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Edited by Students of St. Ignatius' College, Riverview.

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Editorial.

OUR magazine is celebrating its twenty-first year. Even in its infancy it achieved considerable fame and friendly critics foretold for it a bright career. So far we think that prophecy has been fulfilled if we may judge by the warm words of welcome and of praise which have ever greeted its appearance in public.

The present editors may speak thus freely of the past since they themselves have been but recently promoted to the editorial chair. Editors come and editors go but the magazine we hope will go on, if not for ever, at least till the eve of the last break-up.

Our juvenile business manager shakes his head and declares that if our present rate of expenditure continues we shall speedily arrive at the eve of a great break-down. Even in his sleeping hours —which are many—he talks of bankruptcy and dreams of financial drought. Kind friends have tried in vain to soothe his troubled spirit with the faint hope that he may wake up some afternoon to find that it has been raining cheques.

After such a descent into our unromantic market-place we return with delight to the rosier regions of our literary activity—literary activity especially in the past when each succeeding number was replete with glowing records of many triumphs by flood and field.

All honour to the boys of those olden days who laboured so faithfully with book and pen and oar and ball that they might proudly plant the College colours on a lofty pinnacle. But if we should seem to have depicted the doings of the "present" in less rosy hue, the blame must lie on the editorial pen, and not with the various actors on the stage of our College microcosm. Should any of our "past" be sceptical let them return to the College halls, reduce themselves to our age and size, and we shall run them, row them, kick them, parse them, and if necessary shoot them.

Future editors may offer to the boys of 1906 a fairer and a fuller mead of praise. That the opportunity will be given we do not doubt. There are many amongst us who in years to come will shed lustre on their College by taking a noble part in every good movement which comes within their sphere and which has for its object the religious or social, the intellectual or material prosperity of their native land—jealous guardians of their country's

honour, faithful defenders of her rights and liberties.

In friendly counsel to the boys who are leaving us it may not be out of place to quote here the words which the beloved founder of Riverview addressed to the boys of a bygone year:—"If you wish your alma mater to maintain her high position, your life in the outside world must be ruled by the same principles of truth, honor, justice, and fidelity to your holy religion which we have endeavoured to instil into your minds while you were within the College walls. White and blue, the colours of our Blessed Lady, are the colours of your alma mater. I leave her flag to you unsullied and when in future years the 'past and present' of Riverview meet in her halls, may that flag fly over them still spotless and unstained."

We must now conclude. To our many contributors and to our few subscribers we offer our heartiest thanks.

To our readers we had intended offering the compliments of the season, but in view of the fact that editorials are the last things read and are notoriously productive of sleep it may be more appropriate if we conclude by wishing:

"To all and each a fair good-night,
And rosy dreams and slumbers light."



"Lead Kindly Light."

I still am far from that which I would be;
My feet have strayed.
And now I learn that God is God to me;
In Him my aid!

I learn, but learning is not always sweet.
Thy will be done!
I learn, but who may walk with wounded feet
'Neath burning sun?

Unless thou hold my hand and walk the way,
I faint in heart.
Thou bid't me trust in thee. Long is the day;
Do not depart!

C.E.

SPEECH DAY, 1906.

OUR Annual Distribution of Prizes took place on Friday, December 7th, in the presence of a large gathering, which was presided over by His Eminence Cardinal Moran, who was assisted by the Right Rev. Monsignor O'Haran, the Right Rev. Monsignor O'Brien, the Hon. John Hughes, M.L.C., and T. Dalton, Esq., K.C.S.G.

Before we assembled in the College Theatre His Eminence performed two ceremonies of much importance to Riverview. These were the opening of the new centre block and the blessing of the corner stone of the Dalton Memorial Chapel. The new building, which is of imposing dimensions, covers an area of 45 feet by 55 feet, and consists of three stories and a basement. The front is of stone and the rear of white brick. In the basement there are three rooms, one of which is 40 feet by 20 feet. On the ground floor there is a grand reception-room and two other rooms 23 feet by 18 feet and 18 feet by 17 feet. The first floor contains seven rooms for the use of the community, and on the second floor there is a large dormitory 41 feet by 41 feet. The work, which cost over £5000, was excellently done by Mr. C. McCarthy, of Mosman, according to designs by Messrs. Reid, Smart, and Tappin, architects, of Melbourne.

The proposed chapel is to be erected in memory of the late Very Rev. Father Joseph Dalton, who founded Riverview and presided over it for many years as Rector. Mr. J. T. McCarthy, of Gibb's Chambers, Moore-street, has prepared the plans. The chapel will be erected at the rear of the centre block at a cost of £2000, which is to be defrayed by ex-students and friends of the College. It will be 100 feet in length and 30 feet in width. The exterior will be in the modern Gothic design and the interior in classic style.

The breaking-up concert was an excellent one. There were only a few items—a wise move at this season—which resulted in a more perfect performance. The college orchestra, under the direction of Mr. W. J. Coad, gave pleasure in the three numbers allotted to it—the overture, "Athalie" (Mendelssohn); selection, "Irish Gems" (Volti); and gavotte, "Stephanie" (Gzibulka). Mr. J. Hugh McMenamin also assisted. The choruses were taken from O'Sullivan's works. The rendition of the songs called for much applause. The choral class was responsible. In "Let us Away" ("Iolanthe"), J. J. O'Mara took the solo successfully. An encore had to be given. The other item was "All Hail," and "Dance a Cachuca."

THE PREFECT OF STUDIES' REPORT.

In the review presented by him, the Prefect of Studies stated that the school-work of the year began with the winning of the Cooper Scholarship at the Sydney University by R. Fitz-Herbert, who is now one of the distinguished students of St. John's College, and it ended appropriately enough with the award of the Berthon Scholarship at Trinity College, Melbourne University, to our pupil, Desmond Gavan-Duffy.

In the Junior Examination seven candidates presented themselves in a total of 48 subjects, passing in 47. All, more-

over, obtained honours in geometry, and the Algebra Medal was awarded to one of their number. Five out of the seven qualified in section I. for matriculation. As to the work of the school all round, the masters report that the promise for next year is very good. There is a junior class twice as large as that of last year. The spirit of study is not falling off, and the spirit of sport and athletics is evidenced by an unbroken record in football, a really successful cricket season, the winning of the race for All Schools II. Crews on the Parramatta, and among other successes is that of the rifle team, which secured second place among the schools meeting in the rifle competitions.

Certain changes have been proposed to the University in the direction of withdrawing medals and of not publishing particulars of over-age passes. Though much may perhaps be said in favour of such changes, they would nevertheless tend to discourage the best work of masters or pupils, a result which no friend of higher education would desire.

Father Gartlan briefly reviewed the report of the Prefect of Studies, and said the ceremony which His Eminence the Cardinal performed—that of laying the foundation-stone of the Dalton Memorial Chapel—showed the enthusiastic and loyal support the ex-students accorded the college and their love for their old master and founder of St. Ignatius' College. (Applause.) As far as he was aware, he did not know of any body of ex-students—and especially of a comparatively young college—who had undertaken such an enterprise. He hoped they would be able to consecrate the church about July next. At Riverview they tried to do three things: To give their students the very best secular education procurable, to make them true Christian gentlemen, and to form them to be citizens of Heaven, and to instil into them a spirit of patriotism. He appealed to all the friends of Father Dalton and of the college to aid in the erection of the Memorial Chapel, in which their children and their children's children would be helped to attain what they considered the highest character of all—that of true children of God and fit citizens of Heaven.

When the Cardinal had distributed the prizes, he addressed those present. He congratulated the prizewinners and those who had supplied the entertainment. He also complimented the college on the uniform success which had attended the various collegiate pursuits during the year. Not only in literary contests, but in the field of sport, they had distinguished themselves in a most remarkable way. He hoped every year would add new lustre to the name of the college and bring new decorations to the college standard. They had not only to congratulate the superior, the college staff, and the students on the additions and partial completion of St. Ignatius', but they had to congratulate Australia and themselves on bringing towards perfection that great centre of enlightenment. Sometimes they did not advert to the real importance of such a centre of enlightenment as that was; they were disposed to regard it as just a matter of enterprise, and, perhaps, of desire to promote college interests, and so forth. In reality such an institution brought refinement and the blessings of Christian civilization to any country. The students trained there were destined, not alone to be good citizens and good Christian gentlemen; they expected there would go from those walls leaders to guide their people in the paths of justice, enlightenment, and honour. And it was precisely such leaders that Australia needed at the present time, and must always need if she would attain the glorious destiny Providence had marked out for her (applause). They all hoped Australia would perform her part in the southern world as the great centres of Christian civilization did in the olden times. Australia had a grand mission, and if she was to carry it out, they must endeavour to perfect those centres of enlightenment and Christian civilization which would supply in the future as in the past men who would be an honour, not only to their college, but an honour to the State, their families and the Commonwealth (applause). At the present time there was a good deal of political excitement outside these college walls.

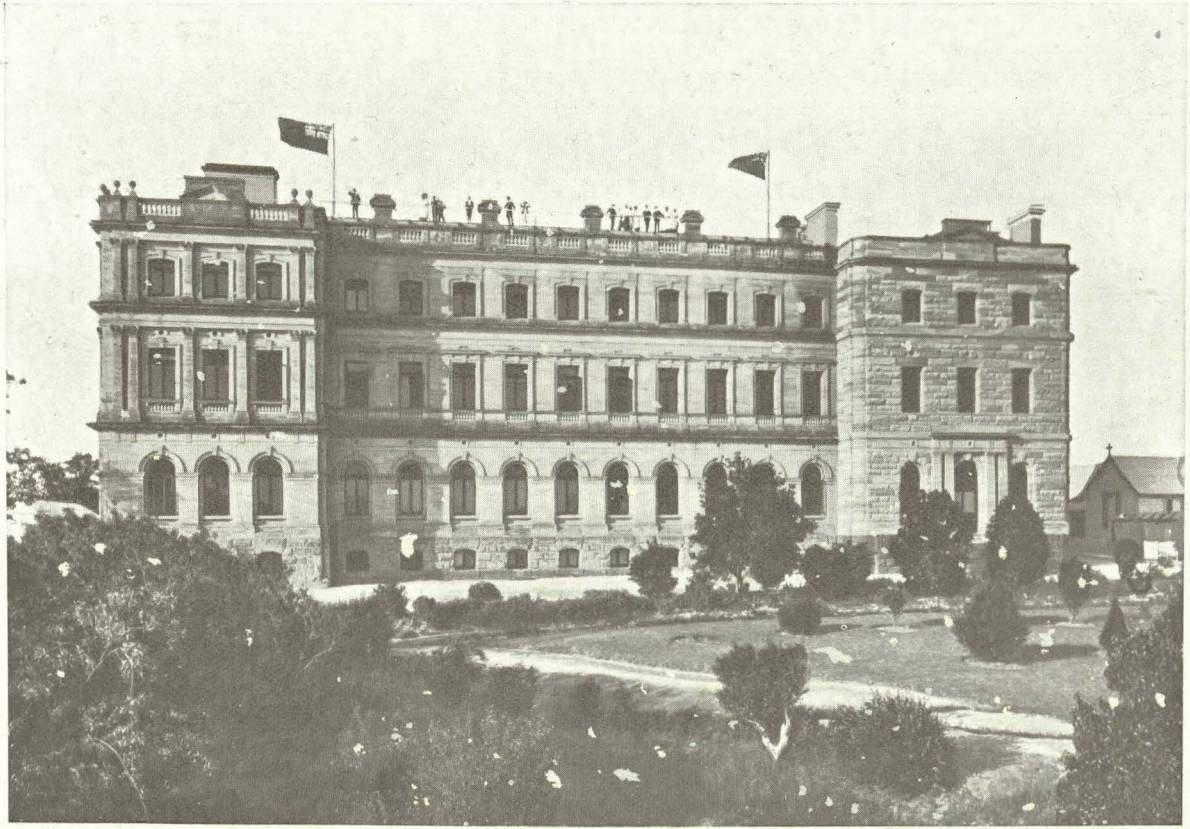


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Men are looking forward to the helm of State, and each one is endeavouring as best he can to secure the best post he can secure for himself. But I tell the students who go forth from this centre of enlightenment to cultivate above all a spirit of self-sacrifice and unselfishness and genuine patriotism. Do not look to self-interest, but to the wants and needs of Australia. Promote every good measure that will tend to develop the resources of Australia, and win for her all those measures of peace, tranquility, and progress of which she stands in need. Perhaps I should remark one special feature of the political contest of the present hour in which we are particularly interested. It is Australian socialism. It is very hard to know what our politicians mean by Australian socialism. However, it has pleased one of the leaders of one of those politicial parties to identify my name with Australian socialism. Therefore, I think, I have a right to say, that if my name is in any identified with it, I am bound to explain what I mean by Australian socialism. (Cheers.) The maxims of Australian socialism have nothing to say to the wreckage and the ruins which communism and nihilism and unprincipled impiety would spread around them in the home countries. Its mission is to build up, not to destroy. It declares relentless war against the false morality, the political hypocrisy, and the indifference to religion that efforts are made to introduce amongst us. It promotes legislation by the people in accordance with the dictates of justice in the interests of the people. It presents a firm and solid foundation for social economy and social order. It supports every good cause that may tend to the contentment, peace, and happiness of all classes of the community, and it uses its best endeavour to maintain the good name and fame, the prosperity and progress of our Commonwealth. (Cheers.) With this definition of Australian Socialism I am very happy to identify my name—(renewed cheers)—and I am confident that if this socialism attains its way peace and contentment will be the heritage for many a year of our Australian Commonwealth. (Applause.)

CHRISTMASTIDE.

NOT when winter winds are raving,
And knee-deep are winter snows,
But when yellow corn is waving,
And the perfumed wattle blows;
Not when heaven's vault is shrouded,
And the ruddy yule-log burns,
But when skies are blue, unclouded,
Christmastide to us returns.

Then the fields are decked in glory,
'Neath the towering gum-tree's shade,
Then we hear the old, old story,
Then "*Adeste's*" strains are played;
Whilst our Christmas chimes are ringing,
Bounteous nature wears a smile,
And the song-birds blythe are singing,
Shall we, then, the scene defile?

Shall we listen, all unheeding
To the message?—Peace, goodwill;
For the Christmas chimes are pleading,
Peace and love all hearts should fill.
Shall we hearken, as they hearkened
In old lands, by faction torn,
When, with years their hate still darkened?
Shall we hear the chimes in scorn?

No! be ours a brighter story,
As our skies are fairer far,
Be our love of peace, our glory,
Be goodwill, our guiding star.
O, Australia's sons united,
Still at Christmastide proclaim:
"Peace, let every wrong be righted;"
Peace will be our path to fame.

RIVERVIEW, '90.



Irish Envoys at Riverview.

Here, on these woodland slopes, that dip and dream,
Lulled by the rippling murmurs of yon stream—
Here in these classic halls, where studious youth
Seeks the bright goals of knowledge and of truth—
We happy scholars meet, and say to you—
"Welcome, dear honoured guests, to Riverview."

AVERY warm greeting was accorded to the envoys of Erin on that August afternoon when they arrived at the wharf, where the boys and masters had assembled to meet them. Father Rector thanked the delegates for the honour of their visit, and assured them that their coming was another link, and a very strong link, binding St. Ignatius' College with the sacred cause of Ireland, and the liberty of the old land. An old pupil of Riverview was a member of the Irish party. Another ex-student, Senator Keating, was an able and eloquent Minister of the Commonwealth, and one of the most energetic in moving and obtaining from Australia that petition to the King in favour of Home Rule for Ireland. He was proud of our present boys; he was proud of their great, high spirit of manliness, and not the least of all because he was certain that when they left the halls of Riverview they would, one and all, with hand and voice endeavour to obtain for those who needed it the triumph of truth and justice and that perfect freedom which they themselves enjoyed. (Applause.)

ADDRESS FROM THE BOYS.

Master Desmond Gavan Duffy read the following address:—

"To Messrs. JOSEPH DEVLIN, M.P., and J. T. DONOVAN, LL.B.

"We welcome you to St. Ignatius' College. You come here representing the claim to self-government put forward by a race that in ancient days was one of the first to cherish the ideals of Christian civilisation and among those ideals the love of an enlightened freedom in a self-contained and self-governed State. And it is because we see that same ideal still cherished in old Ireland that we feel our pride all the greater, while we speak our warmest welcomes. You have come to a Commonwealth that has honoured itself by raising its voice with the voice of so many other States and nations, to proclaim the inalienable rights of Ireland. And it is no small source of joy for us to be able to speak for St. Ignatius' College, and to be able to re-echo the universal demand for Home Rule made on behalf of Ireland as a nation that has so many sacred claims upon our respect, our gratitude, our loyalty, our love, our faith itself. Amongst our number we count representatives of many lands, far and near, representatives as well of Ireland, of Scotland, of England, as of America, New Zealand, and all the States of the Commonwealth; and now, speaking with one voice of welcome, we take this opportunity to thank you for coming to Riverview, thus giving us the pleasure of expressing to you in person our deep and abiding loyalty to the principle which you advocate with such conspicuous and gratifying success. The past has not been without its glory to our race; the present, as you know best, is a time of pain and strenuous toil, and yet not without its splendid, hard-won achievements. May we not, in our greeting to you, mingle the hope and heartfelt wish that the future may be as happy for Ireland, and favoured with as ample a freedom and as ample a prosperity as by God's blessing we ourselves

can look forward to, in our self-governed Australia."

MR. DEVLIN'S REPLY.

In the course of an eloquent response to the address, Mr. Devlin declared that he and his colleague were deeply grateful to the Fathers of the College and to the students for the exceedingly charming and picturesque reception accorded to them. He was delighted to know that the address which had been presented to them, couched in such eulogistic and generous terms and in a spirit of such kindly feeling and loyalty towards Ireland, was read by one who bore a name honoured and esteemed in Ireland—the name of Gavan Duffy. Inspired by high ideals, Charles Gavan Duffy had played a great and mighty part in building up the '48 movement, which was one of the brightest and most hopeful epochs in the history of their unfortunate country. Now they had come out to Australia, 15,000 miles from the cradle land of their race to find a descendant in the third generation reading, as he most touchingly and pathetically did, an address of welcome to those who were humbly carrying on the work of his grandfather. That, he said, was an incident of a most impressive character which showed that the cause of Ireland was an indestructible cause and her love for freedom a deep-rooted passion.

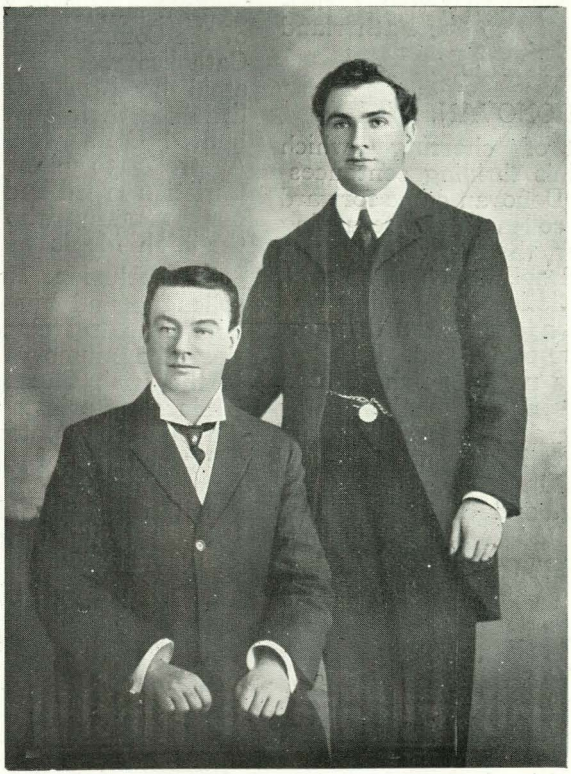


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J. DEVLIN, Esq., M.P., J. T. DONOVAN, Esq.. LL.B.

He trusted that their generous devotion to Ireland, their kindly remembrance of her people and their warm fidelity to the cradleland of the race, far from lessening their devotion to the great sunny land of Australia, would only spur them on to take a nobler part in building up the fortunes of that mighty Commonwealth. Let them be proud of their free institutions and grow up liberty-loving citizens, a power for human progress and for the perpetuation of high ideals. That was the greatest tribute that young Irish-Australians could pay to the Fatherland of their race.

MR. DONOVAN.

When the burst of cheering which greeted Mr. Devlin's thrilling sentences had subsided, Mr. Donovan came forward to join with his colleague in returning hearty thanks for their cordial reception. They were deeply touched, he said, by the charming diction and feeling way in which the boys had declared their devotion to the cause of Ireland. Freedom and honour were a nation's richest blessing, and they would urge the young Australians to be zealous defenders of their own priceless heritage. He and his colleague should ever remember their visit to Riverview, and the unique way in which the boys had greeted them amid such charming scenery on the banks of that lovely river. (Applause.)

His Lordship, the Right Rev. Dr. Gallagher, also addressed the boys, and then an adjournment was made to the college which, in honour of the occasion, was gaily decorated.

When dinner had been served, Father Gartlan, in a felicitous speech, proposed the health of the envoys. In responding to the toast, Mr. Devlin paid a glowing tribute to the widespread growth and continued power of the Catholic Church in Australia, which seemed to him as great a marvel as the general prosperity of the Commonwealth itself. When Irish Catholics were leaving their native land amid the shrieks of the London "Times," little did their enemies imagine that the hunted Celts would come out here to Australia to plant the banner of the Christian creed and rally round that banner so many who were all-devoted to the high ideals of true citizenship.

In conclusion, Mr. Devlin said that his colleague and himself would carry back with them to Ireland many happy memories—the memory of a continued faith in the Irish Cause, the never-ceasing kindness of priests and people, the splendid industrial potentialities and immediate prosperity of the Commonwealth, and he trusted not the least of their happy recollections would be the memory of the pleasant afternoon they had spent at Riverview.



LEAVES AT THE WINDOW.

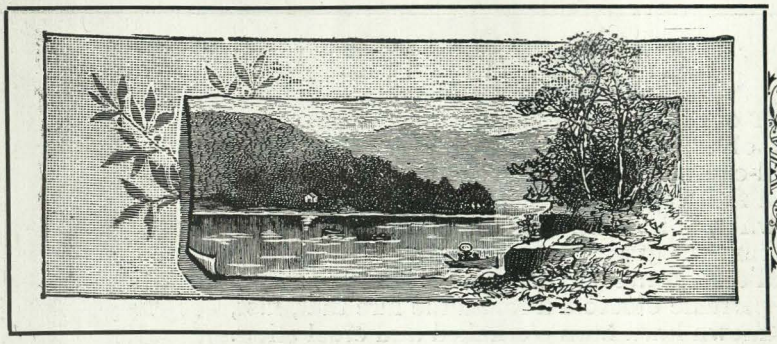
YET once that lucid fiction of the pane
dissolves, the sphere that winter's crystal-bane
still-charm'd to glass the sad metempsychose
and futile ages of the suffering rose
—what, in its halt, the weary mood might show.
Earth stirs in me that stirs with roots below
and distant nerves shrink with the lilac mist
of perfume blossom'd round the lure that, kist,
is known hard burn o'erflaked and cruel sting.
—I would this old illusion of the spring
might perish once, with all her airs that fawn
and traitor roses of the wooing dawn ;
for none hath known the magic dream of gold
come sooth since that first surge of light, out roll'd
heroic, broke the august and mother sleep
and foam'd and azure was the rearward deep,
and Eden adrift among the skyward boughs
fused, song-jewel sudden, and flesh was blithe with vows
to tread, divine, under the naked air—
Alas! nor knew self-doom'd thro' time to bear
lewd summer's dusty mock and roses' fall
and cynic spring returning, virginal.

THE OLD BATTLEFIELD.

OUT of no quarter of the charted sky,
flung in the bitter wind intolerably,
abrupt, the trump that sings behind the end
exults alone. But grass is none to bend :
the strong plain blackens with rapid night,
that best reveals the land's inflicted blight
since in the smitten hero-hand the sword
broke, and the hope the long dumb folk adored,
and over all the north a tragic flare
told Valhall perish'd and the void's despair
to dwell, as erst, all disinhabited,
a vault above the heart its hungering led.
The strident clangour cuts ; but space is whole,
inert, absorb'd in dead regret. Here, sole
on the bare upland stands, vast thro' the gloom,
staring, to mark an irretrievable doom,
the stranger stone, sphinx-couchant, thunder-hurl'd
from red star-ruin o'er the elder world.

C. BRENNAN, '87.

[Those who are familiar with other writings from the same pen will recognise the elusive grace and insight of an exponent of symbolism in literature. May we without irreverence quote Chaucer's line, "He taughte but first he folwed it himselve."—EDITOR.]



River Idylls.

"Row us out from Desenzano, to your Sirmione row !
So they row'd and there we landed—O Venusta Sirmio !"

RIVER-WORSHIP.

RIVERVIEW, without the river, would be robbed not only of half its name, but of much of its pleasure. Every healthy young Australian is a water-loving creature, and the college boys are no exception to the rule. See them in the swimming bath at mid-day in the heat of summer, diving tumbling, cutting a hundred capers, while absorbing water through every pore ; or again, listen to the sweet music of their merry laughter on many a playday morning, as they race down the romantic paths which lead to the boatsheds.

If the puny Isis and the sluggish Cam are revered by the sons of two great universities ; if even hoary Father Thames himself is an object of respect to the irreverent young Etonian, can it be wondered at that the lads of Riverview should delight in the glorious river which bathes the feet of the giant rock on which their college stands.

The Lane Cove is scarcely a river, being in reality a part, and a lovely part, of Sydney's famous harbour. Tired perhaps, of the restless rolling of the open ocean, or enamoured of the sylvan glades, it has stolen away from the waste of waters to wander for a dozen miles between the verdant hills and through the woodland.

Many a time and merrily have we followed its winding course. Nor is it left to us alone to enjoy the healthiness and beauty of the scene. Whenever the toilers of Sydney are freed from their tasks, those rippling waters are furrowed by hundreds of boats. Yet even on the Lane Cove's busier days there are still some sweet sequestered inlets where one may escape the sight and sound of the madding crowd. There is one such spot on a description of which I should like to dwell—partly to appease the voluminous appetite of our literary editor and partly as a tribute to the pleasant memory of a bygone hour.

A Fairy Creek.

One Sunday afternoon during the term which is just drawing to a close, a party of Third Division boys pulled away from the college wharf. It was an ideal evening. The sun was shining brightly, the tide was at the flood, and the waters, fanned by a gentle breeze, were rippling with laughter. The river itself was alive with craft, and we were not sorry when our boat was steered across the quieter waters of Tambourine Bay.

Over at the north-east corner, beyond the rustic bridge, there is an enchanting inlet. Here the juvenile navigator should beware, for there are sunken trees and uncharted rocks lurking in the depths

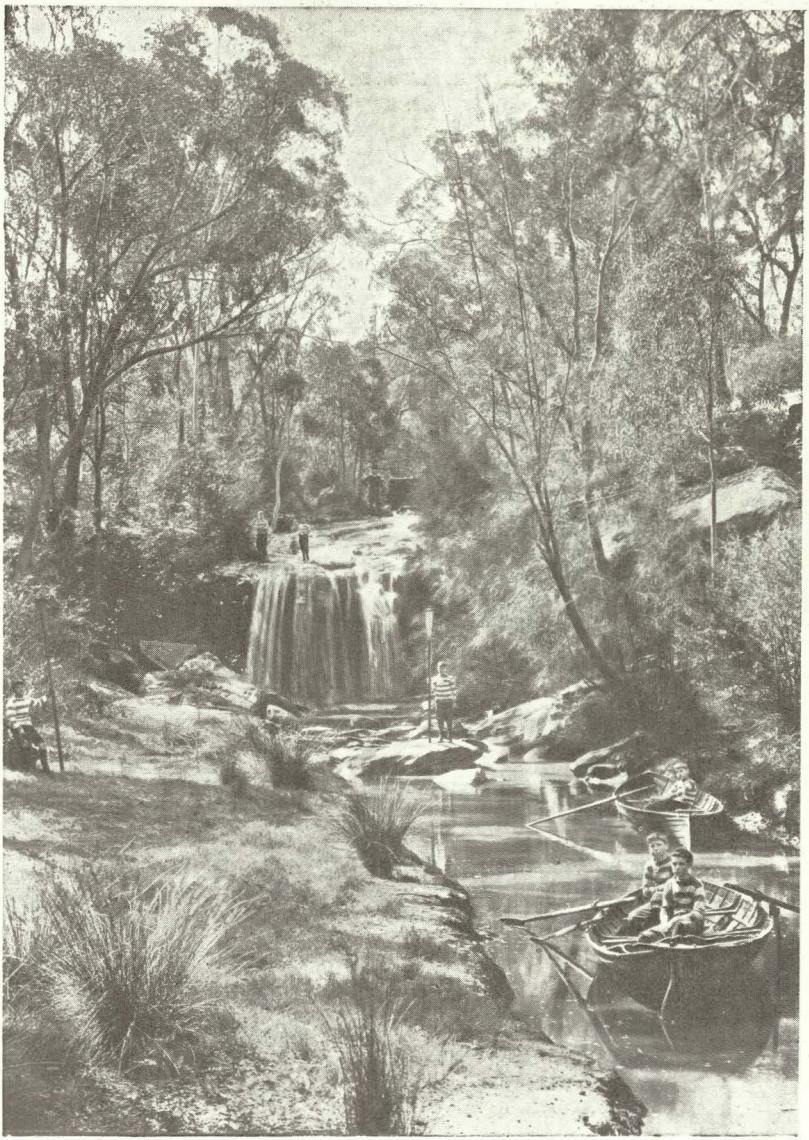


Photo by] TAMBOURINE FALLS. *Hall & Co.*

beneath. Our daring, however, was well repaid, for the upper waters of the creek are as beautiful as the scene in a fairy tale. That sylvan scene is deprived of much of its charm when the receding tide has bared the mud and revealed the myriads of crawling things that revel in the slime; but you should see it on many a summer's day, when the flood of waters is lapping the greensward, when the silver gums which clothe the rugged heights are glistening in the sun, and the air is balmy with the odour of wattle and eucalyptus. See it when the torrent is tumbling down the falls, when the wild flowers are in bloom and the curly ferns are waving, as they waved to us, a hundred welcomes.

Nell and the Norseman.

Over to the left of the water-fall, sheltered by an overhanging rock and partly concealed by the luxuriant brushwood, there is a deep recess. It was there, in olden times, that a certain Nell found refuge when pursued by the Sydney police, and there she might long have dwelt had not the plaintive notes of a tambourine betrayed her hiding place. Nell's ultimate fate is not recorded, but her tambourine has lent its name to the creek and the neighbouring bay.

On the evening of our visit we found an ancient viking camping in the cave. Eagerly did we cluster round him in expectation of some thrilling tale. Forty years had passed since he left his native Norway—forty years upon the ocean, yet not a tale had he to tell. He had never found a treasure island, was never shipwrecked or marooned; nor ever shed another's blood, and little of his own, save when a bandicoot, the previous night, had nibbled at his toes.

A more uninteresting old Norseman it were difficult to conceive, yet our boyish hearts were strangely moved at the sight of the lonely mariner who, mindful perhaps, of some fair but far Norwegian fiord, had stolen away from Sydney's crowded streets to pass the winter of his years by the beautiful banks of that southern creek. Gladly did we offer him of the store of good things with which we had come provided, and then away to scale the fall.

The Battle at the Ford.

The sun had disappeared behind the dark trees which crown the heights on the western side of the glade. Down by the creek the shadows were deepening. Inspired, perhaps, by that increasing gloom, some of us were wondering whether that secluded spot had ever witnessed some dread deed of blood, when suddenly there burst upon our ears a mingled cry of pain and terror.

With hurried steps we descended to the ford below the falls, where two of our companions had been battling in friendly rivalry. One of them was now reclining on a rock near the centre of the ford, and the rock itself was already crimson-stained with the blood which but a moment before had been pulsing through the



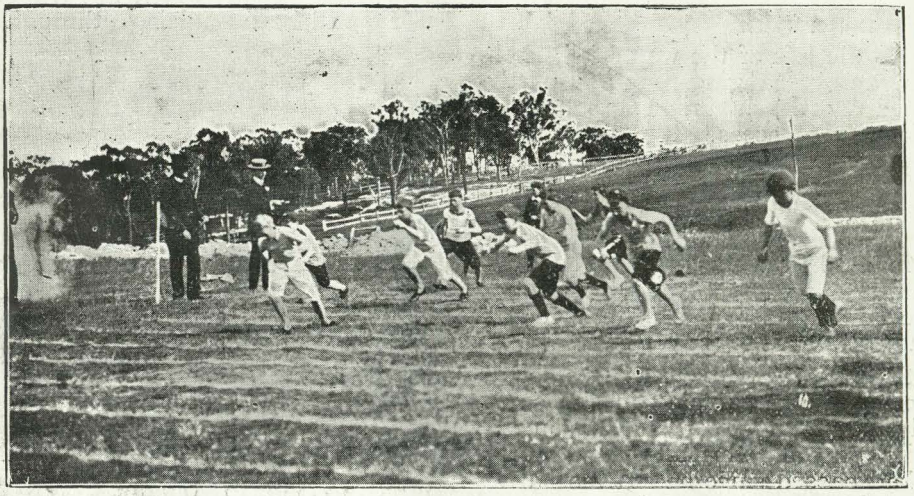
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young lad's heart. Willing help was not wanting to bring him to the shore. Then the boy whose hand had done the deed knelt down upon the greensward beside his hapless victim and begged to be forgiven. Nor was he the only one who felt a pang of sorrow for the genial, merry youngster, whose gentleness of nature and kindliness of heart had won for him the esteem of all his comrades.

As captain of his side in many a contest on cricket crease and football ground he had often cheered his men to victory when victory had seemed impossible. Was it not too pathetic, now, to see him lying there and watch that tiny stream of blood flowing from——? Gentle reader, though it may mar the beauty of my

tale, I shall tell you the prosaic truth. That tiny stream of blood was flowing from the immediate neighbourhood of our hero's nose. Nor did it flow long enough to steal the roses from his cheeks, or impair his generous appetite.

On hearing of our trouble, the aged Norseman, with amazing agility, had sped lightly from his cave to seek a glass of clear, cold water in the stream above the fall. An accidental tilting of the glass, followed by a trickling of the water down the outside of our wounded warrior's neck, brought him soon with laughing protest to his feet.



[*Sydney Mail.*

COLLEGE SPORTS.—THIRD DIVISION HUNDRED.

On our return journey down the creek, his was the steady hand that steered us safely between the hidden rocks, and past the sandbanks and the sunken trees. Nearing the bridge, he called for a few strokes swift and strong, and then with oars along the boat we sped rapidly through the narrow arch out into the open, sunlit waters of the bay.

The Nest With the Golden Eggs.

Wafted on the evening breeze came sounds of joyous strife upon the College playgrounds, and we were glad, for it meant that we had further time to spend upon the river. Some proposed a trip towards Mornington, with the prospect of a roll in the wake of some passing steamer, others were anxious for a visit to a sweet-smelling tannery up the sister bay; but the suggestion most warmly welcomed was one which appealed alike to the curiosity and to the predatory instinct of youth.

Our oars lay idle in their rowlocks while we listened with bated breath to the story of a strange nest which one of our number had discovered on the previous day. He had seen it from the summit of the giant cliff beyond the College wharf. A large nest with many golden-coloured eggs lying in a cosy nook near the base of the rock. Had he seen the bird? Yes, a huge bird of dark plumage, and wings of wondrous length. Bosker! The steamer's roll and the odorous tannery were alike forgotten as we pulled—long, strong, and all together—making our light barque skim across the sparkling waters.

Our tongues kept pace with our oars as we plied our friend with a hundred questions, or made ourselves a hundred guesses about the name of bird and the number of the eggs. A dark bird and golden

eggs ! Not a black swan, or a cormorant, or a frigate bird, since their eggs are green or blue or purest white. Not the dreaded eagle, which exhausts its energy in the production of a single egg. Neither could it be the wingless cassowary.

A certain small youth thought it might be a goose. He had heard of one that laid golden eggs. Was it a black goose ? He had to confess that history was silent as to the colour of his goose, and some of us were of opinion that the species had died a sudden death.

Even then our boat's keel had grounded gently on the little silver strand beneath the cliff, and soon the lucky finder was leading us along a narrow path towards the fated spot. We approached it in solemn silence, in single file, and with a look of eager expectation on every face.

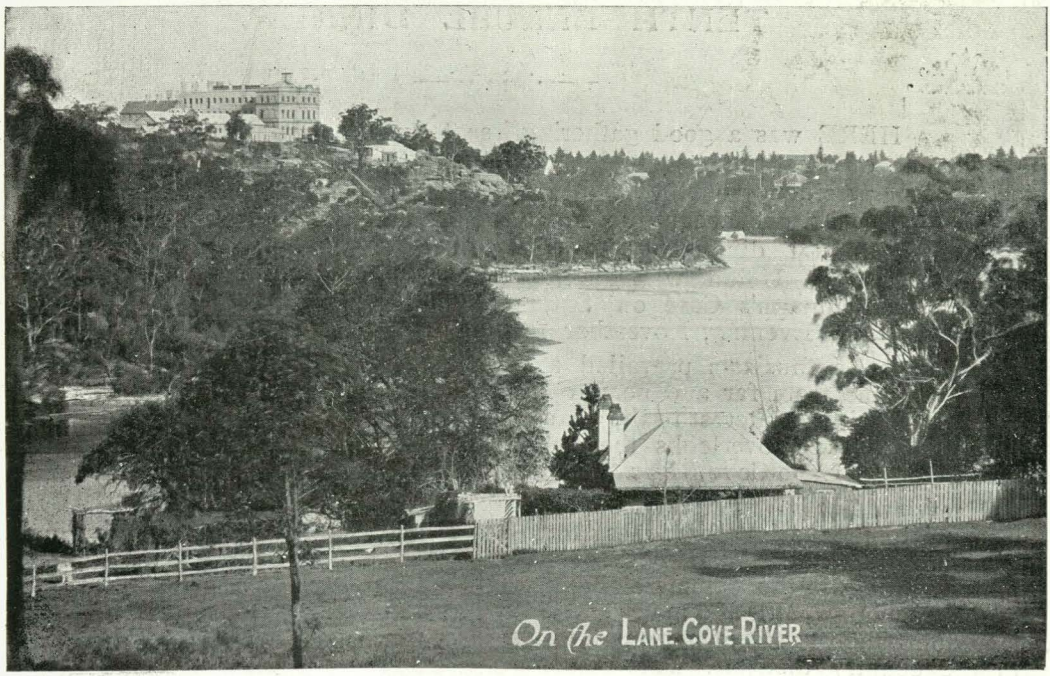
A single glance was quite sufficient. Then each one turned away to conceal from those behind him a look of mingled pleasure and dismay—pleasure at the prospect of eating those eggs, and dismay at the atrocious way in which he had been humbugged. The nest was a nest of oranges ! Soon the silver strand was strewn with the golden shells.

What is the name of the dark-robed bird ? I know, but may not tell. His long wings are still unclipped, but the vigilant guardian of our orange groves has murder in his eye.

That boat's crew are only youngsters now, but they will grow and grow, even as the giant tree from the tender sapling. Years will pass, and the time will come when they must leave the little world of Riverview, each to paddle his own canoe across the troubled waters of a wider world. Yet we doubt if the passing years will dim the bright memory of that bygone evening when we visited the ancient viking, fought the battle at the ford, and robbed the nest with the golden eggs.

Time may steal the sting from many a schoolboy sorrow, but it cannot rob the pleasure of the many happy hours we have spent upon the river—hours that shall glow like sunny spots for ever in our memory.

ONE OF THE CREW.



Balmain Ferry Co.] **VIEW OF THE COLLEGE FROM NORTH WEST.** ["*Pleasant Places.*"]

OLD BOYS' UNION.

OFFICE-BEARERS 1905-6.

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TREASURER:
B. A. MCBRIDE, ESQ., SOL.

HON. SECRETARY:
P. W. FALLON, ESQ., SOL.

TENTH ANNUAL DINNER.

THERE was a good gathering of Ex-Students under the presidency of Mr. P. J. O'Donnell when the tenth annual dinner of the Old Boys' Union was held at Baumann's Café on Saturday Evening, November 17.

The utmost enthusiasm prevailed and old boys came from far and near to express their abiding interest in the beautiful college which overlooks the noble reaches of the Lane Cove River.

Riverview has given her sons in full measure to the various branches of professional life. She has many successful representatives in the commercial circles of the Commonwealth and many stalwart men doing their share of nation building in the country districts. Pale students and bronzed men of action came together again at the annual re-union and while seated round the daintily-decorated tables they revived for an hour their roseate memories of olden days on the playing fields and on the river.

When the bracketed toast of the Pope and the King had been honoured Mr. Frank Coen proposed "Our Patron." On hearing these words the past students of earlier years must have recalled the kindly face of Father Dalton, the dead and gone Rector, who nursed the College in its tender days and played so great a part in guiding it to the lofty heights of success on which it now stands so proudly.

It is a pity that Father Gartlan, the present Patron, was not present to hear the charming speech of Mr. Coen with its many happy references to the respect and love in which the 'old boys' hold him.

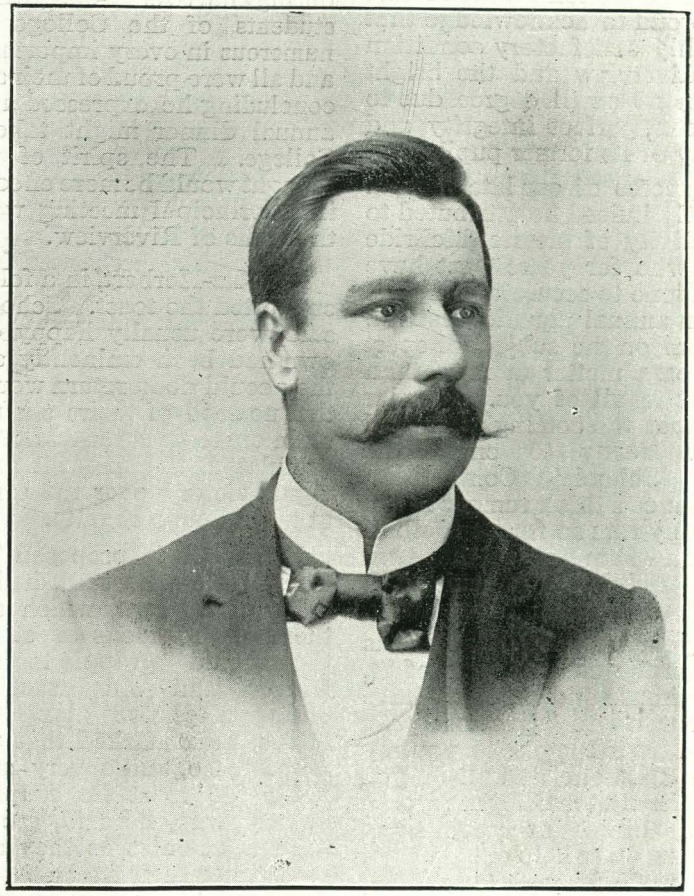
Not content, however, with being present in spirit Father Gartlan had en-

trusted to Father Brennan the following characteristic letter:—

Dear Mr. President and Old Pupils.

I greatly regret that an imperative duty which I cannot postpone deprives me of the pleasure of being with you this evening.

One thing, however, I must do and that is to express to you the heartfelt appreciation of my community and myself of your generous efforts to raise a worthy memorial to the venerable and devoted founder of the college—for so many years the Patron and enthusiastic friend of your Union—Father Dalton.



P. J. O'DONNELL, ESQ.
PRESIDENT OF THE OLD BOYS' UNION.

I know of no body of Ex-Students of any college in this or any other part of the globe who took in hand such an ambitious undertaking in honour of an old master. And yet great as was the task before you its perfect accomplishment seems a matter of certainty, and that in the no distant future.

The noble lead given by the President of the Memorial Committee—that constant and openhanded benefactor of his old school Mr. Thos. Dalton—has been followed by others with the result that already a goodly sum is in hand, and it seems perfectly safe to take further steps towards the completion of your project. To show that the large donations already given do not exhaust the generosity of the donors I may mention that the Melbourne lady who subscribed a hundred guineas has also promised to provide the Stations of the Cross for the new collegiate church. Much no doubt yet remains to be done, but then there are many to do it, and I think I may congratulate the Union on the progress made and the bright and cheering prospect ahead.

Let all remember two things, firstly that time presses and it behoves us all to be up and doing; and, secondly that no nobler, more fitting, and more practical way of honouring and perpetuating the memory of Father Dalton could be devised than the erection of a sanctuary in that college which was the chief labour and the great love of his life.

I have been connected with the College since its infancy and I do not think I exaggerate in the least when I say, and I say it with profound gratitude to an ever

kind Providence, that never before did the name of the College stand higher throughout the Commonwealth and in New Zealand—never was there a better spirit amongst its students and never did the ex-students give more eloquent and substantial tokens of their unswerving loyalty and warm affection for their Alma Mater. I am proud to acknowledge that the present highly satisfactory condition of things at Riverview and the bright prospects are in no small degree due to the high character, perfect integrity and sturdy advocacy of its former pupils.

The signal success of our late regatta must very largely indeed be attributed to the untiring activity of Messrs. McBride and Donovan, who for years past have left nothing undone to secure a complete triumph for our annual aquatic festival. And now as I am on the subject of sport just one word on a matter of more than passing interest to all of you. Popular rumour has it that the coming year will find Riverview ready to enter the Great Public Schools' Competition and in this instance I think rumour is not far wrong—at any rate so far as football is concerned—and I am hopeful that even with regard to cricket the difficulties at present existing may be smoothed away.

During the year we have adopted as the College crest the coat of arms of St. Ignatius' noble house and on it we have inscribed as our motto "*Quantum potes tantum aude.*" May I suggest to you my dear 'old boys' that one and all of you could do no better that make these words the guiding headlines of your lives. Whatever you can do to help one another, whatever you can do for your old school, whatever you can do for the progress and prosperity of your grand country, and above all and before all whatever you can do to safeguard and advance the sacred interests of your faith, do, and do with all your might. "*Quantum potes tantum aude!*"

Thus surely will your Union prosper, thus will it continue to be a model for other unions, and its members will be so many centres of enlightenment and peace, and so many sources of strength to Faith and Fatherland :—

"Let knowledge grow from more to more,
But more of reverence in us dwell
That mind and soul, according well,
May make one music as before,
But vaster."

Dr. Burfitt in proposing "The College," referred with much pleasure to the great work which Riverview had accomplished during its twenty-six years. The past-students of the College were already numerous in every important walk of life and all were proud of their school. Before concluding he expressed a wish that the annual dinner might take place at the College. The spirit of the Union he thought would be more effectively fostered if its principal meeting was held within the walls of Riverview.

Mr. Fitz-Herbert, in a felicitous speech, supported the toast. Schoolboy days, he said, were usually happy ones, but their own had been eminently so. The least they could do in return would be to secure that no deed of theirs should ever cast a stain on their ALMA MATER. He congratulated the present boys on their signal victory over the senior city clubs at the Balmain regatta.

Father Little proposed "The Union." Their Union, he said, had a life and a spirit of its own, which should remind them of the hooks of steel, with which they should "grapple to their souls" old friends and old associations. On taking a glance along the well-filled tables, he remarked that the Union had a body also, and a very substantial one. With the toast he coupled the office-bearers, who, he said, are as formidable to their enemies as they are a tower of strength to their friends. The Union had done well in confiding its interests to such able hands and loyal hearts.

The President, in responding, said that their last gathering had been made memorable by the eloquence of Senator Keating, whereas his own speech would be remembered for its brevity. He concluded by congratulating the College on its entrance into the Great Public Schools' Competition.

Mr. B. A. McBride offered a graceful and well-deserved tribute to "The Press," which was warmly acclaimed.

MUSICALE.

THE modern student of the Greek Drama is lost in wonder at the perfect art, the graceful rhythm, and the bold conception of the early models of cultured human taste. Curious to trace the source of this deep-seated inspiration, he wanders through the glens and sylvan groves of ancient Greece, and stands at last before a rustic altar. Here the village folk are chanting some rude hymn to celebrate the country's deity; their voices rise in cadenced strains, as they move with measured step, and they—unconscious though they be—are bidding fair to found the Attic Theatre.

Not many years ago some lover of the Latin odes heard ringing in his ears those well-known words,

"Dulce est desipere in loco."

He rose and sang a song; some others followed; the reciter soon entered on the scene, and both combined to introduce a simple play. Why tarry longer? The Greeks attained perfection! Why should we not, too? And so our classic halls re-echoed choral odes—draped figures moved across the stage—and lights of varied hue shed now a lurid glare upon the spectre ghost—now shone with rosy tint on fairy mites.

Like Greek of old, we started with the song—we harmonised the song for youthful bands; and these primal gatherings were never meant for public gaze.

But, as the softening touch of music struck deeper chords within the soul, and as each year saw a gradual widening of artistic taste, our modest portals widened too, in turn, and friendly throngs poured in to hear our plays.

Thus far we followed carefully our ancient models;—here we part. It is the month of Elaphebolion, the great Festival of Dionysius is at hand—the longed-for morning has arrived—the whole city is astir, for to-day is holiday at Athens. All are thronging to yonder hill, canopied by the clear, blue vault of heaven, and ringed with tier on tier of stone-cut seats for the myriad spectators. Here they will sit all day, in the open air and pure atmosphere of Attica, and listen to play after play, until the twilight hovers round the slopes, and warns them to wend their homeward way.

We have far other views; the evening shadows must gather round us before our actors will appear. Their graceful movements are best seen when an electric halo flits around them. And though the rapt listeners would linger on, our hour is past, we bow until some other day.

Another point in which we may surpass the Greek is that the 'Printers' Art' allows us, with delicately-wrought programme, to follow each changing scene, and leaves us a pleasant reminiscence of the evening's pleasure.

Three programmes lie before us, as we write, representing the varied entertainments our young artists have prepared for us during the past term. From the bright and somewhat burlesque comedy of "Vice-Versa"—a playful picture of schoolboys' mirthful mischief—we pass to

a high pitch of dramatic effect in "L'Aiglon," and end the season with the graceful operetta, "Iolanthe."

ST. IGNATIUS' DAY, JULY 31st, 1906.

PROGRAMME.

PART I.

Overture—"Grand March." ... ... Gounod
College Orchestra.

Song—"I'll sing thee Songs of Araby." Clay
Mr. W. H. Burke.

Pianoforte Solo—"Fantasia" ... Moszkowski
Mr. Hugh J. McMenamin.

Recitation—Selection from "Richard III"
Act I. Scene IV. ... Shakespeare
Mr. T. A. Walsh, S.J.

Violin Solo—"Ave Maria." ... ... Schubert
Mr. W. J. Coad.

PART II.

"VICE VERSA."

A COMEDY.

DRAMATIS PERSONÆ:

Mr. Bultitude (a merchant)	...	H. J. Richards
Dick Bultitude (his Son)	...	W. Macdonald
Dr. Grimstone (of Crichton College	... ...	R. F. Hughes
Tipping	Schoolboys...	C. Gordon
Shawner		D. F. Roth
Coggs		G. Ward
Biddlecomb		E. Veyret
Jolland		F. McArdle
Kiffen		C. McKillop
Policeman		F. Fanning
Clegg (Cabman)		T. J. Cusack
Eliza (Mr. Bultitude's Housemaid)		B. Stuart-Mason

SYNOPSIS OF SCENES:

Act I. - - Mr. Bultitude's Dining Room
Act II. - A Schoolroom at Crichton College

We were just beginning to forget the pleasure of holidays,—though, indeed, one youth knew last year that St. Ignatius' Day would be on a Tuesday—when the "Great Day" dawned upon us—a day of mourning in the feathered homes; but we forgot those innocent sufferers when the concert loomed in view! Was it a good one? Can you ask such a question with the programme facing you? We all know the great artistic talent of the performers in Part I. And then Part II.—some noisy scenes—exercises flying—Coggs and Kiffin so happy— oh, we did enjoy it!

SEPTEMBER.

PROGRAMME.

PART I.

Pianoforte Solo—"Etude de Concert" ... Godard
Mr. J. Hugh McMenamin.

Song—"Come Beloved" ... ... Piccolomini
Mr. E. Tarr.

Pianoforte Solo—"Les Adieux"... ...Beethoven
René Unger.

Song—"The Longshoreman" ... ... Chesham
Mr. J. Goodridge.

Song—"I seek for thee in every flower" Ganz
Mr. A. Finn.

PART II.

"L' AIGLON."

THE EAGLET.

By Edmond Rostand.

(Presented by arrangement with Mr. J.C. Williamson.)

DRAMATIS PERSONÆ:

The Duke of Reichstadt (Son of Napoleon I. and Archduchess Maria of Austria) A. Stuart-Mason
Flambeau (a Veteran) ... ... W. Macdonald
Prince Metternich (Chancellor of Austria) A. T. Desmond

ACT III.

Scene—Midnight in the Palace of Schonbrunn.

Period—1830-32.

We have a real grievance here. A splendid programme; but too short! So many artists in Part I., and not an encore—though everyone wishing for three encores at least! Somebody is surely to blame.

"L'Aiglon!" It produced many nightmares, we hear, in the little dormitory. Wonderful effect, and the broken mirror—Bonzer!

OCTOBER 29th, 1906.

PROGRAMME.

PART I.

Overture—"Tannhauser" ... ... Wagner
College Orchestra.

Song (a) "O My Beloved" ... ... Wright
(b) "Beauty's Eyes" ... ... Tosti
Mr. Emil Sussmilch.

Violin Solo—"Serenade" ... ... Coad
Mr. W. J. Coad.

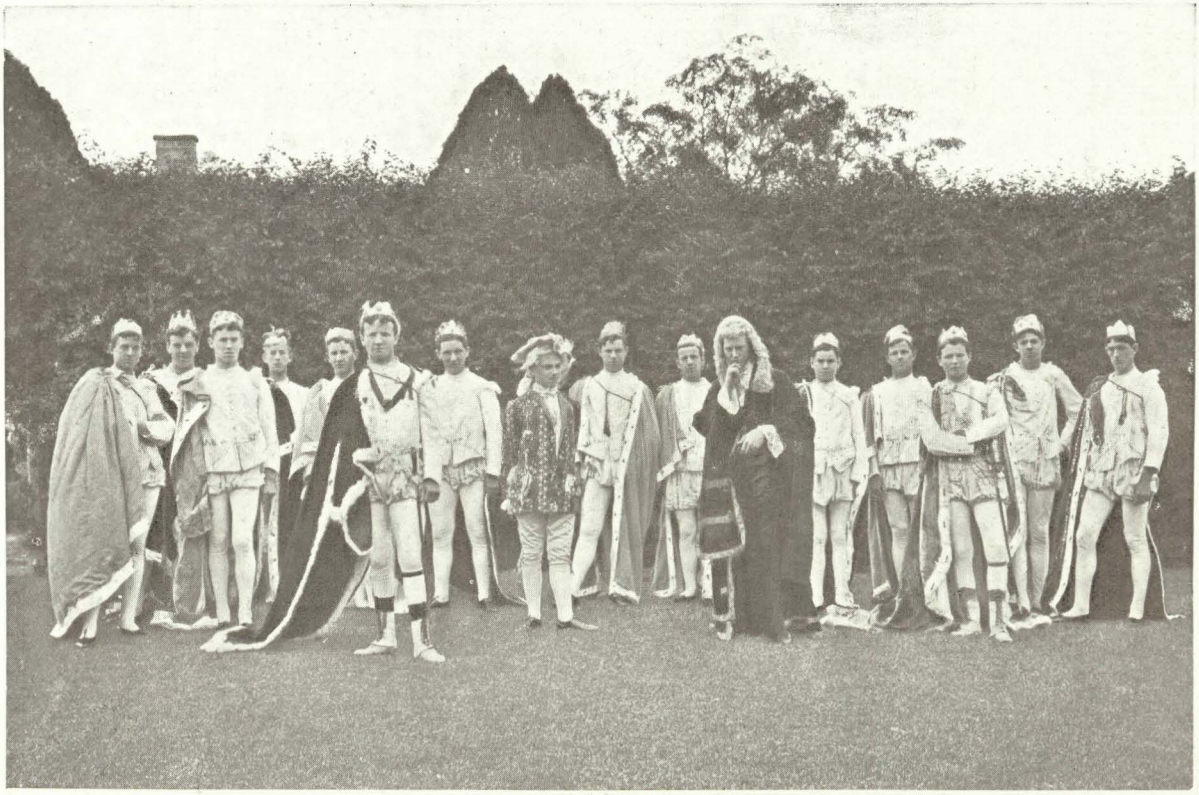


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PART II.

GILBERT & SULLIVAN'S COMIC OPERA:

"IOLANTHE;"

or,

"THE PEER AND THE PERI."

(By arrangement with Mr. J. C. Williamson.)

The Lord Chancellor	R. F. Hughes
Earl of Mountararat	E. O'Halloran
Earl Tolloller	J. J. O'Mara
Strephon (an Arcadian Shepherd)...	W. Macdonald
Queen of the Fairies	J. Deery
Celia, Leila, Fleta } Fairies	C. Gordon, F. McArdle, D. Roth
Iolanthe (a Fairy, Strephon's Mother)	C. Williams

Dukes, Marquises, Earls, Viscounts, Barons and Fairies.

ACT I.—AN AMERICAN LANDSCAPE (Campbell.)

Date between 1700 and 1906.

CHORUS.—E. Dinan, N. Chester, E. Veyret, R. McFarlane, L. Cranney, C. Rorke, R. Macken, C. Bryant, R. Delescluse, E. Keenan, R. Barry, B. Veech G. Ward, T. Cusack, G. Malone, J. Conrick, M. McKenna, M. Cranney, T. Higgins, F. Fanning, A Turner, E. Turner, J. Fernandos, J. Bowler, C. Gaertner, H. McArdle, B. Richards, J. McCarthy, F. Hughes, R. Bridge, L. Horsley.

Costumes by Batham. Electrical Effects by Olsen.

DISTRIBUTION OF REGATTA PRIZES.

HON. ACCOMPANIST, MR. J. HUGH MCMENAMIN.

Monday evening, October 29th, was one of animation, unusual even in the College precincts. Picturesque in themselves, a special charm was added to the moonlit grounds by the gay attire of the many guests, who were hastening to the College theatre to witness the reproduction of "Iolanthe."

"A very difficult piece for boys to act," one expectant visitor was heard to remark. "I wonder how the fairies will appear? big gauche schoolboys, I am sure, in clumsy garb—anything but fairy-like!" Suddenly the opening strains of music rise in mild crescendo; up goes the curtain, displaying a woodland scene of wondrous beauty, and in tripped the fairies, elfin indeed in their gossamery frocks, wreathed in garlands,

"Ever singing, ever dancing,
In a manner most entrancing."

The silent pause of wonder, followed by a thunder of applause, showed but too clearly the genuine admiration and surprise created by the pretty scene.

The clever dialogue between the Queen of the Fairies and her subjects, importunate for the recall of Iolanthe, and the dramatic scene of Iolanthe's emerging from the pond as the last clear notes of the chorus died away, were followed with bated breath.

The dignified Lord Chancellor and his gorgeous retinue of peers—the simple protests of the shepherd, Strephon, fully sustained the interest; but the deep, rich notes of the Earl Tolloller in the song "Blue Blood" evoked a reverberating encore.

The piece neared its end—the sprightly fairies—the noble peers—the grand Lord Chancellor all blend in a harmonious chorus, "Off to Fairyland," and when the last faint echoes were lost in the distance, even the most sceptical and critical auditor murmured "Wonderful!" "How well those boys were trained!"





Senior Debating Club.

President: REV. G. BYRNE, S.J.

Committee: R. F. HUGHES (Hon. Sec.), D. GAVAN DUFFY, H. RORKE, P. QUINN, F. HUGHES, K. McKILLOP.

SOME of the kind-hearted members of the First Division lately took up the cause of the "heathen Chinee." Their interest in the welfare of Ah Sing and his friends has even led them to defend the rash act of that gentleman, whose smile was so "child-like and bland" as to captivate everyone who knew him. Consequently, no surprise was felt when, on September 23rd, a debate opened on the question of a White Australia. Mr. Duffy hurled torrents of fierce invective at the head of the unfortunate Premier for his policy of supporting the alien; and was in turn bitterly reproached by the members of the Government, who showed the little weaknesses of a White Australia. White men gambled and smoked opium in fan-tan shops and Chinese dens, while the unhappy crew of the "Petriana" were awaiting the decision of Sir Edmund Barton, and the canefields lay deserted for the want of Kanaka labour.

This debate has, by universal consent, proved the most successful yet held, a success due to the fluent way in which the prepared speeches were delivered, and the continued vivacity of the cross questioning. Still there remains a tendency among members to leave the question at stake and deal with numbers of irrelevant side issues. If this point is attended to in future, we may hope to produce really capable debaters, as we have produced many able speakers.

Our thanks are due to Mr. Byrne, S.J., who, as President, has always pleased by his rulings, and assisted members in the preparation of their speeches.

MOTION:—"Any Foreign Immigration Act, tending to secure a 'White Australia' is alien alike to the commercial and industrial interests of the country, and calculated to retard its progress."

GOVERNMENT.

Premier—MR. HUGHES.
Minister for Lands—MR. RORKE.
Minister for Mines—MR. QUINN.
Minister for Works—MR. FERNANDOS.
Minister for War—MR. SHEIL.
Minister for Justice—MR. McKILLOP.
Minister for Home Affairs—MR. LOUGHNAN.

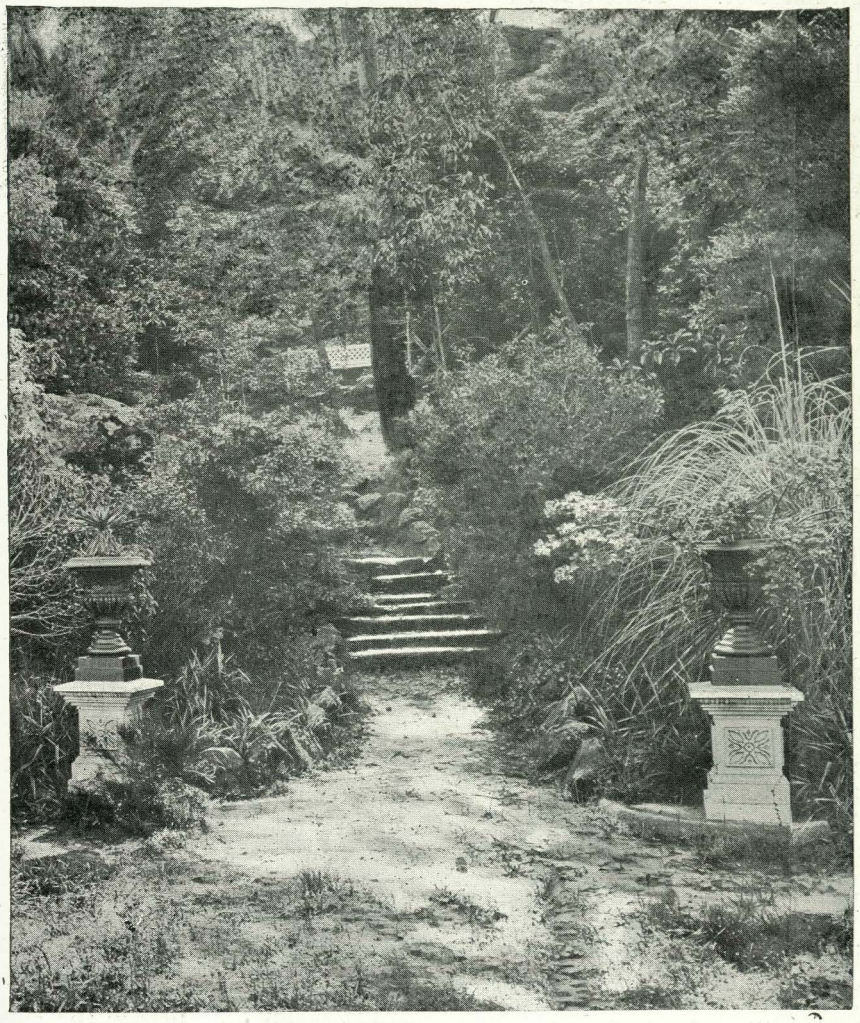
OPPOSITION.

MR. GAVAN DUFFY, Leader.
MR. F. HUGHES (China).
MR. MCNALLY (Kalahari).
MR. KELLY (Hokitika).
MR. MCARDLE (Unyanyembe).
MR. HIGGINS (Kurkarausa).
MR. O'MARA (Mansarowar).

MR. R. HUGHES (Premier) claimed that Australia needed a large population to develop its resources, and asked why coloured people should not be allowed

to enter when whites would not. This was shewn during the drought, when employers on cane farms, who had dismissed the Hindoo, could not carry on business. The attempts made in Queensland to do without Kanakas had proved abortive, owing to natural conditions. If Australia was selfish, other nations might retaliate and close their doors on us. White Australians held a bigoted and narrow-minded policy in objecting to aliens solely on the grounds of colour. A restrictive policy, like White Australia, would soon expose Australia as a country to be shunned, and make her the laughing stock of the world.

MR. DUFFY (Leader of the Opposition) proposed to treat the object of a White Australia from the social and economical standpoint. He explained the disgraceful conduct of the aliens in Australia, and referred to the introduction of coolies to the Rand as an insult to the men who bought South Africa with their blood.



REGATTA WALKS.

Economically, he declared, a coloured Australia meant the ruin of the poor and the affluence of the plutocrats. The Government pandered to the Confucian and the Buddhist because they worked at a wage less than a living wage and stole the bread from the white man's mouth. Reciprocity was absurd. China gained and Australia lost. The Government wanted to change a white-hearted Australia for a white-livered one, for courage is alien to their cause.

MR. QUINN feared that the policy of the Opposition might one day find the leader of that party on his hands and knees playing catch-as-catch-can with a fractious cabbage. He then shewed the low standard of morals of the" smart set," and compared it with the higher standard of the coloured races. He next proceeded to show that the arguments of slavery were unsound, as whites grind down their fellows just as much as they "sweat" blacks. After exploding the charges of gambling and sweating brought forward by the Opposition, he concluded his speech.

MR. MCNALLY delivered a diatribe against the Chinese. He gave grounds for the fear of the Yellow Peril, and predicted that a pursuance of the open-door policy would see us ruled by Chinese. He urged the seclusion of coloured races who would destroy the morals of the country and increase the unemployed. Having flatly denied the greater usefulness of Kanakas for canefields and shewn that the white man bore the heat better, he resumed his seat.

MR. FERNANDOS (N.Z.) informed his audience that a hundred years ago the inhabitants of Australia and Polynesia were all blacks. He urged the introduction of coloured labour to increase competition, and thus effect the development of the country. He shewed the insulting action of the Australian legislators in expelling from the shores the very people with whom they were endeavouring to trade. He concluded by shewing that while the alien was good enough to enter Heaven, he was not good enough to enter Australia.

MR. F. HUGHES explained a White Australia as a system of white government and labour for Australia, with the abolition of all coloured work. He shewed that Australia's natural wealth made up for her want of inventive genius, and expressed the hope that she would be one of the foremost nations of the world if her young growth was not impeded by the Chinese and Hindoos. He concluded his speech with an attack on coloured labour in the canefields and pointed out the possibilities of white labour.

Mr. LOUGHNAN claimed every possible privilege for his maiden effort, though his address proved that his claims were rather vain. He held that the sugar industry would be destroyed if white men were employed, because blacks alone could bear the heat. If the aliens were exported it would cause great expense, and the money would come from the pockets of the working man, in the shape of heavy taxation. If the Open Door policy was maintained all fears of the Yellow Peril would be vain, and Australia would one day be ranked as a model of finance and government for the world.

MR. MCARDLE contended that stringent laws were needed to check the foreign influx. The Government were merely advancing the claims of wealthy men, who would not hesitate to treat the coloured man merely as a cheap means of labour, and thus throw hundreds out of employment. This was the state of affairs after the Boer War. The brutal way the coloured man was treated in America was a disgrace, and similar abuses would follow a coloured Australia. We should therefore unite to destroy this monster which threatened to overrun all Australasia.

MR. MCKILLOP argued that as 100,000,000 whites had settled in Asia, Africa, and Polynesia, a similar number of blacks had an equal right to enter the white man's territory. The White Australia policy was dog in the manger, because the Opposition refused to allow Indians and Africans to enter a vast area which Australians cannot cultivate. Those who hold priority of occupation are absurd, because the first occupants of Australia were coloured. He finally besought his audience to sink colour prejudice and support the OPEN DOOR.

MR. KELLY was horrified at the idea of half-savage hordes entering Australia, bearing with them the seeds of physical and moral corruption. He deprecated the importation of Kanakas to Queensland as hindering that promising State from becoming really prosperous. He defined the Chinaman as the nearest thing to a savage, and predicted that the encouragement of aliens would bring Australia to as bad a condition as South Africa. The Government wished to exclude Britishers on the ground that they swelled the unemployed, while they should really expel the Yellow Plague.

MR. RORKE was amazed that in these days of enlightenment, racial prejudice should be so pronounced. We get Indians to fight for us and win our battles, and then we say, "Our land is made for white men, not for blacks." He then proved the falseness of the arguments of sweating and depleting the country's wealth by shewing that the black was naturally able to work for a small wage and increase the prosperity of the country. He shewed the need for black labour in Queensland, owing to the fact that sugar was actually being imported, and ended by urging the Opposition to do as they would be done by.

MR. HIGGINS wished his hearers to understand that he did not object to aliens for their colour, but because they lower our mode of living. The prosperity of U.S.A. was due to the rigid exclusion of alien races who were never allowed to enter its hallowed precincts. Despite the present overcrowding of the labour market, the Government wished to increase pauperism by flooding the country with blacks. China clearly shewed that population does not make a country. He finally reminded the House that, if not checked, aliens would be a pest like rabbits, and it would need more than Dr. Danysz to make Australia WHITE again.

MR. O'MARA assumed that the Government were greatly concerned about the population of Australia, and pointed out that it would scarcely be beneficial to import coloured immigrants, who brought with them all kinds of filth and evil. The various cold-blooded outrages of aliens were so numerous and so well known that descriptions were unnecessary. He begged the audience to pay no heed to the statement that white men were unable to work in North Queensland, as the death rate of the blacks was greater by 2.8 per cent. After touching upon some other points he gave way to

MR. MCDERMOTT who complained that Australia was suffering from too much fatness of land and an insufficiency of labour to work it. He expressed indignation at the policy of the Opposition who would leave this beautiful country left unsown and untilled, while it could be so cultivated as to increase the revenue considerably. A White Australia policy would ruin the sugar industry and render thousands of men idle. The rise of the United States was not due to alien exclusion, as all her staple products were worked by niggers.

The Leader of the Opposition then launched into a vigorous denunciation of the Government policy. He pointed out its numerous defects and showed the disastrous results it would have on Australia. He then proceeded to attack the various members individually. He showed the timid policy the Government proposed, the speciousness of their arguments for the Kanakas, and concluded with a vivid picture of Australia as she would be with Alien Immigration.

The Premier refuted the statements of the Leader of the Opposition with regard to the Chinese on the Rand, and pronounced the "all white" mail line to be absurd. He warned Australians against being restrictive like America, and scoffed at the idea of Australia being governed by a coloured parliament. He finally regretted that his vocabulary was not large enough to find a name for the Opposition policy, if that of the Government was timid.

The Government was defeated by a large majority.

ROGER FORREST HUGHES.





St. Ignatius' College Rowing Club.

20th ANNUAL REGATTA.

Officials of the Club:

President.—VERY REV. T. GARTLAN, S.J.

Captain.—J. CARLTON.

Hon Sec. and Treas.—REV. J. CORBOY, S.J.

Committee.—REV J. S. BOURKE, S.J. MR. F. W. DONOVAN; MR. B. A. MCBRIDE; MR. N. J. MCDONALD; R. V. MCDONNELL; J. O'MARA; R. BRIDGE; V. CONLON; R. UNGER; A. JOHNSTONE, W. BRIDGE; A. KELLY; R. MACKEN.

OPEN RACES.

Starter.—J. DEGOTARDI, ESQ. Judge.—V. HORNIMAN, ESQ.
Umpire.—N. J. MCDONALD, ESQ.
Timekeeper.—F. W. DONOVAN, ESQ.

COLLEGE RACES.

Starter.—B. HUGHES, ESQ. Umpire.—REV. J. BRENNAN, S.J.
Judge.—REV. P. DWYER, S.J.

ON the afternoon of Saturday, October 27th, the twentieth annual regatta of St. Ignatius' College Rowing Club was held on the Lane Cove. A glorious day and a flood tide, with a gentle breeze to temper the heat, provided perfect weather conditions. The entries were numerous and the racing very keen, while the scene along the river was one long to be remembered.

Riverview is ever at its gayest on regatta day, but rarely have the beautiful gardens and grounds been seen to such advantage as on that early summer afternoon when the ferry steamers brought their thousands to view the regatta.

On leaving the wharf the stream of visitors divided. Many turned to the right along the winding paths which skirt the romantic foreshore. Others ascended the broad path towards the cricket fields from which they enjoyed a charming view of the river. A third and numerous party climbed the rock-hewn steps which lead past the Vice-Regal stand to the lovely terraces above.

The gardens were resplendent in their summer bloom of flowers, but even there the cry was still "Excelsior!" and many mounted to the College roof, from which exalted height the view is unsurpassed.

The scene on the water was animated and pretty. Racing eights and racing fours, yachts and skiffs, electric and steam launches were there in plenty; in fact, every conceivable kind of water craft, from the tiny canoe to the sumptuous and gaily-decorated motor launch.

Several Government steam yachts glided daintily up and down. On the "Premier" were the Honourable J. A. Hogue, Chief Secretary; and the Hon. John Hughes, with Mrs. Hughes and many

TREBLE SCULLS. REGATTA TROPHIES. VIEWS OF THE COURSE.



SYDNEY EIGHT.
Holders of Riverview Gold Challenge Cup.

UNIVERSITY FOUR.
Holders of the Magnus-Mercantile Trophy.

friends. The Hon. E. W. O'Sullivan and Mrs. O'Sullivan were entertaining a party on the "Eva," while the regatta officials were accommodated on the "Lady Hopetoun," on which were also Judge Backhouse, Father Gartlan, Messrs. T. Dalton and Q. L. Deloitte, Major Lenehan, Dr. Burne, Dr. Kain, Dr. P. J. Kelly and many others.

The scene on shore was equally gay. From the Senior boatshed, framed in its halo of bunting, away down to the college wharf and beyond, the picturesque waterway was lined with thousands of spectators who enjoyed a splendid view of the most interesting portion of the course.

Tea, coffee, and ices were served in a large marquee near the water's edge, while close at hand the professional Musicians' Band played all the latest in mirthful music.

No effort was spared by the committee, to whom we offer our heartiest congratulations. The Rev. J. Corboy, S.J., was ably assisted by that energetic young solicitor, Mr. B. A. McBride, and we rejoice that their work was crowned with such complete success.

The racing was very fine. Many of the coveted trophies were secured only after the keenest competition, and so meritorious was the rowing of the losers, that instead of a dirge they deserve our most cheerful recognition.

THE COLLEGE RACES.

JUNIOR DOUBLE SCULLS.

Prize—Silver Medals.

"Black."—G. Saunders, J. Johnstone (str), G. Ward (cox.) 1
"Blue."—J. Deery, W. McDonald (str.), C. Leonard (cox.) 2
"Pink."—L. Elliott, B. Bryant (str.), K. Ryan (cox.) 3

A very interesting race which partook of an international character, and resulted in a well-deserved win for the New Zealanders.

JUNIOR TREBLE SCULLS.

Prize—Silver Medals.

"Black."—B. McCarthy, F. Fanning, A. Johnstone (str.), G. Vavasour (cox.) 1
"Blue."—E. Lenihan, C. Orton, R. Unger (str.), C. McKillop (cox.) 2
"Pink."—J. McCarthy, H. Richards, V. Conlon (str.), T. Payten (cox.) 3

The preliminary heat between the boys in black and those in pink had proved one of the keenest contests ever seen in college races on the river. On the morning of the final the chances of the Blacks and the Light Blues were eagerly discussed. The latter were more fancied, but, after fighting every inch of the way, they had to yield the palm of victory to the redoubtable Blacks.

JUNIOR SIX OAR.

Prize—Silver Medals.

"Orange."—J. Bryant, A. Robinson, E. Veyret, T. O'Hare, D. Roth, W. Bridge (str.), S. McDermott (cox.) 1
"Blue."—C. Bryant, V. Bowler, C. Robinson, L. Horsley, J. McBride, R. Macken (str.), J. Hackett (cox.) 2
"Pink."—E. Dinan, H. Bowler, C. Williams, S. Ryan, W. Dalton, J. Kain (str.), R. Vavasour (cox.) 3

There was great excitement in the Junior Shed when the third divisioners were boating for the fray. One of the boats—the "Riverview"—was so weighty a racer that the committee decided to handicap the others with loads of sand, and even then there were doubts as to whether the tiny champions might not succeed in baling out their ballast. During practice, the lads in orange had covered the course in exceptional time ,and were much fancied for the race, while those in blue were stroked by a youth whose oarsmanship had attracted the attention of a famous sculler. The third crew did not appear to have much chance of winning, but were resolved that come what might, they should not be last. The race itself was a mighty struggle, and caused the greatest excitement, not only among the boys themselves, but among their many friends who lined the shore. On across the sparkling waters came the orange, the pink, and the blue. Even when the favourites forged ahead the excitement still continued, for the boys in blue and in pink were battling bravely, bow to bow, in frenzied rivalry. It was a grand contest for second place, and the lads in pink might have realised their modest ambition had not their youthful Palinurus ordered them to ease off just a second too soon. No third division race ever caused such a flutter, and no youthful champions ever stepped from

their racer so proudly as our victorious little orangemen. The boys in blue have no reason for chagrin. The cumbrous "Riverview" had fallen to their lot, and we doubt if even our senior champions could compel that tub to fly.

SENIOR PAIRS.

Prize—Gold Medals.

"Light Blue."—E. Sheil, R. Hughes (str.), A. McDermott (cox.) 1
"Royal Blue,"—E. Conrick, R. Barry (str.), L. Kiley (cox.) 2

Another grand race. There were four crews entered, but two of them were eliminated in preliminary heats. From the moment of starting to the fall of the judge's flag the contest was keen and close. At no time was either boat even a quarter length behind the other, and towards the end they joined in an affectionate embrace, from which the light blues succeeded in extricating themselves just in time to catch the judge's eye, and win by inches.

SENIOR FOURS.

Prize—Gold Medals.

"The O'Sullivan."—L. Veech, R. Bridge, P. Kelly, C. Burfitt, L. Cranney (cox.) 1
"The Victory."—F. Conlon, D. Duffy, A. Turner, R. McDonnell, F. Kinkead (cox.) 2

Among the college races the Senior Fours holds pride of place. This year's contest was very good. The crew of the "Victory" led off at a fast pace, and, though No. 2 lost his slide, they held the leading position till the black pile was reached. Here the "O'Sullivan" came up, and a grand level race ensued. Charlie Burfitt's quartette were, however, too strong, and, when passing the Senior shed they drew away to win by a couple of lengths.

RACES FOR ASSOCIATED CLUBS.

MAIDEN FOURS.

Prize—Magnus-Mercantile Trophy and Gold Medals.

University R.C.—L. B. Rudder, G. Howatson, K. B. Gaden, T. S. Dixson (str.), L. G. Boone (cox.) 1
Mercantile R.C.—A. Gilchrist, W. Smith, H. Walker, W. Roy-Lane (str.), H. Deane (cox.) 2
Balmain R.C. 3

A big field of six boats caused some trouble to Mr. Degotardi, especially as both wind and tide were driving the boats together. Eventually a splendid start was effected. University, a brilliant crew in the best place, soon forged ahead. Though challenged early by Glebe, and later on by Mercantile, they maintained their position to the end. Mercantile and Balmain fought a pretty duel for second place.

SENIOR EIGHTS.

Prize—Riverview Gold Challenge Cup, Club Certificate, and Gold Medals.

Sydney R.C.—W. J. Middleton, A. Sharp, M. Cater, J. Turner, J. Goldie, S. Middleton, F. Heron, R. Fitzhardinge (str.), P. Matthews (cox.) 1
Mercantile R.C.—R. Beattie, E. Keary, F. Proctor, E. Caban, O. Cooper, E. Lindeman, W. Furlong, F. Terry (str.), D. Riddington (cox.) 2
Leichhardt R.C.—J. Burns, H. Jeffrey, F. Baker, J. Eastmuir, G. Dight, H. Hauenstein, W. Kolts, E. Kenny (str.), T. Dickinson (cox.) 3

The Senior Eights was the classic event of the afternoon, and our expectations of a grand race were fully realised. Mercantile got away exceptionally fast. Then the Sydney coxswain bore down on Leichhardt, and the two boats clashed together. The Sydney crew were first to recover, and after a flash of very brilliant work, were only a short length behind Mercantile. Crossing Tambourine Bay the Mercantile cox. steered very wide. Sydney took the advantage and drew up level. A tremendous race ensued. The crowds along the shore and on the college wharf enjoyed a splendid view of one of the hardest battles ever fought for the coveted Cup. Passing the wharf, Roger Fitzhardinge, the Sydney stroke, tried his men with a beautiful spurt. The crew responded gamely, and when the judge's flag fell their boat was half a length ahead. Thus did Sydney win the Gold Cup for the fifth time, after a perfect display of brilliant oarsmanship.

HANDICAP SCULLS.

Prize—The Butcher Gold Medal.

D. Green (Enterprise R.C.), 45 secs 1
F. Delofski (Enterprise R.C.), scratch .. 2
W. Jones (Mercantile R.C.), 35 secs 3

A rather uninteresting race. Green, who had 45 secs., rowed a nice, clean stroke, and won by a street. The scratch man mowed down three of his opponents,

but despaired of catching Green, and was content to paddle home in second place.

JUNIOR FOURS.

Prize—Gold Medals.

Leichhardt R.C.—J. Burns, H. Jeffrey, W. Kolts, H. Hauenstein (str.), J. English (cox.)	1
Mercantile R.C.—H. Gilbert, W. Mackay, N. Golding, T. Tartakover (str.), H. Deane (cox.)	2
St. Ignatius' R.C.—J. Conrick, C. Veech, J. Fernandos, J. Carlton (str.), A Kelly (cox.)	3
University R.C.	4

The College crew were delayed while waiting for their cox., who was engaged in one of the school races. To reach the starting place they had to cover practically the whole course at a fast pace, and were thus heavily handicapped. After a splendid start Leichhardt were the first to open out, but Mercantile and St. Ignatius were soon on even terms with them again. Beyond Longueville, Leichhardt forged ahead once more, and led to the finish. A battle royal ensued between the Mercantile crew and the College boys. The spectators on the College wharf were delighted with another race which rivalled in its keenness the previous grand struggle for the Challenge Cup. Tired after their double journey, the College boys were beaten at the post.

A fortnight later the battle was resumed at the Balmain Regatta. Then the College champions contested the premier place, and won it after a splendid race, of which they are justly proud.

ON LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

THANKS to a beneficent Government, we poor exiles on the West Coast of Africa are allowed two months' leave of absence every year. To our freedom then there is only one restriction—the prohibition of a run to England.

The end of a wet and busy August found me en route for the Canary Islands, there to recoup my health and enjoy life. It was early morning when we reached the Grand Canary, and no lovelier sight could greet our tired eyes than the first rays of sunshine lighting up the cloud-capped peaks, the picturesque town, and the busy harbour.

Las Palmas, the capital, is a coaling station of renown, being a half-way house for many of the great ocean routes.

The port is built on an isthmus at some distance from the town, with which it is connected by a rather primitive tramway. It is amusing to watch the fat and fussy little engine as it comes puffing and panting along; pausing at times as if for breath, and then resuming with a series of appalling shrieks.

The first-class carriages are closed in for greater exclusiveness, so that in warm weather one might prefer the more plebeian portion were it not for the pungent odour of garlic and onions.

The houses stand out gleaming in purest white. The shops are very interesting,—threadwork, lace, and filigree being displayed in great profusion on counters, which are protected only by the broad verandahs. There the wily natives of distant India do a splendid trade at ruinous prices.

There are two hotels, the Metropole and the Catalina—deadly rivals. Amusements are plentiful, including aquatic sports, excursions to the country, and

music twice a week in the Almeida gardens. On band nights the Tatana is in great demand. It is a two-wheeled cab made for four, but usually occupied by six. The vehicle is a sorry sight, the beast that drags it is sorrier still, and the Tatanara, or cabby, is the sorriest sight of all. That cruel thoughtless master beats his wretched horse unmercifully and feeds it only when the humour takes him.

The style of courtship on the island is most amusing. Having chosen the lady he wishes to win, the cavalierra follows her home and stands outside in the street conversing with her up at her window. If the house is a high one the modern Romeo's lot is not a happy one. At night it is impossible to drive through the streets without seeing these forlorn lovers in picturesque attitudes—often acquiring a permanent twist in their necks, and in imminent danger of being run over, and all for the sake of the bright eyes up above.

Should his suit make satisfactory progress he is presented with a chair, but must still continue in the street. Later on he is allowed to enter the house and interview his lady-love in the presence of her relatives. This strange custom is not restricted to the lower classes. It is universal among all grades of society, and even an officer of artillery must do his wooing in the same unpleasant manner.

One evening our siesta was disturbed by the booming of great guns. The Atlantic Squadron had unexpectedly arrived, and the town was in a flutter of excitement. The finest vessels of the English Navy, lined up in double row beyond the harbour bar, presented a noble and a pretty sight. Soon the sailors were swarming on shore and for days our life was gay with dances and dinners and excursions to the hills.

The tea-parties on board were spoiled by a spell of rough weather. One adventurous spirit went out to lunch on the "New Zealand." The waves were running high, and at the moment of stepping from the launch an unexpected lurch left him struggling in the water. He was ignominiously fished out, and, when arrayed in borrowed plumes he appeared to enjoy his lunch, unconscious of the fact that his best coat was being badly burnt by an over-zealous seaman. On his leaving the ship another unkind wave came along, but friends saved him at the critical moment.

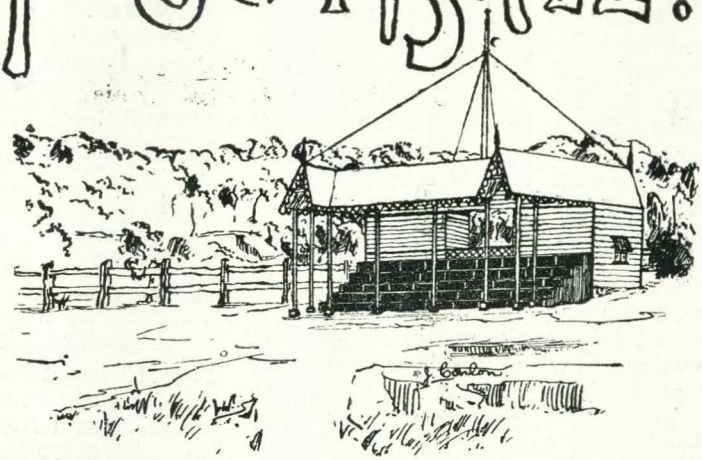
The local paper is a curiosity. It is named "La Manana," which means "The To-Morrow," and is typical of Las Palmas. Everything that can be put off is put off till to-morrow. The shoemaker will tell you each day "Manana." Any repairs you are having done will be ready "Manana;" the mails even are due "Manana." At last you fall into the lazy habit of leaving all things till "Manana," and through the fatal habit I nearly lost my coast-going boat. She was due on a certain day, but everyone said "Manana" will be plenty, and so I put my packing off. She came, however, on the day appointed, and then they said "Manana" she will sail, but I was wise this time and prepared for to-day.

Arrived on board, I shook the dust of Las Palmas off my goat-hide shoes, and as each speck fell from them so also did the glamour of that lotus-land depart. We sailed "to-day," and "Manana" remained no longer a dim uncertainty of "what may be," but became a desolate romance of the stern reality of life on the West Coast of Africa.

J. E. F. d'APICE.



FOOTBALL.



PRESIDENT: REV. J. A. BRENNAN, S.J.

COMMITTEE: P. KELLY, (Capt), R. McDONNELL, F. HUGHES.

OUR football report is of the rosiest. Rarely in the history of the College has so much interest been taken in the doings of First Fifteen, and never have our expectations of success been so amply realized.

The season of 1906, so full of incident and excitement, finished up with the grand record of a dozen victories, and not a single defeat.

To our successful team and their hard-working captain, to their coach, Mr. Burden, and to their president, Father Brennan, we offer our warmest congratulations.

FOOTBALL RECORD. 1906.

Date.	Against.	Result.	Score.
April 28	Euroka	Won	8 points to 6
May 2	Medical Students	Won	12 points to 6
May 5	Sydney Grammar School ...	Won	6 points to 3
May 12	North Shore Grammar School	Won	14 points to nil
May 19	Wentworth	Drawn	3 points to 3
May 26	Warroo	Won	11 points to 3
June 2	Newington College	Won	8 points to 3
June 9	Holwood	Won	9 points to 3
July 21	Otago	Won	31 points to nil
July 28	North Shore Grammar School	Won	17 points to 5
Aug. 11	Holwood	Won	6 points to 5
Aug. 25	Toxteth	Won	3 points to nil
Sept. 1	Warroo	Won	17 points to 13

P. KELLY: Captain and centre three-quarters; a good hard tackler; in defence he has been of great service to his side by going down fearlessly on the ball; as Captain he might at times have asserted his authority a little more.

R. MCDONNELL: Vice-Captain; as a solid hard worker, he has contributed largely to the team's success; his absence next year will be a distinct loss.

F. HUGHES: Five-eighths; the scoring man of the team; a fast runner and a good kick, both in finding the line and kicking for goal; the most promising back we have had for years, and with experience and practice should be a great footballer.

C. VEECH: A strong forward; shows great pace in following on; never hangs out "winging"; always gets behind the ball and sets a good example of hard, useful work.

D. DUFFY: A good forward and place kick; one of the best on the line out; takes the ball clean in the air and passes it back smartly; a fine tackler, and very smart at footwork in the loose; will be a great loss next year.

H. MCARDLE: A hard working forward; always on the ball; very neat at footwork in the loose; a good tackler, who gives promise of being a fine forward.

F. CONLON: Left centre three-quarters; a good tackler, fast runner and artful dodger; was hurt at midwinter, and his loss was severely felt.

J. FERNANDOS: A forward with great dash; one of the best at following on; his footwork is very fine; very quick to see openings and to use them; a determined tackler.

H. RORKE: Wing three-quarters; saved his side repeatedly by his fearless tackling; a good kick, and with more pace should be very dangerous in attack.

W. MCNALLY: Full-back; a great success; attracted considerable notice by his sound defence, both in tackling and line kicking.

J. CONRICK: Plays very well in the second line; his strength is specially useful in close play; a hard, solid worker, and great acquisition to the team.

T. HIGGINS: Half-back; somewhat undecided at times, but greatly improved; feeds the backs well, and is a strong tackler.

P. QUINN: Successful "hooker" in front line of scrum; wing three-quarters after midwinter; a strong runner, and with more experience should be very useful in his new position.

L. LOUGHNAN: The handy man of the team; plays a good game as forward or back; after Conlon's accident he did very well as centre three-quarters.

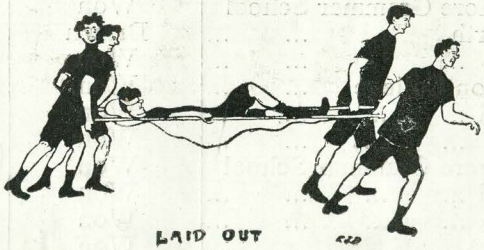
R. BRIDGE: Got his place on the team after the opening match; very fast at following on, but inclined to break away too soon.

A. COX: Centre-forward; somewhat light, but works well in the open; might pack in behind the ball more quickly.

E. CONRICK: Emergency forward; good on the line out; a fair tackler and hard worker.

L. VEECH: Emergency; shows great pace, and should be of great assistance next year; good hard worker and fair tackler.

Honour caps for distinguished play were awarded to P. Kelly, F. Hughes, C. Veech, and H. McArdle.



LAID OUT

College Jottings.

(From contributions by R. F. Hughes, W. Macdonald, and others.)

JULY 9TH.—The boys return. Some tyros came by the earlier boats; sager veterans by the latest steamer in time for prayers and bed.

JULY 10TH.—Oh, that cruel morning bell! Tongue of steel and heart of iron! Shatterer of a hundred golden dreams! The boys at breakfast wore an alphabet of faces. All were merrier at mid-day, when a half holiday was granted. We unpacked our household goods, and listened to a thousand thrilling tales of marvellous adventures by land and sea. We had fish stories from Kiama, fairy tales from Sutton Forest, and rabbit legends from the west. Fortunately it is winter time, and we are spared the snake yarns.

JULY 11TH.—Our Felix has not yet returned. Perhaps he is slow to abandon the sylvan serenity and the fair inhabitants of the Vale of Clarence. Jim Carlton, our popular rowing captain, is said to be in hospital for sundry re-adjustments to his manly features. No sign yet of Jack O'Mara. Calculate the rate of locomotion of a South Australian, being given that he takes weeks and weeks to get from the banks of the Torrens to the shores of the Lane Cove.

JULY 12TH.—Full class in honour of William of Orange. Five hours intellectual feasting on square root and possum, followed by a lecture in the editorial sanctum, on the impossibility of printing an infinite series of College Jottings.

The building of the centre block is rapidly progressing. To-day many upturned faces gazed in astonishment at the spectacle of a huge iron girder being raised by a very thin wire rope. There was a sigh, perhaps of disappointment, when that gigantic girder was landed safely on the very summit of the building.

JULY 20TH.—Great excitement! Junior results announced at breakfast. All have passed with honours, and five of the eight have qualified for matriculation. Clarence Bridge has secured the gold medal for Algebra. A playday, granted in reward, was received with applause, and merrily spent on land and water. Heartiest congratulations and thanks to our seniors elect.

JULY 21ST.—Our Rugby team gain another victory over Church of England Grammar School, and are hospitably entertained by their chivalrous opponents. Our continued triumphs on the football field are but the fair reward of hard and faithful practice. Much credit is due to the unsparing energy of the Prefect, and to Mr. Burden, the skilful coach of that still unconquered team.

JULY 29TH.—Shop match in the Second Division. The cakes were splendid—so say the victorious Juniors, who were longing only for a little nectar to drink the Prefect's health. A third division scribe reports a visit to the scene of the recent conflagration. The old laundry is in ruins; a new and better one is rising rapidly under the careful supervision of Brother Doyle. 80 incipient chickens perished in the incubator house.

JULY 31ST.—Feast of St. Ignatius. High altar prettily decorated. All the boys went to Holy Communion. After breakfast we had a pair of paper chases. The quarry in both cases ran short of scent and failed to wait at the end of the trail. Indignant third division beagles held a noisy pow-wow. More sagacious second division hounds continued to track their prey by imprint of a rubber toe, and captured him in a distant gully. Rumour hath it that the victory was celebrated

in the College orange groves. There was a joyous feast in the refectory and a splendid concert to conclude a happy day.

AUG. 2ND.—Visit of the Irish envoys. The boys assembled at the College wharf to give a warm welcome to the delegates. An address, read by Desmond Gavan Duffy, evoked a fine speech from that silver-tongued orator Mr. Devlin. Dr. Gallagher and the envoys united in appealing for a holiday. The promise of a playday was received with an outburst of cheering.

AUG. 3RD.—A contemplative small boy suggests a meditation on the hard life of a football. Footballs are tanned and leathered in their childhood, and blown up and laced in their youth. They suffer from perpetual stitches in their sides, and get kicks innumerable even in their old age. Other things have stitches also. Randy Mac., our willing forward, has half-a-dozen in his head.

AUG. 5TH.—Visitors to Riverview are charmed with the splendid view from the College roof, but there is at least one distinguished lady who prefers a visit to our poultry farm. Along the terraced shores of the western bay, from the orange groves to the rifle butts, and beyond, there are fifteen acres of hens. A veritable hens' paradise ! Woe betide the unwary wild cat that ventures there in search of a dainty supper. During the past year nearly a hundred such have risked and lost their lives.

AUG. 7TH.—Our sense of smell has been outraged at times when the evening breeze blows fresh from a distant tannery. Now our olfactory nerves have another and a greater enemy nearer home. The chemistry classes are productive of infinite possibilities in the way of explosions and smells. A juvenile scribe assures us that his pen is powerless to describe the ineffable aroma which has recently emanated from that quarter.

AUG. 10TH.—Irate footballers in bygone years had reason to complain of the number of " spiritless duffers," who failed to take an active part in the king of games. We are happy to announce that the obnoxious species is now well-nigh extinct. There are still some loafers, but many of them are convalescent crocks and the rest have the misfortune to be their mothers' darlings. Special care, however, is taken lest the charms of conversation might prevent their taking an intellectual interest in the fray. On an ordinary evening you will find them posted at regular intervals along the touchline doing duty as animated flag poles. Even " Weary Willie " has been so busy marking the twenty-five yards line, that he can only steal an occasional glance at the latest thing in light literature.

AUG. 11TH.—On Saturday evenings the study hour before supper is devoted to pious reading. This year the popularity of the spiritual library has gone up by leaps and bounds. Several hundred of the Catholic Truth Society's publications have been presented by the boys. The younger boys are delighted with Lady Herbert's " Wayside Tales." Among the older volumes there is a copy of Chateaubriand's " Genius of Christianity," which has ever been a favourite, if we may judge from the number of signed appreciations on the outside of the cover. Among other names we find C. Brennan ('85), T. Curran ('89), E. Donnelly ('93), W. Fraser ('95). We wonder if they paid the usual penalty for such inscriptions ?

AUG. 14TH.—The annual retreat, which began yesterday, is being conducted by Father Delaney, Prefect of Studies at St. Aloysius' College. Even our tiniest youths are listening with rapt attention to his eloquent lectures. The rule of silence is being admirably observed, and books from the spiritual library are in great demand. Congratulations to Willie Macdonald and Austin Desmond on their fine reading in the refectory. On the playgrounds our amateur wood-carvers are busily engaged in the usual output of ships, tigers, and decorated daggers. Father Delaney will be remembered by Riverview boys of 1892 to 1896 as an excellent prefect, master, and musician.

AUG. 15TH.—Feast of the Assumption of Our Lady. Retreat ended after Mass. At breakfast, the tongues of a hundred youths were loosed, and we were treated to a torrent of talk. One of the masters asked a second divisioner how he had liked the lectures. " They were 'bosker,'

sir, and I could have listened to them for hours at a time."

AUG. 22ND.—Father Hassett has enrolled a number of disabled footballers in his gardening corps. In the inner playgrounds, after dinner, you may enjoy the sight of Conlon, Turner, Bridge, Oxy, and a host of others wielding both pick and shovel with exquisite grace. Future generations will enjoy the luxurious shade of a Conloniana, a Turneriarium Oxyensis, or a Regibrigium Laurifolium.

By the way, Melville Johnstone will be glad to learn that his Passiflora Edulis is thriving under the care of one who never says "nay" to its gift of fruit.

AUG. 25TH—As our football team has been unbeaten for more than eighteen months, there are many teams most anxious to capture our laurels. Recently, the usual gentleness of some of our opponents has suffered an eclipse, and their anxiety to win has has also obscured the fine points of their play. This may account for our victory over Holwood to-day, by six points to five, after a contest which towards the finish became extremely vigorous.

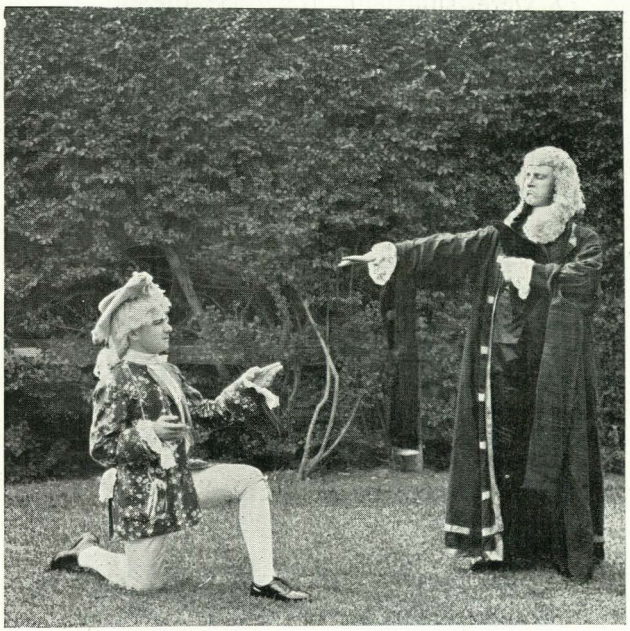


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STREPHON AND THE LORD CHANCELLOR
IN "IOLANTHE."
W. MACDONALD AND R. F. HUGHES

Congratulations to St. Joseph's football team, whose brilliant victory over Newington has secured to them the Schools' Championship. We were disappointed in our fixtures with Newington and Sydney Grammar, and must be satisfied with our double triumph in May and June.

AUG. 29TH.—Playday in part payment of Father Rector's promise to the envoys. The third division enjoyed a pleasant ramble through bush and scrub and ferny glade. The second division spent the day on the river and returned with stories of broken records. One of our editors has more faith in a tale which tells of broken oars and captured crabs. The cadets went to Randwick, where the weather was very wild and ducks plentiful.

AUG. 31ST.—A tropical downpour yesterday. Fully four inches of rain to gladden the heart of the College procurator. To-day the gardens look delightfully fresh, and there are myriads of picturesque waterfalls a tumbling down the cliffs. The storm caused part of our bathing shed to take an involuntary plunge into the swollen river. The Lane Cove itself has lost its crystal clearness and donned a garb of duckety mud.

SEPT. IST.—Grand football match between the College and Warroo. The opening play was very even, and it was almost half time when our captain opened the scoring with a fine try. Early in the second half the visitors' wing three-quarters got possession, and racing along the line at a grand pace, scored between the posts. The try was converted by Bryan Hughes. Then the College team got going, and in ten minutes had advanced their total from 3 to 17. Frank Hughes, who was playing a splendid game, got two tries and converted one. Quinn and Higgins also scored. Warroo responded with a pair of tries in quick

succession, and were it not for the great defence work of Rorke and Kelly, they might have equalised the play. As it was, the College lads were again victorious with 17 points to 13.

SEPT. 5TH.—Toothache at Riverview is a species of intermittent epidemic recurring usually on Tuesday nights. 'Tis wonderful the number of woebegone faces one sees in the quadrangle on Wednesday mornings, when the Rector is passing down to his office. It would be more wonderful still if the painlessness of modern dentistry were sufficient to account the cheerful features of the same lads when they get back to the College in the evening. A facetious youngster suggests that this might be a suitable place to record the existence of a delectable lolly shop near Lane Cove Bridge.

SEPT. 6TH.—The honour caps for brilliancy on the football field were awarded to-day. Patrick Kelly and C. Veech are the lucky recipients. Frank Hughes and Harry McArdle are also to be rewarded. All four have done splendid work for the team, which has closed its season without the loss of a single match. Roth, Junior, was absent for some time, suffering from optical delusions. He returned to-day clad in spectacles.

SEPT. 8TH.—A full free-day in honour of the nativity of Our Lady. Plenty of sunshine and smiles. Soon after breakfast a strong crew of second divisioners pulled away from the junior boatshed, to explore the lovely upper reaches of the Lane Cove River. At 10.30 they were nearing their journey's end and congratulating themselves on the speed at which the eight miles of winding river had been covered. Imagine their surprise when on rounding the last curve they found a party of thirds engaged in boiling a billy can. We cannot venture to print the comments of our second division scribe, especially as he was not even invited to share in the hospitality of the billy can.

SEPT. 9TH.—The cricket season began to-day to the great delight of all concerned. Footballs have disappeared, and stumps are cropping up in bunches all over the place. An irreverent scribe expresses a hope that the "flannelled fools at the wicket" may rival the brilliant triumphs of the "muddied oafs at the goal."

SEPT. 15TH.—During evening study the silence of the College quadrangle was rudely disturbed by the sound of many voices and the hurrying of many feet. The members of our Junior Parliament were repairing to their House for the solemn opening of the spring session. The matter for discussion was one of momentous interest, involving as it did the reputation of no less a person than the great Cicero himself. In consequence, the audience in the strangers' gallery was a large and fashionable one, representative of all sections of Riverview society. Even some uninvited big-wigs from the first division put in an appearance but failed to escape the vigilant eye of the Prefect of Studies.

SEPT. 16TH.—Junior debate resumed. Felicitations to many of our youthful orators and especially to some whose maiden speeches give great promise of future eloquence. We should be glad, however, if more care were given to delivery. It is true that one of the most effective speeches ever heard in the British House of Commons was read from start to finish, but the practice is one which we cannot applaud in the case of some of our Juvenile debaters.

Should there ever be a tendency to over excitement we can recommend the sedative influence of a half-page quotation from Mommsen.

SEPT. 17TH.—The opening match in the handball competition was played after breakfast. It was a very close and most interesting contest between Redmond Barry and Bertie Mason. From 15 all to 19 all they scored alternate aces. Mason won by 21 to 19.

We have a crew entered for the Junior Fours, in the New South Wales Association Regatta. An independent critic was favourably impressed by the good leg work and even swing of what he calls "a powerful four."

SEPT. 23RD.—Our gardening corps are to be commended on the planting of the playground shrubs. Yesterday the rain fell, the wind blew and the hail clattered



Photo by] **NEW ZEALAND BOYS AT RIVERVIEW.** [*Hall & Co.*

G. Saunders, L. Loughnan, B. Murray, B. Johnstone, T. Higgins,
G. Ward, H. McArdle, P. Kelly, J. Fernandos, A. Johnstone,
G. Vavasour, F. McArdle, R. Vavasour.

down but they had no effect on the Pittosporum and Rhombifolium. Many things are damped by the downpour, but not the spirits of the leader of the opposition in our Senior Parliament. Desmond Duffy delivered a splendid oration this evening in defence of a White Australia.

SEPT. 26TH.—Providence has been very kind in saving us from serious epidemics during the half-year. We have escaped most of the thousand ills that youth is heir to. Even the influenza has been so busy elsewhere that it could only pay us a flying visit. Harry Sheil has had the infirmary almost completely to himself during the past few weeks, and now we are delighted to hear that the genial and popular Harry is making rapid strides along the road to recovery.

SEPT. 27TH.—After the recent rains our slumbers were disturbed by the croaking of many frogs. This evening a large specimen paid a visit to the study hall. The intellectual atmosphere of the place must have made a profound impression on the visitor, for when discovered he was busily engaged in devouring a difficult passage of Cicero.

OCT. 2ND.—Feast of the Holy Angels. All the members of the Junior Sodality went to Holy Communion. After breakfast their officers invaded the rectorial sanctum and got a half holiday for the whole house. A peculiar consignment of building solution arrived to day. On the casks being opened some small youths mistook the contents for chewing gum with dire results.

OCT. 8TH.—Last evening, instead of the customary concert, we had a lantern lecture on comets and meteors from Mr. H. A. Lenehan, the Government Astronomer. To-day even our elementarians are discussing parabolic eccentricities, while our seniors are busy studying the effects of a local comet. The conclusion of the senior debate was made memorable by the splendid speeches of the leaders, Messrs. R. Hughes and Desmond Gavan Duffy. Duffy's polished periods were largely instrumental in securing so pronounced a victory for the cause of a White Australia.

OCT. 9TH.—Father Rector was so enthusiastic over the brilliancy of last nights debate that a deputation waited on him this morning in search of a holiday. He was much pleased at their persuasive eloquence, but having expressed many amiable sentiments he negatived their motion and bowed the deputies out.

OCT. 10TH.—We must compliment our crew on their rowing at the Association Regatta. The time they devoted to practice was not taken from study or school-hours. Many a well-earned playhour was spent by them in hard work on the River. Our own regatta is fast approaching. During the afternoon recreations the Lane Cove is a scene of marvellous activity. Four-oars, six-oars, double and treble sculls are all hard at work.

OCT. 15TH.—Rowing enthuiasm is mounting to boiling point. The third division six-oars are ploughing the main in varied styles. One crew was so absorbed to-day in the practice of their special quick recovery that they collided with a senior four. Another crew in expectation of a fierce north-easter is said to be rowing à la windmill. The style of a third crew must be unique if, as reported, bow and stroke sides are working alternately. First and second divisioners are said to be insuring their lives. We recommend that the above be taken cum grano salis. While the present excitement continues we despair of getting at the unadorned fact.

OCT. 16TH.—Omnivorous readers in the junior divisions are most grateful to their prefects for the many entrancing volumes which have been added to their libraries. Father Spalding's "Mexican Romances" and Father Finn's "School Stories" have been in great demand. To-day it is rumoured that Harry McArdle intends presenting each division with a new volume of his own manufacture. It will tell of the amusing and exciting adventures, not of "Three Men in a Boat," but of "One Boy on a Canoe."

OCT. 17TH.—Cadet carnival at Randwick. Redmond Barry secured the gold medal for highest scoring in yesterday's competition. Great interest in to-morrow's struggle for the Schools' Shield. Our oarsmen suggest a warm vote of thanks to Mr. Cranney for his help in getting

them the services of that great sculler, J. Stanbury.

OCT. 18TH.—The long-desired football holiday has been granted. First division on the river ; seconds busy with a " shop " match ; thirds so insignificant that we failed to notice them—so says a senior scribe. Let that scribe beware ! Even if some of our tadpoles are so tiny that they cannot be conveniently seen without a magnifying glass, yet one does not require an ear-trumpet to hear them. Some day we may print a few of their delightful comments on supercilious seniors.

OCT. 19TH.—In the competition for the Schools' Shield, our cadets secured second place, finishing up some fifteen points behind Newington. Jack O'Mara should have captured the prize rifle for highest individual score were it not that he was hurried towards the end and sped his last shot at the wrong target. Allan Johnstone, the second division representative on the team, did some fine shooting during the various matches.

OCT. 23RD.—The boys have presented some twenty-five volumes to the spiritual library as a memorial to their late companion, Tom O'Connor. They are inscribed with the names of the donors, and one of them contains a very fine photograph of Tom. We feel sure that the latter will not be unmindful of the friends who have thus enshrined his memory.

OCT. 25TH.—Preparing for the regatta. The gardens are magnificent. Thanks to the energy and taste of those in charge, we have an attractive display of colour. There are carnations, pansies, stocks, white and yellow marguerites, blue and pink pea, and a large variety of pelargoniums and phlox. The watsonias are in bloom since September, and encircle the garden with quite a fairy garland. Down on the river some preliminary heats were decided during the afternoon, and a photograph was taken of our combined fleet.

OCT. 27TH.—Regatta day ! A great success ! Grand weather, very keen racing, and crowds unnumbered. The great aquatic festival is elsewhere fully described.

OCT. 28TH.—To-day the luxuriant undergrowth along the steep shores of Tambourine Bay was on fire for several hours. Some were afraid that we might lose our valuable boatshed, but their fears were allayed by the arrival of Brother Maguire and his stalwart assistants.

OCT. 29TH.—A delightful entertainment was given this evening on the occasion of the distribution of regatta prizes. The boys had prepared the first act of Gilbert and Sullivan's " Iolanthe." Their ambitious undertaking was a great success. Six or seven hundred visitors, who came by special boat from Sydney, were charmed with the artistic stage scenery, the resplendent costumes of the actors, and most of all with the talented manner in which the difficult opera was rendered.

NOV. 1ST.—The second division are making records on their cricket field. So far, they have played four matches and scored a like number of victories, winning in most cases with over a century to spare. Emmett O'Halloran has been doing wonders with both bat and ball. Rene Unger, the captain, hit up 53 against Brooklyn a few days ago. Hans Roth is a safe catch, and Basil Bryant a smart fielder.

NOV. 2ND.—Father Cahill has been at Lewisham Hospital for some days. He has had to undergo a rather serious operation. To-day we hear that he is making great progress under the skilful treatment of Dr. Burfitt and the kind and careful nursing of the good Sisters of the Little Company of Mary.

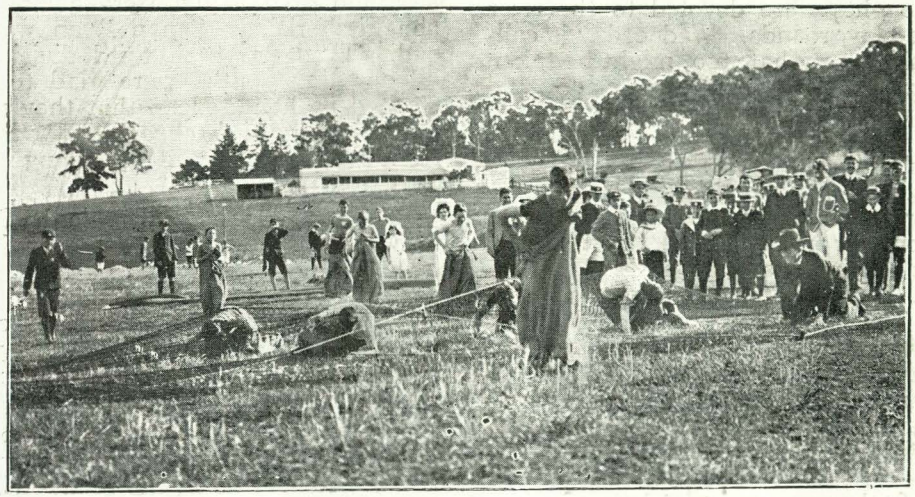
NOV. 3RD.—The first division cricket team won their third match to-day. Redmond Barry's fast deliveries were not relished by the visitors. Six wickets fell for 14 runs. Our hitherto unbeaten thirds were routed by a team from Church of England Grammar School. The present warm weather is rendered tolerable by bathing and ice-creams.

NOV. 7TH.—The past few months have made a great change in the interior of our new centre block. The Bagasse ceilings of the class rooms are very fine, and the polished cedar work quite a picture. Mr. McCarthy has good reason to be proud of his work.

NOV. 11TH.—This last term the gymnasium has been a favourite resort for some of the bigger boys during the after supper recreations. Recently, the extraordinary amount of muscle development going on was quite alarming, and so we were relieved on hearing that our substantial seniors contemplated nothing more aggressive than a calisthenic display. The competition was held to-day, and resulted in a victory for Paddy Kelly. L. Loughnan was second, and J. Carlton third.

NOV. 12TH.—The greatest enthusiasm prevailed this evening when we heard events are being decided. Yesterday, Frank Hughes won the High Jump. P. Quinn and E. Sheil tied for second place. Harold Richards received an ovation today on winning his heat in the forwards' race. Norton Chester won two successive heats in some of the Junior Hundreds. Carlton has set up a record by throwing the cricket ball 106½ yards.

NOV. 18TH.—Swimming Championship to-day. Great gathering at the College baths. A high tide, plenty of sunshine, and much excitement. Second divisioners had great hopes that their companion, Bertie Kelly, would beat the senior swim-



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that our valiant crew had secured the first place in the Junior Fours at the Balmain Regatta. The third divisioners are busy discussing the chances of a free day to celebrate our triumph over the city clubs. We are now only a few weeks from the close of the term. With the departure of Willie McNally we have reached the beginning of the end. The seniors will be leaving after their exams., and many a familiar face will soon be missing from the classrooms and the playground.

NOV. 17TH.—Practice for the sports is going on apace. The preliminary mers. He got a bad start, but swam grandly, and at the finish was a mere fraction of a second behind K. McKillop.

NOV. 23RD.—Eve of the sports meeting. J. Carlton, with 8 points, is leading in the competition for champion athlete. Frank Hughes and P. Kelly are but a single point behind him. To-morrow must decide which name is to be inscribed on the tablet in the library. Thanks to many generous donors, the various prizes are worthy of every effort. Third divisioners are very grateful to G. E. Bryant, Esq., for the valuable trophies which he has specially assigned to them. To-

morrow's events will be described at length in another place.

NOV. 25TH.—The orchestra and principal actors in "Iolanthe" were rewarded to-day by a grand picnic up the river. They fed sumptuously on turkey and ham, followed by the choicest dainties, lemonade and tea. The second division boys were able to row home. Their senior brethren came drifting down the river somewhere about sunset.

NOV. 26TH.—Full work. Five hours class and four and a half hours study. Our own boys may protest against the recording of such an ordinary and monotonous event, but we were afraid lest the uninitiated might imagine that all our time and thoughts were devoted to the river and the playgrounds. Wednesday is called a half-day. That, too, might be taken to mean half the ordinary class and study work. In reality it means full study, as usual—the class alone being diminished, and that only by two hours. Full playdays, like the currants in a penny bun, are few and far between. Even on our regatta and sports days, classes continue as usual until 12.45.

DEC. 1ST.—Examination fever is rampant. The senior boys had a bad attack of it in the middle of November, and now the whole house is affected. The symptoms are very distressing. Loss of both sleep and appetite being accompanied by an irresistible itching for pens and paper. Some of the hapless victims will sit for hours covering reams of paper with hopeless nonsense. This type of malady prevails at Riverview with the regularity of a monsoon.

DEC. 3RD.—Much cricketing enthusiasm prevails among the elevens in the third division. Bob. Macken is the popular captain of the best eleven, and Stan. McDermott of the next. The smaller youths, who are divided into "Mosquitoes" and "Flies," were engaged to-day in battle royal. Hans Rausch and his battalion of flies had challenged Van Norden and his army of mosquitoes. The latter were hopelessly routed.

DEC. 4TH.—Many of the youngsters are wont to fly away to bed after night prayers. This evening they were quite perturbed on being sent to the study-hall instead. At 8.30 the entrance of the Rector and the Prefect of Studies caused a tremor of excitement. They had come to announce the winners of the much-coveted class championship. The first place and gold medal were awarded to John Fitzherbert. Senan Ryan was second. They are both third divisioners, and our tiny youths were glad to have forfeited an hour's sleep that they might join in the ringing cheers and clapping of hands which greeted the young champions.

DEC. 6TH.—We assembled in the Senior Boys' Library after supper to hear the results of the competition for the "Kelly Memorial" Prizes. Having united with us in applauding the successful candidates, Father Rector spoke a few warm words of welcome praise on our conduct during the year.

To-morrow we depart. Some who have finished their college course will return no more to join us in the study-hall, the chapel, and the playground. We bid them a hearty farewell, and trust that their path through life will be a pleasant one. To the others, who would linger with us still, we tender our best wishes for a joyous vacation, and many happy returns to Riverview.

Grave and Gay at Riverview (1906).

This scene so rich bedight
With life and youth,
These trees, this rocky height,
These shrines of truth,
This tranquil busy stir, so stern and kind,
How will it linger yet in heart and mind
In after years when all, all else, is left behind!

And now we joy within, without;
By river all are yelling,
Or Theo. Van and Robinson
Are tugging hard at spelling.

Or Carlton wins the Championship
By racing on dry land;
His crew it was that pulled our boat
And won the Junior. Grand!

The masters, too, are happy,
For they revel in Greek prose;
And classes meet to elocute,
Entuning through the nose.

And French is heard at intervals,
Pronunciations Veyret (vary? Ed.)
Analysis is popular
And sequence, if primáry.

Or flags are flying from the roof,
Or theatre o'erflowing,
And Fairy Queens give ample proof
That fairies fat are growing.

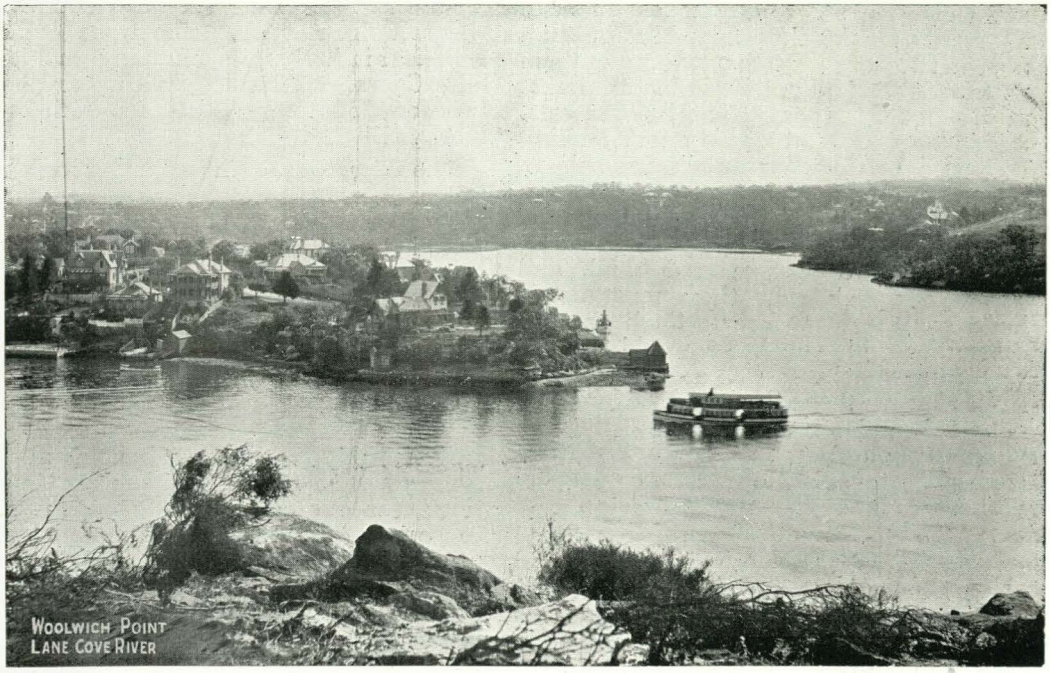
So sing we now bright Christmas cheer
To Riverview and river,
And eke our boys both far and near
The wise ones or the clever!

Singing the feats of Riverview,
This home of young endeavour,
While boys may come and boys may go,
I could go on for ever.

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Like those that go, be those that come,
True friends and never sever!

COOE. F.



Balmain Ferry Co.] [*"Pleasant Places."*

Stray Notes on our Ex-Students at the University.

(By one who knows them).

IF there is one point on which we pride ourselves more than any other, it is our powers of observation. We are conscious that at times we were obtrusive to an exasperating degree and were often branded as a public nuisance by some unfeeling free-thinkers. However, we claim forbearance, for this curiosity was prompted by nothing more than an eager desire to seek out faces old and new, and to glean news of friends far and near. In such an institution as the University of Sydney, it is to our cost that we know them as friends far and near. In lecture halls, in dissecting rooms, in laboratories, midst engines and mysterious-looking contrivances so dear to the scientist's heart, in libraries, and poring over antiquities in museums, in law schools and dental schools hidden away in the city, there they are, a scattered band, and one who would know them must needs be a constant wanderer. Such are the difficulties with which we would preface this somewhat rambling article on our ex-students at the University, for it is with a feeling akin to diffidence that we venture to offer our scanty store of news gathered at various times and compiled without order.

During the past year we have noticed as new arrivals, R. A. Fitzherbert and V. J. Macken. Being "freshmen," they were initiated into the vagaries and strange doings of the "undergrad." The "undergrad" is a fearful monster who goes about like a roaring lion, seeking what he may destroy. After a year's experience in First Arts they have learnt, we hope, to appreciate the time-honoured professional witticisms for which the University is so justly famed. Early in the first term ex-Riverviewers were congratulating themselves on the splendid showing of "Dad" Macken in the Tennis Tournament. He defeated with ease all whom he met in the Singles Handicap until the semi-final, when he met the influenza, and then he disappeared for several weeks. In the Doubles, with F. Mann, he did not survive the third round, as the latter's play was somewhat erratic. Reggie Fitzherbert is pursuing the Honours Course in Classics, and we are looking forward to good results both from him and "Dad" Macken.

Those who read the sporting columns in the daily Encyclopædia will be aware that four well-known ex-students were included in the 'Varsity team for the New Zealand tour,—John and James Hughes, H. Oxenham, and F. Coen as manager. Frank's business capacity was ever the object of our admiration. Some one has told us that the way in which he used to gather in the sports "subs." at Riverview was a marvel to all who beheld. Many did not behold at all, for they used to lose no time in "levitating" (as our classical newspapers say) to some secret retreat, there to remain until the dread apparition had betaken himself off. It appears that, when in the land of slow-trains and "hakas," Frank acquired a working acquaintance with Maori. Such a knowledge is fraught with great possibilities. Who can count

the ingenious devices contrived to remind an enthusiastic "proff" that the hour has struck—violent attacks of hay-fever, encyclopædias falling out of their shelves, important business somewhere or other, not to mention symptoms of St. Vitus' dance in the legs? We would suggest that the war-cry be given a trial, in a modified form, to be sure, something like the noise emitted by that "fearful wild-fowl, the lion," in the "Midsummer Night's Dream," who "roared like a sucking-dove." This recalls the amazing feats of Raymund Ward, sometimes known as "Well, never mind," who was quite an authority on this kind of vocalisation and face-contortion.

John and James Hughes both looked well after their New Zealand trip. All whose opinion we have heard are agreed that the team would not have been a truly representative one without them. We need only quote the November issue of "Hermes:" "James Hughes exhibited splendid form among our otherwise sluggish backs." ('Varsity v. Provincial Team.) Again in the Sydney v. Otago match:—". . . of the forwards, James Hughes again put up a brilliant game, seconded by his brother, Bullock, and Hoets," and in the general notes on the trip, we read: "Of the forwards, James Hughes was easily the best, showing form which we had not hitherto dreamt he possessed, and giving promise of inter-State honours in 1907." Such praise might be set down as extravagant were it not from the reliable source from which it comes. Humphrey Oxenham has been playing very consistently, and oftentimes exhibited flashes of brilliancy. Both he and John Hughes are prominent members of the recently-formed Metropolitan Miniature Rifle Club.

Fred. Rorke's excellent showing at the most important match of the year, the 'Varsity v. Auckland City Team, cannot be passed over without comment. As scrum-half, he played a sound and brilliant game. His kicking, marking, and judgment were unequalled on either side, and contributed in a great measure to the victory. This will not surprise those who marked his good qualities first as scrum-half for the Thirds at College, and later on for the Firsts.

E. T. Real is seldom seen now at the 'Varsity. He spends most of his time at the Law School in Phillip Street, in close consultation with Mr. Doe, and



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AUSTIN CURTIN 1. JOHN HUGHES 2.

sometimes Mr. Roe. During the past two years he has on both occasions shared the Law Scholarship with F. R. Jordan. We wish him every success for the final in March, and are looking forward to his securing the medal.

We were sorry to hear that C. Maher, with finals ahead of him in December, was attacked by a severe and distressing illnesss in September last. Such a misfortune in the third term of Fifth Year Medicine cannot be viewed with equanimity. However, he has now recovered, and by the time this appears we hope to have heard the news which will gratify him most.

Occasionally we see some of our Medical Students. John Boylan, Charlie Cosgrove, and Joe Kenny are just completing their first year. Joe played football with the Thirds this season, and gave promise of securing a place in the Seconds next year. We have not yet heard authentically his views on the system of ventilation at the University. He is said to be an authority on this branch of public health. Percy Curtis is in First Year Arts, and intends to enter the Faculty of Medicine next year. Few of those at present at the College will remember J. L. Mort. He is studying Engineering, and therefore is entitled to be called "Greaser," by way of a "cognomen." Jack Lentaigne is in Second Year Medicine, and with him, Austin Curtin and Sydney Rorke. Austin played with the Seconds, and when at Mudgee, quite nonplussed the local team by his pace. Syd. Rorke has taken up walking as a recreation. During the Michaelmas vacation, he and one or two others trudged around the Blue Mountains.

Barney Coen and M. Veech are in Third Year Medicine. In the match St. Andrew's v. St. John's, Barney showed something of his foretime skill, and put up a very good score. George McElhone, who used to play full-back for the College, is in First Year Dentistry, and Jack Cosgrove in Second Year. Harry Rose, who still plays football with an Eastern Suburbs team, is studying Pharmacy.

In conclusion, we would remind all the old boys at the University that they are, as Dr. Burfitt remarked at the last annual dinner, the principal element of the College Union. To them is entrusted the fair name of the College, which they must keep untarnished and unimpaired. This can only be done by making their influence a living influence, and their presence a real presence. Co-operation is imperative. The very forces of the University itself are scattered and disorganised; though in name it is the University of Sydney, in fact it comprises two and even more Universities. By all this is admitted, but by few is a remedy being sought. This lack of unity of spirit and of unity of forces can only be combatted and finally overcome by the building up of those societies which will create, strengthen, and centralise University spirit and influence. The part every ex-student at the University should take in this work is clear and imperative. Any corporate Catholic influence at present at the University is practically confined to St. John's; any strengthening of that influence must, and can, only be accomplished through St. John's. All will welcome the proposal put forth at the annual commemoration of that College recently by Col. Freehill. We trust that this will be the foundation of a movement not merely confined to St. John's, but of a movement, be its form what it may, which will have as its object the strengthening of the Catholic forces at the University, not in an aggressive sense, but for our own good and the good of the University.

ST. IGNATIUS' COLLEGE CREW.

Winners of the Junior Fours at the Balmain Regatta, November 12, 1906.

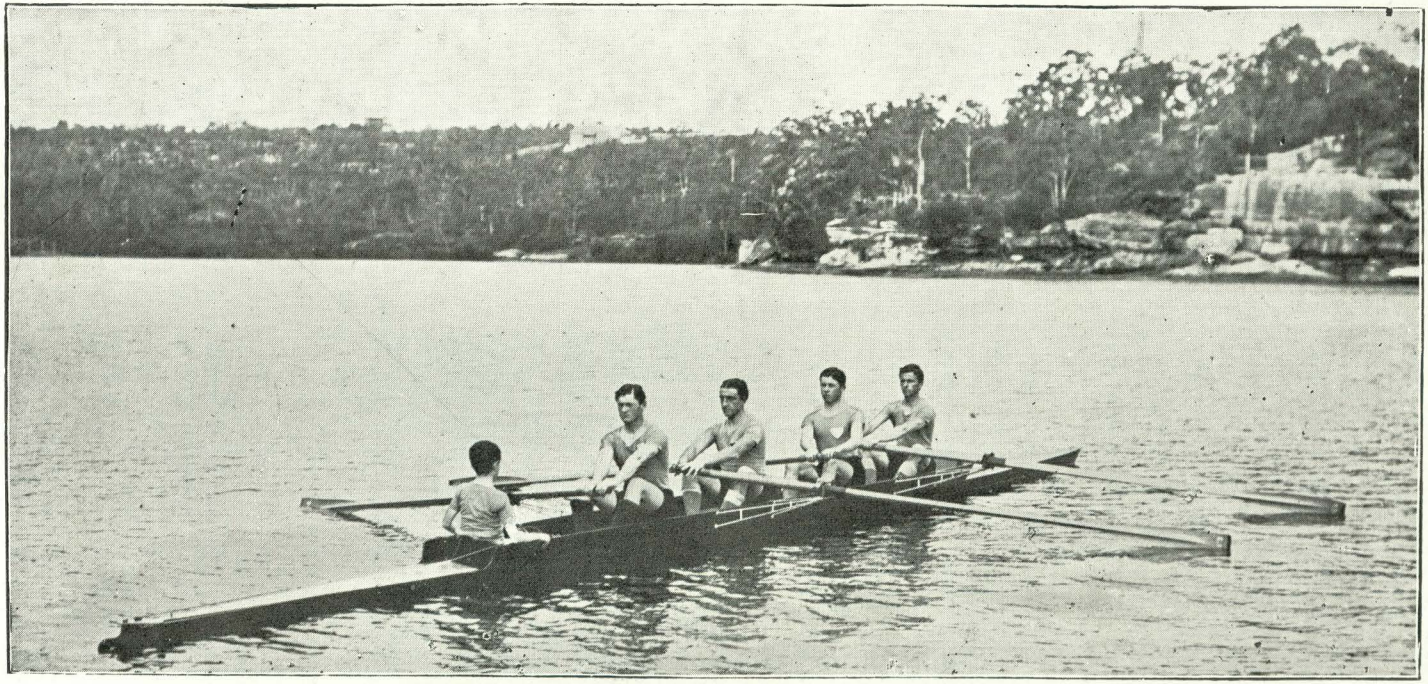


Photo by] A. Kelly (cox), J. Carlton (N.S.W.) (stroke), J. Fernandos (N.Z.), C. Veech (N.S.W.), J. Conrick (Q.). [*Hail & Co.*

The College Crew gained a brilliant victory in the Junior Fours at the Balmain Regatta. We were competing against the Sydney, Mercantile and Balmain Clubs and led from start to finish. At Iron Cove Bridge the Mercs. made a great effort but failed to draw level. The Riverview crew shot past the winning post a length and a half ahead of their friendly rivals. Congratulations to the youthful champions who were conquerors in such a fray.

WAYBACK SKETCHES.

THE ordinary weekly essays in many of the classes have attained such a fair standard of merit that it were a pity not to publish some occasional extracts.

The following passages are culled from the essays of two boys in Second of Grammar class, and though written without any preconceived idea of publication, we have no hesitation in offering them for the perusal of our readers.

Some other time we may ask these youthful Queenslanders to describe their annual thousand-mile overland voyage to Riverview. That journey, including as it does a spell of more than three hundred miles on horseback, and another hundred on the Tibboburra coach, should provide some chapters of more than passing interest.

EDITORS.

The Drovers.

Many and interesting are the tales old drovers will tell you when sitting by their campfires at night—tales of danger and distress in times of flood and fire and drought.

Many of them have spent their lives in wandering through huge tracts of bush country, swimming the flooded rivers, and crossing the great lone plains. It is weary work travelling long stages over the dusty plains with nothing to break the monotony save here and there a passing mirage, or again, a few heaps of bleaching bones beside some dried-up "crabhole."

Another year, on the same route, the drover may be drenched in torrents of rain. Then at night he must try to snatch a few hours' sleep stretched on the damp ground or rolled up in his dripping blanket. His slumbers, too, are likely to be much disturbed, for it is on such a night that the cattle are inclined to break.

E. CONRICK.

The Blacks.

The blacks of Australia are fast dying out, and now you will rarely meet them in any great numbers except in the centre and along the northern coast.

With few exceptions they are not very pleasing to look at. Their food consists mostly of kangaroos, emus, and wild fowl. They also enjoy a feast on various kinds of seeds and roots, while fish are much sought after by those that live near rivers and creeks.

The "boomerang" is, of course, their great weapon of attack. It is formed from the curved limb of a tree, which is split with an axe or by wedges made of hard wood. When roughly formed, the boomerang is placed for some weeks in running water. Then it is taken out and smoothed with a flint chisel. One side is made flat while the other is raised towards the centre, and often finely decorated.

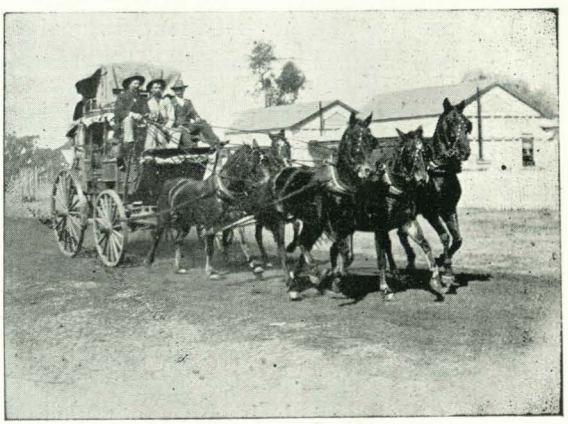


Photo by [*P. Kirkham*

QUEENSLAND BUSH-COACH.

The different tribes have various markings on their bodies which are usually in the form of half-circles, or straight lines. These markings are made by cutting the skin with a sharp flint and filling the wound with powdered charcoal.

In their wild state they smear themselves with pigments, often in alternate stripes of red, yellow, and white. The white gypsum is also used as a sign of mourning. It is then smeared all over the head, with the exception of a circle round the eyes and mouth. The result is very grotesque.

During later years the blacks are much improved; most of them make good workers and many of them can be trusted. I myself have been out at times for five or six weeks with a dozen of these dark gentlemen, and have rarely had the slightest trouble with them.

If you want the black to work you must treat him fairly, but let him see that you will stand no fooling, otherwise he will become cheeky and begin to appropriate your knives and straps.

J. CONRICK.

The Travelling Post Office.

Out in the far west, where the townships are few and far between, the mails are carried for hundreds of miles by men on horseback.

Every mailman carries a "Road-Bag." This bag is never sealed and contains letters from squatters, addressed to their drovers who are travelling along the great stock-routes. Such letters generally reach their destination though to do so they may have to travel all over Queensland.

All the squatter has to do is to write the name of his drover and indicate as far as possible the track along which he is travelling. Two thousand head of cattle or ten thousand sheep cannot easily go astray, and the mailman will get news of them from some passing shearer or wandering swagman.

E. CONRICK.

A Duel.

The female blacks, or "gins," as they are usually called, have weapons of their own which are wielded with both hands. The chief of the weapons is the nulla-nulla which is curved somewhat like the boomerang but is about six feet long. Needless to say, this is a formidable instrument when properly used.

One day I saw a pair of gins squabbling over the possession of a piece of rag. Having failed to settle their dispute in words they seized their nullas and lined up for a fight. It was a tough struggle. Blow for blow was returned, till one of them was a second too slow in warding off a master stroke. The finishing smack would kill any ordinary white person, but the head of a gin is very hard.

J. CONRICK.

Carriers and Whalers.

In earlier days carrying was done with bullocks, but horses have gradually taken their place, save in the case of some early pioneers who are loath to part with their old friends. In times of great drought, both horses and bullocks have had to go under.

It was on such an occasion that an ancient teamster parted with his bullocks and invested in a team of forty donkeys. His experience was not a happy one. The first morning that he yoked his team the whole township turned out to enjoy the sight. Our friend put up a grand load, and then, taking out his long whip, he cracked it with many flourishes about the ears of the donkeys. The leading donkeys turned and had a good look at him. Then they quietly wheeled round to the tail of the waggon and upset it.

Camels became very popular some time ago, but they are apt to slip on the wet mud and their Afghan drivers are the greatest thieves unhung.

Not long ago we got a large supply of goods up from Adelaide by camels. My father picked up a seventy-pound bag of rice, and finding it rather light, he put it on the scales and found it was some ten pounds short. Several other bags were from six to eleven pounds underweight, yet the bags had not been cut, nor had the sewing been tampered with. Later on we found that the rice had been squeezed through the bagging, which must have been a long and laborious work.

The "whaler" is another up-country curiosity, and a very lazy one. During the shearing season he will do a fair amount of work, but during the rest of the year he knocks about along the river, fishing or rabbiting, or cadging for food. Sometimes he will steal a sheep, and then, if prosecuted, will probably retaliate by burning down the squatter's woolshed or hacking his fences.

Yet the "whaler" is not as bad a type as the "sundowner,"—the latter being a man who is always looking for work, but fervently hoping he will not get it. In consequence he is rarely visible before sundown.

E. CONRICK.

Adventure in a Watch-Box.

The early settlers had great trouble with the blacks, and at night especially, they had to be very careful in guarding their stock. For this purpose they used a small wooden hut called a watch-box. These watch-boxes were light, and could be carried from place to place by means of handles which projected from each end. They were spear-proof, and had loop-holes through which the watcher might fire his old "Brown Bess."

One of my relations was spending the night in one of these boxes on a distant part of the station. Having been built by a new-chum the box had no loop-holes. Towards midnight it was surrounded by blacks who tried in vain to batter in the door. Then they rolled the box over and over till the occupant himself could not tell which was the top and which the bottom. Having thus amused themselves they carried both the box and its contents to their camp.

Arrived at the camp, my imprisoned relative was afraid they might burn the box, so he flung the door open and waited with his gun on his arm. One of the older blacks immediately recognised him, and made an impassioned appeal for his release. His appeal was agreed to, especially when he alluded to a signal service which the white man had done for him in days gone by. A single man, with only a muzzle-loading gun, had little chance against fifty spear-armed warriors, and so my relative owed his life to the gratitude of the old black.

J. CONRICK.

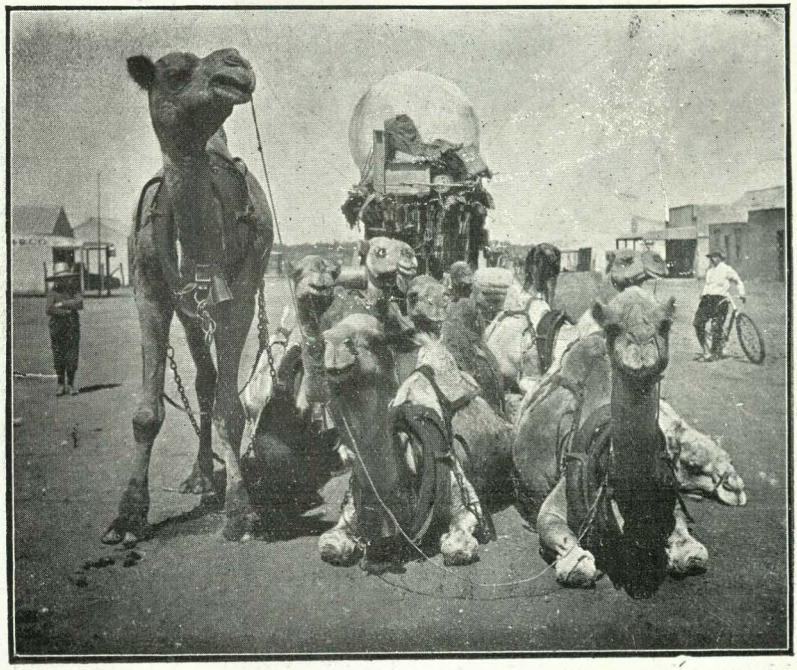


Photo by] AUSTRALIAN CAMEL TEAM. *[A. A. McGregor.*



OUR SODALITIES.

SODALITY OF OUR LADY.

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

Prefect: FELIX CONLON.

Council: JAMES CARLTON, RANDAL MCDONNELL, PATRICK KELLY, C. VEECH.

A large proportion of the senior students—some 30—belong to the Sodality.

The weekly meetings were held regularly on Fridays—the 1st. Fridays of the month excepted. When the Rev. Director was absent his place was taken by Father Hassett.

A solemn reception of new members took place on Monday, December 3rd, the Feast of Saint Francis Xavier. The spiritual director presided, and gave a brief exhortation. The following made the Act of Consecration and received the Sodality medals:

K. McKillop, J. Conrick, E. Conrick, M. Cranney, R. Barry, L. Kiley, A. McDermott, and A. Cox.

SODALITY OF THE HOLY ANGELS.

President: REV. G. BYRNE, S.J.

Prefect: VINCENT CONLON.

Council: BASIL BRYANT, WILLIAM MCDONALD, JOHN FITZHERBERT, MAURICE MCKENNA, BRYDEN JOHNSTONE.

The vacancy on the Sodality council, caused by the departure of Austin Desmond, was filled by Bryden Johnstone. It is pleasant to note the spirit of willingness which the boys have always manifested in attending the weekly lectures. In recent times the system of voting has been made much stricter, and in consequence, to be deemed worthy of a place on the Sodality roll is considered a very great honour. At the last elections the successful candidates were:

Kevin Ryan, Clive Conrick, Julian Bryant, Senan Ryan, and Ewart Dinan.

VINCENT CONLON.

ANNUAL ATHLETIC SPORTS.

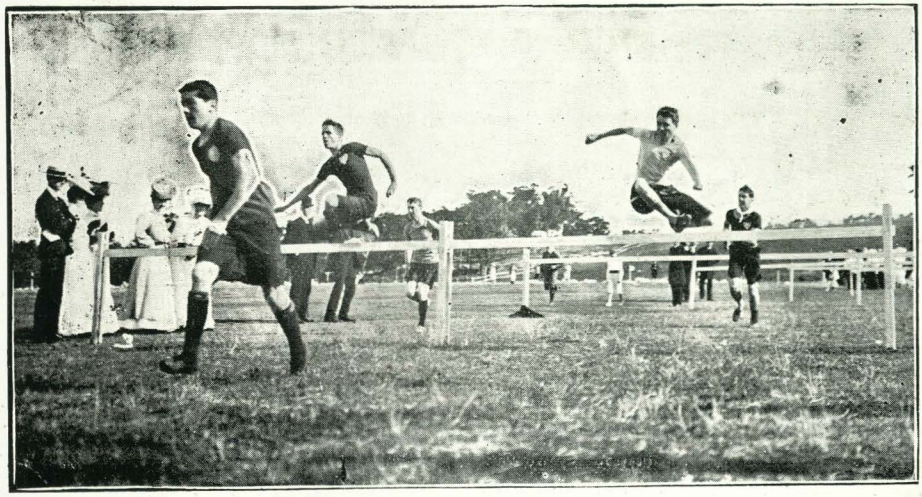
THE annual meeting of our Sports Club was held on the afternoon of November 24th. The clerk of the weather is often in a disagreeable humour on sports days, but this year he was persuaded to put aside his watering-can, and by special request, he favoured us with a delightfully cool breeze to temper the heat of the summer sun. We had in consequence an ideal racing day.

The fine grounds were gaily decorated with flags, which waved a cheery welcome to the many visitors who came out from the city.

P. J. O'Donnell, Esq., G. J. Barry, Esq., G. E. Bryant, Esq., Rev. J. Hassett, S.J., and J. Hughes, Esq., acted as judges.

The opening race was the 100 yards handicap for third division. Charlie Rorke romped home an easy winer, with Bob. Macken second, and Wally Bridge third.

The second division 100 was keenly contested. The four competitors kept well together till nearing the winning post, when V. Conlon drew ahead and won. L. Quigley was a close second. The Forwards' Handicap caused much excitement. Harold Richards won in grand style, and was greeted with rounds of applause. J. McCarthy had no difficulty in annexing the Rowers' Handicap. The



JUNIOR HURDLES. [*Sydney Mail.*

corresponding race in the third division was won by F. Kinkead.

Outside of the championship events the most interesting race of the day was the second division 440. H. Richards was beaten at the post by Maurice McKenna. The cheers which greeted the winner were well deserved.

The Obstacle and Sack races, which afforded immense amusement, were won by Allan Johnstone and T. Higgins. Justin McCarthy and Hans Roth were the fleetest pair of Siamese twins.

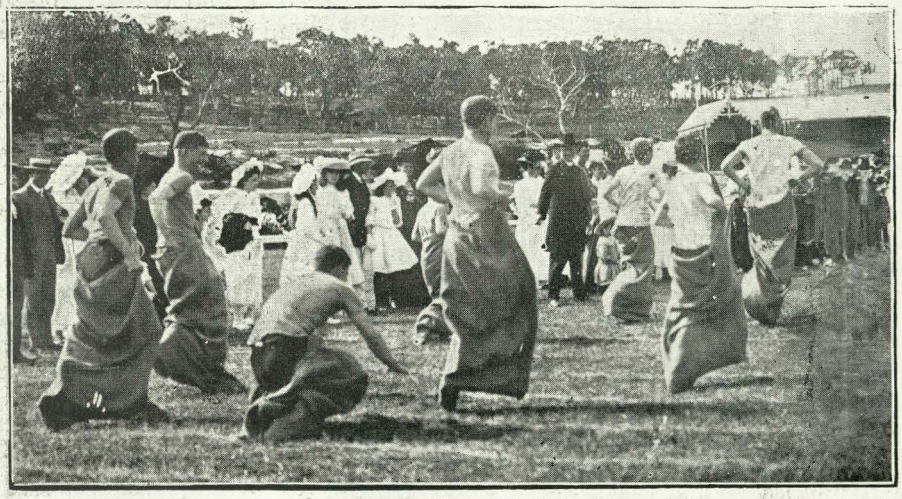
The various events were started with pleasing punctuality, as the second and third divisions responded to the sound of the dinner bell with their usual alacrity.

There were several fast runners in the Ex-students' Handicap. H. Oxenham and Hubert Barry were on the scratch line J. Hughes was limit man and led for most of the way, till Austin Curtin swooped down on him and won. B. Hughes was third. The Old Boys' Union should convert the prize for this race into a positive quantity.

The Maiden Hundred, open to all divisions, was well won by J. McCarthy. The finish of the Junior Hurdles is shown in one of the accompanying photographs. G. Saunders is leading with E. O'Halloran and A. Johnstone battling hard for second place.

Randal McDonnell's triumph in the Senior Rowers' race was a deservedly popular one.

Harold Richards secured another victory in the Cricketers' Handicap. The Senior Hurdles was a very attractive contest. Patrick Kelly got the first place, and P. Quinn second. The prize for the Musicians' race, which is so kindly presented by Mr. J. H. McMenamin, was won by Charlie Rorke.



COLLEGE SPORTS.—SACK RACE. [*Sydney Mail.*

Special praise is due to the third divisioners for their fine running in the Half Mile, which is open to the whole College. R. Macken and T. Dalton secured the second and third places and made gallant efforts to wrest the premier place from the second division champion, Hans Roth.

The various races for the Championship of the College were closely contested and excited the very keenest interest. Some of the championship events were decided during the previous week. In the Swimming race, K. McKillop beat B. Kelly, the

second division favourite, by the fraction of a second. P. Kelly secured the Handball and Calisthenics, and finished second to E. Sheil in the Tennis Tournament. J. Carlton, with a splendid throw, had sent the cricket ball 106½ yards. F. Hughes won the High Jump at 5ft. 1½ins., and also the Football Kick, after a close contest with J. Carlton. On the morning of the sports, these were the two boys most fancied for championship honours.

Hughes was expected to win the 100, but Carlton, who was in grand form, drew away from Hughes and Oxenham at the 80 yards post and won easily. The race over the hurdles was very exciting. At the second hurdle from the finish, Conlon, Quinn and Hughes were well together. Hughes, in trying to force the pace, took off too soon at the last hurdle, struck it, and fell. Conlon was equally unlucky, and Quinn remained the victor.

Carlton, who won the 440 in grand style, secured the coveted honour of Champion Athlete amid a tumult of cheering.

After the races, tea was served in the Senior Students' Library. Later on, the various hard-earned trophies were presented to the victors by Mrs. Gordon. Thus was concluded one of the most successful sports meetings ever held at Riverview.

COLLEGE CHAMPIONSHIP EVENTS.

Handball.—P. Kelly, 1; J. Carlton, 2: A. Cox and R. McDonnell, 3.

Calisthenics.—P. Kelly, 1; L. Loughnan, 2; J. Carlton, 3.

Tennis.—E. Sheil, 1; P. Kelly, 2; F. Hughes, 3.

Swimming.—R. McKillop, 1; B. Kelly, 2; J. Carlton, 3.

Kicking the Football.—F. Hughes, 1; J. Carlton, 2; F. Conlon, 3.

Throwing Cricket Ball.—J. Carlton, 1; R. Barry, 2; D. Oxenham, 3.

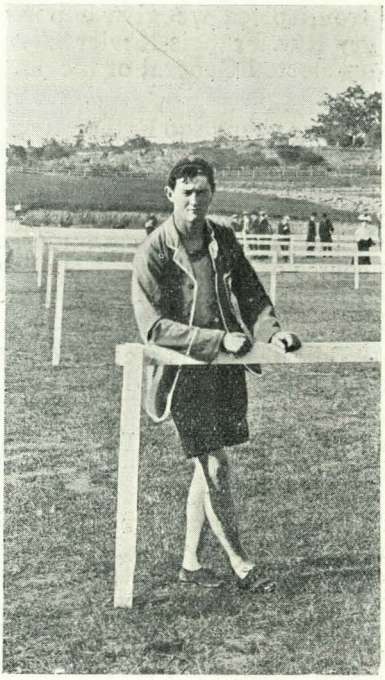
High Jump.—F. Hughes, 1; P. Quinn, 2; E. Sheil, 3.

Long Jump.—R. Barry, 1; E. Sheil, 2; F. Hughes, 3.

100 yards.—J. Carlton, 1; D. Oxenham, 2; F. Hughes, 3.

Hurdles.—P. Quinn, 1; F. Conlon, 2; P. Kelly, 3.

440 yards.—J. Carlton, 1; R. Hughes, 2; H. McArdle, 3.



J. CARLTON,
Champion Athlete, 1906.

ANNUAL ATHLETIC SPORTS.

In this competition for the honour of Champion Athlete a first place counts 3 points; a second, 2 points; and a third, 1 point.

J. Carlton, with 15 points, was easily first. He received a handsome gold medal.

J. A. FERNANDOS.

GENERAL NOTES.

As frontispiece we give a portrait of the Very Rev. Francis Xavier Wernz, the recently elected General of the Society of Jesus.

Sixty-four years ago Father Wernz was born in the quaint old town of Rottweil, in Wurtemburg.

On completing his fifteenth year he entered the Jesuit novitiate, and after the usual course of training and studies, was sent to teach grammar at the College of Feldkirch, in the Austrian Tyrol.

In 1868 he began his theological studies at the beautiful Rhineland house of Maria-Laach.

Two years later the Franco-Prussian war broke out, and his studies were interrupted for Red Cross service in the field. That service was speedily rewarded with the ingratitude of the infamous May laws. After his ordination, Father Wernz became professor of Canon Law in the exiled German theologate, near Liverpool. In 1883 he was called to Rome to fill the chair of Canon Law at the Gregorian University.

Father Wernz is a canonist of very high repute in the Catholic world, and has been for many years a Consultor of the Sacred Congregations of the Holy Office, of Extraordinary Ecclesiastical Affairs, and of the Index. His election caused quite a stir in political circles on the Continent of Europe, but newspaper editors will find it difficult to realize their usual false ideal of a Jesuit in the newly-elected General of the Society. There is nothing of the crafty political intriguer in the honest, straightforward man and holy priest who has been chosen to fill the highest position in his distinguished order.

Eighteen months ago the members of the Old Boys' Union decided to erect a collegiate chapel at Riverview in memory of Father Dalton. Subscriptions were invited, and the response so far as been a generous one. In the interim report which was published in November, the Committee announced that the encouragement given to the project had fully justified them in taking further steps towards its perfect realization. Accordingly one of the ex-students, Mr. J. T. McCarthy, Architect, was instructed to prepare plans, and His Eminence Cardinal Moran was asked to bless the corner stone. The report concluded with an earnest appeal to all ex-students, to parents of past and present pupils, and to all the friends of the College to forward their donations so that the subscription list may be worthy of the great object we have in view, and an eloquent testimony to the reverence, and deep affection cherished for the Dear Old Priest, who, in his life, was a loving friend and a trusty guide to so many, and such a tireless worker in the cause of God and His Church.

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Mr. W. Redmond, M.P., kindly undertook to recommend the project to some of Father Dalton's friends in Ireland.

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The Lord Chief Baron Palles writes: "I have great pleasure in enclosing a cheque for 20 guineas towards the proposed memorial chapel at Riverview. My recollection of Father Dalton's kindness and affability extends back upwards of sixty years, and it is a great satisfaction to me to have a part, though a small one, in perpetuating his memory in a

place so peculiarly associated with him as is Riverview College."

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Sir Francis Cruise writes: "With great pleasure I join in the movement you kindly inaugurated to do honour to my dear old friend's memory. I have known Father Dalton since 1848, and loved him all the time. No better or more lovable man ever lived."

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General Sir William Butler says: "I have pleasure in sending herewith a cheque towards the memorial church to the late Father Dalton. What a history would be that of the Irish missionary priests—if it could ever be written!"

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The Vice-Presidency of the Executive has been conferred on Senator Keating. The honour was well deserved. During the past session he shared the Senate representation of the Government with the War Minister, and did the lion's share of the work with conspicuous ability.

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SENATOR KEATING.
Vice-President of the Commonwealth Executive.

Long ago, when a boy, at Riverview, the Senator made a name for himself as a brilliant debater in our College parliament. On looking back over the minutes of those bygone debates we find that at the last meeting at which he was present the two motions down for discussion were "The abolition of the Upper House" and "The abolition of flogging." As Master Harry Keating he was quite willing to dispense with floggings, but as future Senator he foresaw the utility of Upper Houses, and vigorously opposed their abolition.

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We notice with pleasure that the recent report of the ex-Students' Union makes cordial acknowledgement of the important part Senator and Mrs. Keating played in its social functions during the year.

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P. W. Fallon, the energetic Hon. Sec of the Old Boys' Union, must be a very busy man. In addition to his profession of solicitor, he directs the extensive business of his father, and is Secretary of the St. Vincent de Paul Society. He is also a J.P. and a Lieutenant in the Irish Rifles. If any of our readers can put him on the track of old Riverviewers he would be glad.

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Our very loyal old friend and ex-student, Jack Fitzsimons, who is in England, does not forget his old school. Several letters have been received from him, and all of them are written in the best of spirits. It is due to his thoughtfulness that Riverview received the funeral oration pronounced by Father Gavin over the remains of that greatly revered and venerated priest—Father Gallwey, S.J. Our next issue will, we hope, contain further news of this most popular and staunch Old Boy.

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Another ex-student has this year been admitted into the ranks of God's anointed. Archie MacDonald, who came to River-

view in 1891, was ordained priest at St. Mary's Cathedral by His Eminence Cardinal Moran on Friday, November 30th. On Saturday, December 1st., he said his first Mass at St. Joseph's, North Sydney, assisted by Father Delaney, S.J. We offer him our heartiest congratulations, and hope that he will live long to do great work in the Master's vineyard.

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Arthur Deery has joined the "benedicts." The lady of his choice was Miss Aggie Thorne. The Council of the Union presented him with a beautiful silver gift suitably inscribed. Mr. Donovan acted as spokesman, and proposed the health of Mr. Deery and his future wife in a happy little speech, to which Mr. Deery feelingly responded. The wedding took place in Melbourne on December 12th. The happy couple will return to Sydney about Christmas Eve, and intend to reside at Drummoyne.

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On Thursday, August 16th, the District Orders of the Military Forces of the Commonwealth had the following notice: "New South Wales I.R. Regiment. – Lieutenant Ignatius Bertram Norris to be Captain." Captain Norris was a student at Riverview from 1890 to 1896, and for several years was a very able Secretary to the Old Boys' Union.

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Patrick Flynn received a very warm welcome from the Rector when he visited Riverview in October with a couple of Trangie friends. With the exception of a tinge of grey hair about the head, Paddy is little changed from what he was in the eighties, when he was such a conspicuous member of our football, cricket and rowing clubs.

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Harry Compton, who was a pupil at Riverview in 1904, has won a big bicycle event at Wellington, N.S.W. Sixteen miles of bad road had to be covered against a strong head wind. There were eleven competitors, but Harry romped home an easy winner within the hour. The local paper describes him as slightly tall for his age, but very thin, and looking such a stripling, that few thought he would finish the course.

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The Challenge Trophy for Maiden Fours, presented in 1891 by Dr. Randolph Magnus, was won outright last year by the Mercantile Club. As the latter have generously offered it again for competition on the original conditions, the valuable cup will, in future, be known as the Magnus Mercantile Trophy. On the occasion of the distribution of Regatta prizes, Father Gartlan paid a tribute of praise to the officers and members of the Mercantile Club for the great interest which they have always taken in our aquatic sports.

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The College Rowing Club has increased its fleet by the purchase of two new boats. One of them is a regulation boat for second crews at the All Schools' Regatta. The other is a Clinker Practice Four with interchangeable seats. When commenting on our brilliant victory at the Balmain Regatta, one of the Sydney papers prophesied that our Stroke (J. Carlton) would find a place ere long in an inter-State crew. Great praise was also given to the College Cox (A. Kelly), whose steering compared very favourably with the erratic course of some of the city crews in the Senior Eights and Maiden Fours.

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Old inhabitants of Riverview can recall the time when beyond the fence that bounds the handball courts was nothing but a dense scrub. The whole place was intersected with gullies and deep ravines, where wallabies and paddymelons flourished unmolested. Had Hercules been born in our day and been requested to convert that wild waste into a first-class cricket ground, he would doubtless have gone on "strike." Yet the work has been done, and well done, and when the cycle track is finished we shall have one of the best school grounds in the State.

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We beg to thank two ex-students, Messrs. H. L. Barry and John Hughes, for their kindness in acting as starters on Sports' Day in place of our old friend, Mr. Armstrong, who was unavoidably absent, but who did not forget to send his

usual contribution towards the Honour Caps for excellence on the football field. Mr. G. E. Bryant is another faithful friend to all our College sports. The third division boys are very grateful to him for his valuable trophies, and also to Mr. Roth, whose gift of a new billiard game was a source of infinite excitement.

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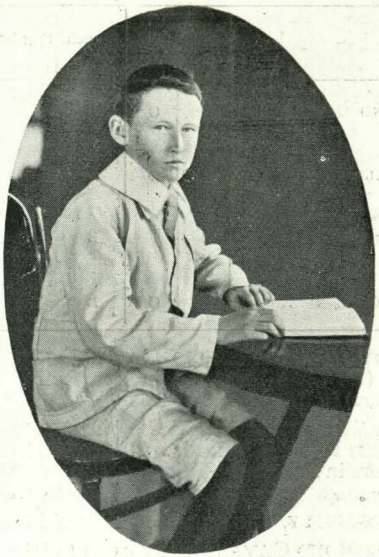
Our best thanks are due to Mr. Ramaciotti, of Her Majesty's Theatre, for the great interest he has taken in our stage. The beautiful Iolanthe scenery and properties were kindly lent by him. Nor may we conclude without a warm word of praise to Mr. Coad and Mr. McMenamin for their splendid work in training the College orchestra.

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The editors are grateful to Mr. Alfred Coffey for his friendly assistance, and acknowledge with pleasure the kindness of the Sydney Press in reporting our College doings throughout the year.

Class Championship.

THE Class Championship is a competition between the different classes, each of which sends up a group of representatives, all competing to show which boy can score the highest total percentage for his class in certain chosen subjects of the year's work. This year the subjects chosen by lot were Greek, English, and Geometry. The winner of the first place and gold medal was J. A. Fitz-Herbert. During the course of the examination six boys gave promise of attaining a high average. The final results show the following percentages, which speak for themselves :—



J. A. FITZ-HERBERT.
Winner of Gold Medal for First Place in Class Championship, 1906.

CLASS CHAMPIONSHIP.

	Greek.	English.	Geometry.	Total per cent.
1st—J. A. FITZ-HERBERT (Gold Medal), Junior Class	94	76	97	89
2nd—SENAN RYAN, Third Gram. Class	87	85	72	81
3rd—VINCENT CONLON, Junior Class	83	66	88	79
4th—KEVIN RYAN, Second Gram. Class	81	59	88	76

University Examinations.

Senior and Matriculation Honours Examinations, November, 1906.

DESMOND GAVAN-DUFFY, REGINALD BRIDGE, RANDAL MCDONNELL, and FELIX CONLON presented themselves for the above Examinations, and all were successful in obtaining the Honours Matriculation and entrance to the University in the faculties of Law, Medicine and Science.

D. GAVAN-DUFFY, R. BRIDGE, and R. MCDONNELL, in addition, qualified for Engineering.

	Latin.	Greek.	French.	English.	Ancient History.	Algebra	Geometry.	Trigonometry.	Conics.	Geometrical Drawing	
DESMOND GAVAN-DUFFY	B	C	B	A	C	B	B	C		A	Honours Matriculation and Qualified for Engineering Department
REGINALD BRIDGE ..	B		A	C		C	B	C	C		Honours Matriculation and Qualified for Engineering Department
RANDAL MCDONNELL ..	C		B	C	C	C	C	C	B		Honours Matriculation and Qualified for Engineering Department
FELIX CONLON	B	C	B	C			B	C	C		Honours Matriculation

In the Senior, DESMOND GAVAN-DUFFY obtained 3rd place (1st Class Honours) in English, and 6th place (1st Class Honours) in Perspective Drawing. REGINALD BRIDGE obtained 2nd place (1st Class Honours) in French.

In the Honours Matriculation, DESMOND GAVAN-DUFFY obtained 2nd Class Honours in French and 3rd Class Honours in Latin. REGINALD BRIDGE, FELIX CONLON and R. MCDONNELL obtained 3rd Class Honours in French.

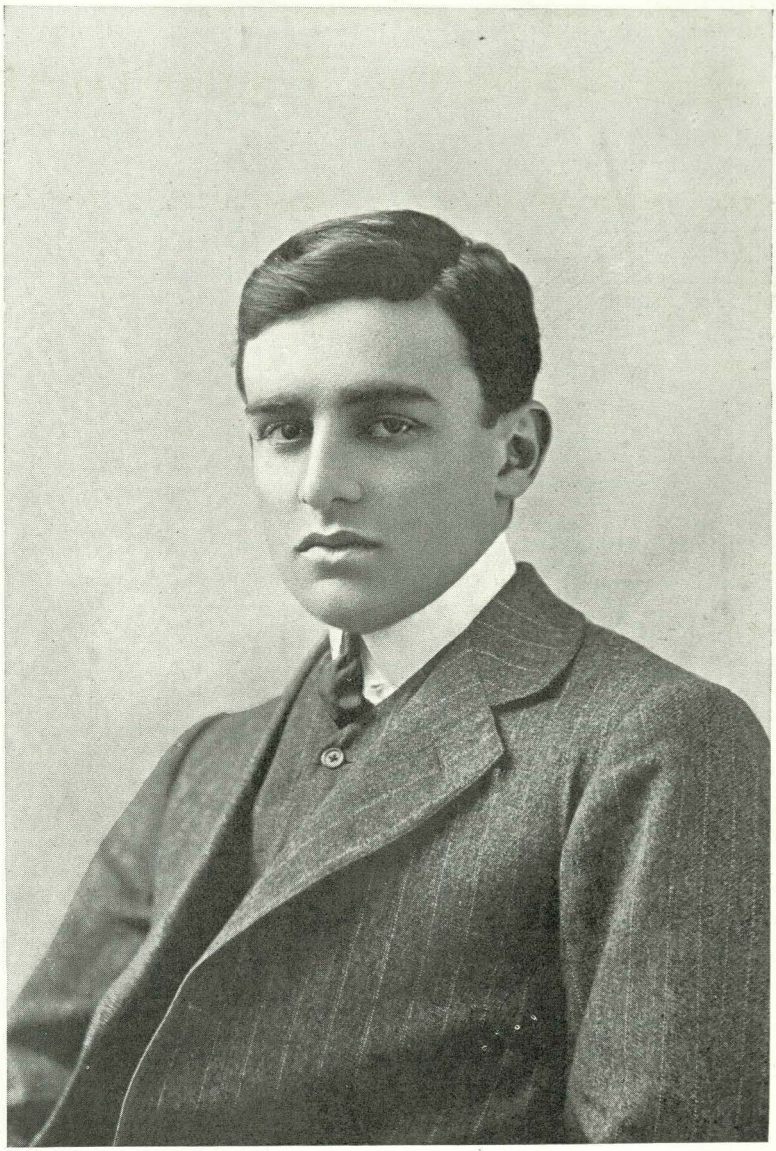
The Berthon Scholarship (value £30), at Trinity College, Melbourne University, was won by DESMOND GAVAN-DUFFY, who presented himself in Greek, Latin and English.

DESMOND GAVAN DUFFY came to Riverview in 1903. He won the Class Championship in 1904, and matriculated in 1905, obtaining a proxime in Geometry and five First Class Honours. He won the Kelly Memorial Prize in both Junior and Senior Divisions, and was this year awarded the Gold Medal for Debating. He played brilliantly with our 1st Fifteen, and his loss will be greatly felt.

FELIX CONLON entered the College in 1900, and was awarded the Class Championship at the end of the year. He was cox of the College Crew in 1900, 1901, and 1902; Captain of the Fifths in Cricket and Football, 1901; Captain of the Thirds in 1902, and of the First Cricket Eleven in 1906. Felix was Prefect of the Holy Angels' Sodality in 1902 and 1903, and, on the departure of his brother, he was elected Prefect of the Sodality of the Blessed Virgin. He matriculated in 1904, obtaining 1st Class Honours in Latin and Greek.

REGINALD BRIDGE arrived in 1901, and matriculated in 1904. He was a good debater in both Debating Clubs, a good shot in the Rifle Team, and a brilliant pianist. He distinguished himself by winning the Archbishop's Gold Medal for Religious Knowledge. In his Junior he scored 1st Class Honours in Latin and 2nd Class Honours in Geometry, Arithmetic and English.

RANDAL MCDONNELL entered Riverview in 1902. He was in the College Crew in 1904, 1905 and 1906. In 1904 he matriculated with 1st Class Honours in Algebra and Geometry. He was Captain of the Cricket Team in 1905, and during four years he played with great success in the 1st Fifteen. In 1905 he was one of the splendid crew that won the Maiden Fours and All Schools' Championship.



DESMOND GAVAN DUFFY.
Berthon Scholar and Debate Gold Medallist.

College Examinations.

PRIZE LIST.

RELIGIOUS KNOWLEDGE.

(Gold Medal presented by the Most Rev. Dr. Kelly.)

C. Leonard.

J. A. Fitz-Herbert, C. Bridge, W. Macdonald (prox. acc.)

THE "KELLY MEMORIAL" PRIZES.

(Presented by Ex-Students' Union.)

Senior Division.	Junior Division.
W. Macdonald.	*J. Deery.*
R. Hughes.	*K. Ryan and S. Ryan.*

HISTORY OF IRELAND.

(Prizes presented by Dr. J. Beattie and E. M. O'Halloran, Esq.)

Higher Division.	Junior Division.
P. Quinn.	*N. Chester.*
E. O'Halloran.	*G. Dalton.*

CLASS CHAMPIONSHIP.

J. A. Fitz-Herbert (Junior Class), Gold Medal.
S. Ryan (III. Grammar), Prize.

WEEKLY EXAMINATIONS.

II. Grammar.	III. Grammar.
K. Ryan.	*S. Ryan.*

SENIOR CLASS.

R. F. Hughes—1st in Aggregate, Greek, Latin, French, Ancient History, English, Higher Classics, Essay, Trigonometry, Chemistry.
C. Bridge—Religious Knowledge, Algebra, Geometry
F. Hughes—3rd in Aggregate.

SUB-SENIOR CLASS.

K. McKillop—1st in Aggregate, Greek.
D. Oxenham—Religious Knowledge.
L. Loughnan—Latin.

JUNIOR CLASS.

J. Fitz-Herbert—1st in Aggregate, Greek, Arithmetic, Algebra, Geometry, Higher Classics.
W. Macdonald—Religious Knowledge, Essay.
A. Kelly—English.
C. Leonard—Ancient History.
B. Bryant—Special French, Class Notes.
P. Quinn—General Paper.
B. Kelly—6th in Aggregate.

II. GRAMMAR.

K. Ryan—1st in Aggregate, French, Algebra.
T. Cusack—Religious Knowledge, Arithmetic.
J. Deery—Latin, English, Writing.
C. Veech—English Composition.
A. Turner—Geometry.
G. Dalton—Greek.
J. Conrick—History, Geography.
E. Conrick—Ancient History.
R. Barry—Chemistry.
C. Orton—Special French.
J. Dalton—Special Latin.

III. GRAMMAR.

S. Ryan—1st in Aggregate, Religious Knowledge, Greek, Latin, English, Algebra, Arithmetic.
C. Rorke—Geometry, 3rd in Aggregate.
R. Macken—History and Geography.
E. Dinan—Essay, Latin Unseen.
E. Veyret—French.
M. Ryan—Ancient History.
H. Roth—Special French.
G. Malone—5th in Aggregate.
B. Johnstone—Chemistry.
F. Fanning—Writing.
C. Robinson—6th in Aggregate.
C. Gordon—Reading.

RUDIMENTS A.

H. Rausch—1st in Aggregate, Latin, French, Essay.
C. Williams—Religious Knowledge.
C. Conrick—Algebra.
L. Quigley—English.
C. Gaertner—Writing.
W. Dalton—History and Geography.
C. Bryant—4th in Aggregate.
W. Bridge—3rd in Aggregate.
A. Robinson—French Oral.
F. McArdle—Reading, Elocution.

RUDIMENTS B.

M. McCarthy—1st in Aggregate, Religious Knowledge, Latin, Arithmetic.
E. Keenan—Essay.
J. Hackett—History and Geography.
L. Cranney—Reading.
S. McDermott—English.
A. Pelletier—French, Writing.
G. Oxenham—Writing.
R. Delescluse—Dictation, Poetry, Arithmetic.

ELEMENTS.

C. Pelletier—1st in Aggregate, Arithmetic.
B. Bowler—Writing, Religious Knowledge.
C. Burke—Reading, Elocution.
T. O'Hare—Spelling.
L. Burke—Ob insigne meritum.

SPECIAL PRIZES.

DRAWING.

(Prizes presented by Alfred Coffey, Esq.)

Freehand.

J. Conrick. *E. Veyret.*

Geometrical.

Junior—*J. Fitz-Herbert.* III. Gram.—*E. Shiel.*
II. Gram.—*A. Cox.* Rudiments—*C. McKillop.*

DEBATE.

Senior.	Junior.
D. Gavan-Duffy (Gold Medal)	*H. Richards.*
J. O'Mara (Improvement)	*T. Cusack* (Improvement)

MUSIC.

Senior Pianoforte.	Junior Pianoforte.
T. Higgins.	*R. McCarthy.*
R. Unger.	*N. Chester.*

Special Prize presented by J. H. McMenamin, Esq.

J. Dalton.

Violin.	Orchestra.
R. Hughes.	*A. Turner* } *ex*
H. McArdle.	*E. Turner* } *aeq.*

Special Prize presented by W. Coad, Esq.

J. McCarthy.

SINGING.

J. O'Mara. *J. Fernandos* (Improvement).

The "Kelly Memorial" Prizes.

THESE valuable prizes are presented each year from a sum contributed for the purpose by the Old Boys' Union in memory of T. J. Kelly, Esq., the first President of the Union. Great encouragement is thus given to the study of English throughout the School.

This year in the four branches, viz.: class authors, essay on a poet, historical or descriptive essay, and set paper on novels, the results were very satisfactory both in the interest excited during preparation and in the good work done. As usual the winners were announced by the Prefect of Studies on the eve of the break-up. Great cheering greeted the various points of special merit in the work of the leading candidates.

HIGHER DIVISION.

1st—W. MACDONALD.
2nd—R. F. HUGHES.
3rd—J. FITZ-HERBERT.
4th—C. BRIDGE.

JUNIOR DIVISION.

1st—J. DEERY.
2nd { K. RYAN. S. RYAN.
3rd—G. DALTON.

SECOND DIVISION DEBATE.

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

THAT the Second Division could talk, no one had the slightest doubt, but that they could talk so much sense was a delightful surprise. We knew they were adepts with bat and ball, but little dreamt that they were equally proficient in using the keener weapons of debate.

The subject for discussion at the Spring Session was one in which even our juvenile grammarians took a personal interest. Mr. Harold Richards and his colleagues on the Government side undertook to prove that the character of Marcus Tullius Cicero was worthy of our admiration. Since small boys and middle-sized boys are not famous for their devotion to Latin authors, a discussion on the merits of Cicero must at first sight have seemed as lopsided and futile as a debate on the demerits of ice-cream and playdays. From the very opening of the meeting, however, our youthful delegates wore an unusual air of portentous gravity and had evidently resolved to give their arch-enemy a fair trial.

The Premier opened the debate with a grand tirade against the great political wriggler. Cicero, he said, had repeatedly changed his course to suit the popular whim. Such action, though worldly wise, was far from manly. Against the Cataline conspirators Cicero had done a heinous deed and violated the primary right of every Roman citizen of appealing to the people against the decision of the Senate.

Mr. Richards was ably supported by the Attorney-General, who urged his youthful hearers to vote solidly against the man whose legacy of writings had proved such a source of unutterable woe to legions of schoolboys. If Mr. McDonald had relied more on his own wise and witty sayings he might have made a great impression. As it was, he wearied his audience with some weighty readings and thus impaired an otherwise elegant speech.

Mr. Cusack, on the same side, delivered a short but very laudatory maiden speech. His arguments were delightfully clear, and he avoided the labyrinth of quotations in which so many on both sides got entangled.

Messrs. Bryant, Deery, Dalton and McKenna also threw the weight of their wisdom and eloquence against the cause of Cicero. Mr. Bryant condemned the instability of the versatile orator, and Mr. Deery hinted that Cicero's private life was not above reproach. The speech of the member for Brisbane showed careful preparation, but the young debater was too dependent upon his manuscript.

In battling against such a torrent of reasoned invective and passionate pleading, Mr. Bridge, the Opposition Leader, had no easy task. We must congratulate himself and his learned colleagues on their grand uphill fight. Whatever might be the fate of Cicero, the speeches of his eloquent defenders were themselves worthy of our admiration.

Mr. Bridge pointed out that Cicero was a mere outsider, a "novus homo," who, by the sheer force of his eloquence and ability, had won his way to the forefront of the Roman Senate. That he was a great orator even his enemies could not deny. That he was an incorruptible patriot was equally true.

Mr. Conlon, the member for Clarence, applauded the great Roman whose weighty words were always spoken in favour of the oppressed. Mr. Johnstone declared that Cicero's ambition was centred in securing the liberty, peace, and prosperity of the Roman Empire. When Governor of Cilicia, he had avoided the greedy, grasping policy of his predecessors and made many useful reforms. Mr. Orton, the member for Perth, vindicated Cicero's courage in his defence of the democracy against the aristocracy of Sulla.

Mr. Stuart Mason delivered a neat address which was full of admiration for the great man whose reputation was at stake. The laborious hours which our young speaker had recently devoted to the study of Cicero's works has not lessened his faith in the integrity of the statesman's life.

Having been refreshed with such copious streams of eloquence, the audience was invited to record its vote. Unmindful of the weary hours which the future has in store for them, our juvenile parliamentarians refused to condemn the prisoner at the bar, and thus did Cicero's ghost depart from our Junior Senatehouse without a stain on its reputation.



OUR CADET CORPS.

THIS year our prospects of winning the Schools' Shield were far from rosy. To begin with, we had only four of last year's team, and then came the regatta

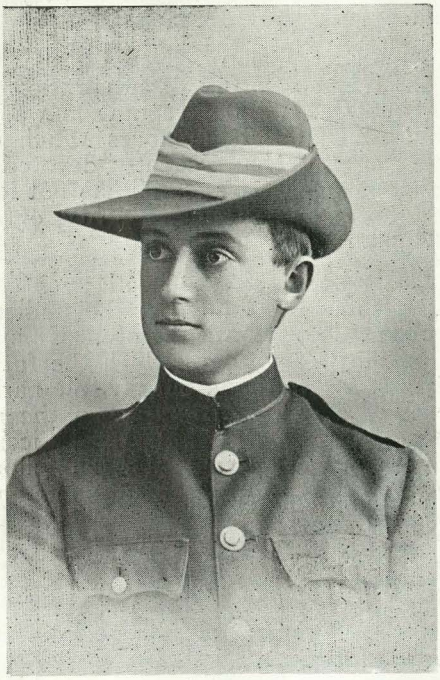


Photo by] **CADET BARRY.** *[Talma*
Winner of the Hartley Gold Medal.

to interfere with the training of our new recruits.

Despite such difficulties, however, we were strong enough to gain an easy victory over King's School and test the full strength of the valiant holders of the coveted trophy.

The opening match was that for the Rawson Cup at 200 and 500 yards. We failed to beat the Newington boys whose fine shooting at the shorter range ensured them the victory.

Cadet Barry, one of our recent recruits, did some brilliant work in that contest. He got 65 out of a possible 70, and was awarded a gold medal.

The struggle for the Shield was one of the keenest on record. The ranges were 500 and 600 yards. When the firing at the shorter range was finished we were only seven points behind the holders.

On resuming at the 600 yards the scoring continued very even. The first six men on our team and the Newington side had the same total. Jack O'Mara and Allan Johnstone did very well. The former should have won the prize for highest individual score had he not been hurried towards the end and aimed his parting shot at the wrong target.

When the final result was announced, we were only fifteen points behind the winners—Newington, 466; St. Ignatius, 451; King's School, 414.

The following are the higher averages for the college gold medal on the Randwick Range :—

Col. Sergt. Veech	46.5
Corporal E. Conrick	45.6
Cadet Barry	45.2
Cadet O'Mara	45.1

COL. SERGT. VEECH.

The Handball Tournament.

As handball is one of our principal amusements, and one of the most attractive to look at, it were a pity to let it pass from year to year without some friendly notice. Especially so, since that grand old game was ever such a favourite with our Irish ancestors, both in the old land and in their exile.

This year we took exceptional interest in the game. The boys of the Senior Division spent many a pleasant hour on their newly-prepared bases, while the little fellows in the Third Division, playing against the College wall, were quite a treat to look at.

With plenty of good players and abundance of good spirit the tournament was very successful. The departure of the champions of 1905 had left the honours for supremacy fairly open, and, in consequence, there were numerous entries from both first and second divisions.

As a general rule, the second division boys have but a poor chance against the doughty seniors, but this year several of the interdivisional games were most keenly contested.

Early in the tournament, the struggle between Redmond Barry and Bertie Mason caused quite a flutter of excitement. They were even at 15, and scored alternate aces till the total stood at 19 all. Then Mason scored twice in quick succession, and won the match for the seconds.

In the third round, Allan Johnstone, the second division champion, was matched against the senior veteran, Randy McDonnell. As these were the only boys who appeared to have thoroughly mastered the underhand stroke, their meeting was specially interesting. Expectations of good play were fully realised in the opening half, but towards the end, McDonnell proved too strong for his junior opponent, and won by 21 to 14.

Hans Roth, another able representative of the second division, was beaten by Patrick Kelly, after playing a good game.

During the same round Jim Carlton secured a somewhat unexpected victory in a grand game against Harry McArdle. They were not separated by more than a single point till the score stood at 17 all. Then Carlton went ahead and earned repeated applause for the successful manner in which he butted the cannon shots of his opponent. Other games between the seniors are well worthy of notice, but our space is limited and we must pass on to the semi-finals.

In the first of the semi-finals Carlton secured another victory, this time a rather easy one, over A. Cox. In the other match, R. McDonnell, who was playing far below his usual form, was beaten by Kelly by 21 to 5. This game, however, was much more interesting than the score would appear to indicate.

The final game between Carlton and Kelly was won by the latter.

P. J. KELLY.

P.S.—The foregoing account was penned by the modest winner of the tournament at the special request of the editors. We may add that the concluding game was a fine exhibition of both skill and strength. The opening part of the play was made memorable by a series of prolonged rallies which were much enjoyed by the onlookers. Kelly, however, was too quick and too strong for his opponent, and gained a well-deserved victory by 21 points to 6.

EDITORS.



CRICKET.

ST. IGNATIUS' COLLEGE 1st XI.

President: REV. J. A. BRENNAN, S.J.

Committee:
F. F. CONLON, Captain.
R. V. McDONNELL, F. HUGHES.

IT is a source of great pleasure to me to have to place on record the success of the cricket season just concluded. When, after Midwinter, we found that we were without the services of H. Sheil and F. Hutchinson, we began to feel somewhat dubious as to whether the XI. would be able to put the finishing touches on this term's sport so auspiciously begun and so successfully continued by the football XV. However, though the success achieved in the cricket field was not quite on a par with the all-conquering career of the Rugbyites, we came out with a very respectable record. Of the eight matches played, we won 4, lost 2, and drew 2.

The highest individual score during the season was made by M. Cranney, viz., 64, against Sydney Training College. It was a brilliant innings, his neat strokes to leg being particularly appreciated.

The pitches this season were very good ones, and there is no room for the slightest complaint in this direction. The cricket oval at present is looking splendid, and much credit is due to the groundman, who, by his thoroughness, has done much to enhance its beauty. Father Brennan has laid the team under a deep obligation by his constant coaching, and it is to be hoped that when we enter for the competition next year, he will have the satisfaction of seeing some of the raw material he is now developing blossom forth and bear fruit worthy of the trouble he has taken and the deep interest he has evinced in the improvement of the Riverview 1st XI.

RIVERVIEW v. GORDON DISTRICT C.C.

In this, our first match, we were fortunate in meeting such a strong combination as the first grade team from Gordon. We succeeded in making it a draw, and, had we had a little more practice, we might have effected a surprise despite the fact that such well-known State representatives as F. Iredale, C. G. Macartney, R. N. Hickson, Johnson, and Black, were in the lists against us.

E. Sheil made top score for us. In the bowling department, R. Barry and W. McNally divided the honours, obtaining respectively 4 for 50 and 4 for 59.

Among the visitors McMullen gave a good exhibition for 37. Macartney soon ran up an attractive 20, and Iredale scored 28 in a manner which showed that age, in spite of the fleeting pinions of time, has not yet deprived him of his dash.

RIVERVIEW v. GORDON DISTRICT C.C.

RIVERVIEW.

M. Cranney, std b Johnson	13
R. Barry, b Shortland	11
W. McNally, b Shortland	4
F. Conlon, b Johnson	1
T. Higgins, b Black	9
F. Hughes, b Alcock	1
D. Oxenham, std b Black	0
E. Sheil, not out	16

A. Cox, std b Dettman	0
R. McDonnell, c b Dettman	2
B. Mason, not out	4
Sundries	8
9 wickets for	69

Gordon, 9 wickets for 159.
Result, drawn.

WENTWORTH MATCH.

With this, our second match, we opened our winning account. D. Oxenham and W. McNally played brilliantly and shared the distinction of getting top score, with 29 each. F. Hughes was not far behind, and his score

R. Barry, b Rigg	12
D. Oxenham, b Batchelor	29
F. Conlon, b Price	5
R. Hughes, b Corbett	4
E. Sheil, ct b Price	0
R. McDonnell, b Price	0
T. Higgins, lbw b Campbell	5
A. Cox, not out	15
Sundries	9
	132

Wentworth, 83.
Bowling averages: R. Barry 6 for 16, W. McNally 3 for 27.
Result, won by 49.



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EARL TOLLOLLER and THE EARL OF MOUNTARARAT.

IN "IOLANTHE."

J. J. O'MARA AND E. O'HALLORAN.

of 24 was the result of that vigorous hitting which at once delights the cricket audience and demoralises the bowling. Others who ran into double figures were R. Barry, whose career was nipped in the bud at 12, and A. Cox, whose contribution of 15 was perhaps more useful than ornamental. R. Barry bowled extremely well, securing 6 for 16, while W. McNally kept up his reputation by annexing 3 for 27.

RIVERVIEW v. WENTWORTH.

RIVERVIEW.

W. McNally, ct b Rigg	29
M. Cranney, b Dowsett	2
F. Hughes, ct b Dowsett	24

SYDNEY TRAINING COLLEGE MATCH.

This was a rather easy win for the students, and some say the downfall of the teachers was due to the sensational bowling of R. Barry, and the equally fine stand made by Cranney, while others seem to think it was a natural consequence, "the child being father to the man." Whatever was the cause, M. Cranney cannot be denied a pat on the shoulder, for his 64 was an exhibition of sterling cricket, and the score is the highest made by any member of the team this season. R. Hughes had the misfortune to be caught at 19, when just about to spread his sails. D. Oxenham was unlucky

in being run out after a careful 18. Reference has already been made to R. Barry's bowling feat, viz., 6 wickets for 9 runs, a truly remarkable performance. He was ably seconded by M. McNally, who bowled with him unchanged, and got 4 for 19.

RIVERVIEW v. SYDNEY TRAINING COLLEGE.

RIVERVIEW.

W. McNally, b Egan	2
E. Sheil, ct b Osborne	7
M. Cranney, b Egan	64
F. Hughes, b Egan	10
F. Conlon, b Egan	0
R. Barry, ct b Egan	0
D. Oxenham, run out	18
R. Hughes, ct b Newton	19
A. Cox, ct b Newton	12
T. Higgins, not out	0
J. McCarthy, ct b Newton	1
Sundries	5
	138

Sydney Training College, 43.

Bowling averages: R. Barry 6 for 9, W. McNally 4 for 19.

Result, won by 95.

YLO MATCH.

Ylo was the first team to triumph over us. but then they had two good bowlers—one of them, in fact, being an old inter-State representative, and I am afraid this fact exerted a somewhat disconcerting influence on the younger team. R. Barry was the only one who played with confidence, and his score included one beautiful hit out of the ground. In the bowling this time preference must be given to W. McNally, for, though his average was the same as Barry's, he got the majority of the wickets.

RIVERVIEW v. YLO C.C.

RIVERVIEW.

M. Cranney, lbw b Cooper	1
T. Higgins, b Cooper	0
F. Hughes, b Sams	1
R. Barry, b Cooper	8
W. McNally, ct b Sams	0
A. Cox, ct b Sams	0
D. Oxenham, b Cooper	5
R. Hughes, ct b Cooper	0
F. Conlon, ct b Sams	6
R. McDonnell, b Sams	4
E. Sheil, not out	0
Sundries	4
	29

Ylo C.C., 112.

Bowling averages: W. McNally 7 for 63, R. Barry 2 for 18.

Result, lost by 83.

RIVERVIEW v. BEECROFT.

At first the wickets began to fall fast and cheap, but when W. McNally and F. Conlon got together, the rot was stopped and the partnership, by steady work, realised half a century before dissolution, the former getting 29 and the latter 24. R. Barry and W. McNally were again most successful with the ball, the former's 4 for 18 being full of merit against a good batting side.

The captain of the College team made a serious mistake in declaring his innings.

RIVERVIEW v. BEECROFT.

RIVERVIEW.

T. Higgins, run out	1
W. McNally, b Hunt	29
M. Cranney, b Thorsby	0
D. Oxenham, b Thorsby	3
R. Barry, b Thorsby	0
F. Conlon, b Thorsby	24
A. Cox, not out	9
R. Hughes, b Thorsby	5
E. Sheil, b Hunt	10
R. McDonnell	
A. Johnstone	
J. McCarthy	
Sundries	8
8 wickets for	89

Beecroft, 10 wickets for 118.

Bowling averages: R. Barry 4 for 18, W. McNally 4 for 41.

CUSTOMS' OFFICE MATCH.

Against the Customs' House officials we ran up a respectable score. The consistent practice of the disciplined collegians told its tale against the week-end pleasure-seekers, for the visitors could only reply with 48, so victory was ours once more, and the pen, though mightier than the sword, proved of little avail in cricketing tactics.

R. Barry distinguished himself by heading the list both in batting and bowling. He made 29 and took 6 wickets for 14, thus showing his capabilities in both branches of the game. W. McNally and E. Shiel played freely, and both succeeded in passing 20. In this match A. Johnstone, a colt from II. Div., was tried, and he fully justified his inclusion, for he played neatly for 10, and captured 2 wickets for 6.

RIVERVIEW v. CUSTOMS' OFFICE.

RIVERVIEW.

D. Oxenham, ct b O'Keefe	2
T. Higgins, b O'Keefe	0
M. Cranney, b Kennedy	1
W. McNally, b Kennedy	24
F. Conlon, ct b Kennedy	13
R. Barry, b Tindale	29
A. Johnstone, b Hyde	10
E. Sheil, b Hyde	21
A. Cox, run out	8
R. Hughes, ct b Hyde	3
A. McDermott, not out	0
Sundries	3
	114

Customs Office, 48.

Bowling averages: R. Barry 6 for 14, A. Johnstone 2 for 6, A Cox 2 for 13.

Result, won by 66.

KILLARA MATCH.

We played a very close and exciting game with Killara, and the afternoon was rendered enjoyable by the genial sociability of the visitors and the condescending behaviour of the weather.

The only one of the boys in blue to do any way well was F. Hughes who, waiting for the suitable bowlers, gave free play to his hitting powers, and scored 26 before being caught. In the bowling department we were deprived of the valuable services of W. McNally, who had left a few days before, but F. Hughes, another left-hander, stepped into the breach, and, by getting 4 for 40 proved himself a worthy successor. R. Barry ,of course, was the most successful trundler with 4 wickets to his credit for 21.

PERSONNEL OF 1st XI.

F. CONLON (Capt.)—A good, steady batsman and very good in the field. On more than one occasion his steady play has stopped what, in cricket parlance, is known as "a rot."

R. McDONNELL (1st com.)—A very useful change bowler with a fair pitch. Fields at long-off, and is an improving bat.

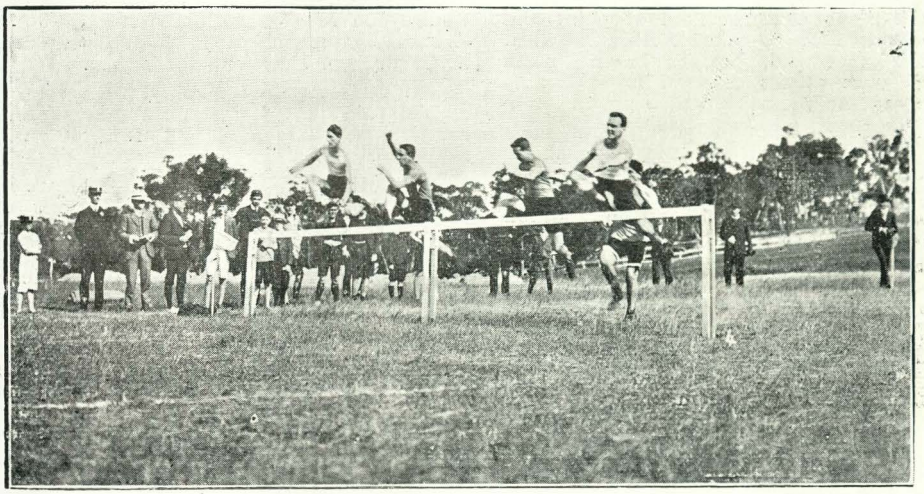
F. HUGHES (2nd com.)—Is a type of batsman who helps to keep cricket alive. He is a powerful hitter, and his dashing style at once arouses the interest of the spectators (if there happen to be any). He is also a puzzling left-hand break bowler and a sure catch.

W. McNALLY—Is perhaps the best all round man in the team. He is a left-hand bat with a good supply of solid strokes on the off, and neat ones on the leg. An excellent break bowler with a most accurate length.

M. CRANNEY—Is one of the stars of the batting side. He is generally a most reliable scorer, but this season, unfortunately, his cricketing firmament has been somewhat clouded, so that he has only been permitted to shine at intervals. He is also noticeable behind the stumps as wicket-keeper.

R. BARRY—Might be termed a brilliant bat, but he has his off days like the majority. Once he gets under weigh he is a treat to watch, for almost every hit is a boundary. He is by far the best bowler in the team, and his balls, as well as being dangerously straight, invariably exert a discomforting influence on his opponents.

D. OXENHAM—Is a very careful and steady batsman. He was at a slight disadvantage



COLLEGE SPORTS.—CHAMPIONSHIP HURDLES. [*Sydney Mail.*

RIVERVIEW v. KILLARA C.C.

RIVERVIEW.

E. Sheil, b Somerville	2
D. Oxenham, b Locke	4
M. Cranney, lbw b Locke	12
F. Hughes, ct b King	26
R. Barry, b Locke	9
F. Conlon, b Somerville	4
A. Johnstone, ct b Channon	2
A. Cox, ct b King	13
R. McDonnell, b King	6
T. Higgins, not out	2
A. McDermott, b Channon	0
	80

Killara, 9 wicket for 83.

Bowling averages: R. Barry 4 for 21, F. Hughes 4 for 40.

Result, lost by 1 wicket and 3 runs.

this season through having an injured knee for a companion ; nevertheless, he was responsible for some tidy scores, and his cool play saved his side more than once. He fields in slips, and is one of the very neatest.

A. COX—Is a good change bowler and a useful bat who seems to possess the happy knack of being able to score a few runs when they are specially needed.

R. HUGHES— Is, like his cousin, also a dab at big hitting, but is rather weak in yielding to the temptation of coaxers. Fields at straight-hit and brings off some surprising catches from time to time.

E. SHEIL—Fields well at mid-off and is a good change bowler of the slow leg-break type. His style of batting is not quite beyond reproach, but his strokes are productive of runs, and that of course is an important item.

T. HIGGINS—Is a smart field at point and may be relied on to take a difficult catch. Bats left-hand, and, besides having some pretty strokes at his disposal is invaluable for keeping the wickets up at a pinch.

A. JOHNSTONE—Though young and inexperienced in the tricks of the turf, shows signs of great promise, and should prove an acquisition to future teams. He bowls an irresistible slow leg-break, and in addition is a stylish left-hand bat.

A. McDERMOTT—Has played in a few matches. He has a good idea of bowling, but he has some room for improvement in his batting which is, so far, rather crude.

J. McCARTHY—Is another of the colts for next year. He is a left-hander, and that alone is a useful asset in any team.

FELIX F. CONLON.

THIRD ELEVEN.

(September-December, 1906.)

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

Captain : R. UNGER.

Committee:

A. JOHNSTONE, B. BRYANT.

Scorer : R. McCARTHY.

Our third eleven, though somewhat small in size, have had a very successful season. Seven matches were played, and only one lost. Allan Johnstone showed such good form in the early part of the term that he was invited to play with the first eleven.

Emmett O'Halloran deserves great praise for his fine play with both bat and ball. Justin McCarthy and V. Conlon were conspicuous for their bowling, and we may not pass on without a word of congratulation to W. Punch.

The fielding of the thirds was really good. Hans Roth, Basil Bryant, and several others deserve great credit. If there was any epidemic about, it must have been " catching."

MATCHES PLAYED.

Sept. 29th.—Against All Saints. Riverview won by 96 runs. D. Johnstone 40 (not out), E. O'Halloran 39, H. Roth 19 (not out). J. McCarthy got 7 wickets for 15 runs.

Oct. 6th.—Against Fitzroy. Riverview won by 113 runs. A. Johnstone 35, E. O'Halloran 31, W. Punch 22. E. O'Halloran got 3 wickets for 6 runs, and B. Bryant 2 for 8.

Oct. 13th.—Against Verona. Riverview won by 75 runs. A. Johnstone 31, H. Roth 16. J. McCarthy secured 7 wickets for 5, and E. O'Halloran 3 for 9.

Oct. 20th.—Against Brooklyn. Riverview won by 124 runs. R. Unger's 53 (not out) was the highest score of the season. B. Bryant made 36. E. O Halloran got 7 wickets for 10 runs.

Nov. 3rd.—Against Church of England Grammar School. Riverview was beaten by nearly 100 runs. Our score does not not deserve to be recorded. W. Punch got 7 wickets for 25 runs.

Nov. 10th.—Against Verona. Riverview won by 9 runs. E. O'Halloran 49, W. Punch 21. V. Conlon secured 7 wickets for 28 runs.

Dec. 1st.—Against Fitzroy. Riverview won by 59 runs. J. McCarthy scored a fine half century, and captured 5 wickets for 15 runs. E. Lenehan made a good 20.

This year the competition for the premier place in the bowling average was very keen. A single glance at the list will show that the first three places depended on the fortune of a pair of runs:—J. McCarthy got 21 wickets for 83 runs; E. O'Halloran got 18 wickets for 72 runs; V. Conlon got 15 wickets for 61 runs.

E. O'Halloran captured the honours in batting with an average of 22½.

B. BRYANT.
R. McCARTHY.



Press Notices.

The following are extracts from some of the papers which reviewed the July issue of "Our Alma Mater." We need hardly say that we fully appreciate and are deeply grateful for the very great courtesy with which our juvenile efforts have been treated by the newspapers of the Commonwealth and New Zealand. Unfortunately, some of the papers 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."—The current issue of "Our Alma Mater," the organ of the students of St. Ignatius' College, Riverview, Sydney, is, like preceding numbers, well printed, nicely illustrated, and is altogether a highly creditable production. The letterpress is devoted mainly to records of college work in the class-room and athletic field, from which we learn that both the intellectual and physical faculties of the students are well looked after at the college. Among the illustrations is a photographic group of the late Mr. Seddon, Mrs. Seddon, and family, with an account of the deceased Premier's visit to the institution shortly before he started for New Zealand, which he was destined never again to see.—"New Zealand Tablet," 23-8-'06.

"OUR ALMA MATER."—We are in receipt of a copy of the latest number of the above interesting semi-annual publication, replete as usual with the story of success attending the far-famed St. Ignatius' College, Riverview. The literary matter contained in "Our Alma Mater" does infinite credit to its young editors and contributors, but what must be most gratifying to students, parents and teachers alike is the way in which the reputation of the college is sustained examination after examination, the whole of the seven candidates sent for the June exam. passing, five of whom qualified in the preliminary section of the matriculation requirements. The average passes for all schools in the matriculation section was 11; St. Ignatius' score represents 71.4 per cent. Once more we congratulate all concerned.—"East Sydney Argus," 8-8-'06.

"OUR ALMA MATER."—The July issue of "Our Alma Mater" (Riverview College, Sydney) is beautifully printed and illustrated, and the literary standard is high; an altogether admirable magazine.—"The Register" (Adelaide), 11-8-'06.

"OUR ALMA MATER."—The July issue of "Our Alma Mater," the handsomely-illustrated and neatly-printed publication of St. Ignatius' College, Riverview, certainly rises much superior to a bald revenge of college happenings. The illustrations, which comprise the College crews, the Seddon family, matriculants, the new altar in the oratory, and other subjects of interest, are admirably executed. Nor is the letterpress unworthy of any high-class magazine. Budding talent of no mean order is displayed in the literary matter. Desmond Gavan Duffy gives promise of future high excellence in this sphere in his essay on the poet Gray, although the same writer's comment on the College debate is not so carefully done. Nothing in the field of study and of sport associated with the College but finds a place in this ornate periodical, which must be a welcome guest at every ex-student's home. The "Freeman," indeed, has proof that on occasion a Riverview student, D. Gavan Duffy, for example, can be depended upon to report even from memory any notable visitor's speech or important event, the record of which is needed. A college which can boast students of such high mental calibre is indeed a well of true learning. The "Alma Mater" deserves to flourish.—"Freeman's Journal" (Sydney), 18-8-'06.

"OUR ALMA MATER."—The winter issue of "Our Alma Mater," the admirable school magazine conducted by the students of Riverview College, Sydney, is to hand. In addition to the usual complete record of school doings, it contains some very interesting articles and photos. Among these may be mentioned an account of the visit of the late Premier Seddon, of New Zealand, to Riverview, which is accompanied by a group photo of himself and the members of his family who were present. It should prove an interesting memento of an historic occasion.—"Southern Cross" (Adelaide), 17-8-'06.

"OUR ALMA MATER."—We have to acknowledge the receipt of an old (young) friend, "Our Alma Mater," the capital little magazine issued by the students of St. Ignatius' College, Riverview, Sydney, written and edited by the boys themselves. The present number—the magazine being issued at midwinter and Christmas—is an excellent one, and peculiar interest is lent to it by an account of a visit paid to the College by the late Hon. Richard Seddon, Premier of New Zealand, just before he set sail—as he said in his farewell—to "God's own coun-

try," words that bore a deeper meaning than his hearers or the speaker knew at the time. Another item of sad interest is the death of Thomas O'Connor, one of the students, also a New Zealander, who rowed bow in the College boat in the Schools' Championship at Sydney less than a fortnight before his death. The brief story of the lad's illness is full of homely pathos, and the boy's unselfishness with which he received the news that there was no hope of his recovery with the remark—"Don't wire to them at home till I peg out; it will only worry them," is infinitely touching. It is of fibre like this that heroes are woven, and it is no mere form of words to say that a brave young fellow like that will worthily foregather with the late leader of his land in "God's own country." The other contents of the number are excellent, and the illustrations superb, making the "Alma Mater" what it always has been, a model for others of its class to follow.—"Bundaberg Star," 7-8-'06.

"OUR ALMA MATER."—We have to acknowledge the receipt of the last number of "Our Alma Mater," the interesting publication of St. Ignatius' College, Riverview, Sydney. It contains an interesting review of the work of the College of the past half-year, and has many illustrations, amongst them being the group portraying the late Mr. R. J. Seddon (of N.Z.) and the family party, who visited the College very shortly before his untimely death. The tabulated results of the Junior University Examinations show that the students from the College came off with flying colours; and a photo is given of young Clarence Bridge, who matriculated with 4 A's, 3 B's, and the medal for Algebra. The literary side of the work of the College is well represented, as well as the lighter vein and athletics, and the whole issue is a complete compendium of the various activities of the Riverview educational centre. The magazine is well got-up and printed by Messrs. Finn Brothers, of Pitt Street, Sydney.—"Nyngan Observer," 11-8-'06.

"OUR ALMA MATER."—The magazine of St. Ignatius' College, Riverview, which this year attains its majority, has just been issued and a copy of it is to hand. The magazine is excellently got-up, and is a credit to those who compiled it. The illustrations include students who have distinguished themselves in various capacities, whilst on the front pages are pictures of the June matriculants (five in number) and of St. Ignatius Loyola (from a famous portrait of the founder of the Jesuits), with a poem by P.D., on the "Soldier-Saint." There is also a group picture of the late New Zealand Premier and family party, who visited Riverview on May 20, some three weeks before the death of Mr. Seddon, and a report of the latter's address to the students. The letterpress is varied and well written, and the report of the College's successes at the examinations cannot fail to give pleasure to those interested in the progress of the College.—"National Advocate" (Bathurst), 3-8-'06.

"OUR ALMA MATER."—The editors send us the July number of this interesting publication, and we are pleased to again scan its pages. As usual, it is well illustrated, and the reading matter reflects credit upon the students of St. Ignatius' College, Sydney, who are responsible for the publication of the magazine. College doings are fully dealt with in its pages—in addition to this, however, "Our Alma Mater" will be found very interesting by outside folk.—"Tamworth Observer," 11-8-'06.

"OUR ALMA MATER."—We have received a copy of "Our Alma Mater," the magazine which records the work accomplished at St. Ignatius' College, Riverview, Sydney. The results of examinations during the past half-year show that the success of the school is fully maintained, and the excellent illustrations give a good idea of the physical training of the boys.—"Newcastle Morning Herald," 7-8-'06.

"OUR ALMA MATER" continues to keep up its previously high reputation. It gives an interesting resume of the doings at the school during the six months it deals with, including the amusements of the pupils as well as their more important scholastic work.—"Coonamble Times," 11-8-'06.

"OUR ALMA MATER," the bi-annual record of St. Ignatius' College, reached us a couple of weeks ago, but in the stress of business it was laid aside till opportunity afforded for a perusal of its ever-interesting pages. Though somewhat belated, our reading of "Alma Mater" has been none the less pleasurable, the high standard of its literary contents and the excellency of its illustrations making the publication one of enduring worth. Not only does "Our Alma Mater" tell of the year's work at the College in education and in sports, but room is found for both prose and poem contributions which might well grace the pages of more pretentious magazines. As usual it is well printed.—"Western Post" (Mudgee), 30-8-'06.

"OUR ALMA MATER."—The July number of "Our Alma Mater," issued by Riverview College, Sydney, maintains its reputation for general excellence, and goes to show that good educational work continues at the College. The number contains many photograph illustrations of a high order, including the College football, rowing, and cricket teams, and portraits of pupils who have distinguished themselves. It is a distinct credit to the publishers and printers.—"Richmond River Express," (Casino), 7-8-'06.

"OUR ALMA MATER."—Editors come and editors go, but this interesting school magazine goes on for ever. The paper and printing has improved so much during the past few years that it is now one of the best productions in Australia. The matter is of the usual kind—school gossip, and a record of the progress of the College, intellectually and physically. Unquestionably the best thing in this number is

the late Mr. Seddon's address to the boys, on the occasion of his visit to Riverview. It is a model for all who make speeches to boys.—"Gunnedah Advertiser," 28-7-'06.

"OUR ALMA MATER."—The current issue of "Our Alma Mater," the official organ of St. Ignatius' College, Riverview, Sydney, is to hand from the publishers. The magazine is one of high literary merit; and, as the editors are the students of this well-known scholastic institution, this is saying a great deal. It is a work of art from a typographical standpoint, and no expense has apparently been spared in its production. There are quite a number of beautifully executed photo reproductions, printed on art paper.—"Corowa Free Press," 28-8-'06.

"OUR ALMA MATER."—We have received from the editors a copy of "Our Alma Mater," the midwinter issue of the magazine of the Riverview College, a publication of which the pupils of that well-known and beautifully situated educational institution on Lane Cove River have good reason to be proud. It is beautifully printed and illustrated, and its well-assorted contents deal not only with the educational studies, but with the religious and social life of the students, with their varied recreations and successes in the sporting world, and with the careers of ex-students at the university. We congratulate the editors on their excellent magazine.—"Maitland Daily Mercury," 11-8-'06.

"OUR ALMA MATER," the school review of St. Ignatius' College, Riverview, Sydney, just to hand, is a publication of much interest from the educational standpoint. It has now reached the 21st year of issue, and, considering that it is edited and contributed to solely by students of the college, has retained a remarkably high standard as a literary production. It is also replete with handsome, well-executed illustrations, which will be much prized by those who have, or have had, connection with this well-known educational establishment. The "Review," as usual, deals largely with the sports engaged in by the pupils during the year, and also treats other phases of school life in a healthy, breezy manner that forms pleasant reading.—"Wagga Wagga Advertiser," 2-8-'06.

"OUR ALMA MATER."—The half-yearly number of "Our Alma Mater," edited and published by the students of Riverview College, Sydney, is again to hand and, like its predecessors, is an excellent production. The press of the Commonwealth has combined to praise alike the literary excellence of this periodical and the highly-creditable manner in which it is printed (by Messrs. Finn Bros.). The present number is profusely illustrated and shows clearly, by giving results, the triumphs (scholastic as well as athletic) achieved by the students during the past half-year. One illustration to which a melancholy interest attaches is that of the late Rt. Hon. R. J. Seddon and his family, who visited the college during their recent visit to Sydney.—"Grafton Argus," 9-8-'06.

"OUR ALMA MATER."—We have just received "Our Alma Mater," the school record of St. Ignatius' College, Riverview. The July number is as complete of college life as former publications. The journal is well writen, illustrated, and beautifully printed. We regard "Alma Mater" as an old friend, and wish the Journal and its youthful contributors every prosperity.—"Cessnock Express," 4-8-'06.

"OUR ALMA MATER," edited by students of St. Ignatius' College, Riverview, is to hand, and in every respect will compare favourably with preceding numbers, and that is saying a good deal. The college may be justly proud of its most excellent magazine.—"Grenfell Recorder," 11-8-'06.

"OUR ALMA MATER."—We have again to congratulate the editors of and contributors to that exceptionally bright and well-written magazine, "Our Alma Mater," for the undoubted excellence of the July issue of that school publication. The journal constitutes a faithful record of college life, there are the photos and records of boys who have distinguished themselves in the arena of culture; there are also similar tributes to others who have aquitted themselves on the field of sport, and then again the doings of the Old Boys are brightly recorded in a chapter all to themselves. The illustrations throughout are superb, while the typographical features of the publication are a credit to the printers.—"Molong Express," 4-8-'06.

"OUR ALMA MATER."—We have to congratulate the students at St. Ignatius' College, Riverview, upon a little production. The July number of "Our Alma Mater" is before us, and we can only repeat a previous remark—that the publication is a splendid illustration of the printer's art and of the work of the young Australian literateur.—"Riverina Recorder" (Balranald), 29-8-'06.

"OUR ALMA MATER."—The number to hand reviews the work of the college both in education and sport during the last half-year. All the usual features are liberally treated, while there are some special articles of value. The school has every reason to be proud of its half-yearly magazine.—"Southern Mail" (Bowral), 3-8-'06.

"OUR ALMA MATER."—Again we are pleased to receive a copy of the records of St. Ignatius' College, Riverview. As usual, it is thoroughly interesting, and should be the means of inspiring the students by the fact that their records are faithfully kept and handed down to posterity. The issue is splendidly illustrated, one of merit, and should be especially interesting to all who have the interests of the future sons of Australia at heart.—"Moree Examiner," 4-8-'06.

"OUR ALMA MATER."—The present issue of "Our Alma Mater," edited by the students of St. Ignatius' College, Riverview, Sydney, is, as usual, beautifully printed and illustrated and equally well edited. Altogether the July issue of this high class magazine maintains its lofty standard and we tender our thanks for its receipt.—"The Picton Post," 8-8-'06.

"OUR ALMA MATER."—We have pleasure in acknowledging receipt of a copy of a current issue of "Our Alma Mater," a magazine which is published in the interests of Riverview College, Sydney. As usual the articles cover a wide area, embracing poetry, essays, etc. Full particulars of the success and work of the students are given, while their athletic achievements are fully detailed. All the features are liberally treated, whilst there are several special articles of value.—"Rylstone Express," 17-8-'06.

"OUR ALMA MATER."—Once more we have the pleasure of receiving "Our Alma Mater," the annual report (July, 1906) of the Riverview College. The journal, as it may be called, is most artistically got up. There are excellent illustrations, including a fine group of the late Hon. R. Seddon and his family, and groups of the chief prizemen and crews.—"Glen Innes Guardian," 7-8-'06.



The Editors of "OUR ALMA MATER" beg to acknowledge with thanks the following exchanges received since last (July) issue:—

South African Catholic Magazine.
The Redwood.
Stonyhurst Magazine.
The Fordham Monthly.
The Mangalore Magazine.
Cerise & Blue.
The Marquette Journal.
The Torchbearer.
The Belvederian.
The Swan.
The Sydneian.
The Newingtonian.
The T.K.S. Magazine.
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