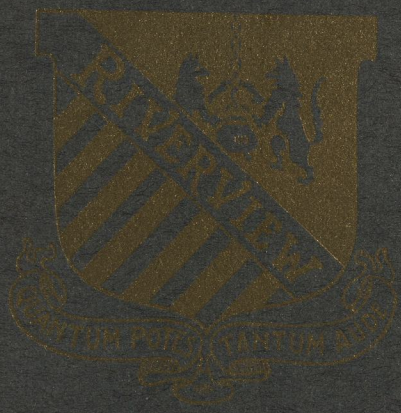
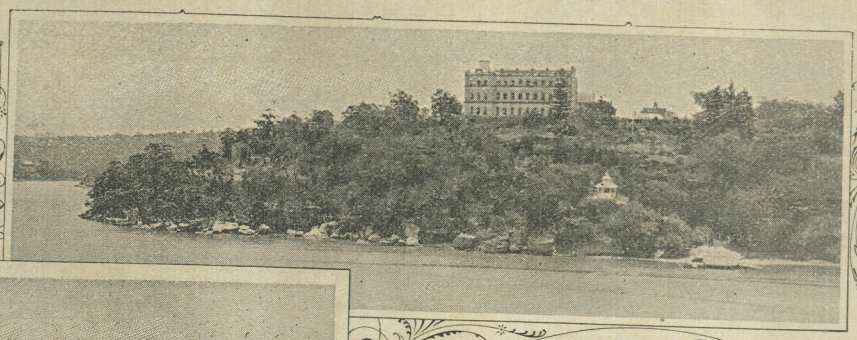
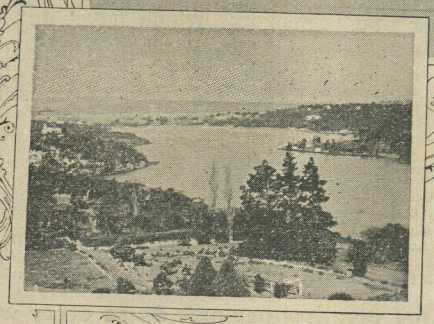
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The COLLEGE has its own Post and Telegraph Office, is connected by Telephone with Sydney, and is lighted throughout with Electric Light. Upwards of £40,000 have been spent by the Jesuit Fathers on the buildings and improvements. A large vegetable and fruit garden and a dairy farm are attached to the College.

The Ferry Service to College Passenger Wharf starts from Sydney, No. 7 Jetty, Circular Quay. The steamers leave at the hour from 6 a m. till noon, and a quarter past the hour from 1.15 p.m. till 9.15 p.m.

A Cargo Boat leaves Lime Street Wharf (foot of Erskine Street) for Riverview College on week days at 1 o'clock (Saturday at 12), and lands luggage at the College Goods Wharf. It is desirable that heavy luggage be forwarded by this boat.

GENERAL REGULATIONS.

No one will be admitted as a pupil to the COLLEGE unless furnished with satisfactory testimonials as to conduct.

Under ordinary circumstances pupils are not permitted to leave the College, except in charge of one of the Masters, and absence, which would entail a loss of study or class, will not be allowed without grave reason. Parents and Guardians are requested to carefully note this provision and to assist Superiors in its strict observance.

The boys will not be permitted to have any books or magazines, etc., which have not been approved of by their Prefects.

The younger boys have their dormitories, play rooms, libraries, and play grounds apart from the seniors.

An experienced Matron attends to the wants of the very young pupils.

Certificates of good conduct and application are awarded every month to deserving students to be forwarded to their homes. Parents and Guardians are requested to assist the COLLEGE authorities by requiring from their boys an explanation when these certificates have not been received.

Pupils are expected to write home at least twice in the month; they may do so every week if parents desire it.

Pupils not returning after vacation on the day fixed are liable to lose their places at the COLLEGE, unless sufficient cause for their absence is assigned.

The authorities of the COLLEGE reserve to themselves (1) Control of all the correspondence of the boys; (2) The liberty of resigning at once, the charge of any boy for whose correction the ordinary means are, in their judgment, found ineffectual, or who is deriving no benefit from his stay at the COLLEGE.

STUDIES.

The general aim of the course of studies is to give a thorough Classical and Scientific education, such as will fit the student to prosecute his studies at the University, or apply himself, with a well-developed intellect, to a profession or to mercantile pursuits.

The ordinary COLLEGE Course of Studies embraces the Greek, Latin, and French languages and literatures, ancient history of Greece and Rome; English language, literature, and history; elementary and higher Mathematics; elementary Physics and Chemistry, and Physiology.

The class matter in the higher schools is so arranged as to include the subjects required for the University Public Examinations, the Junior, Senior, and Matriculation; but parents and Guardians are respectfully informed that beyond the modification which this arrangement involves, the general order of the studies cannot be interfered with; nor will the Superiors under ordinary circumstances allow a pupil preparing for a public examination to set aside any of the subjects—Classical, Mathematical, or Scientific—comprised in the ordinary curriculum, in order to limit his application to easier subjects. Such a course, they are convinced, though rendering a pass less difficult, would be a grave injury to the boy's educational progress, and to the general instruction at the COLLEGE. A Commercial Class has, however, been formed, to which pupils may be admitted, provided their parents or guardians wish them to follow such a course, and that they have the approval of the Prefect of Studies; but it is desirable that no boy should enter this class unless he has previously gone through a few years of the ordinary college course of studies.

In all classes special stress is laid on English Composition, the correct pronunciation of the English language, Spelling, Arithmetic, and Handwriting.

A taste for wholesome reading is as much as possible developed and encouraged among the students, and carefully-selected libraries are open every day at certain recreation hours to the senior and the junior pupils. Librarians are appointed from the scholars.

No books or papers are allowed in the libraries which have not been submitted to the inspection of the PREFECT.

As a powerful means towards enabling the pupils to acquire ease and elegance in public speaking, there are two Debating Societies, one for the Senior and one for the Junior boys. The meetings take place regularly, under the presidency of one of the Masters.

To give greater interest to the meetings of the society the debates are generally conducted under Parliamentary form, and the rules of Parliament are, as far as possible, strictly adhered to.

The Debating Societies have a special library of works of reference,

GENERAL GAMES.

The general outdoor games are:—Cricket, football, tennis, handball, rifle-shooting, and swimming. These games are warmly encouraged by the Superiors, not only because they contribute to the health of the students and materially assist to impart to them manliness and self-reliance, but because they are found, when used as rewards for good conduct and steady application, direct and valuable aids to the maintenance of strict discipline and the preservation of a solid spirit of study.

In indoor amusement each Division has got a billiard table in its recreation room.

The different games are managed by a committee of boys under the direction of a Master as PRESIDENT. At all committee meetings the PRESIDENT, or some one delegated by him, will take the chair, and without his sanction no meeting may be called or notices of any kind posted up.

The College colours are light blue and white.

ROWING.

There are Two Rowing Clubs, each of which has its own boat-shed. The Senior shed is very large, and contains dressing-room, fresh-water shower baths, &c., &c. The new shed on the College wharf has been allotted to the Junior Rowing Club. Boating exercise may be taken by members of the Clubs at any recreation which exceeds one hour, but there must be a Master in charge.

The Swimming Bath is close to the Senior Boat-shed; the boys are permitted to bathe there very frequently during the summer months in charge of their Prefects.

RIFLE SHOOTING

On certain fixed days the pupils are afforded the opportunity of practising rifle shooting on the College range. This permission, however, is never given, except when the Drill Instructor, or one of the Masters, is in charge.

POSTAL ARRANGEMENTS.

The College has its own Post and Telegraph Office, and mails are received at and despatched from the College three times each day at the following hours:—

Received.	Despatched.
8.30 a.m.	10 a.m.
2 p.m.	3.15 p.m.
5 p.m.	6.15 p.m.

The correct address is, "St. Ignatius' College, Riverview, Sydney."

N.B.—"Hunter's Hill" should not be put on the address.

The College Telephone Number is No. 6, Hunter's Hill Exchange.

FEES.

ENTRANCE		5 Guineas
PENSION	Pupils over 12 years, per Term	15 ,,
	Pupils under 12 years	12½ ,,

Reduction of ten per cent. in favour of brothers.

EXTRAS:

The following Extras are optional, and pupils will not be allowed to take them up without leave from Parents or Guardians:—

Piano Violin, Singing, per term		3 Guineas
Drawing	Freehand	1½ ,,
	Mechanical	2 ,,
Rowing Club	Entrance Fee—Senior 10 shillings;	Junior, 5 shillings
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	,, ,, ...	Junior, 5 ,,

The year is divided into Four Terms, which begin the last week in January, the second week in April, the third week in July, and the fourth week in September.

N.B.—The Pension covers, besides the ordinary curriculum, Physiology, Shorthand, and Book-keeping. Washing is also included, and no extra charge is made for Pupils remaining in the College during Midwinter Holidays.

A charge of One Guinea per Term is made to cover expenses for Drill, Gymnastics, Shooting, Swimming, Cricket, Football, Tennis, Billiards, Libraries, and Stationery. A similar Quarterly charge is made in the case of pupils attending special Chemistry lectures, for ordinary Chemistry classes only laboratory expenses will be charged.

No reduction is made for holidays or for absence, except caused by sickness. If prolonged absence in the latter case be necessary, an allowance will be made.

All Fees are charged at beginning of term, and must be paid in advance. Books and Sundries are charged at end of Term.

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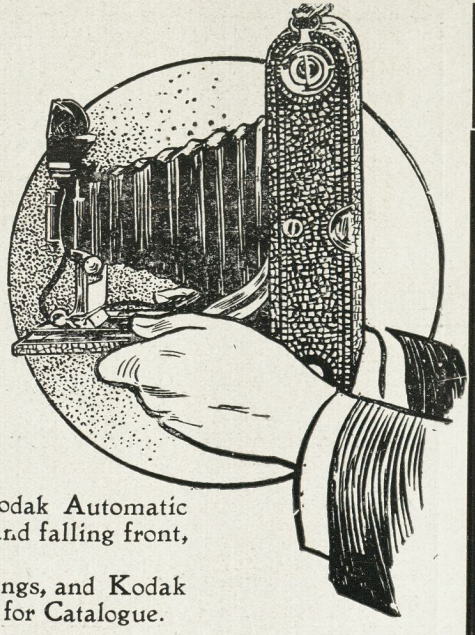
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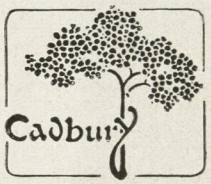
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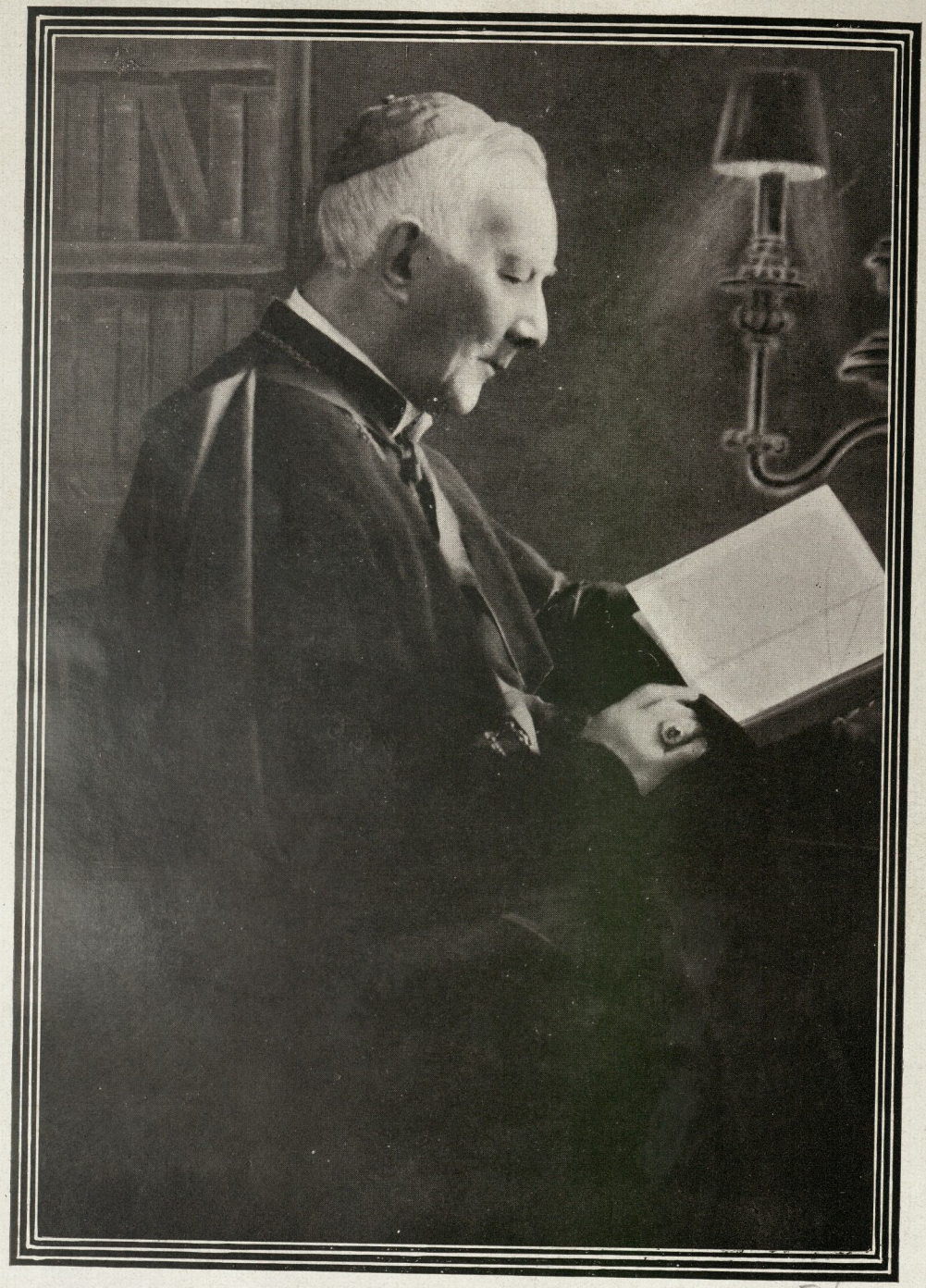
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I.

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πάνθ' ὁπόσων θάνατος κύριος ἐξεφάνη
ὀστέα καὶ κόνιν ἐνθάδ' ἀποιχομένοιο καλύπτει
νηὸς ἐυκτίμενος Παρθένου ἀμβροσίου,
μνήμη δ' ἄφθιτος ἔσται· ὃ δ' ἐν μακάρεσσι βεβηκὼς
ἄφθιτον ἧς ἀρετῆς ἀμφέθετο στέφανον.

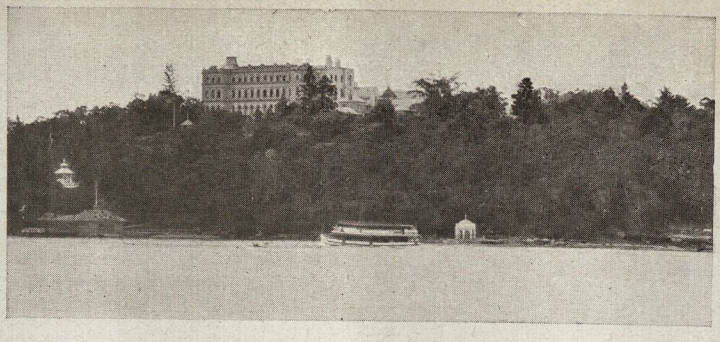
II.

Ἔκ ποτε Πατρικίου στόματος παρεδέξατ' Ἰέρνη
Χριστόν· καὶ πολλῶν αὖ περιτελλομένων
αἰώνων ἀπέδειξεν Ὑπερνοτίοισιν ἀποίκοις
Πατρίκιον θείης ἄγγελον ἀτρεκίης,
ὃν Ῥώμη ποτ' ἔθρεψε θεόφρονα, γαῖα δὲ πατρὶς
ἠβήσαντ' εἶχεν ποιμέν' ἐν Ὀσσορίῃ,
ἡμεῖς δὲ κλαύσαντες ἐθάπτομεν εὐθυντῆρα
ὀγδωκονταέτη παυσάμενον καμάτων.

III.

Χαῖρε, μάκαρ· καὶ σὴν ἀρετὴν καὶ σὴν διάνοιαν
ἄλλος τις εἰδὼς ἄξιος ὢν λεγέτω·
σῆς δ' εὐεργεσίης ὅδ' ἐγὼ τὸ παλαιὸν ἀπούρας
σμικροτάτην φιλίης τήνδ' ἀπέδωκα χάριν.

CHRIS. BRENNAN, M.A.



Our Alma Mater.

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

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EDITORIAL.

A QUARTER of a century has passed since the first scribes committed accounts of the College doings to the safety of letterpress. At Xmas, 1886, the first copy of the school magazine appeared. Some little time before a small pamphlet was printed giving items about the Rowing Club. Other College clubs asked for space in the "valuable columns"; their laudable request could not be refused, so the columns had to be enlarged. The copy of the pioneer number which we have before us seems modest indeed by the side of some of its successors, particularly the double numbers. It resembles in shape a note-book, and measures seven inches by five. It was warmly welcomed, however, both by the friends of the College and the press. The editors responded to the encouragement given them by increasing the length of their pages, and by opening their columns to original matter from students and those interested in their labours.

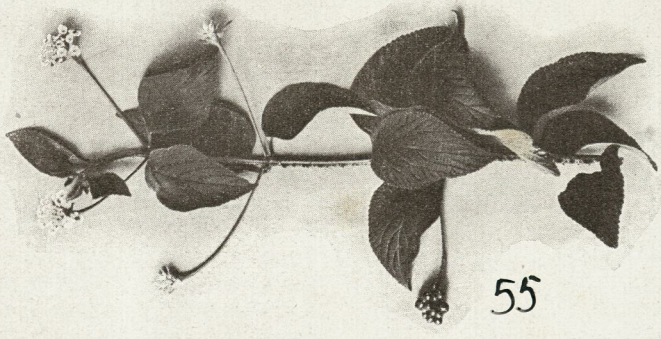
O.A.M. appeared then annually in this form till 1893, when it did not appear at all. A number of subscribers, and even of our old friends, seemed to anticipate that the next news they would hear of the Riverview annual—1893 will be remembered as a year of bank smashes, labour riots, bankruptcies with their attendant convulsions and depressions—would be somewhat of the character of the announcement of the Yankee editor of a certain weekly: "Owing to the remarkable popularity to which the paper has suddenly attained, the wild enthusiasm with which it has been received, and the exceedingly liberal support which has been extended to it, instead of appearing weekly would henceforth be published fortnightly." Our editors never contemplated any announcement of this kind. They issued a number at midwinter, 1894, and announced that another would appear the following Xmas. It had been decided to make the magazine a bi-annual. Its appearance, too, was changed to the form in which it is still published. The change in form was due to a desire to give the work a more scholastic appearance. "The fact," wrote the editorial scribes, "that this number commences a series of bi-annuals will explain to our friends and well-wishers why we are not by any means as thickset as usual."

The chief object in publishing O.A.M., as stated in the first editorial, is: "To establish,

foster and make enduring an *esprit de corps* among the present students, and to unite them in bonds of mutual encouragement and assistance with those who have completed their college course." This object, it was judged, could be best obtained through the medium of a bi-annual. Now and again its non-appearance at the usual times has caused a temporary flutter in the hearts of its subscribers, but only temporary, for they knew that the editors were executing the manœuvre already referred to. These delays were the forerunners of double numbers. From a publisher's point of view these double numbers were vastly superior to the ordinaries; the editors, indeed, are often tempted to concentrate their efforts on one issue a year, in order to keep the publication up to the standard of the best college magazines extant. The 1909 number was voted the best by prominent English, Australian and American journals.

And so the "Alma Mater" has gone on, differing a little in appearance, but in substance remaining just the same, recording year by year our doings in the class, on flood and field. These happenings would form a splendid subject for an article, or indeed a series of articles; we must in this issue, however, content ourselves for want of space and time with recording the events which took place during merely one-fiftieth of that time, namely, since midwinter last. At this juncture we would express a wish that a cocky like the one we read about in an Irish college magazine would befriend us. This bird could get about without the aid of an aeroplane, was welcome everywhere, in the garden, on the playing field, in the examination hall, and even in the class-room. He had powers of observation quite his own; sometimes he would utter a few syllables to notify unwary talkers that they could be overheard, but generally he kept silence and listened. Above all he was the friend of the editorial staff, and whenever the printer clamoured for copy he would visit the different sub-editors and remind them of the principal events which he witnessed since he gave in his last report. But we have no cocky, though we are in Australia. Many of the smaller events will not then occur to our minds, but we hope, in the pages which follow to tell of the more important. As a frontispiece we give a portrait of his Eminence the late Cardinal. Twenty-six years ago he laid the foundation stone of the main building, and during these years he assisted at the more important of our functions. We always looked upon the deceased prelate as a kind father, a ripe scholar, an able statesman, and above all, a great churchman.

It may not be generally known that the term "Alma Mater," which is universally applied to colleges and universities where men receive their scholastic training, is of purely Catholic origin. It has its source at the University of Bonn, and drew its inspiration from the beautifully-chiselled statue of the Blessed Virgin Mary—known as the Alma Mater—placed over the principal portal of that celebrated seat of learning.



Lantana (*Lantana Camara*). See "Flora at Riverview,"

SPEECH DAY, 1911.

THE Annual Distribution of Prizes and Speech Day proceedings took place this year on December 6. Ideal weather conditions prevailed. Soon after the arrival of the special boat, an Organ Recital was given by one of our visiting masters, Mr. A. Ranclaud, B.Sc. The visitors had thus an opportunity of hearing the magnificent new organ. Mr. Ranclaud played:

	Offertoire in F Minor	Batiste
	Romance in D*b*.	Lemare
	Spring Song	Hollins
	Ave Maria	Schubert
	Canzona	Wolstenholme
a.	March of the Magi	Truman
b.	Andante	

His Grace Archbishop Kelly, who kindly consented to come and preside at our function, arrived by the Government launch, "The Premier," which had been put at his disposal through the kindness of the Hon. J. L. Trefle, M.L.A., Minister for Agriculture. Mr. Trefle himself sent a telegram to Father Rector, regretting his inability to be present at the break-up. The Archbishop was met at the wharf by the Rector (Father Thos. Gartlan, S.J.), and conducted up to the College.

Amongst those present we noticed the Right Rev. Monsignor O'Brien (Rector of St. John's), Very Rev. Father Nicolas, S.M., Very Rev. T. O'Reilly, V.F., Very Rev. P. McCurtin, S.J. (Rector of St. Aloysius'), Very Rev. R. Murphy, S.J. (Superior of House of Retreats at Loyola), Father Sydes, S.J., Rev. Fathers Barry, Darby, Sullivan, Roche, Rev. E. Clarke, O.F.M., Rev. Brother Murphy and Rev. Brother McInerney, Rev. Father Corish, S.J., Rev. Brother Augustine, Rev. Brother Felix, Mr. Charles Regan, Mr. and Mrs. P. MacMahon, Mrs. Seymour Allan, Mrs. Cruise, Mrs. Kain, Mrs. Monie, Mrs. Percy M'Donnell, Mrs. Synnott, Miss Shiels, Miss Ruby Gow, Miss Lorna Payten, Miss Linda Barlow, Miss McCarthy, Mrs. A. Madden, Mr. and Mrs. C. Hepburn, Mr. J. Hugh McMenamin, Miss Emma Franceschi, Misses Conway, Miss Ella Perkins, Mrs. Colman Burke.

At half-past three His Grace, accompanied by the Rector, entered the College Theatre, and the following programme of vocal and instrumental music was given:—

Orchestra—"La Boheme"	Puccini
Valzer sopra motivi dell'Opera.	
Vocal Solo—"A Memory"	S. R. Park
Master J. McKay.	
Violin Solo—"Andantino"	Lemare
Master P. McMahon.	
Vocal Solo—"Swallows"	Cowen
Master G. D. Arnold.	
Orchestra—"Trois Marches Militaires"	Schubert
Op. 57. No. 1.	
Accompanist—Mr. F. G. A. Keeling.	

The Prefect of Studies, the Rev. Father R. Little, then read his Annual Report:—

PREFECT OF STUDIES REPORT.

My Lord Archbishop, Reverend Fathers, Ladies and Gentlemen,—

This is no ordinary occasion for the Prefect of Studies, at Riverview, to read the report and examination lists, for to-day I have the privilege and honour of reading the School Report to an assembly of the friends and patrons of the College, and the parents of our boys, presided over by you, My Lord Archbishop, on this your first visit to us in the exercise of your high and sacred office as Archbishop of the Catholic See of Sydney

It is an appropriate occasion for me to speak on education before so high an authority on this sacred subject, and to urge, as I wish to urge, the claims of higher education on the attention of the more thoughtful and more enlightened section of the public. As for the less enlightened and less thoughtful sections of the public, I suppose we have them also with us, and possibly they will benefit by hearing often the truths accepted by people who think.

Sir Edmund Barton is reported to have said last week that, "Between mere instruction and real education there is all the difference in the world." This is indeed well said, and although I cannot agree with our learned Judge of the High Court in limiting education to mere intellectual training, yet so far as he goes, his words are altogether worthy of our approval and applause.

It is, indeed, a truth much neglected in many modern systems of education that books do not teach, mere instruction does not teach, the mind of man to think. Thinking is hard work, and right thinking is harder still. Books and instruction may easily tend to overburden the mind and at the same time create one of the great modern illusions, viz.: that because we read so much about great things called modern war, modern progress, modern democracy, modern science, modern imperialism, modern religion and so on, therefore we are capable of thinking out what these things are in themselves. This illusion is flattering enough, but it is the duty of a schoolmaster to insist, and urgently insist, on the danger of cramming facts or mere knowledge about facts into the untrained minds of young people. It is my duty, for instance, to insist, and urgently insist, on the need of time for the patient training of that faculty, the intellect of a young and growing child. It is my duty to insist, and urgently insist, on leaving the young boy time to assimilate the first principles of knowledge in its various departments, and above all, time to exercise his mind freely and with pleasure to himself while thus engaged in assimilating, in order that his mind, his intellect, may learn to have a mastery of thought, a certain development of the power of thinking, which can only come with years of school life.

Professor Silvanus Thompson, F.R.S., a name of the first authority in the world of science, says: "Every educator interested in maintaining a good balance in the subjects of preliminary education will surely agree that while premature specialisation, whether in languages or in science, is to be deprecated, boys must be trained in thinking and in the expression of thought. In the conflict of subjects one is apt to lose sight of the fact that training in thinking and in the correct expression of thought is more essential than the study of any particular subject, whether Greek or Geometry. It is, after all, not so important whether the hours per week given to science should be a few more or a few less, as that in all studies—science, mathematics, language, or literature—there should be cultivated precision in the use of words and cogency in modes of thought. These things are more important in the long run, and vastly more important in the ultimate making of a professional engineer, than the acquisition of a hoard of scientific facts. The secondary school must not degenerate into a house of cram."

Parents should leave their boys long enough at school, and not be in a hurry to have their children turned into men in mind while their body is still only half developed in its growth towards manhood. A father or mother who hurries a child into the narrow groove of life on a farm, or life in an office, or life in a profession, is depriving the boy for all his life of the chance of a general education, and we cannot shut our eyes to the fact that it is the man who has had an all round, general education, with time and opportunity to train his mind and open it up in the various ways offered to him in the higher classes of a good secondary school, it is this man who gets the best opportunity of holding his own in Australia, a great new country where no position in church or state, no sphere of civil or political dignity, is out of the reach of any free born citizen according to his gifts and education.

I have only hinted at a far more important side of the question; it is our consolation in a college like Riverview, as well as our duty, to have a great deal to do with the religious aspect of education, and I have great pleasure in being able to report to you, that the spirit of study in the House, and the spirit of good will and cheerfulness in work and in amusements, go hand in hand with a spirit of faith and religion that shows itself in all the life of the College.

Other points in our work of the year I point out in the lists which I am to read in the distribution of prizes. Before doing so, allow me to report that to-day we learn of the following successes of past students in the Final Medical Degree Examinations: R. H. Bridge (Distinction and 1st Class Honours), D. J. Glissan, P. M. Curtis and R. V. McDonnell.

The Archbishop's Address.

At the conclusion of the Report, His Grace, who was greeted with loud applause, said he had listened with great pleasure to the Report by the Prefect of Studies. In Riverview, as in other Catholic colleges, they had grand assets for family life, for social life, and for religious interest. The boys of to-day would be the men of to-morrow. Boys were to some extent responsible for their own success and happiness in life, but were helped or hindered by the preparation of their school days. It was not always easy for a boy to make a happy entrance into the battles of life. He would not always find the plums falling into his basket, and he would find it difficult to get opportunities of applying the exercises taught him at school, and to use his talents in the proper way. Time, however, vindicated their rights, and, if the boys only had patience, each of them would eventually be in his proper place in life. He would advise them to avoid a common fault in schoolboys, and that was over-

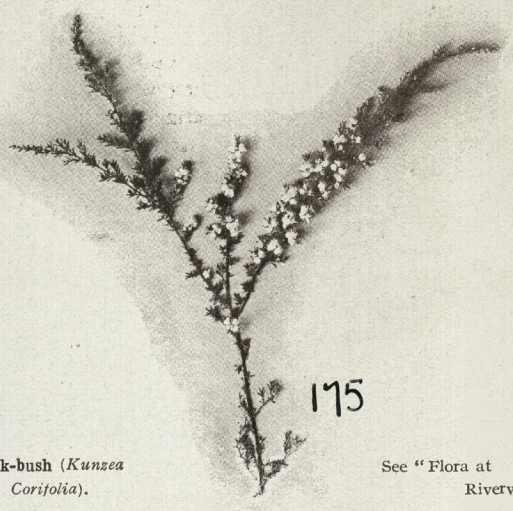
eagerness. If they were over-eager they would spoil everything; but they would be more successful, and attain their ambitions better if they followed the advice given them by the Prefect of Studies. In the matter of education they must mature gradually, because, like good fruit, they could only ripen in the proper season.

Their College was superbly situated amongst the most beautiful scenery, and gathered in it were boys from all parts, even from far-away New Zealand, in charge of the Jesuit Fathers, who were the upholders of the best possible form of education.

Continuing, His Grace said that wherever Christians were to be found they would be hated and persecuted. That was evidenced with regard to the Catholic Church, whose leading thought was to spread divine truths and give good education. Unfortunately, they knew that Christ was not wanted in the world. Christ had declared war against the world, and the world had declared war against Him. That war was carried on at the present day by Masonic societies. How would any boy there like to see the Jesuit Fathers surrounded by soldiers, driven into a shed and kept there subject to every possible deprivation, contumely, and derision, and subsequently deported? This had been done in Portugal, and by the Masonic Society which egged on the simple populace to take that action. The press told them of secret passages in Jesuit convents, of hoarded wealth, and arms which were used to fire at the people. All fabrications circulated by Masons and published by the press. Perhaps Australian Masons would not do this, but the society was international. Years ago Freemasons acted in the same way in France, and the object of Freemasonry was evidently antagonism to the Church of Jesus Christ. Not all Masons knew it. There were circles within circles, and only the innermost circles knew—the others were kept in ignorance. Masonry was only a sort of philosophy, but its members were taught to keep silence. But they should insist on the press breaking that silence and telling the truth about what was done in other countries, and not publish cables containing falsehoods against good men disproved by the best of authority.

The present Mayor of Rome took every opportunity to deride the Pope and his office, and pointed to him as a poor deluded old man who succeeded in deluding many people in the world. The late President of the American Republic went to Rome as a Freemason, and fraternised with the Masons in Rome. After enumerating the humiliations to which the Catholics in France and Portugal were subjected at the instigation of the Masons, his Grace concluded by saying: "Long live all our Catholic colleges, and long live Riverview, and let Riverview boys excel in all spheres of society, in all stations and all professions of life. Let them, particularly when they leave the College, make themselves known to the bishop and the parish priest. Let them take an interest in all parochial works, first of all as generous and active Catholics, and then as men who are second to none in their professional walks of life." (Applause.)

In conveying the thanks of the Jesuit Fathers and those present to his Grace for his presence that afternoon, the Very Rev. Father Gartlan said they were under a very deep debt of gratitude to Archbishop Kelly for his presence, and for the excellent speech they had just heard. While listening to the able speech of the Archbishop, the words of Saint Augustine occurred to him, and seemed to apply to the Archbishop, that "where there is love there is no work, and if there is work, then work is love." His Grace suitably replied.



Tick-bush (*Kunzea Corifolia*).

See "Flora at Riverview"

COLLEGE EXAMINATIONS.

RELIGIOUS KNOWLEDGE—HIGHER PAPER.

(*Gold Medal presented by His Grace the Archbishop of Sydney.*)

Arthur Moran.

THE "KELLY" MEMORIAL PRIZES.

(*Presented by the Ex-Students' Union.*)

List of prize-winners elsewhere.

HISTORY OF IRELAND.

(*Prizes presented by Dr. J. A. Beattie.*)

SENIOR DIVISION.	JUNIOR DIVISION.
Ewart Dinan	Francis McDermott

GENERAL KNOWLEDGE.

SENIOR DIVISION.	JUNIOR DIVISION.
Edward Hynes	John Kelly
James Barry	Clarence Pinnock
Herbert Allan	Raymond Proust
Patrick F. Galvin	James McKay

SENIOR AND MATRICULATION CLASS.

Aggregate.

Arthur Moran
Herbert Allan
Edward Hynes
James Barry

Religious Knowledge.

Arthur Moran
Herbert Allan } *ex æq.*
Milroy McCarthy

Mathematics.

Arthur Moran
Bruce Monie
Edward Hynes
Herbert Allan

Ancient History.

Julian Bryant
James Barry } *ex æq.*
Arthur Moran
Ewart Dinan } *ex æq.*
Herbert Allan

Greek.

Ewart Dinan
Arthur Moran

Higher English.

Ewart Dinan
Herbert Allan } *ex æq.*
James Barry
Edward Hynes

English.

James Barry
Herbert Allan
Edward Hynes
Ewart Dinan } *ex æq.*
Julian Bryant

French.

Arthur Moran
Edward Hynes
Ewart Dinan
Herbert Allan

Unseens.

Latin and Greek.

Ewart Dinan

French.

Arthur Moran

SUB-SENIOR CLASS.

Aggregate.

William Dalton
Keith Grosvenor
Francis Synnott
Cyprian Bryant

Religious Knowledge.

James Barry
Francis Synnott } *ex æq.*
Keith Grosvenor

English.

Francis Synnott
Keith Grosvenor } *ex æq.*
William Dalton

Higher English.

Francis Synnott
Keith Grosvenor
Cyprian Bryant

French.

Keith Grosvenor
William Dalton
Francis Synnott

Latin.

Keith Grosvenor
William Dalton
Francis Synnott

Mathematics.

William Dalton
Keith Grosvenor
Francis Synnott

French Unseens.

Keith Grosvenor

Greek.

William Dalton
Mark McGahey

Ancient History.

Francis Synnott
Keith Grosvenor
William Dalton

JUNIOR CLASS.

Aggregate.

Harold Regan
Patrick Galvin
Clive Wilkinson
John Kennedy
Kenneth Young
Stanley McDermott

Religious Knowledge.

Stanley McDermott
Kenneth Young
Patrick Galvin
Clive Wilkinson

English.

Patrick Galvin
John Marnane
Francis McArdle } *ex æq.*
Harold Regan

Essay.

Patrick Galvin
Clive Wilkinson
Horace Craven } *ex æq.*
Kenneth Young

Latin.

Harold Regan
Stanley McDermott
Patrick Galvin
Clive Wilkinson

French.

Harold Regan
Patrick Galvin
Godfrey Johnstone
Gordon Trim

Greek.

Harold Regan
Cyprian Bryant
Kenneth Young
Patrick Galvin

Mathematics.

Harold Regan
John Kennedy
Patrick Galvin
Francis Irwin

French Unseens.

Kenneth Young

SECOND GRAMMAR CLASS.

Aggregate.

Ralph Weaver
Neville Chester
Clarence Pinnock
Thomas Anderson
Michael Casey
Francis McDermott

Greek.

(B. Division)

Neville Chester } *ex æq.*
Clarence Pinnock
Gerald Rygate
Harold Rygate

Religious Knowledge.

Ralph Weaver
Wilfred McDonnell
Neville Chester
Russell Corcoran

French.

(A. Division)

Raymond Proust
Francis McDermott
Bayly Payten
Michael Casey

Latin.

Wilfred McDonnell
Michael Casey
Austin Evans, Ralph Weaver } *ex æq*

French.

(B. Division)

Cornelius Clifford
Neville Chester
Thomas Daniel
Anthony Cunningham

Greek.

(A. Division)

Thomas Anderson
Cornelius Clifford
Michael Casey
Bayly Payten

Essay.

Thomas Anderson
John Kelly
Gerald Rygate
Clarence Pinnock, Ralph Weaver } *ex æq.*

English.

James McKay
Francis McDermott, John Wall } *ex æq.*
Michael Casey

History and Geography.

Wilfred McDonnell
Patrick Seymour Allan
Francis McDermott
Gerald Rygate

Mathematics.

(A. Division)

Raymond Proust
Anthony Cunningham
Neville Chester
Thomas Anderson

Mathematics.

(B. Division)

Albert Ellisdon
Harold Rygate
Francis Crommelin
James McKay

French Unseens.

Ralph Weaver

THIRD GRAMMAR A. CLASS.

Aggregate.

Campsie Dalglish
Albert Ellisdon
Gaston Liévain
Paul Defferrière
Edward Evans
Edward Sedgwick

Religious Knowledge.

Edward Sedgwick
George Arnold
Francis Cruise
Jerome Seymour Allan

English.

Jerome Seymour Allan
Wallace Wall
Paul Defferrière
Francis Cruise, Lionel Burke } *ex æq.*

French.

Paul Defferrière
Campsie Dalglish
Edward Sedgwick
Lionel Burke

Essay.

James McKay
Harold Rygate
Eric Williams
Luke McAlary

Latin.

Edward Sedgwick
Campsie Dalglish, Jerome Seymour Allan } *ex æq.*
Edward Evans

Mathematics.

Gaston Liévain
Campsie Dalglish
Luke McAlary
Paul Defferrière

French Unseens.

Jerome Seymour Allan

Greek.

Campsie Dalglish
Albert Ellisdon
Lionel Cranney
Alan Harnett, Edward Evans } *ex æq.*

History and Geography.

James McKay
Francis Cruise
John Webster
Alan Harnett

THIRD GRAMMAR B. CLASS.

Aggregate.

Alister Mackenzie
Lachlan Mackenzie
Harold Bowler
Norman Foley
Thomas Corcoran
Henry Devlin

Religious Knowledge.

Harold Bowler
Lachlan Mackenzie
Henry Devlin
Thomas Corcoran

French.

Alister Mackenzie
Norman Foley
Lachlan Mackenzie
Harold Bowler

History and Geography.

Alister Mackenzie
Lachlan Mackenzie
Harold Bowler
Henry Devlin

Latin.

Lachlan Mackenzie
Alister Mackenzie
Henry Devlin
Norman Foley

Mathematics.

Norman Foley
Alister Mackenzie
Harold Bowler
Keith Monie

English.

Alister Mackenzie
Harold Bowler
Norman Foley
James Thom

Essay.

Henry Devlin
Alister Mackenzie
Harold Bowler
Lachlan Mackenzie

RUDIMENTS.

Aggregate.

Ernest Ellisdon
James Doneley
Bernard Leonard
John Taylor
Hope Hartnett
Frederick Hayes

Religious Knowledge.

Ernest Ellisdon
Reginald Jurd
Frederick Hayes
James Doneley, Bernard Leonard } *ex æq.*

History and Geography.

Alexander Christie
Frederick Hayes
Ernest Ellisdon
James Doneley

Essay.

Hope Harnett
James Doneley
Ernest Ellisdon
Reginald Jurd

Latin.

John Taylor
Bernard Leonard
Hope Harnett
Ernest Ellisdon

English.

James Doneley
Hope Harnett
Bernard Leonard
Reginald Jurd

French.

John Taylor
Edward Ryan
Alexander Christie, Frederick Ellisdon } *ex æq.*
Wallace Horsley

Arithmetic.

James Doneley
Bernard Leonard
Frederick Hayes
Ernest Ellisdon

Spelling and Reading.

James Doneley

ELEMENTS.

Aggregate.

William Roberson
John Sellar
Thomas Cullen
Anthony Raper
Vincent Milligan
Roger Barry

French.

John Sellar
Anthony Raper
John Taylor
Edmund Ryan

Catechism and Old Testament.
William Roberson.
Thomas Cullen
John Sellar
Anthony Raper

Elocution.
William Roberson
Thomas Cullen
Anthony Raper
John Sellar

Poetry and Reading.
William Roberson
Thomas Cullen
John Sellar
Earl McQuade

English Essay.
John Sellar
William Roberson
Thomas Cullen
Vincent Milligan

Eng. History and Geography.
John Sellar
Thomas Cullen
William Roberson
Vincent Milligan

Grammar and Exercises.
Vincent Milligan
William Scriven
John Sellar

Arithmetic.
Vincent Milligan
John Sellar
Anthony Raper
Thomas Cullen

Dictation and Spelling.
Thomas Cullen
Earl McQuade
William Roberson
John Sellar

SPECIAL PRIZES.

DRAWING.

(*Prizes presented by Alfred Coffey, Esq.*)

SPECIAL DRAWING.
Henry Devlin

GEOMETRICAL DRAWING.
Junior Class.
Harold Regan

Second Grammar Class.
Francis McDermott

Third Grammar—
A. Class.
James McKay

Third Grammar B. and Rudiments Classes.
James Doneley

DEBATE.

SENIOR DIVISION.
Stanley McDonnell
(Gold Medal)
James Barry

PREPARATORY DIVISION.
John Kelly
Alexander Christie

JUNIOR DIVISION.
William Dalton
Vincent Carroll

MUSIC.

SENIOR PIANOFORTE.

Excellence.
Francis Synnott
James McKay

Improvement.
Donovan Foy
William Pinnock

JUNIOR PIANOFORTE.

Excellence.
Neville Chester
Francis McArdle

Improvement.
Godfrey Johnstone
Martial Gaspard

SPECIAL PRIZES FOR APPLICATION.

(*Presented by J. Hugh McMenamin, Esq.*)

Raymond Proust and Thomas Anderson.

VIOLIN.

Excellence.
Patrick McMahon

Improvement.
John Webster

Orchestra Prize.
Patrick Seymour Allan

SINGING.

Excellence.
James McKay

Improvement.
Roger Barry

VIOLONCELLO.

Wallace Horsley

WRITING.

Second Grammar.
James McKay

Third Grammar A Class.
Daniel P. McAlary

Third Grammar B. and Rudiments Classes.
Alister Mackenzie.

Elements Class.
Vincent Milligan

The Jesuit Fathers gratefully acknowledge the donation of a Gold Medal for Religious Knowledge from the Most Rev. Dr. Kelly. They also beg to return thanks to Mr. Alfred Coffey for his donation towards the Prize Fund; to Dr. Beattie, Liverpool, for his Special Prize for Irish History; to the ex-Students of the College for their Donation to the "Kelly Memorial" prizes; and to Messrs. McMenamin and Bruce for their Special Prizes presented to the Pupils.



OUR UNIVERSITY RESULTS

AT THE

Senior and Matriculation Honours Examinations, November, 1911.

	Latin.	Greek.	English.	Ancient History.	Algebra.	Geometry.	Trigonometry.	Mechanics.	Physics II	
Stanley A. McDonnell	B	C	A	C	A	B	B	B	C	M.E.
Senan J. Ryan	A	C	C	C	A	A	B	C	..	M.E.

Both qualified for entrance to the Faculties of Arts, Law, Medicine, Science, Engineering, out of a total of four candidates thus qualified in the examination.

PLACES IN 1st CLASSES SENIOR EXAMINATION :—

S. McDonnell—8th in English ; 13th in Algebra.
S. Ryan—8th in Latin ; 9th in Algebra ; 11th in Geometry.

HONOURS IN MATRICULATION EXAMINATION :—

S. McDonnell—5th in II. Class Mathematics ; 5th in III. Class Latin ; 5th in I. Class English.
S. Ryan—2nd in II. Class Mathematics ; 4th in II. Class Latin.

MATRICULATION PASS :—

Donovan Foy and **Peter H. Moore** completed their higher qualification for entrance to the Faculties of Arts, Law, and Medicine, by passing in higher Latin, English and French ; **Robert Murphy** passed in higher Latin.

Stanley McDonnell entered Riverview in 1907. In that year he won the Junior Kelly Memorial and got 3rd place in class championship. In 1909 he passed the Junior, getting 5 A's, a B and a C. Was on the Council of the Sodality of the Holy Angels. After Midwinter he began his 2½ years' preparation for the Senior. At Xmas he won the gold medal for Religious Knowledge presented by Archbishop Kelly. In 1910 he was promoted to 1st division, and admitted to the Sodality of Our Lady. Won Class Championship gold medal, and was 2nd in Kelly Memorial. In 1911, captained 1st XI, and played with the 1st XV. It may be of interest to recall the fact that Stan's father the late Percy McDonnell, was captain of the Australian XI in 1888, and went to England four times between 1880 and 1888. Stan's clever speeches in the Junior and Senior Debating Clubs always impressed his hearers.

Senan Ryan entered Riverview in 1906. Champion athlete of 3rd Division. Councillor of the Sodality of the Holy Angels. Passed Junior in 1909, getting 5 A's and 2 B's. Second Division champion athlete. In 1910, admitted to the Sodality of the B.V. M. Won Kelly Memorial Prize. First Division Champion athlete in 1911. Fast man of the 1st XV. Always an active member of the Debating Clubs.

Donovan Foy entered Riverview in 1907. Was Prefect of the B. V. M. Sodality and President of the College Conference of St. V. de P. Society. Matriculated in the Junior in 1910. Rowed in the College Eight. Awarded an Honour Cap for meritorious play on the football field ; played in the Combined Schools against the University. An active member of the Debating Clubs.

Peter Moore entered Riverview in 1910. Owing to illness he had to interrupt his studies for some months. Won gold medal presented by Mr. Arthur Deery for best impromptu speech. Was on the Council of the B. V. M. Sodality. Passed the Junior in 1911. Played with 1st XV and 1st XI. Ran second to Senan Ryan in the 440 yards championship.

Robert Murphy entered Riverview in 1910. Admitted to the Sodality of the Holy Angels. Passed Matric. Junior. Member of 2nd and afterwards 1st Division Debating Clubs. Admitted to the Sodality of the B. V. M. Member of St. V. de P. Society. Played with 2nd XV.



GROUP OF JUNIOR CLASS.

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M. CLARKE. F. IRWIN. J. BRIDGE. V. FOLEY.
R. MCCARTHY. W. DALTON. M. MCGAHEY. F. SYNNOTT. J. BARRY. C. BRYANT.
U. WALSH. A. MORAN.

University of Sydney.

Results of Junior Examinations, 1911.

It will be noted that the Matriculation Passes are in Section A of the qualifications for full Matriculation; also that the Proximes to first place in two such subjects as Latin and French are very gratifying proofs of the work done during the year. We may say that it is to be regretted that the University authorities intend to deprive teachers of the advantage which is derived from seeing a full order of merit of Proxime and high merit candidates. In Senior work, fortunately, this list cannot be eliminated as long as the Honours Matriculation order of merit must be published.

	Geography.	Greek.	Latin.	French.	English.	Algebra.	Geometry.	Arithmetic.	
Arthur Moran	..	B	A	A (prox.)	A	A	A	A	Matric. (Div. A)
William Dalton	..	B	A (prox.)	B	B	A	B	B	Matric. (Div. A)
James Barry	..	..	A	C	A	B	A	A	Matric. (Div. A)
Matthew Clarke	..	..	A	C	B	A	B	A	Matric. (Div. A)
Mark McGahey	..	..	A	B	B	B	C	C	Matric. (Div. A)
John Bridge	..	..	A	B	C	B	B	C	Matric. (Div. A)
Vivian Crowley	..	C	C	B	C	C	C	C	Matric. (Div. A)
William Flannery	..	..	B	B	A	..	C	C	....
Milroy McCarthy	..	..	B	..	B	B	B	B	....
Ulric Walsh	..	C	B	C	B	C	C	..	....
Francis Synnott	..	..	B	C	A	C	C	..	....
Vincent Foley	..	..	C	..	C	B	C	C	....
Cyprian Bryant	..	..	C	C	C	B	..	C	....
Desmond O'Hanlon	..	C	B	C	C	..	..	..	....
Thomas Dalton	..	..	C	C	C	C	C	..	....
John Hogan	..	..	C	..	C	C	C	..	....
William Callaghan	..	..	..	C	B	B	C	C	....
Peter Moore	..	..	C	C	..	B	B	C	....
Ewart Dinan	..	..	..	A	..	B	B	C	....
Francis Irwin	..	C	..	..	C	B	C	C	....

Of all candidates in N.S.W. presenting Latin, only 6·6 per cent. got "A's"; of our boys 35 per cent. got "A's," **William Dalton** obtaining *proxime accessit*.

Of all candidates in N.S.W. presenting French only 52·4 per cent. passed; 84·2 per cent. of the College candidates passed, **Arthur Moran** obtaining *proxime accessit*.

Of all candidates for the Junior Examination 76 per cent. passed; all sent up by the College passed.

Of the 120 papers sent up by our candidates only 12 papers failed to secure pass marks.

Weekly Examinations: The success of the pupils is in no small measure due to examinations held, every week, throughout the School.

Some of Riverview's Flora.

To me the meanest flower that blows can give
Thoughts that do often lie too deep for tears.— *Wordsworth.*

PROBABLY no one who has walked through the Australian woods has failed to appreciate the sweet, aromatic perfume of the Eucalyptus leaves, and few of the boys who have lived at Riverview have not at some time noticed the delicious scent from the flower of the Pittosporum in the spring time. Many of us, too, on some spring day, when passing by the flower-baskets on the pavement near the Post Office, in Sydney, have been quite enchanted by the beautiful objects on the stands and in the baskets, with the scent and with the colours, and form of all the flowers there. The blossoms are bright and beautiful, and those that sell them always seem bright and happy. Perhaps they are pleased at the thought of all the gorgeous blooms they have in their baskets waiting to adorn our homes. We all love our native flowers, but we may not be very intimately acquainted with many, or any of them. It is this love that must condone the writer's rashness in dealing with a theme of which he knows little. He would like to introduce the readers of the "Alma Mater" to those he knows, to those amongst which he feels at home, as amongst friends, when he sits or walks in the bush.

We shall first mention a few general peculiarities of the indigenous flora, and then say something of a few common flowers which anyone may find hardly more than a stone's throw from the College buildings.

Our European friends never fail to notice how many of our plants, such as the Eucalyptus, do not shed their leaves in autumn, but their bark, how the leaves of the Eucalyptus are placed parallel to the sun's ray, and not perpendicular, how the prevalent hue in most of the leaves is brownish green, that our native flora includes very many shrubs, and that the leaves of these are often small and stiff. Others have remarked that deep colours with much body, yellows, reds and blues, seem to predominate in the flower tints. Any attempt to assign a reason for all these peculiarities—a most interesting branch of research—is outside our scope. We shall only mention that many of these characters seem to be adaptations to the Australian climate. The climate of the more typical parts of Australia is warm and dry; for this reason the plants must conserve the moisture which they receive from the earth, and so prevent what is in some ways similar to thirst in ourselves, and especially to that violent thirst which leads to death.

The shrub does not present so large a leaf-surface from which evaporation might occur as the herb, so we find that very many of our typical plants are not herbs, like the English Primrose, but shrubs, like the Boronia and Waratah. The smallness of the individual leaves would serve the same purpose, and so, too, the stiffness of the leaf. For this stiffness is caused by the presence of an external layer of firm tissue overlying and shading the softer internal parts of the leaf in which the sap, with its water, is mostly found. Probably the parallel position of the Eucalyptus leaf has a similar effect, and we should like to see some investigation as to the effect of various colouring materials in the flower petals, especially regarding this question of moisture conservation.

Passing on to examine some of the flowers more closely, we shall first consider the order *Myrtaceae,* or myrtle-like plants. I suppose that what one misses most when away from home is the scent of the Eucalyptus. It is universal, because the Eucalyptus is universal with us, and it is caused by small drops of an aromatic oil in the foliage leaves of the plant. If you hold a Eucalyptus leaf before the light you will notice that it is dotted with translucent spots, rather similar in appearance to the dots one would obtain by splashing fine drops of oil on paper. The reason for the appearance is that the leaf contains drops

of eucalyptus oil, so often used now in medicine, secreted by glands in the leaf, and stored in small sacs. These oil drops transmit the light, while the rest of the leaf is opaque. All the *Myrtaceae,* to which Eucalyptus belongs as a genus, contain such oil drops, the oil of course varying in different cases, and the oil of the Eucalyptus itself varying rather considerably in chemical composition, in the different species. We do not intend to say anything of the very numerous species of Eucalyptus, the subject is too large for our purpose. Amongst other genera of *Myrtaceae* are the numerous Tea-trees (*Melaleuca.*) Some say that the common name was given them by the early settlers, who used an infusion of the leaves of some species of *Melaleuca* as a substitute for tea. Whether this is so we do not know, probably the flavour of the drink would not be that of good China or Indian tea, to say the least. You may distinguish the Tea-trees by their papery bark and the fact that the ovulary, containing the seeds, is in three compartments; otherwise the flower is rather like that of some other *Myrtaceae,* though a botanist would distinguish the flowers from the fact that the stamens are united in five bundles in a single row or circle.

Among the species of *Melaleuca* we may mention *M. leucadendron,* the "Swamp Tea-tree" or "Paper-bark," which is a tree, and *M. hypericifolia,* which is a shrub, and has the flowers arranged in a crimson spike, and for this reason is one of those plants we call "Bottle-brush." We shall meet some more plants with this descriptive common name; like many another such name it is of no use, rather the reverse, to the botanist, as it tends to confuse him, and make him forget that all the so-called "Bottle-brushes" do not belong to the same order.

Another genus of *Myrtaceae* exceedingly common at Riverview is *Leptospermum.* This plant has small petals, often white, sometimes pink, the flower is flat, and the stamens do not project above the level of the circle of the petals as they did in *Melaleuca.* With *Kunzea,* which we are about to mention, it is one of the commonest plants in the back avenue. A species with prickly-pointed leaves, *Leptospernum scoparium,* is at present in bloom in the avenue, while *L. attenuatum,* with flat leaves, has ceased to flower as we write. *Kunzea,* which is usually known as the "Tick-bush," is an interesting genus. The white fuzzy blooms of *K. corifolia* decorate all the countryside at present, the blooms seeming at a distance like soft balls of snow. It is the commonest flowering shrub in our grounds, and if you crush the leaves you will obtain a characteristic aromatic odour. Another plant which has just ceased flowering is *Callistemon linearis.* All the *Callistemon* genus are beautiful, but this species was a glory to behold with its spikes of crimson blooms, for all the world like crimson Bottle-brushes, as you may see from the block. There were fine examples of *Callistemon linearis* in the avenue, and also on the way from the third division playground to the second division cricket ground. Notice that here we have another "Bottle-brush," this time of the genus *Callistemon.* In the books you will find the distinctive characteristics of *Callistemon* and *Melaleuca,* from which genus you remember that we singled out another "Bottle-brush," *M. hypericifolia.* If you wish to distinguish them it might help you to notice that the stamens of *Callistemon* are not arranged in bundles, while those of *Melaleuca* are. If you look at the picture of *C. linearis* you will notice the dried-up capsules surrounding the stem in places rather like so many beads. These dried capsules are the old fruits of flowers of another year, and the branch has grown onwards through the inflorescence, leaving it behind to give the appearance that you notice. We shall say no more of the *Myrtaceae,* except to note that they are confined to sunny lands such as Australia, South Africa, the West Indies, and Southern Europe.



Narrow-leaved Bottle-brush (*Callistemon linearis*).

The Wattles we all know. They belong to the same order as the peas and beans (*Leguminosae*). This order is characterised by the fruit, which is a legume, like a bean in shape, and you must often have noticed the pods hanging from the Wattle branch. The Wattles belong to the genus *Acacia.* As you may have observed

there are two kinds of Wattle, one with leaves reduced to phyllodia, or expansions of the leaf-stalk, and the other with a fern-like or pinnate leaf. There is a fine specimen of *Acacia longifolia,* "Golden Wattle," near the carpenter's shop, with simple phyllodia, and just opposite the gate of the Infirmary you will find a specimen of the "Green Wattle" (*Acacia decurrens*), with pinnate leaf. *Acacia decurrens* is just beginning to flower as the boys go off for their holidays. Wistaria and the Clovers (*Trifolium*) belong to the same family as the Wattle, though we may note that they are grouped in a sub-order, *Papilionaceae,* with flowers shaped like the pea-flower, with which is contrasted the sub-order *Mimoseae,* with a flower like the Wattle, to which the Wattles belong.

Actinotus, the Flannel Flower, must not be forgotten. There are two kinds, the large one (*Actinotus Helianthi*), and a small one, about a quarter the size of *A. Helianthi,* called *A. minor.* The flower reminds one of the Daisy and Dandelion in general form, but if we examine it at close quarters we find that it is not a member of the same order as the Daisy (*Compositae*), but belongs to the *Umbelliferae,* in which order we have such plants as the Fennel (*Foeniculum*), and Celery (*Apium*).



Larger Flannel Flower (*Actinotus Helianthi*).

We could not omit to mention the Lantana. You can see it growing everywhere in the wild parts of the grounds, flowering all through the year, with prickly branches and rambling growth, and small flowers, pink and yellow, indiscriminately, in the same bunch. It is so common, yet it has a beauty of its own, and like so many of our common plants is cultivated carefully in Europe. The writer well remembers how his heart softened for home when he saw the Lantana growing well-pruned and spruce in some beds at Hampton Court, near London. He thought of the straggling trees growing wild between the College and Infirmary at Riverview. It belongs to the same order as the Verbena (*Verbenaceae*), —you might easily notice a similarity between its flower and that of the Verbena—and its complete name is Lantana Camara. Lantana, however, unlike the other plants we mention, is not really indigenous to Australia. It was introduced into New South Wales from South America in the early days of the colony, and flourished vigorously like many another important plant, such as the Briar.

We now come to an exceedingly interesting order of plants, the *Proteaceae.* Botanists consider that these plants are among the oldest, if not quite the oldest, of living orders of *Phanerogams,* or flowering plants. The *Phanerogams* are distinguished from the *Cryptogams,* such as mosses, lichens, fungi, algae, by the possession of noticeable flowers, which are greatly modified portions of the plant whose whole function is to produce seeds, and so to propagate the species. The *Cryptogams* propagate either by spores or by simple division, in which what was once one plant becomes two. The ordinary flower consists of a series of whorls of floral leaves, which are really modifications of foliage leaves in the development of the plant, grouped round the flower-stalk. If you examine a typical flower like a Rose, preferably a Dog Rose, or Briar, you will see that it consists of four such whorls. There is an outer circle, usually green, of sepals, called the calyx; a circle inside this of petals, often coloured, called the corolla; a circle inside this of stamens, which typically consist of thin filaments with an enlargement at the extremity in which the pollen is stored; and a central circle of carpels, usually joined into one piece, called the pistil, often surmounted by a thin process called the style. In the *Proteaceae* we find that the calyx is absent, and the absence of this part of the flower is considered by biologists to connote a lower grade of perfection than the grade of the fully formed flower. There are other evidences of imperfection in the *Proteaceae* which we need not mention. But we must here note that there are reasons for thinking that the more highly developed flowering plants appeared on the earth later than those less highly developed, and so the *Proteaceae* would be early arrivals. This order of plants is confined to South Africa and Australia, and their presence in such abundance in Australia interests us especially from the fact that most of our indigenous vertebrate fauna also belong to less highly developed orders than the European fauna. Our vertebrate fauna are mar-

supials, ~~not mammals~~; while in England they have a mammal rat, in Australia we have a marsupial (Kangaroo) rat, and similarly for the other genera. Scientists speak much of the antiquity of Australia, and we have in the *Proteaceae* an argument for its antiquity ready to hand.

Let us return from our digression. You have noticed those strange looking, spider-like, flowers growing on shrubs with small leaves; these belong to the genus *Grevillea,* and to the order about which we have just spoken. You will find on examination of the flower that it has no calyx. The petals are all joined together at their ends in the immature flower, and the long style of the pistil bends round in a hoop to be inserted in a pit formed by the united petals, in which the stamens will be found. When the flower is mature the filament of the pistil is freed and becomes half erect, and remains arching over the flower, these two positions of the style giving the characteristic spider-like appearance. You may be able to distinguish in the avenue *G. linearis,* with pink flowers often fading to white, and *G. buxifolia,* with a grey-brown flower covered with soft down. The "Geebung," *Persoonia,* also belongs to this order; you can distinguish the Geebungs by the edible fruit, which most Riverview boys have sampled. The Waratah (*Telopea*) is another genus of the "ancient order of *Proteaceae.*"



Pink Spider Flower (*Grevillea linearis*).

We shall take leave of this family of plants with reference to one more genus, the Banksia. Everyone knows the stumpy tree with numbers of brown brushes on it, with serrated stiff leaves, and on which one can usually find some beautiful bluish-grey spikes of flowers. This tree is *Banksia serrata,* and you can recognise its flower from the block. Most of us know it as a "Honeysuckle." Once more, how confusing is the common name to a botanist, who is familiar with the European Honeysuckles (*Lonicera* and *Caprifolium*), some of which have been imported into Australia, and which are climbing plants, belonging to the order *Caprifoliaceae.* Many of us would call it again a "Bottle-brush." This



Red-wood Honeysuckle or Grey Bottle-brush (*Banksia serrata*).

time though the brush grows on a real tree, and it belongs to the "ancient order" which flowered on the earth long before Noah lived.

We may end appropriately enough by reminding you of the Christmas-bush. The appearance of its flowers fills us with visions of a happy Christmas-tide, just as the red Holly-berry of Europe makes our British cousins think of Yule-logs, Christmas-trees (of another kind, with toys on them) and Santa Claus. Its botanical name is *Ceratopetalum gummiferum,* and its order is that of the *Saxifrageae,* about which we shall say so much and no more, in this place. While the white petals die soon after pollination of the flower, the sepals of the Christmas-tree persist and grow, and they will be changing from their primary green colour to the characteristic pink hue as we enjoy our own Christmas sunlight, which is as bright and cheerful as the Christmas-tree itself.

The names of the plants we have mentioned have an interest in themselves. Many of them are descriptive—Telopea, "striking the view from afar"; and does not the Waratah stand out on the far hillside as a red blaze of colour? Many are fanciful as well as descriptive; the order Proteaceae is called after the old sea-god Proteus, who had the faculty of assuming different shapes of animals, of fire and flood:

Omnia transformat sese in miracula rerum,
Ignemque horribilemque feram, fluviumque liquentem.
(Verg. G.4. 441-2.)

When we consider the variety of form and

diversity of appearance this order presents, we cannot but admire the appropriateness of the name given to it by the celebrated botanist Robert Brown. Many are beautiful in sound as well as descriptive—Callistemon, Melaleuca. Many are historical; the Banksia takes its name from Sir Joseph Banks, who, in 1770, with Captain Cook and Dr. Solander, landed for the first time in Australia, and planted the British flag a few miles south of what is now Sydney Harbour. They were so struck by the variety and beauty, and novelty in colour and form of the flowers they saw, that they called the bay where they landed, "Botany" Bay. The Banksia was one of the new plants they saw.

We are able to append a list of the Riverview *Proteaceae* and *Orchideae* —perhaps in a future issue of the "Alma Mater" we may have a separate article on the Riverview Orchids—through the courtesy of Mr. Percy E. Williams, a botanist, who has made a special study of our flora, and to whom the writer is indebted for very great help, by way of suggestion and correction, in what he has written.

You will see a note opposite the name *Diuris alba* in the list of Orchids. It was discovered by Charlie Williams, whom many of us know, near the goal posts in the second division football field. Charlie recognised the Orchid as something unlike anything he had yet seen, and told his father of his discovery. Mr. Williams visited the spot, and was delighted to find a very rare specimen in a place where unthinking barbarians were tramping half the day. The *Diuris alba* found by Charlie Williams is now in the Herbarium of the Botanical Gardens, and so far, it is the only specimen that has been found for many years. We congratulate Charlie, and hope that his example and success may stimulate many would-be botanists amongst our boys to take a real interest in our most interesting flora.—P.J.D.



Christmas bush (*Ceratopetalum gummiferum.*)

ORDER CV.—ORCHIDEÆ, HALL.

List of orchidids found on the Riverview property during the years 1881 to 1908.

GENUS.	SPECIES.	REMARKS.
Dendrobium	D. speciosum	Rock Lily.
	D. tetragonum	
	D. teretifolium	
	D. cucumerinum	
Sarcochilus	S. tridentatus	
Dipodium	D. punctatum	
Cymbidium	C. suave	
Galeola	G. cassythoides	
Gastrodia	G. sesamoides	
Spiranthes	S. australis	
Thelymitra	T. ixioides	
	T. longifolia	
	T. pauciflora	Rare.

Diuris	D. alba	Very rare. Found at Riverview by student Charles Williams, 8th November, 1908.
	D. elongata	
	D. maculata	
	D. æqualis	
	D. aurea	
	D. sulphurea	
	D. pedunculata	
	D. bracteata	
Orthoceras	O. strictum	Rare in coast district.
Caiochilus	C. campestris	
	C. Robertsoni	
	C. paludosus	
Cryptostylis	C. longifolia	
	C. erecta	
Prasophyllum	P. australe	
	P. patens	
	P. striatum	
Microtis	M. porrifolia	
	M. parviflora	
Corysanthes	C. unguiculata	
	C. fimbriata	
	C. bicalcarata	
Pterostylis	P. concinna	
	P. nutans	
	P. curta	
	P. grandiflora	
	P. rufa	
	P. longifolia	
Caleana	C. major	
	C. minor	
Acianthus	A. caudatus	
	A. fornicatus	
Cyrtostylis	C. reniformis	
Lyperanthus	L. nigricans	
	L. suaveolens	
Eriochilus	E. autumnalis	
Caladenia	C. carnea	
	C. alba	
	C. cœrulea	
Glossodia	G. major	
	G. minor	

ORDER LXVII. PROTEACEÆ, JUSS.

GENUS.	SPECIES.	FLOWER.	REMARKS.
Petrophila	P. pulchella	White.	
Isopogon	I. anethifolius	Yellow.	
	I. anemonifolius	Yellow.	
Conospermum	C. longifolium	White.	
	C. tenuifolium	White.	
	C. ericifolium	White or bluish.	
Persoonia	P. ferruginea	Yellow.	"Geebung."
	P. hirsuta	Yellow.	
	P. nutans	Yellow.	
	P. lucida	Yellow.	
	P. lanceolata	Yellow.	
	P. linearis	Yellow.	
	P. pinifolia	Yellow.	
Xylomelum	X. pyriforme	Yellow.	"Native pear."
Lambertia	L. formosa	Purplish.	
Grevillea	G. mucronulata	Greenish brown.	"Spider flower."
	G. buxifolia	Grey.	
	G. punicea	Crimson.	
	G. sericea	Pinkish.	
	G. linearis	Pale reddish.	
Hakea	H. pugioniformis	White.	"Needle bush."
	H. dactyloides	White.	
	H. gibbosa	White.	
	H. acicularis	White.	
	H. propinqua	White.	
Lomatia	L. silaifolia		
Telopea	T. speciosissima	Crimson.	"Waratah."
Banksia	B. ericifolia	Yellowish, styles often dark purple.	"Honeysuckle."
	B. marginata	Bluish-grey.	
	B. serrata	Yellowish.	

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ANNUAL DINNER.

UPWARDS of 70 ex-students and a few visitors, including Mr. G. R. W. McDonald, member for Bingara, were entertained at dinner, at Riverview, on Saturday evening, June 17, by the Rector (Very Rev. Thos. Gartlan, S.J.).

The banquet was preceded by Benediction in the College Chapel. Father Pigot presided at the organ, and Messrs. Ryan, McEvoy, Mann and Fitzherbert were the servers at the altar.

In the College Dining Hall some hours later, when full justice had been done to an excellent repast, Father Gartlan proposed "The Pope and the King."

The Rev. Father Corcoran, on rising to propose the toast of "St. Ignatius College Old Boys' Union," expressed great pleasure at seeing such a large number of old boys present. The heart of Riverview, he said, went out in greeting not only to them, but to her many sons who were far away. The first name he found on the list of Union officials was the name of its patron, Father Gartlan. It reminded him that he had a protest to make. Riverview had been governed for years by a half-hearted man. The heart of a Rector should be a kind of family heirloom which each generation of schoolboys should pass on, whole and entire, to their successors in the school. This had not been done at Riverview. Long ago, when Father Gartlan was only the prefect of a boatshed, there were boys at Riverview who paddled their prefect's boat on the waters of the Lane Cove River, and who captured half, and more than half, of their prefect's heart. Now, when that prefect was Rector of the College, and when those boys of other days were paddling canoes of their own on the waters of a wider world, they still held on to the stolen heart. Yes, and what was worse, they were proud of their robbery. The second name on the Union roll was the name of its President, a name which the Church has honoured with her title of knighthood. If the College Chapel was a memorial of the saintly man who founded Riverview, it was also an everpresent memorial of Mr. Dalton's generosity, and of the love and generosity

of many another old boy too. Nor was their president's work for his Church and for his school complete as yet. Mr. Dalton's mind was full of stained glass and marble altars, just as the mind of another distinguished old boy was full of Church plans and cement. (Laughter.) Mr. Dalton and Mr. McCarthy were conspiring to erect in St. Mary's Cathedral a costly marble altar in honour of the Irish martyrs. Riverview was proud of the part which two of her sons were taking in thus perfecting a work which was so dear to the heart of His Eminence the Cardinal, and scarcely less dear to the heart of every Catholic in New South Wales.

Another name, he said, on the Union list was that of the late president, Mr. Arthur Deery. Last year the anonymous donor of the new organ selected Mr. Deery to hold the funds and to see that the organ was erected in the proper way and within the proper time. The last task was not an easy one. When months had fruitlessly elapsed there came a scene in Mr. Deery's office which proved that the man of law could be a man of steel. Now that the work was done, and done so well, there should soon be another scene in Mr. Deery's office which would prove that the man of law was a man of mercy, and that there was music in his soul.

Father Corcoran said that Mr. McBride was tempted to vacate the position which he had long held in connection with the rowing world of Riverview, in order to make way for other and younger and more active men. That may not be. It was Father Gartlan himself who had first won for the St. Ignatius College Regatta its pride of place among the regattas of Sydney, but its great success in recent years was due in no small way to the interest and to the energy of Mr. McBride. Bernie must remain faithful to his aquatic engagement to his Alma Mater till another and more serious engagement was duly announced. When proposing the toast of the Union, the speaker desired to join with it in a special way the names of five old boys of Riverview, Messrs. James Hughes, Victor Macken, R. Loneragan, Arthur O'Connor and Harry Hensleigh, whose recent marriages were recorded in the College journal. The marriage question was one in which the Church took a deep and abiding interest. The modern Pagan world would have us believe that the marriage equation was capable of many solutions. Our Christian faith taught us that the marriage equation had but one solution, and that only the Angel of Death could solve it. The bond of love which unites a husband and wife is compared by the Master of men to that everlasting bond of love divine which binds the Master Himself to His Church. We might compare to the one and to the other the bond of union which unites an old boy to his school.

Mr. T. J. Dalton (President of the Union), on rising to respond, received an ovation. He said he could only re-echo the remarks of Rev. Father Corcoran concerning Riverview, and also their esteemed Rector, the Very Rev. Father Gartlan. He had constantly had drilled into his ears, "What is Riverview doing?" Well, he had a very pleasant answer to make. He spoke in his official capacity as president of its Union, and replied that Riverview was doing splendidly. (Applause.) While other similar institutions were marking time, Riverview was brighter, more vigorous and more popular to-day than it had been since it began its career. (Applause.) That was due in a very large measure to the cordial relations existing between the teachers, the students, the ex-students, and their Alma Mater. (Applause.) He hoped those relations would go on ever increasing in heartiness and effectiveness through the coming years. (Applause.) The name "Jesuit" was heard every day in the street, and their fame and renown were world wide. (Applause.) The Order had for centuries been persecuted and hounded down in England; and yet but the other day the British Astronomical Association had honoured one of its members, Father Cortie, by asking him to conduct the recent scientific observation expedition to Vavau, and the British admiralty had placed a man-of-war at his disposal for this purpose. He could assure them that the Jesuit Fathers were ever ready to show their kindness to all the old boys, because they have the love and affection of their forefathers. (Applause.) He regretted he had been unable to attend to his duties in the Union last year, through bad health, but defended the officials of the Union by maintaining that they had done as much as possible. At a later stage he also expressed his willingness to do anything in his power to forward the interest of the Union, and said that if a ball were held he would be happy to defray the cost of the hall for it. (Applause.)

Mr. Frank Donovan responded to the toast, and expressed the pleasure it gave him to be present, and went on to say that there was not existing the esprit de corps among old boys that there should be, suggesting that before the end of the year there should be a concert, a social, a ball, or some function where they could all meet together outside the college. (Cries of "A ball, a ball.") Other clubs held socials and an annual

ball, and people outside Riverview circle were asking, "Why does not Riverview hold a ball?" He hoped that before the end of the year a ball would be held, and thought it would be the means of bringing the students together.

[The ball was indefinitely postponed on account of the death of the Cardinal.]

Dr. Walter Burfitt proposed "The College." He had known the Very Rev. Father Gartlan for twenty years, and was only sorry he had not met him before. (Applause.) He thanked the Rev. Father Corcoran for his kindly remarks about the old boys, and said that it was only fair to say that the feelings manifested by the Jesuit Fathers towards their former pupils were heartily reciprocated, although in a manner typical of Australians who did not boast about the veneration they had for their teachers and their college. (Applause.) As regards the assertion that the Union had not justified itself, he could only say that the gathering that night was an emphatic and a more than sufficient answer to such a reckless statement. Such reunions were greatly appreciated, as they afforded the old boys an opportunity of rubbing shoulders with their former masters. (Hear, hear.)

Rev. Father Little, S.J., responded to the toast, and humorously commented on Rev. Father Corcoran's remarks about matrimony. He went on to say that, whether the members of the Union remained in single blessedness or not, he hoped they would show forth in their lives the principles instilled into them by the sons of St. Ignatius. (Applause.)

Rev. T. J. O'Mara, S.J., proposed "The Press," and after paying a eulogy to the press, said he could not see why a greater number of the old boys did not contribute to the College journal. He urged upon them to do this, and suggested that some of the students might write reminiscences of their bygone college life. These would remind the contemporaries of those "happy days when they were miserable."

The toast having been responded to, the Very Rev. Father Gartlan proposed "The Visitors," coupled with the name of G. R. W. McDonald, M.L.A. He proposed this toast with great pleasure, because they had a member of Parliament amongst them, and also because he had read in the newspapers that the Minister for Education (Mr. Beeby) had given a favourable reply to a deputation from Newington, King's School, North Shore Grammar and other secondary schools, asking that the Local Government Act should be modified, as it affected school grounds. (Hear, hear.)

Mr. McDonald, M.L.A., in reply, thanked the company for the way in which they had received the toast. Regarding the question of taxation on school playgrounds, he could only say that the Minister for Education was anxious to have as big playgrounds as possible for school purposes, as he recognised them as an important factor in connection with education. He thought that the removal of taxation from school playgrounds would be a satisfactory advance in legislation. (Hear, hear.) He thanked them for the manner in which they had received the toast, and hoped that when the matter came before Parliament it would be treated as well as Father Gartlan had treated him. (Applause.)

Mr. F. Coen briefly proposed the health of Very Rev. Father Gartlan, who in reply thanked Mr. Coen for the way in which he had proposed his health, and also the company for the manner in which they had drunk it. He would like to say that it had been a source of great happiness to him to have them all there that night. "I do think," he said, "there exists a strong, genuine esprit de corps amongst the old boys, although some seem disposed to say that it could do with some straightening up." (Applause.) He thought the suggested annual ball would give an impetus to the Union, and referred to the generous offer of their president (Mr. T. J. Dalton) to defray the cost of the hall for same. He alluded in terms of high enlogy to that gentleman's princely generosity in connection with the Dalton Memorial Church, and urged upon all old boys to join heartily in helping to defray its debt, besides urging them to join St. Ignatius Old Boys' Union. He asked them all to look forward to the annual dinner at the College, and requested that, if possible, they would let other appointments stand over in order to attend it.

Congratulations, Ken. K. McKILLOP passed his final, and is now a full-blown solicitor. Feeling that the atmosphere of Riverview was particularly congenial to study, he stayed at the College during the few weeks which immediately preceded the exam.

JACK MORT married, last June, Miss Lucy Liebling Parker, of Tasmania. The ceremony was performed in St. Stephen's Cathedral, Brisbane. The happy pair live at Mount Morgan, where Jack is engaged as a mining engineer.

FURNEAUX MANN won the compatriots' prize, value 50 guineas, for an essay he wrote during the Xmas. holidays. He is at New College, Oxford, and has entered the Middle Temple.

W. MURRAY, who had been practising at Quirindi, has removed to Armidale. To Willie and his family we offer our sincerest sympathy in their bereavement.

HUBERT CHADWICK'S, S.J. (O.R. 1898-1900 work, "A Pioneer Missionary and the Proto-Martyr of South Africa," is greatly praised.

"It throws," says a competent reviewer, "fresh light on the earliest history and geography of that vast country, Rhodesia, and on the first beginnings of European activity in South Africa. Catholics will find in its pages much to excite their admiration and to stimulate their piety. The subject of the work, a scion of a noble Portuguese family, was long ago commemorated by the National poet, Camoens, as one of Portugal's heroes. South Africa may well be proud of having on her list of honoured names one who, the first to bring the light of the Gospel into the country in which he laboured, laid down his life for his Faith and the great cause he espoused."

At the annual meeting of the Trinity College Dialectic Society, Melbourne University, held last September, DESMOND GAVAN DUFFY, B.A., gave a very interesting lecture on "Problems of Punishment." His Excellency the Governor presided.

TOM HIGGINS is doing well in New Zealand. He passed his final in Pharmacy (he is T.H.M.P.S. now), being one of the 15 who succeeded; 105 presented themselves. He played five-eighth for Hawkes Bay. We shall be pleased to welcome you, Tom, when you pay us the promised visit.



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MAURICE MARNANE is one of the lights at Hawkesbury. As usual he hides his successes, but after an amount of cross-questioning we came to the conclusion that we could safely announce that he is "dux" of his section.

We chronicle with pleasure the engagement of our old friend, BERNIE McBRIDE to Miss Muriel McNeil, of Hunter's Hill. The engagement is also announced of JOHN HUGHES to Miss Eileen Curtin, sister of Dr. Curtin.

BOB DOUGLAS is to be married in June. Part of the honeymoon is to be spent in Sydney, and one of the "sights" Mrs. Douglas will be asked to see will be Bob's Alma Mater.

Another Bob! this one a New Zealander. BOB LOUGHNAN was married last November to Miss Cicily Gairdner, at the Basilica, Wellington.

TOM. DALTON (Orange) is quite taken up with the land, though not adverse to an occasional trip to the metropolis. He is an ardent motor-cyclist.

At the Ball held at the Town Hall on 3rd October, in aid of St. Vincent's Hospital, JOHN HUGHES appeared as Julius Cæsar. He won the prize for character dress, and handed the £5 5s. to one of the treasurers of the ball funds.

JIM GLEESON is a great speaker. There are rumours of his standing for Parliament. If he does, says our correspondent, he is sure to succeed, as his popularity is very pronounced in New Zealand.

DOUGLAS OXENHAM passed his final Pharmacy Exam. in July.

REG. FITZHERBERT contracted double pneumonia in July, and was removed from St. John's College to Prince Alfred Hospital. He caused his many friends considerable anxiety for some time. We are glad to say that he is now quite strong again, and took his fourth year Med. in December.

BOB ANDERSON married Miss Norah Farrell last June. The wedding breakfast was served at the Hotel Australia.

Our breezy scribe writes from B. to his old prefect and master:—

11th November, 1911.

My dear Father Hassett,

With a shade temperature of 103 and a hot wind to boot, I'm afraid I should not inflict my yarns on anyone, but that a letter to you will make this hot noontide hour pass very quickly and perhaps be of some interest.

Now that I've taken up the pen nothing occurs to tell you but the usual two-penny half-penny incidents of country life, and I'm half inclined to tear this up, but won't. I've had a letter from Furneaux Mann, who is back in Oxford after a trip through the Swiss and Austrian Tyrol. He came home through Munich. He was full of admiration for Munich, and especially the public monuments, fountains, etc., which are so plentiful and so beautiful there. He did not climb any of the Alps in his travels, sharing with Thackeray an objection to mountaineering, "Why should I climb any dimmed mountain to see a dimmed map at my feet."

We are just experiencing a plague of grasshoppers. They come along on the wings of the wind in countless myriads from the nesting place, I imagine, of all the devils. They have eaten bare a huge area of country, and many fields lie empty to-day which were waving in the sunshine a fortnight ago. We were spared up till yesterday, and we hope our crop is too ripe for them to do much damage. We suffer these things, I daresay, on account of the balance of nature being disturbed, as much as for our sins. Man poisons and shoots the birds, and the insects come to remind him of the fact. Would that the average yokel would consider this.

I received an invitation yesterday to the Requiem Mass, and would certainly come if I were in Sydney, but I must sojourn in this climate until the New Year at least.

I brought back a heavy mass of very readable literature on my return from Sydney, and am set up now for many a long night hour. Arthur has been working very hard lately, and, indeed, puts me quite to shame. He sends kind regards to you, in which I join. Your sincere friend,

J. CLIFT.

JOE CONLON stayed at the College a few days on his return to Australia by the "Otranto," in November. He brought good news of the ex-Riverviewers in Europe. You should hear him waxing eloquent when comparing the conditions of life in Australia to those prevailing abroad. Ships cannot be more profitably employed, Joe holds, than in bringing the right kind of immigrants from Europe and landing them in the "workman's paradise."

On June 13, WILLIE McDERMOTT, son of Mr. Thos. McDermott, K.S.G., Lismore, married Miss Mary Chisholm, of the same town. His Lordship Bishop Carroll officiated, assisted by the Very Rev. Dean Quinn and Fathers Maguire and Fanning. The newly-married pair spent their honeymoon at Byron Bay. Mr. J. B. Carlton (O.B.), Mayor of Lismore, was present at the ceremony. Jack paid us a visit in October, municipal business necessitating his presence in Sydney.

The annual general meeting of the Old Boys was held at the Oxford Hotel, on Monday evening, 30th October. Above we give the list of officials elected. The dominant feature of the meeting was the determination to wipe off the debt still remaining on the Chapel, £902. Our constant benefactor, Mr. T. J. Dalton, K.C.S.G., promised £100. It was decided to get out a circular and send it to all likely subscribers. Great enthusiasm was shown at the meeting, and everything points to a successful year.

We congratulate KEVIN RYAN on getting such a good pass in the Public Service Examinations for cadet draughtsmen. He was second on the list.

Dr. Humphrey Oxenham writes from London to the Rector in August:—

"You may remember my idea, expressed at the Annual College Dinner last year, to bring Old Riverview Boys together once a year, no matter where they happened to be, preferably on St. Ignatius Day, when both those in Sydney and elsewhere might meet old friends and discuss old times.

This year, though many of our Old Boys are in Europe, only two could be found in England. Furneaux Mann and I had our little dinner at the Trocadero, London, at which all the usual toasts were honoured, and a very pleasant evening spent.

There are many country towns in Australia in which may be found two or more Old Riverview Boys who would get great pleasure out of a similar annual function.

I hope to be back in Australia by December, when I shall, of course, take a run up to the College.

Your old pupil,

H. B. OXENHAM.

ARTHUR BARACLOUGH got fifth place out of the thirty two who passed the Intermediate Accountancy Exam., in November.

W. FLANNERY has decided to take up Accountancy.

JOE HEYDON, after spending several years in America and England, returned to Sydney in November. He intends taking up law with his father, the Hon. L. Heydon, M.L.C.

Dr. SID RORKE has bought a practice at Casino. His brother, Dr. FRED. RORKE, has gone to Mudgee.

Rev. G. RORKE, S.J., and Rev. L. LOUGHNAN, S.J., are at Stonyhurst. Rev. H. McARDLE, S.J., is in Dublin.

Dr. ARCHIE McKILLOP is practising at Dalby (Q.).

Diarmuid Gavan Duffy rode over from Melbourne on a motor cycle in December with a friend. He returned by the same arduous way. Though he had only a few days in Sydney, he spent the greater part of two days at Riverview, where his companion and himself were made heartily welcome by the Rector.

Joe Conlon brings good news of his brother VIN, and BASIL BRYANT, who are at Tullamore. Their new Rector and Master of Novices is Father M. Maher, who was Prefect of Studies at Riverview in 1900. Their Vice-Rector is Father Lockington, a Maorilander, who made his noviceship at Loyola, North Sydney, which is now a House of Retreats for laymen.

G. GILHOOLEY, JIM FITZPATRICK and HARRY HENSLEIGH have each added a daughter to their ménage. Congratulations!

TOM WILKINSON has been promoted to the Murwillumbah Branch of the Bank of N.S.W.

GUS MALONE has torn himself away from the charms of Narrabri and come to live at Manly. He reports well of JOHN DE LEPERVANCHE.



DR. REGINALD H. BRIDGE.
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Dr. GEORGE HILL McELHONE and wife returned with Joe Conlon. Mons. and Madame Lievain, the parents of our Gaston, were also on the "Otranto." George is now associated with Dr. Kain (father of our Jack) in his dental business in Macquarie Street.

BOB McCARTHY had a very enjoyable trip to Europe. The numerous postcards Roy showed us received from him give a pictorial account of the sights he saw and the places he visited. Bob entered the Jesuit Novitiate in October; there he met Basil Bryant and Vin Conlon.

JOHN COFFEE wrote from Guelph, Canada, enquiring about everyone and everything at Riverview. At the time of writing he was going to Europe, and Leo and Mr. Coffee (senr.) were setting out for Sydney. Leo visited us early in December He was particularly struck with the improvements recently made at the College. We were delighted to hear that, even after his trip to the land of wonders, America, Leo could see so much to admire at Riverview.

Jack Webster brings news from Wagga—BOB MACKEN, VAL. BOWLER, LOCK HORSLEY, FRANK HUGHES and NEVILLE MACKEN are all industrious students at the Experimental Farm. They have, besides, made a name for themselves in sporting circles. Bob played full-back for the farm team which won the competition, and also in the Wagga team against Manly. He won the tennis championship, and is in the 1st XI. Frank captains the Wagga football team. Val. Neville and Lock, who shone in our crack third XV. before Midwinter, have gone a step higher and play with seconds Do you still play the cornet, Val? CECIL WEAVER, the "hook" of the above-mentioned team, is becoming proficient in the stock and station business. He is at Forbes with his father, holds rank in the local military corps, and is a prominent member of its cricket club.

JOE JOHNSTONE was over from N.Z. towards the end of the year. He called up to see us several times and renewed acquaintance with the boat-shed.

MERTON ALLEN passed his Intermediate Law Exam. in November.

Old Boys at the University.

Archie Gardner's many friends at Riverview were delighted on reading the results of the December examinations at the University, to find that he had won the Caird Scholarship, by securing first place with high distinction in second year Chemistry. In the faculty of Arts, **John A. Fitzherbert** has gained the premier place in Latin. **Kevin Ryan** appears prominently in Latin, French and physics, while his classmate of 1910, **Arthur Kelly,** is even more prominent in Greek, Latin and English.

Reggie Fitzherbert, though but recovering from a very serious illness, has all the credit to himself in pathology, operative surgery, and surgical anatomy. We are pleased to note that another popular convalescent, **Charlie Burfitt,** has passed his medical exam **Clive Robinson** passed the first year med.

In the honour list of second year veterinary science, **Bert Veech** has gained a first place with high distinction. In the faculty of Science **Edgar Rouse** has passed with credit in chemistry, and in the faculty of Engineering **Harold Rorke** appears among the successful candidates of the fourth year. Heartiest congratulations to all.



DR. AUSTIN CURTIN.

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Congratulations to **Fred. Rorke, Austin Curtin** and **Joe Kenny** on passing their final meds. We offer our congratulations also to three other old Jesuit boys, Charlie and Alymer Burke-Gaffney and George Curtis, who passed the same exam. One-third of the male candidates who succeeded at the fifth year medical examination in June were Jesuit old boys. Congratulations also to the four other new doctors (seven this year), **Reggie Bridge** (gained second place in first-class honours list), **Randal McDonnell, Percy Curtis** and **D. Glissan,** who passed in December. Reggie has now been appointed a resident medical officer at the Sydney Hospital; Austin holds the same position at St. Vincent's.

Leo Bamber passed his second year medicine in August. He represented medicine in the inter-faculty football matches.

Wm. Macdonald and **Justin McCarthy** passed their third year examination in medicine in August (the former getting credit), and are now at the Sydney Hospital. W. Macdonald played with the thirds during the greater part of the football season.

We see that the Senate of the University has conferred the degree of Bachelor of Arts on **Roger F. Hughes,** *in absentia*.

Dr. Barney Ccen has been promoted to the position of Senior Demonstrator in Anatomy at the Medical School.

Paddy Kelly got credit in his fourth year medicine exam., held in August. In the intercollegiate events, he rowed in St. John's crew, and captained their football team. He stroked the University crew in the Junior Eights at the Glebe Regatta, on 2nd December.

THE LATE CARDINAL MORAN.



IT was with profound regret that the news of the sudden death of the Cardinal was received at Riverview. Many a time had the deceased prelate lent his patronage to the College. In its early history he encouraged us by his kindly words and his presence at our different gatherings. He assisted at all the more important of our functions. The foundation stone of the main building was laid by him in 1885, and this portion of the Institution was solemnly blessed and opened by him in 1889. At a later date he presided at a similar ceremony for the new block. In 1905, the silver jubilee of the College, he presided over a splendid gathering at the speech day proceedings. In 1906 he laid the foundation stone of the latest important addition to the College (the Dalton Memorial Chapel), and in 1909 he solemnly blessed it. Both masters and boys, past and present, like to recall the encouraging things he said about them and to them on various occasions. In a letter to Father Hayden, Boscombe, England, he wrote in 1908:—"The Jesuit Fathers are doing excellent work in Australia, especially in the matter of higher education, and a wider field is opening for them every day." At the distribution of prizes in 1894, he expressed his gratitude, and indeed the gratitude of all friends of enlightened education in Australia, to the Fathers for the marvellous work they were carrying on. Addressing the students on this occasion, he congratulated them on the excellence of which they had given proof, and trusted that their brilliant future careers would add new laurels to those already won by past scholars. "In many places," continued His Eminence, "the past few years had been spoken of as years of depression; well, all he could say was that the signs of the times were not apparent at Riverview." We do not intend in these lines to give a detailed account of the late Prelate's connections with Riverview, extending over a quarter of a century; to do so we should have to reproduce many pages in previous numbers of O.A.M. Our readers are besides familiar with the events chronicled.

The morning after the death of the great Prince of the Church, a special religious ceremony was held in the College chapel. The sanctuary was draped in black and purple. The Very Rev. Father Gartlan (Rector) celebrated the Mass, and gave a brief address. Basing his words on the text, "Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord, for their works follow them" (Apoc. 14-15), he described the late Cardinal as one of the master workers of the century, a great worker for Australia, for his native country, Ireland, and, above all and before all, for the Church. On the following Saturday, the day of the solemn office at St. Mary's Cathedral, the Dies Irae and Benedictus were sung during the Community Mass, and Fr. Pigot, S.J., played Beethoven's Dead March. At a full attendance of the council of the Old Boys' Union, Mr. Frank Donovan, vice-president, occupying the chair, a resolution expressing sincerest sympathy and sorrow at the death of the Cardinal was carried, and the secretary was instructed to convey the regret of the Riverview old boys to the authorities at St. Mary's. The Old Boys' Union was fully represented at the Requiem Mass and funeral. As a further token of respect to the memory of the Cardinal it was unanimously determined to abandon the annual old boys' dance, which was intended to be held on the 5th September.

An Object Lesson for Young Australians

IF the hundreds of students who have left Riverview for the purpose of commencing the battle of life, and found their way to the "old country" with the view of winning success in the professional pursuits to which they may have devoted themselves, I wonder how many have become acquainted with that part of the British metropolis lying within the shadow of the Tower of London. To myself it is a familiar region, for I was born within a stone's throw of the place of execution, the scene of so many cruel martyrdoms, and as a lad became intimate with many of the historic spots within the venerable fortress, from the ramparts of which might be obtained a glimpse of the vast human warren, stretching away from the Tower moat, then a muddy ditch, far away beyond the Royal Mint, in the direction of Whitechapel, Ratcliff Highway, Wapping, Shadwell and Limehouse.

Here, half a century ago, was to be found a motley population of Jews, Irish, and representatives of almost every nationality under the sun, a people among whom drunkenness and irreligion were rife, and who formed the despair of the social reformer. There were public houses of the lowest type in abundance, and scenes of riotous violence were frequent. The priests attached to the various Catholic chapels did what little they could to promote a better state of things among those who recognised their religious ministrations, but the first indications of improvement became apparent when Father Matthew, the great temperance reformer, appeared on the scene. His impassioned oratory had a great influence on Catholics and Protestants alike. I have seen him head a procession several thousands strong to the place of meeting, and at his bidding the whole of the vast assemblage would kneel, each repeating the words of the temperance pledge and making the sign of the Cross.

So great was the social change effected by the labours of Father Matthew, one of the world's truest heroes, that several attempts were made to follow up the good work, one of the most successful being that known as the Mission of the English Martyrs, which arose out of the labours of a Catholic association known as "The Society for the Relief of Distress." The secretary was William Gilbert, father of W. S. Gilbert, of comic opera fame, but it included Catholics and Protestants alike within its range of operations, which were perfectly unsectarian. Its members comprised individuals of both sexes, moving in the highest walks of society, and—here comes the object lesson for Catholic students, not only at Riverview, but all the world over—these great-hearted men and women made it their duty to make periodical, unostentatious visits among the Catholic poor, relieving all deserving cases, and doing their best to encourage them to make their homes as bright and cheerful as their circumstances would admit. But the people thus assisted never knew who their visitors were—that the kind-hearted lady who brought a pair of shoes for the baby was a peeress of the realm, or the sympathising gentleman who promised to secure a place for the eldest boy was an officer in Her Majesty's Guards. Yet so it was; and very proud were the unknown visitors of the humble, yet sincere, friendships made by them.

Then came the idea of establishing a centre of missionary effort, the practical result being the organisation of the Mission of the English Martyrs, the presiding spirit of which was Father Ring, whose devotion to the good work did much to insure its success, but who subsequently perished, with Lord Farnham and others, in the disastrous railway accident at Abergele. He told me that his idea was to do everything in his power to promote the spiritual and material welfare of the East London Catholics, leaving other religious denominations to look after their own people. "If every man swept his own doorway," he said, " we would soon have a clean street."

The marvellous changes effected by Father Ring and his fellow missionaries awakened my admiration, and, although belonging to another creed, I promised to assist him in every way possible, especially in giving publicity to the good work in which he was engaged. In this I was assisted by two friends of mine, the late Earl of Denbigh and Lady Georgina Fullerton, who laboured enthusiastically to promote the success of the mission, which, starting in a private house in Goodman's Fields, rapidly grew until it was found necessary to build a large school, the formal opening of which, by the Princess Marguerite d'Orléans, was an event long to be remembered in the neighbourhood. For once sectarian animosity was conquered, and on the platform, side by side with leading Catholic prelates, stood the

Protestant rector of the parish; Sir John Bennett, Protestant sheriff of London; and several prominent Protestants residing in the neighbourhood, all of whom bore enthusiastic testimony to the value of the work achieved by the mission.

Some few weeks later, when partaking of luncheon in Eaton Square with the Earl of Denbigh, whose sister, Lady Mary Fielding, was one of those who assisted me in the old days of heavy toil and struggle, he told me that the Mission of the English Martyrs was only one of many Catholic organisations ceaselessly engaged in an endeavour to ameliorate the miserable and helpless social and physical conditions into which myriads of the London poor had become so cruelly plunged; that there were hundreds of pious Catholics, from coroneted peers and peeresses down to humble mechanics and artisans, who employed much of their spare time among their co-religionists in the lowest neighbourhoods of the British metropolis. One of these organisations was the

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL,

the chief object of which was visiting the Catholic poor at their own homes. It had numerous branches, besides a large orphanage and a Catholic shoe-black brigade. Then there were the Sisters of Charity of St. Vincent de Paul, the Little Sisters of the Poor, and one or two others, the members of which were continually to be found in the London hospitals, infirmaries, and other institutions, administering words of hope and consolation to the suffering inmates. There was also a Night Refuge for homeless women and children, in which hundreds, nay thousands, of nightly lodgings, with suppers and breakfasts, were annually provided gratuitously, the only condition being that each applicant be homeless and without food or money. Other Catholic organisations included the Holy Family Total Abstinence Society, Holy Family Provident Society, Benevolent Society for the Relief of the Aged and Infirm Poor (dating from 1761), Immaculate Conception Charity (which assists the Catholic clergy in providing for children whose faith or morals are exposed to imminent danger through the death or helplessness of their parents), and many others, including the Associated Catholic Charities. I possess no recent statistics, but have ascertained that the operations and usefulness of the societies abovementioned have increased enormously during the last thirty or forty years, and that there has been no falling-off in the assistance afforded, either in the way of funds or personal help, by all classes of the Catholic community.

The mission has prospered exceedingly since my time. It has a beautiful church, commodious schools, and a large band of devoted workers, who have assisted in making the Celtic population of East London one of the most orderly and progressive communities in the United Kingdom, a result of which those who have done so well in giving effect to the wishes of Father Ring may well be proud.

Now for the Moral. If British noblemen and ladies of high degree, poets, painters, scientific men, and others did not think it beneath them to assist the humbler members of the ancient faith, why should the Riverview students in their after life not feel tempted to follow the example! It would be a grand thing if each old Riverview student were to say to himself, "Let me devote a few hours in each week to doing what I can to promote the happiness of my poorer fellow men, to smoothing the thorny path of the weak and suffering; to encouraging the despondent, and diffusing the blessed light of charity throughout the world." "Many a mickle makes a muckle," as the Scottish philosopher says, and mankind would be all the better for it.

JOHN PLUMMER.

Northwood, Lane Cove River.

St. Vincent de Paul Society.

DURING the past year our Conference has shown a slight progress on the previous year. The amount sent to the various Homes increased by two or three pounds. At present, most of the boys are members of the Society, and some of the members have been exceptionally generous in their monthly contributions. The main recipients this year have been the Carmelite Nuns, at Marrickville, Lewisham Hospital, the Gore Hill Orphanage, St. Bridget's Orphanage (Ryde), Westmead and the Waitara Foundling Home. Our Conference was well represented at all the quarterly meetings. The work so far merely consists in helping the poor in the way of donations and of clothing. It is to be hoped that the Conference will soon be able to take part in more strenuous work. During the year the Conference contributed £21 6s. to different institutions. The Xmas. Collection for Gore Hill Orphanage and Waitara Home amounted to £4 15s.

—DON. FOY.

— GENERAL NOTES. —

ST. IGNATIUS' DAY AT RIVERVIEW.

Riverview was en fête 31st July, the feast of the founder of the Society of Jesus. High Mass was sung in the morning by Dr. Burke, assisted by Father Sydes, S.J. (deacon) and Father Hartnett, S.J. (sub-deacon). Father Clark, O.F.M., Waverley, preached the panegyric. Taking for his text, "Behold I am with you all days, even unto the end of the world," the eloquent preacher showed how Christ constantly watches over His Church by sending to her aid valiant men just at the time she is most sorely tried. Ignatius was one of these. Like another Saul of Tarsus, he was struck down while pursuing his worldly ambition, and being touched by grace, devoted his energies henceforth *ad majorem Dei gloriam*. Wounded at Pampeluna, he called for a romance to while away the time, but was handed the "Lives of the Saints." Gradually he felt himself inflamed to imitate them, and bathed in tears before an image of Our Lady, he asked that he might have the grace to imitate them and serve God with greater zeal. The choir under Father Healy, S.J. sang Terry's (Musical Director of Westminster Cathedral) Mass in C for unison voices. The responses were Gregorian in Novello's arrangement. Father Pigot, S.J. presided at the organ and played at the offertory Chopin's Fourth Nocturne. Solemn Benediction was given in the evening by the Very Rev. T. P. Brown, S.J. (Superior of the Jesuits in Australia), assisted by the Revs. J. Corcoran, S.J. and B. Loughnan, S.J. This was followed by a concert in which the local artists were assisted by Mr. Loughnan, senr. and Mr. Abbott, the "Merry Wizard." With his usual thoughtfulness, Mr. T. J. Dalton, K.C.S.G., sent, as President of the Old Boys' Union, a telegram to the community and boys wishing them a happy feast. Many of the city and suburban clergy visited the College during the day.

It seems as if "Improvements at Riverview" could well be made one of the regular articles in this magazine, so constantly are changes being made at the College. Looking over old issues of Our Alma Mater, we notice that other scribes have been struck by the same idea. The buildings, says an ex-Ignatian in "Riverview Revisited," illustrat the operation of the law of change and improvement obtaining throughout the institution. He has even a word about what we wish to mention here—the tennis court. "The regular road to the infirmary has been diverted to admit of the laying of a fine asphalt court. It is gratifying to hear that the visiting knights of the racket pronounce it to be one of the finest in the Colony." Under Father Corcoran's direction, Hughie and another carpenter erected a wire netting fence round the court during the holidays, and the groundsman put the court itself in order. A similar fence has been erected to protect handball players from cricket balls coming from the two divisions.

The number of visitors who come to the College by road is increasing. Extra accommodation has been made for motor cars and carriages in the drive near the College theatre. A footpath has been made leading from the quadrangle to the western entrance to the theatre. Motors come round now in front of the main building, very near the Rector's office.

The day before the boys returned, a number of Mr. H. B. Irving's company picnicked on the Riverview grounds. Some of the visitors returned at other times during their stay in Sydney, to sketch or photograph the College and grounds.

On August 14 Mrs. Irving visited the College and was shown round by Father Healy, who had met the company on the "Orsova." Mr. Irving was to have dined with the Community the following day, but sent a telegram to the Rector at the last minute expressing his regret at his inability to come up.

The cave near the wharf was, with the permission of Father Rector, temporarily converted into a smuggler's den by members of the Spencer Cinematograph Company for film purposes. The same company had the use of Third Division playground for a school scene. "No need to pass Riverview for any artistic effects," observed the operator.

The following are the opening lines of an article on the Lane Cove River, which appeared in the "Sydney Morning Herald":—

A DREAM OF BEAUTY.

"If there is anywhere in all this wide and beautiful earth a place where the heart may keep tryst with returning spring-time, and add meanwhile to nature's insistent lesson of peace and good-humoured content, that place is surely the Upper Lane Cove. If, like most people, you are beholden to the ferry service for your means of transit, you may set aside a half or a whole day, as your leisure may admit or your fancy decide. Archibald Forbes described one of New Zealand's famous drives as a 'dream of beauty twelve miles long.' Substitute water-way for road, and add a mile to the distance, and you have the most accurate description of this delightful resort that any single sentence may furnish.



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"Scarcely have you left the Quay behind you ere the plot begins to develop. You glance up from the book, which for the remainder of the day is to prove the thinnest of subterfuges, to find the harbour more beautiful than you had on previous hurried runs taken time to note. How soon the green of the foreshores asserts itself in prevalent protest against the drab of the now fast-receding populous suburbs fringing the water. How beautiful the eminences bordering half a score of bays, with here and there a gracefully moulded island shimmering in the sunshine of a glorious spring day, its virgin foliage unsullied by barest trace of builder's art. Behind Berry's Bay the North Shore railway skirts the harbour, and along it a train is threading its outward way. Past the curve of Balmain's last jutting promontory the Parramatta River bears westward. On its northern side, but showing a decided preference for the harbour foreshores, the comfortable residences of Greenwich and Woolwich nestle above well-kept lawns, separated by stretches of eye-resting green. Here, too, though well out of the way of either village, is Mort's Dock, with many a floating mystery; while over your shoulder to the left, across the stream, you catch a glimpse, above the rounding spur, of the two tall masts of the now obsolete Powerful, receiving the necessary overhaul, preparatory to her final ocean voyage into oblivion in English waters. As city and quay are left further in the rear the witchery still more asserts itself. Visions of peace and homely human comfort border the water-way on either hand. St. Leonards, Northwood, and Longueville pass in gently gliding panorama before the view. Wattles are out in bloom, and native creepers in endless profusion bestrew the wave-lapped rocks. To what a picturesque effect has the respective handiwork of man and nature blended in this charming scene. In one of the loveliest of nooks nestle the residences of the delightful waterside slopes of Hunter's Hill. The water-way has now perceptibly narrowed. Insidiously harbour has been supplanted by river, and foreshores have yielded place to banks. On one of the loftiest of these, to the right, across the water, stands

RIVERVIEW COLLEGE.

Through a dense wilderness of verdure a pathway zig-zags romantically to the wharf and boatshed, whence, in the evening, you may see racing skiffs push out for practice, manned by their respective crews of four and eight, each with a trainer, steering and shouting his orders through a speaking trumpet, in the stern."

On Sunday, 18th June, Father Rector entertained at dinner the officials of St. Ignatius College Rowing Club. A very enjoyable evening was spent. Father Rector proposed the toast of "The

Officials," to which Dr. Burne, Mr. McDonald and Mr. McGregor responded. Mr. Hannon, S.J. proposed "The Coach" (Mr. N. J. McDonald), coupled with the name of Mr. Mitchell. Both gentlemen replied. Father Rector proposed the health of Mr. B. McBride. Mr. F. Coen next submitted the toast of "The Rector." Father Rector suitably replied. Mr. Hannon, S.J. proposed "The N.S.W. Rowing Association," coupled with the name of Mr. Thomson. Mr. Thomson replied.

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We note with pleasure that Claude Moore, our captain, Bryan Veech and Don Foy were chosen to play in the Combined Schools against University. Claude played a fine game and scored a try.

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Things are humming in musical circles at the College. Four of the old pianos, which had done yeoman service, were replaced by four magnificent new ones. The ivory on the keys is all one piece; mischievous boys have consequently more trouble to take them off.

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In our last issue we gave an account of the dinner given at "Banba" by Mr. T. J. Dalton, K.C.S.G., in Father Cortie's honour before he left by the "Encounter" for Vavau. On his return to Sydney, Father Cortie was right royally banqueted by the Hon. John Hughes, M.L.C., and by Mr. Colman Burke; also by Mr. M. F. Dalton and Mons. Lievain at Paris House. At Medlow Bath he was the guest of Mr. Francis Foy. At "Duntryleague" and "Kangaroobie," Orange, Mr. James Dalton, K.C.S.G., and Mr. M. F. Dalton were his most kind hosts. The latter gave him a splendid picnic at Canoblas. Mr. Hughes—himself an old Stonyhurst boy—obtained for Father Cortie free passes on the N.S.W. and Victorian railways. Mr. Maurice Toohey took him for a motor drive in the Wahroonga district. In the evening he was entertained by Mrs. Toohey at Darling Point, where he met Professor and Mrs. Anderson Stuart.

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OBITUARY.—We have to chronicle the death of Br. Atchinson, S.J., which occurred in October last. The old boys of the nineties will remember him as their Infirmarian For a long time he was connected with "The Messenger," both in Sydney and in Melbourne.

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REMINISCENCES OF THE ROWING CLUB.

The history of amateur rowing at the College is in a sense also a history of many of the men who in different spheres have done the State some service, since that memorable 20th June, 1885, when the first regatta, open to all associated clubs, took place. There was some diffidence the year previous to the club undertaking such an important responsibility, but no option was left to the committee, which agreed on the motion moved by the late S. H. Hyam, who was a prominent aquatic sportsman and legislator in those days. That gentleman emphatically declared that the regatta must be held. The Press of that day spoke of the first regatta as the "most ambitious attempt hitherto made by any school in the colony." It took place and proved a brilliant success. It was calculated that upwards of two thousand ladies and gentlemen were present. The association officials of this first Regatta were J. Arthur, L. G. J. Bennett, and J. Blackman. Two races for junior pupils in light skiffs were won by Masters A. Thynne and P. Pickford and Masters T. Curran and T. O'Sullivan. The all schools' race was won by Sydney Grammar, being represented by A. Thomson, R. Windeyer, T. Hungerford and F. Stokes. The senior double sculls open to associated clubs was won by W. G. Brett and G. Seale of the Mercantile Club. The open maiden fours by L. Cockburn, P. Maitland, P. Cowley and C. McGregor of the Glebe Club. The senior College fours for the Hyam gold medals was contested by three crews, and won by A. Walsh, W. Coyle, M. Lanigan and J. McCarthy; H. Milford (cox.).

Space allotted to me for these reminiscences would not be sufficient to chronicle the names that recur during the long sequence of years of this Club's splendid history. Since the Club's first regatta it has grown as the years pass by, and now ranks as one of the finest aquatic functions held on the waters of Port Jackson.

There are some striking features that stand out in connection with this Club. Firstly, that of the present Rector. The Very Rev. T. Gartlan, S.J., who has been the life and soul of the Club since its inception, is recognised outside as a thorough good sporting and generous cleric. The rowing men of this State hold the Rev. Rector in the highest esteem, and have never lost sight of the fact that to him is due the success of the now great aquatic function. The energy displayed in the early career of the Club laid the foundation of its success. Here we must recall the name of another very great friend of the Club, one who also helped it in its early steps—the late P. J. Clark, Esq.

The St. Ignatius Club has the distinction of holding competitions for the only gold challenge cup in the world, and one they should naturally feel proud of. Great praise is due to the various Rev. secretaries for the capable manner in which their duties were performed, and to Messrs. F. W. J. Donovan and B. A. McBride, past students. The latter gentleman has for many years done yeoman service for his Alma Mater, and is one of the brightest delegates to the N.S.W. Rowing Association. The men whom I have named, and, indeed, many others who are not mentioned,

found in the physical exercise of rowing. mental as well as muscular education. It will be no exaggeration to say that an important part of their preparation for subsequent duties in life was made on the water. We see or recall them, leading men in their professions, in commerce, in public life, and cannot but conclude that they became the better fitted to reach these heights by moral and physical training which they got on the Lane Cove River.

N. J. McDONALD.

THE SEISMOGRAPH.

"WHAT ON EARTH IS THE USE OF IT"

The following pertinent paragraphs appeared as an Editorial Note in the Sydney "Evening News" of September 19:—

"Will somebody kindly explain if there is any instrument more exasperating than a seismograph ? The cable reports that a great earthquake happened in Chilli, and also that a seismograph in Austria recorded it. The function of this thing is to register earthquakes, and as soon as an earthquake happens all the seismographs mention the fact. It's very clever of them, no doubt, but what on earth is the use of it ? If they gave warning before the earthquake came they would be doing a fine work. As it is, they wait until the damage is done, and then say, 'I told you so.' Even then they don't specify the locality, but merely that the incident happened within a radius of so many miles. The local policeman or Press correspondent in the stricken spot could do much better than that. He could tell us almost as soon, and moreover give exact information about the damage. The seismograph does not appear to justify its existence at all."—*Evening News*, September 19th, 1911.

Father Pigot was already far away on his voyage to Europe. So Father Corcoran sent the Editor a note in reply:—

"This plaintive query in your editorial columns of Tuesday is worthy of some attempt to answer it. Before doing so, I must offer congratulations to the fortunate man who has failed to find in this world of ours anything more exasperating than a seismograph. The function of a seismograph, as he tells us, is to register earthquakes, and in the very same sentence he acknowledges that seismographs are both prompt and faithful in doing their duty. Yet he is exasperated, because the seismograph does not do something else. He might as well be exasperated with his cow because she does not sing. What on earth he asks, is, the use of it ? The use of a cow is to give milk, and the use of a seismograph is to record earthwaves. The real question which our friend would like us to answer is what on earth is the use of recording earthwaves.

Before answering that question, I should like to ask and answer another question. What, for instance, was the earthly use of sending an expedition from London to Vavau, over 16,000 miles of earth and ocean, to observe for the space of four minutes the sun obscured ? The answer is easy to give. No use on earth, except to increase our knowledge of the sun. What, then, is the use of recording earthwaves ? The answer is equally simple. The prinpal use of eathwave records is to increase our knowledge of the inner substance of this planet of ours. 'Tis to increase our knowledge of the inner substance of the very earth on which we stand.

Could we bore a tunnel through the heart of the world and travel through it, and live to tell the story of what we saw, we could add considerably to man's present knowledge of the inner substance of the earth. But we fear the cost of such a tunnel would be excessively high, and the journey through it would be excessively hot. We fear that even if such a tunnel could be bored through the heart of the earth there is not a single member of your own enterprising staff who would risk the trip. Nor do we care to contemplate what might happen to him after he had reached the centre of gravity.

Many years have passed since men of science discovered that there are messengers—myriads of them—frequently travelling through the earth's substance. Sometimes they travel by day, and often they travel in the lonely night hours. They are little bothered by heat or cold, and they have no need of any tunnel. Indeed, I imagine that a perfect tunnel is the one thing they might object to travel through.

Who are these messengers ? They are the earthwaves. What starts them on their journey ? They are set in motion by the sudden yielding under great pressure of some inner portion of the earth's crust. The spot where such a slip or break occurs is called the seismic focus. It is often at a depth of eight or ten miles below the earth's surface. It may happen that men have built a town on the surface above it. If so, the town will probably suffer from shock, but that is a matter of minor importance to the man of science.

The earthwaves are started, and the bigger they are the better for science. Some of these waves travel along the earth's surface, but others travel through the heart of the earth, and when they get through they have a tale to tell about the substance through which they have passed. For ages untold the story was unwritten, but now our men of science have captured these fleeting earthwaves, and forced them to write their story on many a revolving seismogram.

'Tis not merely to record the petty eruptions of an Etna or the mere destruction of a San Francisco that our seismographs are built. Tis to win from many earthwaves the story of the inner world."

THE NEW PRAYER BOOK.

Centuries ago was it said: "Of making books there is no end." And prayer books? Well, there is such a large and varied assortment, that one would think that all possible tastes were lavishly catered for. So thought we, till we received the most recent new-comer from the pen of the eminent and world-renowned Jesuit Theologian, Father Pesch. He very appositely styles it "The Catholic Manual." It contains instructions, advice and devotions for the Catholic Laity. It is a hand-book for thoughtful men and women, whose religion runs as a silver stream through their lives, and who would "present to God a reasonable service." This handy pocket manual gives in its 670 pages, besides prayers for all occasions, terse and lucid instructions on the Existence of God, the Divinity of Christ and other articles of Faith, the Institutions of the Church. In a word, it is a compendium of dogmatic and moral instruction couched in virile, and at

times eloquent language appealing so strongly to us that we have made it our own. The College Crest has been put on the cover in gold.

In addition to a splendid index, there are pages of questions of common occurrence, all of which are answered in the book. We give a few:—What is the origin of evil in the world? Is religion merely a matter of sentiment? Can one be a Christian without believing in hell? What is the position of the Bible in the Church?

From the explanation of the Our Father on page 130, we take a passage:—"From this prayer for daily bread, taught us by Christ, we learn that God's infinite love delights in helping us in the most trifling circumstances of our earthly life. Here God speaks to us, as it were, humanly—speaks as a mother who stammers to her child because the child understands no other speech. We pray for the gifts and joys of this fleeting life; for health of Him Who healed the sick; for the preservation of our senses and faculties, of Him Who restored sight to the blind and hearing to the deaf; for the prolongation of our life of Him Who to a weeping mother gave back her dead son, and to an afflicted father his dead daughter. Such petitions, however, are tainted with human weakness; they ought never to be separated from the unconditional petition, "Thy will be done." From page 5 another random quotation, and we have done. The author is refuting an objection to the necessity of external religion. "The internal is by Nature dependent on the external; it is acted on by external influence. Soldiers wear the same external uniform to denote their internal uniformity of disposition; by external signs they manifest internal submission; their badges are to remind them of their military spirit.

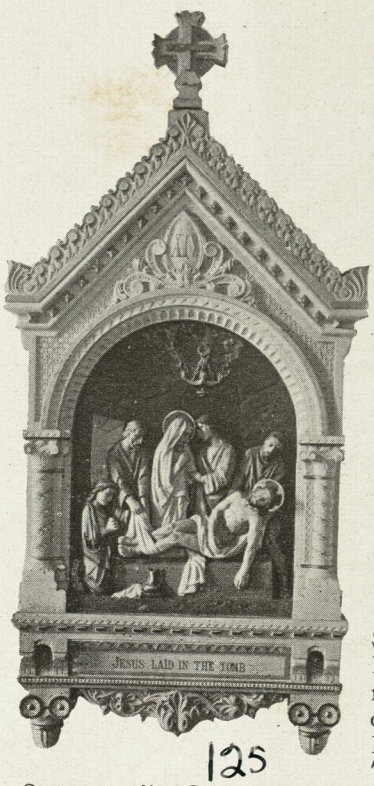
Likewise religion, if true, is not limited to the interior, it seizes the whole man, for the whole man belongs to God. The essential is, indeed, in the soul; but, as experience teaches, the internal religion of men who neglect the external practices soon dwindles down to weak feelings and sentimental words. As the life-energy of a healthy tree naturally blossoms forth in flowers and fruit, so a religious man naturally shows forth his inner feelings in external practices."

We strongly recommend this Prayer Book to all educated Catholics, and particularly to our own past students.

The Irish Envoys, accompanied by Mr. T. J. Dalton, K.C.S.G., came up to see the College soon after their arrival in Sydney. We expect a formal visit from them early in the new year.

ANNUAL SOLEMN REQUIEM SERVICE.

The second Solemn Requiem Service for the departed ex-students and benefactors was held at the College on Saturday, 11th November, the Rector of the College, the Rev. Thos. Gartlan, S.J., presiding. Thanks to the generosity of our old friend, Mr. T. J. Dalton, K.C.S.G., Vice-Consul for Spain, who gave £100 to procure the vestments and all the requisites for the celebration of this memorial festival, we were enabled to hold this service for the first time last year; it has now become a regular annual ceremony at Riverview. The College choir chanted the dirge. At the offertory, Father Healy, S.J., played "Ases Dod," op 23, by Edward Greig, and at the end played a Funeral March by the same composer. The celebrant of the Mass was the Rev. E. Sydes, S.J., Deacon; Rev. C. Hartnett, S.J., Subdeacon; Rev. H. Loughnan, S.J. The sermon was preached by Father McGrath, S.J. Amongst those present we noticed Mr. A. W. M. D'Apice (secretary) and Mr. B. McBride (treasurer), representing the Old Boy's Union, and Messrs. G. Oxenham, A. Gardner, K. Ryan, McMahon, Williams, Hepburn, and Mesdames Burke, Williams and Bryant.



ONE OF THE NEW STATIONS OF THE CROSS RECENTLY ERECTED.

Miss Bryant, the well-known organist, of Manly, came up to the College and tried the new organ; she was delighted with the beautiful tone and easy action of the instrument.

Our old friend, Dr. Beattie, did not forget us during his stay in Europe. "Hope you are flourishing at Riverview," he wrote. The doc-

tor was studying the treatment given in advanced cases of cancer, in Turin, Heidelburg, Paris and London.

We were kept constantly informed of the doings and whereabouts of Roger and Geoffrey Hughes by the constant letters and cards sent to members of the community and boys. In a card from Rome, dated 17th March, Geoffrey wrote: "To-day we heard Father Benson preach on St. Patrick. His sermon was magnificent. Father and Roger lunched to-day at the Irish College. Last Tuesday we had a private audience with His Holiness; Father Guy Gavan Duffy was with us." In another card from Vienna, dated 12th April, he says: "We finished Italy last Friday and went to Budapest. Met my uncle (Dr. O'Gorman Hughes) and aunt." From Coblenz he writes: "Staying a night here; going to Wiesbaden to-morrow and then back to Naples through Switzerland and the Riviera; back in Sydney early in January. Met Father T. Walsh, S.J., at Farm Street Church, London.

During their stay at Hurst Green after a tour through Peterborough, Lincoln and York, they called at Stonyhurst College, and were welcomed by Father Cortie, who had just returned from Australia. Their father is an old Stonyhurst boy.

Mr. T. J. Dalton took a trip to New Zealand last November by the "Maheno." Monsignor O'Haran and Mr. and Mrs. Meagher were passengers on the same boat.

Our best thanks are due to W. J. C. Kelly, Esq., Manager of Messrs. Spalding and Bros., for his prize of a "Hayward Record" bat to the boy who made the highest score in a G.P.S. match. The fact that the bat was selected by such a well-known cricketer as Mr. Warren Bardsley (the double-centurion) greatly enhances its value.

The introduction of compulsory military training has done much to break-up the week at Riverview. Tuesday afternoon is regularly devoted to drill, and Friday afternoon to physical culture drill under Mr. "Snowy" Baker. Besides this the dentists, tailors, oculists, have to be visited on Wednesdays, and most of us manage to get in to see our parents or friends on the first and third Sundays of the month.

The recreations after tea, always enjoyable, are particularly so now owing to the various amusements being enlivened by echoes from the orchestra.

LOYOLA.

November 5th saw the beginning of a new enterprise in Sydney. On that date His Grace the Archbishop blessed and opened the new House of Retreats for Laymen at Loyola, Greenwich. Some of our boys were present on the occasion, and brought back a glowing account of the gathering on the beautiful lawns of Loyola.

Elsewhere in this number we give an account of Loyola, and shall content ourselves here with drawing attention to it.

Loyola, we understand, is already attaining that popularity which those who spoke at the November meeting prophesied. In spite of the novelty of the idea to men in this country, in spite of the claims of business at the busiest time of the year, yet the Retreats already given have been well patronised. Amongst those who have found their way to the quiet spot on the Greenwich heights have been some of our ex-students, and we trust they are the forerunners of many more who will seek at Loyola the benefits which three days there alone can give.

It does not entail a big sacrifice to make a Retreat. In time it means but one and a half days from the working day—twelve hours on an eight hours working basis. The tariff is most reasonable. It has been fixed by those in charge at one pound for the three days. Surely a sum that can be easily provided for in the "estimates" of the year.

The Retreat is not above the capacity of any man. It is within the power of any man to withdraw himself from his daily surroundings, and think quietly over the truths and facts of the great eternity before us all. We wish Loyola a great and prosperous career.

The members of the Orchestra desire to express their gratitude to the many kind friends who have assisted them in completing its equipment.

In another column of this number our readers will see the singularly appropriate Greek elegiacs in memory of His Eminence the late Cardinal, from the hand of our old pupil, Mr. C. Brennan, M.A., the well-known classical scholar, and lecturer at the Sydney University.

In the first stanza there is pathos as well as graceful sympathy in the allusion to the well-built temple of the heavenly Virgin holding the remains of the dead.

The second stanza is happy, indeed, in the bold poetic idea, simple, and direct, of "Ireland of old receiving Christ from the mouth of Patrick"; and happy also in the reference to the

"strong shepherd in Ossory, Patrick, sent by Rome as messenger of divine truth to the dwellings amongst the winds of the south." We are tempted to go on quoting such phrases as, "This guide of 80 years pausing from toils," but it must suffice to say that the personal note which ends the elegy is felt to be the hidden source of the true inspiration which animates the whole.

We hope in our next issue to be able to report how some of the poets of the House have tried to put these stanzas into English elegiacs in a laudable spirit of academic emulation.

Among the cablegrams in the leading dailies, 18th December, we read the following:—

EXCLUSION OF JESUITS FROM RUSSIA.

St. Petersburg, Sunday.—The Government has refused the British Embassy's application to waive the law against the admission of Jesuits into Russia, so as to enable Father Pigot, S.J., the Australian scientist, to undertake seismological studies at Pulkova Observatory.

The Rev. Father Pigot, of St. Ignatius College, Riverview, left Sydney on September 9 by the German steamer "Seydlitz," for the purpose of visiting the various observatories in Great Britain, Europe, and, if possible, America, to note the advances in seismological science, in which he is specially interested. He was particularly anxious to visit the Pulkova Observatory, near St. Petersburg, where one of the most famous seismographs in the world is located. The authorities at Riverview incline to the opinion that it is improbable that Father Pigot will be absolutely barred from entering Russia when it is known that he is travelling as a scientist in search of further knowledge.

In the "Daily Telegraph," July 19, we read: "At the last monthly meeting of the N.S.W. Rowing Association, the committee decided to inaugurate a regatta similar to that at Henley for next summer, the scene being Lane Cove River. "The best of our rivers for a Henley is undoubtedly Lane Cove, where a measured mile can be secured. The advantages of Riverview College grounds and the different inlets along the course, which could be allotted for motor boats, boathouses, and punts gaily dressed, would make the scene, with its natural beauty of the riversides, equal if not superior to both Henleys mentioned."

Are sharks afraid? This is the question two of the masters asked themselves at La Perouse during the Michaelmas holidays, when they assisted at the attempted capture of a shark. We give the account they sent to the "Daily Telegraph," as a warning to bathers:

"On Saturday afternoon, between half-past 3 and 4 o'clock, those who were on Yarra beach, La Perouse, witnessed what may be termed the ne plus ultra in shark audacity. A large specimen, about 8ft. in length, was seen swimming a few yards from shore, evidently attracted by the presence there of five large dead stingarees; or, maybe, by the presence of some children, who had been bathing close to shore a few minutes before he was noticed. Some aboriginal children who live close by were the first to perceive him, and gave the alarm just as a gentleman was ready to commence bathing. 'Billy,' a local fisherman, was soon on the scene, armed with a harpoon. He walked some little distance into the water, and then attracted the shark by throwing close to him some pieces of stingaree. Those on shore thought the shark would not venture near the bait for fear of being stranded, so shallow was the water at this spot. They were deceived. In a couple of minutes he came towards the bait; indeed, the bystanders thought he was making direct for the fisherman. 'Billy' threw the harpoon, struck the shark, but did not secure him, as the weapon was too blunt. The shark turned round at lightning speed, and in his gyration appeared to strike bottom. He then rose, and, almost springing out of the water, gave the spectators a splendid view of his proportions; indeed, the water was so clear, and he was so close to shore, that everyone had previously had a good look at him. For about twenty minutes he cruised around; a line was thrown out, but the bait did not tempt him. 'A boy's leg is what he wants,' remarked a little half-caste.

In view of the fearlessness shown by this shark, and of the fact that human remains were found inside one recently caught on the South Coast, bathers would do well to exercise the greatest caution. We may reasonably believe that many of the supposed victims of drowning are really victims of sharks."

"KELLY MEMORIAL" PRIZES.

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. In the four branches, class authors, essays on a poet, historical or descriptive essays, and a set paper on novels, the results were very satisfactory. The leading candidates in both divisions were:—

Senior Division—Arthur Moran, James Barry,

Francis Synnott, Edward Hynes, James McKay (special essay prize).

Junior Division—John Wall, Clarence Pinnock, Ralph Weaver, Gerald Rygate, Patrick Seymour Allan (special essay prize).

Passages from the work sent up are here given:—

HUMOUR IN DEALING WITH DEADWOOD DICK.

To even the most superficial observer, if he be not a goody-goody, it would appear immediately that Deadwood Dick's and bushrangers' stories, and horse-racing yarns, are most suitable in all respects for the building of the character of a young boy. One of the most useful things taught, is above all, the habit of punctuality. Boys are taught to time their actions to a fraction of a second, an infinitesimal part of a second too late would ruin everything. No really great deed has ever been done by Deadwood Richard which has not been done in the nick of time.

Besides this there is another thing. The tale of Richard teaches boys that villains never succeed. Let them do their worst, the hero always comes out on top. Did ever a villain marry the heroine and live happy after? This also applies to horse racing. The villain who tries to lame the favourite is always foiled at the last moment by the hero in the guise of a stable boy. A boy also learns that if he is honest and upright, the horse he backs will always win.

Bushranging stories, say the goody-goodies, teach boys to rob. Query. How many goody-goodies deal is stocks and shares, corners, etc.? At least the bushranger robs openly, and, another point, he never robs the poor. In spite of what police reports say of him, the bushranger, immortalised by somebody's pen, is seen to be a gentleman, a merry robber of the rich, high souled, noble. But time is up, and these sensible remarks must be left to the mercy of Mr. Goody-Goody's sense of humour.

—ARTHUR MORAN.

TURKS COMPARED WITH ITALIANS.

Turkey, a power, barbarous, Asiatic and Mohammedan, has little or nothing in common with the ideas, customs or religion of Europe.

Italy, a power, the home of all that is poetic and beautiful, Christian, European, has everything in common with Europe.

The Turk, the unspeakable Turk, has been and still is a menace to Europe. At the opening of the fourteenth century the Turks, under their leader, Otham, established themselves in Asia. They not only extended their Asiatic territory, but as early as 1353 gained a footing in Europe. They gradually occupied the territory around Constantinople, although it was a hundred years before they succeeded in capturing the ancient capital of the Eastern Empire.

This advance of the Turks naturally aroused grave apprehensions in the states of Western Europe, lest they might be deprived of their independence. The whole of Europe rose against them, and after the siege of Vienna their power rapidly decreased. But the waning power of Turkey gave rise to another great problem. That is the problem which came to be known in the 19th century as the "Eastern Question." The prestige of the Sultan was declining so rapidly that many nations were considering the seizure of his possessions in Europe. But as the annexation of his territories by other states would disturb the balance of power, Turkey was recognised as a European nation.

Although Italy has passed through a number of vicissitudes since the downfall of the Western Empire, in the fifth century, yet she has given Europe many fair gifts, without which we might still be uncultured and semi-barbarous.

The Italians, descendants of those stern old lawgivers, the Romans, have given us a great boon—our greatest except religion—law, also the Roman principles of government and administration. The name Italy stands for a community of races which have many features in common. They have the same language and religion, love for art, literature, and the beautiful. The Renaissance, that glorious revival of ancient arts, Grecian and Roman, the great change that was brought about in thought and taste, in books, buildings and pictures, originated in Italy.

But it may be objected that the Turks really were the cause of the Renaissance, that revival which brought Europe to its highly civilised state. Constantinople, the storehouse of the world's ancient precious literature, long before its capture by the Turks in 1453, had been the library of Italian men of letters. These brought back to Italy many valuable Greek books, thus transplanting a whole literature to new and fruitful soil. The Renaissance was, then, inevitable in Italy. The Turks merely hastened its coming.

Art! the word itself is associated with Italy. For many ages the greatest painters, sculptors, musicians, poets, were sons of sunny Italy. The Italians were influenced somewhat in the direction of art by the East, for the most delicate and intricate work, tracery and filigree, reached perfection there. But this was not due to the Turks. Byzantine art flourished long before the Turks took the ancient Byzantium.

The religion of the Turks, revolting to minds influenced by Christianity, seems to be the cause of many of the evils they commit. Five hundred years' experience ought to be enough to teach Europe that the Turks are incapable of governing well. Look at the stagnation in trade and the arrest of civilisation in every department of life, look at the periodic massacres, and above all, the state of religion in the regions ruled by them, and draw the only conclusions that one can draw from such a sight.

—FRANK SYNNOTT.

We take the following lines from the first part of P. Seymour Allan's essay on "Ancient Rome and Modern England":—

Let us carry our thoughts to the Rome of 2,000 years ago. It is already night and the moon shines in the quiet heavens, casting its pale and delicate beams on a thousand objects. The wind sighs softly through the streets, and the whole scene tends towards peace and calm. We observe buildings and temples of marble and brick, glittering like stars in the moonlight; roads of purest stone cut from quarries in Gaul, fountains sparkling and playing merrily.

Its citizens walk with the air of lords and conquerors, and well they might, for they have conquered and subdued every nation known to the world. Their city is fair, it is the centre and heart of learning, literature, and science, but paganism and immorality have cast their shadows over it. Rome is, however, blessed by certain moral and almost Christian characters, such as Cicero. Him we observe strolling about the magnificent public reserves, thinking out problems and arguing with himself on points of philosophy.

GENERAL KNOWLEDGE PAPER: this examination takes the place of the Class Championship.

OUR SODALITIES.

SODALITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN.

President:
REV. FATHER HASSETT, S.J.

Prefect: DONOVAN FOY.

First Assistant: BRYAN VEECH.

Council: JULIAN BRYANT, JAMES BARRY, JOHN KENNEDY, STANLEY McDONNELL, PETER MOORE.

The past year has been a very successful one. There are at present twenty members, and several excellent candidates. Since February, ten new members were received, five on May 25, by Father Cortie, S.J., F.R.A.S., and five: Cyprian Bryant, Ewart Dinan, Bruce Monie, Keith Grosvenor and Robert Murphy, on November 1st, by the Rector, Father Gartlan, S.J.

The spirit throughout the College has been remarkably good, and the Daily Communions have been well kept up, owing to the good example of the Sodalists. All the members of the Sodality are very grateful to their Director for the interest he has taken in them. They would also express their thanks to Father Healy, S.J., an ex-pupil and sodalist, for his series of very interesting and scholarly lectures on "Religion," delivered on the Friday evenings of November.

The sodalists have scrupulously kept up the custom (introduced last year) of reciting the Little Office of the Immaculate Conception on Saturday evenings during recreation.

Members, 1911:—D. Foy, B. Veech, S. McDonnell, S. Ryan, J. Bryant, J. Kennedy, P. Moore, J. McKay, H. Craven, F. Synnott, R. Macken, B. Allen, V. Foley, J. Kain, E. Hynes, K. Grosvenor, B. Monie, R. Murphy, C. Bryant, E. Dinan, C. Wilkinson, F. Irwin and M. McGahey.

—DONOVAN FOY.

Dr. Arnold, who won for himself considerable fame in the educational world as headmaster of Rugby, often impressed upon the boys of the higher forms in his college their obligation to set the example of a high moral tone to their companions. Here this obligation devolves especially upon the members of the sodalities, and we must say, that, in the main, they have a proper sense of their responsibilities, as witnessed by the large number of frequent and even daily communicants. The seniors, very notably Don Foy and Bryan Veech, leave behind them a splendid legacy of good example.—The Editors.

SODALITY OF THE HOLY ANGELS.

President:
REV. FATHER HARTNETT, S.J.

Prefect: C. BRYANT.

Council: U. WALSH, H. DALY, A. MORAN, R. McCARTHY, S. McDERMOTT.

C. Bryant was promoted to First Division in October. The three brothers, Basil, Julian and Cyprian have each held in turn the post of Prefect of this Sodality.

On September 8th, Very Rev. Father Brown, S.J., received eleven new members into the Sodality:—C. Clifford, K. Young, A. Mackenzie, A. Evans, R. Weaver, M. Clarke, H. Regan, F. McDermott, J. Wall, B. Payten, M. Casey.

We hope they will be the best "XI." that Riverview has ever selected to uphold the prestige of the Sodality of the Holy Angels.

THIRD DIVISION SODALITY.

President:
REV. FATHER HARTNETT, S.J.

Prefect: V. CONLON.

Assistant Prefect: E. EVANS.

Though small in numbers as well as size, we don't forget that "precious goods are wrapped up in small parcels!" However, there are several candidates aspiring to a place in our Sodality, and we hope they will be successful when the next election takes place.

VAL. CONLON.

"LOYOLA."

House of Retreats for Laymen.

ON November 5th His Grace the Archbishop of Sydney opened the new House of Retreats for Laymen. The House, which is called "Loyola," after the birth-place of St. Ignatius, is situated at Greenwich. It is not far from Riverview. It can be distinctly seen from the top field, and about half-an-hour's easy walking through the bush brings one to the Greenwich Road, upon which Loyola stands.



"LOYOLA."

Loyola has been in the possession of the Jesuit Fathers for a number of years. For a long period it served as the Novitiate of the Order in Australia. Some time ago it was decided to open a house of retreats for men in this country, and Loyola was chosen for the purpose. To fit it for its new work a new wing has been built. This was the part blessed by His Grace last November.

It may be asked why this house was set apart for this work. Many will recall the Retreats that used to be given at Riverview. Why not revive these? Why incur the expense of this new building? Well, our answer is that in spite of the good work done at the Riverview retreats, we were sadly in need of a House which should be specially fitted for retreat work, especially set aside for this.

In the first place the work is to extend beyond the limits of time and space, and retreatants possible to Riverview. Loyola is open at all times of the year, and though on no single occasion can it shelter as many as Riverview could, yet, taking its work through the year, it is not too

much to hope that, before it is very old, it will far exceed in its numbers what could be ever hoped for at Riverview. But there is another reason why we wanted this new House. To do a retreat well, to do the work thoroughly, one must have proper surroundings. The surroundings of a College, however beautiful in themselves, may not be the best surroundings in which to make a Retreat. This has been proved by experience again and again in many countries. And the efforts made at Riverview showed the same thing to be true.

But Loyola is more than the continuation of the earlier efforts at Riverview. It is more than an effort to do the work done there amid more suitable surroundings. It is all this, no doubt, but it is much more. The opening of Loyola means the extension to Australia of that wonderful movement of Retreats for Laymen, which, during the last thirty years, has achieved such extraordinary results, and brought forth such incalculable fruit in the souls of men. Loyola, the first house of its kind in Australia, and the latest addition to the ranks of these Houses of Retreats, completes the grand circle round the globe of houses where men, weary and soul-tired in the struggle for life, may withdraw to refresh their souls, renew their spiritual vigour, enhance their faith, and increase the steadfastness of their religious convictions.

Already the work has begun. Batch after batch is quietly coming to spend at Loyola three days going through the simple but soul-filling exercises of St. Ignatius. Men here in Australia are learning, slowly but surely, what a new and valuable asset they possess in the House of Retreats so recently placed at their disposal.

We would commend this work in a very special way to our ex-students. Have we not a right to look to them to give a lead in the early stages of this work? Apart from their position, apart from the advantages they have had in a college education, they know what a Retreat means; they know its benefits, and they can appreciate already what is as yet unknown to many Catholic men in our midst, the value of a Retreat to men engaged in the battle of life in the world. Some have already visited Loyola. We hope to find these numbers increase as this year goes on. Of one thing we are sure, it is that not one of them will ever regret the time or sacrifice of any kind that a Retreat at Loyola may entail.

Retreats will be given at Loyola from Xmas to Easter as follows:—

January:

Friday, 12th to Tuesday, 16th.
Wednesday, 17th to Sunday, 21st.
Thursday, 25th to Monday, 29th.

February:

Friday, 9th to Tuesday, 13th.
Friday, 23rd to Tuesday, 27th.

March:

Friday, 1st to Tuesday, 5th.
Friday, 8th to Tuesday, 12th.
Friday, 22nd to Tuesday, 26th.
Sunday, 31st to Thursday, April 4th.
(In preparation for Easter).

The dates for the Retreats to be given after Easter can be ascertained on application to the Superior. Intending retreatants would do well to communicate early with him. The number of rooms is limited; they will be allotted in order of application.

—R.J.M.

EXCHANGES.

The Editors beg to acknowledge with thanks the following exchanges.

Australian Photo Review.
Australian Photographic Journal.
Bathurst Convent Annual.
Beaumont Review.
Belvederian.
Blue and Blue.
Blue and White (N.Z.).
Brisbane Grammar School Magazine.
Catholic Magazine of S. Africa.
C.B.C. Annual (Adelaide).
Clongownian.
Dial.
Echoes from St. Stanislaus.
Ecole Technique (Liege).
Fordham Monthly.
Fleur-de-Lis.
Gonzaga.
Genazzano.
Hawkesbury Agric. Coll. Mag.
Holy Cross College Annual.
Mangalore Magazine.
Maryborough Grammar Schools' Magazine.
Melburnian.
Memoirs of Rosebank.
Mungret Annual.
Newingtonian.
Nudgee College Magazine.
North Point Annual (India).
Record (S.H.S.)
Record (St. Virgil's, Tas.).
Scotch Collegian (Melbourne).
Stonyhurst Magazine.
S.J.C.
St. Michel.
St. Peter's Collegiate Magazine.
S.P.C. (Ballarat).
Spring Hill Review.
Sydneian.
Swan.
Torch-Bearer.
T.K.S. Magazine.
Vincentia.
Xaverian (Kew).
Xaverian (Calcutta).
Xavier (New York).

Senior Debate.

PRESIDENT: REV. R. LITTLE, S.J.

COMMITTEE: S. RYAN (HON. SEC.), P. MOORE, S. McDONNELL, D. FOY, B. VEECH, C. MOORE, J. BARRY.

THE first division debate commenced on Sunday, September 2, and lasted for ten nights. Interest in the session ran more than usually high. Nearly all the members of the community assisted and spoke. The motion before the House was: "England should keep up the defensive alliance with France rather than have a peaceful agreement with Germany."

Mr. P. Moore (Premier), in moving the motion, called on all present to seriously consider the importance of the motion submitted. An agreement with Germany, he said, was unnatural and cowardly—unnatural because of the deadly enmity which Germany bears England; cowardly because the agreement would be made with Germany merely because we were afraid of her. Germany's hostility was sufficiently active without being further encouraged. German seditionmongers were at work in Egypt, India and Morocco. We were all aware of the hostility of the German Club in Sydney, and remembered the treatment of the S.S. "Ysabel" in the Marshall Group. Germany would enter France if the Anglo-French alliance were severed, and thus be closer to England's walls, and Gibraltar, the key of the Mediterranean. England would lose the assistance of the French fleet in the Mediterranean. The invasion of France by Germany must be stopped at all costs, owing to the barbarity of the Germans, who, in the last Franco-Prussian war, shelled hospitals and convents. German's land-grabbing policy was frustrated by the Anglo-French alliance; this had been proved in the Morocco incident. Remember Sir Edward Grey and Lord Kitchener's advice to keep up a forceful and aggressive spirit. This was the policy that built up the empire, and which sent Cook on perilous voyages to unknown seas, and led to the colonisation of our native land, Australia. Keep the Union Jack floating above that empire upon which the sun never sets. Destroy this policy and make overtures to Germany and the foundations of our empire would be destroyed, and France placed at the mercy of a remorseless enemy. The traditions of the British race have always been to protect the weak; do not prove yourselves degenerate by failing in necessary courage to continue these traditions. Be true to your forefathers and true to your fatherland, for remember, England gathers hence but fruitless wreaths of fame if the valour of your fathers glows not in your hearts the same.

Mr. S. McDonnell (Leader of the Opposition) held that as English and Germans are both descended from the same forefathers, and hence have much more in common than Englishmen and Frenchmen, as regards manners, social life, etc., England would be more likely to agree with the Germans than with the French. It was to the advantage of England, he thought, to unite with Germany. England might lose something now, but later on, if there were no alliance, Germany would take much more from her. If no alliance were made war would be inevitable. After this war, when both empires were weakened, the yellow races, whose armies are so numerous, would work great devastation in Europe.

Mr. J. Barry (Attorney-General), in a forcible speech, said: Germany is not our friend; she is ambitious, and wishes to usurp our position. She would keep such an agreement until such time as she should become as strong as ourselves. A German agreement would rob us of a friend and ally—France. With the help of France we can make our position as leading nation secure.

Mr. R. Barry (member for Parramatta) advised England to break at once the alliance with France. When a country such as France does not strengthen herself, but relies on an alliance with another nation for protection, it is time that such an alliance was broken. Keep clear of France, and cultivate a friendly feeling with Germany, and you have a combination that is capable of swaying the world, physically and morally.

Mr. H. Deery (Minister for Defence), who was greeted by tremendous cheering on rising, declared that Germany was a country which openly despised England, as was shown by the hostile demonstration made by their subjects on Coronation Day in all parts of the world. The members of the Opposition would have England discontinue the alliance with France, one of their

reasons being France's low moral state. What had they to prove that Germany's moral state was not still lower? France's great wealth was of tremendous assistance to England. Her army and navy had undergone severe trials, and had proved themselves ready to make a great stand against Germany at a moment's notice.

Mr. B. Veech (member for Wellington), whom all the College knows as a lover of peace, commenced his oration by saying "We want peace." Continuing, the hon. member said: To have it we should ally with Germany, because in keeping our alliance with France war will be the result. If we were to go to war with Germany it would crush trade, which in these days is the greatest asset a nation can possess. Much English money is sunk in shares in various German undertakings, and we should lose this. By helping France we cannot derive any good, as she is a rapidly declining nation; on the other hand, by forming an alliance with Germany we can expect much more trade than France can give us.

Mr. D. Foy (Minister for Lands) appealed for the continuance of the French alliance. France, he said, was a nation abounding in wealth, with an extensive commerce, hostile to Germany, and possessing a fleet of considerable importance. Since France is close to England, and has several possessions in the Mediterranean, an alliance with her would be of invaluable service to England in time of war. France once conquered, the Germans would undoubtedly turn upon England.

Mr. C. Moore (member for Cronulla) compared France to a broken reed. She had nothing to rely on now but the prestige which her former triumphs had given her. Her ambassadors had little weight in big European conferences. Look at the level to which her troops have descended, *i.e.*, to opposing defenceless religious, driving them from their rightful homes, and confiscating their properties. The party factions, which are so prevalent in France, such as the Royalists and Republicans, tear her to pieces, their one aim seemingly being not to better their country, not to increase trade, not to keep France respected by other powerful nations, but to drive out religion from their day-schools, from the colleges, from their country.

Mr. J. Kennedy (Minister for Education) said: The question discussed is of paramount importance to us Australians, especially when war clouds are hovering about, as we are British subjects. Germany is England's great rival in the industrial world, and is desirous of being superior to England in naval power, and of increasing her colonies. It should be England's aim to check these ambitions of Germany. She can do this by supporting France and keeping Germany from obtaining more African possessions. Should Germany get a stronger hold on Africa, Gibraltar, the key to the Mediterranean and England's Eastern possessions, would be in danger. England has, besides, to watch Russia, who is no friend of hers.

Mr. S. Ryan (Member for Rockdale) said: We cannot expect France and England to be friendly, even though united by treaty, when we recall the struggles between the two nations in years gone by. Will France ever forget Trafalgar and Waterloo? France being so atheistical, it is England's duty to assist in crushing her rather than to help to maintain her.

Mr. J. Kain (Minister for Justice) said: The Germans are not yet strong enough to attack England, but under England's wing would be fearless of attack from any foreign power, and so would devote themselves entirely to England's overthrow. The Opposition may argue that France is a decaying power. She may be, but the least bit of help is better than none, so let us keep that help while we can command it. Does the Opposition mean to tell us that the Germans would have acted in the manner they did concerning the Moroccan question if the claims of France had not been supported by England? Certainly not. Gentlemen, it is but the combination of English and French forces which keeps the German in check. Vote against Germany then—Germany whose sole ambition it is to make England a nation of the past.

Mr. C. Wilkinson (Member for Maitland) said: France has no power of colonising; her colonies are perpetually groaning under the yoke of bad government. They should be handed over to a nation that has need of them, and is capable of controlling them. England took over Egypt when the Khedive got into trouble, so Germany should take over some French possessions.

England has lately formed an alliance with Japan, a progressive and military nation, which ranks among the great powers of the world. Why then keep the alliance with France, a nation which is falling into decay?

Mr. E. Hynes (Minister for Foreign Affairs) made an urgent appeal for France, the country which had done so much towards the enlightenment of Europe by her encouragement of science and literature. France is worthy of being aided by England in her hour of need. The valuable assistance France gave England in the Crimea deserves some return on the part of the latter country. France, though at present astray, is Catholic, while Germany is a hot-bed of Lutheranism.

Mr. H. Allan (Member for Newcastle) held there was no use sticking to a sinking ship.

The French nation is being rapidly demoralised, and its men are becoming effeminate. The French Navy is inefficient and badly managed, and discipline is lax. The French Republicanism and rabid socialism clash with the good old principles which have made England what she is. The low birth rate shows that the French are seeking more and more pleasure and luxury, and becoming careless of what happens to their country.

Mr. B. Monie (Minister for Customs) discarded the idea of allying with Germany. "No one," he said, "can seriously consider an agreement with Germany" England and Germany are rivals for the title of "Chief Nation of the World." Is it not natural then that they must be enemies? If they did form an agreement they would not keep it for any length of time, because one nation would soon discover that she was the stronger, and within a very short time would make war on the other. The Opposition seem very afraid of China, and no doubt will endeavour to excite us by this fear, at the same time telling us that Germany is the only nation to help us to avert this danger. But what about the Japanese? They seem to be forgotten entirely, and as you know, Japan at the present time is superior to China in military affairs, so through her the danger from China is minimised.

Mr. E. Dinan (Member for Glebe) opposed the alliance with France, and based his contention on the fact that the prestige of England would be lowered by such an alliance. He dwelt on the unenviable condition of France at the present day, and quoted history to show that England has always shown herself superior to France. The revolutionary spirit so rife in France is repugnant to every healthy-minded Englishman. France is to-day the home of ultra-socialistic principles, the most corrupt system of Freemasonry, and of a general conspiracy against the ideals and traditions of all that is good and noble in mankind. Consequently, concluded the speaker, England's prestige could not be upheld if she united with such a country.

Mr. L. McAlary (Minister for Mines) advised England not to treat Germany familiarly, or she would by degrees lose that wholesome fear she has of England, and strike what might prove a deadly blow to her erstwhile ally.

Mr. J. Bryant (Member for North Sydney) was the next gentleman to address the House. In his opinion the French Alliance would soon involve England in European wars. If England were to stick to her policy of keeping aloof from continental quarrels, she would not need a great army, but could best be preserved by an ever-increasing imperial navy. The English Empire is strong enough already without the French alliance.

Mr. F. Irwin (Minister for the Interior) said that, notwithstanding the shortcomings of the French fleet, the help of her ships would do much to bring England really up to the two power standard, and Toulon, a naval base in the Mediterranean, would be put at England's disposal.

Mr. J. McKay (Member for Warren) spoke of the advisability of letting Germany expand. She is simply crowded at present; she must have colonies, so better let her take French ones.

Mr. T. Daniel (Minister for Railways) made an appeal to our higher feelings. France, he said, had always been one of the finest nations in the world. Her people are noted for their happy temperament, and their sparkling wit and genius. She may be deep in error at present, but this is not wholly her own fault.

Mr. H. Craven (Member for Rose Bay) urged us to make a friend of Germany, since we fear her as an enemy. She is, he said, a progressive country; with her help we might even add some French colonies to our empire. France is only a burden to England. Notwithstanding what may be said to the contrary, the French army was vastly inferior to that of Germany.

Messrs. R. Murphy, V. Crowley, K. Grosvenor, C. Gordon, G. Johnstone, D. McAlary, and F. Synnott spoke for and against the motion respectively. We should be pleased to report their speeches in extenso, had not the many speakers who preceeded them virtually appropriated their different arguments. Messrs. G. Trim, M. McGahey and others spoke from the cross-benches.

The Government succeeded in passing their motion on a show of hands by 24 to 17; and also on points, 82 to 80. For merit of speeches the Government being awarded 72 points, and the Opposition 65; the latter, however, gaining an advantage of 5 points in the cross-questioning.

ARCHBISHOP'S ADVICE TO RIVERVIEW BOYS—PAST AND PRESENT.

"Let the Riverview boys excel in all spheres of society, in all stations, and in all professions in life. Let them, particularly when they leave the College, make themselves known to their bishop and their parish priest. Let them take an interest in all parochial works, first of all as generous and active Catholics, and then as men who are second to none in their professional walks in life." *(Extract from the Archbishop's Address.)*

College Jottings.

July 11.—So soon! A number of boys whose homes are far away remained at the College during the holidays. Martial Gaspard (Fiji) and Frank Irwin (Q.), however, spent the last week of the vacation at Katoomba. All delighted to see the staff augmented by Fr. Healy, whom Riverview first knew as Joe Healy, the left-handed bowler, then as Mr. Healy, S.J., and now as Fr. Healy, S.J.

July 15.—There were rumours of a teachers' strike. If there were one, would boarders be kept at the college till it was over?

July 16.—We offer our congratulations to Claude Moore, Bryan Veech, and Don Foy on being chosen to play in the All Schools' match against University. This year the combined schools won.

July 23.—Meeting of Second Division to make arrangements for debate. It was decided to select a subject that could be readily spoken about. W. Dalton was chosen to move,—"That picture shows move in the right direction."

July 31.—St. Ignatius Day. An account of the celebrations will be found in General Notes. Famous Town v. Country match played; Town won, 3-nil. The photos of both teams are given in these columns. Messrs. Stephenson and Davis, S.J., celebrated the feast on the high seas. On the menu of the S.S. "Roon" we notice sandwiches à la Stephenson, sauerkraut à la Davis, potatoes à la Murphy. Our popular Rector got a memento—cutlets à la Gartlan.

August 2.—Football in full swing again. Since midwinter it has been hard to get the teams together, especially the junior teams. Newington beat Firsts 17-0.

August 9.—Splendid match against St. Joseph's; no score till half-time. Last whistle left Riverview the victors, 11 to nil.

August 13.—Opening night of Second Division debate. The independent members surpassed themselves; one of them "eclipsed" himself on being invited to address the House. He mustered up courage the following evening and redeemed his reputation.

August 15.—The Feast of the Assumption of Our Lady was celebrated with befitting splendour. Before the Boys' Mass, Masters J. Payten, W. Wall, C. Burke, G. Lievain and C. Dalglish were solemnly received into the third division section of the Sodality of the Holy Angels by the Very Rev. T. P. Brown, S.J., Superior of the Jesuits in Australia.

August 16.—Flags half-mast on account of the death of the Cardinal; they will remain so until after his interment next Sunday.

August 17.—At the Mass which was said for the Cardinal, Father Rector spoke of the late prelate as a great scholar, a great statesman, and above all a great Churchman.

August 18.—The choir sang the Dies Irae and Benedictus during mass, and Fr. Pigot played Beethoven's "Dead March."

August 19.—Whole house went to the city to pay their last tribute of respect to the memory of the late Cardinal. J. Barry, J. Bryant, J. Kennedy, J. McKay, J. Kain, H. Craven, F. Synnott, C. Moore, H. Daly, J. Bridge, Stan. McDermott, A. Mackenzie, wearing sodality medals, represented the boys in the procession. Fr. Rector and many of the community also marched.

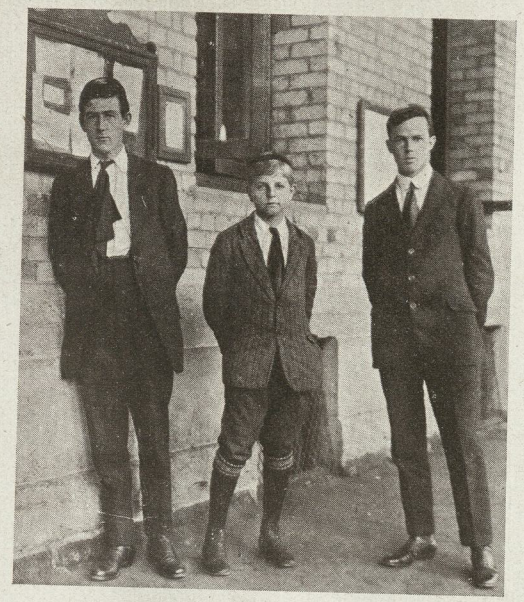
August 20.—Third Division debate. Subject: "That people were really happier in olden times than in modern times." "Scotty," the gardener's terrier, likes to play with the boys, but when too many get round him, he fears (with reason) for his safety, and makes his way au galop to the Rector's office. Once behind the Rector he assumes an offensive attitude.

August 24.—Close of Second Division debate, the Government failing to carry their motion.

August 27.—The "Scallies," after having elected their captain, proceeded to the top field to play Joe Payten's gallant Fifths. The

Fifths got more "frees," but their opponents got more tries; so once more the honours went to Second Division. What if Mr. Cuffe were here?

August 30.—Last of this season's football matches. Everything running in eights. Firsts lost to Sydney Grammar 8-3; Thirds beat Grammar 8-0; Fourths beat Grammar 8-5; and, observed "one who knows," Bryan Veech played his 48th school match. The Firsts certainly showed a marked improvement during



REPORTERS FOR THREE DIVISIONS.
S. McDONNELL, J. SEYMOUR ALLAN, M. CLARKE.

the last half of the season. Their game against St. Joseph's was a magnificent exhibition of football, and it might be said that the North Shore and Grammar games just slipped through their hands. The Thirds finished as they began—brilliantly. They won all their matches: Newington, 15-0; C.E.G.S., 22-8; S.G.S., 19-0; C.E.G.S., 23-0; S.G.S., 8-0. Encouraged by the successes of the Thirds, the Fourths issued their challenge to the corresponding team from Sydney Grammar, with the result stated above. This is, we believe, the first match a Fourth team has had against a great public school.

August 31.—The honour caps went to M. Bolger (forward), Don Foy (back), and V. Foley (improvement). Carlos Gordon must have gone very close to getting a cap.

September 1.—Wattle Day. That boy with the bulgy pockets—what have you stowed away there? Everything, from boot polish to a diary. Suiting the actions to the words, the young gentleman proceeded laboriously to lighten his pockets, and in doing so demonstrated the truth of his assertion.

September 2.—Some false notions set right in the Study Hall. The word "can't" severely challenged. Many thanks to the editor of the "Daily Telegraph" for the puff he gives Second Division every morning. The first thing that catches our eye is "Second Division *Perfect*, Riverview, Sydney."

September 3.—Opening night of Senior Debating Society. Their session lasted ten nights, the Government succeeding in passing their motion,—"That England should keep up the defensive alliance with France, and not welcome a peaceful agreement with Germany" —by 7 votes. On marks they also won—82 to 80.

September 5.—Claude Moore (captain), Peter Moore and R. Barry elected committeemen for cricket. Boys seem to enjoy the preparation for sports and deciding of heats quite as much as the sports themselves. Boy (of liberal proportions) looking at a photo. of the refectory in an English college on the occasion of their coronation dinner, and noticing their motto under crest—"Quant je puis, eh! What more pressing would one want than that? Our 'quantum potes tantum aude' is not half so pressing as that."

September 7.—Special interest shown in the handball tournament. The Gaspard—Trimm game was a magnificent display of sportsmanship. Trimm had 20-8 before Martial got used to the new ball. One by one Gaspard caught up, and finally conquered. So near and yet so far, Gordon. Hey! you with the grave accent on the second last e, what are you doing down here? Are you in anything? Paul, it's cooler in togs.

September 8.—The Riverview prayer-books are greatly admired. Congratulations to Fr. Hassett on getting them for us, and in having the college crest stamped on them. Glowing accounts of the wonderful pond the Third Divisioners are making continue to enter the editors' box. Unless exact depth is given, we cannot publish accounts; otherwise fond mothers may have visions of the little architects and contractors struggling in their handiwork. Harry (reading paper): "Did you see

that the boys in a Welsh school went on strike?" Ralph: "What happened then?"

September 9.—Sports Day; ideal weather. Even before classes ended things were buzzing on Father Hartnett's verandah. We thought a swarm of bumble bees were attacking the canaries, but on investigation we saw posted over an electric machine: "Your name engraved while you wait." Father Pigot left for Europe, where he will visit the various seismographs directed by the Jesuit Fathers and the different Governments.

September 16.—The Firsts played Mosman. Though Redmond Barry got the hat trick, we were not victorious. Gordon's alarm watch is causing great excitement, not in the early morning, but in the evening study. Congratulations to J. Barry, V. Carroll, and H. Bowler on their successes in the All Schools' Sports. Jim won the 100 yards handicap (there was only one conceding him a start, and that 1 yard), and Vin. the handicap 440, Harold getting third.

September 18.—School regulations appear quite easy now that we are familiar with military documents. "You are notified that you must attend. . . penalty two months," ran one of them. Play hour detentions, which, by the way, don't find much favour with the masters, seem nothing at the side of this.

September 19.—O. A. M. congratulates Father Richard Murphy, S.J., on being appointed Superior of the House of Retreats at Loyola. The new Superior was for many years on the Riverview staff.

September 24.—Vin. Carroll and Jack Barry received the trophies they won at the All Schools' Sports.

September 29.—Michaelmas. Dulce domum! How opportunely does this three days' break come! We shall make a break also in our acta diurna here; they will be continued elsewhere.

Oct. 2.—Return: most of us are up to time, for there is three hours' drill to-morrow, or more correctly, for fear of having three hours extra drill with a fine added. Shakespeare consols us, "If all the year were playing holidays, to sport would be as tedious as to work." The cadets of the "John Murray," accompanied by their officers, were entertained at the College. We have two new masters, Messrs. Hanley and McLoughlin, S.J.

Oct. 9.—Prefects are in their divisions, but not the boys. Follow those sweet strains of music and you will find them in the study hall, where Father Healy has the College orchestra in full swing. Carlos returns to study even in recreation time, provided the orchestra is playing. He says the music helps him to catch the poet's meaning in the author he is preparing.

Oct. 17.—Doughty, the drummer, is the big draw at the orchestral practices just now. Ingenious aspirants to orchestral honours are suggesting the inclusion of all kinds of instruments, they themselves to be the performers.

Oct. 20.—Three medals for batting, bowling and fielding are offered for competition amongst the fifths of Third Division and the "Scallies" of Second Division. Three test matches are to be played, the winning side will be presented with a Cup, which will be held by their division until they are defeated. The notice posted up by Father Healy explains the object of these competitions: "No one has a chance of getting a prize who does not play according to the recognised rules of correct cricket."

Oct. 21.—Newington beat the Firsts. The Thirds beat Christian Brothers' College, Waverley. The bowling and fielding were particularly brilliant. The magnificent catches made by W. McDonnell and H. Daly were justly applauded by both sides.

Oct. 25.—Captain Bryan and Don, rowers' representatives, paid a visit to the Thirds' net, and before leaving issued them a challenge to a match for the following Sunday.

Oct. 28.—Anthony Raper, Jack Sellar and Roger Barry, senior elementarians, are the conjoint stage managers in the production of "A Narrow Escape," which is being staged by their class. "Scallies" object to having their team picked by their opponents, the Fifths; they protested against a team playing under their honoured name who were not selected from the best in their net, pointing out that the above-mentioned team were a grade lower, and, according to the custom of the house, should be called "slashers." Protest was upheld.

Oct. 29.—Local match decided. Rowers, with exception of Julian Bryant, lacked staying power. A wag, noticing Frank before and

Wit behind, went off into trochees—long, short, long, short. . . .

Nov. 1.—All Saints' Day. Five new candidates received into Sodality of the Blessed Virgin. Special music during Mass. Sydney Grammar School matches postponed on account of rain. College Orchestra gave their first recital. "What sort of bait did you use to hook the programmes, Neville?"

Nov. 4.—Aiding the photographer. "Don't smile, Eric, just as he is going to press the bulb." Eric: "I can't rub it out, can I." Never mind, Eric, in the thirties, "Look pleasant, please,"

Nov. 6.—Number of open-air sleepers increasing. Ralph got a shock the first night he was on the verandah. Waking up he saw the moon, and finding the surroundings undormitory like, he thought he was home, but, alas!

Nov. 11.—By mistake St. Aloysius put twelve men on the field to-day. Our twelfth man, A.B.C., turned out to be a top-notcher, besides keeping the wicket up for the eleventh man who made 20.

Nov. 12.—Warden's Picnic. Vin. Carroll seems to have been the "lion" of the day. "Bad



OPEN-AIR DORMITORY.

bore a wider significance than now. The method then adopted was to place the victim in full sunlight with closed eyes and powdered skin, and constrain him to keep quiet for half-an-hour. Each picture, besides, meant a separate sitting.

Nov. 4.—Daly's famous catch and Clifford's and Daly's bowling in the match against Newington will be long remembered. Con got 5 for 13. What seemed a lost match was eventually won with a big margin to spare. We would counsel our young batsmen to respect a little more the so-called "sweet" bowlers.

knock you got, Bernie," B.: "Good enough for an early bed." "Early bed; why, I got a sleep in, too, for less than that."

Nov. 18.—Thirds beat Sydney Grammar 154-47. The fielding of Young, Daly and Bowler was particularly good. Clifford made 48 and McDonnell 51.

Nov. 19.—Colman and his companion were nicely caught making a dash for the tram line before the appointed time; the rest of the choir and the orchestra went for a picnic. Little Willie Roberson says he can't go home to Ocean Is-

land at Xmas. time, as the climate is bad for middle-aged people; it is, however, all right for babies and grown-ups.

Nov. 21.—"Ah, D., up to your tricks again. I thought you had turned over a new leaf." "You can't judge a book by its cover." "But you're not a book." "Well, then, how am I to turn over the new leaf?" All delighted to welcome Walter Dalton from Orange, and to see him looking so well.

Nov. 26.—Third local test match decided. Cup goes to Third Division. Jim Thom's team fare better on the top-field where "boundaries" can be got more easily.

Nov. 27.—You would think that half the house were rehearsing "You hold yourself like this" ("Patience"), did you not advert to the fact that our local bowlers are practising "googlies." Father Healy's brother, who is proficient at them, played with the boys yesterday.

Nov. 28.—"On dit que," Paul startled a local photographer by asking, "Have you the negative of me," and a local military officer by offering to "make him justice if he would sit for him." That un œuf is enough. That a popular Third Divisioner will get a mention in an article to be sent in for this issue. That the Earl left his glasses on the rocks during a recent peregrination. That everyone looks military since the arrival of the uniforms. That it makes one envious to see the Wallabies on the Infirmary verandah at three fixed times a day. That the multitudes of Second Division were quiet spectators at the second local test match until "advice" was given to the Fifths. That these young gentlemen will make a name for themselves on the playing fields as they are undoubtedly doing in studies. Query, will they, as Thirds, be as formidable a combination as the present Thirds?

Dec. 2.—Three ringing cheers given for Bryan Veech and Carlos Gordon. During his five years here, Bryan has been captain of First XV., and of the Rowing Club. He was, besides, the vice-prefect of the B.V.M. Sodality. Carlos, our champion hurdler, took an active part in the local theatricals and the Debating Clubs. His play on the football field amongst the backs was particularly brilliant. He also rowed in the College Eight. Congratulations to Redmond Barry on passing in five subjects, and to Roy McCarthy on passing his final subject in the Law Matriculation Exam.

Dec. 3.—Concert and distribution of prizes won in connection with the recent local test matches. "Sprinkling" in Second Division.



ANTHONY RAPER AND HIS BROTHER PIERROTS. 51

Dec. 6.—Break-up. The garden and quadrangle look beautiful. Father Hassett has spared himself no pains to give the visitors a garden treat. Master: "That trolly is meant for boxes, Anthony!" Anthony: "Boxes, sir! That's all right so, I'm a hard case." The gold medal presented by M. R. Cranney, Esq., for champion athlete, was won by Senan Ryan. Kevin, his brother, won it last year. Stan. McDonnell got the gold medals (designed after College crest) for the bowling and batting averages.

MUSICALE.

"I am here with you as the most capricious poet."
"As You Like It"—iii. 2.

REGATTA CONCERT.

THANKS to the devoted and persevering energy of Mr. O'Brien, S.J., we have once more with us the ever-popular favourites of Gilbert and Sullivan, which met with so much success under Mr. Walsh. Our faithful clientèle who have been following the fortunes of Riverview histrionics for many years past, have, doubtless, pleasant memories of the delightful repertoire, comprising "H.M.S. Pinafore," "Trial by Jury," "The Gondoliers," "Mikado," "Iolanthe," "Pirates of Penzance," "Utopia," "The Grand Duke," already produced under the latter's able management. It was with feelings of misgiving that Mr. O'Brien approached this, his biggest subject so far, but the event adequately rewarded his courage and perseverance. It is now our sincere wish that these newly-revived masterpieces of comedy have come to stay.

The performance of "Patience" was invested with a peculiarly pathetic interest, arising from the death of the grand old man of comedy, Sir W. Gilbert, which was almost co-incident with it.

No apology, perhaps, is needed for reviving what must be a charming memory of a charming comedy by giving a short sketch of it. "The piece," says a recent writer, "was primarily designed to put the searchlight of clever ridicule on the ultra-æsthetic craze." With this object in view, two poets are selected—the one "idyllic," the other "fleshly"—Grosvenor and Bunthorne respectively. The former is "æsthetic and poetic," the latter, on his own confession, is "an æsthetic sham." The proverbial love of fleeting fashion in woman (is woman fond of fashion merely because it is changeable?) is shown by the conduct of "twenty love-sick maidens," who in turn love Bunthorne, the dragoons, Grosvenor, and finally the dragoons once more, according as "la mode" changes—proving obdurate to all reasoning and appeal, and blind even to the usually irresistible power of the ridiculous and absurd.

The small boys who took the part of the love-sick maidens, though a manly set of little chaps in ordinary life, were very lady-like for the occasion, not only in "make-up," but in voice and gesture. Clad in æsthetic garb of brightly coloured, flowing robes, bearing lyres in their hands, they formed a brilliant tableau of a highly artistic character. Indeed, at times, the eye feasted on a rare scene of dainty colours harmoniously blended—when dragoons and maidens mingled together.

McArdle played the rôle of Bunthorne, in which he found ample scope for his more than ordinary histrionic talent. He possesses a remarkable power of "holding" his audience, with his inexhaustible store of gesture and mimicry. Every turn of the head, roll of the eyes and action of the body is pregnant with pantomimic effect. He does not "act" his part, but "lives" it. His part and he are one. It is not McArdle acting Bunthorne, but the living Bunthorne himself. No large audience, no enthusiastic applause can detract one iota from his naïveté and naturel. Particular mention should be made of the scene in which he threatens Grosvenor with a nephew's curse if he does not become "a matter-of-fact young man"—of his duet with Lady Jane, in which he sings, "Hey to you, Good-day to you." Lady Jane's supercilious "Pooh" and its co-relative

Bunthorne's contemptuous "Bah," elicited an enthusiastic encore. As an exponent of mock melodrama in the scene, "Am I Alone and Unobserved," he was inimitable.

Lady Jane's rôle was assisted by the "make-up" of that "massive" and rugged antiquity, and by the "thorough-paced absurdity" of the part she had to play. Webster fitted this part well, interpreting it with considerable intelligence. The climax of the ludicrous was reached when the devoted Jane, bandied like a bauble between Grosvenor and Bunthorne, is at length selected by the Duke as his bride, and throws her heavy bundle of charms upon his martial bosom, sighing hysterically and with ecstacy, "Di-ee-uke!"

Doughty Arnold as Lady Angela scored a distinct success, producing, in keeping with his part, a classic effect. His voice, which has much improved of late, was very sweet, and was listened to with much pleasure. His manner was natural, and he appeared quite at his ease. Jim McKay proved a handsome and elegant Grosvenor. His beautiful voice was much appreciated.



Jack Wall, in the title rôle of "Patience," adapted himself to the part very creditably. His duet with Grosvenor, "Prithee, pretty maiden," was liked very much, and in the pathetically comic scene in which he is torn 'twixt love and duty, his acting rose noticeably above the ordinary.

Bob Macken, as leader of the trio of soldiers, cut a very effective military figure, and sang with martial vigour the "Heavy Dragoon," ending up with one of those choruses that continue to haunt the memory, in which many more warriors joined. He was ably supported by his two confrères, Gordon and Wilkinson. All three surpassed themselves in the scene, "You hold yourself like this," in which they went through an amusing series of gymnastics in their efforts to practise the æsthetic art.

The charming music which is the twin companion of the libretto, and which has been said to hold the same relation to the written word as inflection does to the human voice—so intimately and necessarily are they bound up together—was accurately rendered by the orchestra, in which a number of the college pupils took part. Special praise and grateful thanks are due to the generous assistance rendered by Messrs. McMenamin and Boyle, who spared themselves no trouble in putting their valuable services at our disposal. Also to Mr. Keeling, our lay professor, whose interest and energy were unflagging during the frequent practices at which he lent his valuable assistance as pianist.

In conclusion it is interesting to mention that the success of the piece was rivalled only by the number of the audience, this latter constituting a record attendance.

After the performance, the prizes won at the Regatta were distributed, the visitors then adjourning to the dining hall for refreshments.

PROGRAMME.

Gilbert and Sullivan's Comic Opera:
"PATIENCE"; OR "BUNTHORNE'S BRIDE."
(by arrangement with Mr. J. C. Williamson.)

DRAMATIS PERSONÆ:

Colonel Calverley, Robert Macken; Major Murgatroyd, Clive Wilkinson; Lieut. The Duke of Dunstable, Carlos Gordon.
(Officers of the Dragoon Guards).

Reginald Bunthorne (a fleshly Poet), Frank McArdle; Archibald Grosvenor (an Idyllic Poet), James McKay; Mr. Bunthorne's Solicitor, Vincent Carroll.
(Chorus of Officers of Dragoon Guards).

The Lady Angela, Doughty Arnold; The Lady Saphir, Jerome Seymour Allan; The Lady Ella, Lock Mackenzie; The Lady Marjorie, James Carroll; The Lady Jane, John Webster.
(Rapturous Maidens).

Patience (a Dairy Maid), John Wall.
(Chorus of Rapturous Maidens).

Chorus—J. Bolger, C. Burke, T. Christian, V. Conlon, T. Corcoran, F. Cruise, H. Craven, C. Dalglish, H. Daly, B. Leonard, N. Macken, K. Monie, E. Moran, P. McAlary, L. McAlary, A. Mackenzie, B. Payten, J. Payten, W. Pinnock, G. Quigley, W. Wall, A. Harnett.

At Piano: Mr. J. Hugh McMenamin.

Act I.—Exterior of Castle Bunthorne.

Act II.—A Glade.

Costumes by Batham. Electrical effects by Olsen.

Conductor of Orchestra: Herr A. Wentzell.

GOD SAVE THE KING.

Distribution of Regatta Prizes.



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15th AUGUST CONCERT.

On the Feast of the Assumption a grand concert was given to the community and boys by Miss Fannie Bauer (Mrs. Frank Hickey) and Mr. Frank Hickey. The well-known Sydney soprano was in splendid voice, and treated her audience to a varied and charming selection of numbers, which were enthusiastically received. Mr. Frank Hickey showed himself a versatile artist, and long before the end of the concert was a great favourite with the boys. Tairo, the Maori magician, showed himself to be an illusionist of extraordinary ability. His tricks were most bewildering. Mr. Connie Bauer kept his audience in a roar of laughter by his clever monologue and animal impersonations. Mr. Sheridan's selections of Irish airs on the violin were most spirited and characteristic, and received an enthusiastic encore. Miss McMahon and Mr. Condon also sang well and received encores. The accompaniments were played by Miss Alicia Nolan and Mr. Charley Phillip. At the conclusion of the concert the Rector (Rev. Father Gartlan) warmly thanked his old friend, "Miss Fannie Bauer" and her husband, Mr. Frank Hickey, for the excellent entertainment they had given, and assured them that they and the ladies and gentlemen assisting them had given the community and boys unqualified pleasure. He disagreed only with the sentiment of Mrs. Hickey's last song (Tosti's "Good-Bye"), and said it should have been—not "Good-Bye" but "au revoir."

PROGRAMME.

Part I.

Overture—"Ballade" .. .. Chopin
Miss Alicia Nolan.

Song—"The Flower Song" (Opera "Faust") Gounod
Miss Pattie McMahon, A.L.C.M.

Song—"Thora" .. .. Adams
Mr. Frank Hickey.

Violin Solo—"Irish Airs" .. .. .. Carl Volti
Mr. J. J. Sheridan (Symphony Orchestra).

Songs—(a) "La Mia Piccirella"
(Opera "Salvatore Rosa") Gomez
(b) "The Meeting of the Waters" Moore
Miss Fanny Bauer (Mrs. Frank Hickey).

Song—"Toreador."
Mr. J. Condon.

Comic Song—"The Waiter"
Mr. Frank Hickey.

Magic—Illusions
Tairo, The Maori Magician.

Part II.

Duet—"Nay, bid me not resign"
(Opera "Don Giovanni")
Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hickey.

Monologue—
Mr. Connie Bauer.

Pianoforte Solo—
Mr. Chas. Phillip.

Recitation—"Kissing Cup's Race"
Mr. Frank Hickey.

Song—"Good-Bye" .. .. Tosti
Miss Fannie Bauer.

GOD SAVE IRELAND. AULD LANG SYNE.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 1.

An orchestral concert was given by an orchestra composed of the boy musicians of the College. Two months previous the idea of forming a College orchestra took root, and the soil being favourable a budding young orchestra grew up, increased and multiplied, always breathing forth such an uninterrupted harmony of sweet sounds that at last it had to be taken out of its modest obscurity and placed upon the public platform for inspection. The Feast of All Saints was the appointed day. For a full hour it was subjected to the inspection of a large audience. Overture, march, quintette, mazurka, American fantasia followed each other amidst generous applause. The American fantasia went with a catching swing, and was encored so imperatively that a repetition was necessary to satisfy the musical appetite of the audience.

Songs and recitations were interwoven with the orchestral items to grace and beautify, as well as vary and strengthen, the evening's programme.

The orchestra has since retired to its legitimate obscurity to prepare for its next public appearance before a still larger audience.

ORCHESTRA.

Violins I.—Masters P. McMahon (Leader), E. Hynes, P. Galvin, R. Corcoran.

Violins II.—Masters P. Seymour Allan, F. Carroll, V. Carroll.

Piano—Mr. F. G. A. Keeling.

Violoncello—Rev. F. X. O'Brien, S.J.

Bass—Mr. J. Berryman.

Clarionets—Rev. B. Loughnan, S.J., Masters E. Dinan and F. McArdle.

Flutes—Masters S. McDermott and H. Bowler.

Tympani—Master G. Arnold.

Cornet—Master M. Gaspard.

Bass Drum and Triangle—Master N. Chester.

PROGRAMME.

1. Overture—"La Boheme" Puccini
2. Vocal Solo—"Down the Vale" Frank L. Moir
Master J. McKay.
3. March—"Trois Marches Militaires" F. Schubert
(Op. 51. No. 1)
4. Recitation—"Schoolboys' Originality"
Master R. Barry.
5. Vocal Quartette—"The Owl and the Pussy Cat." R. de Keven
Revs. P. Dalton, F. X. O'Brien, Masters J. McKay, F. McArdle.
6. Quintette—"Loin Du Bal" Ernest Gillett
7. Vocal Solo—"The Cruiskeen Lawn" Moore
Rev. F. X. O'Brien, S.J.
8. Japanische Mazurka—"Schön Japan" Louis Ganne
9. Vocal Solo—"Swallows"
Master G. Arnold.
10. Recitation—"Mrs. Smith's Five"
Master R. Barry.
11. American Fantasia—"Happy Days in Dixie"
Thos. Bidgood

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

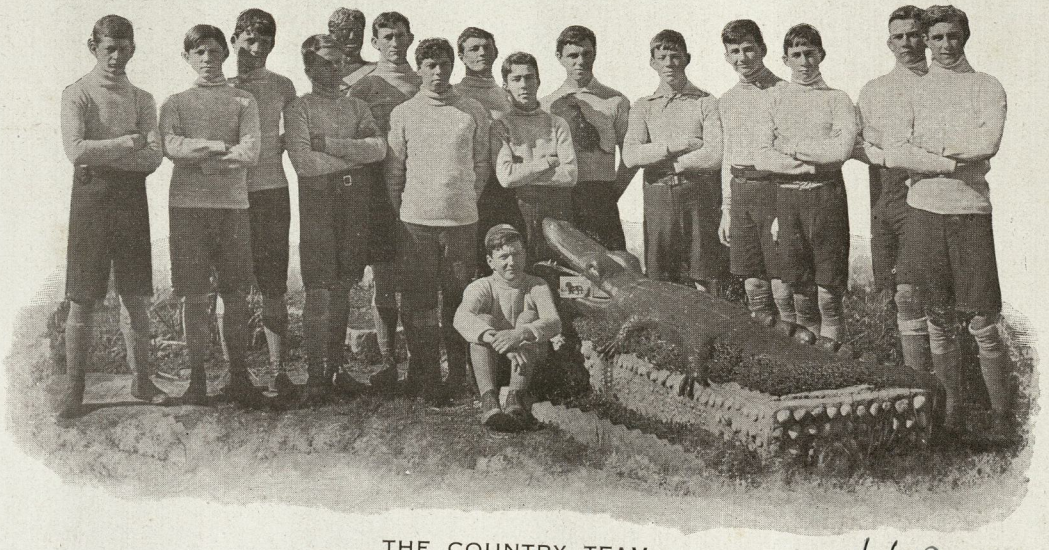
Junior Debate.

President: Rev. T. J. O'MARA, S.J.

Committee: W. DALTON (Hon. Sec), A. MORAN, J. BRIDGE, H. DALY.

THE members of the second division Debating Society met on Sunday, August 13, at 6.15 p.m., to discuss the good and harm done by picture shows. This was the first meeting of the term. A preliminary meeting had been held some weeks before to talk over matters connected with the club, and to choose a subject for the forthcoming debate. The president spoke of the advantages of being active members of our club, and gave some advice with regard to the way to reap benefit from our re-unions. He warned us against expecting too much from our first appearances in debate, and assured us that every serious effort made at the meetings would have its fruit. Examples were given of men, now prominent public speakers in Australia, whose first attempts at speech-making in literary societies were anything but encouraging. The speeches, he said, need not be long; have something to the point, say it, and then leave the floor to the next speaker. Extracts were then read from articles on speech-making which appeared in the "Alma Mater," particularly from one written by an old boy, now a prominent politician, who attributes much of his fluency to the practice he got in his early days at Riverview. It was decided to choose a subject on which everybody could speak readily, a more serious subject being reserved for our next debate. The motion to be moved by the Government was that "Moving pictures move in the right direction."

A paragraph read from the Beaumont College (London) Review appealed to us. "At the conclusion of the debate, Fr. Rector addressed us a few words pointing out the utility of debating clubs; his words made a great impression on us. Had they been addressed to us at the commencement of the term and not at the end, our meetings, we feel, would have been much more successful." We were reminded at the commencement of the term, so nothing remained but to put into practice the advice we had received. This we did, and our meeting was in every way successful.



THE COUNTRY TEAM. 460

It has been made a rule of this society that any gentleman attending the debate must be ready to address the house as an independent member, whenever he is called upon. The wisdom of this rule was emphasised on the different evenings. Competent judges assert, indeed, that the best speeches were those given

by independent members. These members are granted constituencies without any polling. They speak under the title of "the honourable member for—" wherever they come from. The member for Albury caused some merriment by disappearing when invited to speak on the motion. He overcame his nervousness the following evening and addressed the House.

Father Corcoran, Father Hassett and Messrs. Loughnan and O'Brien, S.J., attended, and took an active part in the proceedings. The subject did not lend itself to very deeply reasoned speeches. The principal arguments for and against were forcibly driven home by the members of the Government and Opposition, who were respectively:—

GOVERNMENT.

W. Dalton ..... Premier,
J. Webster ..... Postmaster-General,
U. Walsh ..... Minister for Railways,
M. Clarke ..... Attorney-General,
F. Crommelin .... Minister for Customs,
A. Mackenzie .... Minister for Education,
R. Weaver ..... Minister for Lands.

OPPOSITION.

A. Moran ..... Leader of Opposition,
J. Bridge ..... Member for Mosman,
H. Daly ..... Member for Glebe,
C. Bryant .... Member for North Sydney,
H. Regan ..... Member for Tamworth,
G. Rygate ..... Member for Grenfell,
L. Mackenzie ..... Member for Timaru.

Cricket Notes.





I. Division.
President:
Rev. C. Hartnett, S.J.
Committee:
C. Moore (Capt.)
R. Barry.
P. Moore.

II. Division.
President:
Rev. T. O'Mara, S.J.
Committee:
J. Hackett (Capt.)
W. McDonnell.
C. Clifford.

III. Division.
President:
Rev. F. Lyons, S.J.
Committee:
W. Wall (Capt.)
V. Conlon.
E. Evans.

THE principal feature of Cricket at Riverview this half-season has been the great activity displayed by the junior teams. The big boys played some fairly good matches, S. McDonnell, C. Moore, V. Crowley, R. Barry and J. Kain, showing good form, but on the whole, cricket is not popular with first divisioners. They go in principally for rowing. Hence there is no Second XI. playing. Mr. A. Bannerman, as coach, is as assiduous as ever. We were also visited several times by Messrs. Kelleway and Carrick. The Thirds are particularly brilliant. They beat, among other teams, Newington, Sydney Grammar, and the Railway Audit Office. They lost their first match played against North Shore through over-confidence: sundries were allowed to accumulate unnecessarily. They seemed to have forgotten that a "catch" missed is a twelfth man to the other side. Their fielding in the next school match amply atoned for this.

The Fourths are a good team, but have had very few matches, many of the teams booked to play them having for one reason or another been obliged to cancel engagements.

Since the return of Father Healy, S.J., the Fifths have come prominently forward in cricket circles. He is intent on developing to its full the splendid material now in Third Division. With the Fifths came into prominence their perpetual opponents, the Scallies.

FIRST XI.

Sept. 23, v. Gordon Vets.—Won by 6 wickets and 6 runs. For the home team Fraser (?) made 43, C. Moore 38 not out, Kain 25, R. Barry 14.

Sept. 16, v. Mosman.—Drawn. Visitors, 185; College, 7 for 76.

Oct. 14, v. C.E.G.S.—Lost by 166 runs. S. McDonnell made 34, V. Crowley 13. In the second innings this pair made 31 and 22 respectively.

Oct. 21, v. N.C.—Lost by 97 runs. J. Kain 20, H. Craven 10.

Oct. 28, v. S.H.S.—Lost by 107 runs. S. McDonnell 38, V. Crowley 18, J. Bryant 17. In the second innings only 4 of our wickets were down for 129.

Nov. 4, v. N.C.—Lost by 214 runs. V. Crowley 16.

Nov. 11, v. St. Paul's.—Drawn. Visitors, 169; home team, 6 for 107. Fraser 23. McDonnell 21, Deery 17.

Nov. 18, v. Holdsworth, Macpherson.—Draw. College, 127 for 5 wickets. J. Barry 73, R. Barry (not out) 28, V. Crowley 15.

THIRD XI.

Oct. 14, v. C.E.G.S.—Lost, 76 to 95. Cranney and Vavasour 12 each, Clifford 13, Young (not out) 8.

Oct. 21, v. Christian Bros., Waverley.—Won, 53 to 39. Clifford got 6 for 12, and McDermott 3 for 16.

Oct. 29, v. Rowers.—Won, 108 to 74. Cranney made 29, Clarke and McDonnell 14 each. Juliant Bryant, for rowers, 37.

Nov. 4, v. Newington.—Won, 67 to 34. On the opponents' display of cricket during our innings we thought our 67 would be easily passed. A brilliant catch by Daly broke up their first partnership, and magnificent bowling by Clifford, Daly and Cranney disposed of the rest.

Nov. 11, v. S.G.S.—Won, 152 to 47. McDonnell 51, for which he was presented with a bat by W. J. C. Kelly, Esq., of Messrs. Spalding Bros., Clifford 48. Daly and Clifford got 4 wickets each; Cranney got the other two.

Nov. 25, v. Railway Audit Office.—Won, 117-76. This team has been coming up for the Firsts for a great number of years. The Firsts were unable to play this time, so the Thirds stepped into the breach. They had thus an opportunity of trying their powers against men. Daly, the solid player of the team, made 27, Cunningham 17. For the visitors Mr. Lynch made 25. Daly took 7 wickets.

FOURTH XI.

Nov. 18, v. St. Aloysius.—Lost, 85 to 99. V. Carroll made 30, Cunningham 20, Foley 15. For the visitors Jones (?) made 20 retired, Kirtley 18, and Cody 23.

Nov. 25, v. Congregational School.—Won, 107 to 69. Dempsey made 48, A. Evans 26.

FIFTH XI.

These young cricketers confined their efforts principally to local competitions. A list of these games is given at the end of the article on the "Fighting Fifths."

As a sample of some of the interesting challenges received by one of the junior clubs we give the following (sic) :—

Dear Sir,—Just a few lines to ask you could you give us a match to play your C. Grade Cricket team as we have a small team that would be willing to play you, the bigest age is about 13½ to 14 and the rest are 11 or 12 years of age. I hope you will soon wright. Would you kindly put how much the fair is, return, as we have no Idea. Yours truly,

FRED.

ENGAGEMENTS FOR SECOND HALF OF SEASON.

FIRST XI.	THIRD XI.
Feb. 3, Ylo	Albany
„ 10, C.E.G.S. (out)	C.E.G.S.
„ 17, St. Paul's	S.H.S.
„ 24, S.H.S.	Surrey
Mar. 2, Chemists'	Homebush
„ 9, Ylo	N.C.
„ 23, Roseville	St. Aloysius
„ 30, Rail. Audit Office	Lipton

The capital letters refer to the other Great Public Schools.

The Fighting Fifths.

THE Fifths were anxious for a fight and the Scallies were game. They interchanged challenges. Both sides accepted. They selected weapons, sharp iron-pointed stumps, hard death-bearing balls, strong bullet-proof greaves, gauntlets and bats that dealt merciless blows—it was going to be a real desperate fight.

But there was one thing wanting, one thing to raise it to its highest pitch of excitement—a something to fight for. This want was soon supplied. Mr. C. Kelleway came forward with a "Record" bat, and the College offered a cup and three gold medals. Excitement was then at its height. No wonder. A cup for the victors, medals for distinguished service on the field, and a Kelleway slasher for improved all-round fighting.

It was no guerilla warfare that they were about to engage in—no, but a fight where victory absolutely depended on the skilful and scientific use of the weapons selected. This the Scallies well knew,

and so did the Fighting Fifths. Vigorous preparations were made on both sides. Old veterans skilled in the use of these weapons were requisitioned. Scallyland and the country of the Fighting Fifths woke up; all was bustle and activity. Googlies and Cotters and all sorts and sizes of deadly bombshells were being prepared, and every Scallyman and every Fighting Fifth spared no trouble, no fatigue, to secure for himself the only bullet and shell proof weapon known —the straight bat. So time slipped away amidst the manufacturing of balls and straight bats, and sure shies and carpet bags. At length the captains gave the order for the march. 'Twas the eve of battle. Captain Chester led the Scallies, and Captain Wall the Fighting Fifths.

The eventful day dawned. 'Twas the ever-memorable first Saturday of November, 1911 A.D. The battle began beneath a broiling sun; it raged for three whole days with every varying fortune. At last, Thursday evening saw the hopes of the vanquished Scallies sink with the setting sun. The Fighting Fifths marched forth from that hard fought field crowned with the laurels of victory. For Captain Wall, with his merry men, sent the Scallies flying all over the field, and then, when they were weary with the fatigues of the day, ordered up his artillery in the person of Teddy Evans and Frank Cruise; they completed their overthrow by shattering their weary stumps. The poor Scallies had to be carried off the field of battle to be mended.

For the next few days the hospital was busy, the white flag fluttered in the breeze; but the Scallies received the most up-to-date attendance, and soon they came forth new men. The Riverview red cross staff takes a lot of beating.

In that engagement Private Casey of the Scallies distinguished himself by daring and accurate aiming on the field.

But here my history diverges, for unexpected and appalling developments began to manifest themselves in the ranks of the Scallies. Revolution ran riot over the face of Scallyland. The young bloods resented the tyranny of their reigning autocrat. Nothing short of a bouleversement would satisfy them. They held revolutionary meetings, they discussed the situation, and at last resolved on the most drastic reform. They deposed Captain Chester and raised J. Thom to the exalted position. With the advent of the new leader a new spirit infused itself into the hearts of the rebel Scallies. A more determined-looking set of combatants never marched forth to battle than Jim Thom and his rebel forces; they had changed their captain and their tactics too.

The second Saturday of November witnessed the opening of the second engagement. Not a cloud disturbed the blue vault of heaven. The following Thursday witnessed its close; 'twas the close of a glorious campaign for Jim Thom and his brave boys. The Fighting Fifths were completely surprised; they weren't up to the new



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tactics, for Jim Thom enticed them off their stumps and then knocked them on the head like nine-pins. This he did with the able assistance of Paddy Galvin and Tommy Corcoran, an experienced Scally. The Fighting Fifths were absolutely helpless, they couldn't stand up against these new military manoeuvres, and when, after the loss of their stumps, they faced a second onset, humbled and defeated before the now triumphant Scallies, they had to retreat as best they could.

There were lively scenes in Scallyland that night as the doughty warriors arrived home, and everyone wondered how such a force could ever have met with defeat from the hands of the so-called Fighting Fifths.

In the land of the Fighting Fifths all was despondency and despair, the outlook was anything but reassuring. This state of affairs continued till one day an old veteran came along and blew the dark clouds away. He let them into the full secret of *the straight bat*, and showed them how they had exposed their stumps and themselves to certain defeat. The effect was electrical. The Fifths regained all their old spirit and enthusiasm. The Scally spies got wind of this and hastened back with the news to Scallyland, but they were laughed at. In the minds of the Scallies there was only one issue possible.

The Fifths had in the meantime moved their position, and Sunday saw both forces encamped on the Seniors' ground behind the roller. Reserves from the hills above came down in great numbers to witness this critical clash of arms. Upon this day's battle depended ultimate victory and ultimate defeat.

At 11.30 a.m. under a clouded sky the bugles sounded for the charge. Then they met—Fifths and Scallies, Scallies and Fifths—to do or die. They did both, but the Fighting Fifths did the doing and the disconcerted Scallies the dying.

Under the benignant smiles of Fortune the Fifths proved irresistible. They gave the Scallies so fierce a shock in the first onset that they never really recovered, and displayed but feeble fighting up to the end. Evans and Cruise, under the able direction of Captain Wall, sent in terrific bombshells. Before the Scallies could make 16 runs they had disappeared from the field, and though they rallied once more and fought with the courage of despair, they finally went down in quick succession before the unerring firing of the Fifths. The end was nearing fast, the Fifths had only to stand a feeble attack represented by two runs and victory was theirs. With a slashing cut of his bat Lionel Burke pierced the defence of the Scallies, the two runs were secured, and with them the final defeat of the worn out Scallies, as well as the eternal triumph of the brave Fighting Fifths.

The Scallies fought a noble fight, but the Fighting Fifths had more straight bats and a greater variety of bombshells, and so they won the day.

GENERAL RESULT.

	Runs.		Runs.
First Test—Fifths ..	247	Scallies ..	63
Second „ „ ..	133	„ ..	214
Third „ „ ..	131	„ ..	56

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE MEDALS.

W. Wall	Batting Medal.
F. Cruise	Bowling „
M. Casey	Fielding „
T. Christian	Improvement „

[The efforts of the writer of the above article to conceal his identity are going to prove only a little more futile than his unconquerable modesty is praiseworthy. The "bushel" is about to be wrenched off, and he to whom the article owes, not only its composition, but its very possibility, will have to bear unprotected the well-deserved shower of blushing honours heaped upon him. All the fighting qualities of the Fifths have been nurtured and developed by him, though himself a man of peace. It's no use, Father Healy! A tout seigneur, tout honneur.—Editors.]

TRIP TO FIJI.

THE harbour of Suva, the capital of Fiji, is very pretty and large. When you enter it you see in the distance a large hill crowded with houses, this is the city. Its largest street is called Victoria Street; its length is amazing, it is four miles long. The shops extend from one street to another. The cocoanut trees tower above all the other trees, you can actually see the cocoanuts growing on them. These are generally eaten while they are small and fresh, you drink the milk out of them first, then eat the cocoanut itself, which is like jelly it is so soft. Then there are the mummy apples, a funny kind of fruit similar to the pumpkin, which, if you eat too much and are not used to it, will make you very ill. The Town Hall is very large, they have picture shows on there nearly every night.

—GASTON LIÉVAIN III. Gram.

Success at Glebe Regatta.

AT the Annual Regatta held by the Glebe Rowing Club on the Lane Cove River, on Saturday, December 2, the Maider Fours was won by Riverview. The win was very meritorious, as the boys were racing against men, and eight crews competed.

All the crews got away well and quickly opened out. St. Ignatius went away with a jump, and soon had a substantial lead. Glebe went quickly after them and pressed them hard. Leichhardt set out after these two, but could only secure third place. The other crews were in a bunch behind Leichhardt.

MAIDEN FOURS.

Course: From Mornington Wharf to Gore Creek.

St. Ignatius College R.C., No. 1 crew: C. Wilkinson, 10st. 2lb. (bow), J. Bolger 10.10 (2), J. Kennedy 11.2 (3), J. McKay 10.1 (stroke), F. McDermott (cox.)—**1.**

Glebe Rowing Club: G. Wotton 10.2 (bow), J. Rogerson 11.4 (2), E. T. Sutton 10.8 (3), J. Dickenson 9.7 (stroke), G. Graham (cox.)—**2.**

Leichhardt R.C. No. 1 Crew: J. Hopkins 10.7 (bow), G. Taylor 10.12 (2), E. Halboun 12.7 (3), A. Spence 11.4 (stroke), Gramam (cox.)—**3.**

Won by three lengths. Time, 6 min. 17 1-5 sec.

A second crew from the College also rowed in this race, but they were only out for experience. To Mr. Mitchell our very best thanks are due for his skilful coaching. To him, in a very great measure, our success is to be attributed. He spared himself no time nor pains to prepare us for the event.

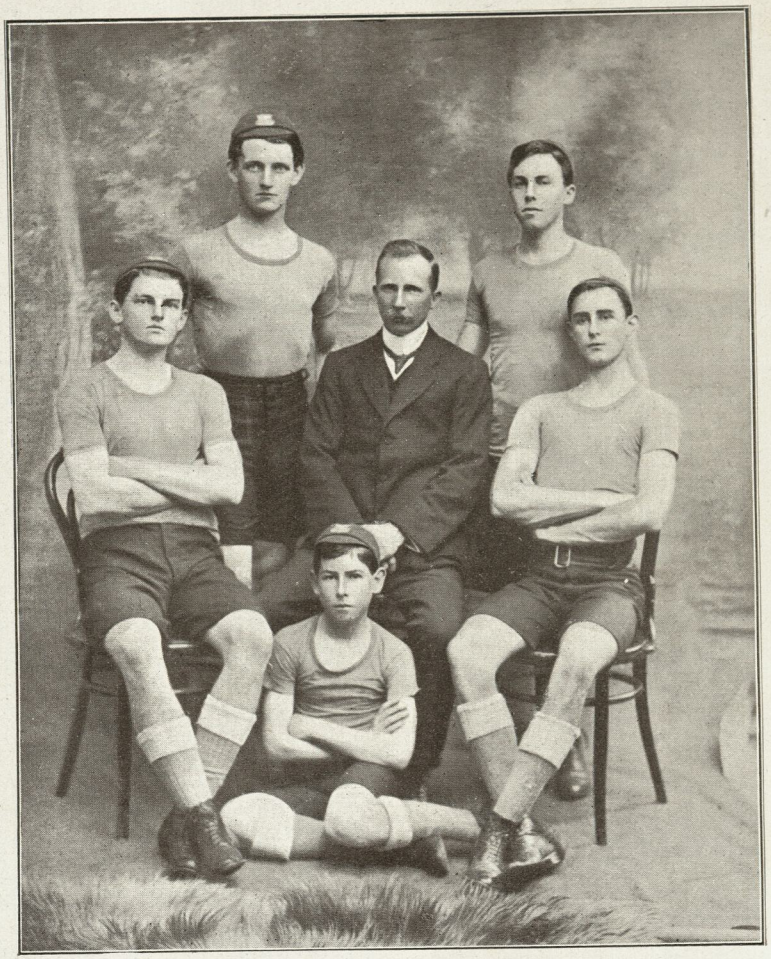


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WINNERS OF THE MAIDEN FOURS, GLEBE REGATTA.

J. BOLGER. C. WILKINSON.
J. KENNEDY. T. MITCHELL, ESQ. (COACH). J. MCKAY.
F. MCDERMOTT (COX).

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Question: What stanza do you like best in the 'Reciter'? Say why you like it.
Answer (sic):

Sadly and slowly we laid him down from the field of his fame flesh and gory,
We carved nor line, we raised nor stone, but we left him alone in his glory.

I like this standsar best because it is the last.

—EARL McQUADE (Elements).

Annual Sports Meeting.

IN the presence of a record attendance of visitors and in glorious weather, our annual sports were held on September 9th. The date selected was an admirable one, for, as it followed hard on the close of the football season, we were all in train. Last year for various reasons they were not held till well on into the cricket season. Everything went off in fine fashion, particularly the new revolver, which never missed, and, in fact, during the early part of the programme went off before the scheduled times. "Undoubtedly the best day we have witnessed at Riverview during the many years we have been coming to the annual athletic sports," was a remark repeatedly overheard during the afternoon.

Amongst those present we noticed the Right Rev. Monsignor O'Brien (Rector of St. John's College), and Father McCurtin, S.J. (Rector of St. Aloysius College), and Father R. F. Murphy, S.J. (Superior of the House of Retreats, Greenwich). The officials were:—Ex-students: The Officials of the O.B.U. First Division: B. Veech, C. Moore, J. Kennedy. Second Division: J. Hackett, C. Bryant, W. McDonnell. Third Division: V. Conlon, J. Payten, E. Evans. Stewards: H. Craven, J. Bryant, S. McDonnell, D. Foy, J. Barry. Judges: Mr. M. Cranney, Rev. F. X. O'Brien, S.J., Rev. J. Corcoran, S.J., Rev. T. J. O'Mara, S.J., Mr. P. J. O'Donnell. Starter: Rev. J. J. Hannon, S.J. Timekeeper: Mr. B. McBride. Referee: Mr. R. Baker. Hon. Secretary: Bryan Veech.

To Father Hartnett, S.J., and his officials, we offer our congratulations on the success of the sports.

The heats for some of the events for which there were very large entries were run off, and some of the events themselves were decided before Sports Day. The Newtown Brass Band, under the conductorship of Mr. William May, played a well varied programme of music during the afternoon.

The results were as follows:—

FIRST DIVISION.

Kicking the Football.—R. Barry (61 ft. 2 in.), 1; S. McDonnell, 2; K. Grosvenor, 3.

Throwing the Cricket Ball.—R. Barry (105 yd. 11 in.), 1; S. Ryan, 2; C. Wilkinson, 3.

High Jump.—J. McKay (5 ft. 1½ in.), 1; B. Monie, 2; E. Dinan, 3.

Broad Jump.—J. Kennedy (17 ft. 5 in.), 1; J. McKay 2; J. Barry, 3.

Swimming Championship—C. Wilkinson, 1; C. Moore, 2; S. Ryan, 3.

FIRST AND SECOND DIVISIONS.

Tennis Championship.—W. McDonnell, 1; C. Wilkinson, 2.

Handball Championship.—C. Moore, 1; R. Barry, 2; E. Dinan, 3.

SECOND DIVISION.

Throwing the Cricket Ball.—M. Gaspard (86 yd. 1 ft.), 1; H. Daly, 2; H. Bowler, 3.

Kicking the Football.—C. Clifford, 1; W. Dalton, 2; W. McDonnell, 3.

High Jump.—V. Carroll, 1; H. Bowler, 2; R. Corcoran, 3.

Broad Jump.—L. Cranney, 1; H. Bowler, 2; E. Sedgwick, 3.

Swimming Championship.—W. Dalton, 1; H. Bowler, 2; M. Gaspard, 3.

THIRD DIVISION.

Throwing the Cricket Ball.—W. Wall, 1; E. Evans, 2; V. Conlon, 3.

Broad Jump.—J. Payten, 1; W. Wall, 2; J. Seymour Allan, 3.

Swimming Championship.—J. Kelly, 1; J. Seymour Allan, 2; W. Wall, 3.

Handball Championship.—W. Wall, 1; E. Evans, 2; V. Conlon, 3.

Kicking the Football.—E. Evans, 1; J. Allan, 2; W. Wall, 3.

Hundred Yards Handicap (over 12).—J. Allan (3 yd.), 1; J. Payten (scr.), 2; E. Ryan (1 yd.), 3.

Hundred Yards Handicap (under 12).—W. Roberson (6 yd.), 1; F. Ellisdon (scr.), 2; R. B. Barry (2 yd.), 3.

Hundred Yards Championship (second division).—V. Carroll, 1; H. Bowler, 2; W. McDonnell, 3. Time, 11 2-5 sec.

Forwards' 100 Yards Handicap.—B. Veech (4 yd.), 1; M. McGahey (9yd.), 2; G. Quigley (6 yd.), 3.

Hundred Yards Championship (third division).—W. Wall, 1; J. Payten, 2; E. Evans, 3. Time, 13 sec.

Hundred Yards College Championship.—S. Ryan, 1; J. McKay, 2; J. Barry, 3. Time, 11 sec.

440 Yards Handicap (second division).—V. Carroll (20 yd.), 1; H. Devlin (18 yd.), 2. Time, 67 2-5 sec.

Hundred Yards Maiden Handicap.—J. McKay (5 yd.), 1; J. Barry (3 yd.), 2; J. Kennedy (5 yd.), 3.

Obstacle Race.—N. Chester, 1; E. Ryan, 2; T. Corcoran, 3.

120 Yards Hurdles Championship.—C. Gordon, 1; S. Ryan, 2; J. McKay, 3. Time, 19 sec.

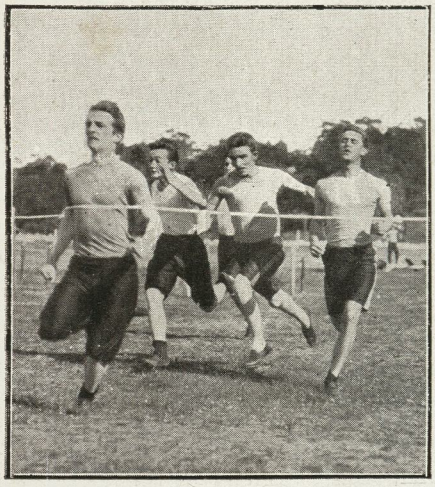
Ex-Students' Race (100 yd.).—T. Meehan, 1; R. J. O'Donnell, 2; C. Rorke, 3.

150 Yards Cricketers' Handicap.—B. Monie, 1; W. McDonnell, 2; D. Foy, 3.

Blindfold Barrel Race.—U. Walsh, 1; T. Corcoran, 2; McKenzie, 3.

Senior Handicap Hurdles (120 yd.).—C. Gordon (scr.), 1; D. Foy (3 yd.), 2. Time, 20 sec.

Musicians' 440 Yards Handicap.—W. Pinnock (25 yd.), 1; N. Chester (45 yd.), 2; W. Dalton (50 yd.), 3. Time, 67½ sec.



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100 YARDS COLLEGE CHAMPIONSHIP.

Egg and Spoon Race.—E. Ellisdon, 1; J. Allen, 2; L. Cranney, 3.

120 Yards Hurdles Championship (second division).—W. McDonnell, 1; H. Bowler, 2; C. Clifford, 3.

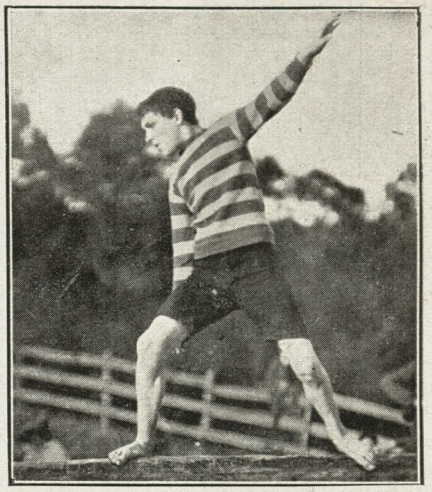
440 Yards Championship (first division).—V. Crowley, 1; S. Ryan, 2; J. McKay, 3. Time, 60 3-5 sec.

Handicap Hurdles (second division).—W. McDonnell (—1yd.), 1; J. R. Corcoran (4yd.), 2; C. Clifford (4 yd.), 3. Time, 18½ sec.

Half-mile Handicap.—N. Foley (115 yd.), 1. L. Cranney, 2; C. Gordon, 3.

Walking the Greasy Pole.—Rollo Vavasour, 1.

At the request of the Rector (Rev. Thos. Gartlan, S.J.), Monsignor O'Brien kindly distributed the prizes. He said it gave him very great



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THE GREASY POLE.

pleasure to do so, as he was confident that those who had that day excelled in healthy athletic competition were also foremost in their studies. "Any man living under Father Gartlan must have," he said, "the laudable ambition of excelling both in the class room and on the field." He had come to know intimately many of the boys who had passed through Riverview, and he found that at all times and places they were more than able to hold their own. Any college might with reason be proud of ex-students who number amongst their ranks Mr. John Fitzherbert, who added to the many distinctions he has won during his collegiate course, by gaining double first honours in the first arts examination.

The committee return sincere thanks to the following for donations to the prize fund:—Very Rev. T. P. Brown, S.J., M. R. Cranney, Esq., Very Rev. T. Gartlan, S.J., Reg. L. Baker, Esq., Dr. Odillo Maher, Rev. J. Colgan, S.J., R. F. L. Horsley, Esq. (Wagga), Colman Burke, Esq., Rev. P. J. McCurtin, S.J., James Slater, Esq., J. Hugh McMenamin, Esq., J. Maurice Toohey, Esq., Kiernan Ryan, Esq. (Kiama), W. Kerr, Esq., Lionel Bridge, Esq., J. M. Clift, Esq. (Breeza), David Fell, Esq., Peter Walsh, Esq. (Nowra), Anthony Raper, G. J. Barry, Esq., J. A. Pinnock, Esq., T. McMahon, Esq., M. Foley, Esq. (N.Z.), Geo. Crowley, Esq., J. Pearson, Esq.,

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THE MAZE. (AN INCIDENT IN THE OBSTACLE RACE.)

Cadet Notes.

THE stern justice of the compulsory training is seasoned with mercy. "Whole day parades" are apt at present to conjure up fearful imaginings. To dispel the same we quote from a memorandum emanating from Headquarters, Melbourne, 26th October, 1911:—"It is to be understood that a whole day parade is to include six hours of drill and training. It is not to be implied, however, that a morning or afternoon session will be held continuously for three hours. There will be an occasional recess of, say, ten minutes in each hour, during which all ranks will be permitted to fall out. In addition, there must be frequent periods of sitting down and standing easy, on which occasions advantage is to be taken to deliver lecturettes on various military subjects."

Take courage, ye faint-hearted and weak! a military anathema is sent hurtling through the air: it is aimed at the head of the hapless officer who overtaxes the delicate, or who fails to notice "the slightest sign of weakness or faintness." An experienced, tactful, and intelligent officer will so vary the day's training that the youths will return home with the feeling that they have been usefully and profitably employed, and that they have thoroughly enjoyed the day's outing.

Some would-be lieutenants have had a foretaste of the privileges awaiting them; it has been whispered that Jim McKay and Jack Kain resisted the attractions of study at the early hour of 6 p.m., and made ready for an evening trip to Lavender Bay on three successive Fridays. Matters of deep military import were being discussed, and—so ran the order—"The Brigade-Major desires all officers to attend."

On Tuesday, 21st November, a sample of Commonwealth method and order was given; a whole company was supplied with uniform to measure. The four Riverview sections are now khaki-clad.

Some definite information on our rifle butts. Lieutenant Sommerville has shown great interest in our range, and promises to do all he can—and the power of a brigade major is mighty—to have the targets fitted by the end of the Xmas. holidays. Endless vistas open out when such a promise is made; the All Schools' Shield might again be won by a team from St. Ignatius. Competitions between teams representing First and Second Divisions would fill in profitably their free time on Sunday mornings. As there is ample room for two, if not three targets, the shooting will not be confined to a favoured few. It is providential that the shooting mounds are in the middle of Brother Doyle's orange groves.



FIRST XV. PHOTO BY J. C. CRIDEN. 7/7/14

S. McDONNELL, M. McGAHEY, F. SYNNOTT, C. GORDON, J. BOLGER, T. DANIEL,
G. JOHNSTONE, H. CRAVEN, B. VEECH, C. MOORE (CAPT.), J. KAIN, D. FOY, V. FOLEY,
C. WILKINSON, J. MARNANE, J. McKAY, S. RYAN.



Football Notes and News

I. Division.

President:
Rev. C. Hartnett, S.J.

Committee:
C. Moore (Capt.)
B. Veech.
J. Kennedy.

II. Division.

President:
Rev. T. O'Mara, S.J.

Committee:
J. Hackett (Capt.)
C. Bryant.
W. McDonnell.

III. Division.

President:
Rev. F. Lyons, S.J.

Committee:
W. Wall (Capt.)
V. Conlon.
E. Evans.

SECOND HALF OF SEASON.

IN our Football Notes for last half, we predicted a marked improvement in the second round of the Great Public Schools' Competition. Our forecast proved correct. In their first match, played at Newington, Riverview put in some excellent play, and though defeated, showed that very little more determination, especially when in the opponents' 25, would swell the scores for St. Ignatius. The match against S.J.C. proved the most interesting of the competition matches. Up till half-time neither side had scored. During the last quarter of an hour the ball was alternately in the Riverview and St. Joseph's 25; the S.J.C. boys failing to score repeatedly through the fumbling of one of their backs. A brilliant stand was made against North Shore. We led at half-time 6 to nil. A few minutes before the whistle went we were 6-5, but the last whistle left us 6-10. We must not complain too harshly about fate, as the last time we played against S.C.E.G. we won under almost the same circumstances as the opponents won this time.

We offer our heartiest congratulations to Newington on winning the Competition.

The most memorable match of the year proved to be a local one, the Town v. Country. The Town won 3-nil. This event is becoming more and more important. A few years back the most exciting match, strange to say, used to be the tiny Fifths against the Scallies of Second Division.

The Thirds made a name for themselves early in the season, and kept up their reputation brilliantly right through. The team was indeed subjected to the law of change. After Midwinter it found itself minus three of its best forwards—N. Macken, L. Horsley, and C. Weaver, and V. Bowler (back). C. Bryant, a splendid forward, was hurt in the Town v. Country match, and his services also were lost during the latter half of the season. J. Hackett (captain) was unable to play in the last match. The esprit de corps remained however with the team during its various changes, and going on the field meant going to victory. These Thirds are certainly the best junior team the College has produced. To them fell the distinction of being the first junior team allowed to play "out" matches.

Their score of 23-nil against North Shore was indeed creditable, as also their 8-nil against Sydney Grammar. They had previously beaten N.S. 22-8, Grammar 19-nil, and Newington 15-nil. A photo of them encircled in a football appears in this issue.

A Town v. Country match was also played in Second Division, and like the First Division match, was won by Town 3-nil. The shop matches got up in the lower divisions have done much to bring prominently before the committees, men who when tried in Saturday matches, proved themselves well worthy of a game. To Mr. Arthur Hennessey are due our best thanks for the magnificent coaching he gave the three divisions. He shows the same interest in the Fifths as in the Firsts. To him in a very great measure are to be attributed the successes we gained in the field.

PERSONNEL 1st XV.

BRYAN VEECH—Vice-captain, senior member of team; best ruck man; has represented Riverview in no less than 48 school matches; was picked to play in Combined Schools v. University.

JACK KENNEDY—The handy man of the team; playing with success either as breakaway or outer-centre three-quarter; a very solid tackler.

C. WILKINSON—The successful "hooker" of the team; has the honour also of being one of the only three to represent Riverview in each competition game this season. We expect great things of Clive next year. Throws the ball in splendidly.

MICK BOLGER—A heady forward and good on the line-out; is seen to more advantage in the loose; unfortunately could not play in the last three competition games.

JACK BOLGER—A hard-working and enthusiastic forward; always on the ball, and a very solid tackler. Has a great future as a footballer.

HORACE CRAVEN—As centre-forward performed creditably for the team. A hard worker and good place kick; he will be of great assistance to next year's team.

V. FOLEY—As half-back is the pluckiest player in the team; makes splendid openings, and is good also in defence. Vin. has vastly improved.

JOE MARNANE—The five-eighth; was hurt unfortunately when at the top of his form; the team felt his loss keenly. On form last year should develop into a sound three-quarter.

CARLOS GORDON—As a rule played inner three-quarter; the most improved man in the team, and in the last three games of the season was the "Messenger" of his side in attacking movements. His tries against St. Joseph's and North Shore Grammar were splendidly got; could, however, use his head more.

DON FOY—The other centre three-quarter; a splendid tackler, fast and hard to bring down; represented us in the All Schools'; is resourceful, but has a tendency to be excitable when in a tight corner.

M. McGAHEY—Second row; developed into a fine forward in the second half; no more promising forward in the team; a very solid scrummager.

VIVIAN CROWLEY—Full back; a vastly improved player, and although undecided at times, made very few mistakes; a sound tackler and a good line kick.

JAMES McKAY—Wing three-quarter; had an opportunity of showing his worth when some of the backs were injured, and being very enthusiastic, with Mr. Hennessy's coaching, kept his place in the team; although light, he is a deadly tackler.

SENAN RYAN—The "flyer" of the team, was unfortunate in not being able to play till the second round.

CLAUDE MOORE (Capt.)—Enthusiastic footballer; undoubtedly did a lot to work up the team; splendid forward; uses his weight and head; represented us in the All Schools', and scored. Clever in all departments, and should make his name in the football world.

EMERGENCIES:

G. JOHNSTONE—As emergency back is a very good defensive player, taking after his brother in this respect.

STANLEY McDONNELL and TOM DANIEL as emergency 2nd liners play a hard game, confining themselves chiefly to the ruck work.

FRANK SYNNOTT—Represented Riverview in the last three games of the season; is inclined to hang out from the scrum work; played two very fine games against North Sydney and Sydney Grammar.

HONOUR CAPS for meritorious play were awarded to M. BOLGER, D. FOY and V. FOLEY.

A.H.

S. I. C. v. Newington. Played at Stanmore, August 2. Newington thoroughly deserved their win; they used the cross kick with great results. The Riverview pack played splendidly throughout, and towards the end of the first half had a great hold of the game. However, on renewing hostilities, the refreshed Newingtonians put more energy into the game and kept the "blue and white" vanguard hard at work—Crowley and Foley putting in magnificent play. M. Bolger and C. Gordon went close to scoring on different occasions, but Taylor (N.C.) was handy, and saved each time. Forward honours rested with Riverview, the packing together being splendid. However, as stated above, the Newington backs gained a triumph—Taylor and Whyte being the best of a good lot. Scores, 17—nil.

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Riverview v. St. Joseph's. Played at Riverview on August 9. Both sides were handicapped, for McDonnell, of Riverview, and C. Cody, of St. Joseph's, were on the sick list. Riverview lost the toss, and kicked off against a slight breeze. After some fumbling by both the backs, St. Joseph's attacked strongly, but Foley (S.I.C.) saved the position with a good line kick. Uninteresting mid-field play followed, many free kicks being awarded. Cody (2) was prominent in a St. Joseph's rush which ended near Riverview's line. Play was shortly afterwards transferred to St. Joseph's territory, and Ryan (Riv.) had an unsuccessful shot at goal from the 25. V. Crowley (Riv. full-back) was playing a great game, fielding and line-kicking excellently. Bull (St. Joseph's), playing with equal brilliancy, saved repeatedly with good line kicks. Again play was confined to the centre of the field, and the Riverview forwards, headed by Moore and J. Bolger, came with a rush, but Bull saved neatly. Here play became very fast, the ball being quickly transferred from one end of the field to the other. Then Foy placed Riverview in an attacking position with a good kick, and after this Veech headed the "blue and white" vanguard in a dribbling rush, no score resulting. At half-time whistle neither side had scored. The wind had dropped when St. Joseph's kicked off, and Riverview backs got a passing rush on, in which Foley (five-eighth) had his shoulder severely hurt, but pluckily played on. Meldrum had an unsuccessful shot at goal from an easy position for St. Joseph's. Immediately after, Foy and Gordon transferred play to S.J.C.'s 25, and Riverview attacked strongly. From a forward rush with Cody showing out, St. Joseph's broke through, and narrowly missed scoring, S. Ryan (Riv.) saving well. Wilkinson led the forwards for Riverview, and the position was reversed to St. Joseph's 25. J. Bolger picking up from a dribbling rush, after a run of about 20 yards, scored a splendid try, which H. Craven converted from a difficult angle. From the kick-off St. Joseph's forwards came with a great charge, Tracey and Pollard being to the fore. Play worked back from the danger zone, and Foy, securing, sent to Marnane, who cut in and beat his man, then gave it back to Foy, to Gordon, who scored after a great effort on the part of the backs. But Marnane, who figured in this movement, had to leave the field, and Riverview were left with 14 men and 10 minutes to play. St. Joseph's again attacked vigorously, O'Shea and Pollard displaying great determination. A free relieved Riverview, and play worked to S.J.C. territory, where C. Moore dribbled the ball out of the ruck to within a yard of the line. McGahey was handy, and fell across the line with the ball. No goal resulted: 11—0. Shortly afterwards full-time whistle blew. For the losers, Cody, as usual, was a great help to his side, and was well backed up by Pollard and Tracey. O'Shea and Bull were the pick of the backs. The knock Meldrum received interfered with his play.

Mr. Lappin ably refereed the match.

S. I. C. v. North Shore. Played on North Sydney Oval on August 16. Like the match against S.J.C. last Wednesday, this proved a very interesting game. We have already referred to this match in our introductory remarks. The scores, 10—6 in the Shore's favour, their last 5 points being got just on time, represent pretty well the day's play. A detailed account of this or the following matches has not reached us.

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S. I. C. v. King's School. Played at Parramatta on August 23. We might describe this match as the fulfilment of an engagement, but hardly as a game of football. The ground was a pool; the ball slippery, and passing was impossible. The home side made the best of the conditions and won easily, 28—nil. Taking into consideration the form shown of late by these two teams, this meeting was expected to provide the best match of the season. Riverview had beaten St. Joseph's 11 to 0, and T.K.S. had beaten them by 8 to 6, whilst C.E.G.S. beat Riverview 10 to 6, and also T.K.S. 8 to 6.

Mr. Reynolds refereed and controlled a difficult game.

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S. I. C. v. S. G. S. Played at Riverview on August 30. This proved a very interesting match. The spirits of the home team's barrackers ran high when time after time our chances of winning this last match of the season seemed particularly good. The final scores, 8—0 in Grammar's favour, are a good indication of what the game was like.

S. I. C. Thirds v. C.E.G.S. Thirds. Played on North Shore Oval and won by Riverview 23—nil. St. Ignatius lost the toss and kicked off against a strong breeze. Play was in the centre for a while. From a scrum McArdle sent the ball to Hackett, to Mackenzie, to McDonnell, to McDermott, who, using his pace, scored in the corner. No goal resulted. It was not long before McDermott scored again, after a good bit of play by Mackenzie. The try was not converted. Riverview now played with plenty of dash, and after a good rush, McDonnell scored in good position. From a scrum close to North Shore line McArdle picked the ball up and crossed. At half-time Riverview were 12—0. Riverview now playing with the wind, soon had North Shore defending. McBride getting the ball from a line out and throwing off several tacklers, ran to North Shore's line and passed to Moran, who scored. North Shore now livened up, and the inner three-quarter intercepting, ran to Dinan, who tackled him well. Play was at once brought back to North Shore's 25. Sedgwick, picking up in the loose, crossed the line in good position; McDonnell converted. Shortly after Moran scored in the corner; no goal. The game ended in favour of Riverview by 23—0. McBride, Moran and Cunningham played best in the forwards, while Hackett (capt.), Mackenzie, McDermott, McDonnell and McArdle, as usual, distinguished themselves in the backs. Dinan as full-back was a great support to the team.



CITY TEAM. 246 PHOTO BY J. C. CRUDEN.

H. CRAVEN. F. IRWIN. J. KAIN. F. SYNNOTT. J. McBRIDE. H. ALLAN.
C. BRYANT. S. McDONNELL. P. MOORE. C. MOORE (CAPT.). D. FOY. C. GORDON. R. MURPHY.
E. DINAN. J. BRYANT. V. FOLEY. S. RYAN.

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S. I. C. Thirds v. S. G. S. Thirds. Played at Riverview, August 30. The play throughout was of a high order. In fact, such a struggle for supremacy in third grade Public Schools' contests is rarely witnessed, and it is gratifying to note the victory

of the thirds. W. McDonnell captained the team in the absence of our able skipper J. Hackett, who was suffering from a severe cold.

S. Grammar win the toss and elect to play with the wind in the first half. McAlary kicks off, and Daly pressing forward, prevents Grammar from kicking. Forward play ensues. McArdle gets possession and kicks, but the full-back (S.G.S.) returns by a nice line kick. From the line-out, Grammar forwards break loose, but Foley goes down, and yet manages to rise again and pass to Dinan, who gets in a fine line kick. From the line-out, Daly secures, passes to Foley, to Mackenzie, to McDonnell, who gets in a beautiful kick. Third's forwards rush, Dempsey and Sedgwick being especially prominent; Grammar forces, but not a moment too soon. Grammar press, but Daly relieves by a smartly snapped kick. From a scrum McArdle secures and works the blind, passing to Foley, to Bowler, who is thrown out 10 yards from the line. Again the backs get going, Foley, Mackenzie and McDermott distinguishing themselves. Grammar make a rush, but Riv. are awarded a free. McDonnell finds his line, but Grammar come again. This time, however, McDermott by an overhead punt finds his line about 20 yards up.

From the line-out, Moran takes possession and passes to McArdle, who centres. Gaspard, McArdle, having quickly put all on-side, takes the ball and passes to Foley, who gets his backs going. However McDonnell is tackled rather sharply. From a scrum in Grammar's 25, McArdle whips it out to Foley, who by clever side-stepping after a smart cut-in, crosses the line amid great cheering from the Thirds' numerous supporters. Gaspard adds the extras; River-view 5—nil. After a few more scrummages, the half-time whistle went.

After half-time one of Grammar's backs breaks loose' but Dinan, by a magnificent tackle, fells him and saves his side. Gram. forwards rush, but McDermott, taking the ball, smartly centres to Bowler, who gets a good liner. Forward play ensues, then a scrum in which Grammar forwards get the ball, but Sedgwick getting quickly round, prevents the half from letting it out to his backs and thus saves an embarrassing situation. Riv. forwards rush, Higgins and Moran putting in fine work. McArdle takes the ball and whips it out to Foley, to Mackenzie, to McDonnell, who fails to take a misjudged pass. However, Moran following on, picks up and scores. The kick at goal failed; Riv. 8—0. Shortly after the full-time whistle sounded. Father Healy, S.J., umpired.

P. CLARKE.



OUR CRACK THIRD XV.

C. CLIFFORD, H. BOWLER, L. HORSLEY, E SEDGWICK, F. DEMPSEY, N. MACKEN, M. GASPARD, H. MACKENZIE, S. McDERMOTT, T HIGGINS, C BRYANT, J. HACKETT (CAPT.), V. BOWLER, C. WEAVER, F. McARDLE, W. McDONNELL, J. WALL.

PERSONNEL (Thirds.)

C. BRYANT—Vice-captain; plays breakaway; fast in attack; defends well, and a good dribbler; shows out mostly in open play; a good kick, both line and place.

V. BOWLER—Centre three-quarter; a fast runner, good tackler, and solid in defence. He at times holds on to the ball too long.

L. HORSLEY—Plays breakaway; gets round the scrum quickly; a good dribbler, and a fine kick, both line and place.

E. SEDGWICK—The star tackler of the team; plays lock; is always on the ball; quickly adapts himself to circumstances.

W. McDONNELL—Centre three-quarter; the scoring man of the team; fast runner and artful dodger; he is a little weak in defence; kicks good liners with either foot; rather weak at passing.

N. MACKEN—Plays hook ; a good player in close work; uses his strength ; he is a hard tackler and strong runner.

H. BOWLER—Wing three-quarter with plenty of pace ; a good line kick with either foot ; makes superb dashes for line.

F. McARDLE—Half-back ; tricky in attack, and solid in defence. In all the matches he has been a great help to his side. His "acting" deceives many an opponent.

C. WEAVER—Centre forward ; good in the line-out, and rakes well.

F. DEMPSEY—Plays hook ; shines in attack ; a good tackler, and follows on well. He would do better if he let the ball out a little more.

T. HIGGINS—Second line ; uses his weight in the scrum, and is good in the line-out ; should use his head more.

M. GASPARD—Plays second line ; good in the line-out and tackles well. He could pack in more in the loose scrums.

S. McDERMOTT—Full-back ; often saves his side by his tackling ; has plenty of pace, but does not take the ball too well.

A. MACKENZIE—Emergency back ; has plenty of dash in attack. Played with the team after midwinter and promises well ; looks a footballer.

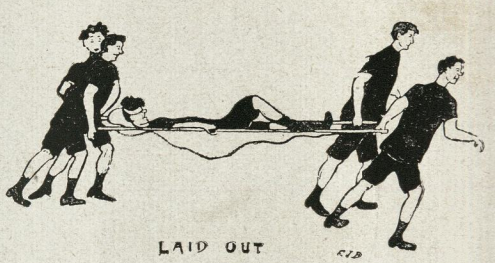
C. CLIFFORD—Emergency forward ; shows out well in the open, and dribbles well.

J. HACKETT.

J. HACKETT—(Captain) ; thoroughly understands the game ; possesses the entire confidence of his team ; renders yeoman service as five-eighth, and controls the game splendidly. One of the cleverest junior captains I have seen playing.

A.H.

4th XV. v. S. G. S. Played at Riverview, August 30, and won 8—5. This was the only inter-G.P.S. match the Fourth XV. played. The day was clear and warm. Riverview won the toss, and the captain chose the goal with the sun behind them. Grammar kicked off and failed to find the line. The play was soon in their 25. A passing rush by Riverview resulted in a force. This was followed by a five yards' scrum. A free against us resulted from this scrum. After this the scrums were frequent. Cranney kicked the ball over the line and Grammar's full-back forced it. Cranney secured the ball then and sent the play into their 25 by a splendid line kick. Another scrum from the line out ; then a free kick against Grammar. Soon the play returned into our 25 ; Cranney here saved splendidly. Soon we got a free against Grammar ; the kick for goal failed, but brought the play near their line. After a scrum and a passing rush, Payten scores, 3—0 ; Cranney converted, 5—0. After the kick-off Proust got the ball and a splendid run brought play into their 25. A scrummage was formed ; we got a free, but attempt at goal failed. The score at half-time was 5—0.



After half-time Vavasour kicked off. Grammar pressed hard and the play went into our 25. From a line-out, Scrivener (Grammar) got the ball, passed to Mitchell, who scored, 5—3 ; it was converted ; score now 5—5. Kick off again. Grammar returned the ball and a mark was taken. The kick for goal failed. After some by-play, Grammar got a free-kick ; nothing resulted. For irregularity in the scrum we got a free kick ; this was put over the cross-bar. Grammar kicked off over our own line and Cranney forced. The final whistle blew, leaving us victors, 8—5.

C. PINNOCK.



PRESS NOTICES

We desire to express our grateful thanks to the Editors in various parts of Australasia and elsewhere whose words of kindly criticism and encouraging praise of our last issue we are glad to reproduce in this.

"OUR ALMA MATER."—The midwinter issue of "Our Alma Mater," the magazine which Riverview College has so popularised, is *facile princeps* amongst a series extending over twenty-six years. If it is the main purpose—as we believe it is—of such a publication to reflect in its own literary and general furnishing the progress or otherwise of the school responsible for its regular appearance, "Our Alma Mater" leaves the world in little doubt as to the well-being of our pioneer Jesuit College. Its present issue is, perhaps, one of the greatest triumphs of magazine printing achieved in Australia, and for this due credit must be awarded to Messrs. John Sands Ltd., who are responsible for the mechanical side of it.—"Freeman's Journal."

"OUR ALMA MATER."—The midwinter issue of "Our Alma Mater," the official "organ" of St. Ignatius College, Riverview, by whose students it is edited, is, if anything, a little beyond its usual standard, and the editors and compilers are to be congratulated upon the high-class work within its covers. As a history of the doings of the college for the period under review, the magazine is an excellent reference medium, and the articles are both interesting and instructive. "College Jottings" are very cleverly compiled, and in a college where the blood of Ireland very largely predominates it was inevitable that the humorous side of affairs scholastic should be limned. A capital phase is "Old Boys' Notes," in which the doings of those who have entered upon the battle of life are faithfully chronicled. "Our Alma Mater," which is admirably illustrated and capitally printed, should certainly be welcomed wherever it goes.—"Town and Country Journal."

"OUR ALMA MATER".—The Riverview College has issued its annual magazine, "Our Alma Mater," and many an old boy will revive pleasant memories as he turns the pages. An excellent three-colour reproduction of the college and its grounds forms an artistic frontispiece, and almost every page has its photograph of some phase of school life. The college has become known throughout Australia in connection with the seismographs, under the direction of Father Pigot, and to this branch of science are added some interesting notes of Father Cortie's lecture. Father Cortie, it will be remembered, was selected by the Royal Astronomical Society of England to lead the official expedition to the Tongan Group to watch the recent solar eclipse. An entertaining article tells of "The School Bell of Yabroud," between the city of Damascus and the Desert of Palmyra. In addition to a full account of the various school sports—football, cricket, and rowing—there are reports of the musical and camera clubs, results of examinations, and chatty notes on other school doings, as well as of old boys. The issue is well up to previous efforts—further praise is unnecessary.—"Daily Telegraph."

"OUR ALMA MATER."—The midwinter issue of the "Riverview Magazine" reflects great credit on its producers, and it is probably the most imposing school magazine extant. The frontispiece is an excellent colour print of the college, and another very fine plate depicts the ruins at Palmyra. Among the more generally interesting contents there is an account of Father Cortie's stay at the college, and of the two lectures he delivered there. The school news is very full, and brightly put together.—"Sydney Morning Herald."

"OUR ALMA MATER."—Nous avons reçu le numéro de Juin de "Our Alma." Cette revue publiée par le Collège de Riverview est comme toujours fort intéressante et illustrée avec goût. Nous constatons avec plaisir le succès croissant du grand établissement d'éducation qu'est le Collège de St. Ignatius.—"Le Courrier Australien."

"OUR ALMA MATER."—The students of St. Ignatius evidently incur considerable trouble and expense in preparing their handsome journal, and each number seems to surpass its predecessor. The latest issue is finely written and illustrated, and is a credit to those responsible for its publication. A coloured picture of the college forms a bright frontispiece.—"Register" (Adelaide).

"OUR ALMA MATER."—The school magazine of the Riverview College—"Our Alma Mater"—a copy of which has been sent by the principal, sets a high standard both in respect to its illustrations and its literary contents. As a frontispiece there is a handsome coloured photograph of the college, and there are numbers of other pictures, including some of scenes in Europe and Asia. All the activities of the students receive due recognition, and there are articles on matters of general interest, such, for instance, as "The School Bell of Yabroud, between the City of Damascus and Palmyra," a handbell, about 4in. in height, which was protected by all the power of the Ottoman Empire. There is also an article on eclipses by the Rev. A. L. Cortie, F.R.A.S., one of the English specialists who came to Australia to witness the total eclipse of the sun last April. Printing and binding are all that could be desired.—"Advertiser" (Adelaide).

"OUR ALMA MATER."—We acknowledge with pleasure receipt of a copy of the 1911 issue of "Our Alma Mater," the official publication of the students of St. Ignatius College, Riverview, Sydney. We have in past years frequently eulogised this publication for the excellence of its illustrations and letterpress matter, and also for the splendid manner in which it is printed. This latest issue, however, seems to excel all its predecessors, and seems to set a standard that will be hard to maintain. —"Grafton Argus."

"OUR ALMA MATER."—We are in receipt of the midwinter issue of "Our Alma Mater," edited by the pupils of St. Ignatius College, Riverview. This is one of the best scholastic publications issued in the State, and each issue seems to show improvement.—"Coonamble Times."

"OUR ALMA MATER."—We have received a copy of "Our Alma Mater," published in the interests of Riverview College, Sydney, and which is ably edited by students of that college. The publication has reached its twenty-sixth birthday, and has been produced on a scale which reflects credit on the Jesuit scholastic centre at Sydney. The frontispiece gives a fine view (in colours) of the college. Prominence is naturally given to the visit of his Excellency Lord Chelmsford on the occasion of the annual speech day.—"Advocate" (Melbourne).

"OUR ALMA MATER."—A copy of "Our Alma Mater" for the midwinter session of 1911, edited and published by the students of St. Ignatius College, Riverview, has been forwarded to this office. The publication is printed on excellent paper, and contains a coloured frontispiece, showing the St. Ignatius College, and numerous illustrations of various rooms in the college, and views of the garden and surroundings. The letterpress is interesting, and the college jottings are reminiscent of most men's schooldays, and to old collegians they appeal with strong force.—"Barrier Miner" (Broken Hill).

"OUR ALMA MATER," the school magazine of "Riverview," is without doubt the most elaborate of school magazines, or, for that matter, in appearance and illustration few magazines are in the same class. The reading matter, of course, is but a chronicle of school doings and interests, but it is made the most of by the schoolboy editors, and is excellently arranged and brightly written.—"Kiama Independent."

"OUR ALMA MATER."—We have to acknowledge the receipt of "Our Alma Mater" for midwinter 1911. This little magazine, written and edited by the students of St. Ignatius College, Sydney, becomes more interesting every year, and excellent as previous numbers have been, the present issue shows a great advance, absolutely assuring to it, beyond present chance of challenge, what it has long held—the premiership of its class throughout Australasia. A marked feature of the present issue, apart from the excellent articles and school history which it contains, is the wealth of illustrations of a high order, the whole forming a number worthy even of the splendid educational institute the history of which year by year it records.—"Bundaberg Daily News" (Queensland).

"OUR ALMA MATER."—This annual review of the Riverview College is more interesting and elaborate than in previous years, and the general arrangement and reading matter reflect great credit on those responsible for the work. Excellent photos. are reproduced, and the reading matter is of interest alike to the present student, the past student, and to all who appreciate scholastic progress.—"Lithgow Mercury."

"OUR ALMA MATER."—Of the school magazines we receive we must certainly give the pride of place to "Our Alma Mater," edited by students of St. Ignatius' College, Riverview. The midwinter number excels its predecessors, which is saying a great deal. The illustrative work is of the very highest standard, and a view of the college in colours is deserving of special mention. As usual, the reading matter is well selected and interesting.—"Goulburn Evening Penny Post."

"OUR ALMA MATER."—The midwinter number of the Riverview College journal maintains the literary and artistic standard set in previous issues. The illustrations are of exceptional merit, and give an idea of the fine achievements of the College in scholastic, sporting, and other spheres.—"Mudgee Western Post."

"OUR ALMA MATER."—We have pleasure in acknowledging receipt of the midwinter number of "Our Alma Mater," a magazine published in the interests of St. Ignatius' College, Riverview, Sydney. The letterpress is attractively written, and numerous illustrations of scenes in and around the college are reproduced in an artistic manner. The work reflects the greatest credit on editors and printers.—"Manning River Times."

"OUR ALMA MATER," edited by the students of St. Ignatius' College, Riverview, is to hand, and easily takes first place among kindred publications on this side of the Line, its illustrations, letterpress, and literary merit being alike conspicuous.—"Grenfell Record."

"OUR ALMA MATER."—From Australia comes the 1911 number of "Our Alma Mater," published by the students of St. Ignatius' College, near Sydney, N.S.W. After its long journey it looks remarkably spic and span, and well able to hold its own in any congress of college magazines. The majority of its many articles are of local interest, but there are enough contributions of general interest to make its perusal very entertaining. Its numerous illustrations, the quantity and good quality of its articles make "Our Alma Mater" a credit to the editors and to the college itself.—"The Xavier" (New York).

"OUR ALMA MATER."—It is a long time since we have had the pleasure of reviewing a magazine as refreshing as "Our Alma Mater," the official journal of St. Ignatius' College, Riverview. The magazine is a splendidly printed and attractively bound number, and contains a series of beautiful pictures and photographs. The frontispiece is a picture of the college in colours. The editorial portion of the magazine is bright and chatty, and, besides giving a glimpse of the life of the college, keeps a watchful eye on the progress of the old students. We heartily congratulate the Riverview College students on their enterprise in having such a splendid work printed.—"Yass Courier."

"OUR ALMA MATER."—From the famous Riverview College, Sydney, comes the annual publication, "Our Alma Mater," and those who have been privileged to view previous publications of the journal will welcome this one. Its contents are varied, and excellently written and illustrated.—"Evening Echo" (Ballarat).

"OUR ALMA MATER" for 1911 is to hand. This admirably-produced annual from St. Ignatius' College, Riverview, improves year by year, and thus is doubtless a true reflex of the progress made by this famous academy itself.—"The Leader" (Orange).

"OUR ALMA MATER."—We have received from the editors the midwinter number of "Our Alma Mater," the journal of the Jesuit College, Riverview, Sydney. The present issue shows a distinct advance, from a typographical point of view, and the literary matter is both interesting and entertaining. Besides chronicling the work of the students of the college, articles of general interest are inserted, and the whole number impresses the reader with a sense of the importance of the institution which it so well represents.—"Oamaru Mail" (N.Z.).

"OUR ALMA MATER."—The midwinter number of "Our Alma Mater," the magazine of St. Ignatius College, Riverview, Sydney, reaches us from the student-editors. One cannot but admire the excellence of paper, ink, and printing, and of the illustrations. The doings of the college are ably chronicled, and there is a remarkable contribution from Father Rabbath, of Damascus.—"Weekly Press" (N.Z.).

"OUR ALMA MATER."—St. Ignatius' College has forwarded us the 1911 "Our Alma Mater," and the production is well up to the standard of previous productions, which speaks volumes for the institute.—"Nowra Leader."

"OUR ALMA MATER."—In "Our Alma Mater," Riverview College, Sydney, possesses a magazine of which any scholastic institution might with justice feel proud. The midwinter number is just to hand, and cannot be described otherwise than as a splendid contribution to school literature. It is excellently got up, and includes a coloured frontispiece of the college and a large number of half-tone illustrations. The letterpress is brightly written, and besides a faithful record of school work and play, there is an interesting old boys' column—most interesting part of all to those who have passed through the college and are scattered all over the world. "Our Alma Mater" is a deservedly popular school journal.—"Marlborough Express" (N.Z.).

"OUR ALMA MATER."—The 1911 number of the Riverview College has just come to hand, and we have pleasure in again testifying to the exceptional merit of the publication. The magazine contains a faithful and remarkably interesting review of the year's work within the college, and the various branches of athletics associated with the institution. The review has previously received cordial acknowledgment in these columns, and the issue under notice is worthy to take rank alongside any of its predecessors.—"Wanganui Chronicle" (N.Z.).

TO THE EDITORS.

"OUR ALMA MATER."—Many thanks for the new issue of "Alma Mater," which is beautifully got up. Think it is a model of what such publications should be, and that it forms a kind of link between the old and the new students. It is very interesting to follow the careers of those who have left the college, and the example of the more successful should be quoted as an example for others, especially those thinking of adopting the medical profession. An Oxford man, to whom I showed my copy, spoke very highly of it, and said it indicated a real forward movement in the work of Catholic education in the Commonwealth, and that he thought the happy combination of mental education and physical exercise realised the ideal views of my old friend, Tom Hughes—author of "Tom Brown's School Days."—John Plummer.

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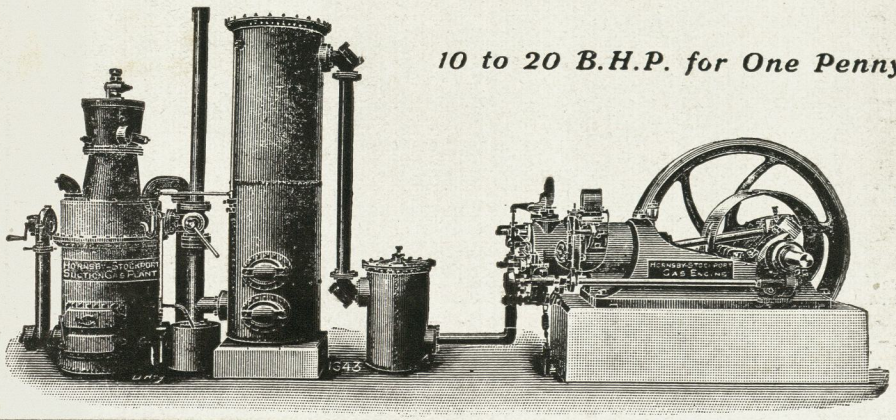
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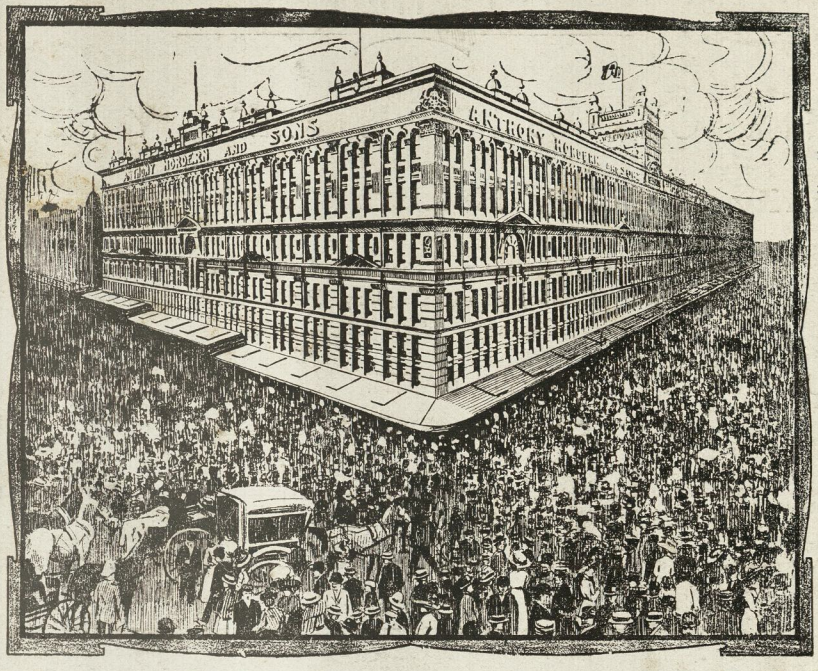
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