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(General View of St. Ignatius' College.)

# Editorial.

## 1892—

"Shake hands before you die,
Old Year, we'll dearly rue for you;
What is it we can do for you?
Speak out before you die!"

We are young, and naturally we take our stand by the side of the New Year, giving him right brotherly affection. But we are not so young as to forget the more aged friend, the good and kind Old Year—just getting ready to take his leave. True, he cannot make fair promises any longer, but he once did promise generously, and then nobly kept his word. For a passing moment, we, though young, forget the young, and, clinging to the old, we seek to stay his departing steps. We linger, with loving gratitude over our farewell to our aged friend, and ere he departs we ask him, in the words quoted above:—"What is it we can do for you? Speak out before you die!" And no wonder we wish to give the good Old Year a long, a hearty and a fond farewell. No wonder we are desirous to do something for him whilst we can, for he did much for us. And what better can we do for him than record, with deep gratitude, the blessings and the successes he showered with such lavish hand upon us Students of Riverview?

The year 1892 began its course with unusually good prospects. Never since its opening did so many new pupils flock to the halls of St. Ignatius' College, and never before, perhaps, were so few of the familiar faces of former years absent from the roll call. It is not necessary to notice here the spirit, the energy, and the heart imparted to both masters and pupils by such encouragement as this at the very beginning of their year's labours.

Nor were these bright hopes and prospects awakened in last January doomed like so many others to be blighted. No! Day after day strengthened the conviction that they were destined to be realised, and the first proof of this was to be found in the published results of the University "Matric.," at which all sent up passed, and half of our matriculants won Scholarships. These examinations, by the way, occur at a most unfortunate time for us—most ill-used of mortals—schoolboys, sprung upon us before we can muster up our intellectual resources—scattered after our summertide holidays.

Truthfully has it been said, "Nothing succeeds like success," and, most happily of all, can this truism be applied to boys. Oh! how success vitalises and energises youth—youth so easily cast down and crushed by defeat, so easily resuscitated and made buoyant by victory. Consequently, the partial realization in the Matriculation of the hopes begotten by the great increase of our numbers rendered their complete realization still more assured. At the Senior Public Examinations our representatives, with G. McMahon, a medallist, at their head, pretty well repeated the Matriculation triumph; but our fondest hopes received their realization in the splendid success of E. H. Kelly and his comrades in the Junior. We cannot pass over unnoticed the fine, manly, and sensible spirit of our comrades, as manifested by their enthusiastic greeting of their fellow-student. It proved, beyond doubt, that the reproach we sometimes hear that schoolboys think more of athletic distinctions than of intellectual honours had no force or meaning at least at Riverview.

But for all that, we Riverview boys keenly relish and dearly prize victory in athletic contests; and the good Old Year 1892 was hardly less indulgent to our aspirations in this direction than in the higher arena of literary competition. On land and water the good name and fame of our College has been more than maintained.

When some seven years ago our Rowing Club first proposed to hold a regatta, the *Australasian* referred to our arrangements in that direction "as the most ambitious efforts yet made by any school in the colonies." Well, in 1892, our Club held two public regattas. The first was spoken of as the most successful up to that time held by the Club, and the second—thanks, no doubt, in a great measure, to the presence of His Excellency the Governor, who remained throughout the whole afternoon, and then handed over the prizes—was admitted by the leading rowing men in Sydney to be the finest held in the Queen City of the South for many years. It was on the occasion of our second regatta that the President and Secretary of the New South Wales Rowing Association congratulated our Club on conducting the chief rowing meeting in New South Wales. The fact that, without a solitary exception, every rowing club in Sydney announced its intention of competing for the prizes we offered, speaks volumes for the proud place our Club occupies in the esteem and affection of New South Wales oarsmen.

Then in the football field, what old Riverview boy will not feel proud of our achievements! Though only novices at the game, as the Rugby rules were played by us for the first time this year, we not only successfully tackled schools that had been famous exponents of Rugby football before our School was founded, but stoutly contested the question of superiority with the school holding the premiership in New South Wales

for three years—who succeeded in defeating us by six points only.

In cricket our success was yet greater—though less remarkable—from the fact that the laurels in cricket have so often fallen to us. In the Public Schools' match against the I. Zingari, of the two selected by us to represent Riverview, one obtained easily the bowling average, whilst the other, our worthy captain, came second in the batting average. Our old and friendly opponents of the Grammar School won the Schools' premiership in grand style, defeating all rivals for the honour; but in the non-premiership match against our First Eleven, they candidly acknowledged themselves over-matched; the scoring board telling an eloquent tale—Sydney Grammar School, total, 27; St. Ignatius' College, total, 120.

With the rifle our comrades also acquitted themselves honourably, and in the Association matches they stood a good chance of carrying off the School Shield till the shooting at the 700 yards' range, at which they had had no practice, shattered their hopes. Our Colour-Sergeant, however, took second prize for best shot amongst all the school competitors.

And now, perhaps, our readers may, prompted by the innate inquisitiveness of the human heart, ask the simple question—"To what must we attribute our successes of last year?" Well, so far as our successes in examinations are concerned, we presume the key to our progress is to be found in the docility, coupled with the energy and perseverance with which we applied ourselves to carry out the instructions of our masters, and learn the lessons set to us by them. As for our victories in the field of sports, we can attribute them more than anything else to the spirit of union which united all in one firm and constant purpose to advance their College, and place her in her rightful position among all competitors. This oneness of aim and purpose united and gave strength to all, and that victory which ever attends those who are united was ours. Need we add, that so long as such a fine and manly spirit—such desire to advance and make famous our school—to keep her in her rightful position, and to crown her with the laurels of victory, sustain and stimulate our efforts, successes and brilliant achievements will ever be ours to record in the pages of our little journal—*Our Alma Mater*.

THE EDITORS.

## Ourselves.

"Oh! wad some power the giftie gi'e us
To see ourselves as others see us.
It would frae mony a blunder free us
And foolish notion.
What airs in dress and gait would lea'e us
And ev'n devotion."

Dear Bobbie Burns is a great favourite of ours—partly because we once had a "pal" of that name; and so long as he kept up our acquaintance he was not half a bad sort—partly because he spells English just as we should like to spell it, if we dared; and partly—and indeed more than anything else—because he gives such advice about overlooking people's faults —"gently scanning" we think he calls it—but we don't like the last ominous word—that we are sure—that if our masters acted upon it we should get off sundry impositions of no agreeable character. For these several reasons, Mr. Burns is a bosom friend of ours, and we are disposed to accept humbly all that he states. But we must confess that acquiescence in the proposition contained in the above lines is not possible to us. Now, understand, good reader, what we mean. We don't pretend to have any unreasonable contempt for ourselves—quite the contray. We admire, and esteem, and respect ourselves passing well; but, still, if we could "see ourselves as others see us," we are almost certain that our heads would be turned, our pens relinquished for ever, and our respectable selves disposed of to some appreciative showman—Sells' Brothers for instance—to be exhibited amongst their curiosities as the "Editorial Marvels of the 19th Century." As for such a change of visionary powers freeing us from "mony a blunder"—which (we say it in all humility) we don't commit—or "foolish notions"—from which again (not ours the merit though) we have been most mercifully preserved—we are positive it would do nothing of the kind. Neither would any "airs in dress or gait lea'e us;" or if they did so much the worse for us, as our present dress is just about perfection; and our gait everything that a military commission could desire. With regard to devotion, we fear our answer is not so decisive. Yes; the Scottish bard may be right there. If we saw ourselves as others see us, our devotion would not unlikely melt away, and we should look upon ourselves as beings worthy of being objects of devotion rather than as poor creatures from whom devotion is expected. The fact is, others are pleased to look upon us in such a friendly light that to see ourselves as they in their good nature see us would spoil us. Those near us join with those who are far away in good-humouredly nodding their hearty approval of our efforts.

Each year several pages of our journal are devoted to the gratefully recording of the encouraging comments of the journals of Australia. Our generous critics are not from New South

Wales alone, but, as the reader will see by consulting our Appendix, they hail from Victoria, Queensland, South and Western Australia, Tasmania, and New Zealand. But it is not in this big continent alone that journalists are found to spare a few words of cheery encouragement to youngsters climbing up —in a very stumbling way, no doubt, at times—the steep hill of letters on the summit of which they themselves are placed. In last year's annual we quoted at length a leading article which was printed in a Dublin paper, in high commendation of *Our Alma Mater*, and this year equally *flattering notices* have come to us from London and New York. Speaking of our Annual, the *Month*, of London, says:—

"From Sydney we have received a School Annual, edited by the students of St. Ignatius' College, S.J., Riverview, which reflects the greatest credit on the energy and enterprise of those who have edited and published it. Besides the usual account of the College, its studies, concerts, debating societies, games, &c., and of the chief events in the year, it contains a number of general articles by old scholars of the College, written with much spirit and ability. The illustrations are excellent, especially the photo-prints of the actors in "Julius Cæsar," and of the oarsmen of the College. The Annual leaves a most favourable impression of the Institution whence it comes, and we hope that it may have yearly successors for a long time to come."

From America not only have we received a most courteous letter from the Rector of one of the largest Educational Institutions there, in which the writer asks for a copy of the journal —mentioning that the one he had seen was then on its way to Canada, having, during its stay in the States, been admiringly passed from College to College—but the "*Woodstock Letters*," published near New York, contains the following:—

"We have received with pleasure the School Annual of this College, called *Our Alma Mater*. It is indeed a *notable* production, and gives us an idea of the progress of the College of which we had no idea before. It contains a complete register of all the successes of the College, in examinations for the University of Sydney, on the cricket field, at football, lawn-tennis, on the river, and on the parade-ground. The camera has been brought into service to give us numerous illustrations of the College from within and from without, of its beautiful surroundings, of its cast of "Julius Cæsar," &c. We have no hesitation in saying *that no Catholic College in the United States is as well provided with grounds and apparatus for athletic sports;* and, what is still more remarkable, all this has been the growth of but ten years. We are apt to pride ourselves upon our rapid progress, but where will we find a college that can show progress such as this in so short a time:—' Opened by Father Dalton in 1880 with 17 pupils—its roll of students in 1891 runs up to a total of 146. Then there were four professors; now, including

visiting masters, there are twenty-four. We presume that the building—our present guest house, which then did service for everything, dormitory, chapel, class-room, dining-room, and study halls—could not have cost more than £1200; now there are no less than five distinct ranges of buildings, which, in the aggregate, must have come to close on £40,000. In the early days the students were satisfied with a very small patch of cleared ground for a play-ground, now there are four large play-grounds covering twelve acres. In addition, the baths, boat-sheds, rifle ranges, tennis-courts, pavilions, have all sprung into existence during the last few years. The internal development has fully kept pace with the external. Not content with enlarging and organising systematically the many different subjects which compose the ordinary course of College studies, the Superiors have added new branches such as physiology, chemistry, and shorthand to the curriculum.'

"We agree with *Our Alma Mater* that even in this age of leaps and bounds, we do not think the progress of this School can be looked upon as less than phenomenal. The Annual contains also a description of the novitiate of Loyola and its six novices. This we would quote entire for our readers did we not hope to have a letter written expressly for the *Letters*, giving details of both the College and the novitiate. We congratulate St. Ignatius' College and the Society on what has been done. May we hear soon from it again!"

Spurred on by this all-round applause, we have been thinking how we could best show our appreciation of the praise so unstintingly bestowed on us. Of course, we endeavour each year to fittingly express our warm gratitude for the interest displayed in us; but we feel that this is not enough. We shall, then, attempt to do more. We shall endeavour to carry out what we have long seriously meditated upon, *i.e.*, the changing of our School Record from an Annual into a Quarterly. This change would enable us to give more recent and frequent reports of our school proceedings, and more regular opportunity to our school mates to exercise themselves in compositions for the Press. We must, however, warn our kind readers that this innovation has not yet been fully determined upon—it is at present only a suggestion, and there are several minor details, such as the form of such a Quarterly (the name of course remaining the same), its size, its price and the like—which have not even been considered. Of this, however, we may confidently assure our friends, that, changed or unchanged, *Our Alma Mater* will always endeavour to be worthy of their good opinion, and deserving of their generous support.

## Our Senior Medallist.



GREGAN M'MAHON.

Gregan McMahon was born at Sydney on the 2nd of March, 1874, and is the eldest son of Mr. J. T. McMahon, of the Post

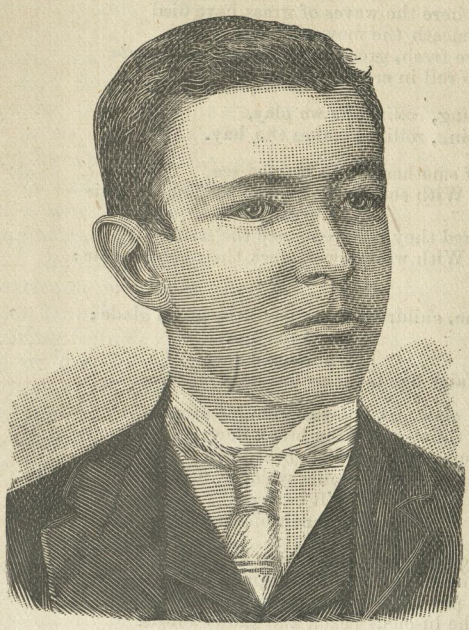
Office Department. He first attended a lady's school, and when sufficiently advanced entered the Sydney Grammar School, and there succeeded in winning his form prize in 1884, and the Latin prize in 1888. In the following year he entered St. Joseph's College, Hunter's Hill, and there passed the University Junior Examination, and won the College Gold Medal for the best pass of the year. The subjects in which he distinguished himself were English, French, Latin and Greek: for the last subject he received a special prize. In 1890 he entered St. Ignatius' College, Riverview, and at the close of the year won the first prizes awarded to the Senior boys for Aggregate, French, Physiology, Arithmetic, History, Latin, Greek, Special Classics and Piano (Improvement). At the close of 1891 he obtained first prizes in the following subjects: Greek, French, English Essay, History, Physiology, and Gold Medal for Classics, and Gold Medal for Debate. At the Senior Public Examination for this year he obtained a pass in eight subjects, and won the University Medal for first place in Physiology. At the College Examination for the present year he won the Gold Medal in the Upper Division for Classics and English Composition; and in the Matriculation Class obtained the first prizes for Aggregate and Classics. He was elected one of the Editors of *Our Alma Mater* in 1891 and 1892, and contributed several articles of great merit to it. His conduct throughout his college course was such as to win him the respect and confidence of masters and comrades. He took an active part in all social entertainments, and greatly contributed to their success by his very fine acting.

## Our Junior Medallist.

(From the *Sydney Mail*).

Edward Henry Kelly, son of Mr. H. E. Kelly, of Parramatta, the young student who obtained such distinction in the late Junior University examinations, was placed under the charge of the Jesuits at St. Ignatius' College, Riverview, in February, 1890. He had previously attended the Catholic School at Redfern, conducted by the Patrician Brothers. At the end of his first year at Riverview he won prizes for Arithmetic, Algebra, and Euclid. In 1891 he not only obtained first place in General Proficiency in his class, and special prizes for English Essay, Chemistry, and Mathematics, but was awarded a Gold Medal for Classics. In the late Junior Examination, in addition to the University prize of £10, for General Proficiency, young Kelly won Silver Medals for Greek, Algebra, and Geometry; and is also entitled to the prize of £10 given by the College. Kelly was

born December 5th, 1876, and is of a very quiet retiring disposition, and very studious habits. Our engraviug is from a photo by Mr. J. Roarty, King-street, Sydney.



EDWARD H. KELLY.

## The Children's Feast.

WORDS ADAPTED TO THE MUSIC OF THE "OVERTURE TO THE CALIPH OF BAGDAD," BY BOIELDIEU.

How brightly beams the summer sun,
O'er mountain, wood and plain,
Still deeper purpling purple grapes,
And gilding golden grain!

Full softly roll the waves of grass,
Now sweeping low, now high,
Now toying with the scented breath
Of zephyr floating by.

Come, children, trip it, trip it through the summer fields,
Your tender years
Permit no fears;
Come cull each joy that innocence so light yields.

Behold
His wings unfold
A butterfly all black and gold.

A chase! A chase!
Who'll win the race?

He flies uncertain—high or low,
Seems undecided where to go,
Is almost caught, he goes so slow.
Now sudden sweeps away—He's gone!

Lo! here the waves of grass have died
Beneath the mower's blade;
These fresh, green heaps for us were made
To roll in ere they fade.

Tossing, rolling, as we play,
Tossing, rolling, makes the hay.

Half smothered in a scented sea,
With shouts they shake the laughing air
Hurrah!
All red they rise, renounce the strife,
With wild flowers deck their golden hair;
Hurrah!

Come, children, haste ye to the green glade;
It grows too hot.
This sheltered spot
By fairy hands for us has been made.

Yon giant oak spreads wide his arms,
A thirst-provoking brook flows near;
Its sparkling wavelets beckon us,
Its joyous murmurs whisper, "Here!"
Who'll be first
To quench his thirst?

Here, seated on this mossy bank,
Our dainty feast we'll spread;
The pear, the purple plum,
The luscious peach and snowy bread.

But see big black clouds lower,
Portending summer shower.
How fortunate are we
Beneath our giant tree!

Raindrops gently pattering, pattering,
Raindrops louder clattering, clattering.
Birds seek shelter, fluttering, fluttering.
Storm 'gins hoarsely, muttering, muttering.
Black clouds closer clustering, clustering,
Fierce gusts fiercer blustering, blustering,
Lightning darkness scattering, scattering,
Thunder clap loud battering, battering.
Hark that long continued roar!
That gathers force as it draws near,
Then slowly dies away within the ear.

The sun is out,
The storm's gone by;
Our brave old oak
Has kept us dry.
Beneath this genial ray
Return we to our play,
Away! Away! Away!

J. O'M.

## On Two Rivers.

Some five and twenty years ago—it may be more, for even the best of memories are proverbially treacherous at times—it was my pleasant destiny to be passing a few bright summer days in the ancient University City of Oxford, as the invited guest of Mr. J. Lewis Ffytche, who had previously been Principal of Lincoln College, one of the many which collectively form the oldest and most renowned educational establishments in the United Kingdom. Mr. Ffytche was brother of General Ffytche, whose name is so well known in connection with the Burmese campaign, and he was also a favourite cousin of the late Lord Tennyson. We had been brought together by reason of a few poems of mine, which had appeared in one of the Lincolnshire papers, having attracted his attention. At that period I had not exchanged the monotonous routine of the factory for the even more wearisome mental drudgery of the editorial *sanctum;* and the sudden transition from the ever restless and noisy world of manufacturing industry, the roar of the steam engine, and the whizzing of the machinery, to the "cloistered quiet" and peaceful seclusion of the venerable University was like a dream, so strange and unreal did it appear.

Even now, after all these many years, as I recline in the shade of the wide-spreading coral trees on the richly-foliaged shores of the Lane Cove River, it is not difficult to recall the many incidents associated with my visits to Magdalen, Merton, Oriel, Baliol, and other colleges: the grand wooden-raftered halls: the long, bare oaken dining tables, wooden platters, pewter spoons, and other characteristic surroundings, which instinctively carried one's imagination to scholastic life in olden time, when deep learning and the plainest fare appeared synonymous terms. Many were the glimpses afforded me of the working side of University life, the periods of close study, lectures by learned professors, the much dreaded (by careless students) "exams.," and all the remainder of the scholastic routine. But perhaps my happiest hours were passed with the curators of the Bodleian and Radcliffe libraries, among the wealth of ancient manuscripts, richly illuminated missals, and rare black-letter volumes, which has made Oxford a favourite retreat of the bibliomaniac. I had reached the *Ultima Thule* of my early aspirations.

Then there were the delightful rambles during the cool of the evenings along the banks of the classic Isis, lazily threading my way through the ever-moving mass of University dons, grave-featured professors, matriculated students, under-graduates, fair visitors and acquaintances of the opposite sex, and citizens of all ages and social positions. Very interesting was the scene which unfolded itself to my view as I proceeded. Everywhere the student, who during the heat of noontide had been proving his devotion to Alma Mater by quietly poring over his pile of text-books, or sought to familiarise himself with the works of

ancient philosophers, had become transformed into the sturdy bare-armed oarsman, a kind of aquatic Hercules, pulling steadily to time with his mates, and showing onlookers the kind of stuff of which a University crew is made.

It was a most picturesque spectacle. The broad, shady walk by the side of the river crowded with moving forms, and the surface of the famous stream covered with rowing craft of every size and shape. Many of those amusing themselves with scull or oar were pointed out to me as students of high promise, who had furnished proofs of bright intellectual powers, and who had before them visions of a successful future. One, who was absorbed in paddling his own canoe, became the Senior Wrangler of the following year; and another, who with his oar continually sent aloft a cloud of feathery spray, subsequently ripened into one of the most fluent speakers in the Imperial Parliament. There are at least a score of leading public men in the United Kingdom who, at the time of my visit to Oxford, were enjoying the pleasures of boating with their fellow collegians; and there can be no question that at Oxford, as at Cambridge, the judicious admixture of physical and mental exercise aids largely in developing the best and noblest type of modern manhood.

Had Sydney University being placed at Riverview, instead of on the unpicturesque heights of Camperdown, it would have been better in every respect for those availing themselves of its facilities for imparting instruction. If any illustration of the accuracy of this assertion were required, it is afforded by what may be seen of collegiate life at Riverview. With its theological aspect I have nothing to do, but with its influence in the formation of individual character, the whole community, irrespective of creed or character, is more or less interested. Here, on the beautiful Lane Cove River, in far away Australia, we have repeated the brighter and more encouraging experiences of Oxford and Cambridge. In olden time the primary object of collegiate education was too often to aid in the production of the pedantic scholar. In these latter days its principal aim is to make the well-informed man the perfect gentleman, whose laboriously acquired knowledge causes him to more clearly comprehend his duties both to himself and to others.

And this is one of the great features of the Riverview curriculum, the fruits of which are evidenced in numerous ways. Very pleasant is it to be one of the spectators of the annual regatta in connection with Riverview College. The surroundings of the Lane Cove River are more picturesque, more suggestive of the manifold beauties of nature, more in harmony with the quietude necessary for scholastic study, than are either the Isis or the Cam; while the facilities for healthful physical exercise, either on land or water, are more abundant. It would be strange, indeed, if such advantages were not utilised. That they are so is shown not only by the healthy appearance and manly bearing of the students, but also by the manner in which they acquit

themselves both in the University examinations and the annual prize-day programmes. And the importance of this is manifest when it is remembered that many of those who are continually distinguishing themselves at Riverview will in due course have their share of the work of shaping the future history of the great Australian nation, and possibly prepare the way for making Riverview in the years to come, when the present generation shall have passed away and become forgotten, one of the great educational establishments of the Southern Hemisphere.

JOHN PLUMMER.

Northwood, Lane Cove River.

## About Skulls.

TALKING of skulls reminds us that our humourous editor is sick. He has therefore refused to write a funny article. The bed-side attendants have kindly supplied me with some serious reflections of the invalid. I hope the following jottings will not, therefore, be taken as a joke. No good is done by advice if it is not received thoughtfully and pondered over half sadly, but without agitation.

He says that skulls are very useful, especially in early life. Later in life a man finds that they are less essential; then the liver demands most attention. Physiologists tell us that the skull is quite hollow. This may be true, or it may not. In early life the skull does sound hollow when it is hit very hard; but then, I fear, the test has not been applied in all directions. Some day, I intend to satisfy myself fully on this head, if somebody else does not satisfy me by carefully conducted experiments. To anybody desirous of working this experiment, I may at once point out that the best subject, anatomically considered, is a fine fat schoolboy, of overflowing spirits, aged about 14, without many elder brothers, and inclined to take very hopeful views of everything. In Hamlet we are familiarised with hollow skulls, but I do not trust Shakespeare in matters scientific; he is too fond of trying to be funny and comic, even over the saddest subjects.

On the outside the skull is often curiously decorated. A candid friend once told me to remember and apply to myself the architect's maxim that in true art, a thing of beauty should itself be ornamental without ornament. I told my candid friend to mind his own business. I do not object to friendly criticism, but in this case I was angry, because I did not consider a wine-glassful of best almond oil as a mere decoration, if applied to the hair with judgment, and stiffening results.

HAMLET.

## Tennyson.

Ring out the grief that saps the mind
For those that here we see no more;
Ring out the feud of rich and poor,
Ring in redress to all mankind.
—*Tennyson's New Year's Eve.*

THERE is a picture in one of the books in the first division library that has always possessed a strange fascination for me. It is a representation of an abandoned stretch of rocky coast, against which the waves eternally throw themselves. Underneath it is written Tennyson's weirdly beautiful little poem—"Break, Break, Break." And now that the poet who caught the spirit of those lines at some such scene has passed away, those who have learned to love his works may well exclaim:—

Oh! for the touch of a vanished hand
And the sound of a voice that is still.
Break, break, break
At the foot of thy crags, O sea;
But the tender grace of a day that is dead
Will never come back to me.

It is only a few weeks since the news was flashed out from the other side of the world that Alfred Tennyson—the greatest poet of our own time—had heard the "one clear call" and "put out to sea." Tennyson, the man, is in the body dead; but Tennyson, the poet, lives on. His thoughts that breathe, and words that burn, will live as long as there are minds to appreciate the great works which he has left behind. We need not ask of him, as his probable successor once asked of another bard, whether we shall strew on what was the veil of him, rose or rue:—

Or quiet sea flower moulded by the sea,
Or simplest growth of meadow sweet or sorrel.

for he indeed has earned immortal honours. It is not my intention, in this brief sketch, to attempt to indicate Tennyson's position amongst the English poets; but it is worthy of notice that Edgar Allan Poe, in his essay on the philosophy of poetry, speaks of Tennyson as one of the greatest of all poets. "There is no poet," says Poe, "so little of the earth, earthy." This may, possibly, be claiming too much for the late Laureate; but, surely, no one will question Tennyson's claims to greatness. If there be any such, they might well take to heart the words of Edmund Burke:—"Great critics have taught us one essential rule—it is this, that if ever we should find ourselves disposed not to admire these writers, or artists, whom all the learned had admired; *not* to follow our own fancies, but to study them, until we know how and what we ought to admire."

For more than half a century, Tennyson has challenged the criticism of the world, and what eminent critic disputes his claim

to greatness? The mind that conceived such poems as "Locksley Hall," The "Lady of Shalott," and the "Lotus Eaters" was the mind of a great poet. Nor was Tennyson less great when he ventured to tell, in simpler language, the stories of "Dora" and "Enoch Arden." Parts of that unique poem—"In Memoriam"—may seem obscure, but there are in it some magnificent lines—as, for example, the tribute to Goethe:—

I hold it truth with him who sings
One one true harp of divers tones,
That men may rise on stepping stones
Of their dead selves to higher things.

Tennyson, so far as we know, was born and lived and died a staunch Protestant, yet it seems anomalous that the man was not a Catholic who wrote:—

Pray for my soul.
More things are wrought by prayer
Than this world dreams of. Wherefore let thy
Voice rise like a fountain for me night and day.
For what are men better than sheep or goats
That nourish a blind life within the brain?
If knowing God they lift not hands of prayer,
But for themselves and those that call them friend.

It seems, indeed, that whatever the *man* may have been, the *poet* was a Catholic. Recently, we have seen work from Tennyson, which falls very far below the standard of the poems I have here referred to. But most of this inferior work was written to order, and a poet is not a tradesman. That these inferior pieces were not a true index of his power, and that he maintained his poetic genius to the last, is sufficiently proved by the following perfect lyric, which, under the heading of "Crossing the Bar," he gave to the world a short time before he died:—

Sunset and evening star
And one clear call for me,
And may there be no moaning of the bar
When I put out to sea.

But such a tide as moving seems asleep,
Too full for sound or foam;
When that which drew from out the endless deep,
Turns again home.

Twilight and evening bell,
And after that the dark;
And may there be no sadness of farewell
When I embark.

For though from out our bourne of time or place
The flood may bear me far,
I hope to see my Pilot face to face
When I have crossed the bar.

J. E. S. Henerie,
Matriculation.

## Rose Bay.—A Visit to the Convent.

All who are acquainted with the beauties of that charming sheet of water, which rejoices in the name of Rose Bay, may well imagine the joy and anxiety with which we (who have sisters at its convent) look forward to our visiting day. Yet not alone are the beauties of the bay to be considered, nor the thought of being once more free ; but the grand drive, the splendid river trip, and last but not least the jolly good afternoon tea, all go to make Rose Bay day one of the brightest of our college year. The visit usually occurs on a Wednesday afternoon, and at an interval of two or three months, so that we have ample time to gather news interesting to our sisters for our hour's talk. Punctually, at the appointed time, we muster on the Riverview wharf to the number of some twenty or twenty-five, decked out, of course, in our best clothes, and with our holiday faces on, we catch the 2.15 boat to town, which after the usual pleasant journey lands us at Lime Street where brakes are in attendance. With but little delay we are off on a trip which proves more pleasant in proportion as we leave the city's buzz behind us. Our progress through the city would not excite much attention but for the way in which our brakes (crowded as they are) keep within whipping distance of each other, so that the alarmed public have every reason to believe us to be the first ship-load of the " General's " over-sea scheme. However, this arrangement has caused a certain amount of humour to be imparted to our trip ; for instance, we have frequently politely been informed by the " paper youth " that our " wheel was goin' round," to say nothing of little bits of advice to this effect that we should " get our 'air cut " or that it was really necessary for us to " get out and shove." Anyhow, when out of the city all this is gone, and we are once more left in peace to gaze and wonder at the glorious panorama. The nearer we approach our journey's end the more interesting becomes the view ; the lovely gardens spotted here and there with classic sculptures, the handsome mansions and cottages with their bright green lawns and lovely trees lend a soothing charm to the calm landscape. At last we are at the Bay, whose dark blue waters are over-looked by the convent tower. The sea-birds screech as we pass as if to welcome us to their pretty home and scarcely have their piercing cries died out than we halt at the convent gate. Our first care is to secure a quiet nook, where for a whole hour we may hold affectionate converse with our sisters and compare notes on home and school news. All the little incidents, which have served to break the monotony of school-life since we last met, are recounted with such embellishments of the narrative art as a rigid adherence to the main truths will allow. Every little detail of home gossip is related and commented upon with all the wisdom of our juvenile years.



RIVERVIEW, FROM LANE COVE RIVER BRIDGE.

In poetry we often read, with approbation of the humanising and softening effect produced upon the stronger and less refined minds of boys by intercourse with their sisters, and certainly it must be said that these little réunions at Rose Bay serve, in part at least, to produce the wished-for effects, which the more frequent and closer intercourse, afforded by home life, are wont to produce.

All too swiftly the time passes and we are hardly prepared for the bell that warns us that time is up and that we must say a fond good-bye. Then we betake ourselves to the well-furnished tea-table provided by the kindness of the generous Ladies of the Sacred Heart, where we try to solace ourselves, for the pangs we have endured in our recent parting with our sisters.

With a lowering sun before us and the sharp cool breeze of the departing evening blowing in our faces, we gaily make our way towards town. What a change has come over the gardens! all their busy workers have now retired, whilst the bay before echoing the sea-birds' screech is now silent as the dead. Time at length brings us to the city once more; it, too, is almost silent; the roads once thronged with the busy carts and cabs are deserted, and the "News boy" is hard at work selling his "extra special of the 'Stralian Star" and Evening News. Thus uninjured and unharmed we pass through the lighted city and make for Lime Street to meet the ferry. Once on board we gather together, and in happy circle discuss the pleasures of the day, while a catchy air is often indulged in, and as we glide along upon our way the strains of our music are heard to advantage in the evening air. Three quarters of an hour and our happy trip is ended, and we stand once more within the walls of St. Ignatius' only wishing and hoping that the day may quickly come again for another visit to Rose Bay.

J. Curran.

## The Monarch's Vision.

### A LEGEND OF QUEEN ELEANOR'S CROSS.

At Geddington, in Northamptonshire, a village much frequented by the writer in former years, was formerly a Royal seat, which stood in the Castle, or Hall, near the ancient church. Here, in 1188, was held a Council or Parliament, by Henry II, to raise money for an expedition to the Holy Land. Six years later, Richard I, of England, and William, King of Scotland, were at Geddington together on Good Friday. The corpse of Queen Eleanor, consort of Edward I, rested here, on its way from Harby, in Nottinghamshire, where she died, to Westminster Abbey, where the Royal tomb is still to be seen.

One of the beautiful crosses erected by the widowed monarch at each of the seven places where the body of the Queen remained for the night—one being the site of the present Charing Cross, the centre of Western London—remained in an excellent state of preservation in the centre of the village. It is a beautiful and richly ornamented structure, but, being out of the ordinary tourist routes, is seldom visited except by enthusiastic archæologists.

Toll! Toll! Toll! With a long deep roll,
Sobs the bell, as, in Cross and Stole,
Prays the Priest for the dead Queen's soul,
And groups of silent people meet
Within the quaint and narrow street,
To bend the knee and bow the head
In sorrow for the Queenly Dead;
While in the dark sepulchral aisle
Of weeping Mary's ancient pile,
The hooded Monks slow count each bead,
Or in the cloisters ceaseless plead
That earthly sins be all forgiven,
And Edward's Dove find rest in Heaven;
And soft and low the mass is sung,
And to and fro the censors swung,
As blazing tapers cast a glare
On England's mourning Ruler there.
Beside the bier he takes his stand,
With tearful eye and trembling hand,
While—toll—toll—with a long deep roll
The bell's sad knell e'er rends his soul.

Toll! Toll! Toll! With a long deep roll
As vain he would his grief control,
And gazing on the Altar screen,
Seek Holy hopes on which to lean,
For, oh! the pain, and, oh! the woe
Of losing those whose Truth we know;
To wander through the world alone,
And joyless find both Crown and Throne!
Ah! who like her would dare again
Drink from his wound the poison stain,*
And ever prove, in peace or strife,
A tender, loving, faithful wife?
"My Eleanor," he whispering sighs,
"Oh! smile on me from yonder skies."
And as he prayed, the place did seem
To change as in some mystic dream,
The songs of Angels met his ears,
With sounds of Harps from Golden Spheres,
And looking up, joy filled his soul—
No more he heard the long deep roll.

Oh! joy! joy! for again he saw
The Idol of his Heart once more.
In robes of light she stood arrayed,
Her bliss in peaceful smiles displayed;
To him more lovely seems she now
Than with the Crown upon her brow.
Aye, lovelier far than when, in pride,

She nestled by his Kingly side.
He fain would speak, yet can but kneel,
A quiv'ring silence seems to seal
His dry, parch'd lips, as high above
She fondly points, with glance of love;
Then gently fades the Vision fair,
And naught is left but empty air.
The Monk's low chant he hears again,
And, bending, joins the solemn strain.
He sees his nobles as they throng
The columns of the church among,
While ever booms the slow, deep roll—
Toll! Toll! Toll! for the dead Queen's soul.

J. PLUMMER.

*An allusion to a popular historical tradition.

## Thackeray.

THE Victorian age of English literature is in a very special manner the age of the novelist. Of course the days before Victoria were not without their novel writers, nor is this age entirely barren of poets—still, the fact can hardly be called in question, the novelist has taken in the estimation of the public that place which the poet formerly occupied.

It is not perhaps easy to anticipate the judgment which posterity will pronounce on this age in which we live. Many a brilliant writer of this day will no doubt be completely forgotten, and in the case of others the judgment of their contemporaries will be reversed. But it is safe to say that a few of the writers whom this age has delighted to honour will find readers until the language in which they have written shall have become so antiquated, so archaic, as to be only with difficulty understood. The Professor of English Literature in the University of the future will probably tell his students to read Trollope in order to make themselves acquainted with the careless slip-shod English spoken by the middle and upper classes of society in Victoria's time. Dickens will be read with or without such a recommendation as long as the English-speaking nations retain the slightest sense of humour or the least feeling for the pathetic. Not even the necessity for using a dictionary, and consulting notes at the end of the volume, will keep the English-speaking boy of the future from laughing at Sam Weller's fun, and weeping over the death of Little Nell.

Who the other Immortals may be we shall not attempt to decide—one thing, however, is certain, the name of Thackeray cannot be omitted from the list. His claim rests on the possession of a combination of qualities that entitle him, we think, not

merely to the first place among the novelists of Victoria's day—not merely to the first place among English novelists, but to a leading place, if not the very first, among the novelists of the world.

Among these qualities it will be sufficient to mention his style—or rather his styles, for he is master of many, his wonderful insight into the working of the human mind—his still more wonderful power of making the reader witness the gradual development of character and his consequent truth to nature.

His characters are not brought before us like a series of pictures, beautiful but lifeless—or a series of automata capable of two or three jerky, half-human motions, the order of which we can at any moment confidently predict. They pass before us, or rather we are in their midst. They move around us, real, living human beings, men and women of flesh and blood like ourselves, with strongly marked, yet finely discriminated qualities—above all, with that apparent inconsistency founded on real consistency which is the result of the struggle of our will with the quiet, unceasing, but ever varying pressure of our environment. As an example, take the gradual transformation by which Beatrice Esmond, the wayward, amiable, fitfully generous, but generally vain and selfish girl, becomes the Baroness de Bernstein; a proud, imperious, hard-hearted old woman, who can still show some flashes of her good qualities—so like and yet so unlike her former self.

Why do we hear so little about Thackeray's style? How comes it that even among his admirers, so many forget that he has a style, and take him for a "plain blunt man who only speaks right on?" The simple reason is that he is so completely master of his style that he does not allow it to force itself upon our notice and draw away our attention from the matter in hand. His is that "*ars magna, celare artem*," and even when his object is, by a change of style, to set some individual or type palpably before us, and when, therefore, the style is itself the matter, when, to use the words of Buffon, though not quite in the sense he intended, "*le style, c'est l'homme*" Thackeray takes care that we shall notice it—but even then we are not strongly reminded of the writer—he seems to be like his own Tom Eaves, a mere reporter of what he has happened to overhear.

The American mocking-bird has a beautiful song of his own when he chooses to sing it. But besides that he can be thrush, blackbird, or nightingale, barndoor-fowl, puppy-dog, or kitten at will. Of course you will not thoroughly enjoy the wonderful exhibition of power in which he so delights unless you have heard what he imitates and have an ear to judge of the perfection of the imitation. So with Thackeray. He has a noble style of his own; clear as crystal, simple, manly, presenting to us his thoughts, fresh and vivid, as they spring up in the penetrating,

logical mind of the writer. To the careless reader it may seem loose and careless, so perfectly is the art concealed. But this is not his only song. Far from it. Let not a note escape you when he brings Dick Steele or Addison or the Great Lexicographer upon the stage. It is hardly an imitation that you are about to enjoy ; you will hear and see the man himself.

In a Court of Justice it sometimes happens that a man, called upon to say whether a document put into his hands is or is not his writing, cannot, so great is the skill of the forger, swear that it is not his. "I have no recollection, my lord," he says, "of having written this, I feel almost certain that if I had done so I should remember it now, but, ah ! but—I cannot swear that it is not mine."

How we should like to see Steele or Addison put to a like test, or better still, to see that conscientious Doctor Johnson confronted with some of the passages of arms between himself and Hagan at Theo's tea-table, or with his awkward compliments to Theo herself ; or with his criticism of George Warrington's play. Imagine the Doctor, after a careful perusal of the passage in the Virginians, addressing the Court. "If, my lord, I were to judge by my recollection of the events I should unhesitatingly disclaim all responsibility for these words. Still, my friend, Mr. Boswell, tells me that in the even balance of the subordinate sentences, and in that concatenation of them which unites them into a complete and homogeneous whole he finds manifest indications of their authenticity. Impressed, therefore, my lord, as I cannot fail to be, by these and other similar considerations, and on the other hand convinced that these passages are not authentic, I have decided to be guided by my legal advisers and the learned and ingenious Mr. Burke—and to plead an alibi."

We really do not see how the Doctor could find a better defence, and we cannot sufficiently admire the moderation displayed by Thackeray in attributing not to Doctor Johnson but to his admirer and imitator, Miss Pinkerton, that admirably worded letter sent to Mrs. Sedley when Emmy Sedley was about to leave school and plunge into the distractions of Vanity Fair. Again take young Clive Newcome's letter :—"Dearest Papa i am very well i hope you are Very Well. Mr. Sneed brought me in a post-chaise i like Mr. Sneed very much i like Aunt Martha i like Hannah. There are no ships here i am your affectionate son Clive Newcome." Or young Osborne's account of the fight between Cuff, the cock of the school, and Dobbin, when "they fought thirteen rounds and Dobbin licked, so that Cuff is now only second 'cock.'"

It may seem easy to write such letters, so it is if you happen to be about seven or eight years of age—or Thackeray—just as it is easy to yelp and bark if you are a puppy-dog, or a mocking-bird who has made puppy-dogs' language his *specialité*.

To realize Thackeray's wonderful command of various styles take these letters and the fresh, breezy, boyish yet manly letters of Clive, the young artist, and the stilted and sonorous periods of Fred Bayham, or of that reverend humbug Charles Honeyman, and compare them with the beautiful letters of the Comtesse de Florac. These last are in a French-English that is simply delicious. In one of the old lady's letters to Colonel Newcome, she says: — "I have not forgotten a time before these—one of my parents has entertained me of you—how you escaped to death at Laswari. I am not so cold but my heart has trembled for your dangers ; not so aged but I remember the young man who learned from the pupil of the great Frederic the elements of war. Your great heart, your love of truth were your own. None had to teach you these qualities of which a good God had endowed you. My good father is dead since many years. He too was permitted to see France before to die." In another she says :— "So behold you of return my friend. You know I am arrived to love Clive as my own child. I very quick surprised his secret, the poor boy, when he was here it is twenty months. He looked so like you as I repeal me of you in the old time." As we read there comes before us the countenance of that pure-minded, noble, loving woman—at rest, after long suffering bravely borne,

> With peace writ on her forehead
> Over the print of care.

But it is in "Novels by distinguished Authors" that this mocking-bird allows his power of imitation absolutely to run riot. If G. P. R. James found among his papers the opening chapters of the novel that Thackeray attributes to him, we verily believe that he would sit down calmly and finish the history of those two cavaliers "who might have been seen, &c., &c." Others, of course, have tried their hands at such imitations. Their work compared to Thackeray's bears much the same proportion as a tiled floor to a mosaic, or an Indian wigwam to a Greek Temple.

But what of his attempt at the Irish "dialect?" Attempt! It is a brilliant success. No other Englishman, and not many Irishmen ever *wrote* that dialect so well. As to his broad Scotch, we believe that Colonel Newcome's friend, Mr. Binnie, speaks it as well as if he had never come south of Tweed.

Many object to Thackeray on the score of his cynicism. As often as not this happens because the careless reader has failed to notice the slight change of manner by which as by a kind of *oratio obliqua* the writer would have us to understand that the views so expressed are not really his own. We do not, however, deny that there is something of the cynic in him. It is merely the vinegar in the salad, without which the olive oil of his good nature might become rather insipid in the end. Again, he is charged with making all his characters knaves or fools. If this

were true it might perhaps be urged in his defence that in his day and even before that time there were really a great many knaves and fools in the world. But the charge is far from true. There is not a nobler gentleman in all literature than Colonel Newcome, save and except Don Quixotte, whom we verily believe to have been nearly related to the Colonel's branch of the Newcome family. The Colonel is brave, generous, simple-minded; incapable of meanness or deceit himself, unwilling to suspect them in another; full of righteous indignation when the facts force him to condemn, but ever ready, when the first heat of his anger has cooled down, to make every possible allowance for the offender—willing to admire in others the powers he does not himself possess—full of loving confidence in God. Who can read of such a man and not love him? Who can desire to meet a truer gentleman? He is not faultless, but we love him in spite of, and even on account of his faults.

We maintain that the reader of Thackeray is introduced to some very good company. Major Dobbin is a true-hearted gentleman. Warrington, Esmond, Colonel Lambert, George Washington are surely neither knaves or fools.

Even when dealing with those whom he wishes us on the whole to condemn he loves to remind us of the good that there is in them. Look at that unhappy Rawdon Crawley! See his unselfish care to provide for his wife before he sets out for the field of Waterloo. See the change, gradual, natural, though incomplete, produced in this poor gambler by his love for his little son. Notice at the same time the skill with which Thackeray avoids overdoing the improvement. While generously handing over to Becky all his available assets Rawdon is not by any means so considerate for his creditors. "There is that dressing case," says he, "cost me two hundred—that is I owe two for it; please to put that up the spout, ma'am."

Next take a look at his gallery of female portraits. Read the passage in "Vanity Fair" where the young widow, after many ineffectual struggles to support her little boy, has at last acknowledged to herself that she must part with him for a time. She yields, and sacrifices the one pleasure of her life. She runs the risk of losing that exclusive hold on his affections which she values more than life She is not a very intelligent or a strong-minded woman this Emmy Sedley, but she has a good heart. "That night she made the boy read the story of Samuel to her, and how Hannah, his mother, brought him to the High Priest to minister before the Lord. Then he read how Samuel's mother made him a little coat and brought to him from year to year when she came to the temple. Then in her sweet, simple way, George's mother told him how Samuel's mother must always have thought of him as she sat at home, far away, making the little coat, and how happy she was when the time came (and the years pass away very quick) when she should see her boy."

"This little sermon she spoke with a gentle, solemn voice, and dry eyes; but when she spoke of their meeting, then the discourse broke off suddenly; the tender heart overflowed; and, taking the boy to her breast, she rocked him in her arms, and wept silently over him a sainted agony of tears."

The reader feels at once that it is no doll, however prettily painted, that he sees, but a suffering, loving, human being. And he that told the tale is no mere cynic; he must have had a loving tender heart of his own.

What about Ethel Newcome? She is proud, no doubt, but not without some excuse. She is worldly-minded at times, but it is for her little sister's sake. A long fierce struggle goes on in her mind, but the nobler part of her character at length prevails.

What about Laura, Pen's good angel? Surely that portrait does not show the cynic's hand. Her aims are always noble, her instincts true, even when her reasoning is faulty. She once or twice is guilty of a rash judgment, once or twice of other slight faults that make the portrait more life-like without seriously interfering with the nobility of the character.

On a still higher level stands Helen Pendennis, Arthur's mother. She has more than Laura's gentleness, almost the same firmness, at least where there is question of refusing to be guided by worldly wisdom, and seeking simply and humbly what is right in the sight of God.

We should be inclined to assign to Helen, among the women of fiction, the same position we believe to be Colonel Newcome's right among men. But Lady Castlewood, in "Esmond," is still more amiable; to her we think the position indisputably belongs.

We had almost forgotten Mrs. Major O'Dowd and the Princesse de Mont-Contour (*née* Higgs). They may not be in the conventional sense of the word ladies, but though we laugh at Peggy's "repayther" and her autocratic rule over her husband's regiment, and though we sympathise with poor Florac when he complains of the way in which his wife filled her salon with "ministres to make you die," still the lesson we learn from them is not a lesson of cynicism. They are good-natured generous women, who, however ludicrous in manner, might be counted on to act bravely and nobly in a time of serious trial. So much for the charge of cynicism.

Let us hasten on to two other charges made against Thackeray. He is accused of prejudice against Ireland and against Catholicity. He is not free from prejudice. But what man is? In his Irish Sketch Book he has said some very hard things about Ireland, but he has said equally hard things of his own country. See how the British Merchant, typified by old Osborne, the

Peerage, in the person of Lord Steyne and the Duchess of Kew, the British Church, in the person of Honeyman, have fared at his hands.

Let us remember too that he has been no niggard in his praises of the Irish. He tells us in that very Sketch Book, "there is no people more eager for learning or more apt to receive it than the Irish." After speaking of "the charming gaiety and frankness of the Irish ladies," he adds, "the lower classes are not a whit less pleasing. I never saw in any country such a general grace of manner and *ladyhood*. In the midst of their gaiety, too, it must be remembered that they are the chastest of women, and that no country in Europe can boast of such general purity." He is no less generously out-spoken in his appreciation of Irishmen. Talking of the gentlemen of Cork he speaks of "the extraordinary degree of literary taste and talent among them and the wit and vivacity of their conversation." "They are the most book-loving men I ever met," he says. Even the street urchins did not escape his notice. "I think in walking the streets and looking at the ragged urchins crowding there, every Englishman must remark that the superiority of intelligence is not with us."

The same may be said of his prejudice against Catholicity. He lived to overcome it to a great extent. In one of the Roundabout papers he tells us how on a broiling summer day he went into a great Church in some Belgian town, and how he enjoyed the coolness of the place, and the quiet, and the peace. Presently he hears coming up the long aisle the pattering of many little feet. A number of children have come in to get their Catechism lesson from one of the Grey Sisters.

"Oh! Grey Sister, Grey Sister," cries out poor Thackeray, "how happy should I be, could I but bring myself to sit amongst the children and be taught by you and believe." In another place he says:—"There is no mean between Rome and Babylon." And to a Catholic friend who took him to hear a great preacher, he said after the sermon: "Ah! you Catholics are terrible logicians, but I must remain a Philistine some time longer."

To resume in a few words, we find it hard to see how any careful reader of Thackeray can fail to come to the conclusion that his cynicism was merely on the surface, that his prejudice was without malice, that he was a big-brained and big-hearted man, willing to see the truth, ready to speak it out, and that the conscientious use of his great powers has won for him the first place among English novelists, and finally, that England need not hesitate to put him forward as her candidate for first place among the novelists of the world.

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ALTAR IN COLLEGE CHAPEL—THE GIFT OF THE LATE JOHN HUGHES, ESQ,, K.S.G.

## Something about Alligators.

In the Northern Territory they are of two kinds. The *Yingi* of the blacks is a cruel monster. Square-nosed, with terrible teeth and jaws, he measures commonly from 12 to 18 feet, but I think often goes well over 20 feet. He is a man-eater, but luckily for man, a great coward. I only know one case in which a *Yingi* dared face a man who was not in the water. With four black boys I was once in a small boat on the River Daly. The saurian in question, a very big fellow, had just received two Martini-Henry bullets, and was in no very amiable humour. He came straight at us. One clutch of his great fore-leg would capsize our little craft, as we well knew; but to spring into the water would be certain death for at least one of us. We were brave by necessity. The boys rested quietly on their oars, and I reserved my bullet for close quarters. It was kill dead or be killed. Of course I kept the advancing foe well covered, my intention being to let him have it between the eyes as he came alongside. Mr. Yingi, however, seemed to realise the situation, and when about 20 yards from us made off at right angles, receiving as he did so a bullet behind the ear. Being evidently most uncomfortable and quite unwilling to fight, he now made for shallow water, where he could rest on the mud and lift out his poor waterlogged head. We pulled after him; then he dived to the opposite shallows, his tormentors pursuing again. But the lengthening shadows warned us of the near approach of night. We were five miles from home, and not caring to carry on the battle by torch only, we left the enemy in possession of the field—of water.

A few months ago we were getting horses across the river. Each horse was led in by a black boy, and man and horse swam over abreast. All had crossed but one pair in midstream, when a loud cry from a child in the boat chilled the hearts of the stoutest amongst us. A great alligator, his head well out of water, was tearing down upon the boy and horse. We all shouted and bellowed, but still the beast bore down. He was only thirty yards away when fortunately some one cried—Where are your revolvers? And immediately sixteen bullets hissed into the water. The alligator dived. Then was a moment of terrible suspense. But he came up with his nose the other way, and horse and boy were saved.

Alligator is the name given by the whites to the *Yingi;* rightly or wrongly I cannot say. The *Arityalala*, or long-snouts, are called crocodiles by the whites. According to the blacks these will not touch a man. They are ugly customers, however, with very sharp teeth, and are often eight or nine feet long. The blacks brought in one once about four feet long. He was dead they told us, and one of our party set about skinning him. He ripped him open, laid back the skin from half his abdomen, and was commencing operations on the other

side, when the creature objected strongly, and indeed ran away. Our bulldog brought him to bay after an exciting chase. The *Arityalala* was then killed after the manner of the white man, and the skinning operation successfully finished.

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## Our Prefect of Studies and the University Professor of History.

THE remarks in his Annual Report by our Prefect of Studies upon the difficulties attending History as a subject of Public Examinations have—as it is amusingly stated in the *S.M. Herald Fugitive Notes*—" given rise to an interesting correspondence so courteously conducted as to suggest those polite encounters of gentlemen of the old school who administered serious injury to each other with a mutual sense of the most distinguished regard and consideration." A digest of the correspondence, which is too long for insertion in full, will interest our readers. The presence of his Eminence the Cardinal Archbishop on the Speech Day suggested to the Prefect of Studies the desirability of explaining why, amongst recent successes of the College at Public Examinations, he was not able to point to any special success in that particular branch of study which his Eminence, so signally distinguished in it himself, on a previous Speech Day particularly recommended to the superiors and pupils of the College. The special obstacle to success which the Prefect discerns is that whilst the History papers set at the Examination contain questions which for the most part should be very differently answered by Catholic and by non-Catholic candidates there is reason in his opinion, for fearing lest, with non-Catholic Examiners, Catholic views of historical questions will fail to win full appreciation, being in the present want of excellent Catholic text-books, to some extent " unfamiliar to the Examiner," and—in the hands of school-boy exponents—" unfavourably presented." The University Professor of History was induced by these remarks to write a letter to the *Herald* in which with great courtesy and ability, but with some misconception of the Prefect's meaning, he suggests that we are perhaps misled into imagining our difficulty by forgetting that no Examiner in History would " be fit for his position who could not sympathise with views not his own," and that we appear to attribute an ignorance and a narrow-mindedness to non-Catholic Examiners, which would be inconceivable not only in a Professor, but even in a student of History. He added that a more careful study of the wording of the History papers would show that no expression of any theological opinion was called for, whether Catholic or non-Catholic. His letter con-

tained the important admissions that Catholic and non-Catholic pupils would express themselves differently upon historical questions, that Catholic views would be "to some extent unfamiliar to non-Catholic Examiners," and that school-boys were not very apt exponents of views unfamiliar. This last admission he illustrated by two amusing instances of that class of answer that every Examiner must be grateful for as lightening his task. These we reproduce elsewhere. To this letter our Prefect of Studies replied in the *Herald*, pointing out that it was not a want of breadth of view, nor a want of appreciation of Catholic views favourably presented that he feared on the part of Examiners, but rather that for want of such favourable presentation of their views the boys would find non-Catholic Examiners wanting, not in the power to do them justice, but in the conditions requisite for the due exercise of that power, that "boys as a rule do no more than indicate their knowledge, and a hint of a familiar view is enough to gain it such recognition as cannot be hoped for 'unfamiliar views not favourably presented.'" With regard to the second point of the Professor's letter, it was enough to point out that Father Murphy did not advocate the obtrusion of theology into history, that he was speaking of views differing historically, not theologically, and this he illustrated by selecting from the History paper of the recent Examinations such questions as "the nature of the Renascence movement in Italy," "the historical importance of Machiavelli and Savonarola," "the origin of Spanish Power in 16th Century, and causes of its subsequent decline," the "Catholic Counter Reformation and importance of the Council of Trent," all of these he points out "are historical questions upon which most Catholics hold views—historically, not theologically—very different from those prevalent amongst non-Catholics. To illustrate this divergence of opinion and the possibility of an "unfamiliar" Catholic view being presented in an unfavourable form, he selected, at the Professor's own suggestion, another of the questions from the History paper. To the question "Contrast the aims and views of Erasmus and Luther," he gave as portion of an imaginary answer of one of his own pupils the sentence, "Erasmus played and tampered with Protestantism till he knew it better, and drew back only too late from the road where Luther led." In such an imperfectly worded reference to the well-known letter of Erasmus, in which he deprecates any collusion with Luther as more absurd than collusion of Hector and Achilles, would any average Examiner trace that fact and document? The Professor's rejoinder was couched in semi-humourous, semi-sarcastic terms, conceding—as we think—consciously or unconsciously, the main points for which Father Murphy was contending. He had succeeded, he said, in understanding our Prefect of Studies' position better—he saw that it was "ignorance arising from insufficient reading" that was attributed to

the University Professor, that even his ignorance had limits, and he had heard of the Norman Conquest and Erasmus's letter referred to. He added that he was even capable of recognising the reference to that document contained in the "very imperfect boy's answer." This closed the correspondence. Our Prefect of Studies ought to be satisfied with the outcome. He has obtained from the Professor an admission of the main points contended for: —that non-Catholic and Catholic boys will hold very different, historically different views upon many historical points, and that the Catholic views will be to some extent unfamiliar to the non-Catholic Examiner. He admits that he attributed to University Professors "ignorance arising from insufficient reading," inasmuch as he contended that their reading had not been sufficient to embrace the as yet unpublished Catholic text-books. This was the only limit he had placed to their ignorance —or knowledge. He has won too from the *Herald* the admission that in consequence of the schoolboy's unfavourable presentation of his knowledge "the Examiner will be in danger of withholding credit either for a knowledge from his own (the boy's own) point of view, or from that of any specialist with which the boy may be acquainted." May we not also congratulate ourselves on the fact that one step further has been taken towards mutual understanding and "hearty co-operation" between the authorities of the University and of Riverview in (to use the words of his Report) "the promotion of education in the colony"?

## Our M.P.

It was with no little pride and pleasure that the past and present pupils of Riverview learned by cable that one of their number—one who had left their halls scarcely two years—had been elected to a seat in the Imperial Parliament. Tom Curran is the chosen representative of Kilkenny, in the National interest, having gained this honour after a vigorous and stormy contest. Immediately on securing his seat he hurried to South Sligo, and ably conducted there the canvas of that constituency for his father, who eventually was returned unopposed. As our readers are aware, no doubt, Tom, when he became a candidate for Parliamentary honours, was a student at Oxford. He took such a prominent part in all our social celebrations at Riverview —especially distinguishing himself in the comic song line— that none of his old comrades will be surprised to read the following flattering notice, copied into the *Evening News* from an Oxford paper, *The Oxford Chronicle*:—

"Sydney at Home.—The *Oxford Chronicle* gives an account of an entertainment given by Mr. T. Mallam and friends to the inmates of the Oxford County Asylum, at Littlemore. The first part was a selection of minstrelsy given by the village amateur

niggers; and many of their jokes, musical and otherwise, caused great laughter. It was, however, in the second and third parts of the programme that the patients received the greatest enjoyment. Mr. T. B. Curran, son of Mr. Thomas Curran, of Sydney, first appeared, giving a ventriloquial sketch with dolls, *a la* Lieutenant Cole, and evoked uproars of laughter, which were renewed when he successfully sang three songs in character, as a costermonger, a schoolgirl, and shopwalker, impersonations of Chevalier, Marie Lloyd, and Dan Leno (favourite London comiques). His songs, "Whacky, Whack" and "The Shopwalker," were inimitably droll. The farce, with which the programme concluded, entitled "Down goes the Lever," was produced under the personal direction of Mr. T. B. Curran, and went with a go which ensured its entire success. The whole performance was considerably aided by the indefatigable exertions of Mrs. T. Mallam, who assisted in making the costumes, and played the pianoforte accompaniments to Mr. Curran's songs."

A Sydney lady received a letter from an Oxford friend, who wrote that "Mr. Curran is admitted to be the best comic singer that was ever at Oxford." His old comrades, however, have a crow to pluck with the member for Kilkenny. He seems to have utterly forgotten them since he took to politics. Surely he could have found time to write a few lines to *Our Alma Mater*—and we do hope that he will do so without fail for our next issue.

## A Trip Through Southern Italy.

Collegio Irlandese,
Tivoli, October 2nd, 1892.

I am going to give you a description of our little trip of fifteen days through Southern Italy. I think it wouldn't be a bad subject for *Our Alma Mater*. My companion was a priest who knew Italian very well, so we had no difficulty about the language. Tuesday morning (6th September) fixed on for our departure came round like any other morning, except that black clouds were hanging on the horizon towards Rome. It had been raining the day before. However, determined to risk it, we started off from the Tivoli railway station at 7.30 a.m.; we got out at Cineto-Romano, a station of no importance—at least to my knowledge. There our eyes were greeted with a great work of art—a "Diligence"—probably out of Noah's Ark. It must have done good work in its time. After a fine drive of two hours through the Sabine Hills, we arrived at Subiaco, where we parted company with the old "Diligence"; but where was the Benedictine Monastery? for that was the object of our visit. Two young Italian boys laid hold of our bags, and led us a long way up to the top of a hill, somewhat outside of Subiaco

—to the monastery of Saint Scholastica, a very ancient monastery founded by S. Benedict himself. We had dinner with the Benedictines, after which the Superior showed us around the place. We then paid a visit to the "Sacro-Specu," higher up on the hill. This is a second monastery, separate from the first, and built over and around the grotto or cave that S. Benedict inhabited so long.

Our steps were next turned towards the town of Subiaco, where we found very little worth seeing. We slept in the monastery, and, next morning, went to the Sacro-Specu, where my companion said Mass at one of the altars near the Grotto. About eight o'clock we started in a carriage for Gennazzano. We had a magnificent drive of several hours among the hills. On arriving at Gennazzano two *ragazzi* showed us the way to S. Pio, where the Irish Augustinians spend their vacation, as we do ours at Tivoli. We were received most cordially and we met Monsignor Dillon, who was spending a few days with the Augustinians. Mgr. Dillon was a long time in Sydney during Dr. Vaughan's time. He wrote a book about Our Lady of Good Counsel, whose miraculous portrait is preserved at Gennazzano.

Early on Thursday morning, feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin, we made our way to the church, which we found already crowded. The shrine of Our Lady of Good Counsel is situated in a corner of the church on the gospel side. The picture is an old fresco—not a painting, properly speaking. It was transported by angels to the place it now occupies, and a curious fact is that it has no support whatever, for a sheet of paper can be put between it and the wall. We had hard work to get near the shrine on account of the crowds around it. However, by some good luck we got inside the grating, and my companion said Mass before the picture, of which we had a splendid view. The people were praying and singing to the Madonna. It was quite deafening, but, at the same time, quite edifying. Cardinal Vanutelli said Mass at the shrine while we were there.

In the same church I saw a picture of a Crucifix, which has a peculiar history. One day a soldier, half drunk and in despair at having lost his money at play, rushed into the church and struck this Crucifix in the face and on the side. Blood gushed forth from the wounds, and the sword bent up of itself. The marks of the wounds and the sword bent up can be seen still.

After dinner we took the omnibus to Valmontone. On the way, a gendarme, fully armed, jumped up beside the driver. A good many murders and robberies had been recently committed along that way, by a set of brigands. Mail coaches had been stopped, and passengers robbed. I suppose the gendarme got up to defend us in case of danger, but, much to my satisfaction, no brigands appeared, and we reached Valmontone safely. The train soon brought us to Cassino, which we reached towards dusk; and a few hours more found us in dreamland—almost at the foot of Monte Cassino. Next morning we took a carriage,

or rather a cab, and drove up to the Benedictine Monastery, situated at the top of Monte Cassino. The drive up lasted an hour and a half, as the mountain is very high; and, moreover, the road keeps winding like a corkscrew. My companion said Mass in the crypt underneath the remains of S.S. Benedict and Scholastica. The monastery of Monte Cassino was founded by S. Benedict on the site of a temple dedicated to Apollo. It is the finest and largest monastery in Europe—in fact, it resembles more a grand palace than a monastery.

We met an American Benedictine, who was very kind to us and showed us over the place. The monastery, having been declared by Government a "National Monument," the revenues were all taken, and only a small sum in comparison given to the Benedictines to mind the place. There are two ecclesiastical colleges and one lay college, besides the monastery. The interior of the church far surpasses, in point of elegance and costliness, every other church in Italy—St. Peter's alone, perhaps, excepted. We visited the old quarters occupied by S. Benedict, and we stood at the window from which he saw the soul of S Scholastica ascending into heaven in the form of a dove.

After dinner we left for Naples, where we put up for the night, and next morning we set out for Sorrento. We intended crossing the Bay to Sorrento in the daily steamboat, but the weather being unfavourable, we took the train to Castellamare, travelling the whole way along the edge of the Bay. From Castellamare we had a pleasant drive along the coast to Sorrento. From Sorrento we started by cab for Pompeii, and from Pompeii we went by rail to Pagani. Pagani is a dirty little town. We wanted an hotel, but no such convenience is to be found in Pagani. We had to go to a *Trattoria*, or miserable little inn, where the people spoke only a corrupt kind of Italian. We stayed a night there, and we found the accommodation very poor.

Next morning my companion said Mass at the altar of S. Liguori in the Redemptorist monastery. When S. Alphonsus resigned his bishopric he retired to this monastery, where he died. His remains are under an altar dedicated to him. On each of the four sides beneath the altar is a large pane of glass. The four panes form a kind of glass case, within which are seen the remains of S. Liguori, lying in full pontifical vestments with crozier, mitre, ring, &c. We visited the Saint's private oratory and bedroom, and we saw his bed, the old boards of his coffin, the arm-chair he used to be rolled about in, and many other relics. Saint Alphonsus was the only attraction at Pagani. The town is such a wretched place, we were glad enough to get away from it. We arrived at Pompeii, and took up our quarters at the Hôtel du Soleil. As it was early, we set off immediately to visit the ruins of the old city. We strolled through streets and visited houses, &c., that had been buried

for ever so many years. It would be useless for me to describe the place, as anyone may find a good description of it in the guide books.

As is well known from the destruction of Pompeii, Vesuvius is quite close to the ruins. It is usual for visitors to make an excursion to the top of Vesuvius. A good many go up from Naples by the funicular railway, but even then travellers have to walk up the hardest part, as the train cannot go right up to the top. For one who doesn't mind getting on a horse, it is better to ride to Pompeii. Before going to bed on Thursday night we arranged everything for the morrow. We were to leave about two o'clock in the morning, and the charge would be eight francs, *tutto compreso*, including sticks for climbing, which sticks we were sure of obtaining at a house half way up the mountain (according to the proprietor of the hotel). We both went to bed for a few hours, and at two o'clock on Friday morning we set out on horseback with another party. Of course we had a guide. My horse's name was "Beef-steak." I don't pretend to be a "jock," and I must have presented a funny appearance, sitting on a horse, especially as I wore the soutane. The sky was clear—a fine, starry night, with a pale moonshine—just light enough to show us where we were going. My "charger" was very lazy. When starting, the guide gave it a few good lashes with the whip; but instead of hurrying on, the animal kicked up and nearly upset me. A short ride brought us to the foot of Vesuvius, and we began to mount gradually. The road led us between vineyards. One would hardly imagine it, but half way up Vesuvius nothing is seen but vineyards, and very fine grapes grow there. There is a kind of grape that grows on Vesuvius from which is made that well-known wine called "Lacrima Christi."

On our way up we could see Castellamare, with its numerous lights in the distance. At last we arrived at the half-way house where we were to get our sticks, but none were to be had. We were told fifteen travellers had been up before us, and had taken all the sticks with them. We did not quite believe this, but all the same we had to go without the sticks that we had already paid for. After nearly two hours' travelling we came to the hardest part of the journey, where we had to dismount, and ascend on foot. At first our progress was slow, for the slope was very steep, and was covered with fine gravel or sand; but after an hour's climbing we reached the solid lava, and the ascent became much easier. We saw streams of lava that had been thrown out in very recent eruptions.

We arrived on the top of Vesuvius just as the sun appeared on the horizon. All around us could be seen clouds of sulphurous smoke rising from cracks in the ground. All our party walked about quite tranquilly, with only a thin crust of earth, I suppose, between their feet and burning brimstone. We then approached the crater, and stood on the very brink—another step, and we should have fallen in.

The crater is immense, round in form, and inside sloping gradually down, forming an apparently bottomless pit, from which issue forth continually volumes of smoke, which can be seen from Naples and all the surrounding country. We heard the little stones or *lapilli* being thrown up; the noise sounded like the galloping of horses. We couldn't see the stones, as they were not thrown up very high; and, moreover, the smoke was very thick. The sides of the crater were smoking, just as if they were being melted. One has a splendid view from Vesuvius of Naples and the numerous cities along the Bay of Naples.

It was very quick work coming down the sandy slope. We had to run down, our feet sinking at each step. We did it in ten or eleven minutes. We then got on our chargers and reached the hotel, well pleased with the excursion, but extremely tired.

That same day found us back again in Naples, where we remained four days. Naples is a fine city. The streets are very large, as a general rule, and the system of tramways is well organized. We visited the Villa Nazionale, a sort of public park; it corresponds to the Pincio, in Rome. One day we went up to the Castel S. Elmo, near which we obtained a splendid view of Naples and its surroundings. Another day we saw a number of Irish priests on their way to Australia.

But we had come to Naples principally for the feast of Saint Januarius (19th September), patron of Naples. The liquefaction of the blood of S. Januarius takes place at two different times in the year—once about May, in the church of Santa Chiara, and again in the cathedral on the Saint's feast-day; each time the miracle is repeated for several days. The Cathedral of Naples is dedicated to S. Januarius; but it generally goes under the name of "Il Duomo." On the epistle side is situated the Chapel of S. Januarius. It contains fifty silver busts of the patron saints of the city. The altar is of massive silver, as are also the candle-sticks. In the wall behind the altar are two cells; in one the head of S. Januarius, enclosed in a silver bust, is kept, and in the other his blood. The cells are closed with metal doors, each having two locks, the keys of which are kept by the Archbishop and the Municipality.

We wished to secure a good place in church for the feast of S. Januarius, so we got into the sacristy at an early hour. We were not the only ones there on the same business, for when the sanctuary door was opened there was a great rush to secure places as near the altar as possible.

The head of the Saint was placed at the gospel side of the altar. One of the canons of the Cathedral held the phials containing the Saint's blood, and walked up and down in front of the altar. The blood is preserved in two glass phials—one larger than the other. The smaller phial contains only a few drops, but there is much more in the larger one. Both phials are enclosed in a glass case. As I have said, the canon kept

walking backwards and forwards, turning the phials, behind which a candle was placed, now and then, to show that the blood was solid. This continued for nearly an hour without any result, the congregation meanwhile praying earnestly and asking S. Januarius to be quick in performing his miracle. At five minutes to 10 the blood began to liquefy, and those who were near could see it flowing. A handkerchief was waved to the people in the church to signify that S. Januarius had worked his accustomed miracle, and a shout of joy and triumph came from the crowd. The *Te Deum* was sung, and the canon of the Castel S. Elmo announced the miracle to the city of Naples. As soon as the blood began to liquefy we who were near were allowed to kiss the phial. Then the head and blood were carried in procession to the main altar, and the head placed on the gospel side; the blood on the epistle side, where they remained during the day. High Mass was then sung at the main altar.

In the evening, towards six o'clock, we went back to the Cathedral, and I was permitted to see the blood again. The canon who showed it to me turned the phials upside down, and I saw the blood flowing as freely as possible. It becomes red, like freshly-shed blood. Towards dusk, the head and blood are brought back to their places, and during the night the blood coagulates. Next day, and every day during the Octave, the same miracle occurs, as on the feast day. On September 20th, we left Naples for Rome, and from Rome we returned to Tivoli.

I must now draw to a close. Hoping you are all well, and that Riverview has been again successful at the Examinations,

I remain, yours sincerely,

H. F.

## History Made Easy—For Examiners.

In his correspondence with our Prefect of Studies on the question of Teaching of History in Catholic Schools, the University Professor of History—selecting, with an impartialiy most becoming and worthy of his position, a Catholic and a non-Catholic example—gives two amusing instances of that kind of answer for which Examiners feel a gratitude they cannot, unfortunately repay in the marking. "It is true," writes the Professor, "that I occasionally come across weird stories . . . such as the following:—'John Wycliffe, commonly known as the morning star of the Reformation, lived in the reign of Henry VIII. He is well-known as the author of the "Pilgrim Fathers," a series of anecdotes related to one another by pilgrims emigrating from the Holy Land to found the colony of Massachusetts.' It is true again to take a Catholic hero—that Sir Thomas More has more than once been said to have 'perished nobly on the field of Corunna,' and also to have been 'celebrated as the author of *Irish Melodies*.'"

## A French Publication on Riverview.

" A QUELQUE distance au nord de la capitale, la côte en s'infléchissant forme la partie du golfe de Sydney, appelée le *Lane Cove River*. La côte est escarpée. Du quai au sommet du plateau, à travers les plantes tropicales et les fougères, serpentent çà et là des sentiers taillés dans de roc.

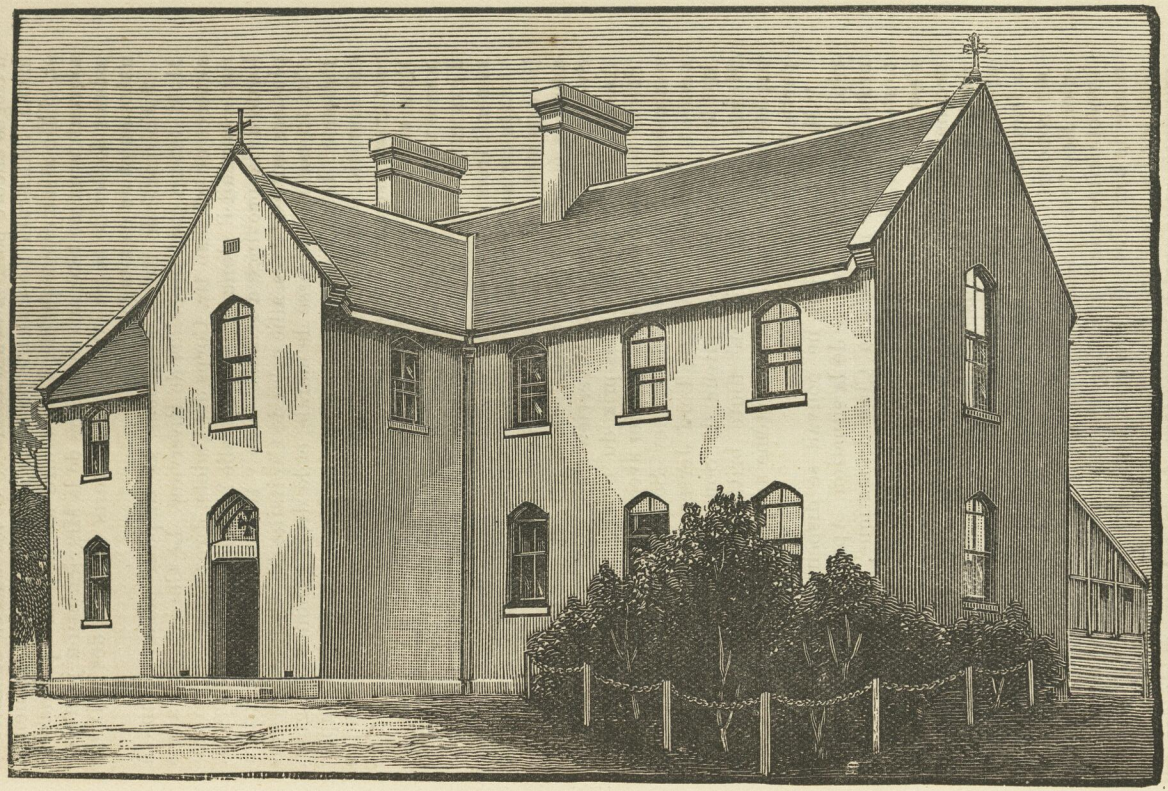
" C'est sur le flanc et la cime de cette colline, battue de trois côtés par les flots, que s'étend l'immense propriété de *Riverview*, achetée par la Compagnie de Jesus pour la construction du Collège St. Ignace.

" Je n'essaierai pas de décrire l'indescriptible magnificence de la rade et du port de Sydney, avec ses baies, ses îlots, ses promontoires variés à l'infini, avec ses rives toujours vertes où toutes les espèces d'eucalyptus allient leurs teintes avec les couleurs plus sombres des conifères et autres arbres. On peut soutenir qu'aucun estuaire au monde, sans en excepter la baie de Naples et le port de Rio de Janeiro, ne l'emporte en beauté sur la baie de Sydney.

" C'est cet incomparable panorama qui se développe devant la façade de *St. Ignatius College*.

" L'aspect extérieur de Riverview, est tout simplement superbe. L'aménagement intérieur est ce que l'on appelle, en France, du *genre anglais* ; vous connaissez cela et vous savez l'apprécier : salles de jeux, salons de lecture, cabinets de photographie, petits laboratoires privés de chimie, etc., et partout des meubles soignés et cirés comme dans une maison particulière ; puis, sur le tout, je ne sais quel vernis, des hardiesses du confortable et du luxe colonial : des inventions modernes, je ne vois que l'ascenseur qui fasse défaut : De Sydney au collège le trajet se fait en bateau à vapeur, comme de Toulon à la Seyne, ou pour plus de ressemblance comme de Toulon à S$^{t}$-Mandrier. Outre son embarcadère, la maison a son bureau de poste, son télégraphe et son numéro de téléphone : enfin tout est éclairé à la lumière électrique, même les cours pour la récréation du soir. Bâti en pleine végétation tropicale, à 200 pieds au-dessus du Lane Cove River, anse du port de Sydney, S$^{t}$ Ignatius College jouit à la fois de la solitude et d'une des vues les plus riantes et les plus animées du monde. Et pourtant, même en ce paradis, il faut étudier ou du moins rester en étude.

" On travaille en effet à Riverview. Si les jeux, tous les jeux dits anglais, du vulgaire football à la noble Régate sont en grand honneur, si même les clubs huppés des joueurs de profession de Sydney sont loin de faire toutes les marques contre le *bleu tendre et blanc* de Riverview, le latin, le grec, le français, la physique, la géometrié n'y perdent rien. D'ailleurs les encouragements ne sont point seulement pour les jeux ; s'il y a des prix pour le cricket et le tir, divertissements qui passent en Australie pour des arts d'agrément, comme au temps du P. Jouvency les entrechats en France, il y a plus de couronnes et



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d'éloges encore pour la bonne conduite et les succès scolaires; même, l'Australie ne manque point de la sanction des examens ; et, chose assez remarquable, à en croire les derniers palmarès, souvent la même tête, aux honneurs de la Matriculation joint les palmes dorées de la philologie, et les verts lauriers des prix de natation et de canotage.

" J'ai parlé de tir et d'examens. Le tir pour parler comme à Mold, est un *quid proprium* de Riverview. Le Corps des Cadets s'exerce en effet au tir. Corps des Cadets, direz-vous ; le militarisme envahit-il donc déjà l'Australie ? Hélas ! Voyez le catalogue de la province d'Irlande, vous y trouverez un Père qui, à plusiers autres titres, allie celui de Capitaine des Cadets. Je vois d'ici tressaillir la classe de morale, et le droit canon s'indigner. Patience ! Il ne s'agit que de répondre des fusils et de l'emploi des munitions, que le gouvernement de Sa Majesté Britannique met gracieusement à la disposition du très pacifique bataillon de Riverview, pour en faciliter la bonne éducation et en assurer la bonne tenue. Chaque matin, avant le déjeuner, vingt minutes d'exercice sous la direction d'un ex-sergent-major ; chaque samedi, trois quarts d'heure de parade en costume.

" Quant aux examens, ceux de l'année 1891 ont été particulièrement brillants au collège Saint-Ignace. La moyenne des admis a été de 63 pour 100 dans le ressort de l'Université de Sydney ; la moyenne de Riverview s'est élevée à 93 pour 100. Aussi, à la distribution des prix du 8 décembre 1891, le Père Préfet des études a-t-il pu aborder avec autorité la question des examens de l'Université de Sydney. Son Excellence le Gouverneur du New-South-Wales, Lord Jersey, présidait ; à sa droite, M^gr^ le D^r^ Higgins, coadjuteur de Son Eminence le Cardinal Moran. Avec une liberté toute britannique, le P. Préfet a exposè les inconvénients du système adopté jusqu'ici dans cette partie de l'Australie.

" M. le Gouverneur ne pouvait se dispenser de donner la réplique à un tel exposé de la situation. Après les compliments ordinaires aux auteurs du Club dramatique, Lord Jersey, avec toutes les réserves de langage que lui impose sa haute situation, s'est au fond déclaré de l'avis du Père Préfet des études. Le premier résultat de son discours a été d'amener la presse à s'occuper des examens, et aussi de S^t^ Ignatius College. Sur le premier chef, tout le monde n'est pas encore du même avis. Mais la franchise de nos Pères, et leur zèle pour le progrès des études ont conquis tous les suffrages. Grâce à leurs succès et à leur splendide installation, la presse, même protestante, est unanime à reconnaître que leur influence est considérable et leur concurrence de bon effet. De son côté, Lord Jersey n'a point oublié de féliciter les Pères du soin qu'ils prennent d'inculquer de solides principes religieux à la jeunesse de la colonie, et de les en remercier. Bien qu'il ne soit point catholique, le Gouverneur anglais a compris que les Jésuites, par l'œuvre de l'éducation de la jeunesse, contribuent puissamment au bien public et à la vraie civilisation."—*Lettres de Mold.*

## How I Spent My Vacation.

DUBLIN, October 22nd, 1892.

I have done a good deal of rambling since I bade you good-bye on Circular Quay last January. We had a very pleasant time of it on board the Ophir, but as others have described the voyage home in the pages of *Our Alma Mater*, I shall not presume to try and improve on their very interesting descriptions. We landed in London on February 17th. The weather was very severe for the first month after our arrival. I went over to Paris early in March and left my sister at school at the Sacred Heart Convent at Conflans. The Convent is a magnificent building, and is, I believe, one of the head houses of the order. It was very cold in Paris and one week there satisfied me. On my return to London Fred. Page called to see me. He was looking very well and we had a long chat about old times and old friends. I paid a visit to Oxford but did not see Tom Curran although I made enquiries for him at the Mitre Hotel, where I put up, and where the addresses of foreign students are generally to be ascertained. I got over to Dublin just in time for St. Patrick's Day. I had expected to find things pretty lively there on that day but people took things very quietly —much more quietly than Irishmen do in Sydney on similar occasions. One of the first places I called at in Dublin was Gardiner Street where I saw Father James Dalton and Father William Kelly. I have since met Father Waters but Father Russell was always out when I called. I left your letter for him. Father Kelly is looking very well. The cold climate seems to agree with him. I have not been out to Milltown Park but I met Father Keogh in O'Connell Street, and we recognised one another immediately. He is very well and has changed very little.

. . . . .

My sister got her vacation in July and I joined her in London on the 29th, just in time for St. Ignatius' Day when we attended the ceremonies at Farm Street. There was High Mass at eleven. The Archbishop presided and the Bishop of Amycla celebrated Mass. The sermon was preached by the Bishop of Emmaus. The ceremonies were wonderfully solemn and imposing and the singing was the finest I ever heard in church. The choir is composed of male voices solely, no ladies being allowed to sing in the churches of the Archdiocese. Boys take the parts usually rendered by females, and some have exquisite voices.

London in the latter part of July and in August is intolerable. We found the weather most oppressive, and after a few days we started for Scotland. The first place we visited was Edinburgh where we spent four days. It is a most delightful place, and I like it better than any other city I have yet seen. From Edinburgh we went on to the Trossachs and spent several days there and on Loch Katrine and Loch Lomond and then we went on to Glasgow.

We returned to Dublin in time for the Horse Show week. All the hotels were so full we had to go to Bray to get accommodation. We spent a week there visiting most of the places of interest in County Wicklow, Glendalough, the Dargle, &c. Of course we went to Dublin for the Horse Show. It is the event of the year here and excites almost as much interest as the Melbourne Cup does in Australia. After the Horse Show we went to Cork where we took a trip round the Harbour which Irishmen have the assurance to compare to Port Jackson. From Cork we went to Glengariff and Killarney. We had a most delightful time at Killarney. I consider it the loveliest place I have seen yet, and we have nothing in Australia to approach it. We stayed at the Victoria Hotel which is beautifully situated right on the shore of the Lower Lake. Though the weather was not perfect (it never is in Ireland) we enjoyed ourselves very much. We next visited Limerick and Galway and got back to Dublin on September 9th when our vacation ended.

I like this country and life here very much and if I manage to grapple successfully with the climate I expect to get on very well.

I sometimes see accounts of your sports, regattas, &c., in the *Sydney Freeman's Journal* but beyond that I have no news at all of Riverview. So when you have a little time to spare do please drop me a few lines and let me know how you are all getting on. Do not forget to send me a copy of *Our Alma Mater;* I take the greatest interest in it, and so do others here, and the various views of the college, grounds, buildings, etc., are much admired.

Give my kindest regards to all my old masters and friends. I often think of you all and I hope you will not forget me altogether.

A.J.M.

## Humour of Public Examinations.

The correction of exam. papers, especially exam. papers of the standard of the junior, offers but few attractions.

It is by no means a pleasure to wade through mathematical problems and theorems correct and otherwise, neat, slovenly or indifferent. It is to say the least wearisome to peruse page after page of uninteresting historical or geographical fact recorded in that style of composition peculiar to the schoolboy. Even the most brilliant touch of master or text-book fails finally to interest—nay such is our taste for novelty that such poetical touches as "He never smiled again" pall on one after much repetition.

Yet glimmerings of light occasionally occur even in the sombre occupation of separating the wheat from the tares. Truly the

monotony of the mathematical paper is never varied, but in answers which call for description or variation, passages occur which may well cause a smile.

Sometimes, but very rarely, one meets a flash of real humour and a candidate dares to jest, and cleverly too, in the dread examination hall. Thus, in last Junior, in an alleged list of the chief imports of New South Wales, one wit, who had evidently taken to heart the motto, "Australia for the Australians," and regarded unfavourably all evasions of it, inserted "Chinamen and University professors." Let us hope no imported professor saw this. Again, New Caledonia was declared to be "a favourite resort of Frenchmen and criminals." "Favourite resort" is humorous, but does not the true meaning reach us as between the lines we read "Tell me your companions," &c. How the insular prejudice of John Bull crops up even in his children.

But in general it is the very absurdity of the mistake that relieves for an instant the gloom of a hopeless paper. An examiner, accustomed though he be to hideous errors, may perhaps be permitted to smile when he is informed, and in painfully neat writing too, that "Napoleon defeated Ulysses Grant at Moscova and the throne of Austria rocked to its foundations," or that "John Milton was commonly known as the Boy Bachelor and wrote the 'Lady of Lyons.'"

Interesting and curious also is it to note how politics—the party cry and the solemn question of the hour—are intruded into history and geography in the most unexpected manner. One embryo politician and a dabbler too in finance, in answer to a request to write what he knew of the land south of parallel 40 degrees, delivered himself thusly: "There is land below 40 degrees, but it is no good. And when land is no good the capitalist will not invest money in it, and when this is so, money is dear, and scarce and tight, and the land is no good."

Again, Fiji was described as "an integral portion of the British Empire, and the proposed site of General Booth's oversea colony." This is certainly news!

Then one genius sets forth the results of the American War of Independence thus: "The tax was taken off Boston tea, and the workingman's breakfast-table became untaxed." He calmly reduces Washington to a tariff-reformer—a mere freetrader!

With such little eccentricities is the examiner beguiled, but alack! these amusing passages are few and far between. They are indeed remembered when the dull dose of "hard fact" which surrounded them has faded from memory, but still "hard fact" largely predominates, and a ludicrous mistake or a happy phrase is a *rara avis*. Higher examinations, it is true, would seem to be more productive of the idiotic answer than is the Junior. Infinite is the number of anecdotes current concerning the Medical and Law Examinations—wonderful is the depth of

ignorance displayed therein. But with these we have no concern now. And, in conclusion, I would point out that though wit is appreciated by the examiner, it never earns a mark, and a joke however clever can not save from the "plough."

BULL DOG.

## Australia and Its Duty to the Aboriginals.

FATHER MCKILLOP, Superior of Northern Territory Mission, who has been stopping at Riverview since his arrival from Port Darwin, has sent the following letter to the Press :—

Ten years ago a mission was started by the Society of Jesus for the purpose of civilising and Christianising the aborigines of the Northern Territory. The mission is now, after many vicissitudes, firmly established on the banks of the River Daly. Strange as it may seem, it is in the longed-for moment of success that grave doubts arise as to its future. Unless a large tract of country be set aside from which the white man and *a fortiori*, the Chinaman will be rigorously excluded, the doom of this mission, as of all similar ones, is pronounced. On the other hand, although we have every reason to be satisfied with the result of our work so far, it does not seem to us that this success is striking enough to overcome the prejudices of a hundred years, and to justify the demand which we hope these blacks will yet make upon the justice of Australia. Meanwhile we have the full confidence of the tribes about us. If generously helped, we shall easily form, or rather continue to form, them into civilised and self-supporting communities. But our means are very limited and our progress necessarily slow. The object of this letter is to awaken public sympathy and to call the attention of the people of Australia to the existence of a claim which they seem to have entirely forgotten.

In the great conference of last year, when statesmen came together from the different colonies to mould the destinies of Australia, it was surely significant that not one word was spoken about the native races. This fair land of ours is marching on to greatness, and very often we hear it boasted that this greatness, whatever form it take, will be achieved without the loss of one drop of blood. I am afraid the future historian will tell another tale. Blood has been shed in the past; whether it be as freely shed in our back-blocks to-day, aggressively or by way of reprisal, it is not my province to determine. There is a bigger question. Australia as such, does not recognise the right of the black man to live. She marches onward, truly, but not, perhaps, the fair maiden we paint her. The blackfellow sees blood on that noble forehead, callous cruelty in her heart; her heel is of iron, and his helpless countrymen beneath her feet. Against this charge we cannot plead even the poor excuse of America, where the white men had to deal with really formidable foes.

We might well live and let live. But we are strong, and the blacks are weak; we have rifles, they have but spears; we love British fairplay, and having got hold of this continent we must have every square foot of it. Little Tasmania is our model, and, I fear, will be, until the great papers of Australia will chronicle "with regret" the death of the last blackfellow.

I have said that Australia, as such, does not recognise the right of the black man to live. Of course, this statement will be challenged. Let me explain. Australia has never yet been generous enough to adopt the only course by which a remnant at least of an old race might be saved. She has constantly refused them a native territory. And, though it mean certain destruction to them, *the blacks must everywhere yield to the advancing interests of the whites.* They may have legal rights on leasehold as well as on Crown lands to game, timber and water, but they dare not maintain these rights against the white man and his cattle. Reserves in close contact with Europeans cannot save them. Indeed such reserves are more likely to become a curse to blacks and whites alike. They cannot be permanent, because the two races cannot co-exist on the same land. If our rulers admitted this truth, proved by the sad experience of 100 years, and then deliberately decreed the gradual extermination of the blacks, it would at least be honest. Impossible, half-hearted, or useless legislation, will not save us from the hard verdict of history.

Although a member of the Order that drew from barbarism those glorious reductions of Paraguay which even to Voltaire "appeared in some respects the triumph of humanity;" although on the Daly River we should only have the same difficulties to overcome which were met by the Jesuits in South America, I dare not at present hope that any one colony would grant the blacks a native territory. Governments will naturally shrink from an undertaking which from the past history of kindred movements, as from the nature of the enterprise itself, would seem to carry with it the necessity of failure. But because a thing has not been done it in no ways follows that it cannot be done. As for the inherent difficulties of the problem, many think they would vanish were Australia, I will not say magnanimous, but simply just. There is a feeling abroad, too, which might be worded thus,—It is in God's providence that the native races here, as elsewhere, must disappear before the British people. This, of course, I do not admit. The laws of nature, not God's Providence, require that in given circumstances an inferior race will disappear before a superior; but so do they require that death will follow starvation or be the consequence of poison. Putting aside this objection as unworthy of consideration, I am prepared to admit the want of success in the past, with the difficulties to be overcome in the present, will militate against any adequate measure of justice

to the aborigines. Yet surely we may ask even now the sympathy and the help of Australia in the hard work which we have undertaken. We have seen enough to know that ultimate success is possible. But in these days things move quickly. Our pace, unless we be assisted to a much greater extent than heretofore, will be too slow for opposing influences. Of course our purpose is to prove to our legislators, as quickly as may be, and by the strong argument of success, that they would be justified in doing for a remnant of the blacks what has never yet been done. For well we know that sooner or later we must inevitably fail unless a Federated Australia be prepared to have in one barren corner of the continent her own Paraguay.

Of course I am not so arrogant as to suppose that only in our mission could the happy experience of the South American reductions be repeated. Others, too, labour, and have long laboured, among the blacks of Australia. Any expression, therefore, in this letter which would seem to ignore the claims of other missions, or the varied success which has attended them, will, I trust, be taken in the spirit in which it was written. Dealing with the general principle which I believe must be the foundation of any hope of permanent success in these missions, I naturally throw my argument into concrete form by bringing forward the claims of that mission whose necessities have brought me for a time to the Southern colonies.

Neither do I for a moment forget that much has been granted to missionary enterprise by the different Governments of Australia. We are deeply grateful to the South Australian Government in particular for the very great kindness shown to our mission in the Northern Territory. As I have already said, the immediate object of this letter is to enlist public sympathy. With this in favour of the missionary, I feel sure our Governments would go further; without it, as I think, the kind assistance of the different Governments, as now and hitherto shown, may indeed enable this or that mission to prosper for a time, but it will not save a people. And yet this Australia of ours is wide enough. In the Southern colonies the native races will never more exist as such, but the doom of a whole people is not yet sealed. And perhaps among our public men some will be found who will admit that the interest as well as the honour of Australia may be promoted by a bold and generous policy towards the natives who remain. There are men amongst us—a minority I am glad to think—who would willingly see the Northern Territory covered with Indian or Chinese coolies. Has it never struck them that the black labour of the territory might be utilised? Not now, of course. Civilisation would have to obtain in the first instance. But it has long been something more than a dream to me that an Australia is possible, some at least of whose tropical regions might be cultivated by the ancient sons of the soil. There is land west of the Daly River very poor, as far as I have seen it, and presenting almost

insuperable difficulties to white settlement. Here are the tribes who fall under our influence, and this influence will extend in exact proportion to our means. Here if the public sense of Australia would enable us to rise above what is only tinkering at civilisation, a fine people might be saved from the general wreck, and a wonderful language preserved to the philologist. We are only now getting into the ways of this strange tongue, and, to my mind, in the interests of science even, the people who have so carefully retained its ancient structure should be themselves saved from threatened extinction.

In fine, a born Australian myself, and the present leader of a forlorn hope, I ask of my countrymen, whether by birth or by adoption, such sympathy as will enable us at no very distant date to apply without presumption for that large measure of justice which alone can insure success—a native territory. What, by the grace of God, was once effected in America can be brought about also in the little corner of Australia mentioned above. But the natives must long be treated as children, and protected by the secular arm. If not *for* them, the State must necessarily be *against* them. This also was proved in Paraguay, when, after a hundred years of happy prosperity, that flourishing commonwealth went down before the greed of the Portuguese and the terrible hate of Carvalho, Marquis of Pombal.

Riverview, Sydney, December 21.

## Wardens' and Examinees' Picnic.

Oh! the warm Australian day—
Golden fair!
Blue stainless skies; and over all
A drowsy stillness seems to fall;
A perfect hush is everywhere;
And the waveless, charmed air
Is held in dreamy thrall.

Such a day was November 24th. Who can forget it? It is said that misfortune never comes alone. That may be, but whether it does or does not is not our concern; in this case good tidings failed to come alone. Early in the morning the news of Ned Kelly's phenomenal pass was received with deafening applause, and before we were half done congratulating Ned, a full play day was announced. The wardens of the different games, with those who had presented themselves for the Senior and Junior Public Examinations, immediately began to make preparations for their annual picnic up the river.

Under Brother Doyle's skilful supervision everything was soon ready for starting. As the gay fleet (consisting of two four-oars, two treble-sculls, and two smaller skiffs) left the wharf, loaded with passengers and provisions, the white clouds, passing over the surface of the blue sky, casting their

light and their shadow on the glorious water, gave tokens of a beautiful day. Everyone felt happy; for who in his boyhood has not felt the delight of freedom and adventure? To have the world of woods and swards before him—to escape restriction—to lean for the time on his own resources—to rejoice in the wild but manly luxury of independence—to act the Crusoe, and to fancy a Friday in every footprint, and an island of his own in every field? But I am wandering from the subject.

During the row to our favourite picnic grounds—"The Deserted Garden"—nothing was talked of but Ned's pass, and examinations in general. Contrary to what was done in former years the members of the second division camped on the other side of the river, and lower down than the seniors, so that I am only narrating the events of the day as enjoyed by the latter. However, judging from the sounds of distant laughter and cheering, the junior fellows must have had quite as good a time of it as it was our privilege to enjoy.

After mooring our boats and placing the provisions under the friendly shelter of the familiar double row of quince, apple, and plum trees, we were soon plunging and shouting in the clear river, whose waters were sparkling like diamonds in the sunlight. Some adventurous spirit crossed the river, and exploring the bushy recesses, came across a snake of medium size, which he speedily despatched. Time was passed very pleasantly until the rising smoke of a fire further down the river told us the juniors were preparing for dinner, and warned us to do likewise. In a short time two roaring fires were lighted—one for frying purposes, the other for "boiling the billy." Nature afforded a table in the form of an elevated green mound of earth, and the fruit-trees sheltered us from the burning rays of the noonday sun.

Hearing no noise from the other camp, someone rightly conjectured that the second division fellows were engaged in satisfying the inner man. Needless to say we fell to with a will, and did ample justice to the many delicacies of Brother Doyle's hamper. Some time after dinner we manned the smaller boats, pulled further up the river, and halted under the shadow of an overhanging willow. Here we had a regular concert, songs, choruses, and recitations being contributed. The evening was advancing and the sun gradually sinking through a lurid haze when we returned to our camp. Everyone felt inclined for another swim; so in we went, and wasn't it enjoyable? It was well we were not aware of the fact that sharks had been seen in the river some few days before. This information was extracted later on from a passing fisherman. We were just about dressed when one of our number, who had cut his foot badly in the morning, called our attention to the wound, which had begun to bleed profusely. The bleeding was staunched, and the foot skilfully bandaged by a comrade, known to some of us as "Doctor Stuben-hoffen-steiner." The patient was forbidden to



PORTION OF DINING HALL.

row home, and a heavy-weight cox. took his place in the four-oar.

Twilight was drawing on apace when all sat down to afternoon tea. A large billy of cocoa was made, and with cakes, pastry, and fruit, made a very enviable meal. Thus another hour was passed.

The sun set behind the green trees of the wood, and their long shadows fell across the clearing where were moored the boats that soon would bear us home. The birds in the tree tops sang their evening hymns; while a thin mist—the forerunner of twilight—rising from the neighbouring moorland, and waving its blue veil over the branches of the surrounding trees, warned us that we must make for home ere the veil of night should close around us.

With many a parting glance—for many of us it was the last—at the scene of many a happy day's outing, we paddled slowly down the stream. The return journey was by no means the least enjoyable item on the programme. All along the river the rugged cliffs on either side resounded with the echo of our jarring voices. If we didn't produce music, at least we made a great attempt to.

The day, a bright one, was fading into night as we halted—both Juniors and Seniors—opposite the College wharf, and sang two or three of our ever-popular parodies. With three ringing cheers for Ned Kelly, and three more for the College and community, we separated, the Juniors to put up their boats, we to pull to the Senior shed, where Father Gartlan met us; and after enquiring who had *not* enjoyed himself, helped (?) us in with our boat. As we wended our way up the walks to the College, some of us sadly felt that it was the last day of the kind we should spend together; but wherever we are it will be always with a feeling of mixed pleasure and regret that we shall recall the day the results of the Junior Public Examination of 1892 appeared.

D. J. Corrigan,
Matriculation Class.

## Second Division Wardens' Picnic.

A rumour that the Wardens' annual excursion would take place on Thursday, November 24th, met with ready circulation and credence in the II Division. And no wonder! for what could possibly tend more to the relaxation of an overstrained brain, than a day's outing on that most famous of all picnicing resorts—the Lane Cove River; far from the busy turmoil of desk and pen. I do not mean to insinuate that our brains were actually overstrained, but still one must, to use a common term, "go hard at it" when he sees such a Prefect of Studies as

Father Murphy, standing "*courroie à la main*" over him. The rumour turned out to be true, and when Thursday arrived, the sun, rising in all his glory and majesty, was greeted by the smiling faces and outing attire of the Riverview excursionists. Nevertheless, their hopes were damped when towards seven o'clock an ill-boding cloud began to cast his black net over the sky, enshrouding Australia's greatest glory—her Spring Sun, It now seemed as if Jupiter Pluvius had determined to spoil the excellent programme we anticipated; but in about an hour another change came, this time for the better, "Sol" becoming once again supreme lord of his dominions. Towards nine o'clock a start was made for the boat-shed, where we found our boats and hampers ready prepared. The next task was the selection of the crews, after which we set off at a brisk rate, and in about an hour landed "*omnium consensu*" at Hurdle Race Flat. Now the game began in earnest. Several expedition parties were organized, lovers of football kept the leather going on the green swards; others, well skilled in culinary affairs, devoted themselves to the common good by preparing dinner; but by far the greater number determined to satisfy the cravings of nature by a plunge in the limpid waters of our bubbling stream; a few daring lads even ventured to overstep the lines of prudence by crossing to the other side. We were extremely loath to leave what we now even fancied to be our element; nevertheless, when the woods rang with the sound of our Prefect's senatorial voice, announcing that dinner was ready, we closed in from all sides, highly commending the abilities of Jack D'Apice as cook, for he certainly is quite at home with the "billy and the pan." If ever justice was done to the substantial part of a picnic, it was done to the provisions of the Wardens' Picnic in 1892. All the good things disappeared in rapid succession, until, in half-an-hour, the only resource left was a quiet siesta under the far-spreading branches of an Australian fig-tree. Soon, however, our "Lotus-eater" mood wore off, and we again betook ourselves to the water, whence an attack was made on the 1st Division Camp, to obtain the restitution of a stolen "billy." We failed to make any impression on them "*a fronte*," but an impetuous youth was persuaded by us to take a circuitous way, and try what could be done by a flank movement. He was met by Jack Davo, apparently a traitor, but in reality a "have," who showed him a broken "billy" with which our hero dashed off. When he reached us he was sorely mortified to find that the great treasure he had captured was worthless. As it now began to wax rather late we returned to our camp for an afternoon tea and chat. Broodings of an approaching storm made us a little uneasy and hastened our departure, so that an hour later we were plying vigorously at the oars, directing our course towards Riverview, which we reached at about 7 o'clock, all uniting in declaring our excursion an immense success.

J. M. Haydon.

## A Schoolboy's Thoughts on Leaving School.

If there is one thing more than another for which the child should feel grateful to the parent, it is the privilege of being educated at a good school. But, unfortunately, how many schoolboys fail to take advantage of such a privilege! How many fail to recognise its worth and importance before it is too late! Adam Lindsay Gordon very justly says, "We never know the worth of a thing until we have thrown it away." Follow me, in spirit, into George-street—that great broad thoroughfare, along which, since the day when it first rose into importance, misery and luxury have walked their common way. Stand with me at the corner of the Post Office, and watch the stream of humanity passing by. There you will see all classes of men jostling one another in the "fierce race for wealth," from the merchant prince in his carriage to the street urchins selling their papers. Stop the business man, and ask him what was the happiest period of his life? He will tell you his school-days. Stop the wealthy statesman, and he will tell you how much he owes to his school-days. Stop the lounger, the pauper, and the unemployed. You will hear from them a lesson worth learning. Every one of them—poor outcasts though some of them are—would sacrifice years of life to be at school again.

But boys enjoying the *privilege* will laugh at you, if you tell them school-days are the happiest days of their life. A schoolboy can't believe it. He regards them as weary, troublesome days. He is always talking of and looking forward to the day when he will be done with school. What a time he will have then!

But now the day of his departure is at hand; does he rejoice over the great event—is he happy? Not he! Could his thoughts speak, they would say:—"Look at the many sports, the masters, and the group of friends I am leaving? Shall I ever meet the like again? Never, I fear. And where am I going? What am I going to do? These last thoughts frighten him. He feels he is entering the battlefield of life. He perhaps chides himself for not having made better use of his school-days. His thoughts are harping on the one string—what am I going to be? Now, watch him? He is bidding "good-bye" to his masters and comrades. His heart is too full to allow him to speak. Why, his lips are quivering, and a strange drop is gathering in his eye. He turns hastily away to hide an emotion he cannot control. Where now is his boasted gladness at leaving school? In truth, he has no need of being ashamed of his tears. They are the marks of real manliness—"gracious drops" Shakespeare would have called them.

Good-bye, good-bye, my dearest friends,
When next we meet I cannot tell;
My heart is rent with bitter grief,
I scarce can speak my sad farewell.

D. J. Corrigan.

## Proceedings of the Debating Society.

MARCH 22ND.—The first meeting of the club was held to-night with the Rev. P. Keating in the chair. It must have been very gratifying to the President and old members to see so many new faces present. Business was begun with the election of an hon. secretary, when Mr. Corrigan was unanimously re-elected to that position which he had so efficiently filled last year. Not venturing to touch on politics for an opening, it was with some difficulty that a question for debate was chosen. The final selection fell to that proposed by the Rev. President, and seconded by Mr. Shearer, viz.: "Were the Crusades advantageous to Europe?" Mr. Corrigan was then elected Premier and Mr. McHugh, honourable Leader of the Opposition. The date for the discussion of this question was fixed for April 7th. The meeting was brought to a close with a vote of thanks to the chairman.

APRIL 7TH.—The opening debate for the year was held in the senior boys' library. No doubt the fact of so many hon. members making their debut, coupled with a desire to hear the well-known eloquent members of former years, was the cause of such a crowded house. The Government (who maintained that the Crusades *were* advantageous to Europe) consisted of Mr. Corrigan (Prime Minister), Mr. Dalton (Colonial Secretary and Treasurer), Mr. Davidson (Minister for Justice), Mr. Shearer (Minister for Education), and Mr. D'Apicé (Minister for Works), assisted by Messrs. Duboisé, Rogers, and Markey from the cross-benches. The Opposition seats were occupied by Mr. McHugh (Leader), with Messrs. McMahon, Lynch, McEvoy, Ryan, and Smythe. The rev. chairman, after expressing his delight at seeing so many new members come forward and hoping to see still more before the close of the session, called on the Premier to express his views on the question. The attentive audience were rewarded with a very eloquent speech. Mr. McHugh was greeted with rounds of applause as he rose to make his debut, and at the same time to oppose the Premier by his views on the Crusades. Mr. Dalton followed in the Premier's footsteps with a very argumentative speech, and was vigorously opposed by Mr. McMahon. The new members on both sides received tremendous applause at the hands of their comrades, whose expectations were more than realised. The votes of the House being taken, the chairman declared a large majority for the Opposition. The Premier handed in his resignation that night, and Mr. McHugh was called on to form a Ministry. A vote of thanks to the chairman, proposed by Mr Corrigan, seconded by Mr. McHugh, brought to a close a very satisfactory debate.

MAY 15TH.—A meeting of the members of the club was held after tea to vote by ballot for a "Social Committee;" the

greater number of votes fell to Messrs. Dalton, McMahon, and Corrigan. A suitable question for the next debate was then proposed by Mr. Duboisé, and seconded by Mr. Corrigan, viz.: "Should education be made compulsory by the State." The date for discussion was fixed for May 30th, but it was afterwards found necessary to alter it to June 6th. Mr. Lynch was proposed by Mr. Davidson, seconded by Mr. Dalton, and unanimously elected Premier, vice Mr. McHugh, who had left college.

JUNE 6TH.—All who were present on the occasion of the second debate of the year may congratulate themselves on having heard the most interesting and animated discussion held for many a long day within the walls of Riverview. It reminded one greatly of the legend of Horatius in Macaulay's "Lays of Ancient Rome," when he tells of "the dauntless three." For in this instance a powerful, numerous, and popular Government were defeated by an Opposition of three. The Government, maintaining that education *should* be made compulsory by the State, consisted of Mr. Lynch (Premier), Mr. McMahon (Colonial Secretary and Treasurer), Mr. Smythe (Minister for Education), Mr. Duboisé, (Minister for Works), Mr. McEvoy (Minister for Mines), assisted by Messrs. Ryan and Rogers. They were opposed by Messrs. Corrigan (Leader), Dalton and Davidson. After the minutes of the previous meetings had been read, Mr. Lynch set the ball rolling with a learned and emphatic speech. The Premier maintained that since the State needs educated men, it becomes part and parcel of her duty to compel citizens to be educated. Mr. Corrigan, in reply, made one of the finest speeches of the year, for which he received continued applause and later on the votes and confidence of the House. The hon. leader admitted that the State needs learned men, but he maintained that they had and would continue to have educated men under voluntary education. He maintained that since it behoves every man to educate his children as far as possible, we should not be compelled by a body of our fellow creatures to do that which we know should be done. He was ably supported by his colleagues, Messrs. Dalton and Davidson. On a division of the House being called for, the Opposition had a very large majority. The President congratulated hon. members on the standard and excellence of the discussion, as one of the finest school debates he had ever listened to, and expressed his approval of the vote given. Parliament was prorogued until October.

SEPTEMBER 26TH.—The members of the club, with the Rev. P. Keating in the chair, met to select a question for and to determine the date of our next discussion. The date assigned was October 11th. At the suggestion of Mr. Henerie, seconded by Mr. Ryan, the following question was unanimously agreed upon: "Should trades-unionism be encouraged?"



SENIORS' LIBRARY AND DEBATING HALL,

October 11th.—The first debate of the second session and the third of the year was commenced this night, with the Rev. P. Keating presiding. The new Ministry (who spoke against trades-unionism) consisted of Mr. Corrigan (Premier), Mr. Dalton (Colonial Secretary and Treasurer), Mr. Davidson (Minister for Justice), Mr. Shearer (Minister for Education), Mr. Henerie (Minister for Works), Mr. D'Apicé (Minister for Mines), with Messrs. Sexton and Rogers. On the Opposition were Mr. Lynch (Leader), with Messrs. Duboisé, McEvoy, Ryan, and Donnelly. At 10 p.m. the House adjourned.

October 12th.—The discussion *re* trades-unionism was concluded to-night. A very learned and interesting debate resulted in a victory for the Government by the very small majority of three.

October 14th.—The resignation of Mr. Lynch (hon. Leader of the Opposition) was received to-day and reluctantly accepted.

October 21st.—A meeting of the club was presided over by the Rev. P. Keating, at which the date of our next discussion was fixed for November 2nd. Several debatable questions were proposed and seconded, that of the Kanaka labour having the most supporters. The question took the following form:—"Was the Queensland Government justified in suppressing Kanaka labour?" Before the meeting terminated Mr. McMahon was unanimously elected Leader of the Opposition, *vice* Mr. Lynch resigned.

October 31st.—Owing to other important events, such as the annual sports meeting, sports concert, &c., clashing with the debate, it was deemed advisable to defer the discussion of the Kanaka question until November 10th.

November 10th.—No small amount of interest was centred in the last debate of a successful year. Owing to the unavoidable absence of our much-respected President, who had gone to Melbourne, the position of chairman was filled by the Rev. Fr. Murphy (Prefect of Studies). This debate was especially conspicuous for the large attendance of the community. When the speakers entered the House, every vacant seat and patch of ground was monopolised by masters and boys, and amongst the throng was the old familiar figure of Father Dalton. After the secretary had read the minutes of the last meeting, great amusement was caused by the various local questions put to the members of the Ministry. The Government maintained that the Queensland Parliament were *not* justified in suppressing Kanaka labour. They were the same ministers as in the previous debate; the Opposition, with Mr. McMahon as Leader, consisted of Messrs. Duboisé, McEvoy, Ryan, Healy, Sexton, and Rogers. Mr. Corrigan (Premier) opened with a very argumentative and eloquent speech, his enthusiasm at times

evoking loud applause. Mr. McMahon on rising to oppose him received a grand reception. The audience were treated to a speech which would have done credit to many an older and more experienced politician. Mr. Dalton supported the Government by a well-delivered speech, at the completion of which he was the recipient of hearty applause. Mr. Duboisé followed with a very fluent and flowery speech. Mr. Davidson, for the Government, spoke very practically, and was well opposed by Mr. Ryan, who caused some laughter by picturing the Premier and the ex-Leader, Mr. Lynch, defeated for a seat in Parliament by Kanakas. Mr. Henerie came next with a very bombastic speech, and Mr. Sexton was the last to speak. When all thought the House was about to adjourn, Father Dalton rose from his seat among the audience and gave his views of the question. The lads were on pins and needles lest Father Dalton should let slip a hint as to which side he should vote for. Not wishing to delay the adjournment, Father Dalton congratulated the speakers on the excellence of the debate, and resumed his seat amidst deafening applause.

November 11th.—The Kanaka question was resumed to-night before a crowded house. The Premier waxed eloquent in his concluding remarks and was loudly applauded. Mr. McMahon, in his concluding remarks, indulged in a deal of sarcasm and wit, which caused laughter among his audience and told against the Government. The chairman after delivering a short address called for a division of the House. The Opposition scored a win by a large majority. Mr. Corrigan proposed and Mr. Duboisé seconded a hearty vote of thanks to the Rev. Father Murphy for presiding and to the community in general for their patronage and attendance. Mr. McMahon proposed and Mr. Dalton seconded a vote of thanks to Father Dalton for his speech and patronage. With a general vote of thanks to our absent President was concluded a very pleasant and satisfactory year's work.

D. J. Corrigan,
Hon. Sec.

## Second Division Debating Society.

First Term, 4th April. Question: "Has the misgovernment of Ireland benefited the world?" Mr. O'Farrell opened strongly against the idea that bad government in one country could confer more good than harm even indirectly. W. Fallon maintained that Irish emigration was a source of unnumbered treasures, and therefore that bad government might indirectly benefit. B. Dynon said he preferred to see Australia happy to seeing Ireland well governed, and so he liked the bad government that helped to send out good men to Australia. B. Norris agreed with this, and thanked the bad government of Ireland

H. Perkins could not approve of bad Government on any consideration.

The debate was continued on two subsequent nights. W. Titheradge spoke in favour of the advantages reaped from Ireland's misgovernment. He told his audience that the question was not to be decided by appeals to their love of Ireland, for they were all agreed in that. M. McGrath amid great applause said that the injustice done in the mother country was not proved to be the necessary cause of all the benefits brought by Irishmen to Australia. Until that was well proved he indignantly repudiated any connection with coercionists. A. Goold reasoned closely and in favour of the past misgovernment of Ireland. He paid a glowing tribute to the work done for Australia by sons of Ireland. His speech was carefully prepared and abounded in well turned phrases. F. Rourke spoke strongly against a foolish world. P. Power, J. Corrigan, W. McDonald and H. Manning also spoke, the latter giving great promise as a beginner. B. McEvoy gave evidence of great power over his subject. He uses a free and flowing style, clear, and pleasant to follow. After about thirty speeches the debate ended with a vote of 30 to 20 in favour of the opinion that the ancient bad government of Ireland was too bad to be favoured on any account.

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The second debate of the year began November 14th. The question: "If, during a big European war involving England, Australia were attacked by France and Russia with their Eastern allies, should we Australians look to England for most assistance or look elsewhere?" M. O'Farrell vigorously attacked the English alliance. B. Dynon, F. McDonald and P. Markey joined in a sort of triangular duel, one for self-reliance and self-defence, another for English assistance, and the third for American intervention "never invoked vainly in the cause of a nation rightly struggling to be free." H. Manning, H. Perkins, H. Goold, J. Bourke and J. Toohey also contributed promising speeches. Towards the end M. Coen, M. McGrath and A. Goold (Hon. Sec.) spoke out clearly and pleasantly, not taking part in a triangular duel, but forming rather a sort of triangular phalanx (?) fighting in defence of an American alliance, one saying that Australia united with America would lead the world in commerce, and another stating that poor England had begun to descend from the zenith of her prosperity, quoting Macaulay about a certain New Zealander. R. Henerie delivered an energetic speech against the bottomless broken down hulks that cross the high seas to defend Australian coasts. W. Fallon, E. Thynne, C. Power and B. Norris spoke well to the point. J. Hayden (of Hornsby) wound up the debate with a dashing speech against getting aid for Australia from England. He originated a new view of the question and proposed that Australia should seek alliance with the very enemy attacking

her. France had always helped the weak ; hence at the critical moment the invaded Australians were to rush into the arms of the invaders proclaiming themselves vanquished and converted into firmest friends of liberty, equality, and fraternity. This speech produced a great sensation as being much above average merit. The vote was then taken and resulted in a defeat for the English side. Great enthusiasm marked the course of the debate and frequent rounds of applause greeted the higher flights of oratory. The Rector and community lent great encouragement by their presence at the debates and were warmly received on such occasions.

## Social.

COMMITTEE: D. J. CORRIGAN, E. DALTON, G. MCMAHON.

THIS year the members of the Social Committee struck out on lines almost entirely different from those of previous years, and made the hazardous venture of introducing in their first entertainment a style of social amusement quite new to Riverview audiences. This took the form of a nigger minstrel and variety entertainment, and as may be judged from the appended reports, it and the subsequent concerts proved very popular, and were crowned with complete success. The popularity of these new entertainments was nowhere more strongly displayed than amongst the younger students of the house, for whom the merely instrumental and vocal displays of former years had but few attractions. The Social Committee made it their aim this year to provide amusement not only for the older and more sedate members of the College, but also for those younger ones, whose merry laughter on concert nights, frequently accompanied by the equally loudly (if not more loudly) expressed merriment of their elders and superiors, proved beyond all doubt that the committee had succeeded in their endeavours.

Special thanks are due to the Rev. Mr. Cock, S.J., our late Prefect, who so freely gave us his help in many ways both as a part-organizer and vocalist; to the Rev. Mr. Pigot, S.J., who never failed to take a large share of the orchestral labours on his shoulders; and lastly to the now departed Bob Smythe, for the disinterested and obliging way in which he worked behind the scenes, and contributed so much to the success of the year's social gatherings.

### ENTERTAINMENT No. 1.

The first social gathering of this year was held on St. Patrick's night, March 17th. It differed *in toto* from its predecessors of former years. Owing to the non-existence at the time of the Social Committee, Messrs. G. McMahon, E. Dalton, J. Curran, and J.

J. Davidson. C. Cullinane. A. Rudd. D. Prendergast F. Dynon.



J. Curran. J. Shearer. D. Corrigan. G. McMahon. E. Dalton.

"OUR MOHAWKS."
(From a Photo by Jack Curtin).

Shearer took upon themselves the task of getting up a nigger minstrel entertainment; and so successful were their efforts that it was pronounced to be the most enjoyable concert yet given at St. Ignatius'.

The following was the programme :—

PART I.

INTERLOCUTOR—D. J. Corrigan.

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| BONES | Flip—J. Curran<br>Slap—J. Shearer | Flop—E. Dalton<br>Bang—G. M'Mahon | TAMBOS |

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| Overture—"Don Juan" ... ... ... ... ... | T. Coen |
| Opening Chorus—"The Old Rustic Bridge" ... ... | Company |
| Recitation—"The Lady of Provence" ... ... ... | D. Corrigan |
| Song—"My Sweetheart when a Boy" ... ... ... | A. Rudd |
| Song—"In Paradiso" ... ... ... ... ... ... | H. McHugh |
| Song (Comic)—"Up to Date" ... ... ... ... | E. Dalton |
| Recitation—"Shamus O'Brien" ... ... ... ... | D. O'Connor |
| Song—"I Seek for Thee in Every Flower" ... ... | A. Rudd |
| Song (Comic)—"Johnny Get Your Gun" ... ... ... | J. Shearer |
| Song—"The Bedouin Love Song" ... ... ... ... | D. Corrigan |

GRAND FINALE—INTRODUCING THE FAIRY FOUR.

E. Dalton, G. McMahon, J. Curran, J. Shearer.

PART II.

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| Violin and Piano—"St Patrick's Day" ... | Mr. G. Rivers Allpress and Rev. E. Pigot, S.J. |
| Song—"Here Upon My Vessel's Deck ... | ... Rev. H. E. Cock, S.J. |

PART III.

THE RIVAL BARBERS.

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| Jonas Swindlem (a masher, swindler, & ruined hotel-keeper)<br>Pete (an intruding nigger) ... ... ... ... ... | E. Dalton |
| Rival Barbers { Mr. Sam Cluke (first appearance in the Lyceum)<br>Mr. Xenophon Fluke (first appearance in Comedy) | J. Curran<br>G. McMahon |
| Mr. Karl Zuggenheimer (after a lengthy tour) ... .. | J. Shearer |
| Commercial Traveller (for Pear's Soap) ... ... ... | H. McHugh |
| Policeman—1 (as performed by him in London) ... ... | J. Curtin |
| Policeman—2 (a good all-round artist) ... ... | J. McDonough |

A brilliant overture having been played by T. Coen, who, by-the-by, thus made the last of his many appearances before a Riverview audience, the curtain arose and revealed a dozen young gentlemen in evening dress, flanked by the "Bones" on one side, and the "Tambos" on the other. The *coup d'oeil* was very effective. The opening chorus was well rendered, and the local conundrums, nigger dialogues, and oddities of the corner-men (Flip, Flop, Slap, and Bang) were received with uproarious mirth, G. McMahon's impersonation of an ancient nigger being especially good. D. Corrigan, to whom we are much indebted for the manner in which he carried out the often intricate duties of interlocutor, gave his recitation in his usual excellent style, while A. Rudd's two songs testified to the great improvement made in his tenor voice under Mr. Smith's tuition. H. McHugh's "In Paradiso" was well received. D. O'Connor

upheld his reputation by the stirring manner in which he recited "Shamus O'Brien," whilst Dawson Corrigan again acquitted himself well in the difficult passages of "The Bedouin Love Song." E. Dalton was "Up to date" in his song, but the *chef d'œuvre* of the evening was J. Shearer's singing of "Johnny get your gun." The words were often unintelligible owing to rapid pronunciation, and the gestures and dance around between the verses were *sui generis*, nevertheless it was a great success, and the air became very popular afterwards, its thrilling strains being often heard at most unseemly and forbidden hours of the day and night. This section of the entertainment ended with the strange but laughable performances of the four end-men in their original impersonations of the "fairy four," but we doubt whether the audience has yet decided as to whether the said four were members of the Salvation Army, or of a German band, or whether they were escaped lunatics, "*quæ omnia dii avertant.*"

Part 2 of the performance was *par excellence* a display of a much higher order of art. In this, special thanks are due to Mr. Rivers Allpress, our genial violin instructor, who, accompanied by the ever-willing Mr. Pigot, kindly consented to appear amidst his boisterous and discordant surroundings, and treated the audience to two solos, which cannot be better praised than by saying that they were performed in his usual masterly manner. His rendering of "St. Patrick's Day" created an uproar, which had scarcely died away when Mr. Cock appeared, and in his usual excellent style favoured us with "Here upon my vessel's deck."

Part 3 in the opinion of the small boys at least, and, we may venture to say, in that of some of the . . . well, never mind, was the best part of the programme, and loud and prolonged laughter, ever growing more and more uproarious, greeted the misadventures and *barberous* doings of Dalton, McMahon, Curran, and Shearer. The curtain went down on a laughable scene of general confusion, and the audience were unanimous in saying that the programme, though very long, had been most enjoyable.

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## ENTERTAINMENT No. 2.

The next meeting of the Social Club took place on Ascension Thursday, 26th May. The numbers were as follow:—

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| Overture—"Selection from Chopin" ... ... | Rev. E. Pigot, S.J. |
| Recitation—"Legend of Bregenz" ... ... ... ... | D. Corrigan |
| Song—"Bedouin Love Song" ... ... ... ... | F. Dynon |
| Violin Solo— ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | E. Dalton |
| Song—"Rocked in the Cradle of the Deep" ... | Rev. H. E. Cock, S.J. |
| Dialogue—"Quarrel Scene of Brutus and Cassius" | D. Corrigan and G. McMahon |
| Song—"The Village Blacksmith" ... ... ... ... | J. Shearer |
| Recitation—"Clarence's Dream" ... ... ... ... | J. Curran |

Song—"I Seek for Thee in Every Flower" ... ... A. Rudd
Song—"My Life for Thee" ... ... ... ... ... E. Dalton
Violin Solo—"La Serenata" ... ... ... ... ...B. FitzGerald
Song—"My Sweetheart when a Boy" ... ... ... A. Rudd
Song—"Sunshine and Rain" ... ... ... ... ... F. Dynon

Mr. Pigot and Mr. Cock, as usual, were to the fore in assisting us in our endeavours, and contributed much towards the success of the evening's entertainment. F. Dynon's first appearance at these concerts was a pleasurable success, and we trust that Frank will not let any little nervousness stand in the way of our hearing him often in the future. E. Dalton also made a successful debut as a singer. Rudd's fine tenor notes were again heard to advantage in his two numbers; and the dialogue between Brutus and Cassius, as rendered by Dawson Corrigan and Greg. McMahon, was really a fine performance. The former also gave the "Legend of Bregenz" with good effect. E. Dalton's and B. FitzGerald's contributions on the violin were very good, as was also J. Shearer's splendid rendering of the good old "Village Blacksmith."

## ENTERTAINMENT No. 3.

St. Aloysius' night, 21st June, was selected for the next concert, in which a second minstrel performance was essayed. The following were the items:—

### PART I.

INTERLOCUTOR—D. J. Corrigan.

BONES { Flip—J. Curran, Slap—J. Shearer } { Flop—E. Dalton, Bang—G. McMahon } TAMBOS

Opening Chorus—"The Lighthouse by the Sea" ... ...Company
Song—"Sunshine and Rain" ... ... ... ... F. Dynon
Recitation—"Marguerite of France" ... ... ... D. Corrigan
Song—"Speed On" ... ... ... ... ... B. FitzGerald
Song (Comic)—"Ole Aunt Sally" ... ... ... ... J. Shearer
Song—"To Anthea" ... ... ... ... ... ... F. Dynon
Song—"The Mighty Deep" ... ... ... ... ... D. Corrigan
Song (Comic)—"The Riverview Ta-ra-ra-boom," &c., &c. E. Dalton
Song—"My Queen" ... ... ... ... ... ... ... A. Rudd

To conclude with Bang's latest invention, as exhibited by Flop.

### PART II.

Piano Solo—"Selection from Chopin" ... ... Rev. E. Pigot, S.J.
Song—"Out on the Deep" ... ... ... ...Rev. H. E. Cock, S.J.

### PART III.

Mr. Pr-r-r-rodger (his first appearance in a comedy) ... D. J. Corrigan
Timerty Gumbo (the veteran artist) ... ... ... ...J. Curran
Magunyah (a stumbling nigger, always out of place) ... E. Dalton
Adolphus (Prodger's boy, a rising star) ... ... ... J. Shearer
The Minstrel that Went to the War ... ... ... ... A. Cape
Policeman XYZ ... ... ... ... ... ... ... J. Curtin

In the first part of the performance the opening chorus, "The lighthouse by the sea," was well rendered by the company,

and F. Dynon made his second successful appearance, rendering his two songs in excellent style. D. Corrigan's recitation was up to his usual fine form, and his subsequent song was well given. B. FitzGerald showed possession of a sweet voice, but the nervousness attendant on singing his first song before a big audience was somewhat against him. A. Rudd once more responded to invitations, and gave a very creditable rendering of "My Queen," for which he was encored. E. Dalton was responsible for introducing a local parody on the inevitable "Ta-ra-ra-boom-de-ay" to a Riverview audience, and we have not heard the last of it yet. J. Shearer again went through a series of vocal noises and physical gyrations, and succeeded thereby in rousing the audience to a fair state of excitement. Bang's (G. McMahon) latest invention turned out to be a laughable and very close imitation of the phonograph as exbibited last year by a certain professor at Riverview. When the curtain rose a mysterious looking affair was seen in the centre of the stage, resembling the machinery of the real phonograph, and surmounted by many winding brass tubes Bang himself was nowhere visible, but Flop (E. Dalton) gave an introductory lecture on the laws of sound, &c., which hashed up some of the elementary lessons of "Ganot's Physics" in a dreadful manner. If M. Ganot were present he might have learnt a thing or two, certainly he would have been surprised. To lend impressiveness to the lecture, Sir Henry Parkes and Mr. H. M. Stanley, the explorer, were accommodated with seats on the stage. Both were in black, and the only resemblance to the usual portraits of those gentlemen that could be discovered was a long wig made of white wadding hanging from under Sir 'Enery's bell-topper down to his shoulders, and a white helmet on Mr. Stanley; so that we suspect that the visitors rejoiced in the aliases, J. Curran and J. Shearer. The lecturer imitated his prototype very carefully in manipulating the machine; and certainly the renderings and imitations of speeches, brass bands, the cries of birds and animals, whistling, &c., elicited from the machine were excellent; but when towards the end of the performance an indignant voice was heard proceeding from the depths of the phonograph demanding to be let out as time was up, followed by the sudden appearance of G. McMahon bursting his way through the front of the machine, the murder was out, and applause was hearty and uproarious.

In Part 2 Mr. Pigot again delighted the audience by his rendering of one of Chopin's most beautiful pieces, whilst Mr. Cock gave "Out on the Deep" in fine style. Mr. O'Reilly, who was down on the programme for "The Erl King," was unavoidably absent.

Part 3 owing to its length and the persistent and too many attempts of Mr. Prodger to photograph the restless Gumbo, did not take so well as a similar performance in a previous concert.

## ENTERTAINMENT No. 4.

On the Feast of St. Ignatius, July 31st, another novel entertainment was introduced in the shape of a magic lantern exhibition, varied at intervals by vocal and instrumental selections. The Rev. Mr. Pigot and Rev. Mr. Baker attended to the gas arrangements and slides behind the curtain, while the Very Rev. Fr. Keating delivered a very interesting and amusing lecture on "Views of Rome, ancient and modern." One set of slides depicted the humorous adventures of a certain Mr. Brown and a bear, neither of whom, by the way, were citizens of ancient Rome. Another, which was loudly applauded by the third division, showed the "Perplexities of a Photographer." During the intervals E. Dalton and G. McMahon performed the Kangaroo Waltz for violin and piano, F. Dynon sang "Oh! hear the wild winds blow," D. Corrigan recited "Beth Gelert," and J. Shearer gave the "King's Highway." All of these were well rendered and duly applauded.

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## ENTERTAINMENT No. 5.

The last of the year's social gatherings was held on the evening of November 1st, the Feast of All Saints, and proved a very fitting and acceptable termination to the Athletic Sports Meeting held during the day. Owing to the invaluable assistance rendered by our new music master, Mr. C. Robinson, B.A., Bac. Mus., the concert was in every way a success.

The evening's entertainment opened with a pianoforte solo, "Souvenir Amerique," by Mr. Robinson. This was brilliantly played, and in response to long-continued applause, the artist kindly came forward again and played a fantasia on Irish airs, which would also have probably been encored had not the audience restrained their enthusiasm for his "Grand Polonaise," which came soon after on the programme. J. Shearer's song, "Thy Sentinel am I," F. Dynon's "The Raft," and D. Corrigan's "Storm Fiend" were all admirably rendered, and received the applause which they deserved, Dynon being encored. Among the declaimers J. Curran, in "Kissing Cup's Race," roused his hearers to the excitement of Cup Day in Melbourne, and had to respond to an encore. "Football Bob," the piece chosen by D. Corrigan for recital, also awoke the sympathies of the sportive audience. It was a well-chosen piece, admirably suited to the occasion, was splendidly rendered, and received showers of applause. E. Dalton provided some of the inevitable humorous element in his "First Parliamentary Speech," and succeeded in leaving each member of the audience with expanded mouth—not Dick's mouth, of course, but those of the audience. J. Haydon made his first appearance at this concert with a violin solo, "Martha." B. FitzGerald also gave a Nocturno on the same instrument. Both were very successful. To conclude, J.

Healy played a piano solo, "Moonlight on the Danube," which he rendered admirably and drew down warm applause.

After the entertainment Fr. Ryan, at the request of the Sports Committee, presented the prizes to the successful athletes of the day, and in a pleasant little speech thanked the Sports and Social Committees for the day's and evening's amusement.

G. McMahon.

## JUNIOR BOYS' PLAY.

During the beginning of the first term of 1892 the Second Division contributed a by no means unimportant item to the social programme of the year. It took the form of a happy little serio-comic sketch, entitled "The Turned Head." After a regular series of systematic rehearsals it was performed on Wednesday evening, 16th March. The piece was produced with all stage accessories and dress suited to each character, and the whole performance was a great credit both to the actors and to its organisers. Jack Curtin (stage manager) played the desperate lover excellently, and Wallace Titheradge, W. McDonald and Arthur Isaacs did much to make the production a success. The Rev. Father Keating presided, and the performers found a very attentive audience in the members of the Second Division. The following were the chief characters:— Ferd Fitzfiggins, Jack Curtin; Dr. Mulgent (keeper of private lunatic asylum), Arthur Isaacs; Mr. Dampley (a madman who thinks it is always raining), W. McDonald; Laura, H. Manning.

A. J.

## LECTURE.

During the evening of Monday, May 2nd, we were suddenly surprised and gladdened by the news that Mr. Alfred Tennyson Dickens was on a visit to the College, and intended to deliver to a Riverview audience his popular lecture on his gifted father. After tea, in the presence of masters and pupils, whose numbers were swelled by the presence of many visitors from the Novitiate and from Hunter's Hill, the lecturer, having been introduced by the Very Rev. Fr. Keating, S.J., began his interesting and instructive discourse. For about an hour and a-half he delighted his hearers with many anecdotes, both pathetic and amusing, of his world-famed author-father. When Mr. Dickens had concluded his fine lecture, a vote of thanks was returned to him by Fr. Dalton, which he duly acknowledged in a pleasant little speech. On the proposal of the Very Rev. Father Keating cheers were then given and the meeting broke up, not however before Fr. Gartlan had his say, which as usual was of an amusing nature.

To convey some idea of the close attention with which the pupils followed Mr. Dickens we give the following essay on

Charles Dickens, written from memory by one of the junior boys shortly after the lecture. As an effort of memory it certainly deserves much praise, but of course in judging of its composition it must be borne in mind that its author is one of the lower classes.

## Charles Dickens.

Charles Dickens was born at Landport, Portsmouth, in the year 1812. In his private and public life he was the truest of friends, best of fathers, and a God-fearing man. By the time he was nine years old he knew how to read and write, through the teaching of his mother. Charles was yet a mere boy when a very heavy sorrow fell upon his home; his father, unable to satisfy his creditors, had all his property seized by them, his wife and children were turned out of doors, and he himself was cast into prison. Charles was at this time very weak and feeble, and his sister Fannie was similarly constituted, but never were brother and sister so closely united together. They used to ramble about hand-in-hand deep in one thought which troubled them both; this thought was about a star which seemed to them to be the largest in the heavens and nearest the moon. They used to stand side by side at the bedroom window every evening straining their eyes to catch the first glimpse of the star and whichever of them saw it first would call out, "I see the star," and sometimes they would both see it together. The time at length came when there was but one of them at the window. Fannie lay on the bed of sickness, whence she was never to rise, and as soon as Charles saw the star he would cry out, "I see the star," and Fannie would say, "God bless my brother and the star." At last the time came when all that was mortal of his loving sister was laid in the tomb and then Charles stood alone, looking wistfully for the familiar star. Shortly afterwards Charles got some work in a warehouse where he used to stick labels on bottles, run messages, and in fact do anything he was asked to do. For these services he received the sum of 6s. per week which he took to his parents. When he could leave his work he used to go and sit with his father in prison, and this he continued to do until the latter was released. About this time Charles' baby brother died and he had a strange dream; he beheld again the same friendly star, and at the top of a ladder lit up with the light of glory and happiness was his sister, and mounting up the ladder were numerous bands of angels, and when the foremost of these reached the place where his sister sat, his sister said to the angel "Is my brother come?" and the angel answered "Nay, not that one but another," and the star was shining. A little while after this Charles' mother died and he saw the vision again, and his sister said to the angel "Is my brother come?" and the angel answered "Nay, but thy mother," and he dreamt he saw his mother with

her child folded in her maternal embrace and Fannie by her side, and the star was shining.

Charles still continued working in the warehouse and went to a night-school, where he learnt more in two years than most boys would learn in ten. An interior voice was now constantly telling him that his name was destined to be world-famed, and having read about men starting as shorthand writers in the House of Commons, he determined to follow in their footsteps. He learnt unaided all the rudiments of shorthand in a remarkably short time. He then started as Parliamentary Reporter for the *Morning Chronicle* and in the evening edition of this journal first appeared his sketches of life character. In the short time he was engaged in this capacity in the House he became acquainted with some of the characters which he so marvellously delineates in his novels. At a dinner given by the staff of the *Chronicle*, he made an excellent speech which raised him immensely in the eyes of all. He began his regular course of writing at the age of 24, his first great books being "Sketches by Boz," and "Pickwick Papers." The joy of the English knew no bounds at the thought of having an author, who in time, would stand second only to Shakespeare.

In his travels abroad it is remarkable how well he got on with the people he stayed with. In the early part of his career he took a house in France, and sent his boys to a Boarding School. While there he became acquainted with a Frenchman about whom he tells an amusing story. In the Frenchman's house were two terrible tom-cats which used to worry the life out of a little canary, the household pet, so the Frenchman was wont to load his muzzle-loading gun pretty near full and lie in wait for the cats under boxes, behind shrubberies, and in all places in fact where he had an opportunity of taking aim at them. When Dickens' two boys came from school they pretended to help the Frenchman to kill the cats but in fact their help did more to frighten the cats than to bring them to their doom. The Frenchman had all the tradesmen he dealt with in fear of their lives, and on one occasion, the baker as he was driving up the avenue called out all in a fright, "for God's sake don't shoot me, sir, I am only the baker." Charles on returning from France, bought a house called "Gads Hill," where he resided with his family till his death. His delight was ever to be putting up additions to his new abode nor did he rest contented till he had built a small theatre at the back of it, where he used to perform some very popular pieces. After performing one of his plays at the Bijou Theatre, he received a note from the Queen, through her Secretary, requesting him to give her and the Royal Family a private performance of the play, to which he consented. After the farce which succeeded the play was over, the Queen sent for him but he refused to go as he was in his theatrical costume. He did not appear before Her Majesty till some years after-

wards when he had a private interview with her. In the course of the conversation she asked him for a copy of his latest novels and in return gave him a copy of her book about Scotland with the inscription, "From the worst to the best of authors."

When Charles' sons returned from school they were wont to bring some of their fellow-students home with them and the general cry was "By jove, Dickens, your governor is a stunner and no mistake."

Charles was a man whose kindly heart could not endure seeing any fellow creature uncared for, a convincing proof of which is given in the following anecdote:—One day a poor street sweeper who was engaged in the vicinity of Dickens' home, and who used to keep the paths about there scrupulously clean, came to the house and met Dickens. The boy's condition was so pitiable that Dickens called him in and had his most essential bodily wants attended to. A friendship soon began to spring up between the boy and his benefactor, and the latter arranged that the lad should have his meals regularly in the kitchen, and had him sent to night school. The boy got on exceedingly well, and some time afterwards, Charles, making ample provisions for all his necessities, sent him to Australia. A little while after his arrival he received a letter from the boy, thanking him for his kindness, and telling him he was getting on well. All Dickens' books, except two or three, were finished in the year 1868. He was then an old man, and returning home one night, in the year 1870, from a meeting he fell down in a fit. The doctors were at once summoned, but they saw their skill was unavailing. He then called all his children around him, blessed them, and passed away from this world—loved and honoured by all.

A. Isaacs.

## General Notes.

Our list of pupils this year shows a marked increase on last year's numbers, and what is still more significant, the recruiting ground is becoming each year wider and wider, and we are likely next year to have not a few French pupils from a neighbouring French colony.

There was the true ring of schoolboy friendship in the hearty send-off given to the first contingent of boys going home for the holidays *i.e.*, the Gympieites. The same spirit was just as emphatically displayed at Redfern when New South Wales and Victoria united to dispatch the Davidson-Corrigan party of students with due honour. The railway authorities were dumbfounded at the enthusiasm of the proceedings.

One of the College authorities has been good enough to say that in no former year did the Editors of O.A.M. display such interest in, or devote such energy to their work; and he considers this was particularly fortunate, as some of the secretaries had their hands full with other work.

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There has been a noticeable improvement in the College grounds during the year; but this has been most marked in the new zig-zag walk from the wharf, at the first landing of which a really artistic pagoda has been erected by Joe Weir.

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Providence was very kind to us in sparing us any serious attack of sickness. Influenza was, we heard, very rife in the neighbourhood, but did not deign to pay much attention to the inmates of Riverview.

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The number of manuscript school weeklies edited by the boys at Riverview during the past year was simply astounding, and spoke well for the journalistic talent amongst the students. In this connection, we may mention that the departure of Jack Curran was a distinct loss, and great difficulty was experienced in securing the services of a worthy successor. Let us add, however, that the pleasures of city life did not prevent Jack from contributing very largely indeed to the paper he himself had founded. Let us hope that the old School and its Journal will not be forgotten by him in the Old World, whither the hearty good wishes of his comrades will accompany him.

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Certainly, if we felt disposed to take hints from our "cousins o'er the waters"—the Yankees I mean of course—we might bring out a quadruple edition of *Our Alma Mater*. Why, gentlemen, if we were to publish a list of all the paters, maters, aunts, nephews, nieces, &c., who called to see "our boys" during the year, we should never come to an end.

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During the Midwinter holidays we were all greatly grieved to hear of the death of our old drill and musketry instructor, Sergeant Hagney. He had been in charge of our cadets so many years, and had devoted himself so earnestly to his work, that we all learnt to respect and esteem him. Certainly since he left the College we have had no Sergeant approaching him in skill and tact; indeed we do not think that in the colonies anyone superior to him in his own particular line could be found. His interest in Riverview did not cease when he quitted the position of Drill Sergeant. Only a few days before his death he wrote to our Captain explaining the changes made by the Rifle Association in the condition of the Schools' Shield competition, and hoping that we should send a good team to contend for that prize. Certainly old Riverviewers will long bear him in grateful remembrance. R.I.P.

On seeing Dick Dalton's acting of the grave digger's scene in Hamlet, Sir George Dibbs observed that he had never seen the part better acted on any stage. And Dr. Beattie gave it as his opinion that Dick had not missed a single point. Bravo, Dick! No wonder that you were asked at Orange to help on the youngsters in preparing for their Xmas dramatic entertainment there.

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We extract the following notice on an old comrade of ours from the *Freeman's Journal* of June 18th under the heading:—

"A Clever Australian Student."—"On Wednesday last Mr. Christopher Brennan, M.A., after a brilliant course at the Sydney University, where he graduated M.A. with first-class honours in Classics and Philosophy in March last, left by the German mail steamer "Habsburg" for Berlin. Mr. Brennan, as we mentioned at the time, qualified himself for the University Travelling Scholarship, which entitles him to three years' study at any of the great centres of learning in the old world, and it is his intention to pursue a course of Philosophy in the Berlin University with a view to obtaining the coveted degree of Doctor of Philosophy, when he purposes returning to Sydney. St. Ignatius' College in Sydney, from which Mr. Brennan matriculated, and to which he owes the sound training which has enabled him to reach his present position, has reason to be proud of its clever young pupil, who has not long passed his twenty-first year. A large number of friends called upon Mr. Brennan prior to the departure of the "Habsburg" to wish him *bon voyage* and a successful termination to his new academical course.

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Our photographer, Jack Curtin, did some excellent work during the year. The patience and good humour with which he bore with certain gentlemen who had neither regard to his time nor his material was most edifying. These worthies were taken in all attitudes and places, and with all sorts of accompaniments — such as cats and dogs. We are indebted to Jack for our picture of the Social Committee. He certainly deserves great praise for the energy with which he devoted his play hours to perfecting himself in the art of photography. Once or twice during the year one or two of the seniors volunteered their assistance, but he found it more satisfactory to depend on his own resources.

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The editors must gratefully acknowledge the assistance they received from the sub-editors representing the junior pupils. Their reports were so excellently prepared that they were judged quite fit to be forwarded at once to the printer. The juniors undoubtedly made a good choice when they voted Messrs. J. Haydon, W. Fallon and J. Walton as their literary representatives on our staff.

THE following is a copy of a fragmentary manuscript picked up in the Study Hall:—Greeke is by far the better of the two, greeke is very useful to you but chemestry is of no use to you except for geting you socking and penels. Greeke is a language that will be useful to you in aftar life but chemestry is one that is no use at awl and ought not be allowd to be teached it is nothing but a waist of time and we didnt come to school to wast our time therefore I say we ought to nock up chemestry." Quite right, whoever you are; you should also "nock up" Greek and learn a little English.

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THE comet, which was to have come into violent contact with the earth towards the end of this year, but which did not appear, at least as far as the boys could judge from the "infallible" testimony of their own senses, caused great consternation among our little comrades. Some of them thought that this cruel and heartless monster would deprive them of the Xmas plum pudding and its accompanying indigestion. Great was their relief when they found that the monster failed "to come up to time."

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BR. DOYLE, our great and most successful ice-cream man, has devised a new and most original use for our wondrous ice machine. He says that he will be able to provide the boys next year with a skating rink, not of any artificial slippery substance or compound, but of real ice. He intends, he says, to freeze the swimming baths at any given moment, provided he gets *due notice*. How he intends to do this, considering that these baths are a portion of the Lane Cove River, we do not clearly understand, but this is no evidence of its impossibility; as neither can we tell how he gives so peculiar and delicious a flavour to the ice-cream.

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As one of our Editors was one day strolling in the vicinity of the Telephone Room, he heard a sudden and violent ringing of the electric bell. Seeing that no one was on the premises, he ventured to intrude and answer. Carefully adjusting the two "receivers" to his ears, he yelled the orthodox "Hulloo! Who's there?" The bell stopped and back came the orthodox "I can't hear." "Who's there?" said he. "Oh! is that *Gladesville Lunatic Asylum*?" With difficulty suppressing his rising wrath, and determined to pay off the intruder, the aforesaid Editor responded, "Eh! What?" "Is that Gladesville Lunatic Asylum?" "I can't hear," said the Editor. "Confound it! Is——that——Gladesville——Lunatic —— Asylum?" "Halloo!" said the Editor. "—— !—— !—— ! Is that G-l-a-d-e-s-v-i-l-l-e L-u-n-a-t-i-c A-s-y-l-u-m?" said the voice at the other end, spelling each word letter by letter. "Oh, no," said the Editor, "this is Riverview College." And quickly "ringing off" to shut out the flood of words not in the dictionary that came along in wild confusion, he went his way.

Dr. Lister—or as we best knew him, Harry Lister—the first Riverview student to obtain the M.B. degree, has received an appointment at Croydon (Q.)

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Our annual retreat took place, as usual, during the last three days of Holy Week. The Rev. Fr. Cleary conducted it, and his instructions and meditations gave universal satisfaction, and were productive of much good.

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The annual excursion of the "Wardens" took place shortly before we "broke up" for mid-summer vacation. The weather was all that could be desired, and the boys were thoroughly satisfied with all that was done to make their excursion a complete success in every respect.

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Last year we wrote thus:—"Surprise has been expressed and some disappointment caused by the re-union of 'Old Boys' not having taken place." We are sorry to say that, notwithstanding this strong protest, the "Old Boys" re-union did not take place this year either. The responsible persons are by no means easily settled upon, as the "falling through" was due rather to circumstances than to persons. We think that, despite all the conspiracies of circumstances, this re-union ought to take place, as it serves to keep alive the good and generous recollections which the "Old Boys" ever have of their old Alma Mater—St. Ignatius', Riverview.

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By the way, our American fellow-students take a keen interest in the progress of our little journal—*Our Alma Mater*. We had a long and most cordial letter from the editor of one of the leading lights of American schoolboy journalism, in which he said he would be most happy to send us all his publications, if we were kind enough to send him our annual record. Needless to say, we shall feel honoured to comply with his wish.

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In addition to the Stoneyhurst Magazine and several school journals from America, we must gratefully acknowledge receiving the Sydneian, Melburnian, Torch Bearer, Newingtonian, St. Peter's School Magazine, and King's School Magazine.

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We learn that our brethren in St. Francis Xavier's College, Kew, Victoria, are about to imitate our example and publish a School Journal. We wish them the best of good luck in their new departure, and have no doubt that the venture will be a great success.

We cannot pass unnoticed the serious, and, by no means easily-remedied loss Riverview sustained this year in the departure of the Rev. Mr. Pigott and Rev. Mr. H. Cock, for Europe, to complete their ecclesiastical studies. We wish them a heartfelt God-speed and many happy and fruitful years. The cordial nature of their leave-taking with the boys spoke well for the excellent relations existing between them and their pupils.

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We take this opportunity of thanking publicly our competent and highly-appreciated music professor, Mr. Robinson, B.A. Mus. B.T.C.D., for the practical interest he has ever evinced in bringing to a successful issue any musical display attempted by our musical fellow-pupils.

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Well, certainly, our "break-up" this year was a decided success. The programme was in itself interesting, and *not too long*, and was carried out in splendid style. Corrigan and Dalton in "Hamlet" were decided triumphs. His Eminence Cardinal Moran distributed the prizes, which were really well worth fighting for, and Sir George Dibbs, our Premier, thanked the Cardinal, on behalf of the laity present, in a most happy speech.

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How our *eight* hives of bees—bees, and honey, and boxes all went—were stolen is, and is likely to remain, a mystery.

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The Most Rev. Dr. Higgins spoke in the highest terms of the conduct of the Riverview boys, as it came under his notice on St. Aloysius' Day, when His Lordship confirmed a number of pupils. Mr. Dickens likewise wrote a letter to the Rector, complimenting him on the very marked attention which we paid to his lecture. By the way, our pages contain one strong proof of this attention, in the "Essay on Charles Dickens."

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An old Riverview master, at present in Belgium, on receiving our prospectus, wrote, saying that it was, in his opinion, the best thing of the kind ever published in the colonies. He mentioned that a Frenchman was so taken with it that he wrote a special letter to a Continental publication on it.

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The letter from the Superior of the Northern Territory mission to the blacks, which we publish, reads to us like a heavy indictment of Australia's manner of treating the natives. We have taken their country from them; surely it is not asking too much that we should in return allow them a small corner of it in which they may pass their days in peace.

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We have again to gratefully thank Mr. R. G. Whiting for his annual generous contribution to the publishing fund.

J. Corrigan could have furnished us with an interesting par concerning his experience with a Sydney cabman during the week of the Public Examinations. Cabby threw down contemptuously Dawson's money—once and a half the proper fare be it noted—and on the latter refusing to supplement it, he jumped down from his cab and rushed towards him with furious gesture and not less furious words. Dawson, who was lame and on crutches at the time, yielded—gave the man what he asked and our brave cabby drove off rejoicing. His joy, however, was of brief duration, as Dawson had quietly taken his number and caused a summons to be issued against him immediately, thereby meriting the thanks of the travelling public. This brought cabby on his knees in double quick time. Dawson at length, too easily we think, allowed himself to be persuaded to withdraw the summons, but not before cabby had satisfied the Transit Commissioners' claim by paying a substantial fine. The affair wound up by Dawson graciously accepting a complimentary drive tendered to him by the humble and repentant and ever grateful jehu.

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Harry Keating is distinguishing himself as a literateur debater and Shakespearian scholar in Tasmania. Though hard at work preparing for the final law examination, and a very stiff one it is, he finds time to make a name for himself in the debating and literary societies of Hobart, and has won golden opinions from the leading men of the island. We heartily congratulate our comrade on his wonderful successes, and with reason we feel proud of him all the more, because in his love for his old college he identifies it with his triumphs. In a letter to one of his former masters he says, "The time I spent at Riverview in connection with the College Debating Club has proved of *incalculable* benefit to me, and I shall never have cause to regret it."

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Our old pupils gained exactly £350 in scholarships during the year of grace '92. Not so bad.

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Inhabitants of Sydney, hold up your heads proudly and howl with delight. Here is what a French critic says of your harbour:—"*On peut soutenir qu' aucun estuaire au monde, sans en excepter la baie de Naples et le port de Rio de Janeiro, ne l'importe en beauté sur la baie de Sydney.*"

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We have got a courteous request from the President of the leading college in Bombay to forward a copy of O.A.M., a notice of which he had seen in the London *Month*. It will be a real pleasure for our little magazine to enter into India, especially as it hopes to get from there many interesting items for future issues.

THAT practical and lately developed science—chemistry—was in great favour among our confréres during the last year, especially the experimental part of it. So great was their desire to penetrate practically into that hidden and mysterious question, "The ultimate elements of substances, simple and compound," that a special extra class was held on every Wednesday afternoon, at the cost of one hour's cricketing. It is rumoured that one venturesome spirit has actually discovered the long-sought-for Philosopher's Stone, and intends at a future date to turn the whole of Australia into one colossal golden mass.

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THAT ring! ! From a curious contribution "On Rings," forwarded to us, we are only able to find room for the following:—"Much interest was excited in our (senior boys) minds when, towards the end of the year, it leaked out that one of our number — one, by the way, with no small amount of capillary pretensions, had consigned a gold nugget to a Sydney jeweller to be made into a ring. Yes, we were all interested. To satisfy (someone at the time illnaturedly suggested—to baffle) our curiosity the owner courteously informed us that the ring was intended for 'Mother,' a piece of information which met with all the credence it merited, coming as it did from a youth who possessed, in a marked degree, many of the endearing qualities so frequently developed in 'Mamas' pets.' We all—who could help it?—admired such a golden proof of filial tenderness; we felt that we should like to do the same ourselves if for no other reward than to witness dear mama's look of astonishment, but we felt also that our virtue was not sufficiently high-pitched. The course of our admiration, however, was temporarily checked when the ring itself appeared, and when we read on it three letters which, no matter how you twisted them, could no more *stand* for 'mother's' name than they could *sit* for her photograph. We were mystified, and disturbed, but before our very evident determination to get at the bottom of the mystery had proceeded to action, our intended measures were blocked by a further explanation, vouchsafed this time, not only courteously, but even, as it seemed to us, eagerly, by the devoted son, that the three mysterious letters stood simply for 'Mother ever beloved.' Oh, that's the idea. How very natural, and yet, who would have thought it!!

[As we have a strong objection to be pestered—please, ladies, excuse our bluntness—during our holidays by "mothers" anxiously wanting to know whether the ring was for them or not, we beg to state, once for all, that, so far as our information extends, it might have been originally intended for all of them, but that at present it is very unlikely to reach any of them. Fact is, it has been lost or mislaid, or something or other peculiar has happened to divert it from the straight road, and naturally the "devoted son" is savage about the affair, and absolutely refuses to give any information on the subject, or indeed to enter into conversation on it at all.—E.O.A.M.]

THE annual retreat for lay gentlemen, which in former years was held in January, will this year take place in June, during the mid-winter holidays. This time has been judged more convenient for business and professional men.

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WE can assert that the skulls used in the grave-digger's scene were not supplied by any member of the higher classes in the school. Perhaps the master of II. Grammar could identify them. They were certainly not solid enough to come from any other class, though they were hollow enough to cause the vexed question of proprietorship to be angrily discussed by an infuriated mob of claimants.

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IN what a number of ways will our genial, good-natured, ever helpful mate, Dawson Corrigan, be missed? How cheerfully did he and his willing helper, T. Sexton, sacrifice their recreation or their sleep to deck with flowers the altars and attend to their other duties as sacristans! How unselfishly he worked for hours putting up decorations in our concert hall on festive occasions! What a tower of strength and what an ocean of energy he was at all our social entertainments and literary meetings; and then in our games with what enthusiasm did he throw himself into the struggle to win glory for our flag! How will our Sunday and holiday afternoon meetings in the music room get along without him? Ah, those meetings, so merry for us at the time, what sad recollections do they not now bring to some of us who have but small hopes of ever again taking part in them. Surely for Dawson himself, and for those who, like him, found their keenest pleasure in making others happy, there will be for years a flood of pathetic thoughts suggested by the words of the sweet old ballad—

> Loving voices of old companions
> Stealing out of the past once more,
> And the sound of the dear old music
> Soft and sweet as in days of yore.

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DURING the prize-giving proceedings (says the *Freeman's Journal*) young Edward Henry Kelly, "the little hero" of the school, received an ovation as he appeared to bear off his half-dozen medals and pile of books. Among the eight college prizes carried away by the bright boy was the special one for Irish History. Oddly enough, of the whole 150 students he is the only one hailing direct from the Emerald Isle. The modest prize-annexer, who scarcely ventured to look down the crowded hall from the platform on returning to the ranks of his school-fellows, was greeted with shouts of "Bravo, Kelly."

# Public and University Examination Record, 1892.

## MATRICULATION.

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| Walter Burfitt | Herman McHugh. |
| Timothy Coen. | Daniel O'Connor. |
| John Lynch. | Matthew Toohey. |

Walter Burfitt obtained First Class Honours in Mathematics and in French, and Third Class Honours in Latin.

Timothy Coen obtained First Class Honours in French, and Second Class Honours in Mathematics and Latin.

Matthew Toohey obtained First Class Honours in French, and Second Honours in Latin.

Walter Burfitt, Timothy Coen, and Matthew Toohey were the only boys from any school who obtained First Class French Honours.

All the Pupils sent up for Matriculation passed.

In this Examination, both in the number of Passes and in the number of "Honours" obtained, Riverview holds second place amongst the Schools and Colleges of all denominations competing, being only 1 Pass and 1 Honour distinction behind the first.

John Cullinane qualified for Matriculation in the Senior Examination last year, having passed in all the subjects presented.

## SENIOR EXAMINATION.

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| Michael A. Casey. | Gregan McMahon. |
| James Henerie | John Ryan. |

Gregan McMahon obtained a Pass in eight subjects, and won the University Medal for First Place in Physiology.

Of the Candidates sent up for this Examination from Riverview, all passed but one.

## JUNIOR EXAMINATION.

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| John Curtin. | Bernard McBride. |
| Bernard Fitzgerald. | Joseph O'Brien. |
| James Fitzpatrick. | Michael J. O'Connell. |

JOSEPH GILHOOLEY. JOHN SHEARER.
EDWARD H. KELLY. JOHN T. TOOHEY.

Edward H. Kelly obtained the University £10 Prize for FIRST PLACE of all Candidates in the Examination. He also obtained the University Silver Medals for First Place in Greek, in Algebra, and in Geometry. He passed with A in all the seven subjects presented for Examination, and qualified for University Matriculation. He won also the Riverview £10 Exhibition for FIRST PLACE in Junior Public Examinations.

Joseph Gilhooley passed in all the seven subjects of Examination, obtaining A in Latin, French, and English, and also qualifying for University Matriculation.

All the Candidates sent up for this Examination from Riverview passed.

## RIVERVIEWERS AT THE UNIVERSITY.

In the Competitive Examinations held in St. John's University College in April—

W. BURFITT gained the O'Connell Scholarship (£50).
J. S. CULLINANE gained the Rector's Scholarship (£50).
T. COEN gained the Dunne Scholarship (£50).

C. BRENNAN, M.A., was awarded the University Travelling Scholarship (£150).

G. H. FLANNERY, B.A., won the Wigram Allen Law Scholarship (£50).

H. LISTER took his M.B. Degree in the Medical School.

## 1ST YEAR'S EXAMINATION FACULTY OF ARTS.

J. A. CULLINANE—English, French, Latin, Mathematics.
T. J. COEN— " " " "
W. J. BURFITT— " " " "

## 3RD YEAR ARTS COURSE.

A. J. SHEWCROFT.

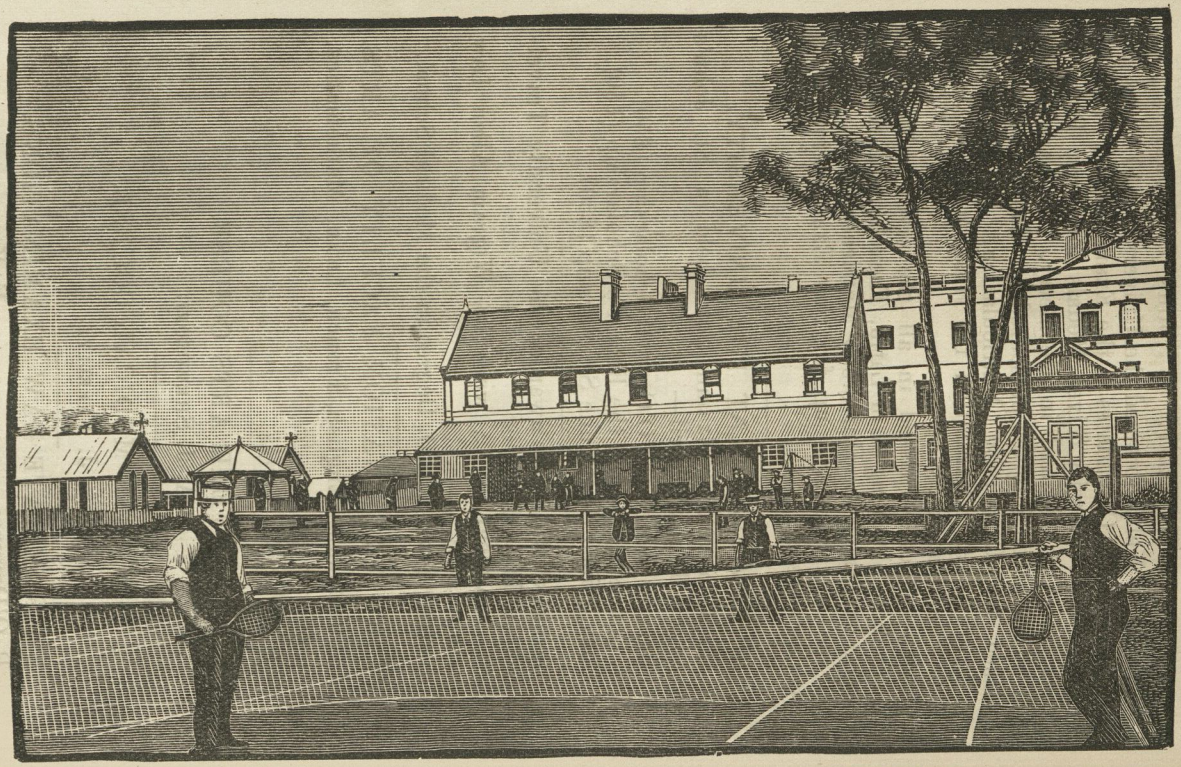
## 3RD YEAR MEDICAL COURSE.

J. FARELLY.

## INTERMEDIATE LAW EXAMINATIONS.

P. O'DONNELL. E. KICKHAM.

N.B.—For the Honour List in College Examinations, see page 96.



SENIOR BOYS' PLAYGROUND ADJOINING SCHOOL BUILDINGS.

# SPEECH DAY,

## MONDAY, DECEMBER 5TH.

*(From the Sydney Papers.)*

ONCE more the wheel of old Time brought the Jesuit College at Riverview to its annual speech day, and the merry hills and vales of the now famous Riverview rejoiced on Monday afternoon in the gathering of the relatives and friends of the students whose scholastic term had just concluded, and who were about to enter on a seven weeks' vacation, the termination of which might find the majority in the best of health and good humor in the beloved old grounds, while others, schoolmates for years, have joined the immense army of battlers with the world, and have struck out for themselves in the depths of uncertainty known as the working of one's way through the world. The Jesuit Fathers have spared no pains in making Riverview the home of hospitality. One and all are welcome, so that when the annual demonstration took place on Monday afternoon there was a throng, sympathetic, enthusiastic, and as fully representative of all stages and sects of the community as could well be gathered together in any hall in New South Wales. Fair faces and fashionable frocks dotted the gardens and swept through the corridors of Riverview, and the happy-hearted students, free from the restraints of academic discipline and exercising their "last day" privileges to the fullest extent, whistled every form of care and anxiety down the wind.

Special steamers left Lime-street crowded with passengers, who, on arrival, were met by the popular Fathers in the pretty garden fronting the college. No time was lost in finding the way to the capacious college theatre, which was bright with flowers, festoons, and flags, and, though it holds an enormous crowd of persons, so great was the attendance and so largely in excess of previous annual "speech day" celebrations that not a few of the visitors found it impossible to gain entrance.

The Cardinal-Archbishop of Sydney presided, and among those present were Sir George Dibbs (Premier), the Hon. T. M. Slattery (Minister for Mines), Alderman W. P. Manning (Mayor of Sydney), the Hon. John Toohey, K.C.S.G., M.L.C.; Mr. James Toohey, M.P.; Mr. B. McBride (Mayor of Hunter's Hill), Alderman John Hughes, K.S.G.; General Kapus (U.S. Consul), Dr. M. J. Clune, Mr. J. Ednie Brown, Director of Forest Conservation; Dr. Beattie, Archpriest Sheehy, Very Rev. Dr. Carroll, V.G.; Very Rev. J. Dalton, S.J.; Very Rev. A. Boyle, C.M.; Very Rev. Dr. O'Brien (Rector of St. John's College), Very Rev. Z. F. Muraire, S.M.; Very Rev. J. Murphy, S.J.; Very Rev. A. Sturzo, S.J.; Very Rev. Dr. O'Haran; Very Rev. Father O'Connell, S.J.; the Rev. T. Gartlan, S.J.; the Very Rev. Father Marcellus (Passionists), the Rev. Father M'Killop,

S.J. (of the Jesuits' aboriginal mission, Northern Territory), the Very Rev. Fr. M'Inerney, S.J. (St. Aloysius' College), and the Very Rev. John Ryan, S.J. (Rector of Riverview).

The college orchestra opened the programme with an excellent rendering of Mendelsohn's "Wedding March." A dramatic scene, "The Lord of the Isles," was then presented. The whole of the lads taking part gave evidence of careful elocutionary training, and the costuming and mounting were wonderfully good. The cast was as follows:—Lord Ronald, F. M'Donald; The Abbot, W. Fallon; Bruce, A. Power; Dunvegan, H. Hensleigh; Lorn, C. Riley; De Argentine, H. Newton; knights, R. O'Connor and A. Goold; monks, C. Austin and G. Curtis; pages, C. Harte and A. O'Connor; soldiers, J. Slattery and H. Kapus. "The passing of Arthur," in graceful memory of Tennyson, was admirably recited by G. McMahon (King Arthur) and J. Curtin (Sir Bedivere). Mr. F. Dynon's singing of "The Vagabond" was loudly applauded. "The Grave-Diggers' Scene," from "Hamlet" was cleverly presented, Mr. E. Dalton the first grave-digger, who is a born actor, carrying off the honors. The Hamlet of Mr. Corrigan, the Horatio of Mr. J. Davidson, and the second grave-digger of Mr. J. M'Evoy, were all creditable performances. An exhibition of club swinging to rhythmic music, in which Irish airs were plentifully introduced, made up an interesting programme, and if frequent applause may be regarded as any proof of appreciation, the audience was highly pleased with the efforts of the lads. An academic debate on the question, "Is the increasing Power of China a Threat to civilisation?" for which J. Shearer (Chairman), T. Sexton, D. Corrigan, G. McMahon, and F. DuBoisé had prepared, had unfortunately to be cut out at the last moment, much to the disappointment of a large number of visitors, for whom the debates, as conducted by the St. Ignatius' boys, have always been a most attractive feature in the Speech Day celebrations at Riverview.

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## ANNUAL REPORT OF THE PREFECT OF STUDIES.

Your Eminence, Reverend Fathers, Ladies and Gentlemen,— It is gratifying to be able on this occasion to report favourably upon the Studies of the College and the work of our school year. The College and its friends may congratulate themselves that, with very considerable increase in the number of our Pupils, there has been also laudable advance in their application to study, and in the standard of proficiency attained in the Classes. The results, both of the College Examinations and of the University public ones, support this judgment.

In the Examinations for University Matriculation and for the Senior and Junior all the Pupils sent up from the College have passed with one exception.

In Matriculation Walter Burfitt obtained First Class Honours in Mathematics and in French, and Third in Latin. Timothy Coen obtained First Class Honours in French and Second in Latin and Mathematics. Matthew Toohey obtained First Class Honours in French and Second in Latin. These three pupils of ours were the only boys from any School who obtained First Class Honours in French. In the number, both of "Honours" and of "Passes" in this Examination, Riverview holds Second Place amongst all Schools and Colleges, being only one Pass and one Honour distinction behind the first. This is not a little creditable, seeing that although, as I have just indicated, our numbers have now risen to 150, yet we are competing with Colleges that can boast of three or four hundred.

In the Competitive Examinations held at St. John's College within the University, Scholarships were gained by three of our Students—John S. Cullinane, Walter Burfitt and Timothy Coen.

In the Senior Public Examination, Gregan McMahon obtained a Pass in eight subjects and the University Medal for First Place in Physiology.

In the Junior Examination all the boys sent up from Riverview passed.

Edward Kelly obtained three University Medals for Greek, Algebra, and Geometry. He passed with A in all the seven subjects, qualified for Matriculation, and obtained the University £10 Prize for First Place in Junior Examination. He is also awarded the Riverview £10 Prize for First Place in University Public Examinations, and is the winner of eight other College Prizes.

Joseph Gilhooley passed in all seven subjects, obtaining A in Latin, French, and English, and qualifying for University Matriculation.

In last year's Annual Report of the Prefect of Studies, attention was directed to some points in which, in our judgment, the University Public Examinations could easily be rendered more efficient for the ends they aim at. The opinions on that matter therein contained were favoured with expressions of approval by his Excellency the Governor, by the head masters of some of the leading schools of

Sydney, and by others competent to judge. In the hope that the very great influence of your Eminence, and of the many friends of Riverview and of Education gathered here to-day, may be won to aid us in obtaining the changes we desire in the present system of Examinations, I venture to refer to the matter again on this occasion.

Upon the larger questions of principle we have already sufficiently expressed our views in that Report. I may be allowed now to dwell briefly upon some matters of detail. There are in the main three changes desirable in the present system of our Public Examinations.

1. In the Junior Public Examinations, the number of subjects that may be presented for examination should be more than seven.
2. The results in both Senior and Junior Examinations—at least for a large number of the successful candidates — should be published, not in alphabetical order, but in order of merit. The marks obtained in each subject and in the total or aggregate should be also published.
3. These Examinations should be held, not in September, but towards the end of November.

The chief reasons for desiring those changes are :—

1. With regard to the present restriction of the number of subjects in the Junior Examination—
   (A) It prevents a boy, who—as is the case with nearly all pupils of Secondary Schools—desires to present himself in Classics, English, one other Modern Language and Mathematics, from presenting — and therefore discourages his studying—such other very important subjects as History, Geography, Chemistry, Physics, Natural Science, and Drawing in all its departments. We do not advocate the inclusion of all these subjects in a Junior boy's programme, but more than one of them are of such importance that we deprecate their exclusion from his Examination.
   (B) It discourages and practically excludes from the boy's education the very important subjects just referred to. Everyone knows that boys preparing for examination will not work at subjects not included in that examination.

(c) It gives rise to a special and educationally important difficulty on conclusion of the Junior Examination. The boy then finds himself with *ten* subjects allowed for his coming Senior Examination. As he has been hitherto induced to confine his work to seven subjects, it is hardly necessary to point out that the system here offers a strong inducement to take up in the Senior year three easy unimportant and "cram" subjects.

(d) In view of the new Regulation of this year *requiring* a Pass in four subjects, without the suggested increase in number of presentable subjects, the standard of mere Pass in the Junior is rendered unduly severe and higher than is usual elsewhere for younger boys. To require a Pass in four out of seven possible subjects is very exacting. Four out of nine or ten would, we believe, be fairer.

2. With regard to the publication of results in alphabetical order, not in order of merit—

(a) It deprives pupils of a very great reward and stimulus to work. Boys who cannot win Prizes or "Firsts" work for "Places." As it is, no distinction is made on the list between the 3rd and the 300th in the Examination, and hence it is only the very few that may hope to get first or second—which the Medal or *Prox. Access* will indicate—who have any inducement to do more than pass with A. Thus, to quote from last year's Report—"Secondary schools, therefore, are actually discouraged by the present system from presenting, and, consequently, from studying, such subjects as the Classical or Modern Languages, Mathematics, or Science. To present such subjects can, for the majority of their pupils, gain nothing more than a Pass, and renders, at the same time, that Pass much more difficult of attainment, because of the more difficult subjects presented. The Examinations are thus a temptation to sacrifice the interests of the boy's education to the apparent immediate selfish interests of 'success in the Examinations.'"

(B) It consequently deprives Masters also of valuable assistance in their task. The Master, without means of judging from place obtained and from marks scored the requirements of the Examination and the weak points of his pupil, is unable to render his teaching and direction of the boy so effectual as he would desire.

(C) It deprives the public of any but very general information as to the results of individual pupils and of the Colleges and Schools in the Examinations. The main value of these Examinations—to be a stimulus and aid to pupils and masters, and to be a test and evidence to the public of the work and efficiency of the schools examined — is greatly impaired at present. The objection that the proposed change would too greatly increase the "office work" may be met by suggesting that the names of say the first 10 per cent. at any rate of the successful candidates should be thus classified—the remainder being published in alphabetical order.

3. The holding of the Examinations in September in its practical working seriously injures the educational work of the schools. For:

(A) The proper organisation of the Classes for the coming year's Examinations being impossible until after the advent of "new boys" in January, only seven months of the year are left for preparation for the September Examinations.

(B) The provisional organisation that it necessitates after the Examinations in September seriously upsets the working of the other Classes. Moreover, because "provisional" it is not worked heartily nor entered into fully by the boys.

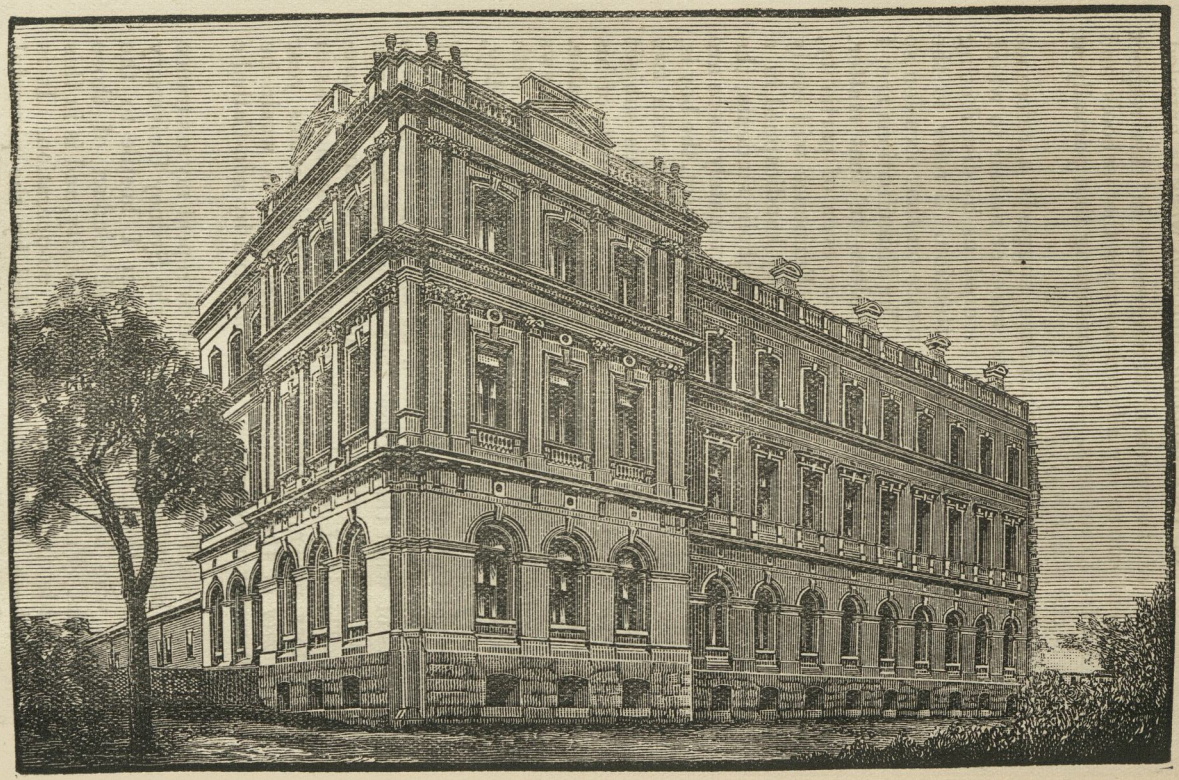
(C) The reaction after the work of the September Examinations and the feeling—boys are very impressionable—that "work will begin after vacations," and the long interruption of the "long vacations," greatly impair the value of the work of the three months at present

following the Examinations. Thus the loss of very valuable time and work is entailed.

In favour of the present arrangement in this respect the argument commonly alleged assumes that schools and boys exist for Examiners. I am assuming that partially at least it is the other way.

The presence of your Eminence suggests a reference which must, however, be brief, to another matter to which on the last occasion that you honoured us by distributing our prizes your Eminence drew attention. I refer to the study of History, which your Eminence on that occasion so strongly urged upon our pupils. The Examinations are, I regret to say it, one of our difficulties in that matter. Without any suggestion of bigotry, or even of partiality, on the part of the Examiners, your Eminence will easily see that Catholic students are seriously handicapped in a competition in that subject with non-Catholic students, the Examiners being non-Catholic. As unfortunately there are not excellent Catholic text-books in that subject, the boy is, in taking up History as a subject, face to face with two practical difficulties. First, he has to learn his subject with inferior text-books, or from the oral comments of his teacher upon the non-Catholic text-books available. Secondly, in examination he has either to express views with which he is not himself in sympathy, or views with which he knows the Examiner will not be in sympathy, because they are views to some extent new to the Examiner, as he has not Catholic text-books to refer to and boys, as a rule, are not — in examination at any rate — such able exponents of what they know that they may hope to win Examiners to unfamiliar views not very favourably presented. This is of considerable practical importance, as in the History paper of the Senior Examinations this year *the majority* of the questions set were such as would be very differently answered by Catholic and by non-Catholic pupils.

In conclusion, I ask to be allowed to repeat my assurance of last year that "I am not hostile to the Sydney University Public Examinations." Much less am I hostile to the authorities who have the control and conduct of those Examinations. Fair criticism is not hostility, and is in this instance made in a spirit of hearty co-operation. It is indeed to those authorities that—aided by the powerful influence of your Eminence — we look, in the points suggested as in all else concerning Education, for such action as will aid their work, and ours—the promotion of Education in this colony.



COMPLETED PORTION OF COLLEGE.

## THE CARDINAL'S SPEECH.

His Eminence, who was received with loud cheering, said that the Prefect had requested him to make a few remarks before distributing the prizes to the successful candidates of that great college. He was sure he interpreted the sentiments of that assemblage while expressing his own in congratulating all those students to whom the Prefect had just referred. In the public examinations they had been most successful, and he congratulated every one of the candidates and students upon the success that had attended them in those examinations; upon their ability, their application to study, and their discipline during the previous year. (Applause). There was, he thought, every reason to regard this success as a presage of the success which would attend their course in after life. (Applause). At the same time he must not limit his congratulations. He congratulated warmly all connected with the institution. It had progressed wonderfully during the past year and had in the number of its students reached the maximum number of 150. He trusted that that also was only a presage of the success awaiting in the future that already historic college, and he was confident that before many years with the completion of the buildings they would reach the full number of 500 students assembled within those walls. (Applause). He had to congratulate also the parents of the children who received their education at St. Ignatius'. He had to extend his remarks beyond the limits of the families. He saw statesmen present —men who were guiding the destinies, not only of the colony, but were building up the grand and glorious commonwealth of Australia. (Cheers.) He could wish to congratulate them on having the rising youth of the colony trained in literary pursuits, the arts, and the heroism of virtue. (Hear, hear.) Those youthful candidates for fame in the colony and the commonwealth would, he trusted, assist the statesmen in the high and patriotic duty of guiding the future destiny of Australia. (Applause.) The Prefect of Studies had called attention to some defects, as far as public examinations were concerned, in the study of the philosophy of history, but the philosophy of the history of the past was comparatively easy compared with the philosophy of the history of the future. The philosophy of a country's destiny must lie in the resources and heroism of its sons, and he was sure that there were few countries in the world to which Australia would yield in the heroism, earnestness, and ability of her sons, and the resources of the country itself. (Applause.) The great colonial empire of which they formed a part was the greatest power of the present day. He did not speak at all in a military sense. The military greatness could only be known when the test comes, and he trusted that centu-

ries and centuries would roll on before Great Britain or her colonies would ever have occasion to test their prowess on the battle-field. (Applause.) But there was another field in which he claimed that the Empire was the greatest power of the present day: that was in the field of civilising influence and the extension of every blessing of civilisation to those who enjoy them not. (Cheers.) They saw ample evidence of the chivalry of the race:—there was hardly a corner in Asia, scarcely a recess of the dark continent of Africa, nor a remote part of South America, where they would not find sons and daughters of the Empire displaying that heroism required, whether in commercial enterprise, or the mere investigation of the natural features of the place; and all that enterprise would extend Christian civilisation. That, he was sure, was part and parcel of the destiny of Australia. The home countries were able to take care of themselves, and if he were to speak of Great Britain and Ireland, he might suggest many remedies that might be proposed to heal the wounds of one of those countries, and enable it to become the heart of the Empire. (Applause.) He looked upon the Imperial body as sustained by two grand wings. There was the western wing, the Canadian Dominion, and the eastern wing, the Australian Commonwealth, and it was only assisted by these wings of splendour and of strength that the Empire would attain its eagle flight. (Applause.) He was confident that Australia would do its part to enable the Empire to fulfil its mission and attain the highest ideal. They heard a good deal about the past history of Spain. The men of Spain at the close of the 15th century gave them a brilliant example in history, when they discovered America and laid the foundation of her future greatness by the chivalry of faith and freedom, and he had no hesitation in saying that the discovery of that great continent by Columbus was the greatest event recorded in the civil annals of the world's history. (Applause.) He referred to that to impress on the minds of the young men at the college that while they aspired to aid the statesmen of the colonial empire they must be true to the traditions of the college and faithful to the heroism that faith alone could inspire. (Applause.) When Spain herself cut away from the traditions of Christian chivalry, when she laid aside the chivalry that fought for faith and freedom, her mission ceased. They read how during the last century all its cities and towns were honey-combed with Voltaireism, that came from France, resulting in its tribunals and councils supporting Macchiavellianism and Voltaireism, and becoming false to their destiny, and a prey to knaves and fools, whilst the nation itself became the laughing-stock of Europe. It was a fact that as soon as a country laid aside its Christian traditions and became unfaithful to its chivalry of faith it was not maintaining its destiny. He hoped that the students would enjoy their vacation and come back with renewed energy and increased vigour to pursue their studies in the coming scholastic year, (Cheers.)

## THE PREMIER'S SPEECH.

Sir George Dibbs, who was received with cheers, said he had been asked to say a few words. If he had his own personal wish he would allow the Cardinal's eloquent address to go untarnished by any supplementary remarks. (Laughter.) Though past the meridian of life he (the speaker) was in full sympathy with those who had the happiness of being still in their school-boy days ; indeed no one could look on the happy faces of the students without being reminded of his own boyish years. He was glad that the opportunity presented itself to him of saying a word or two of congratulation to the students of the college which had practically carried off the blue ribbon in the recent University examinations. (Applause.) He was pleased also to be in the position to congratulate the worthy band of men who had given their lives to the education of the youth of the colony committed to their care. (Applause.) The parents, too, were to be congratulated on having a college at their service possessing so many advantages. To the young men who were passing through that college, and for whom in many instances, he had no doubt, great sacrifices were made by their parents, he should like to say that much was expected of them. They enjoyed advantages which he might truly say were unknown in the earlier days of the colony, and the country looked for a substantial return at the hands of all who received their education under the present magnificent system, which opened the way of the humblest student to the highest positions in the land. (Applause.) They must be the future statesmen of the country. The foundation of a great and glorious nation had been laid and it would be in their hands to erect a superstructure which would last for all time. (Applause.) The college had been very successful during the year, and it was particularly cheering that this success was due in no small degree to healthy public competition, in which distinction was won on merit, and on merit alone. (Applause.) Some people might perhaps misunderstand his visit that day. His presence as head of the Government, if it served no other purpose, would show that in the Constitution of this colony there was no recognition of any particular religion or sect. (Applause.) In the eyes of the Government all were equal. It was something of which they had reason to be proud, that all young Australians in the race for distinction were on an equality, with merit and ability as the only test points. Every Australian, no matter in what school or college he studied, had the great satisfaction of knowing that every position in the land with the exception of the office of Governor was open to him. (Applause.) He was there that day to show his sympathy with the honest labours of the teachers and masters of that college, and this expression of sympathy he hoped would be taken as an evidence of his interest in the advancement of education generally. (Applause.) Once more he would tender his con-

gratulations to all who were associated with the work or concerned in the progress of that excellent educational establishment.

The Hon. T. M. Slattery, Minister for Mines, in proposing a vote of thanks to the Cardinal, complimented the Jesuit Fathers and their pupils on the fact that their annual gathering was marked for the first time by the presence of the Prime Minister of the colony.

## Prize List.

The following students were then called, and received from His Eminence the Cardinal prizes for the various subjects mentioned after their names :—

*Frederick Rourke*—Special Christian Doctrine.

*Edward Kelly*—University £10 Prize for 1st Place in Junior Public Examinations; Riverview £10 Prize for the same distinction, and the University Silver Medals for 1st Place in Greek, Algebra and Geometry.

### IN MATRICULATION CLASS.

*Gregan McMahon* — Aggregate, Classics, Special Prize for Debate, Special English Composition, College Gold Medal for Classics and University Medal for Physiology.

*Dawson Corrigan*—Christian Doctrine, Second in Debate, Declamation and Reading.

*Michael Casey*—Latin, French, Geometry, English Composition and Shorthand.

*John Ryan*—Arithmetic and Algebra.

*Joseph Healy*—Excellence in Instrumental Music.

*John H. D'Arcy*—Architectural and Engineering Drawing.

### IN SENIOR CLASS.

*Joseph Haydon*—Aggregate, Arithmetic, Algebra, Geometry, Trigonometry, Physiology and 2nd Division Debate Excellence.

*Timothy Sexton*—Christian Doctrine and English.

*John M'Evoy*—Latin.

*Ferdinand DuBoisé*— French, English Essay, English and Ancient History, Excellence in Writing, and Gold Medal for Excellence in Debate.

*John Davidson*—Silver Medal (presented by Professor Broinowski) for Excellence in Drawing.

### IN SUB-SENIOR CLASS.

*Edward Kelly* — Aggregate, Christian Doctrine, Classics, English Essay, History of Greece, Irish History, Special Classical and Special Mathematical Prizes.

*Joseph Gilhooley*—Latin and French.

*Joseph O'Brien*—English.

*Joseph O'Connell*—Arithmetic.

*John Toohey*—Geometry.

*John Shearer*—*Ob insigne meritum*, Improvement in Piano and Singing, Excellence in Theory of Music (1st Division).

*Francis Dynon*—Excellence in Singing.

## IN JUNIOR CLASS.

*George Dow*—Aggregate, English Essay, Arithmetic, Algebra, Austra lian History and Excellence in Freehand Drawing.
*Frederick Rourke*—Christian Doctrine and Latin.
*William Fallon*—Greek and Shorthand (2nd Division).
*Ewen Cameron*—French.
*Bertie McEvoy*—English and Geometry.
*Richard Loneragan*—History.
*John Walton*—Geometry (2nd Division), and Book-keeping.
*George Nowlan*—Arithmetic (2nd Division).
*Michael McGrath*—Chemistry and Excellence in Piano Playing (2nd Division).
*William McDonald*—Reading and Declamation.
*Isidore Blake*—Writing (Improvement).

## IN SECOND OF GRAMMAR.

*John D'Apice*—Aggregate, French, Algebra and Euclid.
*Basil Dynon*—Catechism, English Essay and Theory of Music (2nd Class), *ex æquo*.
*Percy Markey*—*Ob insigne meritum*, and distinguished Class Answering.
*Charles McBride*—Greek.
*Henry Manning*—Latin and Theory of Music (2nd Class), *ex æq.*
*Francis Walker*—English.
*Michael O'Farrell*—History and Improvement in Debate (2nd Division).
*Michael Coen*—Arithmetic.
*Arthur Deery*—Writing (Excellence).
*Paul Lenehan*—Writing (Improvement).

## IN THIRD GRAMMAR.

*Michael Fitzpatrick*—Aggregate, Catechism, French, English Composition, History and Arithmetic.
*Ambrose Walker*—*Ob insigne meritum.*
*Harry Murray*—Latin.
*James Burke*—English and Geography.
*George Curtis*—Algebra and Weekly Examinations.
*George Casey*—Freehand Drawing, Excellence (2nd Division).
*Frederick Deery*—Diligence and Application to Study.
*Arthur Makinson*—Writing (Excellence).
*G. Brown*—Distinguished Class Answering.

## IN RUDIMENTS.

*Gerald Lalor*—Aggregate.
*Duncan Cameron*—Catechism, English Composition and History.
*Richard O'Connor*—Latin.
*Harry Hensleigh*—French.
*Hugh Savage*—English and Improvement in Piano Playing.
*Harold Newton*—English Composition and Reading and Declamation.
*Daniel McMahon*—Geography and Arithmetic.
*James Cassin*—Diligence and Application to Study.
*Andrew Thynne*—Freehand Drawing (Improvement).
*John Loughnan*—Writing (Improvement).

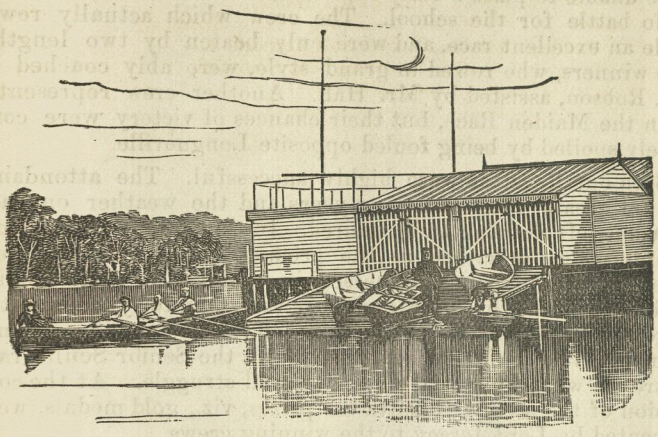
## IN ELEMENTS.

*Archibald McKillop*—Aggregate, Grammar and History.
*Arthur O'Connor*—Catechism.
*Richard Craven*—Reading.
*Samuel Hale*—Spelling.
*Alfred O'Brien*—Geography.
*Robert McKillop*—Arithmetic.

## PRIZES IN GAMES AND ATHLETIC SPORTS.

*J. R. Davidson*—Gold Medal, Champion Batsman.
*J. Healy*—Gold Medal, Best Bowler.
*J. Lynch*—Champion Bat, 2nd Eleven.
*F. D'Arcy*—Best Bowler, 2nd Eleven.
*J. H. D'Arcy*—Gold Medal, Champion Shot.
*F Dynon*—Gold Medal, Champion Runner.
*W. Fallon*—D'Arcy Medal, Champion Junior Runner.
*Ig. O'Donnell*—Gold Medal, Football Champion.
*E. Dalton*—Gold Medal, Football, Best Forward.
*J. Healy*—Handball Champion (Senior).
*R. Henerie*—Handball Champion (Junior).

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## ROWING CLUB.

SEASON 1892.

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*Captain:* J. H. D'Arcy.

*Hon. Sec. and Treas.:* J. J. Lynch.

*Committee:* D. J. Corrigan, J. R. Davidson, C. M. Cullinane, E. B. Dalton.

It is our pleasing duty to report the flourishing condition of the Club. The Members' List shows an increase on last year, and the popularity of the Club is well assured in Sydney. During the year two new boats and several sets of oars were added to the club plant, while the second division shed was much enlarged and a new skiff purchased for the juniors. A competent caretaker was engaged to keep the club property in order throughout the first half of the year, and his services were found very valuable in keeping the boats and shed in first-class condition; after Midwinter his presence was not very much needed as the boats were not in such request.

At the commencement of the year everyone was hopeful that we should be able to recover our lost laurels from the North

Shore Grammar School, but we were again fated to sustain defeat. Training was entered into, enthusiastically, under the able tuition of Mr. A. Goodyear, our coach, and during training season our hopes seemed likely to be realised. However, owing to accidents, and the sickness of our stroke in the last week, we were unable to place a fully representative crew on the water, to do battle for the school. The crew which actually rowed made an excellent race, and were only beaten by two lengths. The winners, who rowed in grand style, were ably coached by Mr. Robson, assisted by Mr. Hall. Another crew represented us in the Maiden Race, but their chances of victory were completely spoiled by being fouled opposite Longueville.

Both our Regattas were highly successful. The attendance was far greater than in former years and the weather on each occasion left nothing to be desired. In the Sydney papers both meetings were described as the premier Regattas of Sydney, excellent rowing being witnessed in every race. The Senior Eights' race was the finest eight-oar race seen for years and the large number of entries in the Maiden Race created immense interest. The fouling which occurred in the Senior Sculls' race destroyed what would have been a grand struggle. At the conclusion of the second Regatta the prizes, viz., gold medals, were presented by Lord Jersey to the winning crews.

The committee desire to express their gratitude to the officials, who kindly assisted to make each Regatta a success; and their very warmest thanks are due and cordially tendered to Messrs J. Cullinane and T. Coen, who most kindly consented to interview a number of friends and and secure prizes. They succeeded to such a degree that the club was able to offer more valuable prizes than on any other year. We must also give particular thanks to Mr. M. D'Arcy, of Gympie, father of our Captain, who gave four very beautiful gold medals for the Maiden Fours' race in the Regatta of October 1st.

## Thanks.

The President and Committee of the Rowing Club are desirous of conveying their very grateful thanks to the following gentlemen, for their generous donations to the Regatta Prize Fund:—C. Anderson, Esq., Schools Challenge Cup, to become the property of the school winning it twice in succession or three times in all; J. Toohey, Esq., M.L.A., £2 2s; J Martin, Esq., M.L.A., £1 1s; F. McDonald, Esq., £1 1s; A. Deery, Esq., £1 1s; J. Perry, Esq., £1 1s; J. McGrath, Esq., £1; Messrs. J. Pope and Co., £1; J. Dunne, Esq., 10s; Messrs. Butler and McKye, £3 3s; J. Mason, Esq., £1 1s; W. P. Manning, Esq., Mayor of Sydney, a Silver Cup; Messrs. McArthur and Co., Silver Inkstand; Messrs. McLean Bros. and Rigg, Cribbage Board; Messrs Dalton Bros., £2 2s; Messrs.




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## St. Ignatius' College Annual Regatta.

(From the *Freeman's Journal*, May 14th.)

YEAR by year the rowing club of St. Ignatius' College, Riverview, has quietly worked itself into popularity with the result that each successive regatta has become more and more interesting and attractive. With regard to the event of Saturday last, it is admitted on all hands to have been the best conducted and most successful rowing club meeting that has ever taken place in or about Sydney. If we did not know that the metropolitan and suburban rowing clubs bore such hearty good will towards St. Ignatius', and the wearers of the white and blue, we should be inclined to say that the Riverview success of Saturday last was calculated to arouse the spirit of green-eyed jealousy. It has taken seven years of liberal management and well-directed effort on the part of the Jesuit Fathers to win first place for the St. Ignatius' regatta, and now that the blue ribbon is in their possession there is not much fear of the big college allowing the popularity of the annual aquatic meeting to diminish in any way. The daily papers have been so profuse in praise of Saturday's regatta, and so free-handed in employment of "the heroics" of description and congratulation that we feel very much in the position of the theatrical manager who had his thunder stolen. There is nothing left to us but to sum up the afternoon's proceedings in a nutshell and describe them as a splendid success. In point of numbers the regatta completely took the shine out of any of the New South Wales Rowing Association gatherings, and as for interest and excitement, to say nothing of pleasant incidents and picturesque surroundings, there was enough and to spare. It is putting it mildly to say that the Jesuits and their boys took possession of the Lane Cove River for the afternoon. It was a real "aquatic carnival," and while the river for a mile or two was covered with steamers, launches, and boats of all sizes and descriptions, Riverview itself was converted into a grand stand from which several thousand people witnessed the contests or such "sections" of them as the view commanded. If we said that a goodly number who were landed at the college did not see a single race or even half a race we believe we should

not be trifling with the truth. Watching a race from the shore, to a certain extent, comes under the American definition of a dry lecture—"a very good sort of thing for people who like it," and if those who had come from the city for an outing preferred to put in the afternoon listening to the band or sauntering among the hundred and one romantic walks of the college grounds, who could blame them? The band by the way was our only genuine military one, the Permanent Artillery (present by the kind permission of Colonel Roberts), and under good old Bandmaster Devery a capital programme of popular music was performed. The presence of so many ladies with all the variety of pretty costume and prettier faces lent a special charm to the winding walks between the wharf and the boat-shed, and the effect from the river was delightfully picturesque. Among the patrons of the College Rowing Club present we noticed the Hon. T. M. Slattery, Minister for Mines; the Hon D. O'Connor, M.L C., ex-Postmaster General; the Hon. T. Dalton, M.L.C.; Mr. James Toohey, M.P.; Acting-Judge Heydon, Dr. Keenan, Dr. Muller, Mr. J. G O'Connor, Mr. R. Prendergast, Mr. J. A. Doyle, Mr. J. T. McMahon, Mr. F. J. Gow, Mr. J. Mooney (Delegate from the New South Wales Rowing Association), Mr. A. C. Frazer (Under-Secretary for Justice), Mr. F. B. Freehill, Mr. J. Blakeney, Mr. P. T. Riley, Mr. R. Lenehan, and Mr. C. Hughes. The Rev. Thomas Gartlan, S.J. (the president of the rowing club), was occupied almost the whole of the afternoon on the water; and on shore the Very Rev. P. Keating, S.J., the Very Rev. John Ryan, S.J. (Rector), and the Very Rev. J. Dalton, S.J., looked after their visitors in a manner which may be "taken as read."

As might be naturally supposed, the All Schools' Race was the chief attraction of the very interesting programme. We are sorry to say that in this contest the college colours were lowered for the second time. St. Ignatius' this year had hard luck. The crack crew went to pieces a few days before the race, and an almost new crew, with only a day or two for special training, had to go into the boat to do honour for the college. The North Sydney Church of England Grammar School repeated their victory of 1891, and to the credit of the visitors it must be said that they pulled a splendid race, and won in dashing style. The Grammar School boys, with their friends, were stationed in the stream in the steamer Admiral, and they cheered their representatives with wild-like glee as they passed the vessel with a lead of about a length. The St. Ignatius boys urged the crew from their college to do their best, and they rowed a plucky race. However, the Grammar School crew had much better form than their opponents. From the start they had a lead which they increased to two-lengths at the finish. The Maiden Fours was perhaps one of the best races of the day. Eight crews competed and although the Glebe crew had some trouble shortly after starting, and had to stop, they soon overtook all the others, and

won a capital race by about half a length, the Grammar School crew being second. The whole of the races proved very exciting, and the cheers of the boys showed that they entered heartily into the afternoon's sport. All the open races started from moorings at the entrance to Gore's Creek, eastern bank of the river, and finished between a flag moored at the 1 mile 6 furlongs and the north bank of the river. The Rev. T. Gartlan, S.J., president of the club, worked hard for the success of the regatta. For the college races Mr. A. Perry was starter, the Rev. D. Murphy, S.J., was umpire, and Mr. D. Kent was judge. For the open races Mr. A. Holmes was starter, Mr. C. Bros was umpire, and Mr. C. Batson was judge, while Mr. J. N. Oatley acted as timekeeper. Following are the results of the races:—

JUNIOR PAIRS (over 12).

Course: From first red post to College wharf.

Memnon—R. Singer, J. D'Apice (stroke), G. Austin (cox.) ... 1
Hector—J. P. Cox, H. Manning (stroke), J. Slattery (cox.)... 2
Achilles—P. Power, M. M'Grath (stroke), I. Norris (cox.) ... 3

MAIDEN FOURS.

Glebe R.C.—L. K. Pettit, 8st. 12lb.; G. W. Pettit, 9st. 8lb.; L. Graham, 11st.; W. T. Crispin (stroke), 9st. 7lb.; E. Buckley (cox.) ... ... ... ... ... ... ... 1

Church of England Grammar School R.C.—W. H. Wilkinson, 9st. 6lb.; M. J. Dawson, 10st. 5lb.; J. Mair, 11st. 11lb.; W. B. Clarke (stroke), 10st. 2lb.; W. Stephens (cox.) ... 2

North Shore R.C.—H. Slater, 9st. 4lb.; C. Turner, 10st. 6lb.; J. Kell, 11st. 8lb.; R. Brown (stroke), 12st.; Ives (cox.) ... 3

The other starters were East Sydney, Mercantile, Balmain, Sydney, and St. Ignatius' College. Time, 9min. 57secs.

CLINKER FOURS.

Course: From red post to College wharf.

S. Conley, E. Donnelly, A. Rudd, B. M'Bride (stroke), P. Power (cox.) ... ... ... ... ... ... ... 1
A. Cape, V. Zahel, G. Nowlan, B. FitzGerald (stroke), J. Ryan (cox.)... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... 2

ALL SCHOOLS CHALLENGE FOURS.

Course: Gore's Creek to College wharf.

Church of England Grammar School R.C.—H. Pockley, 10st. 5lb.; S. B. Wallace, 11st. 6lb.; R. Barton, 11st. 5lb.; N. Trevor Jones (stroke), 10st. 5lb.; R. Fitzhardinge (cox.) ... 1
St. Ignatius' College R.C.—E. Dalton, 9st. 6lb.; J. Davidson, 9st. 10lb.; J. Lynch, 10st. 5lb.; D. Corrigan (stroke), 9st. 11lb.; A. O'Brien (cox.) ... ... ... ... ... ... 2

The Grammar School led from the start, and finished a couple of lengths ahead. Time, 10min. 27secs.

TREBLE SCULLS.

Course: From second red post to College wharf.

Arrow—R. Singer, J. Walton, J. D'Apice (stroke), I. Norris (cox.) ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... 1

Riverview—P. Power, F. Rourke, M. M'Grath (stroke), G. Austin (cox.) ... ... ... ... ... ... ... 2

SENIOR SCULLS.

Mercantile R.C.—J. M'Rae, 11st. ... ... ... ... 1
East Sydney R.C.—W. Goulding, 10st.... ... ... ... 2

JUNIOR PAIRS (under 12).

Course: From white post to College wharf.

Achilles—M. Fitzpatrick, M. O'Farrell (stroke), I. Norris (cox.) .. ... ... ... ... ... ... ... 1

Hector—A. O'Connor, H. Hensleigh (stroke), D. Prendergast (cox.) ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... 2

Memnon—R. Craven, R. O'Connor (stroke), A. M'Killop (cox.) 3

JUNIOR FOURS.

North Shore R.C.—R. Johnson, 9st. 8lb.; P. Abbott, 10st. 6lb.; W. Woods, 11st. 4lb.; C. Coggins (stroke), 10st.; S. Ives (cox.) ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... 1

East Sydney R.C.—J. E. Mulhall, 8st. 10lb.; G. Withers, 10st.; J. Andreoli, 9st.; A. J. Hatton (stroke), 9st. 10lb. .. 2

## Dinner to the Crew and Regatta Officials.

(From the *Freeman's Journal*, May 13th.)

ON Tuesday afternoon, May 10th, the Jesuit Fathers entertained at dinner at St. Ignatius' College, Riverview, the honorary officials of Saturday's Regatta, Messrs. A. Holmes, C. Bros, and C. Batson, and the victorious crew of the Church of England Grammar School. The College four who "went down" at the Regatta were also present with their popular "coach," Mr. Goodyear. The Church of England boys were accompanied to Riverview on Tuesday by two of their masters who had trained them for the All Schools' Race—Mr. E. J. Robson and Mr. A. D. Hall. The Very Rev. P. Keating, S.J., presided, and Father T. Gartlan, S.J. (President of the St. Ignatius' R. Club), occupied the vice-chair. In a few manly words Father Gartlan proposed "The winning crew," remarking that the Riverview boys did not grudge them their brilliant victory. Mr. N. Trevor Jones, the "stroke" of the jolly young watermen who carried off the honours on Saturday, responded in a neat little speech. Messrs. Robson and Hall also spoke, and referred in warmly appreciative terms to the unsurpassable kindness and courtesy they had received at the hands of the Jesuit Fathers ever since the rowing contests were established. On behalf of the Church of England Grammar School they desired to express their deep gratitude to the Jesuit Fathers and St. Ignatius' Rowing Club for having so kindly in the first instance induced them to compete in the All Schools' Race and for having helped and encouraged them in every possible way. Mr. Robson remarked that but for the courage and enterprise



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of the St. Ignatius' College there would be no Schools' Race in New South Wales, and he considered the College Club was entitled to the thanks of the whole community, and especially the supporters of rowing. Mr. D. J. Corrigan, the "stroke" of the Riverview crew, responded to the complimentary toast proposed by Mr. Hall. The Very Rev. J. Dalton, S.J., proposed, "The Officials," and Messrs. C. Bros, A. Holmes, A. Goodyear and C. Batson replied. During the evening, songs were given by Mr. Robson, Mr. J. T. Donovan and Mr. D. J. Corrigan.

## Distribution of Regatta Prizes.

### Musical Entertainment at Riverview.

(*Freeman's Journal, Saturday, July* 2.)

The alluring beauty of the afternoon must have had a good deal to do with the attendance at St. Ignatius' College on Monday last, June 27. One always looks for a large gathering at Riverview when the day arrives for Regatta prizes to be presented but on the present occasion the record was broken, both with respect to numbers and the character of the entertainment provided by the Jesuit Fathers. Several hundred visitors enjoyed the programme prepared; and in giving the entertainment the Jesuit Fathers had the generous assistance of well-known professional and amateur performers, including two members of their own musical teaching staff—Mr. G. Rivers Allpress and Mr. A. Smith. Mr. Harry Leston, who teaches elocution at the College, enlivened the proceedings with a humourous recital of a parody on Poe's "Raven." To the musical programme Miss Lottie Hyam contributed Beethoven's "Kreutzer Sonata" besides joining Mr. Edgar Strauss in a trio by Reissiger for piano, violin and 'cello, and Miss Hyam and Mr. Strauss also combined in a rendering of Chopin's well-known "Blonaise." Miss Josephine O'Reilly was at her best in the "Three Fishers," one of her favourite songs, and Miss M. J. Bramley received hearty applause for "Ora Pro Nobis." Mr. E. J. Hollingdale gave "The Yeoman's Wedding" with refreshing spirit, and Mr. Smith made his voice tell well in Foli's pet song, "In Sheltered Vale." Master F. Dynon (one of the students) displayed a bright baritone quality of voice in the "Bedouin Love Song," and Mr. J. T. Donovan sang, "Here Upon My Vessel's Deck." Masters E. Dalton and B. Fitz-Gerald (two of Mr. Allpress' violin pupils) contributed a pretty duet by Dancla. All the performers were liberally applauded, but encores were not allowed.

At the conclusion of the concert the Rev. T. Gartlan, S.J. (President of the College Rowing Club), before asking the Hon. D. O'Connor, M.L.C., to present the prizes, referred in

terms of gratification to the late regatta, which he described as the best ever held on the Lane Cove River—regarded from a sporting and social point of view, as well as in a financial sense. He especially thanked the city and suburban rowing clubs for their practical assistance, and alluded with pride to the fact that in one of the principal races at the regatta they had the very unusual spectacle of eight representative crews competing for the prize. Father Gartlan also expressed his most grateful acknowledgments of the great kindness shown by all the performers who had taken part in the charming musical entertainment.

The visitors included the Hon. R. E. O'Connor (Minister for Justice), the Hon. D. O'Connor, Acting Judge Heydon, the Very Rev. P. Treand, M.S.H., the Very Rev. Archdeacon D'Arcy (Wellington, N.Z.), the Very Rev. P. Le Rennetel, S.M., Mr. H. Austin, Mr. R. Prendergast, Mr. J. T. McMahon, Rev. J. Mahony, Rev. M. Kickham, the Very Rev. Father M'Namarra (Wellington, N.Z.), Rev. P. Byrne, Rev. Father Tressalet, S.M., Rev. A. Fitzgerald, O.S.F., Mr. R. Lenehan, Mr. F. Campbell, Mr. J. Mooney, Mr. W. Dolman, Mr. Spruson. Mr. R. J. Dennehy, and Mr. E. J. Robson (Church of England Grammar School, North Sydney).

## Launching a New Boat.

On Saturday, the 28th April, a very pleasing ceremony took place at the Rowing Club shed, viz., the "launching and christening" of the new string-test four-oar racing boat. The name Blanche was bestowed on the new boat by Mrs. Dalton upon its being launched for the first time. A large number of rowing men were present, and cheers were given both for the boat and the lady who named it. The Rev. T. Gartlan, President of the Club, addressed a few words to the oarsmen, and invited them to drink success to the new racing craft. The boat is peculiar in some respects, being rudderless. The steering is effected by a movable pin, which is in a box, similar to that fitted in sailing boats. The pin can be raised or lowered as required, and is worked from the coxswain's seat by a handle. The stretcher fittings, slide planes, and rollers are of a new design, and are an improvement on those more generally in use. The boat is about 43ft. in length, and shallower throughout than usual, being carried away to 3in. at the stern-post. The work is of excellent quality, and reflects credit on Mr. Ward, of Berry's Bay, the builder, and Mr. A. Goodyear who designed the boat.

## Presentation to Mr. A. Goodyear.

(From the *S. M. Herald.*)

On Monday evening, June 13th, Mr. A. Goodyear who for five years has been the honorary "coach" of the College Rowing Club, and who was leaving Sydney for Melbourne, was presented

by the members of the club with a token of the high esteem in which they held him. The presentation took the form of a massive gold watch. The Rev. T. Gartlan, S.J. (President of the Club), having briefly sketched the rapid progress and success of the Rowing Club since Mr. Goodyear became identified with it, explained that in the gift the inmates of the College had no idea of attempting to requite him for the time, energy and skill he had devoted to their interests, but simply wished to give him a permanent acknowledgment of their indebtedness to him. The presentation was made by the Very Rev. P. Keating, Superior of the Jesuits in Australia, who spoke in high terms of the many benefits Mr. Goodyear had conferred on the College. Mr. Goodyear in a very feeling reply warmly thanked the boys, and assured them that his interest in their welfare would continue unabated. The watch, in addition to the monogram of the recipient, bore the following inscription:—St. Ignatius' College Rowing Club to A. Goodyear, Esq., devoted friend and coach. 1887 to 1892.

## St. Ignatius' College October Regatta.

### Saturday, October 1st.

(From the *Sydney Morning Herald*, Monday, October 3rd.)

The regatta held in connection with St. Ignatius' College Rowing Club on Saturday afternoon on the Lane Cove River was the most successful inter-club event of the present year. A fine day and a pleasant breeze were inducements enough for many people to go for an outing, and the visitors took great delight in wandering about the spacious grounds of the college. His Excellency the Governor arrived at the college grounds at 3 o'clock, and was received by the Hon. T. M. Slattery, the Hon. J. Toohey, M.L.C., the Hon. T. Dalton, M.L.C., the Hon. A. J. Riley, M.L.C., Father Ryan, S.J., Father Keating, Father Gartlan, Mr. W. P. Manning, Mayor of Sydney, Mr. T. Curran, M.P., Mr. J. Hourigan, Mr. R. Prendergast, Mr. D. Holland, and Mr. J. D. Cronin. The party followed the principal races in the Government steam launch the Nea. Father Gartlan, the president of the club, looked well after the comforts of the rowing men competing, and he rendered great assistance to the representatives of the press, for whom he had made special provision.

Before the distribution of prizes at the boat-shed Father Gartlan addressed words of welcome to His Excellency the Governor. His Excellency, he said, had been there before, and had been heartily welcomed. There was no place in New South Wales where the whole hearts of the people would not go out to greet him not with respect merely, but with sincere affection. They heartily rejoiced to have him at the regatta;

and he (Father Gartlan) spoke not only for the college, but for the members of all the rowing clubs. (Hear, hear.) They all felt highly the honour he had shown to them. There was no sport which called for all the essential qualities of true manliness to the same degree as rowing did. There was no sport which called for so much individual effort, and which at the same time curbed so completely all individual selfishness. On this account they were thankful to His Excellency for the encouragement he had given to rowing. The rowing clubs of Sydney had given great assistance to the college regatta, everyone of them sending crews to the day's meeting. This, he thought, had not happened before at any other regatta. Those who went in for rowing had to work hard, and it was but right that the trophies won should be somewise proportionate to the effort they made, so as to be a lasting and fitting record of their prowess in the rowing world. The club was not able to give such trophies as it would like, but the fact of his Excellency presenting them would enhance their value.

Lord Jersey, in replying, said it gave him great pleasure to have witnessed such excellent rowing. He did not think it was his presence which had added so much to the regatta, but the fact that there had been so many competitors who had rowed in such a manly way. Rowing was one of the most manly sports, and he believed it would always be kept up in Sydney and New South Wales. Coming up on the boat he was reminded by Mr. Slattery that some years ago there was very great enthusiasm connected with rowing in Sydney, but that it had now gone down a little. He was sure that the efforts made by Father Gartlan and the authorities of the rowing club would go a great way to resuscitate fair and honest rowing.

His Excellency then presented the prizes, and at his request Father Keating granted Eight-hour day for a holiday.

The East Sydney crew protested against Sydney being declared the winner of the Maiden Fours race, and it was announced that the matter would be settled afterwards.

Appended are the results of the races :—

Junior Pairs.

For Pupils under 13.

Ulysses—J. Slattery, A. O'Brien (stroke) ... ... ... 1
Hercules—P. Power, G. Austin (stroke) ... ... ... 2

Maiden Fours.

Sydney R.C.—A. Bruce, 10st. 3lb.; N. Helm, 10st. 4lb.: W. Hanna, 10st. 5lb.; E. Pearson (stroke), 10st. 6lb.; S. Hellings (cox.) ... ... ... ... ... .. ... ... 1

East Sydney R.C.—A. Mulhall, 9st. 4lb.; H. Simms, 11st. 12lb.; E. Westcott, 11st.; J. Symonds (stroke), 9st. 8lb.; A. Swift (cox.) ... ... ... ... ... ... ... 2

Mercantile R.C.—A. Maloney, 10st. 2lb.; A. Williams, 11st. 4lb.; W. Moore, 13st.; W. M'Kenzie (stroke), 10st. 4lb.; F. Lane (cox.) ... ... ... ... ... ... ... 3

Parramatta R.C.—A. Wickham, 9st. 4lb.; J. Sheather, 11st.; W. Fairclough, 12st. 7lb.; L. Wickham (stroke), 10st. 6lb.; J. Mitchell (cox.) ... ... ... ... ... ... ... 0

Balmain R.C.—J. Murray, 9st.; C. M'Neil, 10st. 9lb.; C. O. Bloore, 11st.; G. R. Davidson (stroke), 10st. 6lb.; W. Smith (cox.) ... ... ... ... ... ... ... 0

University R.C.—E. Burkitt, 9st. 8lb.; J. Fitzgerald, 11st. 4lb.; M. Brown, 11st. 12lb.; F. Moore (stroke), 11st.; R. Fitzhardinge (cox.) ... ... ... ... ... ... 0

North Shore R.C.—C. Turner, 10st. 6lb.; C. Thompson, 10st. 4lb.; S. Ruff, 10st. 6lb.; C. Stirling (stroke), 10st. 5lb.; F. Lane (cox.) .. ... ... ... ... ... ... ... 0

The crews started from buoys and were sent away well together, Parramatta, Sydney, and Mercs. being the smartest to get way on. The last named, after about 100 yards, showed to the front by half a length, followed by Parramatta, while the other crews were pretty well on terms. Going across Woodford Bay Mercantile led by almost a length, with Parramatta, University, Balmain, Sydney, and North Shore following in the order named. Here University pulled a bad course, and their erratic steering throwing the boat against Parramatta, they were swamped. Passing Longueville the order was Mercantile, Sydney, Balmain, East Sydney, Parramatta, and North Sydney. Along this reach North Shore had evidently had enough, while Sydney began to slowly creep on the Mercantile, and East Sydney drew ahead of Balmain, who were level with Parramatta. Crossing Tambourine Bay Parramatta pulled a bad course and lost considerably. Passing the College wharf Mercantiles had still the best of it, but were hard pressed by Sydney, with East Sydney two lengths behind third. About a quarter of a mile from the finish Sydney fouled Mercantile, throwing the latter boat right across the river and breaking its rudder. Observing this East Sydney pulled desperately, and passed the post about a length behind the Sydney boat, which, however, steered on the wrong side of the flag; Mercantile was third, and Parramatta fourth.

SENIOR PAIRS.

Queensland—G. Nowlan, P. Latham, P. Power (cox.) ... 1
New South Wales—C. M'Bride, S. Conley, A. O'Brien (cox.) 2

Preparatory Heats.—G. Nowlan and P. Latham beat G. Dow and E. Cameron, C. M'Bride and S. Conley beat B. M'Evoy and B. M'Bride.

TREBLE SCULLS.

Bow.—W. Hale, J. Walton, E. Thynne (stroke), A. O'Brien (cox.) ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... 1

Arrow—W. Fallon, F. M'Donald, J. D'Apice (stroke), P. Power (cox.) .. ... ... ... ... ... ... 2

Preparatory Heat.—W. Hale, J. Walton, E. Thynne beat P. Power, F. Rourke, M. M'Grath.

SENIOR CHALLENGE EIGHTS.

East Sydney—A. J. Hatton, 9st. 12lb,; W. E. Jacobs, 9st. 10lb,; P. Eveston, 10st. 12lb.; C. Keenan, 11st.; W. Bridson, 11st. 6lb.: G. Higgs, 11st. 3lb.; J. Smith, 10st. 9lb.; W. Goulding (stroke), 10st.; C. Quist (cox.) ... ... ... 1

Sydney R.C.—J. Roxburgh, 9st. 12lb.; E. Lamb, 10st. 4lb.; D. Walker, 10st. 8lb.; A. Cadell, 11st. 11lb.; W. Moore, 13st. 3lb.; W. Metcalfe, 11st. 11lb.; A. Aldworth, 11st. 12lb.; J. Kennedy (stroke), 12st. 8lb.; F. Robertson (cox.) ... 2

Mercantile R.C.—C. Chandler, 9st. 6lb.; W. P. Perry, 10st. 12lb.; E. Grace, 10st. 4lb.; F. Pike, 10st. 12lb.; A. Hollingworth, 10st. 7lb.; W. M'Donald, 12st. 4lb.; N. M'Donald, 11st.; J. Thomson (stroke), 9st. 7lb.; J. Blackman (cox.) ... 3

North Shore R.C.—E. Johnson, 9st. 4lb.; P. Abbott, 10st.; V. Horniman, 11st. 6lb.; W. Woods, 11st. 2lb.; A. Beckelman, 10st. 4lb.; R. Brown, 11st. 10lb.; W. Bligh, 10st. 10lb.; F. Moore (stroke), 9st. 10lb.; E. Petherick (cox.) ... ... 4

University R.C.—A. E. Amphlett, 10st.; C. A. Helsham, 10st. 9lb.; W. A. Conlon, 11st. 5lb.; N. F. White, 12st.; H. G. Bennett, 12st. 9lb.; H. B. Rowland, 11st. 10lb.; H. Cox, 11st. 4lb.; R. W. Thomas (stroke), 12st.; A. Weigall (cox.) 5

East Sydney got away with the best of a fair start, and were followed by University, with the others together in a bunch. East Sydney on the outside soon had a slight lead, with Sydney second, and Mercantile about half a length behind third. University and North Shore were about on terms. The crews kept well together, and at the end of the first half-mile not more than four lengths separated the first and last boats. Crossing Woodford Bay East Sydney increased the lead from Sydney a little, and Mercantile had fallen behind somewhat. Passing Longueville wharf the boats had tailed out a lot. University seemed pretty well exhausted, while Sydney was gallantly challenging the leaders, East Sydney. Mercantile, a length behind Sydney, seemed labouring somewhat. Along the Longueville reach Sydney rolled a lot, but pulling themselves together again went at the leaders. Mercantile, pulling desperately, tried hard to recover lost ground, but the crew's efforts were of no avail. North Shore, now fast leaving University, gained somewhat, and for a time it seemed as though this boat would be placed third. No change in the positions occurred to the finish, East Sydney winning by a length from Sydney, with Mercantile a length and a-half away third. The time was 9min. 16½secs.

## Re-Row of the Maiden Fours.

OCTOBER 14TH.

The Maiden Four-oar Race, open to all clubs, rowed at the St. Ignatius' College Rowing Club Regatta, held on 1st October, was re-rowed on Saturday, October 14th. It will be remembered that the Sydney crew passed the post first, but having finished on

the wrong side, a protest was entered by East Sydney. After consideration it was decided to re-row the race, the second crew to have medals, presented by the College club, but towards which Mr. C. Dobson, of the Sydney Rowing Club, very generously contributed two guineas. The launch Nea followed the race with a party which included the Hon. R. E. O'Connor, the Rev. Father Gartlan, Mr. C. Bros umpire, and the representatives of the press. The steamer Lobelia also followed the race. Out of the seven crews that started in the first race there was only one defaulter in the re-rowing, viz., North Shore. The Parramattas, who had the best of the start, won by about three lengths, and were fairly rowed out; Sydney was second, and Mercantile third. Mr. C. Batson acted as judge, Mr. C. Bros fulfilled the duties of umpire, and the starter was Mr. A. Holmes.

MAIDEN FOURS.

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After a deal of shouting Mr. Holmes sent the crews away, Parramatta having a start of the other crews of over a length. By keeping well out in the stream this boat gradually gained another length. Passing the western shore of Gore's Creek, Parramatta led by a length from the Mercs., who were half a length from University, with the others pretty well on terms. Crossing Woodford Bay the positions of the first two boats remained unaltered, but East Sydney had drawn nearly level with University, while Sydney led Balmain by a little. University now began falling back, and along the Woolwich Beach East Sydney went into third position. At the Longueville turn Parramatta led by three lengths, with the Mercs. a length from East Sydney, while Sydney was coming upon the leaders last. University and Balmain were fighting for the honour of last place. Along this shore East Sydney rapidly drew on the Mercantiles, and crossing Alexandra forged into second place. Sydney also challenged Mercantiles, and having the best of it spurted after the second boat. Parramatta

continued to lead all the way home, and won by a length and a half. Crossing Tambourine Bay, Sydney and East Sydney were racing level, and at the College wharf Sydney was second by about a length. East Sydney now went back very fast, and was beaten at the post by the Mercantiles by half a length.

At the conclusion of the racing the medals were presented to the first and second crews by the Hon. R. E. O'Connor, to whom a hearty vote of thanks was carried by acclamation, on the motion of the President of the St. Ignatius' Club, the Rev. T. Gartlan, S.J.

## Aquatic Notes.

EVERY one will be pleased to hear of the prominence—in the rowing line—of several of our ex-students during the year.

B. BEIRNE again rowed for Queensland in the Intercolonial Race, and is described as the prettiest oarsman in Brisbane. Our old Captain stroked in grand style the winning senior fours at the Brisbane Regatta on December 10th.

R. BROWN, stroke of the famous '89 crew, was a member of the North Shore eight, which competed at our October Regatta, in the Senior Eights.

A. THYNNE is one of the crack oarsman at the Melbourne University. He has been successful several times during the year as stroke of his College crew.

C. CAVILL gave us a course of swimming lessons early in the year and a notable improvement in the style of swimming and diving was the result.

THE St. John's crew this year contained three old Riverviewers, viz., J. Cullinane (stroke), one of our '90 and '91 crews, J. Farrelly, and T. Coen. We wish you better luck next year, boys, and will perhaps send you some of our lads to help you.

SEVERAL new sets of oars were added to the Club plant this year. They were a splendid lot and were well used in rowing season.

MR. EDITORS, can you inform me when we are likely to see Intercolonial Schools' Championship races rowed again. North Shore Grammar School and the Victorian champions were again unable to come to terms? We suppose our club, as it initiated them, must now take action and have them renewed.

P. J. O'DONNELL is developing into a champion swimmer. He recently won the Harriers' race at the Natatorium in very fast time. Peter was our champion when he was here.

On good authority we hear that Sydney Grammar School, to whom the University Sports Association has kindly granted the use of their boatshed and four-oared boats up to next April, intends to send a crew for the Schools Race next year. This is a step in the right direction, and we hope to see the other schools competing at the same time.

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How liberally all the boys contributed towards the subscription in aid of the Melbourne Grammar School Boat Club! Well done, Riverview boys!

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Everyone felt sorry when the proposed race between the Brisbane Grammar School and ourselves could not be brought to an issue. However, we predict next year will be a noted one in the rowing line.

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What sort of interest would a class race between the Matrics. and Seniors cause? It would be the means of encouraging rowing during the latter half of the year, a thing sadly needed.

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We wish to convey our thanks to the Sydney Press for their courtesy towards the Rowing Club during the present year. The Club was described as a "model," and the regatta as the premier of Sydney.

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In the Maiden Four Race a record was made, for every club in Sydney—including ourselves—entered a crew for the race. Nine crews all told.

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Two new boats were added to the Club plant this year—a working four and a string test racing four. Both were built by Mr. James Ward, of North Shore; the racing boat was designed by Mr. A. Goodyear, our coach.

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Sunday picnics were very popular and served to increase the interest in rowing, but they should not be held too often during rowing season. [We wonder what duffer sent us this note. We insert it as a sample of the foolish things that are at times submitted. What chance is there of pic-nics being held too often?—E.A.M.]

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Our representatives on the Rowing Association Committee were Messrs. J. Mooney and T. Kelly, B.A. They did their work faithfully and well. Unfortunately the latter owing to press of work had to send in his resignation.

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Messrs. Lucas Bros.' beautiful silver challenge cup is not yet won though both the North Shore and the Glebe clubs have made one step towards its acquisition. The four gold medals for the race were, as in other years, presented to us by these munificent supporters of our club.

THE success of our two regattas this year was a general source of admiration. They are described elsewhere.

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The nine gold medals for our Senior Eights race, on October 1st, and the four gold medals presented by Mr. M. D'Arcy, of Gympie, for the Maiden Fours race, at the same meeting, were exhibited in Sydney before the Regatta and were greatly admired. The general opinion was that finer medal prizes had not been seen in Sydney for many a long day.

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MR. GOODYEAR returned from Melbourne two days before our October Regatta. It was fortunate he did so as he at once threw himself, with all his well-known enthusiasm, into the work of completing all the arrangements; mooring buoys at the starting point, securing a pontoon at the entrance to Gore's Creek for competing boats, etc., etc. Had he not been with us the Regatta would not have been such a perfect success.

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THE trophies won by our crew in 1888 at the Association Regatta were sent to us this year, and what trophies they were! Four cups and four silver medals. We don't pretend to be experts in judging of the value of such things but we know our committee would have gladly accepted two guineas for the eight articles. No inscription appeared on any of them, though we had been asked on three or four occasions to forward the names of the crews, so that they could be engraved on the trophies. One excuse given for the worthlessness of the prizes is that the Association has no money; has it any credit? We need hardly say that neither the medals nor cups were forwarded to the winners, out of consideration for the Association—we admit it was a weakness on our part—they were quietly suppressed.

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## TO THE EDITOR.

DEAR MR. EDITOR,—Will you kindly allow me space in your pages to offer my hearty congratulations to the members of the College Rowing Club on the grand position to which they have this year raised their Club. Their Regatta is now admittedly the chief rowing event of the year. And to such an extent has the reputation of the Club spread that we find one of the great Melbourne weeklies, *The Leader*, stating that "there is no club in the colonies which does more to promote amateur rowing than that connected with St. Ignatius' College at Riverview." We students of St. Ignatius' are all proud of this position; but I am one of many students who feel that the brilliancy of this year's Club exploits is all the more wonderful and worthy of congratulation because the success was gained, to say the least of it, in spite of the listlessness, if not the selfishness, of one or two members of the Club. Most probably their presence in the Club ruined our chance of regaining our

position as head of the River, and it unquestionably interfered with many of our social privileges. Towards the end of the year a rumour was circulated about a match with Brisbane Grammar School. It was with positive relief that I heard that this was postponed. Out of the eight or ten students whose names were mentioned as likely to represent us several—if selected—were certain to do no credit to us. Indeed, I was amazed that some of them had the hardihood to allow themselves to be nominated as fitting representatives of the School, as they were surely perfectly well aware of what the majority of their comrades knew and thought of their public spirit. I could put my finger on one or two members of the Club who on five or six occasions richly deserved to be sent head foremost into the River. They would, I am sure, have floated—the farther they did so the better. Nothing, Mr. Editor, speaks to me so strongly of the vitality and power of our Club than that the existence of such members did not retard one jot its onward progress in public confidence and esteem, though I do not doubt it did prevent its crew from taking their rightful position amongst the schools of N.S.W.

(Signed) AN INDIGNANT LOVER OF THE WHITE & BLUE.

[We confess to have been much frightened on receiving the above letter. We doubted whether it could be said to come under the heading of free and fair criticism, and to such only are our columns open, but on the other hand it seemed clear to us that the writer had worked himself into such a fit of indignation that unless some safety valve was opened we should be apprehensive of hearing that one of our companions had been seized with a fit of apoplexy. We decided then to put it in. But we are far from feeling easy on the matter. The part which causes us most anxiety being that innocent little paragraph in which the writer says he could lay his finger on "one or two members who on five or six occasions deserved to be thrown head foremost into the River." Now we happen to know something of the muscular development of our senior oarsmen, and, though we also know their great good nature, we beg and beseech our fiery correspondent, especially if he be an only son, as we think from his letter he must be, not to lay his finger on one of them. He would be pretty sure to go into the air with a rapidity that would make it doubtful whether his head or his heels led the way, and most probably he would be reduced to such a sad plight as to render identification impossible. What the result would be if he succeeded in putting his finger on two of our oarsmen at once we cannot even imagine. We fancy, however, that the Calaveras mystery

> When Jones of Calveras brought a lot of fossil bones
> That he found within a tunnel near the tenement of Jones,

would be a mere circumstance compared with the difficulty of recovering and refitting the scattered bones of our fiery friend. Joking, however, apart. Does not our indignant comrade know perfectly well that from either our New South Wales or Queensland students we could get a crew perfectly able and most willing to uphold with all honour and enthusiasm the credit of the College against the Brisbane or any other school crew? Is he one of those for whom "nothing succeeds like success?" Well, if so, he cannot have joined very heartily in the ringing cheers given in the refectory on Regatta evening for the crew that made such a gallant fight for victory—a cheer that proved how highly and justly their comrades appreciated their efforts, which were none the less genuine or generous because unavailing.—Ed. *O.A.M.*]

# ST. IGNATIUS' AMATEUR ATHLETIC CLUB.

## ANNUAL MEETING, 1892.

*Committee:*

F. Dynon, E. Dalton, D. Corrigan.

*Judges:* Rev. C. O'Connell and Rev. Mr. Murphy.

*Umpires:* Revs. Messrs. Hassett and Baker.

*Starter:* Sergeant Birley.

This year's famous Rugby football grounds were the scene of the above club's eighth annual meeting on All Saints' Day, November 1st. Thanks to an energetic committee the meeting was more successful in every way than any of its predecessors. Too much praise cannot be given the officers of the day for the way they carried out their duties. Father O'Connell was once more seen with "the tape" in his hands; and Sergeant Birley pleased everybody with his starting. Programmes were provided for both competitors and spectators.

The same night a concert was provided by the Social Committee, at which the prizes were distributed by the Very Rev. Rector J. Ryan.

Appended is a detailed account of the day's racing:—

The opening event (Second Division Championship, 100 Yards) saw eight claimants to the title toe the line. From a good start B. McEvoy and A. Deery led until within ten yards of the tape, when Fallon drew upon them, and a splendid finish saw Fallon win by barely half a yard from Deery, who just beat McEvoy for second.

Then followed the race of the day (The College Championship, 100 Yards), for which five started. O'Donnell made the pace for 70 yards, closely followed by the others, but here Dynon drew level with him and beat him to the tape by a yard, with D'Arcy very close up for third.

The winner, who hails from Victoria, was the recipient of a very handsome gold medal, presented by our Very Rev. Rector, Fr. Ryan. W. Fallon, the winner of the Second Division Championship, was presented with a beautiful gold medal, the gift of J. H. D'Arcy, a comrade.

The Maiden Handicap, 100 Yards, was run off in four heats. The first two of each heat qualified to start in the final. First Heat—J. Ryan (12yds.), 1; J. Curran (7yds.), 2; R. Singer (12yds.), 3. Second Heat—B. Fitz Gerald (13yds.), 1; C. M. Cullinane (3yds.), 2; W. Rogers (8yds.), 3. Third Heat—G. Dow (13yds.), 1; S. Conley (14yds.), 2. G. Nowlan (11yds.), 3. Fourth Heat—R. Maloney (11yds.), 1; W. D'Apicé (10yds.), 2; T. Hurley (11yds.), 3.

Next in order came Kicking the Football, for First Division only, which of course was won by Iggy O'Donnell, with a place kick of 66 yards. E. Cameron and C. Carey were second and third respectively.

Throwing the Cricket Ball, Second Division, was won by J. Bourke (7yds.), with E. Thynne (scr.), 2.

Riverview Handicap, 440 Yards.—A field of nine turned out for this event. McEvoy (35yds.) led the others for the first half of the distance,

until he was caught and passed by Nowlan (37yds.); then came O'Brien, Shearer, Corrigan and D'Arcy close up. Nowlan maintained his lead throughout, winning by about eight yards from D'Arcy (scr.), with Corrigan (20yds.), 3. O'Brien had the misfortune to fall, when he looked very like winning. Nowlan received a very handsome silver cup, and D'Arcy a valuable handbag. An intermission of two and a-half hours was then given for luncheon, &c.

The first event after dinner was the FINAL OF THE MAIDEN HANDICAP. A close race was won by G. Dow (12yds.), 1; with W. D'Apicé (10yds.), 2; R. Malony (11yds.), 3.

THE UNDER 14 HANDICAP, 100 Yards, was carried off by J. Toohey (3yds.), 1; J. Donovan (7yds.), 2; A. Deery (scr.), 3.

EGG AND SPOON RACE.—This event brought no less than 27 starters to the line. There was a surprise in store for those who thought this an easy win for Dalton, for his egg fell and was broken shortly after starting. The winner turned up in D'Arcy, who ran very well. Dalton, who finished second, with his broken egg, made rather an amusing picture, his face and body being besmeared with the contents of the egg.

CRICKETERS' HANDICAP, 100 Yards.—A field of 19 started for this event, all having their eyes on the prize—a faultless Ayres' International Bat. It would have been more pleasing to everyone to have run this off in heats. As it was there was no end of jostling. O'Brien fell at the home turn and Cullinane was badly spiked. Ig. O'Donnell (2yds.) fought his way through wonderfully well, and breasted the tape a few yards in advance of O'Brien (9yds.), 2; and J. Toohey (15yds.), 3.

KICKING THE FOOTBALL, Second Division, was won by M. McGrath; next to him was W. Fallon, with D. Cameron 3rd.

100 YARDS HANDICAP (under 12).—Great interest was centred in this event, owing to the different nationalities represented. Among the starters we had besides Australia, representatives from France, America, and Ireland. The result was—J. Donovan (Australia, 2yds.), 1; G. Maestracci (France, 2yds.), 2; H. Kapus (America, 6yds.), 3; and M. Fitzpatrick (Ireland, 4yds), 4.

SECOND DIVISION HANDICAP, 100 Yards.—This race was as great a surprise as the Egg and Spoon Race. J. Toohey (6yds.)—the winner of the Under 14—led from the start and won by about a yard from J. P. Cox (6yds.), 2; with J. D'Apicé (1yd.), 3. The winner received a very handsome album.

ROWING HANDICAP, 220 Yards.—Twelve competitors answered their names at the starting post for this event. As regards mishaps, it was similar to the 150 Yards Handicap. J. O'Brien fell about the same place, and Percy Power was spiked. Iggy O'Donnell (4yds.) reached the tape first, about four or five yards in advance of Latham (20yds.); while D'Arcy (scr.), who was greatly interfered with, was a close third. The winner was presented with a gold Rowing Club badge, the gift of the Rowing Club Committee.

SACK RACE, 100 Yards.—Nine started for this event, but all fell excepting Rudd and Jack Slattery. These two raced all the way side by side, neither gaining an inch, and Jack Slattery receiving great encouragement from his troop of small companions. Within three yards of the tape both fell, but Rudd was on his feet first, and thus won a most exciting race by a yard. Little Jack was greatly disappointed, but he ran a plucky race.

THROWING THE CRICKET BALL, First Division.—M. Casey (11yds.), 1; R. Malony (9 yds.) and J. Corrigan (13yds.), 2; J. Healy (7yds.), 3.

HURDLE RACE, 120 Yards.—This was an easy win for Iggy O'Donnell (scr.), who caught his men at the second hurdle. W. D'Apicé finished second and T. Hurley third.

CONSOLATION RACE.—Little need be said of this event, save that it was a boil-over for J. O'Brien (4yds.).

## THANKS.

The committee beg to return sincere thanks to the following kind friends for their generous contributions towards the Sports Fund :—

The Very Rev. P. Keating, S.J., £1 1s.
The Rev. Rector, J. Ryan, S.J., a Gold Medal for the College Championship Race.
The Rowing Club Committee, a Gold Medal for the Rowing Handicap, 220 Yards.
Mr. J. H. D'Arcy, a Gold Medal for Second Division Championship.
Mr. L. E. Isaacs, a valuable Writing Desk.
Messrs. Batson & Co., Ltd., a valuable Inkstand.

D. J. CORRIGAN, *Hon. Sec.*

## CRICKET SEASON, 1892.

*President*: Rev. D. Murphy, S.J.

*Captain :* J. R. Davidson. *Hon. Sec. :* J. R. Davidson.

*Committee :*

J. R. Davidson, J. H. D'Arcy, F. J. Dynon, E. B. Dalton, A. B. Rudd.

We have to offer our warmest congratulations to our cricket team on their remarkable success during the past year. Our many triumphs were at last crowned by our victory over the Grammar School, which having beaten Newington College, and King's School, finally, we are pleased to see, secured the premiership.

Our most hearty thanks are due to Mr. Bannerman, our coach, for his deep interest and painstaking care in training our team. His perception, too, of latent cricketing powers was well manifested in raising J. Healy from the Third to the First Eleven. Healy's bowling was most effective in the Combined School match against the I. Zingari, and to it no doubt a very large share of this year's success is due.

The erection of a large and beautiful pavilion on our new ground has added much to the enjoyment of the matches, both for students and visitors.

A fresh-water pipe has been laid, even to the pitch, and this will not only preserve a green sod, but will, ere long, we hope, give us turf wickets to play on.

The only drawback this half was the long delay in preparing the field for cricket after the football season. We trust the curator will be quicker in future, as the evenings weigh heavily on us while waiting idly, and valuable time for practice passes by.

J. R. DAVIDSON,
Hon. Secretary.



OUR CAPTAIN.

Our Captain, J. R. Davidson, is son of Mr. J. H. Davidson, of Wellington Point, Brisbane, and was born Nov. 13th, 1873. He was elected captain of the College 1st Eleven in the year 1890, and also held that position during the years of 1891 and 1892. He won the gold medal presented by the Cricket Club for best batting average last year, and has also won it again this year. His principal scores during this season were—47 against Newington College: 38 against Glenmore; 37 against Darling-

hurst Harriers; 29 (not out) against Balmain Rovers; 22 against Church of England Grammar School.

The departure of "Davo" from the school will certainly be a big loss and leave a great vacancy. His fine, manly, unselfish spirit—his unvarying kindness and geniality with his companions—his frank honesty with his masters—won for him a high place in the esteem and affection of all in St. Ignatius'. We hardly think that anyone who knew dear old Jack will consider us to exaggerate when we say that no boy, since the foundation of the College, was better or more universally liked, or more sincerely respected. For years he was a leader amongst the boys, and his influence was always for good. He not only would not stoop to do a mean thing, but his spirit boiled over with indignation at being considered capable of doing so. His companions fully trusted him, for they knew they had in him a valiant and high-spirited protector of their privileges; and the masters equally recognised that the fair name of the college would never suffer stain whilst Jack was present and able to prevent it. If his success in life be measured by the fond wishes of those who knew him in his boyhood and youth, it will indeed be great, but even then it will not be beyond his merits.

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## REMARKS ON THE ELEVEN.

J. R. Davidson, captain of the eleven, magnificent free bat, with splendid off strokes, very good field.

F. Dynon, right-handed break bowler, with good pace, which increases from the pitch; good bat and field.

A. Rudd, a neat and effective batsman; has played some fine innings; good field.

J. D'Arcy, a very pretty bat, with strong defence, and possessed of hard hitting powers; fair field.

E. Dalton, a fair batsman, smart field, good change left-hand bowler.

I. O'Donnell, a good bat; improved wonderfully towards the end of the year; a splendid out-field.

J. Shearer, a good wicket-keep, a fast scorer, hits well.

J. Healy, a splendid left-hand bowler, with unerring accuracy of pitch and unfailing patience; fair batsman, magnificent field.

D. Corrigan, a fair bat, smart field, and change bowler.

R. Maloney, bowls a very fast and difficult left-hand ball, coming from the leg; fair bat and field.

J. Ryan, a very promising bat, with good defence; rather slow in the field.

M. A. Casey, scorer for the eleven.

J. McEvoy, umpire for the eleven.

## *Batting Averages.*

| | No. of Innings. | No. of Runs. | Most Runs in Innings. | Times not out. | Average. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| J. Davidson | 14 | 250 | 47 | 1 | 19.23 |
| A. Rudd | 13 | 143 | 24 | 2 | 13 |
| J. Shearer | 11 | 107 | 42 | 0 | 9.8 |
| J. D'Arcy | 12 | 76 | 20 | 4 | 6.9 |
| J. O'Brien | 7 | 45 | 80 | 1 | 7.5 |
| I. O'Donnell | 8 | 52 | 13 | 1 | 7.42 |
| E. Dalton | 11 | 44 | 15 | 0 | 4 |
| F. Dynon | 14 | 43 | 18 | 0 | 3.07 |
| J. Ryan | 3 | 26 | 17 | 0 | 8.6 |
| J. Healy | 9 | 37 | 10 | 0 | 4.1 |
| R. Maloney | 5 | 19 | 10 | 2 | 6.3 |
| D. Corrigan | 8 | 27 | 5 | 0 | 3.37 |

## *Bowling Averages.*

| | No. Balls. | No. Maiden Overs. | No. Wickets. | Average. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| J. Healy | 615 | 13 | 37 | 6.4 |
| F. Dynon | 858 | 15 | 36 | 9.6 |

## *The Rainbows C.C.* v. *St. Ignatius' College C.C.*

This match was played at Riverview on Saturday, February 6th, and resulted in a draw in favour of the visitors. Following are the scores:—

| Rainbows. | | St. Ignatius' College C.C. | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Watson, c Lynch, b Dalton | 45 | Dynon, st b Smith | 18 |
| Walford, b Dalton | 32 | Davidson, b Solomon | 4 |
| J. Kiss, b Dalton | 0 | D'Arcy, b Solomon | 5 |
| R. Kiss, c Coen, b Dalton | 3 | Coen, run out | 5 |
| Sparke, c and b Dalton | 3 | Shearer, c Walford, b Watson | 6 |
| Smith, b Dalton | 11 | Dalton, C. Solomon, b Walford | 1 |
| Palmer, lbw, b Dalton | 0 | Corrigan, run out | 0 |
| Jones, b Davidson | 7 | O'Donnell, c Sparke, b Watson | 4 |
| Solomon, not out | 0 | Lynch, b Sparke | 2 |
| Bannerman, b Davidson | 0 | McHugh, not out | 13 |
| J. Jones, b Davidson | 0 | O'Brien, not out | 0 |
| Sundries | 6 | Sundries | 3 |
| Total | 107 | Total for 9 wickets | 61 |

## *Balmain Rovers* v. *St. Ignatius' College C.C.*

The above match was played at Riverview on February 25th, and resulted in a draw. Following are the scores:—

| Balmain. | | St. Ignatius' College C.C. | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Wood, c Davidson, b Dynon | 0 | Davidson, not out | 29 |
| Floyd, not out | 75 | Rudd, b Carr | 0 |
| Newell, not out | 39 | Dynon, b Carr | 1 |
| | | D'Arcy, b Newell | 4 |
| | | McHugh, run out | 6 |
| | | Coen, not out | 1 |
| Sundries | 0 | Sundries | 5 |
| Total for 1 wicket | 114 | Total for 4 wickets | 46 |

## *St. Albans C.C.* v. *St. Ignatius' College C.C.*

This match was played at Riverview on Saturday, March 4th, and resulted in a draw. Following are the scores:—

| St. Albans C.C. | |
|---|---|
| Lush, c Corrigan, b Dynon | 59 |
| Webber, b Dynon | 1 |
| Simpson, b Dynon | 0 |
| Hopkins, b Shearer | 42 |
| Shepherd, b Shearer | 0 |
| Hopkins, P., c Davidson, b Shearer | 0 |
| Williams, b Shearer | 3 |
| Hopkins, B., b Corrigan | 2 |
| Palmer, b Dynon | 3 |
| Johnson, b Dynon | 2 |
| Mitchell, not out | 2 |
| Sundries | 10 |
| Total | 124 |

| St. Ignatius' College C.C. | |
|---|---|
| Davidson, h.o.w, b Palmer | 11 |
| Dynon, c Lusk, b Shepherd | 3 |
| Rudd, c Hopkins, b Hopkins | 12 |
| D'Arcy, run out | 6 |
| McHugh, b Lusk | 6 |
| Coen, c Hopkins, b Lusk | 0 |
| Dalton, c Williams, b Lusk | 9 |
| Shearer, lbw, b Hopkins | 1 |
| O'Donnell, not out | 3 |
| Corrigan, c Palmer, b Hopkins | 1 |
| Lynch, not out | 1 |
| Sundries | 7 |
| Total for 9 wickets | 60 |

## *Church England Grammar School* v. *St. Ignatius' College.*

The above match took place at Riverview on Saturday, March 26th, and resulted in a win for the latter. Following are the scores:—

| St. Ignatius' College. | |
|---|---|
| Davidson, c and b B. Clarke | 22 |
| D'Arcy, b B. Clarke | 1 |
| Rudd, lbw, b B. Clarke | 2 |
| F. Dynon, b G. Clarke | 0 |
| McHugh, b G. Clarke | 18 |
| Shearer, b G. Clarke | 8 |
| Corrigan, b G. Clarke | 8 |
| Dalton, c Morson, b G. Clarke | 1 |
| Curran, run out | 1 |
| O'Brien, not out | 4 |
| Healy, b G. Clarke | 0 |
| Sundries | 2 |
| Total | 67 |

| Church Eng. Grammar School. | |
|---|---|
| Calvert, b Healy | 7 |
| Pockley, c McHugh, b Healy | 2 |
| G. Clarke, c Dynon, b Healy | 10 |
| B. Clarke, c Shearer, b Healy | 0 |
| Morson, b Healy | 0 |
| Kendall, b Dynon | 2 |
| Wallace, b Dynon | 0 |
| Yarnold, b Healy | 4 |
| Jones, not out | 0 |
| Barton, b Healy | 0 |
| Cox, b Healy | 0 |
| Sundries | 1 |
| Total | 26 |

St. Ignatius' College C.C.—2nd Innings.

| | |
|---|---|
| Rudd, not out | 24 |
| Dalton, c and b G. Clarke | 6 |
| D'Arcy, c and b G Clarke | 5 |
| Davidson, b G. Clarke | 6 |
| Dynon, c and b Calvert | 0 |
| McHugh, not out | 7 |
| Sundries | 5 |
| Total for 4 wickets | 53 |

## *Concord C.C.* v. *St. Ignatius' College C.C.*

The above clubs met at Riverview on Saturday, April 1st, to play off their fixture, which resulted in a draw. Following are the scores:—

| St. Ignatius' College C.C. | |
|---|---|
| Rudd, b Hunt ... ... ... | 4 |
| McHugh, b Woodhill ... ... | 30 |
| Dynon, c Gunning, b Hunt ... | 2 |
| Davidson, c Dwyer, b Hunt ... | 6 |
| Dalton, c M'Rae, b Woodhill ... | 0 |
| Shearer, b Hunt... ... ... | 20 |
| O'Brien, how, b Puckle ... | 20 |
| Curran, c Low, b Hunt ... | 5 |
| Healy, b Hunt ... ... ... | 0 |
| Casey, c and b M'Rae ... ... | 2 |
| McBride, not out ... ... | 0 |
| Sundries ... ... ... | 5 |
| Total ... ... ... | 94 |

| Concord C.C. | |
|---|---|
| Hunt, b Healy ... ... ... | 1 |
| McRae, c Shearer, b Dynon ... | 2 |
| Woodhill, not out ... ... | 9 |
| Dwyer, not out ... ... ... | 0 |
| Sundries ... ... ... | 0 |
| Total for 2 wickets ... | 12 |

## *Newington College C.C.* v. *St. Ignatius' College C.C.*

The above schools met at Riverview on Saturday, April 9th, to play off their fixture. The match was won by the former. Following are the scores:—

| St. Ignatius' College C.C. | |
|---|---|
| Dynon, b Warden ... ... | 1 |
| McHugh, c Woodhill b Wright | 9 |
| Rudd, b Wright... ... ... | 8 |
| Davidson, c Wright, b Warden | 4 |
| D'Arcy, run out ... ... ... | 2 |
| Shearer, run out ... ... | 0 |
| O'Brien, h.o.w .. ... ... | 3 |
| Corrigan, b Wright ... ... | 0 |
| Dalton, c Curtis, b Wright ... | 0 |
| Curran, c Woodhill, b Wright | 0 |
| Healy, not out ... ... ... | 6 |
| Sundries ... ... ... | 0 |
| Total ... ... ... | 33 |
| 2nd Innings. | |
| Davidson, b Hicks ... ... | 47 |
| McHugh, b Warden ... ... | 3 |
| Rudd, c and b Wright ... ... | 10 |
| D'Arcy, c Edwards, b Wright... | 0 |
| Dynon, b Warden ... ... | 0 |
| Shearer, b Wright ... .. | 5 |
| O'Brien, b Spence ... ... | 10 |
| Corrigan, b Hicks ... ... | 0 |
| Healy, c Shortland, b Spence ... | 0 |
| Dalton, not out ... ... ... | 4 |
| Curran, c Henderson, b Hicks... | 0 |
| Sundries ... ... ... | 4 |
| Total ... ... ... | 83 |

| Newington College C.C. | |
|---|---|
| Warden, b Healy ... ... | 6 |
| Wright, c Davidson, b Dynon... | 1 |
| Woodhill, b Dynon ... ... | 4 |
| Spence, b Dynon ... ... | 7 |
| Curtis, lbw, b Dynon ... ... | 4 |
| Shortland, b Shearer ... ... | 19 |
| Edwards, b Davidson ... ... | 0 |
| Henderson, c Dalton, b Dynon | 5 |
| Curlewis, not out ... ... | 16 |
| Gowans, c Rudd, b Healy ... | 1 |
| Hicks, c Healy, b Dalton ... | 22 |
| Sundries ... ... ... | 7 |
| Total ... ... ... | 92 |
| 2nd Innings. | |
| Warden, not out... ... ... | 23 |
| Curtis, c Lynch, b McHugh ... | 14 |
| Wright, not out ... ... ... | 11 |
| Sundries ... ... ... | 1 |
| Total for 1 wicket ... | 49 |

## *Oriental C.C. (Seniors)* v. *St. Ignatius' College C.C.*

This match was played at Riverview on Saturday, September 10th, and resulted in a draw. Scores:—

| Oriental C.C. | |
|---|---|
| Camphin, c Rudd, b Dalton | 43 |
| Shea, b Healy | 10 |
| McCrae, c Davidson, b Healy | 12 |
| Kaiyser, c Davidson, b Healy | 56 |
| Merrick, b Healy | 3 |
| Doyle, lbw, b Dynon | 15 |
| Meagher, run out | 6 |
| Williams, b Dynon | 20 |
| Frazer, not out | 8 |
| Pierce, b Healy | 9 |
| Smith, run out | 0 |
| Sundries | 14 |
| Total | 196 |

| St. Ignatius' College C.C. | |
|---|---|
| Rudd, not out | 21 |
| Dynon, b Pierce | 0 |
| Davidson, c Pierce, b Williams | 26 |
| D'Arcy, c Merrick, b Pierce | 0 |
| O'Donnell, not out | 0 |
| Sundries | 17 |
| Total for 4 wickets | 64 |

## *Departm't of Public Instruction* v. *St. Ignatius' College C.C.*

These clubs met at Riverview on Saturday, October 22nd, and the match was won by the latter. Scores:—

| Dept. of Public Instruction. | |
|---|---|
| Morgan, run out | 2 |
| Dettmann | 6 |
| Bailey, b Healy | 0 |
| Vinden, st Shearer, b Dynon | 1 |
| Pitt, st Shearer, b Healy | 2 |
| King, b Healy | 3 |
| Pigott, st Shearer, b Dynon | 0 |
| Downes, b Dynon | 5 |
| Bowman, b Healy | 0 |
| Kinnamon, not out | 0 |
| Catt, b Healy | 0 |
| Sundries | 3 |
| Total | 22 |

| St. Ignatius' College C.C. | |
|---|---|
| Davidson, b Downes | 15 |
| Rudd, b Pitt | 23 |
| O'Donnell, b Pitt | 12 |
| Dynon, c Kinnamon, b Downes | 10 |
| Healy, b Pitt | 10 |
| Maloney, not out | 10 |
| Ryan, b Downes | 9 |
| Shearer, b Downes | 8 |
| Sundries | 16 |
| Total for 7 wickets | 113 |

## *Darlinghurst Harriers C.C.* v. *St. Ignatius' College C.C.*

The above match was played at Riverview on Saturday, October 29th, and resulted in a win for the College team. Scores:—

| Darlinghurst Harriers. | |
|---|---|
| Fitzgerald, c Maloney, b Healy | 3 |
| O'Connor, c Dynon, b Healy | 2 |
| Hogan, c and b Healy | 0 |
| Woods, c Shearer, b Maloney | 16 |
| O'Donnell, c Corrigan, b Maloney | 29 |
| Howard, b Healy | 0 |
| Callaghan, b Healy | 0 |
| E. O'Connor, c Healy, b Maloney | 4 |
| Lewis, run out | 8 |
| Wall, run out | 0 |
| Regan, not out | 0 |
| Sundries | 11 |
| Total | 73 |

| St. Ignatius' College C.C. | |
|---|---|
| Rudd, run out | 3 |
| O'Donnell, b Callaghan | 8 |
| Davidson, c O'Donnell, b Hogan | 37 |
| Dynon, b O'Connor | 0 |
| Shearer, c Callaghan, b O'Donnell | 42 |
| D'Arcy, b O'Donnell | 0 |
| Corrigan, b O'Donnell | 5 |
| Dalton, b Hogan | 15 |
| Maloney, c O'Connor, b O'Donnell | 2 |
| O'Brien, not out | 9 |
| Healy, st Fitzgerald, b O'Donnell | 10 |
| Sundries | 10 |
| Total | 141 |

## *Fort Street Training School* v. *St. Ignatius' College C.C.*

This match was played at Riverview on Saturday, November 6th, and was won by the former team. Scores :—

| Training School. | |
|---|---|
| Brodie, c Dynon, b Healy ... | 0 |
| Hadley, c Davidson, b Healy ... | 4 |
| McMullers, b Dynon ... ... | 46 |
| O'Neil, b Dynon... ... ... | 17 |
| Lamport, c and b Healy ... | 9 |
| Filshie, b Maloney ... ... | 4 |
| Brook, b Healy ... ... ... | 6 |
| Layton, c Rudd, b Healy ... | 3 |
| Kleiss, c and b Healy ... ... | 6 |
| Chiplin, not out... ... ... | 5 |
| D'Arcy, b Healy ... ... | 0 |
| Sundries ... ... ... | 10 |
| Total ... ... ... | 110 |

| St. Ignatius' College C.C. | |
|---|---|
| Davidson, lbw, b Kleiss ... | 3 |
| O'Donnell, st Lamport, b Kleiss | 9 |
| Rudd, c Filshie, b Kleiss ... | 9 |
| Shearer, st Lamport, b Kleiss... | 0 |
| Dalton, b Hadley ... ... | 1 |
| Dynon, b Hadley ... ... | 1 |
| O'Brien, b Kleiss ... ... | 0 |
| D'Arcy, not out ... ... ... | 15 |
| Corrigan, c Brodie, b Hadley ... | 1 |
| Maloney, b Hadley ... ... | 0 |
| Healy, b O'Neil ... ... ... | 7 |
| Sundries ... ... ... | 2 |
| Total ... ... ... | 48 |

## *Glenmore A. C.C.* v. *St. Ignatius' College C.C.*

The above clubs met at Riverview on Saturday, November 19th, and the game resulted in a draw very much in favour of the College boys. Following are the scores :—

| St. Ignatius' College C.C. | |
|---|---|
| J. D'Arcy, b Manton ... ... | 18 |
| J. O'Donnell, lbw, b Manton ... | 13 |
| J. Shearer, b Delaney ... ... | 3 |
| A. Rudd, lbw, b Tottadale ... | 13 |
| J. Davidson, c Charkin, b Martin | 38 |
| F. Dynon, b Tottadale ... ... | 5 |
| Corrigan, b Manton ... ... | 0 |
| Dalton, c Stroud, b Manton ... | 0 |
| Maloney, not out ... ... | 0 |
| Healy, b Tottadale ... ... | 2 |
| Ryan, b Manton... ... ... | 0 |
| Sundries ... ... ... | 4 |
| Total ... ... ... | 96 |

| Glenmore C.C. | |
|---|---|
| Ellis, b Healy ... ... ... | 0 |
| Delaney, c Rudd, B Dynon ... | 0 |
| Manton, b Healy ... ... | 7 |
| Stroud, b Dynon ... ... | 5 |
| McDermott, lbw, b Dynon ... | 0 |
| Tottadale, not out ... ... | 0 |
| Dobson, not out ... ... ... | 3 |
| Sundries ... ... ... | 3 |
| Total for 5 wickets ... | 18 |

## *Sydney Grammar School C.C.* v. *St. Ignatius' College C.C.*

The above schools met at Riverview on Saturday, November 26th, and the match resulted in an easy win for the latter. Scores :—

| St. Ignatius' College C.C. | |
|---|---|
| Davidson, c Stephenson, b Donnan ... ... .. ... | 2 |
| D'Arcy, c Stephen, b Donnan... | 20 |
| Rudd, c McCarthy, b Donnan... | 14 |
| O'Donnell, run out ... ... | 3 |
| Shearer, c Donnan, b Stephen | 14 |
| Dynon, c and b Donnan ... | 2 |
| Corrigan, b Donnan ... ... | 0 |
| Dalton, run out .. ... ... | 7 |
| Healy, b Donnan ... ... | 5 |
| Maloney, not out ... ... | 7 |
| Ryan, b M'Mahon ... ... | 17 |
| Sundries ... ... ... | 29 |
| Total ... ... ... | 120 |

| Sydney Grammar School C.C. | |
|---|---|
| Jones, b Healy ... ... ... | 1 |
| Strickland, b Dynon ... ... | 0 |
| McCarthy, c and b Dynon ... | 0 |
| Harris, b Healy ... ... ... | 0 |
| McMahon, c Davidson, b Dynon | 2 |
| Stephen, L., b Dynon ... ... | 1 |
| Stephen, W., c Shearer, b Dynon | 7 |
| Donnan, not out ... ... ... | 12 |
| Johnson, st Shearer, b Dynon ... | 1 |
| Paul, c Healy, b Dynon ... | 0 |
| Stephenson, b Healy ... ... | 0 |
| Sundries ... ... ... | 3 |
| Total ... ... ... | 27 |

## SECOND ELEVEN, 1892.

*President:* Rev. D. Murphy, S.J.

*Captain:* J. E. Henerie. *Hon. Sec.:* J. R. Davidson.

*Committee:*

F. T. D'Arcy, J. E. Henerie, B. T. FitzGerald, J. J. Lynch.

### REMARKS ON THE SECOND ELEVEN.

J. E. Henerie, captain, wicket keep for the eleven, steady bat, change bowler.
J. Lynch, excellent bat, good field, winner of batting average.
F. D'Arcy, splendid bat and bowler, winner of bowling average.
B. FitzGerald, good bat, good bowler, excellent field.
J. O'Brien, splendid bat, fair field.
J. Corrigan, fine bat, fair field.
W. McDonald, good left-hand bat, indifferent field, change bowler.
C. Carey, promising bat, fair field.
I. Blake, good bat, fair field, fair wicket keep.
J. MacDonnell, steady bat, reliable catch.
A. Trim, new man in the eleven, fair bat.
J. Toohey, 1st emergency; pretty bat.
E. H. Kelly, scorer for the second eleven.
J. O'Donnell, umpire.

### Batting Averages of the B Team.

| | No. of Innings. | No. of Runs. | Highest Score. | No. of Not-outs. | Average. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| J. Lynch ... | 10 | 159 | 51 | 0 | 15.9 |
| W. McDonald | 4 | 60 | 45 | 0 | 15. |
| J. Corrigan | 8 | 72 | 20 | 3 | 14.4 |
| C. Carey ... | 8 | 69 | 39 | 1 | 9.1 |
| I. Blake ... | 15 | 113 | 45* | 2 | 8.6 |
| B. FitzGerald | 12 | 81 | 25 | 2 | 8.1 |
| F. D'Arcy... | 17 | 104 | 31 | 1 | 6.5 |
| J. O'Brien | 8 | 42 | 13 | 0 | 5.2 |
| J. Henerie | 17 | 65 | 15* | 1 | 4.06 |
| J. McDonnell | 2 | 15 | 8* | 2 | — |
| A. Trim ... | — | — | — | — | — |

* Not out.

### Bowling Averages of the B Team.

| | No. of Runs. | No. of Wickets. | Average. |
|---|---|---|---|
| F. D'Arcy ... | 396 | 38 | 10.4 |
| B. Fitzgerald | 203 | 13 | 15 6 |
| W. McDonald | 70 | 10 | 7. |
| J. Henerie ... | 75 | 9 | 8.3 |

Note.—Owing to the great call on our space, we have been reluctantly compelled to abridge the reports of the cricket matches of the Second and Third Elevens.

*Fort Street Training School B Team v. St. Ignatius' College B Team.*
This match was played at Riverview on February 13th, and ended in a draw. Scores—St. Ignatius' College, 111 (F. D'Arcy 31, D. O'Connor 22, J. Curran 16); Fort-street Training School, 32 for 4 wickets (H. O'Connor 10 not out).

*Essington C.C. v. St. Ignatius' College B Team.*
Played on our ground on February 20th, and resulted in a win for the College team by 31 runs. F. D'Arcy deserves special mention for his bowling, obtaining 7 wickets for 13 runs. Scores—Essington C.C., 28 (Riva 11); St. Ignatius' College, 59 (Ryan, not out) 20.

*Ashfield Waratah C.C. v. St. Ignatius' College B Team.*
Played on our ground, and resulted in a win for the visitors. Scores—Ashfield Waratah C.C., 86 (A. Wilson 27, T. Johnson 13, W. Sharpe 12, T. Corcane 11); St. Ignatius' College, 46 (F. D'Arcy 11, J. Curran 10).

*King's School B Team v. St. Ignatius' College B Team.*
This match was played at Riverview on March 5th, and resulted in a win for the College team by 5 wickets and 14 runs. Scores—King's School, 45 (Moore 15); St. Ignatius' College, 69 (Curran 37 not out, O'Brien 13, Henerie 12).

*Glenmore A. C.C. v. St. Ignatius' College B Team.*
Played at Riverview, and resulted in a draw. Scores—St. Ignatius' College, 53 (D. O'Connor 17, J. Henerie 13); Glenmore A. C.C., 25 (Hildebrandt 10).

*Sydney Grammar School B Team v. St. Ignatius' College B Team.*
A match played at Riverview on Wednesday, March 12th, resulting in a draw. Scores—Sydney Grammar School, 116 (Ahearn, not out, 30 Stephenson 22, Curphy 17, Paul 12); St. Ignatius' College, no wickets for 15 (O'Connor 11).

*Eton College 1st Eleven v. St. Ignatius' College B Team.*
This match was played at Riverview on Wednesday, March 23rd, and resulted in a win for our team by 19 runs. R. Maloney's bowling average of 7 wickets for 14 runs was a feature of the match. Scores—Eton College C.C., 24 (A. Marsden 14); St. Ignatius' College, 43 (J. Ryan 10).

*Kingston C.C. v. St. Ignatius' College B Team.*
Played at Riverview on March 26th, and ended in an easy win for the visitors. Scores—St. Ignatius' College, 64 (J. Lynch 29); Kingston C.C., 75 (H. Allt 42, J. Duguid 14).

*Fort Street Training School B Team v. St. Ignatius' College B Team.*
Played at Riverview on April 2nd, and won by the former. Scores—St. Ignatius' College, 24; Fort-street Training School, 57. In their second innings the College had lost 6 wickets for 63 runs (J. O'Donnell 43, not out) when time was called.

*Trinity C.C. v. St. Ignatius' College B Team.*
Played at Riverview on April 23rd. Our captain declared the innings closed with 8 wickets down for 78 runs. Scores—St. Ignatius' College, 78 (B. FitzGerald 25, R. Maloney 19, J. Curran 10, J. Corrigan 10, not out); Trinity C.C., 52 (J. Lee 27, M. Willis 12).

*Kingston C.C. v. St. Ignatius' College B Team.*
Played on our ground, and won by the former. Scores—St. Ignatius' College, 67 (D'Arcy 15); Kingston C.C., 87 (Jones 38, White, 14).

*Training School B Team v. St. Ignatius' College B Team.*
A match played on our ground on October 8th, and won by the former. Scores—Training School, 129 (Matthews 62, White 36); St. Ignatius' College, 92 (J. Lynch 51).

*Lark, Sons & Co. C.C. v. St. Ignatius' College B Team.*

A mixed team, consisting of the first and second elevens, played Lark, Son and Co. C.C. on October 15th, and won by 3 wickets and 67 runs. Scores—St. Ignatius' College, 135 (J. Davidson 38, F. Dynon 39, B. FitzGerald 19 not out, J. Henerie 15); Lark, Sons & Co., C.C., 68 (T. Hoskinson 13, W. Galloway 12 not out, E. Sippie 11).

*Glenmore B C.C. v. St. Ignatius' College B Team.*

A match was played at Riverview between the above teams, and resulted in a draw. The principal feature of this match was the bowling of our captain, who secured 5 wickets for 14 runs. Scores—Glenmore C.C., 168 (Hagan 48, Alexander 34, Fotheringham 24, Brook 16); St. Ignatius' College, 31 for 1 wicket (Lynch 12).

*Kingston C.C. v. St. Ignatius' College B Team.*

This match was played at Riverview, and was won by the former. Scores—Kingston C.C., 125 for 5 wickets (S. Jones 33, C. White 26, A. Paul 20, J. Duguid 10); St. Ignatius' College, 66 (D. Prendergast 13, I. Blake 13 not out, J. Lynch 12, J. Corrigan 10).

*North Shore Church of England Grammar School B Team v. St. Ignatius' College B Team.*

This match was played at Riverview on November 5th, and was won rather easily by the College team. The principal features of the match were the brilliant batting of J. Lynch and the bowling of W. McDonald, who obtained 6 wickets for 7 runs. Scores—St. Ignatius' College, 167 (Lynch 45, Carey 39, Ryan 20); North Shore C.E. Grammar School, 38 (Rose 12). The Grammar School had to follow on, and in their second innings had lost 6 wickets for 38 runs.

*St. Jude's C.C. v. St. Ignatius' College B Team.*

This match was played at Riverview on November 19th, and resulted in a draw. Scores—St. Ignatius' College, 140 (I. Blake 45 not out, W McDonald 45); St. Jude's C.C., 46 (FitzGerald 21, Brownrigg 16 not out).

*Newington College B Team v. St. Ignatius' College B Team.*

This match was played at Riverview on November 26th, and resulted in a draw. Scores—Newington College, 155 (Rigg 47, Cunninghame 33, Curlewis 18, Cowlishaw 16, Smith 12); St. Ignatius' College, 79 for 7 wickets (Blake 24, D'Arcy 17, McDonald 12).

## THIRD ELEVEN, 1892.

*President:* Rev. J. Tuite.

*Committee:*

J. Haydon, H. Perkins, F. Rourke, R. Henerie, H. Manning.

*Captain and Hon. Sec.:* F. Rourke.

*Scorer:* B. McEvoy. *Umpire:* F. Deery.

This season's cricket has been exceptionally favourable, as reference to the scores plainly shows. Out of the nine matches played six were won, two lost, and one drawn.

REMARKS.

F. Rourke, captain, very good bat, splendid wicket-keep.
J. Haydon, excellent bat, very good field.
H. Perkins, very good bat, fine leg-break bowler.

H. Manning, very good bat and field.
R. Henerie, good bat, excellent field.
F. McDonald, very good bat and field.
D. Cameron, fair bat, excellent bowler, and good field.
P. Johnson, stylish bat, very good field.
W. Fallon, fair bat, excellent field.
J. Brown, big hit and efficient change bowler.
A. Deery, good bat, lazy field.
J. Burke, 1st emergency, fair bat, very good field.

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Following are the matches, with their respective scores:—

*Middle Harbour C.C. v. St. Ignatius' College Third.*

This match was played at Riverview on February 13th, and resulted in a win for the College team by 2 wickets and 36 runs. Scores—Middle Harbour C.C., 83 (Liggins 18, Amplett 15, Dawson 13, Lusk 10); St. Ignatius' College, 119 for 8 wickets (H. Perkins 42, F. Rourke 19, H. Manning 16, J. Haydon 12).

*Eton College First C.C. v. St. Ignatius' College Third.*

The Eton College A team met St. Ignatius' College Third at Riverview on February 27th, and were defeated by 14 runs. B. Fitzgerald (52 not out) for St. Ignatius' College, and Waddy (31 not out) for Eton College, batted well. Scores—Eton College C.C., 73; St. Ignatius' College, 87.

*Rossmore C.C. v. St. Ignatius' College Third.*

These teams met at Riverview on Saturday, April 22nd. The College team went first to the wickets, and made 36. The Rossmore C.C. then remained in till the call of time, made 44 for the loss of 2 wickets, thus winning the match by 8 wickets and 8 runs.

*Claremont C.C. v. St. Ignatius' College Third.*

The Claremont C.C. sustained a rather severe defeat at the hands of St. Ignatius' College on April 30th, on the Riverview grounds. Scores—Claremont C.C., 32; St. Ignatius' College, 62 for 5 wickets (J. Haydon 24, A. Davidson 12 not out, F. Rourke 11).

*Claremont C.C. v. St. Ignatius' College Third.*

This match was played at Riverview on September 24th, and resulted in a win for the Claremont C.C. by 3 runs. Scores—Claremont C.C., 78 (Cargill 36, Evans 15, Rovohal 10); St. Ignatius' College, 75 (J. Haydon 36, F. Rourke 13).

*Grammar School Third v. St. Ignatius' College Third.*

This match was played at Riverview on October 8th, and resulted in a draw, the College team not finishing their innings. Scores—Sydney Grammar School C.C., 129 (E. Newton 61, Kiss 25, P. Newton 22); St. Ignatius' College, 62 for 6 wickets (J. Haydon 23).

*Merton C.C. v. St. Ignatius' College Third.*

This match was played at Riverview on October 15th, and resulted in a win for the College team by 7 wickets and 75 runs. Scores—Merton C.C., 25; St. Ignatius' College, 100 for 3 wickets (H. Manning 38, J. Haydon 37).

*Elderslie C.C. v. St. Ignatius' College Third.*

This match was played by the above teams at Riverview on Saturday, November 19th, and resulted in a win for the College team by 6 wickets and 22 runs. Scores—Elderslie C.C., 74 (A. Anderson 18, Hogg 15, Moore 11); St. Ignatius' College, 96 for 4 wickets (H. Manning 45, F. McDonald 28, J. Haydon 15).

*Merton C.C. v. St. Ignatius' College Third.*

This match was played at Riverview on Saturday, October 28th, and was won by the latter by 6 wickets and 6 runs. Scores—Merton C.C., 41 (Alcock 10); St. Ignatius' College, 47 (F. McDonald 14, H. Perkins 11 not out).

## A Second-Rate School.

VERY early in the cricket season, an article appeared in a Sydney sporting paper, which, I consider, should not be allowed to pass without some comment in the pages of *Alma Mater*. The writer, a well-known intercolonial cricketer, after making certain remarks on the performances of what he was pleased to classify as the "first-class schools," paid us the doubtful left-handed compliment of giving us the first place amongst the "second" class schools. We do not wish to introduce here the question of the good taste of dragging the name of our college into the columns of a newspaper in this manner, without any consent of the authorities of the college, or indeed without going to the trouble of asking for any particulars regarding our cricket club. We think it better to leave aside entirely the question of good taste, and confine ourselves to the question of fact.

Now, it is hardly necessary to say that for years our first eleven has been regarded as a first-class school team; and I trust that before the gentleman referred to again reviews school cricket, he will at least ascertain the names of the recognised first-class schools. It is certainly misleading to include in a return of first-class school performances scores and bowling averages made against a third-class school team.

And it is still more ridiculous to classify us as second-rate, and at the same time to qualify as first-class a team that has never beaten our first eleven, and has repeatedly suffered severe defeat at the hands of our second team.

Owing to the misleading nature of the article in question, I found it necessary, in justice to our team, to write to Mr. Cohen, when he was arranging the All Schools v. Zingari match, and explain the real state of the case; and I think that the success of our representatives in that match is a sufficient answer to the conclusions arrived at in the article contributed to the sporting paper.

The result of our recent match with the Sydney Grammar School—an undoubtedly first-class team—is still further an indication of our position.

A regulation adopted by the delegates from the leading schools requires that the premiership shall be decided in home-and-home matches. Owing to our school time-table, and to the insuperable objection the college authorities have to allow the games to interfere in the smallest degree with the study or class hours, we are unable to play home-and-home matches; but if on that account we are technically debarred from competing for the premiership, we are certainly not to be graded lower, as a team, than every school that does compete under the conditions of the regulations. After all, performances are the test of a team's merit, and we are always content to admit when we are defeated, and heartily acknowledge the superiority of our conquerors.

J. R. DAVIDSON, Captain of the Eleven.

# RUGBY FOOTBALL.

*President:*
Rev. H. E. Cock, S.J.

*Captain:* E. Dalton. *Hon. Sec. & Treas.:* J. H. D'Arcy.

*Committee:*

J. H. D'Arcy. | J. Davidson.
E. Dalton. | F. Dynon.
J. Lynch.

Our Football record for 1892 may be summed up in five words —Rugby was a great success. After some deliberation the Superiors consented that the boys should change from Australian rules to Rugby; but even the warmest advocates of the change did not anticipate that we would be able to play the new game this season with any degree of proficiency. Various gentlemen from outside assured us rather patronisingly that we would be all right "after a time," the meaning of which seemed to be that next year, perhaps, we might be able to hold our own against the other schools, but that certainly we could not expect to do much this year. They did not calculate on the power of new born enthusiasm to work wonders even in a football team. The boys set to work with a will. No opportunity of playing a practice match was neglected, the play of visiting teams was closely studied, something new was learned every week. Training was gone in for vigorously, pastry forsworn, and we think the offer made by one of the team to eat all that would be left by the others was not seriously intended—even he abstained from all delicacies not calculated to improve wind or muscle. And now that the season is over and confectionery may be indulged in without scruple the A team can boast of a record of 11 matches played, 6 won, 4 lost and 1 drawn. We come next to the Premiers—King's School—and they only beat us in the final tussle by 6 points. Of the four matches lost one was against the Wallaroo, the champion senior team of the colony for 1892 (we managed to score 5 points against them), another was against Arfoma F.C., and the two others against King's School. We played three matches against King's. Our first took place early in the season before we knew much of the game. They beat us by eleven points to four, their scores against other schools up to that time being generally about 30 to *nil*. Mr. Corr of the King's School wrote to us saying that their full team was present, except Manchee, the crack quarter, and that we were the first school to score against them this season. After Midwinter we played another match arranged for the first teams of both schools, and beat King's by 13 points to 5, but they took exception to our report supplied to the press, and claimed that seven of their first team were absent, their places being filled by men from the B team. We

accordingly gave this information to the press and acceded to their request for another match. This time everyone of their first team was present including Manchee, while Corrigan and Rudd had to stand out from ours on account of injuries received in practice. The match was spoiled by heavy rain at half time. King's won by 6 points to *nil*, chiefly owing to our forwards not giving the back men opportunities to score, although every credit is due to our opponents for their exceedingly fine play. The report of the match in the *Referee*, strangely enough, said that this was the first time first fifteens of the two schools had met this season, and a report in the *Sydney Morning Herald* stated that Sydney Grammar School was the only one which had scored against King's. How these statements could have been sent to the press are things that "no fellah can understand."

We have hardly room to mention individual players but I. O'Donnell deserves a word of praise for the grand game he always played at half back. Once "Iggy" got going it was very hard to stop him, while his kicking was wonderful. It was rather amusing to see the journal of another college taking credit for one of their players having "staggered Iggy" in a certain match before he got over the touch line. Dick Dalton made a good captain.

This year we had a B and a C team in Football. Five matches were arranged for the former, but only two were played. We had to cancel one with King's School B team so as to play a third match with their firsts, and the Hunter's Hill F.C. did not turn up for their two engagements. We beat St. Aloysius' by 39 points to 3, and were beaten by Newington B team 3 points to *nil*. Our captain, J. Ryan, protested against this score on the ground that the player who got the touch was off side, but the protest was disallowed.

The third or C team had hard luck. In the first place the proper C team had to fight for an existence as the fourth team jumped the title and proceeded to arrange matches with the C teams of other schools. In an unguarded moment the fourth team consented to play the third for the title of C team of the college. The match caused a deal of excitement amongst the boys and was won by the third team by 9 points to 3. Two matches were then arranged with North Shore Grammar School and Newington College. When the time came to play North Shore it was found that the fourth team had complicated matters by arranging another match with them for boys under 15. Some correspondence and telegrams were exchanged over the matter and feeling ran high between the two teams, but finally the clerk of the weather threw cold water on the match and it fell through. The other match with Newington proved somewhat of a surprise as our visitors brought up their B team instead of their C team. We did not ascertain this until the match was over, consequently our boys were overmatched by their weightier opponents and lost by 14 points.

Altogether the Football season has been very successful. It was full of incident and excitement and finished up with a grand record. We hope our successors of next year will keep the ball rolling and improve on our performances for the honour of St. Ignatius'.

JOHN H. D'ARCY,
Hon. Sec.

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## COMMENTS ON THE RUGBY TEAM, '92.

(BY ONE OF THE TEAM.)

E. Dalton, an energetic captain, makes a dashing forward and punts splendidly.

Ig. O'Donnell, the lion of the team, plays half back, takes his pass swiftly, an excellent tackler and very hard to be collared. The best kick in the team.

J. D'Arcy, hon. sec., a useful three-quarter, runs fast, dodges well.

A. Rudd, another three-quarter, relieves his line with well judged boundary kicks.

J. O'Brien, our full back, a certain tackler and sure kick. Plays a very plucky game.

F. Dynon, wing half, has plenty of foot, punts well.

D. Corrigan, a hard working forward, keeps a cool head, tackles very well. Our best man in the scrums.

C. Cullinane, a fast forward. Plays with great dash. Collars well and is very hard to hold.

J. Lynch, a trusty forward, a grand man on the "line out," feeds his backs well.

T. Sexton, an untiring forward, works well in the scrums.

J. Shearer, a fast wing forward, takes his pass well and does good general work.

T. Hurley, plays well outside the scrums. Tackles and dribbles well.

J. R. Davidson, centre half, plays a cool game, dodges splendidly, and kicks well for field goals.

R. Smythe, a hard working member of the team, kicks well and always brings his man down.

G. McMahon, forward, follows up well, feeds fast out of scrum.

### *Hunter's Hill* v. *St. Ignatius' College.*

The above match (Rugby Rules) was played at Riverview on Queen's Birthday, and resulted in a win for the Collegians by eight points to nil. Owing to the rain during the forenoon the ground was rather slippery. Despite this the match was contested under fairly favourable circumstances. During the first half the ball was mostly confined to the visitors' goal, scrums being frequent. A free kick was awarded to the Collegians, and Davidson failed not to put the ball over the bar. On the ball being kicked off the visitors rallied, and after a good run by Christie, the ball was brought within kicking distance of the locals' goal; but the Collegians, after some very good passing, kicked the ball out of

bounds near the visitors' touch line just before half time was called. Play being resumed the game became very fast, some good runs being recorded by both sides. A few minutes before time Dynon got possession of the ball and potted a beautiful goal for the College. Davidson, Dynon, and D'Arcy among the backs, Corrigan, O'Brien, and Dalton amongst the forwards, played well for the College; whilst Gillies, Jackson, and Christie tried hard to avert defeat.—*Referee*, May 4th, 1892.

## *Newington College* v. *St. Ignatius' College.*

St. Ignatius' College and Newington College met at Riverview. It was the first time that St. Ignatius' College met any of the schools in the football field, as in previous years they had always played the Australian rules. Owing to the late decision of their superiors, the boys have only been practising the Rugby rules for the last three weeks, and accordingly there was great curiosity to see whether they would show to as good advantage in Rugby as the Australian game. Newington are confessedly a very strong team, and are expected to make a close finish of it for the premiership this season. On account of being so late in arranging their matches, the St. Ignatius' team are not entered for the premiership. The day was fine, and the ground in good order. The ball was kicked over the line by Newington, but was promptly returned by O'Donnell. Warden secured the ball, and did a neat run, being finally brought down by Lynch by a good tackle. Hurley passed to Davidson, who did a serviceable run. Dalton dribbled over the Newington line, and the defenders forced. Davidson secured the ball from the kick, and did a good run, being brought down by Guy. Riverview now worked the ball on the Newington line, by a run of D'Arcy. A scrum was formed here, but Newington soon had the ball in the centre. Davidson took a long shot from the field, which missed the posts. A scrimmage was formed in front of Riverview goal, but Lynch worked well, and the goal was saved. The ball was kicked out by Davidson, and Angus secured it, but was brought down by Casey. Half-time was then called. On resuming, Dalton kicked into touch, and Buzby securing did a long run and passed to Warden, who was brought down by D'Arcy. After some exciting scrimmages and fast play on both sides, time was called. Both teams were well represented, and the play was very even throughout, Riverview, if anything, having the advantage, as they forced the ball into their opponents' territory a greater number of times. No points were gained on either side. The best players for Riverview were Davidson, D'Arcy, Hurley, Dalton, Dynon, O'Donnell, Toohey, Smythe, Rudd, Casey, and Corrigan. Newington played a good game, their passing was excellent, and they evidently knew better than their opponents how to work the ball out of a scrimmage. Warden, Cowlishaw, Buzby, Angus, and Guy were noticeable for their play.—*Sydney Morning Herald*, May 31st, 1892.

## *North Shore Grammar School* v. *St. Ignatius' College.*

Teams representing the St. Ignatius' College and North Shore Grammar School football clubs met at Riverview on Saturday. The teams were well matched, and when they were ready for the kick-off it could be seen that their weights were about equal. The Grammar School boys got away with the ball, and got it well into the College territory, but Rudd, by a smart run, soon put it in safety. The superior passing of the visitors at once began to tell, and notwithstanding the collaring of their opponents, they got the ball dangerously near the College line. Dynon (Riverview) here got the ball, and passing to O'Donnell, put it out of bounds near their opponents' goal. The North Shore lads passed to Clarke, who, after a splendid run, was collared by Casey. O'Donnell, for Riverview, got the ball out of the ruck, and after getting through the

North Shore team in style, kicked a goal from about half way. On the ball being kicked off Cox did a very good run along the wing, and was only collared about five yards from the College line by O'Brien. Rudd passed to O'Donnell and got the ball away from the line. Shortly afterwards Pockley had a try for a goal from the field, but did not succeed in scoring. The running of Cox and Clarke made the game very lively, Davidson playing well for the local team. The dribbling of Casey, together with the collaring of Corrigan, got the ball into the Grammar School territory; but on its being kicked out of bounds half-time was called, the score standing 4 to nil. On play being resumed Clarke got away, but Casey quickly brought him down, and passed to Shearer, who brought the ball almost on to the Grammar School line. Cox got away with the ball, but was brought down by Shearer, who then passed to O'Donnell. Having brought the ball into close proximity to the visitors' goal, O'Donnell passed to Corrigan, who took it nicely, did a smart run, and got it over the line, but here it was forced by Barton. Davidson now got the ball from the kick out, and after running and taking a shot at the goal, caught a bad cramp and had to retire. Dalton worked well in the scrimmages right through the game, and was ably seconded by Corrigan. Cullinane also did good work. Towards the end of the game Cox and Pockley made the game very lively on the Grammar School side. The better condition of the North Shore lads told greatly in the second half. Time was called with the score at 4 to nil. For the winners, Davidson, O'Donnell, Dynon, and D'Arcy among the backs, Dalton and Corrigan in the forwards, deserve mention; while Clarke, Cox, Pockley, Jones, and Barton played best for the losers.—*Sydney Morning Herald*, June 7th, 1892.

## *Newington College B Team* v. *St. Ignatius' College B. Team.*

This match was played on the latter's ground, Riverview, on Wednesday afternoon, and resulted in a win for Newington after a very exciting tussle by 3 points to nil. As this was the first match of the Riverview B team they deserve great praise for the plucky game they played against their heavier opponents. The ball being kicked off by Newington, was quickly returned by Toohey, and the Riverview forwards soon carried it down to their opponents' 25 with a strong rush. By good dribbling and passing the Newingtonians slowly forced it back, but Ryan relieved with a fine run, being neatly collared by Jackson. The play was then confined to the centre, and was of a very even character on both sides. Drummond, from behind the scrum, passed to Hicks, who, taking a pot at the goal, failed to score. Toohey sent it back with a long kick, while McEvoy, putting in a couple of splendid runs for Riverview, was collared, when almost scoring, by Connell. Newington was then obliged to force to avoid a forward rush. Harris passed to Allen, who did a serviceable run, being splendidly collared by Casey. The Newington forwards, with a strong rush, seemed certain to score, but Riverview forced. Half-time was then called, neither side having scored, the chief points of the play being Newington's forward work and the Riverview kicking and passing, especially that of J. Curtin. The ball was kicked off by Fitzpatrick at the resumption of play, and returned by Harris. Again the play was very much confined to the centre, but the Riverview boys carried it to their opponents' quarters by smart dribbling. Jeffries, getting away with the ball, put in a good run, being brought down by Nowlan. Casey relieved his goal by a sound kick. The kicking of the Riverviewers altogether nonplussed their weightier opponents. Mitchell, of Newington, failed to score off a free kick. The game now became very fast, especially amongst the forwards. Wills-Allen succeeded in crossing the Riverview goal-line in the last few minutes. The St. Ignatius' captain, Ryan, appealed for off-side, but it was disallowed by the umpire. Jeffries failed to score off the try. Time was then called, the scores standing—

Newington, 3 points; Riverview, nil. For the Riverview boys O'Brien, Toohey, Ryan, Nowlan, amongst the backs, while Casey, McEvoy, McMahon and Conley in the forwards are particularly deserving of mention. For the winners, Connell, Hicks, Harris, and Jackson of the back men, and Wells, Allen, Jeffries, and Drummond in the forwards played well. W. G. Broad, of Newington, officiated as umpire.—*Australian Star*, June 10th, 1892.

## *King's School* v. *St. Ignatius' College.*

The King's School team journeyed to Riverview on Saturday to give St. Ignatius' a game. The match not being for the Schools' Trophy, Manchee was away playing for Wallaroo. The game resulted in a win for the King's School by 11 points to 4, the St. Ignatius' team showing that they have made great progress in the Rugby game. The exceptionally fine kicking of the College boys was of immense service to them, as time after time when their line was assailed, a long kick into touch relieved it. The School was naturally more at home in the passing game, and gave a really good exhibition of it. The first score was made by A. Bond, who got a good pass from Gardner, and ran in. No goal resulted, and no further scoring took place in the first half, in spite of fine runs made by Gardner, Moore, and Bond. Soon after the commencement of the second half O'Donnell kicked a splendid goal from nearly half-way. After some good runs by Shearer (St. I.) Moore and Bond (K.S.), McPhail started some good passing, which ended in Moore running in. F. Bond was successful with the kick. McPhail and Bond (K.S.) made good runs, the latter crossing the line but losing the ball. Shearer (St. I.) got clear away, and was stopped close to the line by Moore. The K.S. forwards now got on their passing game, the result of which was another try, got by F. Bond. The kick for goal failed, and soon afterwards the whistle sounded "no-side." For St. Ignatius' O'Donnell, Davidson, Dynon, Cullinane, Shearer, and Smythe were most prominent, and for the King's School, Gardner, Moore, White, Lowcock, Waddy, F. Bond, and McPhail. Mr. M. Arnold satisfied everybody as umpire.—*Referee*, June 15th, 1892.

## *Arfoma* v. *St. Ignatius' College.*

Arfoma, having an off day, journeyed to Riverview, and met the St. Ignatius' College boys. The game throughout was fast and open, and resulted in an easy win for Arfoma by 19 points to nil. The College boys, though only novices at Rugby, played a good game, their kicking being especially prominent. After the match the visitors were hospitably entertained by the Rev. Father Gartlan.—*Sydney Morning Herald*, June 21st, 1892.

## *Balmain Ormonde* v. *St. Ignatius' College.*

The St. Ignatius' College and Balmain Ormonde tried conclusions at Riverview on Wednesday. The match terminated in favour of the Collegians by 1 point, the scores being 9 to 8. The Collegians did not play as well as usual in many respects, but their passing was an improvement on the ordinary. Dynon (two tries) and Shearer one were the scores for the College team; Wade one and Sievewright one doing the same service for the losers, Beech kicking a goal off Sievewright's touch. Davidson, Dynon, and O'Brien, among the backs, and Shearer and Dalton in the forwards, performed good service for the local team; Wade, Beech, Sanders, and Sievewright doing the same for the visitors. Mr. G. Miller, of the Zealandias, gave every satisfaction as umpire.—*Australian Star*, June 23rd, 1892.

## *Wallaroo A Team* v. *St. Ignatius' College.*

Wallaroo A (senior team) played St. Ignatius' at Riverview. They were far too good for the College boys, and had things pretty much their own way from start to finish. The local team, however, managed to get a touch and to kick a goal from it, thus getting 5 points against their opponents' 35.

## *Neutral Bay II.* v. *St. Ignatius' College.*

Teams representing the St. Ignatius' College and Neutral Bay II. met at Riverview on Saturday, the match ending in the defeat of the latter by 14 points to nil. Several of the Bay's team were absent, so their places were supplied by substitutes from the College seconds, of whom Nowlan showed best form. The Collegians defeated their opponents by 14 points to nil, the scorers being O'Donnell 3 and Lynch 1 try. There was a maul between Lynch and McDermott; the former, however, obtained the ball and scored a try. Since their last match the College lads have much improved in passing and collaring, Casey showing much skill in dribbling. For the winners, O'Donnell, Lynch, O'Brien, Dalton, Casey, and Smythe deserve mention. Norris, Hughes, Trimble, Rapier, and Nowlan played well for the visitors.—*Referee*, August 3rd, 1892.

## *King's School* v. *St. Ignatius' College.*

The St. Ignatius' College and King's School met at Riverview on Saturday, the match ending in a decisive victory for the Riverview lads by 13 points to 5. Shortly after the kick-off, Moore went away with the ball, and got over the line, but he was forced out of touch. On the kick-out the Collegians did some very pretty passing, which showed that they had greatly improved in that respect since the last match with the School, Smythe, by a good run and kick; brought the ball to the College line. where a scrum was formed. Dynon passed to O'Donnell from the ruck who scored a try after passing clean through the King's backs. Taking the kick from a difficult angle he scored a splendid goal. Gardiner ran nicely after the kick-off, passing through most of the locals, but was collared by O'Brien. Smith ran and passed to Moore, who was collared on the College line, where a scrum was formed. O'Donnell getting the ball from the ruck ran, and was collared at the 25 post by Smith. Casey dribbled well, and, picking the ball up, ran and passed, after which the ball went out of bounds. Half-time was then called, the score standing 5—0. In the second half the game was made very fast by the running and kicking of both teams. The scrums told greatly on both sides, Cullinane and Casey working hard for the Collegians. Gardiner passed to Smith, who, by a smart run, brought the ball on to the Collegians' line and passed to Gardner, who took a flying shot at the goal, and made a splendid attempt, but failed to score. Cullinane and Casey worked the ball into the King's School territory, and Dynon, taking a kick at goal, failed, though making a fine attempt. Smith and Gardiner then got the ball into the College 25, and McPhail passing to Moore, the latter placed the ball behind the uprights; White, taking the kick, scored a fine goal. 5—5. Shortly afterwards, O'Donnell once more getting the leather, ran through the School lads, and scored another try. Taking the kick, he failed to increase the score. 8—5. Moore, after doing a fine run, was brought down by Hurley. Gardiner, however, obtained the ball, and got it out of danger. Lynch passed to O'Donnell, who ran and was collared on the line, where several scrums followed. O'Donnell then getting the ball from the scrum, passed the backs, and got behind the goal posts; Corrigan, taking the kick, potted a goal. 13—5. Shortly afterwards time was called. For the winners, Casey and Cullinane among

the forwards, and O'Donnell, Dynon, Smythe, and O'Brien among the backs, deserve mention, whilst Moore, Gardiner, Smith, White, McPhail, and Boosley tried hard to avert defeat. King's School have lost the two Bonds and Murray, who left at Midwinter, and two of their present team were absent on Saturday, their places being well filled by two of the B team. They also were at a disadvantage through having only re-opened school on Wednesday last. Davidson was absent from Riverview team, owing to a sprained ankle. Mr. Wilkinson gave satisfaction as umpire —*Referee*, August 10th, 1892.

## *Newington College* v. *St. Ignatius' College.*

St. Ignatius' College met Newington College on Saturday at Riverview, for the second time this season. A very fine game was played on both sides, the local team, if anything, having the advantage. O'Donnell did some excellent running and kicking, his play being of a very high order of merit. Dynon kicked a good goal from the field, and Lynch and D'Arcy showed a great improvement in form. The Riverview team never played as well before, their heeling-out from the scrum, passing, and running being beyond criticism. They should have obtained more pointsf but O'Donnell had bad luck, falling more than once when on the point o, scoring. Newington played a good game, Warden doing some fine runs, and Edwards also showing to advantage. Their backs were stronger than those of Riverview, and did some good work. When time was called the score stood—St. Ignatius', 7 points; Newington, nil. After the kick-off, Newington got the ball into their opponents' 25, whence it was returned by Smythe. A free kick was awarded to O'Donnell, who tried for goal, but failed to score. From the kick-out Dynon passed to O'Donnell, who, running through the backs, was collared on the line by Tasker. Edwards, for Newington, ran well, but was brought down by Lynch. Newington then, by fine passing, brought the ball on to the Riverview line, where it was carried back by Lynch and Casey. O'Donnell ran and passed to Dynon, who sent the ball over the bar. Warden got away with the ball after the kick-off, but O'Donnell and Dynon were about, and brought it back. Edwards now relieved his goal by a fine run. Dynon once more got the ball, but failed to score. D'Arcy dribbled the ball, and it went out of bounds near Newington line. In the second half Wright ran the ball well on to Riverview goal, but Sexton passing to Shearer, the latter ran along the line, and was forced out near touch. Shortland got the leather away, but O'Donnell getting through the backs, ran across. Losing the ball, he was followed by D'Arcy, who dropped on it and scored a try. No goal followed. O'Donnell once more cantered through the opposing backs, but, unfortunately, slipped and fell a few yards from the line. Newington did not score during the game, and Riverview had 7 points when "no side" was called. Mr. Buchanan, of Newington College, acted as umpire.—*Referee*, August 18th, 1892.

## *St. Aloysius' College* v. *St. Ignatius' College.*

This match was played at Riverview, and resulted in an easy victory for the latter by 39 points to nil. Riverview lads had things pretty much their own way from start to finish. Mr. E. Dalton officiated as umpire, and gave every satisfaction.

## *King's School* v. *St. Ignatius' College.*

The first fifteens of the King's School and St. Ignatius' College met at Riverview, and, in spite of heavy rain, a well-contested match resulted

the King's School winning by 6 points to nil. The feature of the game was the splendid combined play of the School forwards, who rushed the ball back to St. Ignatius' territory whenever the latter, by their long kicks had got it clear. The first incident of the game was a strong run by Moore to the College 25, where D'Arcy interrupted a pass, and relieved. The School forwards dribbled back from half-way, but lost the ball on the line, and a force resulted. The kick-out was a fine one, and being poorly returned, scrimmages ensued in the School territory, but the forwards changed the scene again, and Bond got away with a rush to the right wing, but passed forward. Manchee next made a fine dash, and might have got in, but he took a shot at goal instead and missed. Another fine kick-out and the School forwards, led by Murray, brought the play to half-way, when White made a splendid long pass to Manchee, who made straight for the line, and brushing aside all opposition, scored far out. No goal resulted, and soon after Davidson made a fine run for the College, till tackled by Bond. Some good play by the College backs resulted in the School having to force. A good run by Shearer was replied to by Waddy, Lowcock, and Murray, and Gardner took a long drop at goal, just missing by a foot. The same player then made a dodgy run close up to the goal line, St. Ignatius' again relieving by long punts. A neat series of passes by the School forwards ended in Bond getting a long throw from Gardner and rushing at full speed for the line, but O'Donnell took him right on the line, and as he failed to pass to Murray, who was in waiting, only a force resulted. During the interval a heavy shower fell, and the game had to be delayed. Soon after recommencing Moore got in at the right-hand corner, but as the man who tackled him knocked down the corner flag, the try was not allowed. Good punting by the College cleared their lines, till Bond made a run, and Gardner getting possession did some wonderful dodging and scored. White took the kick and hit the post. Manchee then took a mark and placed for Bossley, close to the touch line, and a magnificent kick just missed the goal. From this point to the end the game consisted in determined attacks on the College line, resisted by the fine defensive play of the College backs. Manchee slipped and fell when on the point of scoring, and Moore again seemed to have got in safely, but the line umpire thought his foot touched the line on the way. Only once in the second half the School territory was invaded, when O'Donnell made a good run, ending in a long punt. For St. Ignatius', O'Donnell, D'Arcy, and Davidson were prominent, and the long kicking and sure tackling of the team were very useful in their defence. The winning team played one of their best games of the season, the rushes of the forwards led by Murray, Waddy, and Lowcock proving irresistible, while the back division, consisting of Gardner, Manchee, Moore, Bond, Bossley, and McPhail (who retired hurt), played splendidly. Mr. W. Wade satisfied both sides with his decisions.—*Sydney Morning Herald*, August 31st, 1892.

## *Newington College Second* v. *St. Ignatius' (2nd and 3rd.)*

The game was well contested in the first part, but soon the weight of the Newington team told, and they had their opponents in difficulties. Gibbins scored rather an easy try, from which no goal resulted. Shortly after Angus made a good fending run from half-way, and scored second try, no goal being kicked from it. In the second half St. Ignatius' rallied, and Newington had to force twice, in consequence of the bad kicking of their back division. Moses scored third try for Newington, from which Angus kicked a goal. Just before time was called, Angus scored again for Newington, leaving them winners by 14 points to nil.—*Sydney Morning Herald*, September 3rd, 1892.

## FOOTBALL RECORD 1892.

| Date. | Against. | Result. | Details. |
|---|---|---|---|
| May 24..... | Hunter's Hill A ..... | Won ..... | 8 points to nil |
| May 28..... | Newington College A... | Drawn..... | —— |
| June 4..... | Ch. Eng. Gram. Schl. A | Won..... | 4 points to nil |
| June 8..... | Newington College B... | Lost..... | Nil to 3 points |
| June 11..... | The King's School A ... | Lost ..... | 4 points to 11 points |
| June 18..... | Arfoma ..... | Lost ..... | Nil to 19 points |
| June 22..... | Balmain Ormonde B ... | Won..... | 9 points to 18 points |
| June 25..... | Wallaroo A ..... | Lost ..... | 5 points to 35 points |
| July 30..... | Neutral Bay A ..... | Won ..... | 14 points to nil |
| August 6..... | The King's School A ... | Won ..... | 13 points to 5 points |
| August 13.... | Newington College A... | Won ..... | 7 points to nil |
| August 15.... | St. Aloysius' College A | Won ..... | 39 points to 3 points |
| August 27.... | The King's School A.... | Lost ..... | Nil to 6 points |
| August 31.... | Newington College C ... | Lost ..... | Nil to 14 points |

A Team—Matches played, 11; won, 6; lost 4; drawn 1.
B Team— „ „ 2; „ 1; „ 1 —
C Team— „ „ 1; „ 0; „ 1 —

JOHN H. D'ARCY, Hon. Sec.

## SECOND DIVISION.

*President:* Rev. J. Tuite, S.J.

*Committee:*

W. Fallon, H. Perkins, F. Rourke, B. McEvoy, J. McDonnell.

*Captain:* W. Fallon. *Hon. Sec.:* F. Rourke.

Ho! the famous football, up and down it goes,
Dashing o'er the daisies, past the friendly foes
Merry is the pastime, manly is the game;
Fairly played for honour, smartly played for fame.
In the spheric warfare, coolness is immense,
Like a flash attacking, steady on defence;
Selfishness is baseness, speed the ball away,
Trusting one another beautifies the play.
Dribbling in the centre, flying on the wing,
Screwing from the touch-line, shooting on the spring:
Glancing off the cross-bar, grazing either pole,
Rushing, crashing, dashing, boys—hurrah! another goal.

W. Fallon.

The introduction of Rugby into the College was hailed with very great satisfaction by the Second Division. It was owing to this change of rule that the secretary succeeded in arranging three matches, two of which were won and one lost. Following are the results:—

*Second Division A. Team v. Woodford F. C.*

This match was played at Riverview on Saturday, June 4th, and resulted in a win for the College team by 9 points to 3. For the winners F. Rourke

(1 try), J. L. Cox (2 tries), and W. Fallon played best; whilst for the losers, Buchanan (1 try), Newton, and Benjamin were most prominent.

*Second Division A. Team v. Bunyah F. C.*

The Bunyah F. C. journeyed to Riverview on Saturday, June 18th, and defeated the Second Division A. Team by 6 points; the scores, at the call of time, standing—Bunyah, 13 points, College, 7 points. When, shortly after the commencement of play, E. Thynne crossed the line for the College, it seemed as if they would easily defeat their heavier opponents; but the Bunyahs rallied, and obtained three touches in quick succession.

*Second Division A. Team v. Woodford F. C.*

The return match between these teams was played at Riverview on Saturday, August 6th, the College team again proving their superiority over the Woodford F. C. C. Power, R. Singer, W. Fallon, and G. Murphy scored tries for the College; whilst Buchanan scored one try for the Woodford F. C.

## Second Division Swimming Sports.

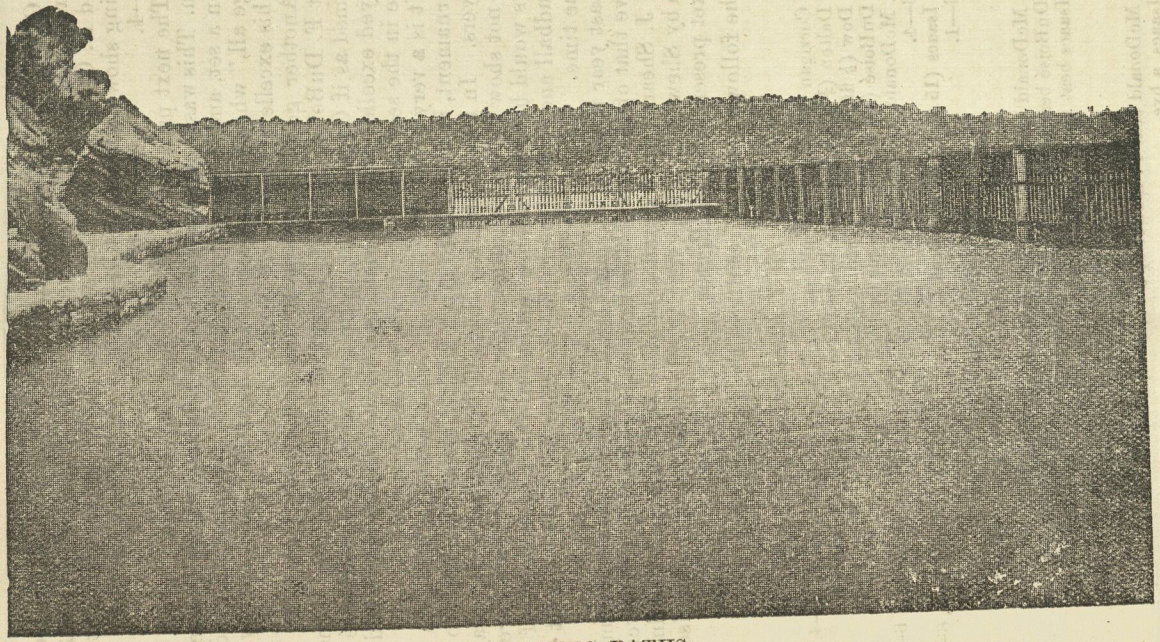
FAVOURED by a fine tide and lovely weather the II. Division Swimming Sports took place in the College Baths, on Sunday, November 27th. There were four events, viz., the Championship of the II. Division, Neat Dive, Under 12 Championship, Summer Handicap. Rev. Fr. Keating, Messrs. J. Davidson, and J. D'Arcy very kindly consented to discharge the duties of starter, umpire, and judge respectively. Following were the results:—

For the Championship of the II. Division only three started, viz., E. Thynne, P. Johnson, and F. McDonald. At the fall of the flag Johnson and McDonald got away well, but Thynne, making the best of a bad start, soon caught them; the three now kept going well together, till at half-way, McDonald fell off. A splendid race took place between Thynne and Johnson for the finish; but the latter, proving his superiority, soon drew away and won; Thynne being about four yards away.

Five, viz., J. D'Apicé, H. Gray, F. McDonald, P. Johnson, and H. Perkins competed for the Neat Dive. In the first round H. Gray and McDonald dived excellently; in the second round H. Gray's dive was undoubtedly the best; but in the third and last round, McDonald outclipsed all former feats by a magnificent dive, thus winning, with H. Gray second.

For the Championship (under 12) there were also three started, S. Hale A. Donnelly, and A. Thynne. They started with a spurt, Hale taking the lead, which he held through the race; Thynne was rapidly gaining on Donnelly, until within ten yards of home, when the latter again spurted, only to find Hale home before him. Hale, who is, by the way, a small lad, swam a very fine race.

SUMMER HANDICAP.—For this event there were eight competitors, viz., E. Thynne (scr.), F. McDonald (3 secs), P. Johnson (4 secs.), J. D'Apicé 5 secs.), H. Perkins (5 secs.), H. Gray (5 secs.), J. P. Cox (7 secs.), J. Walton (8 secs.) All eight started, the scratch man Thynne getting as bad a start in this race as he got in the Championship. He overhauled his men one by one until there were only two left, Cox and Johnson. Cox had a grand lead, and swam in as he liked; but another splendid finish occurred between Thynne and Johnson, the latter again coming off victorious.



SWIMMING BATHS.

# TENNIS TOURNAMENT.

Our annual Tennis Tournament was commenced on November 18th under very favorable auspices. On that date W. D'Apice and D. Corrigan met; this was a splendid game, excellent play being shown by both players. The result was Corrigan won, 6—4.

The next pair to step on the court were G. Dow and T. Sexton. This was the closest game of the tournament, each player had won a set, and in the third set both were five games all, "advantage all," when G. Dow completely beat his opponent by one of his excellent serves.

Another good game was in the second round when G. Dow met F. DuBoisé. Judging from the first set in this game, it seemed as if George had it all his own way, but F. DuBoisé who played excellently in all his heats, showed out to his full advantage in the second and third sets, which he won.

It is a very great pity more interest was not taken in this tournament, it would have given greater encouragement to the players. In fact I must say that during the year the players did not show too much interest for the game. I am sure the boys would have taken more interest in this tournament, if the Handball and Billiard tournaments were not going on at the same time.

Last year the play during the tournament was very much above that of this year. The final match between A. Shewcroft and J. Shearer was a grand exhibition of tennis, and was finally won by Shewcroft. This year W. McDonald won the handsome racket presented by the Rector.

The following are the results of the various games:—

*First Round.*

D. Corrigan (15 and ½ fifteen) beat W. D'Apice (scratch), 6—4, 6—4.
E. Dalton (¼ fifteen) beat I. Blake (15 and ½ fifteen), 6—4, 6—2.
G. Dow (½ fifteen) beat T. Sexton (15), 6—4, 2—6, 6—5.
F. DuBoisé (15) beat J. Shearer (scratch), 4—6, 6—5, 6—1.
W. McDonald (15 and ½ fifteen) beat W. Rogers (15 and ½ fifteen), 6—3, 6—4.
A. Isaacs (15 and ½ fifteen) beat J. D'Arcy (15 and ½ fifteen), 3—6, 6—5, 6—1.

*Second Round.*

W. McDonald beat E. Dalton, 4—6, 6—5, 6—3.
F. DuBoisé beat G. Dow, 3—6, 6—3, 6—4.
A. Isaacs beat D. Corrigan, 6—4, 4—6, 6—5.

*Third Round.*

W. McDonald beat F. DuBoisé, 1—6, 6—4, 6—3.
A. Isaacs, a bye.

*Final Round.*

W. McDonald beat A. Isaacs.



TENNIS COURT.

(The College Infirmary is Seen in the Back-ground.)

# HANDBALL.

*Committee :*

J. P. Healy, I. O'Donnell, J. E. Henerie.

Popular as was Handball last year, it was even more so this year and a new impetus was given to the game by the fact that a tournament was going to be held at the end of the year. Accordingly the committee found no difficulty in getting in 23 entries, and thanks to their efforts, several most exciting games were played in the tournament which ensued. In Healy we have certainly one of the best handballers that ever was at Riverview. The most exciting games in round I were those between McMahon and Corrigan, which were won by the latter, and between Hurley and Rudd, won by Hurley. In round II Davidson and O'Donnell played a rattling game, Davidson eventually winning by 2 points. Round III witnessed the best game of the tournament, that between Healy and Henerie, whose 9 points were of no avail to him. In the final Healy won rather easily from Davidson. The following are the full results :—

First Round.

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| J. Healy | scratch | —beat— | J. Lynch | 13 | points |
| J. Corrigan | 14 | points | G. McMahon | 11 | „ |
| P. O'Donnell | 14 | „ | J. D'Arcy | 14 | „ |
| J. O'Donnell | 9 | „ | A. Isaacs | 18 | „ |
| J. Henerie | 9 | „ | E. Dalton | 14 | „ |
| J. Shearer | 12 | „ | E. Cameron | 14 | „ |
| R. Maloney | 13 | „ | J. McEvoy | 13 | „ |
| T. Sexton | 14 | „ | A. Davidson | 14 | „ |
| I. Blake | 11 | „ | D. Prendergast | 13 | „ |
| E. Donnelly | 14 | „ | J. Toohey | 13 | „ |
| T. Hurley | 11 | „ | A. Rudd | 11 | „ |

Second Round.

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| J. Shearer | 12 | points—beat— | I. Blake | 11 | points |
| J. Healy | scratch | „ | E. Donnelly | 14 | „ |
| J. Henerie | 9 | points „ | T. Sexton | 14 | „ |
| P. O'Donnell | 13 | „ „ | R. Maloney | 13 | „ |
| J. Davidson | 10 | „ „ | J. O'Donnell | 9 | „ |
| J. Corrigan | 14 | „ „ | T. Hurley | 11 | „ |

Third Round.

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| J. Davidson | 10 | points—beat— | J. O'Donnell | 9 | „ |
| J. Healy | scratch | „ | J. Henerie | 9 | „ |
| J. Corrigan | 14 | points „ | P. O'Donnell | 13 | „ |

Semi-Final.

J. Healy ..... scratch—beat—J. Corrigan ..... 14 „

J. Davidson—a bye.

Final.

J. Healy—beat—J. Davidson.

## SECOND DIVISION.

The annual Handball Tournament for the Junior Division commenced on Thursday, November 16th, and continued till Wednesday, November 23rd, when a most exciting match for the final took place between R. Henerie and W. Fallon, the former eventually winning by one point. The handicappers deserve special praise for the excellent judgment and impartiality displayed by them in the dischargement of their difficult and all-important duties. The winner is the recipient of a handsome medal, and we hope that when he shall enter the arena, and contest for the championship of the world, he will prove himself worthy of Riverview and of "Our Alma Mater."

The winners of the various heats were as follows :—

*First Round.*

F. Rourke (7 points) beat J. P. Cox (11 points).
J. D'Apice (8 points) beat H. Kapus (15 points).
F. Deery (scratch) beat H. Perkins (11 points).
R. Henerie (scratch) beat A. Deery (8 points).
C. Power (6 points) beat F. Makinson (11 points).
W. Fallon (scratch) beat H. Manning (8 points).
P. Austin (12 points) beat J. Walton (10 points).
M. McGrath (15 points) beat H. Gray (12 points).
J. Toohey (10 points) beat F. McDonald (15 points).
W. Hale (8 points) beat J. Dunne (15 points).

*Second Round.*

R. Henerie (scratch) beat M. McGrath (5 points).
W. Fallon (scratch) beat J. Toohey (10 points).
J. Austin (12 points) beat F. Rourke (7 points).
F. Deery (scratch) beat W. Hale (8 points).
J. D'Apice (18 points) beat C. Power (6 points).

*Third Round.*

R. Henerie (scratch) beat J. D'Apice (8 points).
W. Fallon (scratch) beat F. Deery (scratch).
G. Austin, a bye.

*Semi-Final.*

R. Henerie (scratch) beat P. Austin (12 points).

*Final.*

R. Henerie (scratch) beat W. Fallon (scratch).

## Billiard Annual Tournament.

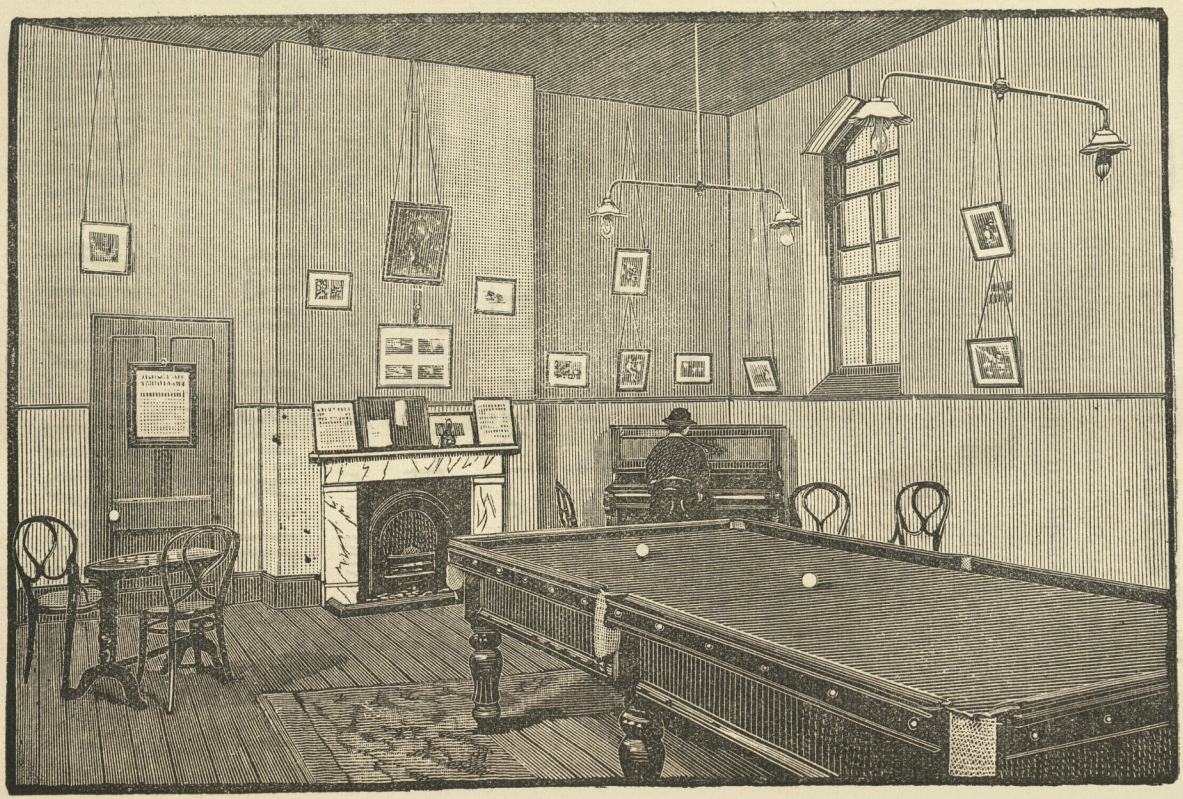
*Handicappers :*

D. J. Corrigan, E. B. Dalton, and J. J. Lynch.

The votaries of this most popular indoor game thought it advisable, that in accordance with the annual custom a tournament should be held. For this purpose, Messrs. Corrigan, Dalton and Lynch were selected by the members of the First Division for the rather thankless duties of handicappers. A very large number of entries were received, almost double those of last year, and the names included all the prominent players of the Division. On the handicaps making their appearance, they were eagerly scanned and criticised, but judging from the faces of the contestants all were satisfied with their starts and with their chance of annexing the prize. This seemed to augur well for the success of the tournament, and at the same time was highly flattering to the handicappers. The interest and excitement all through was very keen, for, notwithstanding the counter attractions of the Tennis and Football Tournaments, the room was always crowded, and the onlookers were quick to applaud a scientific stroke or a fine break. The most noticeable feature was the marked improvement of all the players on last year's form. In the first round, the two best games witnessed were those between J. D'Arcy (90 points) and G. Dow (65 points), the former winning by 1 point amidst great excitement; and between J. O'Brien (85 points) and J. Lynch (scratch), when the latter won by 5 points, after a very uphill game. In the second round a very close game was played between A. Isaacs (100) and P. O'Donnell (80), the former winning by 4 points; and much surprise was expressed when J. D'Arcy (90) beat J. Lynch who was one of the favourites. In the third round there were no very close finishes, but each game was keenly contested. A. Rudd, the final winner, was very fortunate in securing two consecutive byes. When the semi-final came on, the interest, judging by the crowds that rolled up, increased largely. A. Rudd (45 points) and G. Nowlan (55 points) won their heats, after very pretty games, both showing excellent form. For the final, favouritism was equally divided, however. Rudd proved too good for his opponent, and after a splendid game won by 6 points amidst great excitement. Appended are the results :—

*First Round.*

W. Rogers (60 points) beat J. Curtin (75 points)
J. Lynch (scratch) beat J. O'Brien (85 points)
P. O'Donnell (80) beat J. McDonnell (85 points)
J. D'Arcy (90 points) beat G. Dow (65 points)
E. Dalton (40 points) beat J. Corrigan (95 points)
Ig. O'Donnell (60 points) beat J. Shearer (65 points)
A. Isaacs (100 points) beat J. O'Connell (90 points)
E. Cameron (95 points) beat M. Casey (80 points)



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A. Davidson (95 points) beat R. Loneragan (95 points)
A. Rudd (45 points) beat C. McBride (70 points)
B. McBride (65 points) beat E. Donnelly (90 points)
S. Conley (85 points) beat J. Toohey (75 points)
G. Nowlan (55 points) beat T. Hurley (70 points)

*Second Round.*

A. Davidson (95 points) beat S. Conley (85 points)
G. Nowlan (55 points) beat E. Dalton (40 points)
J. D'Arcy (90 points) beat J. Lynch (scratch)
Ig. O'Donnell (60 points) beat B. McBride (65 points)
W. Rogers (85 points) beat E. Cameron (75 points)
A. Isaacs (100 points) beat P. O'Donnell (80 points)
Bye—A. Rudd

*Third Round.*

A. Davidson (95 points) beat Ig. O'Donnell (60 points)
G. Nowlan (55 points) beat A. Isaacs (100 points)
J. D'Arcy (90 points) beat W. Rodgers (85 points)
Bye—A. Rudd (45 points)

*Semi-Final.*

G. Nowlan (55 points) beat A. Davidson (95 points)
A. Rudd (45 points) beat J. D'Arcy (90 points)

*Final.*

A. Rudd (45 points) beat G. Nowlan (55 points)

J. LYNCH,
Hon. Sec.

## SECOND DIVISION BILLIARDS.

OWING to the number of counter attractions this year, one might think that such a game as billiards would be neglected. On the contrary, the liveliest interest was evinced in it by all; so that, when it was resolved to hold a tournament, all wielders of the cue—they are by no means a few—hailed it with delight. Their long-cherished hopes were realised, when, on Thursday, November 19th, the preliminary heat was played between H. Goold and D. Cameron, the latter winning by 9 points.

The most interesting heats were as follows:—

*First Round.*

H. Perkins (scratch) beat P. Austin (30 points)
P. Johnson (5 points) beat E. Thynne (5 points)
A. Deery (12 points) beat M. McGrath (8 points)
P. Power (30 points) beat W. Hale (10 points)
F. Deery (5 points) beat J. Burke (8 points)
H. Kapus (30 points) beat J. Toohey (15 points)

*Second Round.*

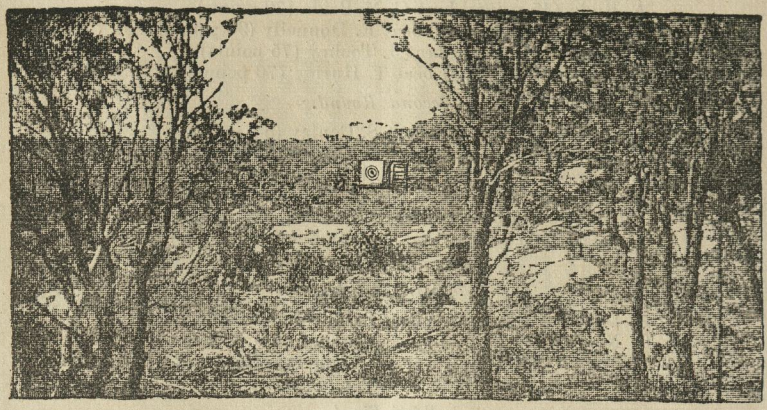
F. Deery (5 points) beat P. Johnson (5 points)
A. Deery (2 points) beat P. Power (30 points)
H. Perkins (scratch) beat A. Goold (5 points)

*Semi-Final.*

A. Deery (12 points) beat F. Deery (5 points)
Bye—H. Perkins (scratch)

*Final.*

H. Perkins (scratch) beat A. Deery (12 points)

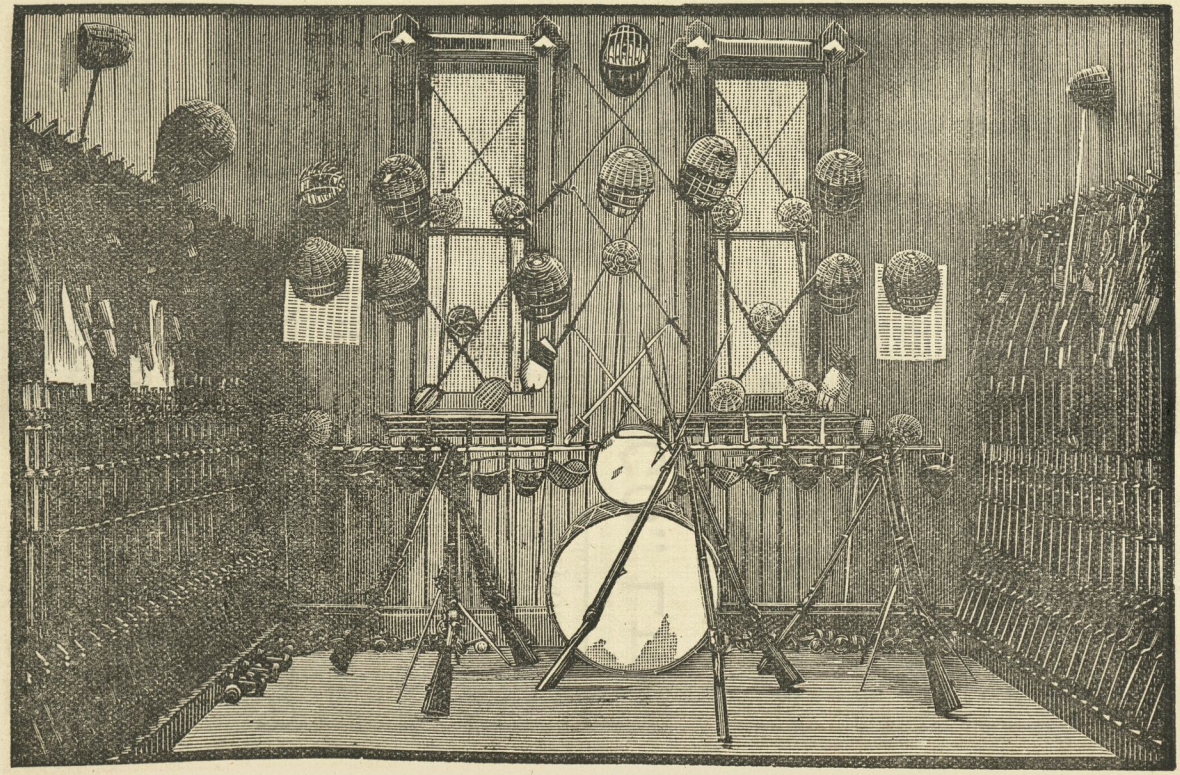


RIFLE RANGE.

## Cadet Corps.

(Contributed by Color-Sergt. J. H. D'Arcy.)

Thanks to the energetic manner in which the members performed their several duties we are pleased to say that the Corps is in a very flourishing condition. Our numbers this year have exceeded those of previous years, numbering from 85 to 90 rank and file, one color-sergeant, and four sergeants. We have not had many opportunities of showing what we can do in the new drill which has been lately published. It is a great improvement on the older drills, the rapid way in which movements are performed being very interesting. The shooting matches, reports of which are sub-joined were as usual shot at the College range. Owing to wet weather we were deprived of several outside matches and can consequently report only two. However, our disappointment was somewhat compensated for by two or three pleasant journeys to the Flemington and Randwick Rifle Ranges, where we enjoyed a quiet practice each time. On account of the Schools Challenge Shield being under different regulations, the school teams had to shoot in the three stages of "The Queen's." Through want of sufficient practice at the longer ranges our marksmen fell to pieces at the 600 and 700 yards. Of the three schools competing, the Sydney Grammar School once more came out on top, with Newington College a few points behind. Besides the badges for members of the winning team, prizes were awarded for the greatest individual score and the next highest individual score. Both trophies were valued at £2 and were the gifts of Major-General Richardson and Dr. Hurst. The highest individual score was that of Corporal Tange from the Sydney Grammar School; next to him was Color-Sergt.



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D'Arcy from our corps. The latter also scored 63 out of a possible 70 points in the Tyro, obtaining third place out of the total number of competitors, for which he received £5. The same marksman had the hard luck to be counted out for a £5 trophy for highest individual score at the 700yds range in the President's Match. Sergts. Dalton and Cullinane each obtained £1 in the Tyro and "Last Try" respectively. The Junior pupils shot two friendly Carbine matches against the Sydney Grammar School, and were defeated each time by a few points. There are at present some very promising shots among the Juniors.

On account of the very limited number of outside matches it was deemed advisable to have a number of private matches among ourselves, the scores of which were counted for the College Gold Medal for highest average at the end of the year. This is the second time Color-Sergt. D'Arcy has annexed this medal.

We cannot close our article without making special reference to the coaching and care bestowed on the team by Quarter-Master Sergt. Molloy. No one was more disappointed to see us lose the Schools' Shield than our generous coach. He was made the recipient of a handsome presentation at the hands of the Team as a slight mark of their esteem for his generous and indefatigable attention.

By order of the Commanding Officer the following promotions were made during the year:—Quarter-Master Sergt. D'Arcy to be Color-Sergt.; Corporal Dalton to be Sergt.; Cadets McMahon and Lynch to be Corporals.

## RIFLE MATCHES.

### Sydney Reserve R.C. *v.* St. Ignatius' College C.C.

This match was shot at Riverview on Wednesday, September 7th, and resulted in a win for the former by 44 points. Appended are the scores:—

| Sydney R.R.C. | 500 | 600 | Total |
|---|---|---|---|
| Private Windeyer ... | 29 | 31 | 60 |
| Private Board ... | 25 | 26 | 51 |
| Captain Barlee ... | 24 | 26 | 50 |
| Private Bowman ... | 26 | 24 | 50 |
| Private Henson ... | 27 | 23 | 50 |
| Private Knowles ... | 25 | 24 | 49 |
| Private Roberts ... | 21 | 27 | 48 |
| Private Butcher ... | 16 | 26 | 42 |
| Private Anderson ... | 19 | 20 | 39 |
| Private Bell ... ... | 21 | 15 | 36 |
| | 233 | 242 | 475 |

| St. Ignatius College C.C. | 500 | 600 | Total |
|---|---|---|---|
| Sergeant Cullinane | 30 | 33 | 63 |
| Color-Sergt J. D'Arcy | 29 | 24 | 53 |
| Sergeant Dalton ... | 27 | 25 | 52 |
| Q.M. Sergt. Molloy | 28 | 24 | 52 |
| Cadet Toohey ... | 24 | 19 | 43 |
| Cadet Nowlan ... | 18 | 23 | 41 |
| Mr. Anderson .. | 19 | 20 | 39 |
| Corporal McMahon | 20 | 19 | 39 |
| Cadet McDonald ... | 19 | 13 | 32 |
| Corporal Rudd ... | 6 | 11 | 17 |
| | 220 | 211 | 431 |

### Fairfield R.C. *v.* St. Ignatius' College C.C.

This match was shot at Riverview on Saturday, September 24th, between eight members of the Fairfield R.C. and a similar number from St. Ignatius' College C.C., and it resulted in a win for Fairfield by 34 points. Appended are the scores:—

| Fairfield R.C. | 500 | 600 | Total |
|---|---|---|---|
| Mr. W. Snipe ... | 30 | 28 | 58 |
| „ B. Harris ... | 25 | 32 | 57 |
| „ C. Morton .. | 28 | 27 | 55 |
| Captain Jacob ... | 32 | 23 | 55 |
| Mr. J. Asimus ... | 24 | 23 | 47 |
| „ H. Dreis ... ... | 30 | 17 | 47 |
| „ A. Thompson ... | 23 | 21 | 44 |
| „ W. Doran ... | 20 | 21 | 41 |
| | 212 | 192 | 404 |

| St. Ignatius' College. | 500 | 600 | Total |
|---|---|---|---|
| Color-S'gt. J. D'Arcy | 32 | 30 | 62 |
| Sergt. Cullinane ... | 28 | 28 | 54 |
| Cadet Toohey ... | 30 | 23 | 53 |
| Q.M. Sergt. Molloy | 25 | 25 | 50 |
| Sergt. Dalton ... | 25 | 22 | 47 |
| Cadet Nowlan ... | 20 | 18 | 38 |
| Corporal Rudd ... | 17 | 16 | 33 |
| Cadet McDonald ... | 20 | 10 | 30 |
| | 197 | 172 | 379 |

The following are the scores that count for the Champion Gold Medal :—

| | | Shield. | Private Matches. | | | | | Avrage |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Color-Sergt. J. H. D'Arcy ... | 53 62 | 56 36 37 | 51 | 52 | 62 | 54 | 55 | 51·8 |
| Sergt. C. M. Cullinane ... | 63 57 | 47 40 34 | 49 | 53 | 55 | 49 | 59 | 49·6 |
| Sergt. E. B, Dalton ... ... | 52 47 | 46 50 29 | 24 | 39 | 51 | 55 | 45 | 43·8 |
| Cadet J. T. Toohey ... ... | 43 53 | 50 25 22 | 40 | 34 | 43 | 45 | 41 | 39·6 |
| Cadet W. McDonald ... ... | 32 30 | 34 34 34 | 42 | 38 | 35 | 50 | 38 | 36·7 |
| Cadet G. Nowlan ... ... | 41 39 | 23 30 15 | 37 | 45 | 46 | 47 | 43 | 36·5 |
| Cadet G. McMahon ... ... | 39 — | 52 34 8 | 34 | 37 | 44 | 40 | 40 | 36·4 |
| Corporal A. B. Rudd ... ... | 17 33 | 26 10 14 | 41 | 37 | 40 | 40 | 39 | 29·7 |

## CARBINE MATCHES.

SYDNEY GRAMMAR SCHOOL C.C. B. *v.* ST. IGNATIUS' COLLEGE C.C. B.

This match was shot at Riverview on September 14th and resulted in a win for the former by 16 points. Conditions: 10 shots each at 200 yards range. Appended are the scores :—

| Sydney Grammar School C.C. B. | |
|---|---|
| Cadet Rossiter ... ... ... | 28 |
| Cadet Grigg ... ... ... | 27 |
| Cadet Suttor ... ... ... | 26 |
| Cadet Hall ... ... ... | 26 |
| Cadet Burn ... ... ... | 24 |
| Cadet Snooks ... ... ... | 23 |
| Cadet Cameron ... ... | 22 |
| Cadet Gibb ... ... ... | 21 |
| Cadet Cooper ... ... ... | 19 |
| Cadet Osborn ... ... ... | 15 |
| Total | 231 |

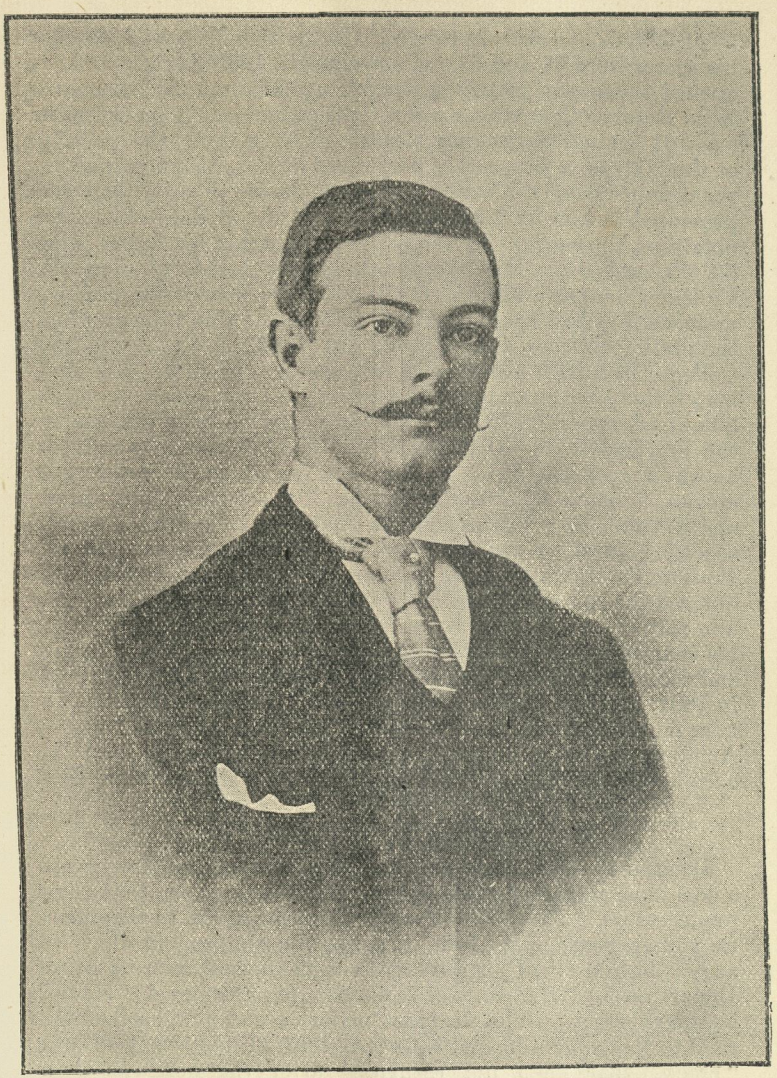
| St. Ignatius College C.C. B. | |
|---|---|
| Cadet Singer ... ... ... | 25 |
| Cadet Gray ... ... ... | 24 |
| Cadet Perkins ... ... ... | 24 |
| Cadet McDonald ... ... | 23 |
| Cadet Walton ... ... ... | 23 |
| Cadet Casey ... ... ... | 23 |
| Cadet Thynne ... ... ... | 20 |
| Cadet Markey ... ... ... | 20 |
| Cadet Deery ... ... ... | 18 |
| Cadet Hardman ... ... | 15 |
| Total | 215 |

SYDNEY GRAMMAR SCHOOL C.C. B. *v.* ST. IGNATIUS' COLLEGE C.C. B.

This match was shot at Riverview on November 23rd, and resulted in a win for the former by 2 points. Appended are the scores :—

| Sydney Grammar School C.C. B. | |
|---|---|
| Cadet Grigg ... ... ... | 20 |
| Cadet Burn ... ... ... | 19 |
| Cadet Macintosh ... ... | 19 |
| Cadet Hall ... ... ... | 18 |
| Cadet Suttor ... ... ... | 17 |
| Cadet Cooper ... ... ... | 16 |
| Cadet Burn ... ... ... | 15 |
| Cadet Rossiter ... ... ... | 14 |
| Cadet Cameron ... ... | 13 |
| Cadet Stephens ... ... | 12 |
| Total | 163 |

| St. Ignatius College C.C. B. | |
|---|---|
| Cadet Singer ... ... ... | 24 |
| Cadet Markey ... ... ... | 20 |
| Cadet McDonald ... ... | 18 |
| Cadet Gray ... ... ... | 18 |
| Cadet Deery ... ... ... | 17 |
| Cadet Casey ... ... ... | 16 |
| Cadet Perkins ... ... ... | 16 |
| Cadet Trim ... ... ... | 15 |
| Cadet Cox ... ... ... | 9 |
| Cadet McMahon ... ... | 8 |
| Total | 161 |



OUR CHAMPION SHOT.

Color-Sergeant J. H. D'Arcy is the son of Mr. M. D'Arcy, of Gympie, Queensland, and was born on June 29th, 1873. He entered as a student of St. Ignatius' in 1888 and began to practise rifle shooting in March, 1889, under the late Sergt.-Major Hagney. In August of that year he shot his first match, which was against the Artillery Rifle Club, making 48 out of a possible

70 at 500yds and 600yds ranges. In the two following matches his scores were 51 and 55. His average in 1889 was 49 D'Arcy opened the season in 1890 with 53, against the St. Leonards Rifle Reserve Company, on the College Range. Soon after he made 61 against the Sydney Reserve R.C., making the possible at the 600yds, a feat rarely performed at this distance, and at the conclusion of the match a very handsome shooting bag was presented to him by Captain Barlee of the Sydney R.C., for obtaining top score. In the following matches his scores were 50, 53, and 51. His average this year is 54, winning the College Champion Medal. During 1891 he shot well in practice matches, but had the misfortune to have his rifle injured when the public matches commenced. In 1892 he again won the College Champion Medal with an average of 51·8. His first match this year was against the Sydney R.C. in which he made 53 out of a possible 70, the following week he made 62 against the Fairfield R.C. At the N.S.W. Rifle Association in October he was very successful. In the Tyro, for which there were 269 entries, he made 63 out of a possible 70, securing third place and winning £5; in the Schools Challenge Shield he made the second highest score, winning Dr. Hurst's trophy. In the President's Match he made 30 out of 35 at the 700yds. 680 entered for this match and only two others made a similar score. We may observe that D'Arcy is a prominent all-round athlete; his comrades this year elected him captain of the Rowing Club and secretary of the Football Club. He stroked the College crew in 1891, and our Maiden Four in 1892. He is an excellent runner; more than once he represented the College in the Sydney Amateur Athletic Sports. At cricket he proved himself an excellent bat in the most important matches played this season.

## SECOND DIVISION

During the past half-year, our junior marksmen have taken a deal more interest in this excellent out-door sport than their predecessors. There is no doubt they owe a lot to that energetic young gentleman, John Walton, for the way in which he acquitted himself of his duty as manager of the Junior Shooting Department. By dint of constant practice good "shots" became perfect, while the vast majority are now on the high road to that much-desired state; so that in the event of our "crack" marksmen not returning after the holidays, their places will be, let us hope, more than supplied by the present shooting team of the Second Division.

Although they lost the only two matches they had—both of which were against the Sydney Grammar School Carbine team—still the scores show that the practice between the two matches was by no means thrown away, for in the last match both sides were even until the very last shot when a Grammar School lad scored an "outer," thus winning the match by two points. Following are the scores:—

1st Match.

| St. Ignatius' College. | | Sydney Grammar School. | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Carbine Team. | | Carbine Team. | |
| R. Singer ... | 25 | Rossiter ... | 28 |
| H. Perkins ... | 24 | Gregg ... | 27 |
| H. Gray ... | 24 | Hall... ... | 26 |
| J. Walton ... | 23 | Suttor ... | 26 |
| F. McDonald | 23 | Cameron ... | 24 |
| E. Thynne .. | 20 | Gibb ... | 22 |
| P. Markey ... | 20 | Burn ... | 21 |
| A. Deery ... | 18 | Cooper ... | 19 |
| R. Hardman | 15 | Osborne ... | 15 |
| Total ... | 192 | Total ... | 208 |

2nd Match.

| Sydney Grammar School. | | St. Ignatius' College. | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Carbine Team. | | Carbine Team. | |
| Gregg ... | 20 | R. Singer ... | 24 |
| R. Burn .. | 19 | P. Markey ... | 20 |
| McIntyre .. | 19 | H. Gray .. | 18 |
| Hall ... | 18 | F. McDonald | 18 |
| Suttor ... | 17 | A. Deery ... | 17 |
| Cowper ... | 16 | H. Perkins... | 16 |
| P. Burn .. | 15 | G. Casey ... | 16 |
| Cameron ... | 13 | A. Trim ... | 15 |
| Rossiter ... | 14 | C. Cox ... | 9 |
| Stephen ... | 12 | M. McMahon | 8 |
| Total ... | 163 | Total ... | 161 |

## Sporting Notes.

No doubt of it C. Cullinane had downright hard luck in the Association Rifle Matches. His shooting in practice and private matches was consistently excellent, and he ought to have carried off some big prizes.

Great credit is due to Jack D'Arcy and Jack Lynch, the captain and secretary of the Rowing Club, for their action on hearing of the outrage on the Melbourne C. of E. Grammar School boatshed. They immediately proposed to send a donation towards repairing the damage, and followed up their proposal with such energy, that after two days they forwarded a cheque for ten guineas to the Melbourne school captain. The good friendly feeling manifested by our boys was gratefully acknowledged in most cordial letters received from Dr. Wilson, the Principal of the Melbourne School, and from the Captain of the Boats. Not satisfied with thus showing their appreciation the Melbourne Grammar School boys, on December 19, when visiting Sydney to play their annual cricket match against the Sydney Grammar School, paid a visit to Riverview to personally thank its inmates. We greatly regret our fellows were not there to meet and warmly welcome them.

The Athletic Sports Committee worked up the meeting admirably. We can hardly imagine a better constituted body, and certainly it was a representative one, as it was made up of a N.S.W. man, a Queenslander, and a Victorian. They deserve all credit for the big success they scored.

Frank Dynon's win in the Champion Race placed beyond doubt that he is our fastest runner for 100 yards. Frank required a lot of persuasion to enter, but he was right glad he did so in the end.

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It's a hard thing when you come to think of it, to have to carry a couple of bats and six stumps in a bag a distance of two hundred yards once a week. No wonder then that a couple of our aristocrats (bless the mark) showed a marked aversion to so menial a task. Really, fellows who go on with such humbug should be put under the pump; it would probably teach them sense.

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Dick Dalton, the captain of our Football Team, had good reason to be proud of his men, as they in their turn had good reason to be enthusiastic about their leader. He did his work in thorough style, and all through the season it was apparent that he gave not a single thought to himself or his reputation, but directed all his energy and efforts to increase the fame of his college. In this surely he may be set up as a model of how a captain should act.

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Jack D'Arcy generously supported our sports this year, as he did in '91, by giving as a prize a handsome gold medal. To whom I wonder are we now to look for such substantial encouragement.

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My word, Jack Jennings has come up to his old cricket form with a rush. In a late cricket match, Toowoomba *v.* —— he played on the side of the former and in the first innings made 89 not out, in the second, 21 not out. The local paper commenting upon these scores says that they were the best yet made in the records of cricket in Toowoomba.

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One of our riflemen sends us the following:—If the compiler of Cadet Notes has not gratefully mentioned Mr. C. Anderson's kindness he has been guilty of a grave sin of omission, and if he has mentioned it so much the better. Every one of the team will agree that it deserves double mention. We all did ample justice to the excellent lunch he had so generously provided for us and we will long remember his great thoughtfulness on the day we visited Flemington Rifle Range.

# Appendix.

## PRESS CRITICISMS ON *OUR ALMA MATER*.

THE following are extracts from some of the papers which received *Our Alma Mater*, and forwarded to us the issue in which they did so. We need hardly say that we fully appreciate and are deeply grateful for the very great courtesy with which we have been treated by the newspapers of the different colonies. Unfortunately several newspapers which were sent to us were mislaid, and we must apologise to the editors for not being able to reproduce their kindly and encouraging words :—

*Our Alma Mater* is published annually, and contains a most interesting budget of news, besides numerous illustrations. I would commend its careful perusal to some of our Victorian school editors, some of whom seem to think that a minimum amount of quality and quantity are the most prominent characteristics of a school paper.—*Australasian*, February 27, 1892.

. . . . The editors, we say, have well fulfilled their obligation, and given us a number that may be read with pleasure. It may be read with profit, too. . . . Another thing we learn from *Our Alma Mater* seems to be the departure of the Sydney native of the present day from the matter of fact primness that distinguished his predecessor of a quarter of a century ago. Then a jest or a scrap of badinage was received by the native in a manner that reminded you of that supercilious young woman in Tennyson's verses. It did not quite drive you to cut your throat, but it made you wish heartily you were somewhere else. The refinement and culture for which provision has been made of more recent years—and of which *Our Alma Mater* is a sufficient witness—account for the improvement. The editors and sub-editors of our contemporary are to be congratulated on the creditable manner in which they have done their work.—*New Zealand Tablet*, February 5, 1892.

The book contains a number of well-executed illustrations of the interior and exterior of the College, and of the sports indulged in by the pupils. It is a splendid book for the price asked for it.—*Riverina Herald*, January 18th, 1892.

An article on public schools—the Jesuit system and the gaol-bird system—is well worth reading, being very consistent throughout. Numerous other papers are contributed, and form very good, instructive reading.—*Bendigo Evening News*, January 19th, 1892.

We have received *Our Alma Mater*, a school annual issued from St. Ignatius' College, Riverview, Sydney. This establishment has grown from a building costing £1200, and accommodating 17 students and four professors in 1880, to a building costing £40,000, and accommodating 146 pupils in 1891, with 20 teachers, including visiting masters. The annual is well illustrated, and the young men appear to have abundance of occupation with their studies and their sports—on the river, in the cricket field, and the drill ground.—*Kyneton Guardian*, Jan. 19th, 1892.

The students are entitled to congratulations upon the appearance of their annual, as well as upon its literary excellence, whilst the illustrations depicting the progress of the College since its foundation, in 1880, give a good idea of the splendid buildings, or ranges of buildings, which now form the famous scholastic institution bordering the broad and beautiful Lane Cove River.—*Geelong Advertiser*, Jan. 18th, 1892.

It is really a charming brochure, dealing fully with the educational, athletic, nautical, and musical achievements of the boys during the year, and unmistakably conveys the impression that there are few, if any,

finer establishments for the higher education of mind and muscle in Australia. We heartily congratulate the young editors on their work, and feel that it would be delightful to be boys again—if one were sure of getting to Riverview.—*Tenterfield Star*, Jan. 30th, 1892.

*Our Alma Mater* for 1891 is a journal of 149 pages, edited by students elected as editors by the pupils, and is a faithful record of the doings in the school and playground of the doings of the fine establishment conducted by the Jesuit Fathers, with news of the success since leaving school of many scholars who have gone to the universities. By this annual, which reflects credit both on editors and printer, it will be seen that in the field the Collegians have been to the fore, and the results of the last University exams. prove that the College can turn out healthy minds in healthy bodies, that the mental as well as the physical welfare of the scholars at Riverview is strictly attended to.—*Bega Standard*, Jan. 22nd, 1892.

It is interesting to note that the advantages of physical training have not been overlooked at Riverview as a means whereby the best results in study are obtained. Unlike a newspaper, the little journal does not suffer from the fact of its having three editors, and there is a pleasing evidence of literary ability running through its pages.—*Cowra Free Press*, Feb. 5th, 1892.

*Our Alma Mater.*—This is the title of an interesting annual issued from St. Ignatius' College, Riverview, Sydney. It is really the school journal of that popular educational establishment, and in 150 pages describes the academic events and progress of 1891 together with full reports and references on the work of the year; also a number of well-written articles by the students. The first article is taken from Labouchere's *Truth*, in which the writer says: "This Jesuit idea of school life is that a boy at school should, as far as possible, be in the same position as he will afterwards be in as a man in the world, that is to say, the position not of a wild beast in the African jungle, free to do what he pleases, but of a human being in a civilised country living under the eye of the law. The Jesuits, in fact, police their schools; that is what it comes to." We learn from *Our Alma Mater* that there were 146 students on the roll of 1891, with twenty-four professors, including visiting masters.—*Grafton Examiner*, Jan. 30th, 1892.

There is a good deal of pleasant variety in the matter. It seems that while the discipline is strict, the lads are allowed a fair degree of relaxation out of school hours. Among the best of the articles are "The Editors' Growl," "Riverviewers Abroad," "Things little boys should not say in their exam. papers." We note that there are in connection with the College a good library, fife and drum band, billiard rooms, lawn tennis court, cricket, football and rowing clubs, dramatic club and a cadet corps.—*Launceston Examiner*, Jan. 19th, 1892.

The high standard maintained by the school is evidenced throughout the pages of *Our Alma Mater*, the articles being brightly and cleverly written, while the engravings, which, like the letterpress, are the work of the students, and consist of views of the College and belongings, are admirably executed.—*The West Australian*, Jan. 26th, 1892.

It is an annual which reports the progress of the College during the past year, and is full of interesting reading from cover to cover, is well written, neatly printed, and handsomely illustrated, and will enable its readers to form the most vivid conception of the lives of the students at this high-class establishment.—*Mackay Standard*, Feb. 5th, 1892.

Altogether the periodical fairly eclipses past efforts, and should be read by all who have the welfare of their sons at heart.—*The Cooktown Independent*, Jan. 30th, 1892.

The periodical is well got up, and besides a large amount of reading matter contains some really good illustrations. School records and anecdotes of course form a prominent feature of the pamphlet, which is certainly one of the best school journals we have met with for a long time.—*Zeehan and Dundas Herald,* Jan. 29th, 1892.

The doings in school and out of school of the scholars are described in a most interesting manner, and there are a number of illustrations of the handsome College and its surroundings.—*Maryborough Chronicle,* Jan. 19th,1892.

The "annual" contains 146 pages of deeply interesting matter interspersed with a number of chromo-lithographs showing the school, etc., from 1880 to the present time, the whole of great interest, and showing the wonderful strides education is making in New South Wales, especially in a religious point of view.—*Moruya Examiner,* Jan. 22nd, 1892.

This annual is to the full as creditable from a literary point of view as its predecessors, and it should be of special interest to parents and friends of the pupils, as well as to old boys. A striking feature of the work is the large number of well-executed engravings of the buildings and adjacent scenery. —*Albury Banner and Wodonga Express,* Jan. 22nd, 1892.

In giving a notice of last year's annual we had occasion to speak very highly of the little volume and we can candidly say that the latest product of the young college editors sustains the reputation of *Our Alma Mater.* Views of the magnificent college building, including one artistic sketch of the edifice as seen from the river, are interspersed with the most readable letterpress.—*The Lismore Chronicle,* Jan. 22nd, 1892.

The prowess of the collegians in rowing, athletics, cricket, football, tennis, swimming, rifle-shooting, and other manly and sporting accomplishments is duly chronicled, and is another proof that the "Jesuit System" is founded on the principle of "*Mens sana in corpore sano.*"—*The Catholic Standard,* Feb. 1st 1892.

The annual entitled *Our Alma Mater* is quite an elaborate affair, containing 149 pages of reading matter, dealing with doings of the school for 1891, and many other matters of educational interest.—*Queensland Times.*

It is very well edited, and every page to those to whom it brings back memories of school life, forms interesting reading. The woodcuts are again an attractive feature in the annual. We glean from it that resident boarders had increased 50 per cent. during last year, and we can readily understand how an institution which takes so much interest in all relating to the education of its youth, must be successful.—*The Northern Star,* Jan. 7th, 1892.

It contains a full and interesting account of the proceedings of the College during the year, with several excellent articles, poems, &c., and is well illustrated. The photograph of the group of students who played "Julius Cæsar" at the annual distribution of prizes is a valuable souvenir of that which, by all accounts, was a very successful performance of one of the finest of Shakespeare's plays. The College appears to be keeping up its reputation not only in the schoolroom but in the athletic field.—*New Zealand Herald,* 27th Jan., 1892.

From commencement to end every article is racy and colloquial. Altogether it is really interesting.—*The Advocate,* Orange, Jan. 20, 1892.

This excellent school annual contains contributions and articles by the students of St. Ignatius' College, Riverview. And we rise from the perusal of the pleasant little pamphlet with the firm conviction that the young men, whose good fortune it is to receive their training in such a model scholastic institution as St. Ignatius' evidently is, are destined to play a noble part in the future history of our country.—*Gundagai Times,* 22nd Jan., 1892.

It gives a brightly written and interesting account of the achievements and amusements of the scholars of this well-known College during the past twelve months, and is a credit to the editors.—*Gympie Times,* 19th Jan,. 1892.

As we have said in the case of previous issues of this annual, we have no hesitation in stating it is one of the most interesting and best publications of the kind issued in the colony.—*Coonamble Times*, Jan. 22, 1892.

Probably this publication holds the first place amongst similar publications in the colonies. We have never seen one superior to it.—*Kapunda Herald*, Jan. 22, 1892.

The publication is this year illustrated with more than the customary profusion and skill, and the editors, who compare themselves with their predecessors, have no reason to blush for the result of their work. They put forth a standard number of this most admirable school annual, which shows not only what a thorough all-round education is given at the College, but how wisely that variety which is the spice of life is provided for the students.—*Maitland Mercury*, Jan. 16, 1892.

The yearly publication of a school record, such as *Our Alma Mater*, must necessarily exercise a healthy influence on the College as a whole. Besides, it is a news letter for relatives "at home and abroad." We would not be surprised at other schools adopting the plan of chronicling "news and events in school life" as St. Ignatius' College, whose students have long discarded the old-time manuscript records.—*Wallsend and Plattsburg Sun*, Jan. 20, 1892.

The publication is a credit to the institution from which it emanated.—*South Australian Register*, Jan. 18, 1892.

It contains a number of illustrations, and is altogether a most interesting and creditable production.—*Crookwell Gazette*, Jan. 20, 1892.

*Our Alma Mater* sets an example for other public schools to follow as an improvement on the ordinary school annual.—*The Echo*, Jan. 14, 1892.

This excellent production of its kind gives a very taking account of the studies, sports and occupations of the students, speech-day proceedings, and amongst other interesting contributed matter a feeling tribute to the students' late rowing "coach," Mr. P. J. Clarke. A large number of illustrations accompanies the letter-press.—*Sydney Morning Herald*, Jan. 14, 1892.

The reading matter covers just about 150 pages. And apart from all the records of the year and all the incidental celebrations, such as the regatta and prize-day proceedings, there are quite a number of interesting articles and several entertaining communications from ex-students.—*Freeman's Journal*, Jan. 16, 1892.

If there is one beautiful seat of learning, which the youth of inland Australia should long for, it appears to us it must be St. Ignatius' College, Riverview, on the banks of the Lane Cove River. There, rising majestically out of the green trees by the water, is the now almost perfect edifice which in our colonial life is destined to be what Eton or Oxford is to many scholars of the old land. . . . The literary youth of this institution compile an *Alma Mater*, and we acknowledge with thanks the very creditable number which is issued for 1892.—*Cootamundra Liberal*, Jan. 15, 1892.

The articles written by students are in pleasing style, and the contributed and extracted articles apposite and entertaining. The annual is copiously illustrated, and the whole forms a bright picture of College life at St. Ignatius'.—*Goulburn Herald*, Jan. 20, 1892.

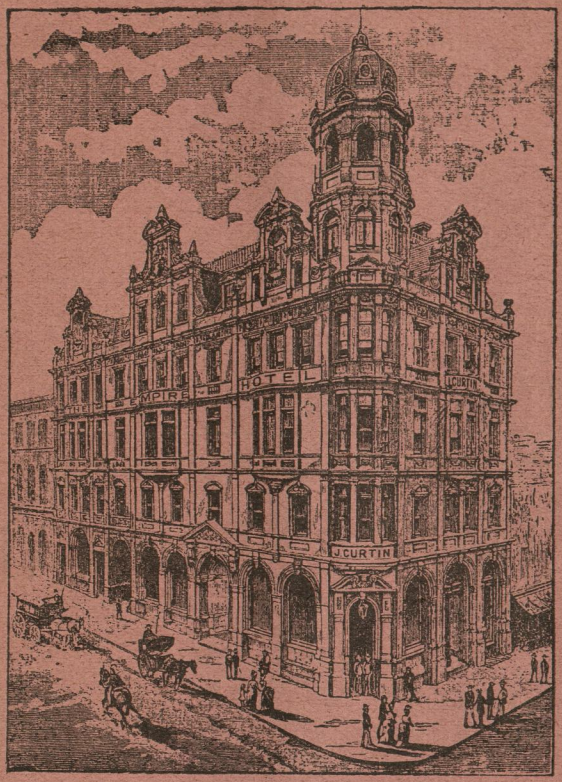
As usual this periodical is full of interesting and instructive matter, and it evinces in every page the interest which the lads take in studies as well as wholesome recreation, and the pride they feel in the success of the establishment; which has ever been and is remembered by them as a "beloved mother" in education and advancement in life.—*Australian Star*, Jan. 22, 1892.

The issue of such a comprehensive, and withal, unassuming manual is praiseworthy, as supplying students and others with a permanent record of the institution and encouraging in the "boys" that noble pride in their own College which, as teachers know well, is a powerful factor in the maintaining of a high collegiate standard of efficiency.—*The Australian*, Brisbane.

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