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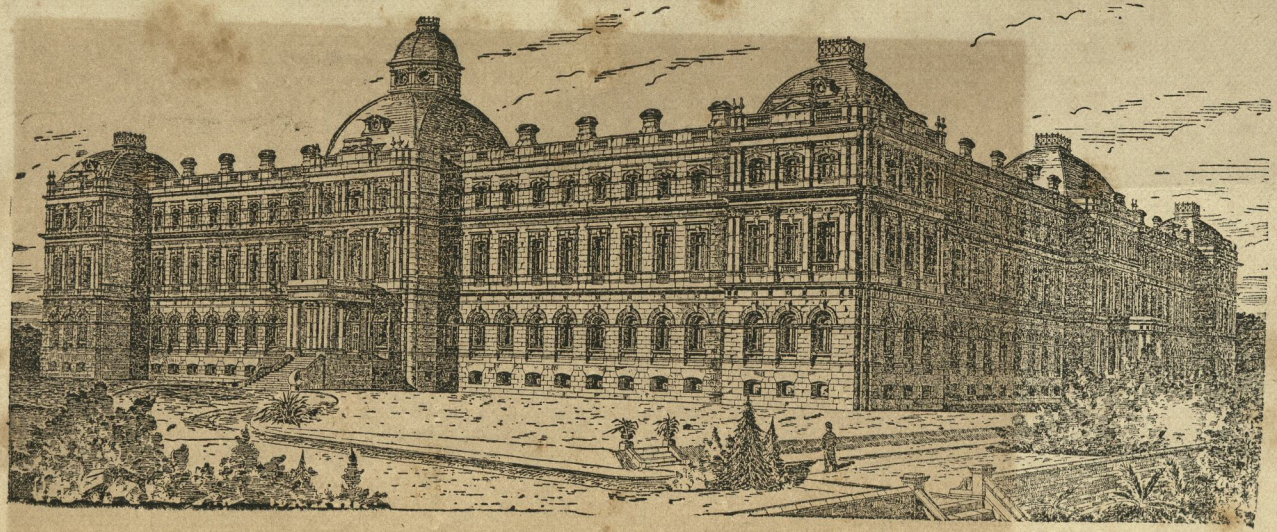
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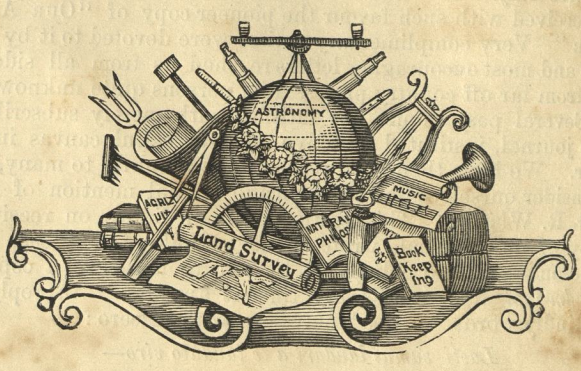
" Oft have we drain'd the font of ancient lore ;
Though drinking deeply, thirsting still the more,
Yet when confinement's lingering hour was done,
Our sports, our studies, and our souls were one ;
Together we impelled the flying ball,
Together waited in our tutor's hall ;
Together joined in cricket's manly toil,
Or shared the produce of the river's spoil ;
Or, plunging from the green declining shore,
Our pliant limbs the buoyant billows bore.
In every element unchanged, the same
All, all that brothers should be, but the name."—*Byron.*

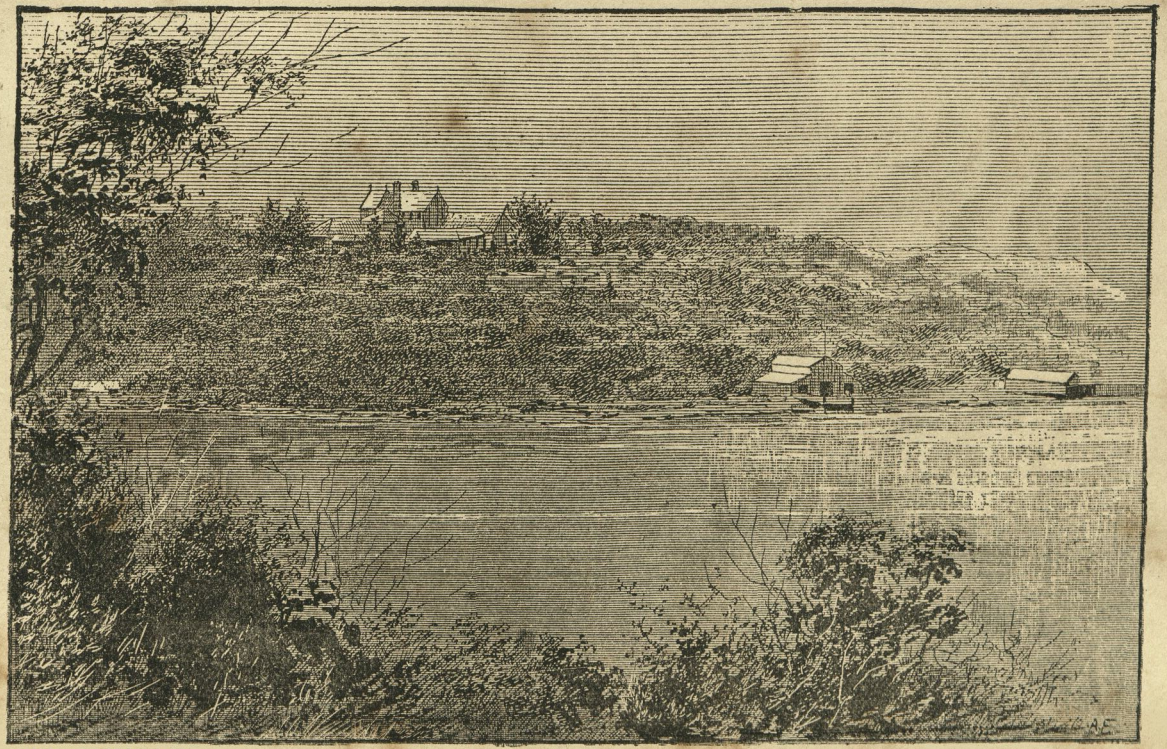
Our first duty is to return sincere thanks to the numerous friends who received with such favour the pioneer copy of "Our Alma Mater." Very complimentary notices were devoted to it by the press, and most encouraging letters reached us from all sides—some from far off country places, from persons quite unknown to us. Several past pupils not satisfied with merely subscribing to the journal, instituted an active and successful canvas in its favour. We have then good reason to be thankful to many, but we consider ourselves obliged to make special mention of one, Mr. G. R. Whiting. This gentleman, immediately on receiving a copy of our journal, wrote to us as follows: "Please find cheque enclosed, and oblige me by letting me have a copy of your *admirable* little work every time it appears." In reply to such kindly words we need only say with Cicero:

Laeti sumus laudari a te laudato viro—

"We are pleased to be praised by one whom all men praise," though we cannot but attribute his flattering words more to the well-known good nature of the writer than to any merits of our little work.

We stated last Christmas that we purposed opening our pages to original matter from our fellow students or others interested in our labours. We are happy to be able to fulfil our promise in this number. Some Latin and English verses, an English essay, extracts from letters, and in most cases the general notices heading our accounts of the various games, are the contributions of pupils. We desire to call the special attention of friendly readers to this fact, as we are quite certain they will agree with us in thinking the journal the more deserving of their approval and support on being thus made a means of fostering our literary tastes and ambitions. We, ourselves, attach so much importance to this feature of the work that as soon as funds permit, and we have hopes that this may be very soon, we propose each year, or each half-year to give special prizes for the best contributions to our Alma Mater.


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The following account of the College is from the *Town and Country Journal*, of December 25th, 1886. It is not alone explanatory of our pictures, but may also serve as a preface to the more detailed history of Riverview, which we purpose beginning in next issue :—

St. Ignatius' College is situated at Riverview, a beautiful spot on the Lane Cove River. The College, which is conducted by the Jesuit Fathers, was founded in 1880 by its present venerable rector, the Rev. J. Dalton, and was formally opened by Archbishop Vaughan on September 29th, of the same year. The College then consisted of a pretty little stone cottage (the villa residence of the former proprietor, Mr. Emanuel Josephson), and a substantial brick building, erected by Father Dalton, to give class and dormitory accommodation to about forty pupils. This number was so augmented before the first year closed that separate buildings for chapel, classrooms, study hall, junior pupils' dormitory, music rooms, and infirmary had to be erected. The number of students, this year, on the rolls, is 120.

The College property consists of 120 acres, with nearly two miles of water frontage ; and, with these natural advantages, it is only to be expected that all kinds of sports should be indulged in by the pupils. Naturally, sculling takes the premier position. In '82 the pupils first mooted the idea of establishing a rowing club ; and, with this object, Mr. P. J. Clark, captain of the Sydney Rowing Club, was consulted. That gentleman entered into the enthusiasm of the St. Ignatius' boys ; the result being that two boats were ordered— a skiff and a four-oared clinker gig. The rector started the boat fund with a handsome donation ; and Mr. S. H. Hyam, M.L.A. for Balmain, stood by the newly-formed St. Ignatius' College Rowing Club, both with donations and prizes. Many friends then came forward ; and the success of the club was so assured that numbers of gentlemen were invited to become honorary members—an invitation which was heartily responded to. Toward the end of '83, a large boat shed (one of the most attractive in the colony) was erected, and several new boats purchased. The boatshed, containing bath and dressing room, and caretaker's quarters, is a wooden building, 60ft. x 35ft., with a platform 40ft. long, to which is attached a movable stage for landing the boats. The fleet consists of an eight, four 4-oars, three pair-oars, two skiffs, and a wager boat. Two new pairs, and two fours are shortly to be ordered by the committee. The annual regatta of the College is one of the most enjoyable aquatic events of the year. The income of the club last year was £337 13s. 6d., and the expenditure £263 9s. 10d. ; and the plant is valued at £469. The members' roll includes almost all the senior pupils, and the honorary members number one hundred and twenty. The officers of the club are : President, Rev. Thomas Gartlan ; Captain, Thomas Cussen. There is a second boatshed connected with the College for the exclusive use of juniors ; four cedar skiffs being set apart for them.

The cricket ground is voted first-class by city clubs, and the hard-fought games between rival college teams can be witnessed from a very neat pavilion. Arrangements have been made, by which the boys can take part in almost all the games known to the British or the New South Wales youth

The rifle range, situated on a picturesque portion of the grounds, overlooking the river, ranks next in importance to the rowing club ; and some excellent scores have been made by the scholars, who are enrolled as the St. Ignatius' Rifle Club, under the command of Captain Thomas Gartlan. Swimming, in the fine baths, recently constructed by the College authorities, is another healthy amusement.

The College, at the beginning of last year, had advanced to such a stage, that the accommodation was found to be totally inadequate, and it was decided to erect a building which would be sufficient for many years to come. Cardinal Moran laid the foundation stone; and already considerable progress has been made with the new building, which forms the centrepiece in our illustrations of the College. The building, when completed, will afford every accommodation for four hundred pupils, teachers, &c.

PUBLIC EXAMINATION RECORD.

Matriculation.

Henry Fitzgerald John Curry

Senior.

Leopold Broinowski

Junior.

James Casey
Thomas D'Arcy
Daniel O'Neill
Michael Dalton
Henry Heating
William Tuohy

HONOUR LIST.

In our College Examinations, the following pupils most distinguished themselves, gaining first place in the various subjects mentioned after their names.

MATRICULATION CLASS.

Stephen Burke—French, Algebra, Euclid, Arithmetic, English, Conics and Modern Geometry.
C. J. Brennan—First in English Composition, Catechism, Latin, Greek.
J. Fitzsimons—General Excellence.

SENIORS.

G. Flannery—Aggregate, Christian Doctrine, English Narrative, Algebra, Euclid.
A. Shewcroft—English Lessons, French, Greek.
J. Quirke—Latin.
Wm. Lalor—History and Geography.

JUNIORS.

H. Keating—Aggregate, Christian Doctrine, Latin, French.
J. De Lisle—English Narrative, Algebra.
A. Thynne—English Lessons.
M. Dalton—Greek.
E. O'Sullivan—Physics, History and Physical Geography.
T. D'Arcy—Arithmetic and Geography.
L. Clifford—Euclid.

SECOND OF GRAMMAR.

A. McDonell—Aggregate, English Narrative, Physics, Euclid and History.
J. Gerity—Latin, Greek, French.
P. O'Donnell—Christian Doctrine.
J. Coen—English Lessons.
M. Dillane—Arithmetic. (M. Dillane was promoted two classes during the year.)
W. Rogers—Algebra.
A. Mason—Geography.

N.B.—J. Charlton, though promoted to this Class only in October, passed an excellent examination and got high praise from the Director of Studies.

THIRD OF GRAMMAR.

F. Page—Aggregate, Latin, French
F. Newton—English Narrative and History
J. Lawler—English Lessons.
E. Prendergast—Physics, Christian Doctrine.
C. Healy—Greek.
E. Astell—Euclid, Geography.
C. O'Rourke—Arithmetic.

RUDIMENTS.

D. Buch, Aggregate, Latin, Geography.
B. Fitzgerald—Christian Doctrine.
F. Du Boisé—English Narrative, English Lessons, French.
M. Craig—Arithmetic.
F. Dynon—History.

SPECIAL PRIZES.

S. Burke—Christian Doctrine, Irish History, Senior Mathematics.
G. Flannery—Catechism.
C. Brennan—Senior Classics, Prize Essay.
J. Fitzsimons—Junior Classics.
W. Lalor—Australian History.

THE AUSTRALIA OF THE FUTURE.

C. J. Brennan.

Not long ago, in reading one of the choral odes of Æschylus. I came to a passage where he speaks of

"'Earth's regions most remote'
Around Maeotis' lake,"*

and I could not help reflecting how much the world had grown since then. What was then called "Earth's regions most remote," is now almost the central point of three vast continents; Asia with its myriad people—Europe itself, then for the greater part unknown—and Africa, which even at present is not fully explored, was then absolutely a land of myth and fable, inhabited but by the blameless Ethiopians and Pygmean men, whom the Gods themselves could scarcely reach. But time went on, and men sailed even around Africa's southern point, and the nations of the earth grew still with admiration of the immensity of space opened up to them. Then came Columbus, like a messenger from God, and the mighty continents of America sprang into being. The world was now complete, or at least so men, and even enlightened men, imagined.

But even at the end of the sixteenth century there lay to the south of India, a vast silent ocean. No voice came up from the depths to tell of the great continent which lay fanned by Heaven's balmiest breezes, basking in unbroken sunshine. There was, however, one enthusiastic seaman who believed in the existence of still hidden and unknown lands in these distant and boundless regions of the sea. This was De Quiros, a Spaniard. He sought for ships, for many years, from the Court of Spain, and like Columbus, sought in vain. At last two wretched ships were given him from Peru; but even of these he was not the commander. He was placed second in command to Torres,

*Æsch, Prometheus, 425.

who, perhaps, on account of his noble birth, was made leader of the expedition. Sailing westward from Peru, after a long and tedious voyage, they touched on one of the New Hebrides, which De Quiros mistook for the continent, and named "Terra Australis del Espirito Santo." But, like Columbus, he never discovered the real continent, and while his name remains unknown that of Torres has been given to the Strait separating Australia from New Guinea. I need not enter into any historical details, with dates and data to show how from that time, one after another, explorers visited the country. The Dutch Tasman, the Englishmen Carpenter and Dampier, and the great Cook, are too well known to need any comment from me. In 1770, Botany Bay unfolded its beauties to the enraptured gaze of Captain Cook, and eighteen years after—an event which we celebrate next year—the "Early Settlers" of Australia entered the beautiful harbour of Port Jackson. Alas! that it should be so! but so it was; these "Early Settlers" were not voluntary exiles, but men, who, as one of themselves expressed it, "had left their country for their country's good." Australia had become a name of fear, a land of wailing and gnashing of teeth, and terrible are the records of those early days. Still, even then, the excellence of the climate and the fertility of the soil became known, and many there were who of their own free will came to settle in this Southern land. In 1851, Gold was first discovered near Bathurst, and the gold fever set in. In a few years Australia had increased her population a hundred fold and more. New cities were founded, new colonies established. The convict system was swept away, and Australia stands now, just one hundred years from her first settlement, one of the greatest and most thriving nations of the world. At the present day Australia is receiving vast floods of immigration from all parts of the globe. Railroads, harbours, and cities have covered her shores. The sea is beaten into paths by the unceasing passage of ships and steamers from every port in the world; we have our own Parliaments, revenues, and defences, and are rivalling the great American Republic in the speed and greatness of our prosperity. What then will be the Australia of the future, when all those different races shall have been welded together into one great Australian race, when the railroads, which soon will unite Brisbane to Adelaide shall have been extended all round our coast, cementing and binding still more closely each of the colonies into one united whole? It is hard to say what it will become, but certain it is that a glorious future awaits our country. Still, with all these advantages, there are some drawbacks which prevent us hoping ever to rival the great American continent. In America there are great rivers such as the Mississippi and St. Lawrence, the Missouri and Rio Grande, which stretch far inland, and are navigable for thousands of miles. There are vast inland lakes united together, and offering facilities for commerce, which render cities like Chicago and Buffalo almost as important as seaport towns. The soil is generally rich and the climate varied. Unhappily, all these advantages are denied to us. The Murray and Darling are our only large rivers, and these are not navigable to any great extent, nor do they stretch far inland. The interior is but a barren stony waste, where agriculture and even cattle farming are almost, if not quite, impossible. We can never hope to see great cities springing up inland, and the future of Australia must depend on its coast. Even so, with the vast extent of our country, and its central situation between America, Asia, and Africa, it has a most advantageous position, and as civilization advances, and as commerce extends, as it infallibly must, we cannot but feel that Australia, true to her motto, must steadily advance in greatness and importance.

ORIGINAL POETRY.

A kind friend has placed at our disposal the two following poems, which have never before, we believe, been published in the colony. There is a special appropriateness in their appearing in this the Jubilee year of Her Majesty the Queen; but apart from this, we have great pleasure in inserting them, for we conceive that they may well serve as models for our own budding laureats. They were composed on the occasion of the Duke of Edinburgh's visit to Australia in 1867, in Her Majesty's ship "Galatea," of which he was then Captain. His Royal Highness having consented to distribute the prizes to the leading Melbourne Schools (the Church of England Grammar School, Wesley College, the Scotch College, and St. Patrick's Jesuit College), these institutions combined their talents to give the honored guest a worthy welcome. Each school was invited to contribute to the entertainment; but strange enough, the only original pieces brought forward were the two we here re-produce, both coming from St. Patrick's College; one a Latin ode, composed by the Rev. Joseph Lentaigne, S.J., uncle to the late lamented Dr. Lentaigne, the other an English ode, by the Rev. W. Kelly, S.J., so widely known throughout Australia as a lecturer, and for the last eight years Professor at the Jesuits' City College, Sydney.

LATIN ODE,

On the Occasion of the Duke of Edinburgh's visit to Melbourne, in the year, 1867.

By Rev. Joseph Lentaigne, S.J.

I.

Aspice! exultans celebrat triumphum
Civitas omnis, ferit astra plausus
Lumine et pictis redimita splendent
Compita velis.

II.

O dies olim memorande fastis
Qua licet nostris toties vocatum
Principem votis medium tueri et
Pendere grates.

III.

Clara tot regum soboles avito
Stemmate illustris, magis et Parente
Quae regens vita docet, atque sceptuum
Moribus ornat.

IV.

Sospes Australi redeas ab ora
Nuntius nostrae fidei atque amoris
Testis ad dignam proavis et alto
Nomine gentem.

ENGLISH ODE,

On the same Occasion.

By Rev. W. Kelly, S.J.

I

Fair scion, sprung from line of kings,
To thee, Australia Felix sings—
At all time "Felix"—happier now,
Beneath her Prince's beaming brow.

II

First Royal foot that ever trod
Remote Australia's youthful sod,
Victoria welcomes, Melbourne greets,
The future hope of England's fleets.

III.

'Neath canvas broad and flag unfurled,
He hies him o'er the watery world,
To bear unchanged, to Southern isles,
The sunshine of a Mother's smiles.

IV.

Whispered of old Rome's lyric son,
"Fair Galatea, Ocean shun."
He sang the perils of the deep,
Orion setting wild and steep,

V.

Black billows lashed by furious gale,
Unbridled storm and straining sail,
"Shun, Galatea, shun the sea,
Live happy, and remember me."

VI.

No storm thy Galatea dreads,
From rolling Thame to southern heads;
The perils of the wind and wave,
Stout ship and Royal captain brave.

VII.

Hail! spreading sea, great path of man,
Hail! boundless oceanic span;
On thee, fair Science writes her trace,
Grand highway of the human race.

VIII.

Be not displeased then if my voice,
Heroic Prince! applaud thy choice,
O'er ocean, gulf, stream, bay to roam,
And make the mighty sea thy home.

IX.

To change the palace fair and high,
For gallant ship and starry sky,
To quit the haunts of gorgeous ease,
And be a Prince upon the seas.

X.

A sailor Prince! that magic word
Has deepest reminiscence stirred,
Of Royal steersmen, sea-kings brave,
And princes powerful on the wave.

XI.

In mystic days of earlier Greece,
Prince Jason sought the Golden Fleece,
Led hearts of oak o'er Euxine foam,
And plough'd his way triumphant home

XII.

O'er wider ocean's plash and roar,
A Prince has sought Australia's shore,
The land which yields true Fleece of Gold,
Exhaustless mines and flocks untold.

XIII.

The princely flag of Austrian John
Once led united nations on;
That pennon at Lepanto waved
O'er Crescent checked and Europe saved.

XIV.

Thy Royal banner floats to-day
O'er hosts engaged in bloodless fray,
Thy streamer waves o'er triumphs won
Where flashed no cutlass, boomed no gun.

XV.

The tongues that Gaul and Briton speak,
And stately Roman, fiery Greek;
The page that pictures deeds of yore,
And Science with her varied lore.

XVI.

Such is our field, and such our arms—
This Royal scene attests their charms.
The memory of this gracious day
Shall live till life has ebbed away.

XVII.

Thy princely hand the prize accords;
That hand, thy smile, our best rewards.
Hail gallant Prince! loud, long our cries
Of gratitude and welcome rise
Sonorous, through land, sea, and skies
The Queen, God save!
Heaven shield the brave;
Be Prince Alfred happy on land and wave.

NURSERY RHYMES IN LATIN VERSE.

By C. J. Brennan.

"*Tanti non es ais. Sapis, Luperce.*"—MART.

"THE OLD WOMAN WHO LIVED IN A SHOE."

Vixit anus quaedam, fecit quam copia prolis
Distractam ; sedis calceus instar erat.
Jus sine pane dedit pueris ; tunc, usa flagello,
"Ad lectum," ait eis, "currite quisque suum."

"THREE BLIND MICE."

Tres oculis capti mures ! en, quomodo currunt !
Agricolae currunt conjugis usque pedes.
Illa autem properat caudas praecidere cultro
Muribus, heu ! caecis talia fata tribus !

FREE TRANSLATION OF ABOVE.

(By S. Burke.)

There was an old lady, at least, so they say,
Who lived, strange enough, in a shoe ;
But where she resided 's not said in the lay,
Whether in London or Woolloomooloo.
That she lived in a shoe is a fact not denied
And I'm apt to believe it is true ;
But there's one little thing I would like to decide
(For in accurate knowledge I ever took pride),
And 'tis whether the shoe had an elastic side,
Or was laced, and, if so, if the laces were tied,
And if it was made of a common ox-hide,
Or was cosily lined with soft flannel inside,
Now I'd like to know that, wouldn't you ?
That she lived in a shoe, to some people, I fear,
May appear like a tale to pooh-pooh ;
But I've seen in my time many shoes that were queer,
And in size, quite as large, or if not, very near,
As a fairly extensive canoe.
But the sad thing about this lady so old,
Is, she did not know well what to do ;
For she'd so many children, at least, so we're told,
That the shoe had as much, as with comfort 't would hold,
And I fear me, a little more too.
But this lady, though old, was still wise, for 'tis said,
That to quiet her hungry crew,
Since she could not get butter to spread on their bread,
She gave them a very good whipping instead,
And immediately afterwards sent them to bed,
To quiet their hullabaloo !

PETRUS AD VINCULA.

ELEGIA.

Nox atra obscurat nigra caligine terram ;
Laxat grata hominum torpida membra quies.
Nec spirant venti ; reticent strepitusque viarum ;
Somnus enim regnat, nec sonus ullus adest.
At vigilant tristes magno affectique dolore
Pectora Christiades, cordaque mœsta manent.
Consurgunt reges terrae gentesque potentes,
Et cupiunt sanctos sternere caede fera ;

Flamma tentantes crudeli aut perdere ferro
Incarnatum omnes qui coluere Deum.
Illi autem laeti vitas cum sanguine fundunt
Utque Deum videant morte perire juvat.
Pretrus, piscator, Christique vicarius ipse,
Electus pastor praepositusque gregi,
Captus et in vinclis custodes inter acerbos
Dormit, confisus vitam animamque Deo.
Dum populus Christum supplex Patremque precatur,
Sollicitusque vocat Numina magna Dei.

En ! subito obscurus carcer, mirabile dictu,
Lumine coelesti purpureoque nitet.
Angelus apparet, cœlo demissus ab alto
Percutiensque latus surgere jussit eum.
Tumque timet Petrus, mentem formidine captus,
Nescit enim trepidus quid sibi mira velint.
"Ne timeas, Petrus." sic angelus ore locutus,
"Atque sequens audax omnia fide mihi."
Adsurgit Petrus celer, et crepitantia ab illo,
In terram sonitu ferrea vincla cadunt.
Tum per custodes tutum ducit angelus illum,
(Omnia qui noctis somnium inane putat.)
Et vigiles inter duxit postesque per omnes ;
Et quando obscuro carcere liber erat,
Angelus excessit, tenuisque recessit in auras,
Atque opus agnovit nunc Petrus esse Dei.

Sic iterum reges terrae vicisse videntur
Qui sceptrum Petri nunc soliumque tenet.
Sic iterum gaudent, spernentes Omnipotentem,
Credentes Christi jam superasse gregem.
At veniet tempus, jam jamque putamus adesse,
Cum Deus exsurgens, Omnipotente manu,
Pontificis vincet, rabidos disperdet et hostes.
Quos mala mors stultos exitiumque manet.
Accelera Omnipotens Domine, ut nos adjuves ; atque
Auscultans nobis auxiliare, rogo.
Exsultant hostes. Quo tandem, Æterne, quousque ?
Pastorem plebis libera ab hoste, precor.

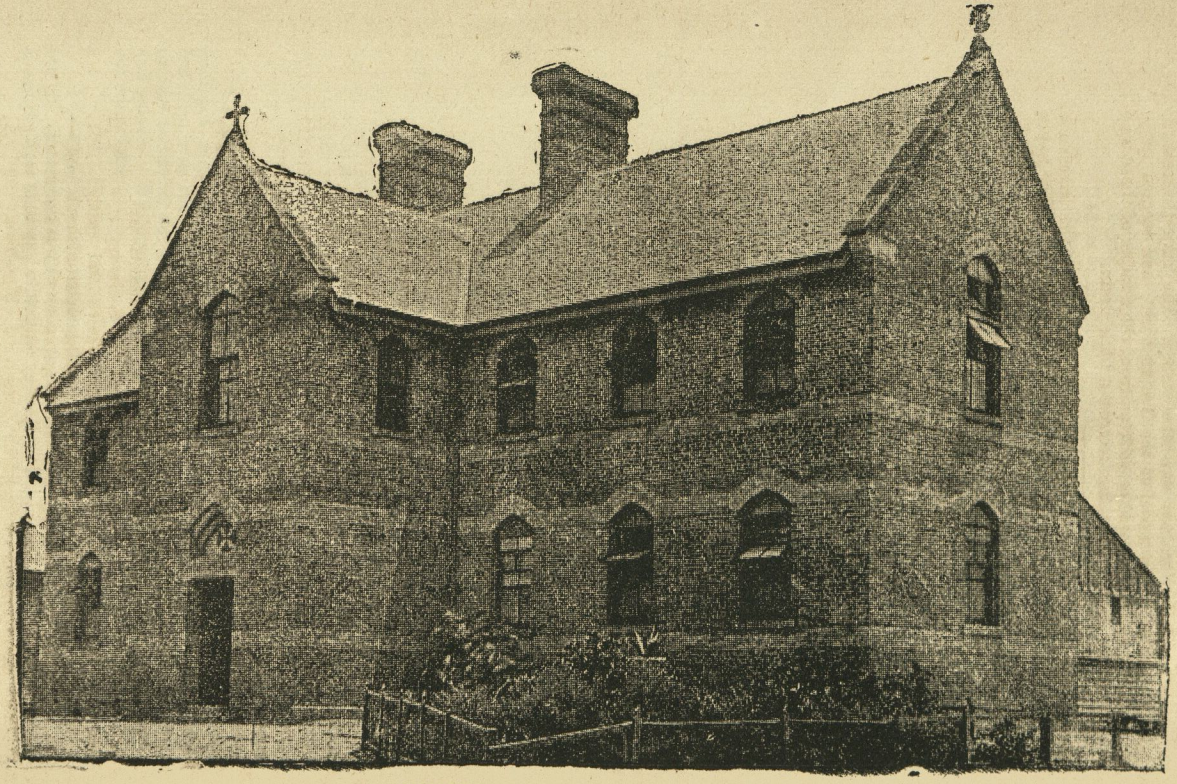
C. J. BRENNAN.

GENERAL NOTES.

Building operations are now resumed on the new College. The present contract is for £16,000, and includes, we understand, the portion of the building from the end towards Burns' Bay to the beginning of the projection on the centre of the wing. The dividing and back walls will be of brick and cement. The contract is to be completed in eighteen months, from 1st January, 1888.

The Right Rev. Dr. Raimundi (Hongkong), the Right Rev. Dr. Hutchinson (N. Queensland), the Very Rev. Prior Butler (Melbourne), the Hon. J. Douglas (New Guinea), visited us during the year.

Eleven gold medals were won by Students during the year. The only ones actually handed over by His Eminence, on Distribution Day, were the five presented by Mr. S. H. Hyam. The rest had previously been presented.



SENIOR PUPILS DORMITORIES.

It was exceedingly gratifying to see so many of our old boys present at Paddington, when the Schools' Match was going on. One was particularly happy on a horse of the dignified war-horse stamp. The majestic creature was built according to the model of the Trojan horse, and seemed quite capable of taking as many people *in*, judging from the number of those who endeavoured vainly to prevail on him to cross a little drain.

We have been promised, by a kind friend, the history of the Riverview Estate, up to the time it came into Father Dalton's possession. The paper will appear, probably, in our June Number (for we hope, henceforward, to publish at least twice a year), and Father Dalton himself has kindly engaged to continue the history up to the present day.

Owing to the uncertain health of Father Dalton, our venerable and revered Rector, the Rev. P. Keating has been appointed Vice-Rector.

Messrs. J. and A. Jennings have returned from Europe, and as the former has (acting on Father Dalton's suggestion) kept a diary of his travels, we may hope for some valuable and interesting contributions to "Our Alma Mater."

THANKS.

On December 25th, 1886, some very fine views of the College appeared in the *Town and Country Journal*. A portrait of our crew and of our crack rifle shot subsequently appeared. With each picture was published very interesting printed matter. We are deeply grateful to the authorities of this paper for the exceedingly kind way they have acted towards us, in extending us such encouragement, and we desire to return them special thanks for the courtesy with which they have placed the blocks of the above pictures at our disposal.

DEBATING CLUB.

President, Rev. P. Keating.

The small space at our disposal prevents us from doing more than inserting the minutes of the chief meetings during the year. As will be observed from the middle of the year to the end, there is a long interruption to the discussions. This was caused in the first place by the Public Examinations ; and in the second by the preparation for the Public Debate, which took place at the Distribution of Prizes. This portion of the closing entertainment was particularly interesting ; the speeches were very clever and attractive, and thanks to the earnest preparation the speakers voluntarily subjected themselves to, Their delivery was exceedingly good in all cases.

The good effects of joining the Debating Club were very marked in the case of several of the boys, some of whom acquired a readiness of expression, and a confidence in speaking, which made them tough opponents in any question of discussion which arose during their recreation

MINUTES OF MEETINGS.

On the 16th of February, 1887, a meeting of the members was held in the Study Hall. Mr. Mooney proposed Mr. Burke as Secretary in place of Mr. Jennings. The motion was seconded by Mr. Quirk and carried. Mr. Mooney then proposed that the subject for next debate should be :— "Whether a republican or monarchical form of government was the better." After some demur this was carried. Mr. Mooney was called upon to form a ministry, and choose as his colleagues : Messrs. J. Fitzsimons and A. McDonell. Mr. Curry acted as leader of the opposition and was supported by Messrs. Quirk and Burke. Mr. Mooney determined to support the monarchical form of government. It was decided that the next meeting should be held on the 24th, and the members dispersed.

On the 24th, the members again met together, and Mr. Mooney opened the debate. The speeches on the whole were very good, Mr. Mooney's in particular showed that his eloquence had been in no way lessened by his temporary absence. After a very spirited contest the republicans carried the day. Mr. Quirk then proposed that the subject for next debate should be :— "Was Edward III, or Henry V the greater man." This motion was carried. Messrs. Quirk and Burke were chosen as leaders, and after they had tossed for choice of sides the meeting broke up. The following are the sides :—

Ministry :	*Opposition :*
S. Burke	J. Quirk
J. Fitzsimons	J. Mooney
A. McDonell	J. Curry

On the 1st of April a meeting of the members was held in the Study Hall, when it was decided to leave the last debate unfinished, and begin a new one. The President proposed that the next debate should be :— "Whether was Richard the First's conduct, during his reign, worthy of praise or not." This motion was carried, and the meeting was adjourned until 13th of April. The following are the sides :

Ministry :	*Opposition :*
S. Burke	J. Fitzsimons
J. Quirk	A. McDonell
G. Flannery	J. Mooney
R. Hardman	D. O'Neill
W. Sheridan	W. Lalor

At the last meeting held on the 20th of April, only two or three members had prepared speeches and these showed evidently that they had been got up in haste. The meeting would have been very monotonous if Mr. Burke had not proposed a few rules which were accepted with some amendments. The Rev. Chairman proposed that the subject for next debate should be :—" Whether Napoleon or Wellington was the greater General." The following were the sides—

Ministry :	*Opposition* :
J. Fitzsimons (Napoleon)	S. Burke (Wellington)
A. McDonell	J. Quirk
J. Mooney	G. Flannery
W. Lalor	W. Sheridan

LIBRARY.

We do not think that the Library, or rather the Libraries, for we refer to both the Senior and Junior Reading Rooms, have in any year been so continuously and profitably patronised as during the past ten months. Our revered Rector, when reading out the weekly report, frequently had occasion to urge upon us the incalculable benefit to be derived from a taste for reading, a benefit which, he pointed out, would infallibly make itself felt in increased power and facility of thought and expression. His words bore fruit as was amply proved by the large numbers in both Senior and Junior Libraries, during reading hours. We would, if only to air our Latin, remind our readers of what Cicero put into the mouth of a speaker in his work "*De Oratore,*" "*ut cum in sole ambulem, etiamsi aliam ob causam ambulem fieri natura tamen ut colorer ; sic, cum istos libros studiosius legerim sentio orationem meam illorum tactu quasi colorari*" "just as when I walk

in the sun, it happens, naturally, that I am coloured by it, though it is not with this object that I thus walk; so too, when I read with attention these books, I feel that my style of speech and composition is, as it were coloured by contact with them." Very possibly indeed, and quite naturally too, when after several hard hours in study or class, we enter the Library, the books we read are not of the most serious character; at such times we read for relaxation, more directly than for purposes of instruction. It is precisely, however, of such reading, that Cicero speaks, and no doubt, we shall find, as he did, that by it our power of expressing our ideas in speech or writing will gradually, though, perhaps unconsciously, be increased.

The following Books have been added to the Library during the year:—

Robert Ainsleigh	*M. E. Braddon*	The Collegians	*G. Griffin*
Lucius Davor	„	Lord Mayor of London	*H. Ainsworth*
Aurora Floyd	„	Constable de Bourbon	„
One Thing Needful	„	Windsor Castle	„
Cut by the County	„	Hillary St. Ives	„
The Doctor's Wife	„	Lorna Doone	*R. D. Blakemore*
Fenton's Quest	„	For the Term of his Natural Life	*M. Clarke*
Within the Maze	*Mrs. H. Wood*	She	*Rider Haggard*
Dene Hollow	„	Allan Quartermain	„
Pomeroy Abbey	„	Jess	„
St. Martin's Eve	„	Dawn	„
The Master of Greylands	„	King Solomon's Mines	„
The Star of the South	*W. H. Hayward*		
The Rebel Privateer	„		

OUR MUSEUM.

We have been asked by the Very Rev. Rector to convey to Mr. T. Cussen of Redfern, the thanks of the Superior of the College and its Students, for his valuable contributions to our Natural History Collection. Through his kindness we possess a goodly number of interesting curios, collected from the Islands, and this year he gave us four large Clam shells and a very beautiful Bird of Paradise.

Owing to the want of room for properly preparing the experiments, our well-stocked Physical Cabinet was not so often brought into requisition during the Physical Lectures as it would, no doubt, otherwise have been; thanks, however, to the diligence of Messrs. A. Thynne and H. Healy, the instruments were kept in excellent order. These gentlemen spent much of their recreation in the Study Hall, experimenting with chemicals, seeing how they could most speedily and completely dirty their hands, or reducing various machines to their simplest parts, by losing screws, breaking wheels, etc., or giving shocks to any over curious companion venturing to disturb their privacy. When, however, not engaged in any of these fascinating and highly laudable occupations, they did yeoman's service in dusting and cleaning the various presses and their contents, thereby meriting high encomium from Father Keating.

RIVERVIEWERS ABROAD.

By Land and Sea.

We give a few extracts from letters received from comrades on their travels, chiefly, in the hope that by so doing, we may lead the way to a regular system of correspondence between "Our Alma Mater," and its wandering sons.

Port Said.

When we arrived here, we had to take in coal, and while this work was being done, Fr. C. and I went on shore for three or four hours. Four Franciscan Fathers have charge of the Catholic Church here. The Catholic population amounts to about 5000 persons. The Church is rather small, and a much larger one is in course of erection. We also visited the Greek Church, where the pictures of Our Lord, the B.V.M., St. Joseph, and the four Evangelists are exposed. In an inner sanctuary, there was an altar and a lamp burning before the tabernacle, in which, the Blessed Sacrament was kept. It appeared to me to be customary to kiss the pictures. We were going to depart, when we were stopped at the door, and brought over to the picture of the B.V.M., and signed to kiss it; we did so, and in the same way we went round to the rest. We then got a couple of donkeys and went flying down towards the Arab town. There we saw the Mahometans in their mosque—some prostrate on the ground, others swaying to and fro, others clapping their hands and beating their breasts, showing exteriorly great devotion to Allah. We were told we would be allowed in if we took off our boots and washed our feet before going in, however, we preferred to act as spectators, as we suspected we would have to conform to other rules when we got inside. The Arabs will walk 20 yards with you, and if they think you are an Irishman, they will say they are Irishmen and ask for 6d., then they will say, "that's the principal street," and ask for Backshish—meaning money. Half-a-dozen will make for your boots, to polish them, then they will ask for 1s., and if you give them 1d., they are satisfied.

E. O. B.

Rome.

Dear ———,

This evening, after coming in from a walk, I happened to take up the little book about the College Rowing Club. On the back is a picture of the Boat House, which recalled many pleasant memories of times gone by, when I used to help to carry the old Fuller four-oar in after a stiff pull, or take her out to go for one. Again, in imagination, I went through the whole course of training and pulling on the dear old river, now so far away. Frequently those pleasant trips we had down and around the harbour, come back to my mind. Now I never see a boat, nor a respectable piece of water to put one in; as for the old nasty Tiber, I do not think it knows what a boat is. However, all the rowing is over for a few years, and walking takes its place. Since I came here, I, in company with the other Australian Students, had an audience at the Vatican. Do not forget to let me know how the boat race, at the Annual Regatta, got on. I am always happy to hear good news about Riverview.

E. O. B.

Suez.

We had a very pleasant voyage home, and, on the whole, enjoyed ourselves very much. There were not many passengers in the First Saloon, but those that were there were all very nice. We played several cricket matches. Two—Australians *v.* Englishmen, and in both, the Australians won. We also played a match in the Red Sea—1st Class *v.* 2nd Class, and the 1st Class won. On one occasion, when we were playing a match on board, I got all the wickets of the opposite side for no runs, and then went in first for my

side, and stayed in from 2.30 to 5 p.m. We had some good fun at Port Said, where we stopped to coal. About eight of us formed a party and went ashore. We secured a guide and went about the town. The town itself cannot well be described, neither can the people, the latter are a dirty-looking lot of Arabs, Niggers, and Frenchmen. The Arabs are awful thieves and swindlers. It was Sunday, but all the shops were open. If you went into a shop and asked the price of any article, the fellow within would say 10s., and, in the end, you would get it for 1s. or 6d. It is just the same at Naples ; the Italians are worse, if posssible. One fellow at Naples had three coral necklaces, and I asked him the price, he said, "3s. for one," I said, "1s." He said, "2s." I said, "No ! 1s." He said, "give me money then." I then told him I would give 1s. for the three. He said he would take 1s. for the three, but in the end he was quite satisfied with 6d.

We had sports on board, in honour of St. Patrick and Sir Patrick. I won four prizes, viz : High Jump, Wheelbarrow Race, Three-legged Race, and a Tug of War. A— won two events, the prize for one of which was a bundle of cigars, which Papa *immediately* smoked. (Hem ! ! E's. O. A. M.)

J. F. J.

LONDON.

While we were staying here, we went to see the Indian and Colonial Exhibition, and Madame Tussaud's Waxworks. In the latter, we saw the instrument that cut off 22,000 heads, and the Emperor Napoleon's travelling carriage. We also saw the Rosary beads Queen Mary had on the scaffold, the three stars and piece of coat Nelson wore at the Battle of the Nile, and the revolver, with which Daniel O'Connell won the duel. We went out to Lord's Cricket Ground, the day the Australians were playing the Gentlemen of England, and were just in time to see Lord Harris hit the ball that broke Spofforth's finger. We only stayed eight days in London, and we then went to Dublin. We are at present staying at the "Angel Hotel."

T. B. C.

WAIKATO, NEW ZEALAND.

At present, I am exactly in the centre of the "King Country." The scenery is splendid. From the Tunnell Hill, Ruapehu and Tongariro are plainly seen—the former, a snow-clad mountain, the latter, a snow-clad *burning* mountain. Our camp is in a valley, surrounded by hills, covered with dense bush. It is two days ride to the nearest township. The scenery on the road consists chiefly of hills, rivers, and swamps.

P.S.—This letter will pass through the hands of four Maori Mail Carriers, so don't be surprised if it is soiled.

P. O. B.

NEW ZEALAND.

I have just returned from Auckland, where I was camped with five troops of cavalry and about 1200 infantry. I enjoyed the trip very much. We were camped about 5 miles from Devenport, between Lake Takapuma and the ocean. From this point, one has a splendid view of Auckland, its harbour, and the surrounding suburbs.

P. O. B.

ROSSTREVOR, COUNTY DOWN.

I like the outside cars here immensely now ; at first I found them very hard to ride on, but now I am quite at home on them, and can keep my seat quite easily. They are a delightful means of taking quiet exercise, and in general, riding on them is not too much like work.

A. J.

NAPLES.

In about three weeks from Adelaide, we reached Diego Garcia. This is a beautiful island, formed on a coral reef, about 18 miles in circumference; it produces nothing but cocoanuts. Our vessel was to take in about 2000 tons of coal there, but in the last 500, the workmen, Turks, Russians, and Egyptians, struck for another feed of beef. We arrived in Port Said, just in time to see the Arabians worshipping the sun; in doing so, they leave their boots outside their place of worship, but when they saw the crowd of Europeans, they sent two of their men to bring the boots in, lest we should steal them. Some friends and myself went on shore at Naples, and there met some of the greatest rogues living—what they want 20 shillings for, at first, they will sell to you for one shilling. We visited the Palace. One of our number having, in consequence of the intense heat, come off the steamer without his coat, was refused admittance. To meet the difficulty we borrowed a cape from a lady, and the guard, on enquiring who was the gentlemen in the silk garment, was informed that it was the Archbishop of Woolloomooloo.

J. F.

DUBLIN.

I played a match lately with the County Kildare C.C. against Dublin University C.C., and scored with the bat 72 runs, and captured 7 wickets for 12 runs.

J. F.

GAMES.

FOOTBALL SEASON, 1887.

FOOTBALL CLUB.

REV. J. TUITE, S.J. (President).

J. CASEY (Captain). J. MOONEY (Hon. Sec.)

G. BARRY (Vice-Captain).

Committee:

A. MASON. J. MOONEY. J. CASEY.
G. BARRY. F. LAWLER.

FOOTBALL, according to the Australian rules, is a game that is very popular at Riverview. The season has been fairly successful with regard to outside matches, as out of the four matches played, two were won by the "Blue and Whites." Owing to the number of new men in the College team, the first match against the Sydney A team (who won the Championship of N.S.W.) was not so great a success as the after ones turned out. Against the 'Varsity the College boys showed great form for the first part of the game, but the 'Varsity, making the game very fast towards the finish, outpaced the Collegians, and thus won after a well fought match. Casey and Barry (Captain and Vice-Captain) deserve great praise for the way in which they brought out some of the new men.

SYDNEY (A) *v.* ST. IGNATIUS' COLLEGE.

(BY A VISITOR.)

On Saturday last the Sydneys journeyed to Riverview to fulfil their annual engagement with 25 of the Students of St. Ignatius College. A pleasant half hour's journey by steamer brought the seniors to the grounds of the St. Ignatius College, prettily situated on the banks of the Lane Cove River. On arrival at the wharf the local boys were in attendance, and a start was at once made for the playing space. Goer and Casey tossed for choice of goals. The latter winning, the seniors started facing the sun and wind. On the ball being kicked off the Collegians started off at a terrific pace, and it was owing to this fact that they were subsequently so badly defeated. From wing play the Seniors wound up an attack with a mark to Clark, whose kick was, however, fruitless. Barry and Casey were principally responsible for the smartness in warding off the attack, and some good play by the former enabled Newton to effect a mark in front of Sydney's goal, through which Casey had little difficulty in sending the ball. Matters were, however, equalised shortly after by Pike scoring for Sydney. Even play then ensued, the Collegians being, if anything, rather astray in their combination and kicking. A free kick to Barry for holding, brought the ball in front of Sydney's goal, and Kidston relieving in good style, Clark had another unsuccessful shot, a behind, the first of the match, resulting. The Collegians were now hotly pressed, but a free kick for holding now gained them relief; and Oswald, by losing the ball in endeavouring to run too far, gave the locals another advantage. A nice series of marks placed the Sydney goal in danger, but McKellar came to the rescue,

and Clark sent the reds ahead by kicking their second goal. On changing over, the ball was at once rushed to the eastern goal, Sydney scoring a behind and two goals (Clark and Veen) before any progress could be made by the local players. After some neat play by Oswald and Henty on the wing, Riverview were unfortunate in having a good kick stopped on the goal line, and just before the interval Crisp still further increased the metrop.'s score. The third quarter was not very interesting, as the local players appeared about done. Several spirited rallies were, however, made, in which the visitors' goal was placed in danger, but only behinds were scored, as against two goals (Elliott and Kidston) secured by the reds. It was generally thought that the Sydneys would greatly increase their score during the last quarter ; but either they became more lax in their efforts or the locals improved in their play, as the previous score was not improved upon, the match ending in a win to the visiting team by seven goals to one. For them the whole team played well, Butler, McKellar, Goer, and Veen being among the most prominent, while in the Collegiate team Casey (captain), Newton, Barry, J. Mooney, O'Neill. A. Mason, Payten, Sheridan, Gerity, and Clifford played well. Mr. Fred Burton was very successful as central umpire, being thoroughly impartial, and keeping the game going at a fast pace. After the match the visiting players were courteously entertained by the Rev. Principal, Father Dalton, and returned to town delighted with their pleasant trip.

SYDNEY UNIVERSITY *v.* RIVERVIEW COLLEGE.

JULY 27TH.

Morning Herald.

The Sydney University F. C. played its opening match on July 27th, with the St. Ignatius' College team. The College team played a very fast game, and, during the first half, the game seemed greatly in their favour, but the 'Varsity team pulled themselves together, and showed decidedly the best form during the latter part of the game, eventually winning the match with 3 goals 9 behinds to their credit, against 2 goals 14 behinds, scored by the College team. The 'Varsity goals were kicked by Challands, Leahy, and Flynn ; and Dalton and Lawler secured the goals for the college. In addition to these, Barry, Lawler (2), and Mason played a good game for the College, and Evans, F. Rock, Scott, Kidston, and O'Sullivan played well for the University Club. The Grand Stand was filled with collegians and visiting friends of both teams, who took a lively interest in the proceedings. It is needless to add that the usual hospitality was extended to the visiting team.

ST. IGNATIUS' COLLEGE *v.* SYDNEY 2ND.

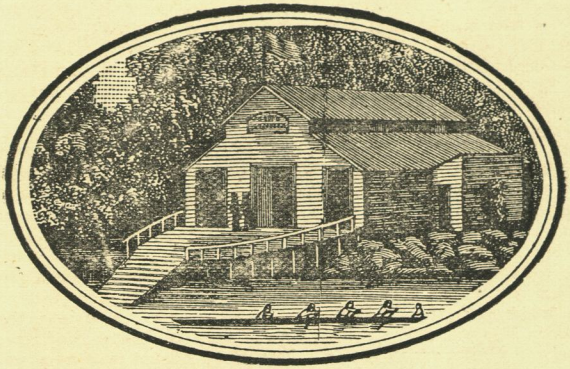
AUGUST 6TH.

The Sydney 2nd journeyed to Riverview to try conclusions with the College Boys, on Saturday, August 6th, the game resulting in a win for the boys, by 3 goals to 1. On the ball being kicked off, the College boys started off and before half-time two goals were secured by them, the first by Sheridan which was soon followed by Casey obtaining another. After half-time the game became very slow, and the boys were inclined to leave their positions in the field ; this gave a chance to the Sydneys to gain a goal, which they took advantage of, and Murray soon rushed the leather behind the goal line. The Collegians came to themselves again, and, after some fast play, F. Lawler gained another goal a few minutes before time. For the winners, Messrs. Casey, Barry, Clifford, Lawler (2), O'Connell, and Sheridan played well, while Murray, Clarke, Butler, and Kidston played well for the losers.

ST. IGNATIUS' COLLEGE *v.* SYDNEY 2ND.

AUGUST 29TH.

These clubs met on August 29th to try conclusions, and after some fine play, the Collegians gained a decisive victory over their opponents, scoring 3 goals to nothing. The three goals were got by Dalton, Casey, and Clifford, the other prominent players for the College, were O'Connell, Bowler, and Quirk, while Clarke, Murray, and Kidston were conspicuous on the losing side. Mr. O'Leary acted as Central Umpire.



COLLEGE BOAT SHED.

ROWING.

President: Rev. T. Gartlan, S.J.

Captain: Thomas J. Cussen.

Hon. Sec. and Treas: John Fitzsimons.

Committee: A. McDonell, T. McDonell, J. Quirke, J. McEvoy, M. Dalton, J. Mooney.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS, 1887.

The First General Meeting of the Members of St. Ignatius' College R. C. was held on Saturday, February 12th. The business of the Meeting—to elect Officers for the ensuing year. The President (Rev. T. Gartlan, S.J.) took the Chair. T. Cussen was unanimously elected Captain of the Club, and J. Fitzsimons was voted to the position of Hon. Sec. and Treas. The Committee elected, were A. McDonell, T. McDonell, J. Quirke, J. McEvoy, M. Dalton, and J. Mooney.

ANNUAL MEETING OF HON. MEMBERS.

A Meeting of the Hon. Members of the Club was held on Saturday, March 26th, and was well attended. The Annual Report was read by the Hon. Sec. (J. Fitzsimons), and adopted on the motion of Sir Ed. Strickland, K.C.B., seconded by Mr. Norris. On the motion of Rev. P. S. Bailey, seconded by Mr. Smyth, the following Programme was adopted:—Students, Senior Fours, Senior Pairs, Junior Pairs (two divisions). Open to Amateur Rowing Clubs:—Maiden Fours, Maiden Single Sculls, Junior Double Sculls, Schools' Race.

The Rowing Critic for the *Sporting Life* writes concerning the College Rowing Club, as follows:—"I cannot bring these notes to a close, without saying a word of encomium in regard to the management, financially and otherwise, of the St. Ignatius' College Rowing Club. As a rowing club, its position is unique.

According to the Report, which was read by the Hon. Sec. (Mr. J. Fitzsimons), at the last Annual Meeting, held on Saturday, 26th March, it appears that last year's debts, amounting to £115, had been paid off, and there is still a bank credit of £24. More than £150 had been spent in improvements to the shed and purchase of boats, yet the liabilities of the Club are nil; while the property, in shed, boats, etc., is assessed at £567. Here is an example which many an older club might emulate with advantage."

DONATIONS TO REGATTA.

	£	s.	d.
E. G. Ellis, Esq.... ...	5	5	0
Messrs. Potts & Paul ...	3	3	0
His Honor Judge Faucett	2	2	0
W. C. Proctor, Esq. ...	2	2	0
Thomas Dalton, Esq. M.L.A.,	2	2	0
S. N. Newton, Esq. ...	1	1	0
Messrs. Dynon & Sons			

	£	s.	d.
Messrs. David Jones & Co.	1	1	0
J. Lawler, Esq. ...	Silver Salver		
Messrs. Robertson & Co.	Album		
Messrs. J. J. Moore & Co.	Books		
Messrs. Elliot Bros. ...	Trophy		
T. F. Thompson, Esq.,	Silver Watch		
...	Two Silver Oars		

REGATTA.

(Taken from the *Sydney Mail.*)

The Third Annual Regatta of the St. Ignatius' College Rowing Club was held on Saturday afternoon, under very favourable conditions of fine weather and good management. Many hundreds of visitors, of whom, half were ladies, availed themselves of the opportunities offered for seeing a pretty regatta, from a very picturesque spot on the Lane Cove River. There are very few such beautiful views as can be had from Riverview, to describe it, is a little more than I am able. The steamer arrangements were complete for the transit to and fro of the visitors, and Capt. Byrnes kindly placed his fast launch, "Fawn," at the disposal of the Committee, for the Umpire and Press. We were well looked after, and this kept us from being envious of those on shore, who had the College band to enjoy while overlooking the racing below. The regatta was an excellent one, from every point of view, and great credit is due to the Captain and Officials of the Club.

The following are the results :—

Pupils under 11, in Skiffs.—Course: College wharf to white post. Sydney—D. Prendergast, F. Lillis, J. Lawler (cox), *v.* Brisbane—B. Fitzgerald, W. Page, C. Parker (cox). The Sydney crew won.

Rowing Clubs, Maiden Sculls.—Course : Longueville to College Wharf. S. R. C.—S. A. Tilley ; G. R. C.—W. H. Stuart ; E. S. R. C.—G. G. Higgs ; M. R. C.—H. Darcy ; N. S. R. C.—J. H. Silly. The boats got away to a good start, Higgs leading, closely followed by Tiley. The race between Tiley and Higgs was a good one throughout, and was eventually won by Tiley. Time, 7 min. 32 sec.

Junior Pupils in Skiffs.—Course : College wharf to first red post. Preparatory Heats.—C. Healy and A. Polin beat J. Coen and C. O'Rourke ; J. Lawler and H. Keating beat W. Walsh and J. Plunkett ; D. Buch and E. Prendergast beat T. Coen and J. Moloney ; W. Rogers and F. Page beat J. Davidson and M. Dillane. The entries of the fifth heat were :—C. Healy and A. Polin (N. S. Wales) *v.* J. Lawler and H. Keating (Tasmania), by about 3 feet. The entries for the sixth heat were : Brisbane—W. Rogers F. Page, J. Lawler (cox.), *v.* Sydney—D. Buch, E. Prendergast, C. Parker (cox.). This heat was won by Brisbane.

Scratch Fours.—A. Hyndes, M. Dalton, A. McDonell, T. Cussen (stroke), J. Maloney (cox.), A. Mason, J. McEvoy, J. Drinan, T. McDonell (stroke), W. Lawler (cox.). Both crews rowed well together almost throughout the contest, but the race was won by the last named crew by about a quarter of a length.

Rowing Club Maiden Fours.—Course: Northwood to College Wharf. 1.—E.S.R.C., W. Jacobs, A. W. Boshell. J. A. Smith, J. Jacobs; 2.—B.R.C., J. Gates, H. Edwards, R. Hooper, W. H. Potter; 3.—M R.C., W. A. McDonald, F. Rabone, W. C. McDonald, E. H. Wilkinson; 4.—B.R.C., J. Henderson, C. Collins, C. Hawkins, T. R. Ainsworth; 5.—M.R.C., E. Williams, S. Fotheringham, E. Gabriel, E. M. Haymet. This contest created a good deal of interest and was well rowed throughout. The race was won by No. 4, Balmain crew; E.S.R.C. being second,

College Senior Pairs (Gaunt gold medals).—Course: second red post to College Wharf. The preparatory heats were rowed before the Regatta, and in the final, Queensland, represented by E. Kickham and E. Pollard, J. Maloney (cox.), was opposed to N. S. Wales, represented by R. Pickford and J. Casey, W. Lawler (cox.). N. S. Wales Crew won.

Rowing Clubs Junior Double Sculls.—Course: Woolwich to College Wharf. 1.—G.R.C., T. Mahony, L. O'Rourke; 2.—M.R.C., H. Davey, E. Wickham; 3.—S.R.C., E. W. Senior, A. E. Godfrey; 4.—N.S.R.C., J. M. Silly, J. G. Silly, This race resulted in a dead heat between G.R.C. and M.R.C The contest was decided a few weeks later and was won by the G.R.C.

SCHOOLS' RACE AND DISTRIBUTION OF PRIZES.

On Monday, June 6th, the Schools' Race in connection with the College Rowing Club Regatta, took place over the Lane Cove course, a distance of about 2 miles, finishing at River View Wharf. The Grammar School four were the only rivals of the home crew, and have been for some time under the care of Mr. W. P. Simpson, and have done their rowing from the S.R.C. shed. The College crew had the advantage of Mr. Goodyear's coaching, and as they paddled down to the start in a very neat boat, of Melbourne build, gave promise of some pretty rowing. The crews were composed as follows: Sydney Grammar School, black and gold—R. Cameron, F. Todhuntar, H. Fairfax. R. Windeyer, A. Paige (cox.); College, light blue and white—James Quirke, James McEvoy, T. McDonell, T. W. Cussen, W. Lawler (cox.). Our crew were decidedly the heavier and stripped considerably the bigger.

It was about 4.30 when the boats were in a line, to the starter's satisfaction, and at the word "go," both crews caught the water together. The Grammar School stroke went off at a fairly tremendous rate, and his men could not pick it up for some time. Cussen started more calmly, but settled down to a briskly-rowed 39. At first, black and gold showed to the front by sheer hard work, for their form was at no time good: but the light blues, rowing with a good beginning and time, drew up at the quarter-mile; here a lull came in the Grammar School boat, as Cussen (stroke of our boat) quickened his men up a bit, with the result that the College boat forged ahead right merrily, and they soon had their rival's craft right astern of them. They increased their lead, and passed the post finally with a lead of about 4 lengths.

A portrait of the winning crew and coxswain appeared in the *Town and Country Journal.*

Concerning the College crew, the *Echo* says:—"There is a very taking dash about the stroke, three, in particular, being a very neat oarsman. The stroke is inclined to be rather short, but the crew rowed well together, and were in the pink of condition."

After the race, there was an Entertainment followed by the Distribution of the Regatta Prizes. The Concert being over, refreshments were partaken of, and the party returned to Sydney, about half-past six, thoroughly satisfied with the trip.

REGATTA CONCERT.

The following account of the Concert, is taken from "Sydney Gossip," in the *Town and Country Journal*;—

There was a very delightful gathering in St. Ignatius' College, Riverview, Lane Cove River, on Monday afternoon; the occasion being the distribution of prizes, won in the late Regatta. The ceremony was preceded by a Concert, in which M. Kowalski was to have taken part; but at the last moment he failed to appear, in consequence of ill health. But the singing of Miss Josephine O'Brien fully compensated for the absence of the famous pianist; her rendering of Lever's beautiful ballad, "The Irish Emigrant," affecting to tears, many of those present. In response to the *encore* unanimously demanded, she gave "Polly, the Cows are in the Corn," which was loudly applauded. She also sang Molloy's "Kerry Dance," and Moore's "Harp in Tara's Halls." A pianoforte performance on three instruments, by six College students, was skilfully rendered. Mr. M. M'Mahon gave "The Exile's Dream," and "At Bay"; Mr. T. Browne, "The Death of Nelson"; and Mr. Hollingdale, "The Romany Lass," and a song from "Lucrezia Borgia." The remaining items included a chorus, "Through Erin's Isle," artistically arranged by Father O'Malley, who had charge of the musical arrangements Herr Hugo Alpen kindly accompanied the songs. There were some very nice costumes worn by the ladies, and the return home to Sydney proved a very pleasant trip.

"HYAM" FIVE GOLD MEDALS.

The first race for the above medals, presented by Mr. S. H. Hyam, of Balmain, was rowed on September 10th. The opposing crews were, J. Mooney, J. Drinan, J. Quirke, and F. A Cussen, C. Parker (cox.); and A. Hyndes, A. McDonell, J. McEvoy, and T. McDonell, W. Lawler (cox.) Mr. A. Perry got them away to a good start, but McDonell's crew soon forged ahead and won rather easily by about six lengths. The medals go to the winners of two out of three races.

The second race was to have been rowed on October 10th, but owing to an accident on the day of the race to Mr. A. McDonell, the race was postponed. Shortly before the time for the second race, A. Hyndes (a member of McDonell's crew), was suddenly called away from the College, by the death of his father. Mr. Hyam and the crews were consulted, as to the way of settling the Medals, and it was definitely decided that they should be awarded to A. Hyndes, A. McDonell, J. McEvoy, T. McDonell, and W. Lawler (cox.), the winners of the first race.

It will I am sure, please Mr. Hyam, the first and most munificent patron of our Rowing Club, to learn that his beautiful trophies, were mainly instrumental in keeping the senior boys at their rowing exercise, during nearly five months.

BALMAIN REGATTA.

The crew entered for the Maiden Fours in the Balmain Regatta, November 9th. They did not train very hard, but yet were in good condition. They had entered for the Schools and College Race, but as theirs was the only entry, this race was struck off from the programme. Rain fell very heavily all through the Regatta. The College boys were at the starting place at the advertised time, viz., 10 o'clock, but the race was not started until 11 o'clock. In the race, when they had gone only a few strokes, No. 3, T. McDonell broke his oar, and thus they had to retire from the struggle. We were the favorites for the race.

N.S.W.R.A. REGATTA.

This Regatta took place on December 10th, on the Parramatta River. The College Rowing Club chartered a steamer for the occasion. As usual, the struggle between the Grammar School and the College was looked forward to with great interest, but the illness of one of the Grammar School crew prevented them putting in an appearance at the starting point; consequently there was a row over for the Blue and Whites. When we heard that the Grammar School could not row, we endeavoured to enter for the Maiden Race. Mr. Bros. Hon. Sec. of the Regatta, as our entry was late, consulted the Maiden crews themselves concerning it, and they determined, for reasons best known to themselves, not to allow us enter.

The rowing of the College representatives, as they did their row over, was greatly admired. Our captain, T. Cussen, won back for the College, the Mayor's grand Challenge Cup. He and his crew, had long before declared that *coute que coute* they would do so, their only regret now being, that it was done without a stiff tussle with their friendly and ever honourable antagonists, from the College Street big school.

Before closing our Rowing Club Report, the Captain wishes to give his sincerest thanks, both for himself and his men, to Mr. Goodyear, for his great attention to the coaching and training of the crew, and also to Sergeant-Major Hagney, who directed their dumb-bell exercises, etc., at night.

The President and Committee, gratefully acknowledge Mr. Cussens kindness in presenting the Club with a set of sculls, imported by Mr. Deeble.

Our fleet, at present, consists of six four oars, an eight, a sculling outrigger, three pair oars, and two skiffs, together with five skiffs for the Juniors—in all eighteen boats.

AQUATIC NOTES.

The warm thanks of our Swimming Club are respectfully tendered to Mrs. Pollard for the handsome trophy she so kindly sent from London to encourage us in our aquatic efforts. The form her kind patronage took (a silver cigar case), as well as the intrinsic value of her gift, excited great emulation among our swimmers.

If the members of the Committee only emulate the example set them by the Captain of the Club (T. Cussens), in looking after the Rowing Club premises and its belongings, the Riverview boat-shed will continue to be the neatest and best kept shed in the colony.

One of our racing boats—the Onehunga—has been offered by the Club's President to Mr. Upward, of Melbourne, for the junior crew he proposes bringing over for the Centennial Regatta. Mr. Upward has written a letter of thanks for the offer, and says he will probably avail himself of it.

About Five Guineas will render our double sculls convalescent after the severe shock it got on the evening of the swimming sports, a big sum to pay for the luxury of standing up in our light boats. For the future, we imagine, such luxuries will be less sought after.

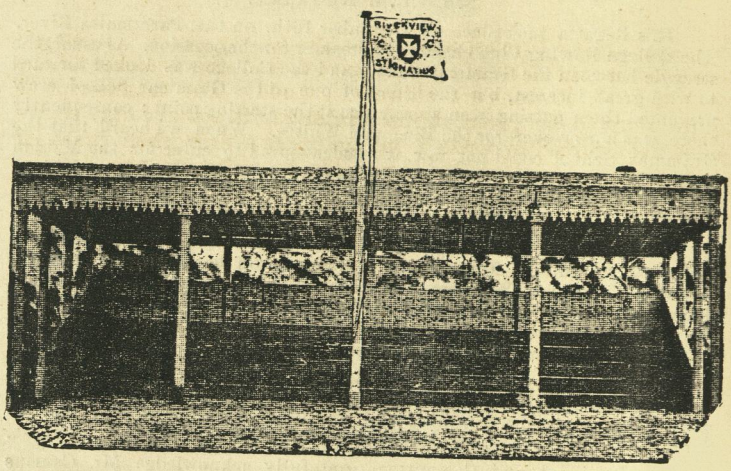
If the example of Mr. P. J. Clifford, and the R. C. Hon. Sec., in keeping their reports, was more faithfully followed by other Secretaries, we, the Editors, would be spared much trouble, and what we regret less, some of our Reporters would be spared "nasty jars."

The Juniors' *New Skiff* arrived on the day of the Break-up—and a very good time too ! !

Some of the Rowing Club showed much interest in the new walk to the shed, as long as the mulberries were available. M. Dalton & Co. can testify to this.

Mr. S. Hordern has informed the President that a trophy (a gold medal) will again be presented by the firm (A. Hordern & Son) next rowing season.

The block of the Boat Shed has been kindly lent to us by Mr. J. G. O'Connor.



SENIOR'S CRICKET PAVILION.

CRICKET.

ST. IGNATIUS COLLEGE CRICKET CLUB.

President: REV. T. J. LEAHY, S.J.

Captain: F. LAWLER.

Hon. Sec.: J. L. MOONEY.

Committee: F. A. Lawler, A. J. Mason, J. L. Mooney, L. Clifford, and T. W. Cussens.

We offer the Cricket Team our hearty congratulations on the brilliant series of victories which it gained during its last half season. It has the glory of compiling a record, without precedent in the annals of the College Cricket Club. The wonderful batting of Messrs. F. Lawler and L. Clifford, in 1887, will long be remembered at Riverview, as will also the bowling of Messrs. Cosgrove and Mooney. The skilful way in which F. Lawler, as captain, managed his men, and secured their cheerful and entire obedience, is beyond all praise, and, no doubt, largely contributed to the happy result. The gold medal which the cricket club presented to him at the close of the year, was, we take it, a graceful recognition of the able way in which he discharged his duties of skipper, as well as a tribute to the prowess with which he wielded the willow in so many exciting contests.

We regret we cannot compliment the gentleman, whose duty it was to prepare for us the account of the matches. The pages handed to us, at the last moment, bear unmistakeable

signs of gross carelessness. Strange to say, in not a single instance, is the date of a match given, and the matches of the 2nd and 3rd Elevens are entirely ignored. The manuscript is quite unfit to be given to the printer in its actual form, so we have been forced to write it out again, at a time when press of occupation makes it quite impossible to write up the details. This is, certainly, not as it should be, and we trust we shall have no occasion for similar dissatisfaction in the future.

—THE ELEVEN.—

F. A. Lawler (Capt.)—Splendid bat, hitting hard, and keeping the ball well along the ground. Good field, and change bowler. Average, 40.5.

L. Clifford—Good bat, improved wonderfully towards the end of the year. A good bowler, and good out-field.

J. Mooney—Good bat. Good left-hand bowler, with leg work; good field.

G. Barry—Good bat, strong defence, hard leg-hitter, splendid field.

A. Mason—A pretty bat, with strong defence, and possessed of hard hitting powers. Good field, and good fast bowler.

T. Cussen—A fair bat, but too slow, has played some good innings; moderate field.

W. H. Sheridan—A very promising bat, with good defence. A smart field.

P. Cosgrove—A fair bat, splendid break bowler, has a bowling average of 6.5, for the season. Fair field.

J. Fitzsimons—A fair bat, bats well in practice; good out-field, and change bowler.

J. O'Keeffe—A new man in the Eleven, and promises to be a good bat; fair field.

A. Hyndes—Fair bat.

Matches played, 8. Won, 6. Lost, 0. Drawn, 2.

St. Ignatius' College v. Longueville.—September 10.

St. Ignatius' College team won.

Longueville—1st innings.	
Richardson, c Sheridan b Mooney	22
Read, b Mooney	14
Dettman, b Mooney	11
Catt, b Cosgrove	1
Tannsley, b Cosgrove ...	0
Speers, c Mooney, b Cosgrove ...	0
Perry, b Mooney	12
Brewer, c Lawler, b Clifford ...	12
Wilson, b Clifford	0
Bridges, not out	3
Tomlin, b Mooney	1
Sundries	7
Total	83

St. Ignatius—1st Innings.	
Lawler, c Dettman, b Read ...	4
Clifford, c Speers, b Read ...	28
Barry, b Read	0
Cussen, b Read	2
Mooney, b Dettman... ..	5
Sheridan. c Catt, b Dettman ...	4
Fitzsimons, run out	22
Hyndes, run out	5
O'Keefe, run out	13
Payten, b Dettman	2
Cosgrove, not out	2
Sundries	4
Total	91

BOWLING ANALYSIS.—Mooney, 72 balls, 39 runs, 2 maidens, 5 wickets. Cosgrove, 36 balls, 18 runs, 1 maiden, 3 wickets. Clifford, 36 balls, 20 runs, 1 maiden, 2 wickets.

St. Ignatius College v. Rovers.—September 14.

This Match resulted in a draw, the College occupying the wickets the whole afternoon.

Mooney, c E. Woodley, b C. Woodley ...	0
Clifford, c E. Woodley, b C. Woodley ...	7
Barry, l b w, b C. Woodley	41
Mason, b C. Woodley	32
Lawler, not out	26
Fitzsimons, not out	4
Cussens, b C. Woodley	2
Sheridan, c Landers, b Ciffe	13
Sundries	8
Total for six wickets	133

Payten, O'Keefe, and Hyndes did not bat.

St. Ignatius' College v. Sydney Grammar School.—October 22nd.

Won by St. Ignatius College, by 6 wickets and 3 runs.

Sydney Grammar School.		St. Ignatius' College.	
Street, b Mooney	37	Clifford, not out	77
Jones, c Cosgrove, b Mooney ...	39	Lawler, b Robinson	63
Robison, b Mooney	2	Barry, b Cape	1
O'Connor, not out	41	Mason, c Skarratt, b Cape ...	4
Moses, b Mooney	5	Mooney, b Harriss	5
Wood, c Barry, b Mooney ...	0	Cussen, not out	9
Harriss. c Barry, b Hyndes ...	9	Sundries	7
Skarratt, b Lawler	8		
Cape, b Lawler	4		
Elphinstone, b Mooney ...	6		
McPherson, c Fitzsimons b Mooney	0		
Sundries	12		
Total	163	Total for four wickets	166

BOWLING ANALYSIS.—Mooney, 91 balls, 50 runs, 1 maiden, 7 wickets. Clifford, 60 balls, 32 runs, 0 maidens, 0 wickets. Cosgrove, 42 balls, 22 runs, 1 maiden, 0 wickets. Mason, 42 balls, 17 runs, 0 maidens, 0 wickets. Hyndes, 18 balls, 13 runs, 0 maidens, 1 wicket. Lawler, 24 balls, 20 runs, 0 maidens, 2 wickets.

St. Ignatius' College v. Newington College.—October 29.

St. Ignatius' College won easily by 121 runs and one wicket.

Newington College.		St. Ignatius' College.	
Hicks, b Mooney	5	Lawler, c Sands, b Finley ...	70
Vallack, b Clifford	2	Clifford, run out	14
Seniser, b Mooney	5	Barry, b Sands	10
Sands, b Mooney	7	Mason, c Miller, b Sands ...	33
Kong Sing, c Lawler, b Cosgrove	22	Mooney, c Warden, b Finley ...	3
O'Neill, b Cosgrove	3	Cussen	8
Pritchard, c Sheridan, b Cosgrove	3	Fitzsimons, b Sands	2
Finley, c Barry, b Cosgrove ...	7	Sheridan, not out	16
Phillips, b Clifford	2	Hyndes, c Sands, b O'Neill ...	14
Warden, c Sheridan, b Clifford ...	3	Payten, c Sands, b O'Neill ...	1
Miller. not out	1	Cosgrove, not out	0
Sundries	4	Sundries	13
Total	64	Total for nine wickets	184

BOWLING ANALYSIS.—Mooney, 72 balls, 22 runs, 5 maidens, 3 wickets. Clifford, 60 balls, 30 runs, 3 maidens, 3 wickets. Cosgrove, 42 balls, 11 runs, 2 maidens, 4 wickets.

St. Ignatius' College v. King's School.—November 12.

A most exciting contest, ending in a win for St. Ignatius' College, by 3 runs.

King's School.		St. Ignatius' College.	
Lloyd, c Barry, b Mooney	17	Lawler, run out	35
Marichee, l b w, b Cosgrove	16	Clifford, c Marichee, b Woodward	1
Woodward, l b w, b Cosgrove	0	Barry, b Woodward	12
C. White, c Hyndes, b Cosgrove	9	Mason, b Woodward	24
Stall, not out	41	Cussen, c Marichee, b White	0
Edwards, b Cosgrove	6	Mooney, not out	24
Ebsworth, c Hyndes, b Clifford	10	Sheridan, l b w, b Lloyd	3
Payten, b Mason	0	Fitzsimons, h o w, b Woodward	5
C. E. Whyte, c Fitzsimons b Hyndes	7	Hyndes, run out	0
Farquahar, b Mooney	0	O'Keefe, b White	2
Larcombe, b Mooney	1	Cosgrove, run out	0
Sundries	6	Sundries	12
Total	113	Total	116

BOWLING ANALYSIS.—Mooney, 78 balls, 24 runs, 2 maidens, 3 wickets. Clifford, 48 balls, 28 runs, 0 maidens, 1 wicket. Mason, 36 balls, 15 runs, 0 maidens, 1 wicket. Cosgrove, 72 balls, 23 runs, 1 maiden 4 wickets. Hyndes, 48 balls, 16 runs, 0 maidens, 1 wicket.

St. Ignatius' College v. All Saints', Bathurst.—November 19th.

Won by St. Ignatius' College by 10 wickets and 170 runs.

All Saints'.		St. Ignatius' College.	
Jones, c Mason, b Mooney	0	Lawler, not out	87
Palmer, h o w, b Cosgrove	19	Clifford, not out	78
Innes, c Clifford, b Mooney	7	Sundries	5
Rouse, c Lawler, b Mooney	10		
Hives, c Fitzsimons, b Mooney	0		
Busby, b Mooney	3		
Gunther, h o w, b Mooney	5		
Blaxland, b Mooney	0		
McKibbon, b Mooney	0		
Dangar, b Mooney	0		
Sloman, not out	3		
Sundries	4		
Total	51	Total for no wickets	170

BOWLING ANALYSIS.—Mooney, 120 balls, 20 runs, 5 maidens, 9 wickets Cosgrove, 30 balls, 4 runs, 2 maidens, 1 wicket. Clifford, 54 balls, 15 runs, 2 maidens, 0 wickets. Mason, 36 balls, 9 runs, 1 maiden, 0 wickets.

St. Ignatius' College v. Emeriti C.C.—December 3rd

This match was played on the College Ground, Riverview, and resulted in a win for the College, by 61 runs.

St. Ignatius' College v. W. Hughes' Team.—December 7.

Our visitors were mostly composed of Albert Club cricketers, and they afforded a few of our boys an excellent afternoon's practice with the bat.

St. Ignatius' College.

Lawler, b Mitchell..	90
Mason, run out	1
Clifford, c Mitchell, b Clipman	5
Barry, c Harris, b Clipman	50
Mooney, c Norris, b Mitchell	38
Cussen, not out	8
Sheridan, not out	3
Sundries	9
Total for five wickets	201

2ND ELEVEN.

The particulars of the Matches played by the 2nd Eleven have not been furnished to us. In the first of their contests against St. Aloysius' College C.C., our lads were badly beaten. In the return match, however, they made a good stand, C. O'Loghlen carrying his bat with upwards of 90 to his credit. The total of the 2nds then was over 200. The match was drawn, from want of time.

SECOND DIVISION—4TH ELEVEN.

Our small boys played two matches against St. Aloysius' small boys, and in both, seemed to be very much too strong for the visitors. J. Davidson, in one of these contests, put together more than a century, and carried his bat. Rogers, O'Rourke, Conley, Buch, and Dynon were the most prominent players during the season, in this division, in which, the game was always played with the utmost vigour.

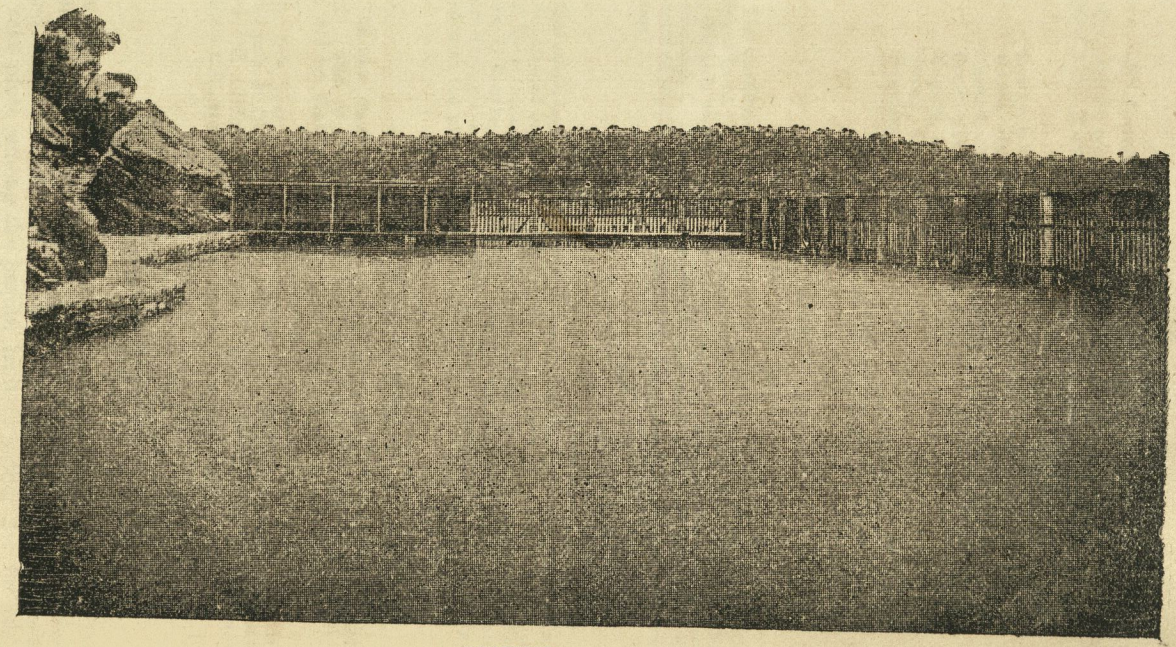
CRICKET NOTES.

The new Pavilion, erected in the Junior Pupils' Cricket Ground, by Father Tuite, is an exceedingly neat and serviceable structure, and it is small wonder that the youngsters are so proud of it.

In this year of brilliant successes, let our cricketers not forget the worthy pair, P. Clifford and A. Lawler, who so distinguished themselves in 1884-5. P. Clifford then made 212 *v.* Newington College, 58 not out *v.* Carthona C.C., and 132 not out *v.* Sydney Grammar School.

ATHLETICS.

On May 25 the Athletic Sports were held at Riverview, the entries being very numerous, and the finishes were very close indeed. As we mentioned in our last "Alma Mater" the races only take place among the pupils, as it is rather far for competitors to come from Sydney. Great thanks are due to Sergeant-Major Hagney, who acted as Judge for the several events, and although many of the finishes required a keen eye to single out the winners, everyone seemed satisfied with his decisions. The prizes, which were very good, were distributed to the various winners by the Committee on the morning of the June vacation. The following is the result :—



SWIMMING BATHS.

1st Event—Maiden Handicap, 100 Yards (42 entries) : F. Newton (8 yds.), 1st ; T. Cussen (5 yds.), 2nd.

2nd Event—Hurdle Race, 125 Yards : A Mason (3½ yds.), 1st ; E. Pollard (10 yds.), 2nd.

3rd Event—Quarter-of-a-Mile Handicap (44 entries) : L. Clifford (16 yds.), 1st ; J. Mooney (14 yds.), 2nd.

4th Event– Throwing the Cricket Ball (14 entries) : A. Mason, 1st ; J. Mooney, 2nd.

5th Event—Senior Championship, 120 Yards (10 entries) : J. Gerity 1st ; A. McLaughlin, 2nd. Time, 13½ secs.

6th Event—College Handicap, 220 Yards (46 entries) : L. Clifford (10 yds.), 1st ; J. Gerity (scratch), 2nd.

7th Event—Under 13 years, 100 Yards (20 entries) : Hoen (7 yds.), 1st ; J. Molony (6 yds.), 2nd.

8th Event—Junior Championship, 100 Yards, (8 entries) : M. Delaine, 1st ; W. Rogers, 2nd.

9th Event—Walking Race, 880 Yards (36 entries) : C. O'Loghlen (65 yds.), 1st ; E. Kickham (38 yds.), 2nd.

10th Event—Siamese Race, 100 Yards (24 entries) : C. O'Rourke and W. Rogers (12 yds.), 1st ; J. Clifford and E. Kickham (3 yds.), 2nd.

11th Event—Tyro's Handicap, 130 Yards (28 entries), J. Molony (8 yds,), T. Coen (10 yds.), 2nd.

12th Event—Sack Race, 75 Yards (19 entries) : W. Lawler, 1st ; C. O'Loghlen, 2nd.

13th Event—Decapitating the Rooster, 20 Paces (80 entries) : M. Dillane, 1st ; C. O'Rourke and J. Clifford (Dead Heat for 2nd).

14th Event—Riverview Handicap, 150 Yards (42 entries) : G. Barry, (10 yds.), 1st ; J. Mooney (9 yds.), 2nd.

15th Event—Consolation Handicap, 120 Yards (18 entries), J. Clifford (scratch), 1st ; E. Pollard (2 yds.), 2nd.

SWIMMING SPORTS.

The Annual Swimming Sports Campaign took place on November 5th and 26th, and passed off in a manner which far excelled the Swimming Competitions of former years. The entries were very numerous, and the finishes very close. On account of the entries being numerous, the Committee found it necessary to make the Carnival extend for two days. The prizes were beautiful, including one presented by Mr. Pollard, which was made in England. The following are the results :—

1st Event—Long Dive (15 entries) : H. Lennon, 1st. (Dived 35 yds.)

2nd Event—Neat Dive (28 entries) : M. Craig, 1st; F. Lawler, 2nd.

3rd Event—Under 13 Years, Distance 40 Yards (20 entries) : C. Healy (1½ posts), 1st ; E. Prendegast (3 posts), 2nd.

4th Event—Dive for Objects (18 entries) : H. Healy, 1st; C. O'Rourke, 2nd.

5th Event—Senior Champion, Distance 70 Yards (20 entries) : L. Clifford, 1st ; G. Barry, 2nd.

6th Event—Junior Championship, Distance 70 yds (14 entries) : C. O'Rourke, 1st ; F. Page, 2nd.

7th Event—Maiden Plate, Distance 70 Yards (23 Entries) : A. Thynne, 1st ; H. Mooney, 2nd.

8th Event—All Comers' Handicap, Distance 140 Yards (26 entries) : E Pollard (3 sec.), 1st ; H. Mooney (scratch), 2nd.

9th Event—Riverview Cup Handicap, Distance 760 Yards (30 entries) : P. O'Donnell (20 secs.), 1st ; A. Thynne (30 secs.), 2nd.

10th Event—Christmas Handicap, Distance 140 Yards (26 Entries) : J. Davidson (15 secs.), 1st ; E. Pollard (3 secs.), 2nd.

11th Event—Siamese Race, Distance 35 Yards (10 entries) : J. Plunkett and F. Page, 1st ; C. O'Loghlen and W. Lawler, 2nd.

12th Event—Farewell Handicap, Distance 280 Yards (29 entries) : P. O'Donnell (5 secs.), 1st ; G. Barry (scratch), 2nd.

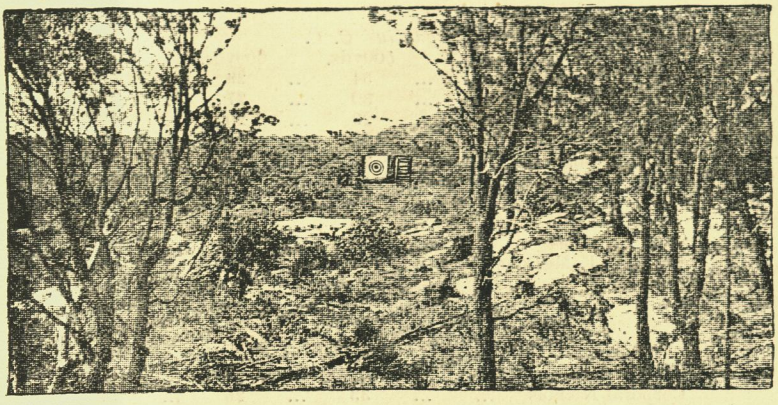
13th Event—Pollard Trophy, Distance 140 Yards (19 entries) : H. Mooney (4 secs.), 1st ; M. Dalton (3 secs.), 2nd.

14th Event—Consolation, Distance 70 Yards (6 entries) : G. Flannery, 1st ; J. Casey, 2nd.

In the S. G. S. Sports, A. Mason and J. Gerity, of St. Ignatius', came second and third respectively. In another public A. A. meeting, A. Mason and L. Clifford held second and third places.

Our famous champion runner of last year (J. Fagan) has not carried off many big prizes since he left. Has he been too heavily handicapped, or is he too busy running up houses?

The manner in which the athletes at our sports were rigged out was highly creditable ; but more admirable still was the rapidity with which one costume was passed on to half-a-dozen competitors. Mr. MacCabe might take a lesson and be edified.



RIFLE RANGE.

RIFLE SHOOTING, 1887.

Visit to Bathurst.

On Tuesday, 7th inst., the undermentioned members of the St. Ignatius College Cadet Corps, under charge of Sergeant-Major Hagney, left Sydney, *en route* to Bathurst, to take part in the Rifle Association matches. A very good report has been sent to the Rector by the Sergeant-Major in charge, which speaks highly of the gentlemanly conduct and excellent shooting of the boys throughout the meeting. Corporal Rankin made some fine shooting in the Ladies' and Macquarie matches. In the former he scored 81, which won him a prize, and in the latter, 86 out of a possible 100. The majority of the team were only 1 or 2 points behind the winners, which fact speaks for itself, considering that about 70 of the best shots in the colony took part in the matches. Sergeant-Major Hagney won 3 prizes, making 93 out of a possible 100 in the Macquarie match. The team during their stay at Bathurst put up at the Club House Hotel, where they received every attention. A number of them visited St. Stanislaus College, and were most courteously entertained by the President. The whole of our riflemen returned to Sydney on Saturday morning, after enjoying a pleasant, but cold trip, over the Blue Mountains. The following are the names of the team :—Color-Sergeant Cussen, Sergeant A. McDonell, Corporal T. McDonell, Corporal A. Rankin, and Cadets McEvoy, Mason, Sheridan, and Kickham.

ST. IGNATIUS v. ASHFIELD RESERVE CORPS.

A rifle match took place at Riverview on Saturday, 20th August, between 10 members of the Ashfield Reserve Corps and a like number of the St. Ignatius' College Cadets, and resulted in a win for the College team by 30 points. The conditions were 7 shots at 500 and 600 yards, 2 sighters at each range. Some good scores were made notwithstanding the choppy wind, and the fact that the last men fired in the dusk of the evening. The following are the scores :—

St. Ignatius' C. C.

	500yds.	600yds.	Total.
Corporal A. Rankin	34 ...	29 ...	63
Sergeant-Major Hagney ...	30 ...	27 ...	57
Color-Sergeant Cussen ..	29 ...	20 ...	49
Cadet McEvoy	26 ...	21 ...	47
„ Mason	25 ...	21 ...	46
„ Sheridan	26 ...	18 ...	44
„ Thynne	20 ...	20 ...	40
„ O'Neill	16 ...	23 ...	39
„ Hyndes	18 ...	19 ...	37
Corporal T. McDonell ...	16 ...	8 ...	24
		Grand Total	446

Ashfield Reserve Corps.

	500 yds.	600 yds	Total.
Private Daniels	32 ...	28 ...	60
Corporal Nichols	33 ...	26 ...	59
Sergeant Rigby	31 ...	24 ...	55
Corporal Creary	30 ...	24 ...	54
Private Murray	24 ...	22 ...	46
Private Burke	22 ...	17 ...	39
Corporal Bennett	28 ...	19 ...	47
Private Bonnor	12 ...	14 ...	26
Sergeant Croker	7 ...	9 ...	16
Lieutenant Liggins	6 ...	8 ...	14
		Grand Total	416

ST. IGNATIUS v. NAVAL ARTILLERY VOLUNTEERS.

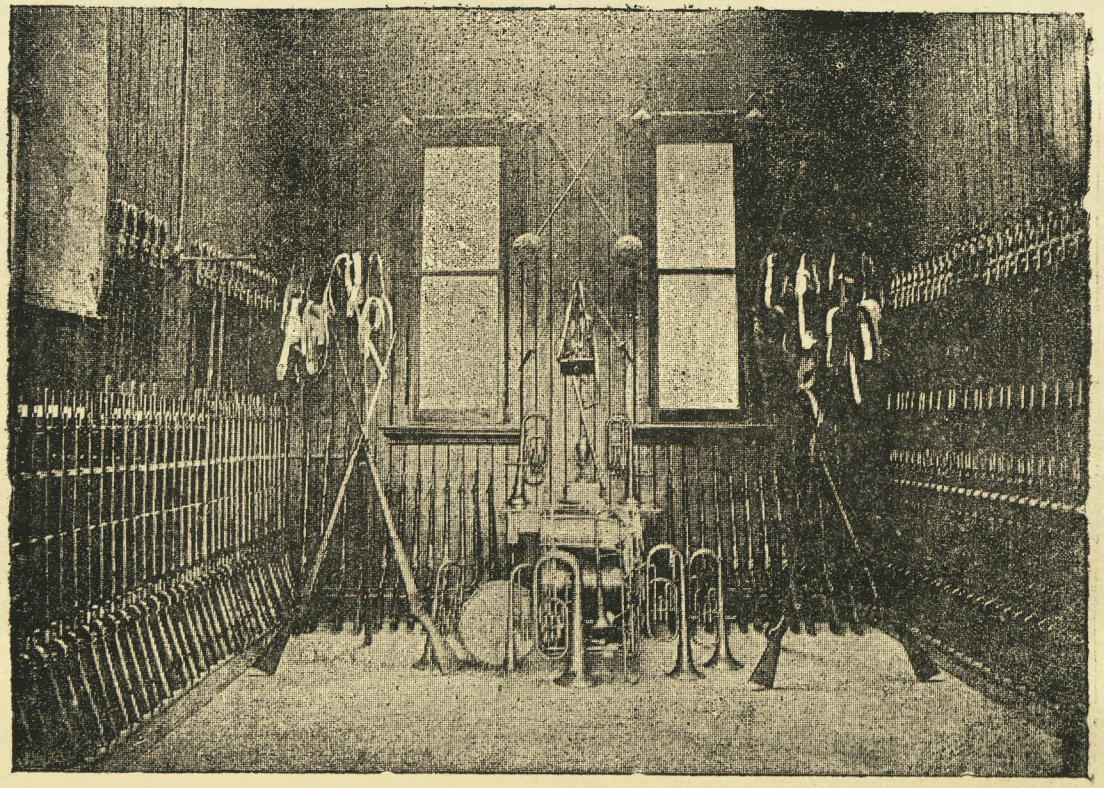
A rifle match took place at Riverview on Saturday, 3rd September, between 10 members of the N. A. V.'s and a like number of the St. Ignatius' C. C., and after a close contest resulted in a victory for the visitors by 12 points. Scores :—

Naval Artillery Volunteers.

	500 yds.	600 yds.	Total.
A. B. Young	29 ...	26 ...	55
A. B. Faulk	24 ...	31 ...	55
A. B. Sims	27 ...	24 ...	51
A. B. Helsham	27 ...	22 ...	49
P. S. Dunne	26 ...	16 ...	42
A. B. Johnson	27 ...	20 ...	47
P. O. W. Warren	30 ...	12 ...	42
A. B. J. Warren	24 ...	17 ...	41
Lieutenant Keating	29 ...	10 ...	39
A. B. Stephens	18 ...	15 ...	33
		Grand Total	454

St. Ignatius' College C. C.

	500 yds.	600 yds.	Total.
Cadet Mason	30 ...	21 ...	51
Corporal Rankin	25 ...	25 ...	50
Cadet Sheridan	21 ...	26 ...	47
„ Thynne	23 ...	23 ...	46
„ O'Neill	27 ...	19 ...	46
Corporal T. McDonell ...	28 ...	18 ...	46
Color-Sergeant Cussen ...	23 ...	22 ...	45
Cadet McEvoy	20 ...	15 ...	44
„ Pollard	22 ...	15 ...	37
Sergeant A. McDonell ...	15 ...	15 ...	30
		Grand Total	442



CADET ARMOURY.

ST. IGNATIUS' v. MILITARY STAFF R. C.

A Rifle Match took place at the Paddington Rifle Range on Saturday, 24th September, between 10 members of the Military Staff and a like number of the St. Ignatius' C. C., resulting in a win for the College team by 44 points, theirs being the highest score of any team shooting at the Range on that date. Newington College and the Torpedo Corps were shooting a similar match close to our representatives—the former's score was 510, and the latter's 515. Subjoined are the scores :—

St. Ignatius' College C.C.

	500 yds.	600 yds.	Total.
Corpl. T. McDonell	31 ...	29 ...	60
Sergeant-Major Hagney ...	30 ...	29 ...	59
Cadet Sheridan	30 ...	27 ...	57
Corpl. Rankin	29 ...	27 ...	56
Cadet Mason	27 ...	28 ...	55
Color-Sergeant Cussen ...	24 ...	26 ...	50
Cadet Thynne	29 ...	21 ...	50
„ O'Neill	25 ...	23 ...	48
„ McEvoy	22 ...	25 ...	47
„ Pollard	26 ...	18 ...	44
		Grand Total	526

Military Staff R.C.

	500 yds.	600 yds.	Total.
Warrant-Officer Furnish ...	30 ...	29 ...	59
Sergeant Ingall	31 ...	27 ...	58
„ Murray	26 ...	28 ...	54
Captain Cuthell	31 ...	20 ...	51
Sergeant Brady	30 ...	20 ...	50
Warrant-Officer Wood ...	25 ...	25 ...	50
„ „ Masters ...	22 ...	20 ...	42
Sergeant McCredie	22 ...	20 ...	42
„ Berry	21 ...	17 ...	38
„ Wollans	22 ...	16 ...	38
		Grand Total	482

N.S.W. RIFLE ASSOCIATION MATCHES.

(Freeman's Journal.)

At the meeting of the N.S.W. Rifle Association, held last week, the Cadets of St. Ignatius' Jesuit College, Riverview, took part in several of the matches, and, as will be seen by the undermentioned scores and prizes won, highly distinguished themselves. In the Tyro Match, 9 of the team averaged 57 points, taking 4 prizes out of 29. The team were not so fortunate in the School Shield, but they got second place, and defeated the Grammar School. Their average shooting before the meeting, it may be remarked, was far in advance of the winning score. Corpl. Rankin's score at the 600 yards range, in the Queen's Match, was the best shooting ever done on the range ; he made 48 out of a possible 50 points, for which, Mr. R. J. Sheridan, one of the Council, gave a trophy, value £3. For the best shot at the meeting, amongst the team, Cadet McEvoy tops with 272, Corpl. T. McDonell, 271 ; and Corpl. Rankin comes third, with 270. Corpl. Rankin is the best average shot of the year. On the whole, the team were very successful, and the College may be congratulated on its youthful marksmen. Following is the list of prizes, won by the College, with scores attached :—The Nursery Match: Cadet McEvoy, 58, £2 ; Corpl. Rankin, 57, £1 ; Corpl. T. McDonell, 57, £1;

Cadet Sheridan, 57, £1. Tyro Match: Cadet Mason, 65, £4; Cadet Pollard, 63, £2; Corpl. T. McDonell, 62, £1. The Queen's Match: Corpl. Rankin, 66, £4; Cadet Pollard, 60, £1. The Queen's Aggregate: Cadet McEvoy, 164, £2; Corpl. Rankin, 163, £2; Corpl. T. McDonell, 162, £2. Color-Sergeant Cussen won a prize in the Merchant's Match, and Sergeant-Major Hagney won 3 prizes. The success of the team was largely due to the admirable training and instruction, given by Sergeant-Major Hagney.

SCORES FOR SCHOOLS' GOLD MEDAL IN N.S.W.R.A. MATCHES.

	Nursery.	Shield.	Queen's stage 1.	Queen's stage 2.	Queen's stage 3.	Aggregate No. of points.
Cadet J. McEvoy ...	58 ...	50 ...	55 ...	57 ...	52 ...	272
Corpl. T. McDonell ...	57 ...	52 ...	50 ...	56 ...	56 ...	271
Corpl A. Rankin ...	57 ...	50 ...	55 ...	42 ...	66 ...	270
Cadet W. Sheridan ...	57 ...	50 ...	49 ...	53 ...	49 ...	251
„ A. Mason ...	53 ...	44 ...	52 ...	54 ...	41 ...	244
„ E. Pollard ...	47 ...	48 ...	44 ...	60 ...	43 ...	242
„ A. Thynne ...	45 ...	43 ...	47 ...	46 ...	49 ...	230
„ D. O'Neill ...	46 ...	47 ...	46 ...	45 ...	43 ...	227
Sergeant A. McDonell	54 ...	28 ...	51 ...	44 ...	R ...	—
Color-Sergeant Cussen	42 ...	37 ...	56 ...	R ...	56 ...	—

SCHOOL AVERAGES FOR 1887.

										Average.
Corpl. Rankin	63	50	56	53	54	49	51	55	41	52.4
Cadet McEvoy	47	44	47	48	52	50	46	49	57	48.8
„ Pollard	—	37	44	48	59	55	41	48	51	47.7
Color-Sergeant Cussen ...	49	45	50	49	39	48	51	39	57	47.4
Cadet Mason	46	51	55	45	48	38	48	45	45	46.7
Sergeant A. McDonell ...	—	30	—	—	40	44	52	59	56	46.5
Cadet Thynne	40	46	50	42	54	41	48	46	42	45.4
„ O'Neill	39	46	48	37	47	47	46	49	45	44.8
„ Bowler	—	—	—	20	50	58	54	38	37	42.5
„ Sheridan	44	47	57	42	49	31	27	38	45	42.2
Corpl. T. McDonell ...	24	46	60	43	50	38	29	39	45	41.5

MILITARY NOTES.

The usual inspection of arms, was held in December. We got notice of the Government Official's visit, by letter, some few hours before the actual visit. Everything in the Armoury was found in satisfactory order, as the Official Report proves. The Report runs as follows :—

" The following Report is forwarded, etc :–

ST. IGNATIUS' COLLEGE.

Arms in *perfect* order, as good as when supplied."

Cadets were wondering where their Lieutenant was gone to. Rumours, however, of the success attending the Riverview Uniform in social meetings, consoled them somewhat for its non-appearance on the drill ground. They hope, nevertheless, to see it again with them, as it can ill be spared on the more solemn occasions.

Cadets may look out for more frequent Dress Parades in the future. Our last parade fully proved that but a short time was required for trousers to become too tight, and coats too small for their owners.

Our Sergeant-Major contemplates printing a book on Drill and Calisthenic Exercises. We only hope he will do so, as the work of one so thoroughly versed in such subjects, cannot fail to be of great general utility, and to meet with universal approval. If it is accorded the patronage it deserves, its success is assured, and we heartily commend Sergeant-Major Hagney for his enterprising spirit in publishing it.

Our Military Band will not be injuriously affected, we hope, by a little practice in playing, when marching. With their scarlet uniforms and white belts, they are, of course, quite in place at parade, but occasionally they show a tendency to be a little *out of time*.

The more hard-headed of our rifle shots (and indeed, the more soft-headed too) may be pardoned for considering St. Ignatius' Team equal to any school team of New South Wales. In the crucial test, no doubt, Newington beat them by 44 points, but on the day when Riverview beat the Staff at Paddington, and Newington was beaten by the Torpedo Corps, the score of the victors in the former match exceeded the score of either victor or vanquished in the latter.

The Junior members of the Rifle Corps shot several matches on our 200 yards range. We have not room for the full scores, but the Sergeant Instructor has given us the following as the names of the best shots— Messrs. J. and C. Cullinane, Polin, Davidson and Buch.



A YOUTHFUL AUSTRALIAN MARKSMAN.

CORPORAL ARCHIBALD RANKIN.

(From the *Town and Country Journal.*)

Corporal Archibald Rankin, of St. Ignatius' College Cadet Corps, is the son of Mr. Angus Rankin, of Bumboulee Station, Tumut, and was born on November 24, 1871; so that he has not yet completed his sixteenth year. He began to practice rifle shooting in April, 1886. In August of that year, the St. Ignatius' College Rifle Club shot its first match, which was against the Sydney Rifle Club. In this match Rankin got the top score for his side, making 53 out of a possible 70 at the 500 yds. and 600 yds. ranges; and he was presented by Dr. Hurst with a handsome gold trophy. In the three following matches his scores were 54, 55, and 57 points. In the New South Wales Rifle Association meeting of 1886, he made, in the "last try," a score of 61 out of 70, and secured a prize. Shooting in the St. Ignatius' College team for the Schools' Challenge shield, at the same meeting, he again scored

61, the highest individual score in the match, and won the trophy given by Major-General Richardson, C.B. Rankin opened the season for 1887 with 63, against the Ashfield Reserves on the College range at Riverview, Lane Cove River; and soon afterward he made 56 against the military staff at Paddington, contributing largely to the victory of the college youths over their veteran opponents. In the association matches last October, Rankin won a prize in the Nursery Match with a score of 57. In the third stage of the Queen's he won a prize with a score of 66 out of a possible 75, and also gained a prize for his aggregate in the three stages. It is said that his score in the third stage of the Queen's match is the best ever made at Paddington at 600 yds. In ten shots he made eight successive bull's eyes, and two centres. As a reward for this phenomenal scoring, Mr. R. J. Sheridan has presented him with a gold medal, suitably inscribed. During the entire period of his practice in rifle shooting, Rankin has been under the tuition of Sergeant-Major Hagney, for many years drill instructor at the Sydney Grammar School, and at present occupying a similar position at St. Ignatius' College. To this gentleman's admirable training and instruction Rankin is chiefly indebted for his success with the rifle.

PRIZES.

CRICKET CLUB.

F. A. Lawler (highest individual score), 90.—Gold Medal.
F. A. Lawler (highest batting average), 40.5.—Prize Bat.
P. L. Cosgrove (highest bowling average), 6.5.—Ball.

RIFLE CLUB.

J. McEvoy won the College gold medal for highest aggregate score in the New South Wales Rifle Association, and won £4 at the same.

A. Rankin won gold medal presented by R. J. Sheridan for highest score at 600 yards in Queen's Match, at the N S.W. Rifle Association, and won £7 at the meeting.

E. Pollard won £3 at the N. S. W. Rifle Association meeting.
T. McDonell won £4 at the N. S. W. Rifle Association meeting.
A. Mason won £4 at the N. S. W. Rifle Association meeting.
W. Sheridan won £1 at the N. S. W. Rifle Association meeting.
T. Cussen won £1 at the N. S. W. Rifle Association meeting.
Sergeant-Major Hagney won £11 at the N. S. W. Rifle Association meeting.

ROWING CLUB.

Winners of College Cup and Medals at College Regatta, May 14; and Mayor's Cup and Association Medals at New South Wales Regatta, December 10.

J. Quirk
J. McEvoy
T. McDonell
T. Cussen (stroke)
W. Lawler (coxs.)

The Hyam Gold Medals.—Presented by S. H. Hyam, Esq.

A. Hyndes
A. McDonell
J. McEvoy
T. McDonell (stroke)
W. Lawler (coxs.)

Gaunt Gold Medals.
(Presented by T. Gaunt, Esq.)

J. Casey
R. Pickford

Cohen Medals.
(Presented by S. Cohen, Esq.)

F. Page
W. Rogers

SWIMMING.

SENIORS.

School Championship

L. Clifford
G. Barry

Long Dive.

H. Lennon
A. Hyndes

Pollard Prize.

H. Mooney.

JUNIORS.

School Championship.

C. O'Rourke
F. Page

Neat Dive.

M. Craig
J. Davidson

HANDBALL.

Senior Champion.

J. Gerity

Junior Champion.

D. Buch

ATHLETICS.

School Champion.

J. Gerity
A. Mason
L. Clifford

Junior.

M. Dillane
W. Rogers

GYMNASTICS.

Senior.

R. Hardman.

Junior.

J. Cullinane

PRESENTATIONS.

On Wednesday, December 14th, the eve of our break-up for the holidays, we all assembled in the Study Hall, at 8 p.m., to witness the presentation of a number of valuable prizes, awarded for Special Merit in the Games. The Rector of the College presided, and was assisted by Fathers Tuite, Keating, Leahy, and Gartlan.

It was thought that the whole ceremony would be well over in half-an-hour, but the enthusiasm of the audience seems to have imparted wonderful powers to some of the speakers, and accordingly, it was fully an hour and a half before the meeting ended.

In opening the proceedings, our Reverend Rector made one of those genial, happy speeches, for which he is so well known. Having congratulated the different clubs on their triumphs, he went on to tell us of the deep interest with which he had followed the fortunes of his boys, in their various contests, and explained the important place the games held in his estimation, as a means of furthering the studies and helping the higher and more serious aims of education. His remarks, needless to say, went right to our hearts, and evolved storms of applause. The Presentations were then made in the following order :—F. Lawler, a Gold Medal, for his wonderful batting performances, and his most satisfactory

discharge of the duties of Captain. Fred made a very good speech in reply, though he seemed somewhat nervous, unmanned, probably, by the open-mouthed attention to his utterances, of Messrs. G. Barry, M. Dalton, etc. He attributed high praise to the Members of his eleven, for the great good-will with which they had worked together to secure triumphs for their school. J. Mooney was then presented with the ball (with a silver binding and inscription thereon) with which he had, in the closing match of the season, knocked over the wickets of the Emeriti. In his reply, which was a very neatly composed speech, Mooney paid a high compliment to Father Leahy, and on the part of the boys, thanked him for the zeal he had exhibited in their interests. Father Leahy, in thanking the boys for their ovation, took occasion to say that in none of the many colleges, with which he had been connected in Europe, had he observed a more excellent, united, and manly spirit, than at Riverview.

P. Cosgrove, as Champion Bowler, got a new ball with a silver binding.

The College Gold Medal, for the best average shot, was then given to Jas. McEvoy.

The next Presentation was quite a surprise, but that it was an exceedingly popular one, was proved by the boisterous clapping and cheering with which it was met. It was the presentation of a gold medal to T. Cussen, Captain of the Rowing Club, in acknowledgment of the able manner in which he had conducted the affairs of the Club. It was explained that it was less a reward for the victories he and his crew had gained, than an expression of the satisfaction his companions felt at the lively interest he took in the club's general welfare, and the praiseworthy diligence with which he had looked after the shed. Cussen was quite taken by surprise, but, on receiving the medal, he made a little speech—a short, manly, straight-forward speech—in which, he declared that he could not see for what he got the gift, as, so far as the victories won were concerned, he and his *strong* men had simply done what they conceived it their duty to strain every nerve to do, and as for looking after the shed and club plant, he considered that the confidence of his companions in electing him Captain, bound him to do that at least. Under the circumstances, he said, he would value the medal all the more—it would remind him of the goodness of his comrades more than of his own merits.

The Pollard Trophy, a silver cigar case, appropriately inscribed, sent by Mrs. Pollard, from London, was then handed over to Hubert Mooney, the winner of the swimming race, for which it was the prize. From the evident pleasure H. Mooney exhibited, on feeling the case safe in his grasp, and the stubborness with which he resisted Father Gartlan's kind offer to relieve him of the embarrassment of carrying about such an article, it was clear that he contemplated turning his prize to an immediate, and let us hope, a charitable use.

After the distribution of these prizes to the boys, came the event of the evening, *i.e.*

The Presentation to Sergeant Hagney, of a gift, purchased for him by the pupils—we believe, by the Members ef the Cadet Corps and the Rowing Club. The gift consisted of a very handsome Gold Medal and an elaborate Silver Tea and Coffee Service, with a Salver. The Medal bore on it the College badge, and the figure of a rifleman taking aim; it had also a suitable inscription, and the motto, "*Fortis et fidelis.*"

In making the Presentation, Father Dalton said that though he did not in general, approve of such presentations, the present one had his entire and hearty approbation, and he was happy when presenting the pupils' very thoughtfully-selected gift, to bear his testimony, that Sergeant Hagney had done his duty, both to the College and its students faithfully and well. He had proved himself worthy of the motto: "*Fortis et Fidelis,*" he had been "strong" in maintaining order and discipline in his department, and faithful to the best interests of the pupils.

Sergeant Hagney made a feeling reply, in which he heartily thanked the pupils for their beautiful present, which was quite unexpected by him, and declared that what little he had done for them was but a small part of what he desired to do for them and the College, and of what, if God spared him, he would yet do.

Ringing cheers terminated the proceedings.

SPEECH DAY.

We take the following curtailed account of Speech Day from the FREEMAN'S JOURNAL.

Romantic Riverview seemed to have put on its gayest holiday attire on Thursday last, December 15th, when the stern rules of collegiate life—as is customary on the last day of the academic year—were set aside, and the students were permitted to mingle with their friends and relations in a pleasant re-union, preparatory to the commencement of the Christmas holidays. The students' entertainment, incidental to the annual presentation of prizes, has always seemed to possess a magnetic attraction, and the one under notice drew together one of the largest and most fashionable Catholic gatherings it has ever been our pleasure to see. When the visitors, some four or five hundred in number, reached Riverview, after a delightful steamer trip from Sydney, they were conducted by the Jesuit Fathers up the picturesque and ruggedly romantic winding path which leads from the water's edge, through cool green avenues and radiant gardens, all abloom with a summer glory of lovely flowers, across the broad play-ground, and finally into the large and festively decorated building in which the annual gatherings are held. Most of the best known Catholic families were represented, and besides such public men as Mr. D. O'Connor, M.P., Mr. T. Dalton, M.P., Mr. Gormly, M.P., there were present many eminent gentlemen of the legal and medical profession. Of clerics there were a great number ; among them were the Very Rev. Dr. Carroll (Vicar-General of the diocese of Sydney), Very Rev. D. Clancy, S.J. (President of St. Aloysius' College, Sydney), the Very Rev. Father Couloignier, S.M.; Fathers O'Connor, O'Callaghan, Le Ray, M.S.H., Jaques, S.J., J. P. Fitzpatrick, and J. Collins. Besides the Very Rev. J. Dalton, S.J. (Rector), the following Professors were in attendance : Fathers Gartlan, Tuite, Nolan, Keating, O'Malley, O'Connor, and Leahy, all of the Society of Jesus. The Rev. Mr Bailey (Anglican clergyman), of Hunter's Hill, was among the visitors. A very pretty effect was created, in the way of decoration, by displaying on pyramid stands at either side of the platform, choice varieties of fuchsias —this beautiful floral adornment, amidst the profusion of flags and draperies, being, we understand, the work of Father Nolan, S.J., who bears the name of an enthusiastic amateur botanist. On his Eminence the Cardinal-Archbishop entering with the venerable Rector of Riverview, the programme was commenced by the College orchestra (under the direction of Mons. A. Hermes) playing in excellent style the "Bohemian Girl" overture. Then followed in the order given—Greek verse (original), C. Brennan ; "Shiel's Reply to Lord Lyndhurst," Colman O'Loghlen ; Selection from Pere Lambillote's Oratorio, "Noel," Singing Class, directed by Father O'Malley, S.J.; Latin verse (original), A. Thynne ; Piano Quartette (Beethoven), C. Parker, J. Craig, J. Cullinane, and T. Coen ; "Death of Hofer," W. Lawler ; English Essay, "Australia of the Future," J. Fitzsimons ; "Yacht Sunbeam" (a valse composed by Mons. Hermes, and dedicated by kind permission to Lord and the late Lady Brassey), College orchestra ; Debate, "What should be England's Policy in India," A. McDonnell (chairman), J. Mooney, J. Bowler, J. Quirke, and J. Fitzsimons ;

Hymn to St. Patrick, Singing Class. All the items were well received, and the debate in particular was a "hit," a palpable "hit," the speeches being admirable alike in substance, construction and delivery.

When the light and pleasant portion of the proceedings was concluded, the serious and practical was begun by Father O'Connell, S.J., the Prefect of Studies—whose appearance, by the way, was welcomed by very hearty applause—stepping forward to deliver the annual address. Father O'Connell has always something good to say, and he knows how to say it well. On the present occasion the worthy Prefect, after ably dealing with the subject of "cramming," and pointing out the evil effects, both to the students and community, of a system of "cram," went on to show what the true aim and object of higher education was, and how that aim and object could be successfully accomplished, concluding with some trenchant criticism of the manner of grouping subjects in our University Examination. the present plan, he contended, being almost useless as a means of testing the scholastic acquirements of the candidates. Father O'Connell, while touching on the public examinations, said it should be the endeavour of students to prepare themselves so as to be able to pass, not in the easiest way, but in the best way. The presentation of prizes followed, and among the prize-takers we noticed the lads who had passed at the recent Matriculation and Senior and Junior University Examinations.

The Cardinal-Archbishop, after distributing the books and medals (during which ceremony there was a vast amount of cheering), addressed the assemblage It was not what is called a set speech; still his Eminence was very happy in his observations with regard to the predominating influence of Christian principle and Christian character in moulding citizens and patriots of the true type, and he was heartily applauded when, in alluding to the sterling work and the sustained record of Riverview, he spoke of it as "a great college and a great Christian school—the training ground of devoted citizens and true patriots." His Eminence, in conclusion, wished both masters and scholars a continuance of the past and present success through many bright and prosperous years to come.

Father Dalton, in acknowledging his Eminence's kind words, took occasion to thank all the visitors for their kindness in attending, and while wishing the compliments of the season to each and all, he dropped the remark, which was loudly applauded, that he had every hope that the large hall of the new college in course of erection at Riverview would be completed in time for next year's "speech day."



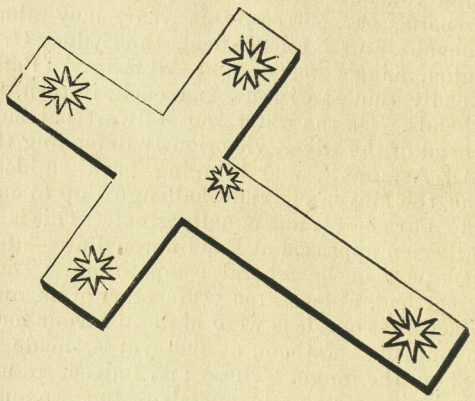
INFIRMARY.

CONCLUSION.

And now, comrades, we must separate. Our record of this year's events is surely one in which we may be pardoned for taking some pride. We are, we believe, the youngest school in Australia, and naturally, in point of numbers, we are below several others, and yet we have taken an acknowledged place in the front rank. We have, already, representatives at the University, indeed, two-thirds of the University students attending St. John's College, are Riverview boys. Some of our old companions have devoted themselves to the Church, some are preparing for the legal or one of the other learned professions, and not a few have entered upon a commercial career. In all manly sports, our success, this year, may almost be termed phenomenal. In the cricket field, the Sydney Grammar School, Newington, King's School, and All Saints' (Bathurst), entered into friendly contest with us, and each, in turn, suffered defeat at our hands. On the water, our stalwart oarsmen have put us at the head of the River, victoriously defending the College Cup from All Assailants, and bringing back, in bloodless triumph, it is true, the Mayor's Grand Challenge Cup to our halls. With the Rifle, our success was equally great. This is the second year our marksmen appeared at Paddington Butts—the first in which they took part in the general competitions. The other Schools competing, had, at least, ten years start of us, and nevertheless, it is a fact, that our lads were high in favour for the Challenge Shield, and one of them, at 600 yards, made shooting never equalled on the range. These are, indeed, results upon which we may legitimately pride ourselves, but we must aim at, and prepare for far higher honours, if we hope to attain to what is expected from us. None of us have forgotten the words, His Eminence Cardinal Moran addressed to us in one of his visits—"I trust it will be the lot of many of the students, now under the care of the Jesuit Fathers, to hold in time to come, leading positions in all walks of life, and I do not think I shall be using the language of exaggeration, when I express my belief, that from these walls, will go forth not a few statesmen, who will be able to serve their country by their talent and by their patriotism. I certainly have bright hopes of the future of the students of St. Ignatius', and I trust that the names of many of these students will, some day, be found on the roll of the sons of Australia, who have won distinction and glory for their fair country." These high expectations may well serve as a powerful incentive to us to fit ourselves for the large work expected from us. One thing, even thus early in the career of our College is manifest, and it is that every one of us is united in the desire and resolve that our Alma Mater shall ever hold rank among the great

institutions of Australia. Our Superiors have complimented us upon the great union they noticed existing amongst us. We may doubt if elsewhere could be found a keener, more manly, and enthusiastic *esprit de corps*. May this be ever so. May the lines of Byron, which we have put at the head of our School Record, be applicable to all Riverview students, past and present.

> In every element unchanged, the same
> All, all that brothers should be, but the name.



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