil the early promises of greatness? The answer came in the

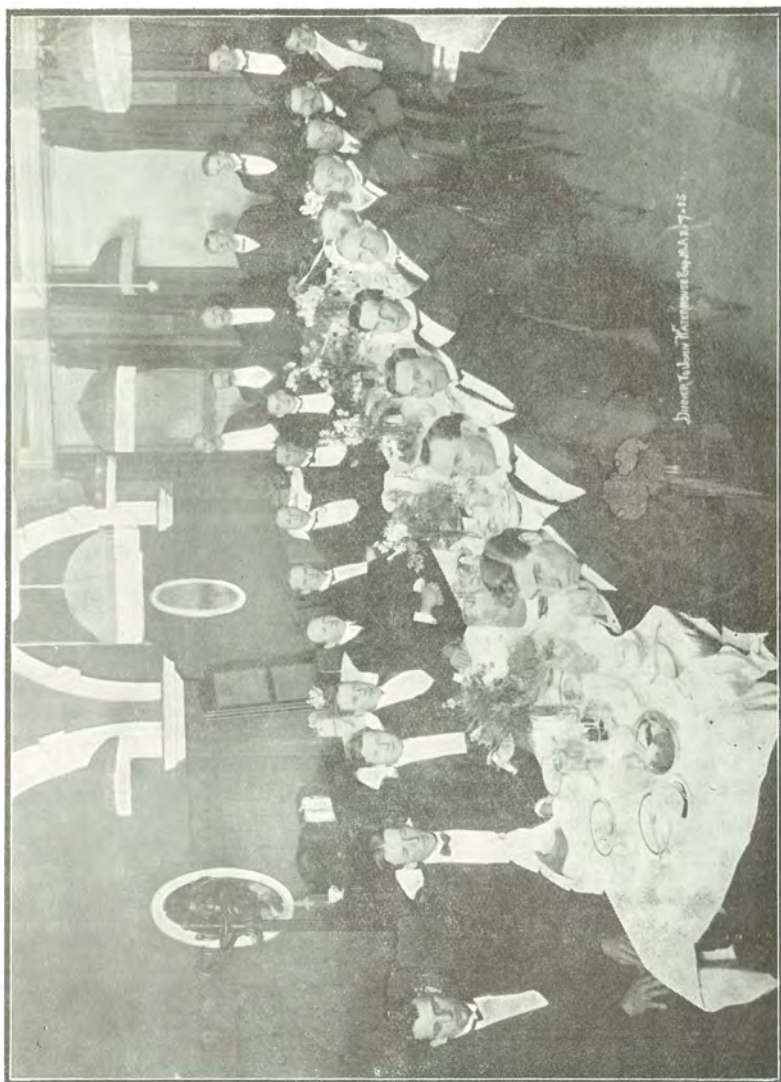
appointment of Mr. Waterhouse, and from July, 1896, to June, 1915, he presided over the destinies of the S.H.S. with satisfaction to the Department, with marked advantage to the School, and with honour to himself. From the inception of his Headmastership, the history of the school has been a history of steady progress. His great organizing ability, his untiring energy, his stimulating example, his high academic qualifications, and his lofty ideals of service immediately initiated an upward movement in every department of the School's activities.

His first objective was the boy examinations, whether Departmental or University were incidental. Naturally he rejoiced with the School when individual pupils brought it honour at the public examinations, but all pupils were his care; he was interested in them individually, and was ever ready with assistance or advice when approached. Character was ever of more moment than knowledge per se. The writer cannot say how many thousands of boys have passed through Mr. Waterhouse's hands during his career as a teacher, but he can safely assert that just that number will, without exception, bear testimony to his honesty of purpose, his rigid sense of justice, his kindly discipline, his devotion to duty, his ability as a teacher, and, above all, his individual interest in his boys. To these thousands of boys, men now, serving in many and varied callings, some in positions of greater usefulness and responsibility than others, but all we trust serving honourably, Mr. Waterhouse can well point and say "*Exegi monumentum aere perennius.*"

As a servant of the State there was none more faithful; his service was the more productive by the fact of his orderliness and thoroughness. No detail of duty was too small to warrant its neglect, and his plans for the carrying out of his many-sided duties were so complete that each day and hour had its allotted task.

His grasp of the educational problems of the day made his Headmastership of the Sydney High School a distinct advantage to that institution, and a valuable asset to the State during recent years when such activity has been displayed in re-modelling the curricula of Secondary Schools. He was cautious without being conservative, progressive without being adventurous, sound in judgment and able to take a comprehensive view of a whole situation where enthusiasts were liable to be dominated by a sectional view. His retirement at the present juncture is a distinct loss, when many questions of moment affecting Secondary Education are still in the melting-pot.

All present and past pupils unite in bidding him a regretful farewell. They feel sure that he will still be busy, and so wish him, in his hobbies, the happy activity which he has so richly earned the right to enjoy.



James G. Thompson, President, 1912

30th Annual sports meeting.

The athletic carnival seems to be merging into a two days' sports meeting. The results of a hard afternoon's running on Monday, September 13th, were apparent on the following day, when the chief events were contested. In most cases the time of the heats were less than those of the finals, a very evident example, while few records were broken.

The wet weather of the week-end foreboded ill for our sports, but although Monday was rather dull, the sun shone brightly on Tuesday. Indeed, competitors found it rather warm, running, as they were, against such a strong wind. The latter probably accounts for present seniors' failures to break former records. In senior circles the 100 yards, against the wind, and hurdles, did not reach the standard; in the junior world, R. Back succeeded in reducing three of the School's junior records.

Our audience was not as large as usual, but we were pleased to note the number of Old Boys who had come to renew memories of the old School. The committee are to be thanked on their excellent method of conducting the carnival. The band, however did not appear, and we were forced to run without any musical accompaniment. The heats of the junior tug were deferred until Tuesday owing to the non-appearance of the rope on Monday.

Much interest was evinced in the Cup, and a large number of competitors succeeded in getting points. The results show the keenness of the struggle:—Manton, 16 points, 1; Burrows, 13 points, 2; Sherwood, 12 points, 3; Wilson and Hook, 8 points; Lawson, 7 points; Cross and Cunningham, 6 points; Forbes, 4 points; Kelly 2 points. We congratulate Manton on a well-earned victory.

The Junior Cup was much less competitive, R. Back being the easy winner. It was unfortunate that one of our best junior runners, F. B. King, fractured his arm while training.

Junior Cup:—R. Back, 28 points, 1; Ford, 16 points, 2; Tarrant, 6 points, 3; Bradhurst, Howell, and Willsher, 2 points.

Records Broken.

220yds (under 16): R. Back, 26 1-5 secs., from V. Paterson (1911).

Broad Jump: R. Back, 17ft. 10ins., from F. B. King (1914).

High Jump: R. Back, 4ft. 9ins., from G. Russell (1914).

The following are the results:—

100 yards Championship—First heat: Burrows 1, Kelly 2. Second heat: D. Wilson 1, Sherwood 2. Third heat: Manton 1, Hook 2. Final: Burrows 1, Hook 2, Sherwood 3. Time, 11 3-5 secs.

220 yards Championship—D. Wilson 1, Burrows 2, Sherwood 3. Time, 24 3-5 secs.

440 yards Championship—Hook 1, Manton 2, D. Wilson 3. Time, 57secs.

880 yards Championship—Manton 1, Lawson 2, Cunningham 3. Time, 2min. 18 1-5 secs.

One Mile Championship—Manton 1, Cunningham 2. Time 5min. 17secs.

High Jump—Sherwood 1, Forbes 2, Cross 3. Height, 4ft. 10in.

Broad Jump: Burrows 1, Cross 2, Lawson 3. Distance, 20ft. 1in.

Hurdles—First heat: Kelly 1, Cunningham 2. Second heat: Sherwood 1, Lawson 2. Third heat: Forbes 1, Connell 2. Final: Sherwood 1, Kelly 2, Lawson 3. Time, 21 2-5 secs.

100 yards Championship (under 16)—Back 1, Ford 2, Howell 3. Time, 12½secs.

220 yards Championship (under 16)—Back 1, Ford 2. Time 26 1-5 secs.

880 yards Championship (under 16)—Tarrant 1, Back 2. Time, 2min. 45secs.

High Jump (under 16)—Back 1, Ford 2, Willsher 3. Height, 4ft. 9ins.

Broad Jump (under 16)—Back 1, Ford 2, Bradhurst 3. Distance, 17ft. 10ins.

120 yards Handicap—Final: Main (9yds) 1, D. Wilson (1yd.) 2, Howell (13yds.) 3. Time, 13 3-5 secs.

220 yards Handicap—Final: Main (15yds) 1, Cook (17yds) 2, W. Wilson 3. Time, 24secs.

440 yards Handicap—Final: Forbes (30yds) 1, W. Wilson (30yds) 2, Cook (40yds) 3. Time, 56 2-5 secs.

880 yards Handicap—Webb (80yds) 1, Cook (50yds) 2, Bohman (45yds) 3.

One Mile Handicap—Webb (140yds) 1, Andrews (200yds) 2, Walker (120yds) 3. Time, 4min. 59 4-5 secs.

220 yards Handicap (under 16)—Howell (15yds) 1, Webb (12yds) 2, Back (scratch) 3. Time, 26 3-5 secs.

880 yards Handicap (under 16)—Webb (40yds) 1, Elwin (30yds) 2, Walker (30yds) 3.

100 yards Championship (under 14)—Murray 1, Crombie 2, Whiteman 3. Time, 13secs.

75 yards Handicap (under 14)—Guthrie (4yds) 1, Baxter (1yd) 2, McNamara (5yds) 3. Time, 10 1-5 secs.

220 yards Handicap (under 14)—McNamara (11yds) 1, Alexander (14yds) 2, Swanton (7yds) 3.

High Jump (under 14)—Alexander 1, Foley 2. Height, 4ft. 2in.

Mile Walk—O'Sullivan (140yds) 1, Elwin (180yds) 2, Mackey (90yds) 3. Time, 8min. 33secs.

Senior Tug-of-War—4 AC.

Junior Tug-of-War—2 BG.

Senior Flag Relay—4 BG (8yds) 1, 4 AC (27yds) 2, 3 BG (scratch) 3.

Junior Flag Relay—2 BG (scratch) 1, 2 AG (30yds) 2.

100 yards Old Boys' Handicap—King 1, Cookson 2, Jeffroy 3.
Time, 11 1-5 secs.

880 yards Old Boys' Handicap—Willan 1, King 2. Time,
2min. 10 4-5 secs.

Siamese Race—Porter and Main (scratch) 1, Murray and
Brunker 2.

Potato Race—Final: J. Taylor 1, Jones 2, Walker 3.

Novelty Race—Downward and Metcalfe 1, Sproule and
Stainer, 2.

Sack Race—1st Division: Garret (4yds) 1, Brunker (3yds) 2.
2nd Division: Cleary (4yds) 1, Willsher (2yds) 2.

Obstacle Race—A.: Jarret (15yds) 1, Bohman (scratch) 2.
B.: Annetts (5yds) 1.

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Private C. R. Maynard	Private H. D. Allen

CASUALTIES.

Killed in Action.

Capt. S. E. Townshend	Corp. R. A. Bastion Harvey
Lance-Sgt. O. A. Rainbow	Private G. L. Fleming
Private R. W. Webster	Corp. W. O. M'Roberts
Sergt. F. Wellisch	Lieut. W. J. Dannefaerd

Missing:

Private F. Skevington	Private J. W. Cizzio
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Wounded.

Capt. G. S. Cook (2nd occa.)	Lance-Corp. A. R. Wright
Lieut H. J. Salier	Private G. A. Miller
Private A. Adey (2nd occasion)	Private O. Wood
Signaller W. H. Hughes	Sergt. Macinnes
Private D. H. Souter	Private A. Stafford
Private J. Park	Lieut. J. T. Mackinnon
Private L. H. Hudson	Signaller F. Aitkin
Lance-Corp. G. B. Tidex	Private J. B. Ryan
Private C. Vyner	

Any additions or alterations will be thankfully received by the Headmaster or by Mr. Fairland. The names are arranged accordingly to the time of their reaching the Editor.

PRIVATE R. WYNNE WEBSTER.

Private R. Wynne Webster was the youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Webster, of the Paddington Branch of the Commercial Banking Company of Sydney. He attained his 21st year last month. The late Private Webster was an old High School boy. For the past five years he had been wheat farming with his brother, Lieutenant Dudley E. Webster, at Duri, in the Tamworth district. He went away with the Second Battalion, under the late Colonel Braund. His brother, Lieutenant Webster, left with the first reinforcements of the 19th Battalion.

CORPORAL REUBEN A. HARVEY.

Corporal Reuben A. Harvey was the only son of Mr. and Mrs. P. Harvey, and step-son of Mr. H. Bastin, Standard Yards, Sefton Park, late of Baker Street, Enfield. He was 23 years of age, and unmarried. He was well known throughout Ashfield, Burwood, and Enfield, where he was a prominent member of the Methodist Church and Christian Endeavor Society. He was also for many years a member of the Rechabite Lodge. He was educated at Burwood Superior Public School, where he gained a scholarship for the Boys' High School, Sydney. At the time of enlisting he was in the employ of Messrs. Highway and Higgs, estate agents, Burwood.

SERGEANT F. WELLISCH.

Sergeant Frederick Wellisch was the third son of Mr. A. Wellisch, of the Department of Public Works. Born in Sydney in 1884, he was educated at the Sydney Boys' High School, which he entered by gaining a scholarship. At the outbreak of the war he at once joined the First Expeditionary Force. Prior to this he was for 15 years in the accountants' branch of the A.M.P. Society, and was a member of that society's rifle corps. He took keen interest in rowing, and was an active member of the Sydney Rowing Club. He was also a fellow of the Royal Institute of Actuaries, London. The deceased was unmarried.

CORPORAL W. O. M'ROBERTS.

Corporal W. O. M'Roberts was born at Parramatta 26 years ago. He was educated at the Boys' High School, Sydney, and became a school teacher. Corpl. M'Roberts did not serve in this capacity for long, soon turning his attention to accountancy, in which he was engaged till enlisting. Before leaving New South Wales he wrote an essay on the state of Europe, which he had printed and circulated among the troops in Egypt.

LIEUTENANT Wm. J. DANNEFAERD.

Lieut. Wm. J. Dannefaerd, 25, killed in action at Gallipoli, between August 6th and 8th, was the elder son of Mr. and Mrs. F. T. Dannefaerd, of Rockdale. Prior to enlisting he was teaching at the Boggabri Public School. He also held a commission in the

St. George English Rifles, now the 31st Infantry. He was wounded in the historic landing, went to Egypt to recover, and returned to the front in the first week of July.

SIGNALLER FRANK AITKIN.

Signaller Frank Aitkin, whose death from wounds has been announced to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Aitkin, of Havelah, Watson-street, Bondi, was well-known in football and swimming circles, and was a prominent member of the Bondi Surf Club. He was educated at the Sydney Boys' High School, and at the time of enlisting was employed by Messrs. Wright, Heaton, Ltd.

PRIVATE J. B. RYAN (KILLED).

Private J. B. Ryan was a former pupil of the S.H.S., entering the school in 1912 as a Probationary Student. At the first Intermediate Certificate Examination held at the end of the same year, he was successful in gaining a scholarship to the Training College. After completing his course of training he took up duties at Petersham school. His cheerful and frank manner gained for him universal popularity among his comrades, both in school and on the football field.

A very interesting letter has come into our hands concerning a distinguished Old Boy. We print it in its entirety:—

We are always pleased to hear of the welfare of our "Old Boys," more particularly at this crisis of our history if they happen to be at the front. Dr. A. Lyle Buchanan regularly corresponds with his friends at Dulwich Hill, and from them we learn a few particulars concerning him. He was one of the earliest to enlist, and left with the first contingent to Egypt some ten or eleven months ago, being Captain in the 1st Artillery Brigade. He spent three or four months in Egypt, and was then drafted to Lemnos a few weeks prior to the first landing of the Australians at Gaba Tepe.

On the historical 25th of April, at 5 a.m., he landed with the rest of the brigade, the 3rd—to which he had been transferred—and has been at work on the peninsula up to the time of writing. We quote his words concerning the work of the 3rd Ambulance:—

"We (the whole 3rd Ambulance), landed 5 a.m. Sunday, 25th April, under shrapnel and machine-gun fire, losing several in killed and wounded. By midday we had wounded on the beach when the Turks came round the corner suddenly. A boat was sent ashore to our assistance, into which we hurriedly carried all the wounded, and lost no men.

"The prodigies performed by the Division, which first landed on that great Sunday (25th April) are amazing, and their glory cannot be surpassed, for every officer and every man fought all out, and only the better for increased losses or opposition, and no more can be said of men. I've spoken to Tommies since who have been through 'Mons,' and they've never seen the equal of this."

We add one more quotation on the sinking of the "Triumph":—

"We had front seats for the sinking of the 'Triumph,' we could almost see the expression on the men's faces as they waited in their long line to get off. Everything was quiet, calm, and orderly, and one gun spat up into the air as the last man left, just to show what they thought of them."

—A. L. BUCHANAN.

We notice, with regret, that the illness of Lieut. N. E. Biden, 1st Field Company Engineers, has forced him to return to Malta to recuperate. During his school life Lieut. Biden distinguished himself in the Junior and Senior, and was a prominent member of many of the clubs. In 1911 he toured the world with the Coronation Cadets, and later entered the Military College, Duntroon. Here he distinguished himself, especially in mathematics, and in 1913 came to Sydney as a College football representative.

J. R. Nield, one of the most distinguished scholars and sports that has passed through the Sydney High, has been appointed Resident Professor in Classics at St. Andrew's College. Our congratulations.

It is the intention of the Council to undertake to raise a testimonial to Mr. Waterhouse, late Headmaster, and all members and Old Boys are asked to contribute to the fund, and to send same to the Hon. Secretaries or Hon. Treasurer. The idea in mind is to provide for an Annual Prize to be given under conditions to be decided upon.

Form Notes.

IV B.G.—Ere our next notes go to press our class will have been somewhat disbanded, by the fast approaching Leaving Certificate examination, into whose depths a few of us will very likely sink.

"With bubbling groan,

Without a grave, unknelled, uncoffined, and unknown."
while a few others will doubtlessly

"groan

With pangs unfelt before, unpitied and alone."

On this account we have decided to bid farewell to the dear old school, which has been moulding us during the last four years for our life's work.

First and foremost we beg to express our gratitude to the Masters, not only for their instructions in the various subjects, but especially for those gentlemanly qualities which they have all along endeavoured to instil into us.

Next, we wish to express our regrets that our efforts for the welfare of the School have not been as spirited as those who have gone before us, and we earnestly beseech those, who will be succeeding us, not to aim at doing as well as us but to exert all their

energy for the sake of the School. If this entreaty is observed by the individual student, it is he who will realize the practical advantages of such a course when the honour lists are published.

The reader may here say "Pro di immortales!" What a pessimistic crew, and begin to wonder whether regret is to be the principle feature of our future recollections of the present. Well, this will not be so. Far from it, they will be most pleasant recollections, lasting throughout life, which is sweetened not so much by studious capabilities as by the gentlemanly conduct which we have all learnt to acquire at the School.

IV. A.G.—The year of 1915 is fast drawing to a close, and those fateful November examinations are looming forbiddingly on our horizon. Looking back over the past year, we mentally see many things for which we are sorry; others, unfortunately in the minority, that cause us to be glad. There is not one of us who, if he had the year to go over again, would not be able to avoid so many stumbling stones. But we have all tried, and if we fail, then we shall fail not ingloriously. We are soon to run our race, and if we are not successful, it will not be a result of bad conditions. We take this opportunity of cordially wishing the remaining 4th year and 2nd year classes the best success in the forthcoming examinations.

Since the last publication of the Record, our class has given two of its number to help swell the ranks of those Australians who are fighting for the cause of Right and Justice. Corporal Ian Muir and Private Stan. Robertson are greatly missed by their comrades in room 4, but we hope that they will be safe and sound to welcome many of us in Gallipoli after the examination. Ian Muir sailed by the transport "Runic" about three weeks ago, so he has almost reached Egypt by now. Stan Robertson is still at Liverpool Camp, but will be sailing very shortly.

The great event of the year, the Annual School Sports, is at hand, and, as is naturally to be expected, our class is well in the battle front. How could it be otherwise, when we have three members of the Committee, including the Secretary and Treasurer, and the prospective Cup winner, besides other athletes of lesser note, but yet sterling qualities? Unfortunately, our class will suffer from the fact that Les. Claremont, one of our "star" sprinters, is disabled with an injured foot. Nevertheless we are quite sanguine as to the position which our class will attain when the final results go up.

IV. A.C.—Once again the model class presents itself after having finally decided to be numbered amongst the devotees of the god "FAG" (for a while) in order to prepare for the momentous awe-inspiring effort producing leaving certificate. (Of course we expect many honours to fall to our genius).

Another monster which is looming in the future in the form of an anonym of the one heretofore mentioned which also makes its annual appearance in the guise of a trial of our athletic ability.

We have great pride in asserting that we will uphold our time-honoured reputation, but in order not to appear selfish we wish our opponents good luck (a vain wish).

Per usual our indomitable abilities make themselves supreme in the football, tennis, and rifle clubs to which we send the leading lights. We are sorry to say that our giant has been temporarily put out of action through having injured his collar-bone on active service (on the football field). Our once multitudinous and bellicose community has now dwindled to a select company of one dozen, who, despite the falling off of their numbers, maintain their reputation, which has always been unrivalled. Among the last to leave the society of the select, we have to mention with deep regret the loss of L. N. Jackson, to whom we extend our deepest sympathy in his unfortunate accident, and we rue the loss of R. E. W. Although presenting a united front to the common foe, we have a faction in our midst who oppose the gross indulgence in jokes. In school work, too, we are by no means last. (*Extremos pudeat rediisse.*) We have been wading into the depths of Carlyle, whose deep reflective philosophy calls forth the attention of our mighty intellects. Shakespeare, too, is a fertile source of originality of thought and diction, and his "calm creative perspicacity in the world of character," extends to us a vast field of research.

Haut boys and torches. Flourish. Exit IV. A.C.

III. C.G.—Well! This is a strenuous world. Since the last number III. C.G. has undergone a subtle change. The "Amen" corner is always filled with mutterings of "100 in 10 $\frac{3}{5}$," "I ran 2 miles last night"; "They'll just pull you down for that." This combined with the healthy appearance and high spirits of the class, and our earnest study of history, testify to vigorous training for the coming sports. The Wednesday half-holiday shows an ever increasing desire on the part of some of our fellows to ostensibly train at Wentworth Park. But there is a lamentable lack of discrimination between a picture show and the park.

"To be or not to be," is the question that naturally arises to our minds as we dart past B——'s lengthy figure blocking our way out the front door. As one of our poetical geniuses has said:—

"Furtively, I dart toward thee,

At each step a glance behind,

Something in your shadow stretches.

I gaze—and gazing, change my mind."

The School has lately suffered a great loss. Our late Headmaster, Mr. Waterhouse, has seen fit to retire. Still we are beginning to reconcile ourselves, and under the new head, we are fast unravelling the mysteries of Latin and some of Euclid's puzzles.

III. B.G.—Since our last burst into print, we have been strenuously engaged in living up to our cherished motto: "Loaf, and the class loafs with you; fag, and you fag alone.

Alas, the year is passing rapidly, and all too soon the grim responsibilities of Fourth year will damp our bright spirits. Therefore, O Brethren of Third year, enjoy yourselves while ye may.

We are quite confident that III. B.G. will be well represented at the School Sports, both in athletic events and in other diversions not on the programme.

Our spidery friend has not been hiding his light under a bushel lately, to say the very least of it. His profound wisdom sheds a gentle radiance about the room at all times, but on special occasions the intensity of his illumination increases alarmingly. Such was the case when he informed us that "a Mandarin is a kind of wild animal that lives in South America." Hard on the Chinese Aristocracy—what!!

The study of Shylock's character furnished material for a heated debate, during which several speakers proved that "e'en though vanquished they could argue still." The genius that opened his speech with the cryptic remark that "Shylock was like a goodly apple rotten at the core," was greeted with unanimous applause.

The class wishes to express its sincere thanks to the unknown vocalists who, a while ago, furnished them with a wholly unnecessary half-hour's detention. Likewise we beg to express the opinion that since we all had to suffer for the crime, we ought to have been given an opportunity to join in the chorus. Now, in England, if nine guilty men and one innocent get mixed, the whole ten are spared. Unfortunately, we don't live in England, the uninitiated will be surprised to hear that twelve has displaced seven as the mystic number of III. B.G.

Lately having had occasion to examine the character of one, Sir Roger de Coverly, it may be due to our mental attitude, but we fail to see anything ideal in that gentleman. To our, perhaps, distorted vision, he appears simple beyond belief, surprisingly ignorant of the comparative importance of historical personages, and extraordinary in his behaviour to a degree, which would nowadays classify him as eccentric, if rich, and balmy if poor.

The class unanimously decided the other morning that wealth was the chief aim in life. We mention this since it is the first known occasion of our being united in anything. "Money, however, might not bring happiness," said one sage, "but I'll take the risk."

"What do we fag for?" questioned another, "if we are not after coin?"

Then the bell went!

III A.G. and III A.C.—We have passed through that stage of innocent imbecility which characterises First Year; we have experienced the agonised apprehension that precedes the Intermediate; we can observe the lamentable condition of the present Fourth Year, which resembles most an advanced degree of both imbecility and apprehension; and we conclude that it is very good indeed to be in Third Year; and as III A.G. was, and is, the first class of its year, so there is only one conclusion as to our position in the School.

In company with III A.C. we have passed a rather uneventful term in all senses. No one has died from overwork, although the ardour of H—y, H—l and C— for German, has necessitated temporary ejections to cool in the refreshing breeze which proceeds from the direction of the office.

The Athletic Sports are doing well out of III A. this year, except for a recent and unfortunate accident. Percy's got the mile walk up his sleeve, and sweats down at Wentworth for the purpose of further insuring its issue. We won't speak of the Relay for fear of endangering the handicaps, nor of the Tug for fear of hurting anybody's feelings.

The accident referred to above was truly a blow both to the class and the School. On Friday, 3rd, F. B. King, of old III A.C. broke his right arm at practice. In this way the most promising Junior Cup man, and our best Junior scorer in the G.P.S. and High Schools' sports, was lost to us. We are sure that King has the sympathy of the School for meeting such downright hard luck.

We are as sure that the other Third Year classes ought to admire our public spiritedness as we are sure they don't. Watch our committeemen sweating at Handicaps, willingly sacrificing their valuable time. Watch our prefect, sternly rebuking the cowering delinquents; watch our non coms, fondling their stripes and wagging their canes—all doing their best for the School and themselves in the most scientific way, i.e., no waste of energy. Valeté!

II B.G.—We have now settled down to hard work, more or less, especially some of the fags. A new master has been added to the Roll of Fame, as a teacher of II B.G. Later, some of our members became conveniently incapacitated by various diseases, and thus succeeded in escaping the tests of the various masters. We have been "up to our ears" in homework, and how can any chap fag when he hasn't the time. Much to their regret some will be prevented from competing in the dreaded Intermediate.

We now take the opportunity of wishing our fellow Second Year classes "Good Luck" in the approaching examination, although they have, of course, not a possible chance of beating II B.G.

We hold our own in sport, being well represented in the various School activities, and have already proved that in athletics our class holds an invincible record.

II B.G. has representatives in all the Junior events of the Great Public Schools' Sports, and has in Ford a promising Junior Cup competitor, to whom we wish all success.

II A.G.—"Time flies"—and if any of us could keep up with it, we'd be in for the School championship. However, we will soon be introduced to the Inter., and in spite of the pugilistic and dramatic tendencies of some of our members, coupled with unsuccessful efforts to get round "Pension," we are making ourselves presentable.

Very few seem to realise the necessity for fag, for numerous cartoons flood the class, only to become subjects of the litter question, at the hands of unappreciative youths.

The special II A.G. pronunciation, believed to have been introduced by Willsher and Co., has apparently won the approval of Mr. Cain, and has greatly aided us with our Caesar.

II A.G. felt the departure of our late respected and beloved headmaster very keenly, but time and the tender care of Mr. Cain have softened our grief, and we are looking forward to the coming Exam. with high hopes—of a fire in the school, or a few stray Zeppelin bombs.

The terrific pressure of six hours' home-work caused an Anti-Work Union, and the persuasive tongues of Beale and Davies procured an agreement with most of the masters of "no more home-work." The extra liberty this gives to Bradhurst and his satellites for training, should win all events in the School Sports for us, especially as we have Howard (density. 19.6 grams per c.c.) for the tug-of-war.

The class, on the whole, is divided into two willing bands, one quite willing to work, the other quite willing to let them, but Boag no longer lets "this straight line terminate at the other end."

II A.C.—The Intermediate again approaches, and we are struggling along the tedious paths of knowledge. But our hopes are sure to be blighted because four of our class at least are down with measles, and our "visitor" still continues to take "French leave."

Although only sixteen strong, we are well represented in sport, having representatives in the Soccer, Rugby, Rifle Club, and Lacrosse teams.

But to be more cheerful, we must say that soft whispers are circulating regularly through the class about the good time coming after the Inter. We do not know, as yet, whether any of us will be debarred from sitting for that examination, but we think that our teachers will be kind enough to allow us an attempt even if we do not succeed in even scraping through.

With these words we close, as the time devoted to writing form notes could be better spent in delving into the mysteries of history.

I C.G.—In our class room, in our studies, and even in the playground, a grim relentless shape is at times dogging our footsteps, and at times hovering over us. It is the shade and precursor of Exams.

It fills most of us with dread and fear but, thank goodness, there is something which helps us to be optimistic and cheerful in spite of the dull and stormy future. For the expectation of our Annual Sports is keeping our spirits up and provides something to distract our thoughts from Exams.

Most of us are preparing and training for the Sports, and we intend to preserve our reputation as the premier Junior Sporting Form, and carry off the Junior events. May good fortune attend our representatives.

This term Mr. Leaver was taken from us. He was one of our favourite teachers, having been with us since the beginning of the year. He was a friend to all, doing his utmost to assist us while under his supervision. We progressed rapidly; therefore we all wish Mr. Leaver back.

Our heartiest congrats to Walker and Moroney for coming first and second respectively in the Half-yearly Examination.

I B.G.—As we can't say that we are back after holidays or exams., or any other "orthodox" beginning, we had better say first that we're here.

We consider ourselves the head class of First Year, having won the Class Competitions for Soccer, and we intend also to come first in school work. We really must be a good class so far as attention, manners, and such like go, for one teacher feels for angels' wings while another gives detention.

The Sports of the class appreciate the change made by the teachers from detention to fatigue drill, as it gives them a good chance to train for the Sports. . .

On the subject of Sports—we have great athletes in our Form, one who can do 100 yards in, at most, 25 (or sometimes even 24 $\frac{3}{5}$) seconds, if in good form; and another who intends to win the Sack Race.

I A.G.—Here we are again, we jolly "sports" of I A.G.; once more we send our little contribution to the Record, believing, as we do, that in these troubled times, "the Pen is mightier than the Sword."

During the last few months we have been hard at the grindstone, as we realise that the game is not "worth the candle" if, at the beginning of next year, when the promotions come round, we are left in the lurch.

In French we are doing quite well, and we assure the other First Year classes, with whom we are in keen competition, that the brains of I A.G. are still as active as ever. Neither have we finished praising ourselves yet. We're "it" at Chemistry, having defeated in this field II A.G., and I B.G. into the bargain.

Someone, noticing the fine art specimens on the various I A.G. lockers in the Manual Training Room, must have imagined himself at the front, and acted accordingly, for one of the aforesaid lockers is pierced by a bullet through the heart.

This Class boasts a very good Soccer team which would have won the comp., only——

We regret to say that we have recently lost our Maths' Master, Mr. Leaver. Under his tuition we have progressed very well, and can assure him that we are by no means flattering him when we say that he was—well, a real "top notcher."

Having no more to say, we will therefore leave it unsaid, and bid farewell to the School till next issue.

I A.C. is still alive and still top among First Year classes. Owing to one of our anxious masters we are never free from that really beloved subject French.

Since our last Notes we have lost a considerable number of our friends. The loss of our noted Shorthand writer Channon has caused a considerable lull in that lesson.

Under the captaincy of Whiteman, a most able leader, the Soccer team maintained the reputation of the class by winning a prominent place in the Class Competition.

Still speaking of football, S—ll has scored no less than 29 points for Fourth Grade.

Lately the members of the Class have been very interested in "Rifle Lectures," and in consequence more of us are taking to the sport to prepare for a future invasion. Besides shooting, athletics claims a large number who have hopes of the Junior Cup. Their time is devoted to training, and their excellence at certain events should encourage other Classes to follow their example.

We are (as always) looking forward to the next holidays, and working well in order that we may break up on friendly terms with our masters and ourselves.

Rugby Football.

During the second half of the season, football seemed to slacken off a little. Bad luck seemed to follow the 1st XV. everywhere. To begin with, we lost two members—Muir and Robertson—of our 1st team, who have gone to the front to play a nobler game. We wish them a safe return. Again we always managed to have two or three on the sick list, but yet, despite this, we had many hard fought battles.

1st XV.

9th June—Versus Fort Street. Lost 9—5.

This was a very even game, our opponents scoring two tries right on time. The weather was unfavourable to the School, it being wet again, and so the play was confined to the forwards. Muir (his last match with us) and Lawson played with their usual vigour. Taylor shone out in the ruck.

Kearney scored for the School and Claremont converted. The backs never had a chance, it being practically impossible to handle the ball.

16th June—Versus Tech. High. Won 16—3.

The details of this match were lost.

7th July—

We were supposed to have played the Wool-Classers on this date, but they didn't turn up. Some of the men of "the hill" were asked to have a game, and a team was soon formed. The game was very short, but it was very fast and stirring. The game ended in a draw.

July 14th.—Lost to Fort Street, 23-6.

This was a much evener game than the scores tell. As usual, the game was played in the rain, and so the play was confined to the forwards. Our opponents, man for man, were much heavier, and the forwards were sorely tried. Cross, Lawson and Taylor played well in the forwards, and Burrows played a rattling game at five-eighth.

The scores at half-time were 8-6 in favour of Fort Street. Just after resumption of play, Forbes had to leave the ground, thus leaving the backs short. Our opponents played well, their three-quarter line being brilliant in latter half of the game.

Hook scored the only try, and Burrows landed a fine penalty goal.

July 21st.—Won on a forfeit from Technical High.

August 4th.—Versus Old Boys.

This was a keen and exciting game from start to finish, the first half being particularly brilliant. The forwards and backs in this half worked with great cohesion.

The Old Boys started off with great dash, scoring two unconverted tries in quick succession. The School replied gamely, and gradually worked the Old Boys back. By a little trick, Burrows kicked to Wilson, who streaked down the line and scored in the corner. Taylor converted with a beautiful kick. The Old Boys slowed after this, and the School had the better of matters. But we failed to score, being pulled up time after time when right on the line. At half-time the scores were 6-5 in favour of the Old Boys.

The second half lacked the dash of the preceding one, yet the game was still contested very strongly. The Old Boys scored again, making the total 9-5. The School now put in some good work, Sherwood showing out. Claremont scored, and Taylor again converted with a well-judged kick. The Old Boys came on again in a rush, and Franks, from a scrum near the line, picked up and forced his way over. The School made continued efforts to score again, and should have done so, but were pulled up on the line repeatedly. Full time sounded with the scores still the same, 12-10 in favour of the Old Boys, and thus ended perhaps the most exciting and most brilliant match of the season.

For the School, Burrows and Wilson in the backs, and Sherwood, Mr. Wilson, Lawson and Taylor played well. Lachmund, at full back, was safe, and saved often.

For the Old Boys, McLoskey, at full-back, played brilliantly, and was the mainstay of his team. Franks was the best of the forwards. Tries were scored by Franks (2), Cookson and King.

August 18th.—Lost to C.G.E.S. II., 8-6.

In this we were without the services of many of our best players. There were about seven second-graders playing in it, yet for all that the game proved very even, our opponents scoring the winning try right on time. The game was played in the rain, so the play was confined to the forwards.

For the School, tries were scored by Forbes and King. In the forwards, Cross, Henry and Taylor were the best; and the backs, Forbes and Wilson, played well.

2nd XV.

Throughout the season our 2nd XV. has had very bad luck. What with accidents and promotions (for many of the 2nds went up into the 1st's on account of members of the latter volunteering for active service, etc.), we did particularly well to finish third in the comp. Whenever we were able to put a truly representative second grade team in, it was generally a very safe win for us.

MATCHES.

May 12th.—Versus Cleveland Street. Won, 17-nil. Being in good condition, and having a full team, we romped over our opponents. The whole team played well.

May 19th.—Versus North Sydney. Won, 12-9.

May 26th.—Versus Hurlstone. Lost, 17-6.

June 9th.—Versus Fort Street. Lost, 13-nil.

June 16th.—Versus Parramatta. Won, forfeit.

July 7th.—Versus Technical High School. Lost, 13-8.

This was a very exciting game, but owing to lack of condition our side went under. For the School, King and Jones scored. White converted the latter's try. Jones played a rattling forward game, while W. Wilson was the pick of the backs, his tackling at times being particularly deadly. In attack he was excellent.

July 14th.—Versus Cleveland Street. Lost 11-6.

W. Wilson and King scored. Both, as usual, played very well. Throughout the season King performed very creditably indeed.

July 21st.—Versus Hurlstone. Won, 12-nil.

This match was won by our backs, who combined very well. Lachmund, who kicked a beautiful field goal, played excellently throughout. Time after time he stopped the dribbling rushes of the heavy Hurlstone forwards. Ford and Wilson were the try-getters, whilst Taylor converted one goal.

July 28th.—Versus Fort Street. Lost, 11-3.

Sheer bad luck marred our efforts in this match. In the early stages of the game two of our best players, Manton and Glasse, retired hurt. Although we were in our opponents' 25 all through the first half, we could only score 3 points, the result of King snapping up after a scramble near the line, and diving over. Fort Street were compelled to force about a dozen times. Our men were too eager, and in some cases lacked finish. Of a good set of forwards, Henry was probably the pick. Nette, our "lock" man, although he does not shine in the open, is "always there" in the ruck-work, and can always be relied upon for a good, solid game. Lachmund was again the pick of the backs. In attack and defence (the latter particularly) he was very good indeed.

August 4th.—Versus North Sydney. Won, forfeit.

Played 10. Won 5. Lost 5.

3rd XV.

S.H.S. v. Hurlstone, lost, 9 to 6.

S.H.S. v. Petersham, lost, 11 to 10.

S.H.S. v. Fort Street, lost, 25 to 3.

S.H.S. v. Hurlstone, won, 17 to 11.

S.H.S. v. Petersham, lost, 13 to 8.

S.H.S. v. Fort Street, lost, 23 to nil.

S.H.S. v. Hurlstone, won, 12 to 5.

S.H.S. v. Parramatta, won, 25 to 10.

Played 8, won 3, lost 5, forfeited 2, bye 1.

4th XV.

June 9—Lost to Fort Street, 3—0.

June 16—Defeated Parramatta, 50—0.

July 7—Lost to Technical High, 19—3.

July 14—Defeated Cleveland Street, 11—9.

July 21—Defeated North Sydney, 11—9.

July 28—Bye.

Aug. 4—Defeated Petersham, 52—0.

Aug. 11—Drew with Fort Street, 6—6.

Aug. 18—Defeated Parramatta, 9—8.

Aug. 25—Defeated Technical High, 13—8.

Soccer.

The close of the present season brings to an end the most successful year of the most popular sport in the school. The membership throughout the year has averaged approximately 100. Every Wednesday over 80 boys attended Moore Park, where competition and class matches were contested. The latter competition was

keenly contested, especially among the first year classes, which speaks well for the possibilities of the club in the near future. Considering the fact that the club lost the services of Mr. Mearns early in the season, Mr. Johns must be congratulated for the splendid results his energetic labours obtained.

FIRST GRADE.

Owing to Parramatta withdrawing from this competition, only two matches have been played.

S.H.S. v. T.H.S., lost, 1—3.

In this match the whole team played splendidly. The backs kept the Tech. attackers very busy, and also aided our halves. This branch of the team defended and attacked well, Parkes at left half being easily the best.

For the first time this season the forwards played in unison with the halves. But after taking the ball right up to Tech.'s goal were unable, excepting once, to score. Our only goal came from Bilbie.

S.H.S. v. Fort Street, draw, 1—1.

This match was played in drizzling rain, and neither side played well. The first half was scoreless, but soon after the second half commenced, E. Baxter, after a splendid run, scored for S.H.S. Soon after our opponents scored, and from then to the end of the game the ball reached neither goal.

SECOND GRADE.

In this competition several teams also dropped out, and consequently only four matches were played.

S.H.S. v. T.H.S., lost, 0—2.

S.H.S. v. Fort Street, lost, 2—1.

S.H.S. v. Parramatta, draw, 2—2.

S.H.S. v. Cleveland Street, draw, 0—0.

CLASS MATCHES.

Team.	Matches.			Goals.		Pts.
	Won.	Lost	Drawn.	for.	Against.	
1 BG	8	2	—	10	8	16
2 BG	5	1	4	9	5	14
1 AC	5	3	2	11	7	12
1 AG	3	2	5	3	7	11
1 CG	3	6	1	3	9	7

INTERDISTRICT MATCH.

An interdistrict match between High Schools and Metropolitan Schools was played late in July. Cooper at left-back, Simpson at right-half, and Howell at left-wing, represented the School. The Metropolitan Schools were completely outclassed, losing 1—4.

Rifle Club

The Rifle Club during the last three months has had a very successful term of activity. The attendance on the whole has been very satisfactory, and a fair number of new members has been enrolled. The unsettled weather has had a downward effect on the attendance, while the competitions have exerted an influence in the opposite direction.

This competition consists of a series of matches, and has been entered for by the following High Schools:—Fort Street, North Sydney, Technical, and Sydney Boys'. Two matches are to be held at each of the 200, 300 and 400 yards ranges, one at the bull's-eye target, and the other at a figure target, each team entered consisting of 10 men. Each man has seven shots and two sighters allotted to him for each match. After the matches have been concluded at 400 yards, a match will be held at 200 yards at the running man and the disappearing boot. The teams in the latter match will consist of five men aside. The winning team in this competition is to be that with the greatest aggregate. The Sydney High School Rifle Club has entered two teams for the above competition.

At the time of this report going to press, only five matches have been held, viz., those at 200 yards, 300 yards, and one at 400 yards. The Sydney High School "A" team have won both matches at 200 and 300 yards, but have lost that at 400 yards by 10 points. The "B" team has also come out of the struggle fairly successfully. The following are the results of individual matches for the Sydney High School teams:—

Matches	1	2	3	4	5
S.H.S. "A"	254	288	206	275	254
S.H.S. "B"	208	212	144	234	195

The Technical High School have only been present for four (4) matches, while North Sydney "A" and Fort Street "C" have been present for 3 and 2 matches respectively. The following are the results of the competition:—

	Pts.
S.H.S. "A"	1265
Fort Street H.S. "A"	1228
Fort Street H.S. "B"	1023
S.H.S. "B"	993
Tech. H.S. "A"	748
N.S.H.S. "A"	591
Tech. H.S. "B"	528
Fort Street H.S. "C"	307

It will be noticed that S.H.S. "B" require 30 points to be leaders of the "B" teams. The committee would like to see a large attendance at the range every Wednesday during the coming quarter.

As a number of our best shots are liable to leave at the end of the year, it is hoped that the recruits will soon be able to fill their places. We regret the loss of L. N. Jackson and R. E. Wood as members of the Rifle Club.

Baseball.

We have been very successful during the past season, despite the lack of a practice ground. We have played Hurlstone twice, defeating them on both occasions rather easily; Fort Street losing to them on two occasions. Technical High School we defeated at our only contest with them; while Cleveland Street were twice defeated. These results placed us second in the competition. The second team did not perform so creditably as the first grade, and secured third place. They defeated Cleveland Street, Technical High School, Petersham "B", and North Sydney twice, were once successful and once unsuccessful against Fort Street, and were defeated by Petersham on two occasions.

Tennis Club

Since the last issue of the "Record" the tennis club has continued the season in a flourishing condition. The game has its fair share of enthusiasts, many of whom are to be found each Wednesday on the courts; the more experienced members at Haberfield, the younger boys on the School court. The first grade team had to be withdrawn from the competition, on account of more important engagements on the part of some of its members. The second grade representatives, however, were eminently successful, going right through the season without sustaining a single defeat, and have, therefore, won their competition. The pairs from this team, Harrison and Wise, Clifton and Watt, are now playing in the championship for pairs from the second grade teams. The results of matches played since June are:—

S.H.S. v. Parramatta, 5—3.

S.H.S. v. Fort Street H.S., 6—2.

S.H.S. v. Cleveland Street "A," 8—0.

S.H.S. v. Technical High School "A," 6—0.

S.H.S. v. Cleveland Street "A," 6—2.

Military Notes

The new system of military training is now well under way in "E" company, thanks to the able supervision of Captains Cane and Parker.

We are sorry to lose Lieut. Mulholland, who is now with the base hospital at Lemnos Island.

Since the beginning of the new military year the older cadets have been formed into two platoons—Nos. 1 and 4, under Lieuts. M. Peryman and C. Brake, respectively, and they are now doing the more advanced work. The 1901 quota have been organised into Nos. 2 and 3 platoons, under 2nd Lieuts. E. Brake and R. Bradley, and are receiving instruction in recruit drill.

There was an examination held recently for promotion and first appointment of 2nd Lieutenants and non-commissioned officers. We are now able to publish the results:—

To be 2nd Lieuts.—Sergeant-Majors E. Brake and R. Bradley.

To be Company Sergeant-Major.—Coy. Q.M.S. S. Sproule.

To be Coy. Quarter-Master's Sergeant.—Sgt. Forbes.

To be Platoon Sergeants.—Corporals Henry, Cunningham, Morrison and Mackey.

To be Sergeants.—Corporals Cross, Flynn and Winston, Private Mitchell.

To be Corporals.—Lance-Corporals Paterson and Henderson; Privates Back, Bohman, Hart, Lauder, Russell, Speechley, Stuart, J. Taylor.

To be Orderly Corporal.—Private W. Byrne.

To be Lance-Corporals.—Privates Howell, W. Taylor, Boag, Bradhurst, Cardwell, Earle, Martin, Tonkin, Vale, Isaacs.

Sergeants Clifton, Cooper and Wilson have also been taken on the strength of the company.

The bugle band is now attaining a high degree of perfection under the able leadership of Sergeant-Bugler Manton. As the bugles held before June belonged to the area, and were recalled for the use of the Australian Imperial Expeditionary Force, a fund was started for the purchase of new ones, and several have already been bought.

The signallers lost a very good instructor in R. Carter, who was transferred from the Senior Cadets to the Militia in June, but Sergeant-Signaller Forsyth has ably taken his place, and the large squad under his command is fast becoming very efficient in the use of both the semaphore and Morse codes.

On July 31st the cadets of "E" company took part in the public schools demonstration at the Cricket Ground, in aid of the Australia Day Fund. Captain Cane acted as Adjutant, while 100 of our best cadets formed a guard of honour for the Governor, under Captain Parker and Lieuts. Peryman and C. Brake. This guard received a grand ovation, both on entering and leaving the grounds, owing to the excellence of its marching and drill.

The Literary and Debating Society.

"Reading maketh a full man; writing, an exact man; and conference a ready man." Though empires rise and fall, tyrants aspire to world power, the dynasties of nations tremble, and civilisation is endangered, yet the Literary and Debating Society remains a glorious attestation to the life, energy, and ability of the School's senior classes, and to the truth that conference indeed maketh a ready man. During the many meetings the debating powers of this society have been well exercised. Open, impromptu and ministerial debates have contributed interesting and long-sustained discussions, both educational and humorous, due appreciation of which was never lacking.

The organisation and control of the society was at the beginning of the term entrusted to a new staff of office-bearers. We were not, however, deprived of either the assistance or membership of the former staff, who, owing to the near approach of examinations, were unable to devote as much of their time as the position demands. The society, however, recognises their excellent services in the past.

The Manuscript Journal was read on the 9th August, being liberally supported by a varied assortment of contributions.

A literary discussion took place on the 12th August, a deep interest and keen debating being displayed.

The date for the Old Boys' debate has been fixed for the 16th September. On the last day of the term, 23rd inst., a mock election is to be held. Already we are assured of a record attendance, which is the main factor of success in a function of this kind.

Glee Club

We are now coming to the close of our most successful term since the beginning of this year. Not only have we a decided increase in our members, but also we have reached (thanks to our conductor, Mr. Steele) a high standard of singing. Our performances on Australia Day testify to this. Besides this combination, we have also much individual talent in our midst.

The total membership of the Club is now close on 50, and the average attendance was well over 30, so you may be sure we had some very enjoyable afternoons. We hope those boys who have left off attending practices on account of training for the sports will take up the Glee Club again. We invite all to become members, and, to conclude, we remind the boys of all years that all warblers roost in the main room at 12.40 p.m. on Wednesdays, and 3.30 p.m. on Fridays.

The Library

Since last issue the library has been put under new management, which now consists entirely of third year boys. We are pleased to state that this institution is still a prime favourite among first and second year lads, while some of the masters show a gratifying interest in our progress. But we think that more of the senior boys, third year especially, should avail themselves of the opportunity of good and varied reading more than they do at present. The catalogue has been revised, and we are sure all boys will find reading to suit their tastes.

As yet, the new committee has not purchased any new books, but in future regular additions will be made to the stock, and we would be glad if our readers would hand to the librarians the name of any book they would wish to see in the library.

Editorial Notices

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