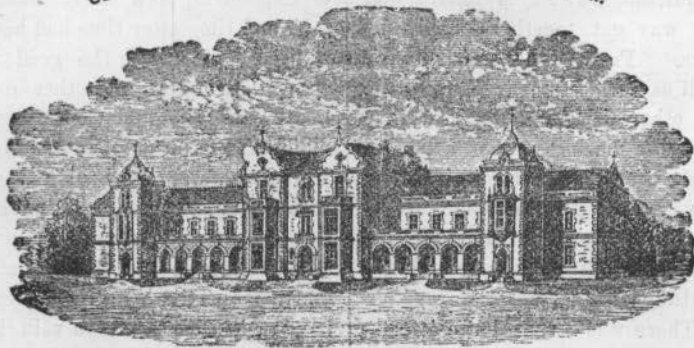


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## Fete to Inaugurate Scheme for Fencing Grounds of P.A.C.

OPENED BY THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.

Nearly thirty years ago, the Committee of Prince Alfred College put up the post-and-rail fence which encloses the grounds. Time has wrought ravages, and the unsightly weather-worn rails are not at all in harmony with the other environments of the institution. A movement has accordingly been started for the purpose of raising funds with which to substitute an iron railing and gates. About three months ago a meeting of ladies was held at the College to inaugurate the project. Mrs. Chapple introduced the subject; it was heartily taken up, and it was at once resolved to hold a fete at the College, as the first means

of raising money. Arrangements were made for the gathering to take place on the first Saturday in August, and the ladies set to work preparing useful and ornamental articles for the sale. It was intended to have had a marquee on the oval, to hold the lollie stall, Xmas tree, and bran pie, also a large tent for the Punch and Judy show, but the weather on Saturday was so unsettled that this part of the programme had to be abandoned, one of the spacious rooms in the building being converted into a bazaar for the occasion. Four large stalls, exquisitely decorated and bountifully supplied with useful and ornamental goods, were superintended by a number of ladies, and a produce stall, on which were displayed for sale all sorts of produce, attracted the attention of the patrons on account of the excellence of the collection. A special feature being the large quan-

tity of poultry which came from Adelaide, Payneham, Magill, Fulham, Jamestown, Koorunga, Mount Pleasant, Mount Barker, Goolwa, Middleton, Gawler, Morchard, and Milang, and was got together chiefly by the boarders. Fruit, lollie, and flower stalls, as well as a Christmas tree, bran tub, and various other devices were also provided. A brisk business was kept up throughout the afternoon and evening, the ladies who were in charge of the various departments displaying the greatest enthusiasm in their undertaking, and never allowing an opportunity to increase the revenue to escape. There was a very large attendance throughout. Shortly after 2 o'clock, the Lieutenant-Governor, who had kindly consented to perform the opening ceremony, arrived in company with his private secretary (Dr. Pennefather), and a band which was stationed in the verandah announced the approach of the viceregal party by playing the National Anthem. The Rev. H. H. Teague (President), Mr. F. Chapple (Headmaster), the Rev. J. B. Stephenson, the Rev. C. T. Newman, Mr. R. Knowles, Mr. A. W. Dobbie, Mr G. S. Cotton, and several other members of the Committee, met His Excellency and escorted him to the main hall.

The Rev. H. H. Teague introduced His Excellency, and on behalf of the College Committee and the ladies who had arranged the fete, invited him to declare it open.

The Lieutenant-Governor said it was always a pleasure to go to Prince Alfred College. When he looked back upon the last quarter of a century he could not think

of better-spent days than those associated with the College. He was at some of the preliminary meetings which led to its establishment, saw the foundation-stone laid, and time after time had had the opportunity of witnessing the good work done. It was second to no other institution in South Australia, and there was no school which had sent so many students to the University, and no school had garnered so rich a harvest of scholarships and distinctions at that institution. If he had been asked to mention anything that was wanting in connection with the College he would have racked his brains in vain in trying to think of it, but the anxious sympathetic eye of Mrs. Chapple had discovered something that was wanting, and after it was pointed out they could all see that the fence outside was not at all congruous with the architectural proportions or dignity of the institution. It was an extraordinary thing that the temporary fence should have remained so long. When the new fence was erected all would admire it as much as they admired the able Headmaster, Mrs. Chapple, and the boys. If the proceeds from the fete were not sufficient to pay the entire cost of the new fence, he hoped they would form a substantial instalment towards the accomplishment of the object. (Hear, hear.)

On the motion of Mr. Chapple, who had been asked to apologise for the absence of Sir John Colton (the Treasurer) seconded by the Rev. J. B. Stephenson, His Excellency was heartily thanked for his attendance. The Lieutenant-Governor acknowledged the

compliment, and cheers having been given the sale began.

His Excellency was then shown round the stalls, and left a donation to be expended on goods for the poor, to be distributed by Rev. C. H. Ingamells, and shortly afterwards he returned to the city. During the afternoon and evening, in addition to the ordinary attractions at such gatherings, a number of interesting experiments were shown in the science hall, an extra charge being made to see this department of the fete. A drawing-room concert was carried out under the direction of Miss Chapple, in which the following ladies and gentlemen took part:—Miss Haslam, piano; Miss Cooke and Mrs. M. Drew, violins; Miss Effie Marshall, song; Mr. W. Rhodes, song and Miss Daniels, recitations. Three balloons were successfully sent up during the afternoon by Mr. Simms, much to the delight of the younger portion of the visitors, and in spite of the damp weather they sailed off to the hills, bearing the legend "Vive P.A.C." In the evening the attendance was much larger than in the afternoon, and the entertainment hall was crowded to excess. A good programme was presented and much enjoyed. Mr. J. Roach opened it with a prologue, after which Miss Witber and Mr. Scheinpflug played an overture on the piano and violin. Mr. Beaumont Read sang "Oh, promise me," and then Miss Mabel Knight and Mr. Roach gave a sketch, "An evening's conversation." Mrs. A. E. Lawton sang "Katey's letter," and Miss Marion Daniels recited "The slave that saved St. Michael's."

After the interval Mr. W. Silver gave a piano solo, "Danse Nègre," and Miss Daniels with Mr. J. Furlonge entertained the audience with a duologue, "Hearts or diamonds." "I was dreaming" was sung by Mrs. E. W. Oldham, and Miss Styles, of Melbourne, gave a recital, after which Mr. R. Nitschke sang "Thou art my queen." A charade in two acts, "Contest," was given by Miss Francis, Miss Ada Francis, Mr. R. Alleb, Mr. F. W. Geyer, and Miss Blanche Francis. The concert was very enjoyable, and several of the contributors to the programme received the compliment of a recall. Mr. J. Roach kindly undertook the entire management of the evening's entertainment, which reflected great credit on his skill as director. Our best thanks are due to Mr. A. Marshall for kindly lending a beautiful Collard and Collard piano for the two concerts.

The ladies who attended at the various stalls were:—Produce—Mesdames A. Colton, J. Colwell, A. and E. Dunn, J. Marshall, J. Sunter, and H. Shortt. Bags and baskets—Mesdames A. Davey, R. Knowles, and W. Taylor, and Misses Davey, Fleming, and Saint. Aprons and Pinafores—Mesdames W. B. Chinner, Newbery, and Misses Bowen, Colwell, Newbery, and Wilson. Dolls—Misses Drew, Daniels, Kingsborough, E. Marshall, Pitman, Trudgen, Saint, and Chapple. Lollies—Misses Bonython, Haslam, Harvey, Hill, M. Marshall, R. Marshall, and E. Russell. Flowers—Mrs. Uren, Misses Dunn, Edmunds, Knowles, A. Marshall, B. Mellor, Rhodes, Uren, and G. Chapple. Afternoon and

high tea—Mrs. Cocker and Misses B. Drew, M. Hill, Hartley, Lawrence, Marshall, G. Mead, V. Plummer, and M. Chapple. Christmas tree—Misses E. and M. Drew, G. and L. Dunn, A. Haslam, L. Newman, V. Pash, N. Williams, and P. Chapple.

The net proceeds from the fete are £130, which is an excellent start, and which will we trust prove the nucleus of a fund which will accomplish what is desired.

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### Greek Prose.

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Thrice happy are those  
Who ne'er heard of Greek prose—  
Or Greek poetry either, as far as that goes;  
For Liddell and Scott  
Shall cumber them not,  
Nor Sargent nor Sidgwick shall break their repose.

But I, late at night,  
By the very bad light  
Of very bad gas, must painfully write  
Some stuff that a Greek  
With his delicate cheek  
Would smile at as "barbarous"—faith, he well  
might.

So away with Greek prose,  
The source of my woes!  
(This metre's too tough, I must draw to a close).  
May Sargent be drowned  
In the ocean profound,  
And Sidgwick be food for the carrion crows!

[The above piece was written by Robert F. Murray, of St. Andrew's, who did not enjoy himself much in writing his Greek prose composition, and has expressed his feelings in these clever lines.]

### Some Extracts from Alfred Chapple's Recent Letter.

S.S. Australia, Friday, April 26, 7.30 p.m.—I am not on deck, nor in the saloon, but propped up, in order to let you know that hitherto my life has been spared. On Wednesday, ate two good meals. Thursday, Friday—I've retched and retched and retched till at times I almost wished "To reach the land of," &c. Then to-morrow brought me into the calm haven of Albany; breakfast in the saloon; my friends hailed me as one risen from the dead. The weather was wet and stormy, so I paid no visit to our friends in Albany. However, on the first ship-bound launch young Shaw appeared. We exchanged many friendly words, greetings, and enquiries. He is doubtful about returning to P.A.C.; is doing nothing, and finds it an interesting pastime. He will take my apologies to Robinsons for my non-appearance, and offered to show me all over Albany in an hour, but I felt too weak and sick. By the way, I hear Robinsons had the table laid for me all day long. We steamed out of the harbour which was very pretty; long, rugged, and very bold projections of granite juttred out into the sea, which few men could ever explore; their chief attraction is their boldness and wildness.

On Sunday, in bed again all day till 2.30, when my cabin mate's taunt about a fine young man lying (laying) in his bed so long, compelled me to get above. On Monday morning rose at 7 a.m.; saltwater shower, then the preprandial promenade prepared to

make the post temporaneous porridge palatable. We had to-day the false fire-alarm practice; men fired away with their hydrants great streams of sea water back into the ocean. Then all hands mustered on deck at the sound of the bugle call—stewards, butchers, engineers, officers, Las-cars, Africans, stokers, cooks, &c.—then the captain strolled past, touching his hat ceremoniously every seventh step. A reading circle was started on board—"Tennyson" yesterday, from 3 to 4; to-day, "Matthew Arnold."

Hope to reach Colombo to-morrow morning at 6. It is very hot now, we have crossed the line. By the way, as we had no astronomical telescope, no one was "had" on the line. It is so hot that after cricket practice this morning I had to get a second bath before lunch. Took a lesson in Greek from a Greek on board. He had to begin with to correct my Greek alphabet; gave me a Greek newspaper. I was up late watching the lights at Point de Galle, as we neared Colombo. Several hours passed as we travelled along with bare land in sight within five miles of us. Gradually Colombo appeared; very rum the town looked afar off, still rummer when one reached it. Our first sight of the Cingalese was in one of their ingenious catamarans or hurricane boats. As we neared the port, we saw dozens of these with two or three stark naked fellows in each. Once round the breakwater in the harbour and at our moorings, there began an unceasing clang of foreign voices such as I never yet heard; then the ship was swarmed with fellows wanting to sell

you all sorts of marvels for £2, but for which they finally accepted 2s.—jugglers, divers, merchants, fruit-sellers, &c. We spent Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday till 5 p.m. at Colombo, and rare enjoyment we had there.

We had a funeral at sea on Tuesday morning, a young fellow died suddenly, though hardly unexpectedly, on Monday night. Nobody knows clearly the cause of his death, though there are five doctors on board. At any rate on Tuesday morning, a notice appeared on the board that a funeral would take place at eight. As eight bells were rung, out came the coffin on the lower deck, beneath the cover of the union jack, carried by four sailors, placed ready for disposal. The captain read the Anglican service very impressively, and "we commit his body to the deep," was the signal for a dull splash in the water, which meant that his body was consigned to the ocean till "that day."

On Wednesday, the ship's passengers and officers played a cricket match against the officers of the garrison of the fort in Colombo, and I was chosen for the ship. I made 4 not out, and caught a man out at leg off Gibbes. Total scores—Ship, 83 for 9 wickets; Garrison, 87 for the innings. During the afternoon, a band of thirty or forty instruments played lovely music. The officers took us in to a grand luncheon, in their grand apartments. I sat next to a fine fellow who talked splendidly on all sorts of things. We reached Aden and drove through the town, visited the cemetery to see the grave of a friend of one of

the passengers; did not stay long. We have all grown so much like a large family on board, and in consequence have had so much to do sightseeing, games, music, conversation, &c., that my letters must necessarily be brief.

We had a beautiful passage through the Red Sea, passing ships, seeing lighthouses, islands, &c., caused us quite to forget the extra warmth. The Suez Canal was very interesting at first, but fifteen hours between banks, 150 feet apart, caused the novelty to pass off, and glad we were to see Port Said. We only had to "tie up" once, and that was to let a Russian convoy, crammed full of soldiers, pass up.

Brindisi is in sight; we entered the very narrow channel into the small Italian harbour. We tied up alongside a wharf here for the first time during the voyage. We disembarked, and strolled through the irregular town; many scores of wine shops. We wandered into a little R.C. church, and a wretched specimen it was, and looked about. Then we found the old Roman wall and arch under which, perhaps 2,000 years ago, a Roman procession passed; the wall is broken down very largely, but enough remains to enable me to picture the old battering-ram of the besiegers in its futile attempt to effect an entrance. On the top of the wall stood the besieged with their sagittae, calcaria, lapides, &c. How curious it seemed to pass under the arch, and the next moment over a railway track. The chief scene in the town was the market. We found rogues and mendicants here as

numerous as at Port Said, Malta, and Colombo.

We reached Valetta, Malta, about 11 a.m., Queen's Birthday. We hoped to have seen the Mediterranean Squadron, 37 vessels, I believe, but unfortunately they departed the day before we arrived. On entering the harbour it was at once evident to us that the Maltese were loyal subjects—at any rate, they kept up the show of loyalty, flags were flying everywhere. We determined to spend a day on shore. It cost 2½d. to go ashore, and we were at once assailed by a dozen or more men willing to be our guides for the day, or to drive us through the town. Nine of us engaged two cabs for the day. We then drove between two walls for three miles, it was not very interesting looking at white limestone for half an hour. We were ultimately repaid for our patience by seeing the Governor's gardens. We walked along amongst the orange and lemon trees to the entree court of the governor's house, we passed through into an inner garden. In the centre was a large pond with water lilies and goldfish. This was all we gave ourselves time to see; returned to Valetta, saw the beautiful opera-house, &c., dined, had tea with goat's milk, and joined the ladies shopping. They positively stayed half an hour in one shop; the object of interest was Maltese lace.

We had a beautiful time at Gibraltar, where I went ashore and viewed the rock on all sides; it was magnificent. Drove round the town.

The Bay of Biscay was wondrous calm, so was the Channel. The Eddystone Light-

house was not visible till we came alongside within 300 yards of it. The keepers were out fishing, and one could not imagine the things could be true that we read about it. The lighthouse is about ten miles out of Plymouth, and when about nine miles out we shut of steam to pick up a pilot. We got into Plymouth before breakfast, but the approach being very foggy, we could not see anything till near to hand. When we got into the heads, we were greeted with such a sight as I have never yet seen, very beautiful in the morning light; two torpedo boats whizzed out of the harbour in front of us.

(To be continued.)

**Balance Sheet No. 45.**

RECEIPTS.

	£	s.	d.
Classes ... ..	5	9	0
Old Collegians' Association ...	1	10	0
Subscriptions ... ..	0	18	6
Sale of back numbers ... ..	0	2	6
Extra copies sold... ..	0	2	0
Book Depôt .. ..	0	1	0
	£8	3	0

EXPENDITURE.

	£	s.	d.
Printing ... ..	7	16	0
Wrappers and stamps ... ..	0	5	0
Profit ... ..	0	2	0
	£8	3	0

R. ROONEY, *Hon. Manager.*

**Prince Alfred Old Collegians' Association.**

The annual dinner was held at the College on Wednesday, July 23. Mr. G. M. Evan (president) took the chair. During the evening over sixty members were present, and pronounced the gathering very enjoyable, quite one of the best of our yearly dinners.

The toasts of "The Queen" and "The Governor" were appropriately followed by the National Anthem and "The Song of Australia."

Then Mr. W. Charles Grey showed that the pianoforte lessons at school had been profitably learnt and turned to good account. Mr. J. L. Haslam then rendered the song "The Diver" very effectively.

The Chairman thanked the members present for having elected him president for the year. He urged all old boys to do what they could to help the Association, so that it might become of still greater assistance to the College. He referred very sympathetically to the late Mr. G. B. Hone as a Christian gentleman.

Mr. S. G. Lawrence amused the company with an account of a few of the minor surprises which an "Inventor's Wife" experienced through the amazing cleverness of her husband.

The Hon. President of the College (the Rev. H. H. Teague) now gave the toast "P.A.C. and Masters," eulogising the office of teacher, with especial reference to its influence on the young untrained mind.

The Headmaster, in responding, said it

was always a great pleasure to him to be able to meet so many old boys who were making names for themselves and the College. He felt sure that the best of the old boys would make a point if possible of attending the meetings of such an Association, so the value of the toast was specially enhanced. He touchingly referred to the late Mr. G. B. Hone, whose work at the College had been abruptly closed just when his worth was becoming daily more and more appreciated and his example as an out and out earnest Christian was growing more powerful. Also the late Mr. L. W. Evan he remembered as one of a small knot of boys who stopped to stare at and welcome the new Headmaster on his arrival at the College, and later on he knew him as a Christian worker, in office, and on the cricket-field. Again, most recently Mr. Osborne Stephenson was smitten down at Coolgardie, where he seemed to be doing an all-important work as home missionary. In fact, he had started in that busy mining town a Prince Alfred Old Boys' Club, to help especially old Reds to fight their battles of life. Again, the magnificent achievements of Messrs. J. Darling and C. Hill in the cricket-field must this year be specially referred to in replying to this toast. He hoped both would go to England with the next Australian Eleven.

Other members of the staff, Messrs. H. C. Shortt, W. R. Bayly, J. D. Iliffe, A. H. Harry, and P. E. Johnstone, were called on, some of the old boys looking on this as a favorable opportunity for pleasantly paying off the old scores of impositions of cubes,

lines, and other devices with which many of them had been only too well acquainted.

Mr. A. Shakes revived the song in which he had appeared with such success at one of "the College midwinter concerts." Mr. E. P. Auld's "Frenchman" obtained an encore, the choruses being given with great spirit.

Mr. J. H. Chinner now called on members to toast "The Association." He pointed out some of the work that had been accomplished by it since its commencement, its increase in membership, and the good feeling generally that prevailed among its members.

Mr. S. W. Bailey responded. He thought that the Association had been in existence quite long enough now to be in a position to do more for the College. It was formed to help, and for itself. The individual members should try to get their friends to join and attend the few meetings which were held, and then form a number of smaller groups, united together in one larger and much more powerful whole. The funds of the Association ought to be greater, and to obtain the necessary increase he would suggest that as many members as possible be asked to pay a "life subscription" of three guineas, and in that way some permanence would be secured for the Association's work.

Mr. Maughan rendered "Every inch a soldier." Then the spirited song and chorus "Sailing" was led by Mr. W. E. Chinner. The ever-green "Johnny Schmoker" was given as an encore to "Mush, Mush" by a quartet of old scholars.

Mr. G. W. Lee, in proposing "Absent



Friends," asked those present to remember friends who were unable to be at the dinner. He specially regretted the absence of Dr. Davenport, who was just at present in this colony on sick leave from his duties in China, and could not attend that evening, much as he wished to. Mr. Alf. Chapple must not be forgotten amongst the members. Other speakers had referred to him, and we all must wish that his course at Cambridge would prove as successful as his most recent performances warranted us in expecting.

Mr. A. W. Piper, in responding, thanked those present for the thoughtfulness which had prompted the singing of "The old folks at home" when they were honoring his toast. He was replying, not for any old boy who would not join our Association, but for those who belonged to us and would have been with us this evening if they could.

A vote of thanks was passed to the ladies, especially those who had so kindly decorated the room in which the dinner was held.

A most enjoyable evening was concluded by the singing of "Auld Lang Syne."

Messrs. Annells, W. Hunter, S. B. Shierlaw, C. F. Stephens, J. E. Giles, A. E. Barlow, C. E. Padman, F. Burford, W. Burford, Reg. Fraser, E. H. Newman, P. Magarey, Roy Braddock, J. L. Haslam, E. Hocking, A. Schlüter, F. Darling, Jos. Treleaven, and Powell were elected members.

Do not let the boys who are just leaving school forget to join our Association. The subscription is 5s. for a year, or 3 guineas for life.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING was held at Prince Alfred College on Saturday, September 21. There was a very good attendance.

#### ANNUAL REPORT.

The report of the year just ended is in many respects the most encouraging in the history of the Association.

The Association Scholarship for 1895 is being held by Mr. C. Annells. He is studying now at the University, and will, we trust, do himself credit, as the previous winners of this prize have done.

The usual practice match at football resulted in a win for the old boys.

R. G. Nesbit has won twice (in the years 1894 and 1895) the intercollegiate challenge cup on behalf of our school.

The annual dinner this year was a great success, both in the good feeling shown towards the old school and also in point of numbers, over sixty tickets being sold. This shows that the choice of place by the committee was generally approved of.

*The P. A. C. Chronicle* has been distributed to each member as the numbers have come out, and is greatly valued by many of them.

Towards the end of last year a garden party was held on the College grounds to celebrate the twenty-fifth anniversary of the College. The co-operation of a committee elected by us with that chosen by the College Committee greatly assisted in making the gathering a successful one. A sub-committee of our Association was invited to co-operate with the College Committee in making arrangements, and we are glad to say that the reunion was a signal success. Very many old boys attended, and an important part in the proceedings was assigned to them.

Mr. G. B. Hone, our assistant secretary, has been removed from our midst by the hand of death. He was for some years a member of this Association, and in whatever capacity he acted he earned the respect of all who met him as "a Christian gentleman."

The Treasurer's balance-sheet shows an increased balance of £28 4s. after the usual payments for scholarship, *Chronicles*, vote to College sports, &c., have been made.

This year 31 new members have been elected, making the total number on the roll up to 217. Also there has been initiated the new feature of the payment of life subscriptions—eight of which have been already received. In concluding, therefore, we call the attention of all members especially to this fact, looking on it as a means to greatly strengthen our Association and to materially increase the balance to our credit.

Instead of making vain regrets that more old boys have not joined us, let each look to himself and consider what he has done for the Association, and try to make the old boys with whom he meets sufficiently interested in their Alma Mater to join us as members.

Thus the Association will attain the much higher position it should occupy after an existence of nearly seventeen years.

#### ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

The following officers were elected for the year ending September, 1896:—

President—Mr. G. S. Cotton.

Vice-Presidents—Messrs. F. Chapple, B.A., B.Sc., J. H. Chinner, and F. A. Chapman.

Secretary—Mr. T. M. Burgess, B.A.

Assistant Secretary—To be chosen by the committee.

Treasurer—Mr. S. W. Bailey.

Representatives to P.A.C. Committee—Messrs. G. W. Cooper and A. W. Piper.

Committee—Messrs. W. R. Bayly, F. J. Chapple, B.Sc., E. A. A. Dunn, G. M. Evan, J. A. Haslam, B.Sc., A. H. Hill, and T. Roach.

Auditors—Messrs. H. R. Adamson and W. Lathlean.

Messrs. A. F. Briant, A. Chaffey, H. J. Cohen, J. A. Mannheim, B. Newbould, G. Tate, and H. Thomas were elected members.

#### OTHER BUSINESS.

It was carried that the committee be empowered to permanently recognise the valuable services of the retiring secretary, Mr. F. J. Chapple.

It was resolved that an attempt be made to found a scholarship at P.A.C. for sending one day boy to the school each year. This prize is to be under the control of the Association, and to raise the necessary money members will be asked for donations, and especially for life subscriptions—*i.e.*, the payment of three guineas, by which they will become members of the Association without payment of any other annual subscriptions.

Now is the time to do this, and we feel sure that many members will see the necessity of prompt action on their part.

After the business was completed an adjournment was made to the big school-room, where an enjoyable evening was spent in songs, recitations, &c. The present boys had been invited to attend, and many of them came. This is a good commencement, and it is to be hoped that the old boys will at least once a year in future give the present scholars many such pleasant evenings.

## BALANCE SHEET.

## RECEIPTS.

	£	s.	d.
Balance from last year ...	120	10	4
Subscriptions ...	62	0	0
Savings Bank interest ...	4	5	6
Proceeds of dinner ...	13	0	0
	£199	15	10

## EXPENDITURE.

	£	s.	d.
Scholarship ...	15	15	0
Postage, advertising, and sundries ...	8	3	4
Dinner ...	11	12	0
Secretary, honorarium and commission ...	6	5	0
<i>P.A.C. Chronicle</i> ...	6	2	2
P.A.C. sports fund ...	3	3	0
Savings Bank of S.A. ...	148	15	4
	£199	15	10

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**Cricket Meeting.**


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As the programme for the coming season has to be arranged this quarter, a meeting to elect secretaries and a committee for carrying out that business was held in the Lower Fifth on Thursday afternoon, August 22, under the presidency of Mr. Chapple. The following were elected:—H. Chapple, secretary; W. A. Thomson, boarders' secretary; R. Rooney, H. S. Cowan, T. Steele, and H. H. Formby, members of the committee. The meeting was lively, and great interest was taken in the proceedings.

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**A Trip to Mildura and Back.**


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At noon on Saturday, June 29, we left Adelaide, and after a pleasant six hours' train ride we came into Morgan, where, after a few hours' stay, we embarked on the "Pearl" (a small steamer of 35 tons) to steam up the Murray. At 10 o'clock the same evening we arrived at the first of the Government village settlements, called Newerie. Here the boat took on board a load of wood, and the peculiar manner in which it was stacked on board deserves mention. The men, numbering about ten or twelve, stood in a line from the wood-heap to the place on board where it was to be stacked, and passed the large logs from one to another. After their mails and necessaries had been landed, and all the wood that was required taken on board, we steamed out again. After passing Gillen, Waikerie, Holder, Kingston, and one or two other settlements, we arrived at Moorook on Sunday afternoon at about 4 o'clock. This is one of the best kept settlements along the route, and the settlers are of a very industrious turn of mind. They have already almost 1,000 acres cleared, and some cultivated. Here, as in nearly every other settlement where there is no pump already fixed, a big pump is being erected for irrigation purposes. The next settlement is Pyap, the largest, having about 300 settlers, and with the exception of Lyrup, and perhaps Waikerie, the oldest settlement. The buildings of this settlement are made by bags, sewn together and white-washed, stretched between uprights as walls,

and with galvanized iron roofs, the only stone part being the fireplaces and the chimneys. Some of the female settlers have lined the inside of the bags with old newspapers, and these keep the draught out to a great extent. There are only two stone buildings at present in this settlement, viz., the schoolmaster's house and the bakehouse; but the schoolmaster has to pay rent out of his salary to the association for the former. Not even the school itself is made of stone; but they told us that a stone one was to be erected soon, and that the site had already been chosen, viz., at the top of a hill at the west end; it stands at present right at the east end of the settlement. There are about ninety pupils when all are present, who are arranged in six classes, and taught by a teacher appointed by the Government. Under his direction the school is kept in very good order.

Then the journey began to be very monotonous, and as there was any number of wild duck, musk duck, shags, cockatoos, hawks, blue and white cranes, and a few pelicans, swans, and rabbits, which could be shot from the deck, we availed ourselves of the opportunity; but the shooting was most atrocious, as we did not bring down more than a dozen birds from more than a dozen score of shots, and one gentleman once fired five times at a shag, and did not even frighten it, much less hit it. The scenery here is very beautiful. In some places high rocks tower on one side and thick bush on the other, and on the trees you can see the high water-mark about

10 feet above the present level. Having passed Lyrup overnight, we came to Renmark a little before noon on Monday. Here, by the kindness of Mr. C. Chaffey, we were taken round in a trap by his manager, and shown all the points of interest. First we came to the orchards, overflowing with orange, lemon, olive, vine, apricot, and peach trees; but of course all but the orange and lemon trees were bare. Next we were shown the manner in which these trees are irrigated. The water is brought by means of channels to the highest corner of the plot, and then a channel is made to run along one side, and after a furrow has been made on each side of every row of trees (which, by the way, are planted so regularly that if you look at them from any direction, either horizontally, perpendicularly, or obliquely, they always appear to be in a straight line), the water is allowed to run down until the soil is fairly saturated. When all the water has thoroughly soaked into the earth the furrows are again filled in, and the plot is ploughed again at right angles to the furrow which had just been filled in, and the soil is kept by this means as loose as possible, that the water may keep in the ground the longer. After this we came to the pumps which lift the water out of the river and put it into the channels. These pumps at the different levels, when all working with their full capacity, are capable of lifting 90,000 gallons a minute; the main one, which consists of four pipes, being able to lift 40,000 gallons every minute. Here the greatest pests are the rabbits and ravens.

A committee formed itself a little time ago to try to exterminate the latter by offering 3d. a head for each dead raven, the money being supplied by the land-owners, each paying 6d. for each acre of land he possessed. But their money soon ran short, and there are still as many ravens as ever. The trouble with the sparrows ended more fortunately. When about twelve months ago some sparrows were seen, these were soon killed off by the offer of a shilling for each sparrow's head. The next evening we arrived at Wentworth (N.S.W.). This is a very dirty place, and almost every fourth man is a Chinaman. The only redeeming feature about this place is a beautiful bridge which crosses the Darling here. It was erected about five years ago by the New South Wales Government, and is made so as to lift up in the middle, that steamers and other vessels may pass underneath on their journey up the Darling. The next morning before daybreak we arrived at Mildura, our terminus. This is a place very similar to Renmark, but older and much larger, having a population of about 3,500. There are three football teams here, viz., teams from North Mildura, South Mildura, and Irymple Valley, and I was told that the rivalry between them is very keen. The streets of this town are made after the American fashion, those running north-east and south-west being called avenues, and named mostly after certain persons; those running north-west and south-east being called streets and numbered, the most easterly being the 1st street and the most westerly the 24th

street. In Mildura and the vicinity there are more than 500 miles of channelling, there being 140 miles of main channelling in four levels, viz., 35, 70, 85, and 92 feet above the level of the river. There are four pumps—one to raise the water from each level to the one higher than it—and the main pump (*i.e.*, the pump at the first level) is the same as the main pump at Renmark, and the heat required to generate enough steam to work this is so great that they have to burn a ton of wood an hour. We were told that one of the other pumps was almost as large as this, but only had one pipe, which could lift 30,000 gallons per minute, and that a man could almost walk inside the pipe. After a stay here of about eight hours, we left for home again, and helped by the tide, though delayed for a few hours by fogs, we arrived at Morgan on Friday night, and Adelaide on Saturday at 2 o'clock, having spent a most enjoyable and instructive week.

O. S. F.

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### Football Meeting.

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On Thursday afternoon, July 18, a meeting was held in the Lower Fifth to elect a new committee and secretaries for the latter half of the football season. The following were elected:—W. A. Thompson, boarders' secretary; J. Richardson, corresponding secretary; R. Rooney, H. S. Cowan, R. G. Nesbit, and L. Grewar, members of the committee. Mr. Chapple presided over the meeting.

## Letters to a Schoolboy from his Father.

No. I.

MY DEAR BOY—

You are now going to settle at school, and may consider this as your first entrance into the world. As my health is so indifferent, and I may not be with you long, I wish to leave you some advice (the best I can) for your conduct in life. I may at least be able to caution you against my own errors, if nothing else.

In your last letter you complain that the boys laugh at you and do not care about you, and that you are not treated as you were at home. My dear boy, that is one of the chief reasons for your being sent to school, to accustom you to the unavoidable rubs and the uncertain reception you may meet with in life. You cannot always be with me, and perhaps it is as well that you cannot; but you must not expect others to show the same concern about you that I should. At home you have had a good deal of your own way, and consequently have been a little spoiled. Now you are among other boys, who are your equals, or bigger and stronger than yourself, and who have something else to attend to than humoring your whims and fancies. This you seem to regard as a hardship and an injustice. But, my dear boy, one of the first lessons you have to learn is that there are other people in the world beside yourself. To your schoolfellows their own amusements and pursuits are of as much consequence as yours are to you, and there-

fore you must learn to give way to them in your turn. The more you give yourself airs of childish self-importance the more you will expose yourself to be thwarted and ridiculed. Remember always that you are but one among many, who have rights equally with yourself, and then you can hardly mistake your place in society. If you do this you will soon be reconciled to your situation.

HAZLITT.

## A Trip to Beetaloo Reservoir.

On the second Saturday in our Midwinter holidays, with three others, I went to see the Beetaloo Reservoir. We rode for two miles, but then, owing to the bad state of the road, three of us preferred to leave our horses and advance the rest of the way on foot, while the other said he would not leave his horse. About half a mile from the place where we had left our horses we determined to try a short cut across the hills to where we could see the road in the distance. We amused ourselves by seeing who could knock down the most yaccas with a stick, and we became so interested in this that we did not take any trouble to see in what direction we were going. At last one of our number remarked that we seemed to be a long time in the scrub without having seen the road, and this made us remember that we were not at all sure of our locality. After we had wandered some time in search of the road (and in the meantime getting rather wet, for by this time it was raining heavily) we saw our mounted companion

coming down a small track on the hillside to see if he could get a glimpse of us. When we reached him he told us that we were nearly half a mile from the road, and that he had been waiting some time for us. We hurried on, as it was getting late, and reached the reservoir without further adventure, except that one of us slipped while climbing up a hill, and hitting his knee on a stone, bruised it rather severely. We scrambled down on to the wall of the reservoir, and started talking to each other about the reservoir, when we were surprised to hear every word we spoke repeated very plainly. We soon discovered that this was only an echo, but so plain was it that if you only spoke in an ordinary tone you could hear the echo quite plainly, although the distance was about a quarter of a mile. The wall, which is of solid masonry, is quite a quarter of a mile long, from 80 to 100 feet deep, and wide enough at the top to allow two traps to pass each other. We walked out on to the wall, and when we got to the centre we crawled to the edge and looked over, as there is a danger of getting dizzy and of falling over if you stand up. At the wall the water is about a quarter of a mile wide. It extends back for nearly two miles, but from the wall it gradually becomes narrower, and so forms a wedge-shaped sheet of water. On the east side of the wall are three places which are built a little lower than the rest of the wall, and gradually slope outwards, so as to let the water run out there if it gets too high. After a good look at the reservoir we started for home. We had only

gone a short distance when it began to rain, and although several attempts were made to raise a song they failed miserably, as the rain had damped not only our clothes but also our spirits. Soon after we reached our horses, and once on them we did not take very long to reach home.

FEATHER.

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### A Festive Gathering.

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On Saturday evening, September 14, a very pleasant social gathering was held in the dining-room, on the occasion of our manager's (Mr. R. Rooney) coming of age.

A committee had been formed to supervise the decorations and the issuing of invitations, with the result that everything was carried out in a capable manner.

Ray (as he is popularly known) acted as M.C., and opened the proceedings by calling upon the Misses Haslam for a pianoforte duet. The programme, consisting of games, charades, and music, was then gone through.

During the evening Ray was made the recipient of a splendid Gladstone bag from the masters and boarders, and also a book from Mr. and Mrs. Chapple.

The Headmaster, in making the presentation, remarked on the many good qualities of our manager and the high esteem in which he is held by boys and masters alike. These remarks were heartily applauded by the boys.

Light refreshment was then partaken of, and the guests departed with many good wishes for the future of Ray Rooney.

### Reveries.

#### No. I.—BY THE SAD SEA WAVES.

Away! away! far from the bustle and din, the strife and turmoil, of the busy city—"far from the madding crowd"—we stand upon the seashore. Lonely? Not we! For

There is society where none intrudes,  
By the deep sea, and music in its roar.

We are here by the sad sea waves to contemplate; to see if it be possible to cull any of the flowers of poesy which grow in that portion of the garden of thought which Ocean guards. Short the time before a chance occurs. What are those footprints on the sand? Some one has passed on before us. We pause and think, and then even the waves as they playfully toss their crested heads sink into oblivion, and Long-fellow's soul stirring lines steal into our memories:—

Lives of all great men remind us  
We can make our lives sublime,  
And, departing, leave behind us  
Footprints on the sands of time;  
Footprints, that perhaps another,  
Sailing o'er life's solemn main,  
A forlorn and shipwrecked brother,  
Seeing, shall take heart again.

What wonderful lessons are contained in these lines! What admirable precepts! As we stroll along they seem to be the sweetest and most ennobling strains that ever sprang from mind of bard. To think of them is an "avocation" in the truest meaning of the word; for the thinking

"call us away from ourselves," and leads us to something better than fills our minds in the humdrum existence of every-day life.

Every-day Life and—every-day Death! Who but will admit that these are the greatest mysteries on earth? Let us see whether the mighty Deep can tell us aught of these great mysteries.

'Tis morning. The first warm rays of the sun shine in beauty and gentleness on the surface of the sea; the seabirds leave their nests and hover on the crest of the wave, "sped onward by the oarage of their wings"; the very boats seem to be revelling in nature's loveliness. All is young and bright and joyful. Morning on the ocean—the morning of life.

Morning has flown, and now the waves are at the noontide of their existence. No more that fresh and airy feeling, those early golden hopes, those little sparkling waves; ocean's feathered attendants no longer wing their cheerful ways, but bask in the balmy sunshine; the boats are at rest, as though they have grown out of their youthful days, and have now settled down to the stern realities of life. The prime of life, "when on his noontide couch windless and waveless ocean sinks to rest."

Morning and noontide have softly glided into the immeasurable past; time has flown on, and the sea is drawing towards its evening hours. Slowly yet surely the shadows of the night stretch out across the waves; and as the gloom comes creeping on, and the billows wildly sigh, one is reminded of the end of Life—of Death!—



when every one who has launched his frail vessel on the great, great ocean of life has to "cross the bar," and anchor in the Infinite Unknown.

What poetry in those lines of Tennyson (In *the* gem of all his writings, "Crossing the Bar") where he longs that, when the time comes for him to embark, he may meet with

Such a tide as moving seems afloat,  
Too full for sound or foam,  
When that which drew from out the boundless deep  
Draws again home.

*Dulce Domum!* Our reverie is at an end. *Au revoir*, old Oceanus; may we ere long once more commune together.

Roll on, thou deep and dark blue Ocean—roll!  
Ten thousand fleets sweep over thee in vain;  
Man marks the earth with ruin—his control  
Stops with the shore; upon the watery plain  
The wrecks are all thy deed, nor doth remain  
A shadow of man's ravage, save his own,  
When, for a moment, like a drop of rain,  
He sinks into thy depths with bubbling groan,  
Without a grave, unknell'd, uncoffined, and  
unknown.

### Colt Breaking at Roseworthy.

Six colts to be broken into saddle and harness was heard all over the college after our return from the holidays. This was good news for us, especially those who in the near future will have to deal with horses. Before any of the horses were yarded, we were cautioned to be very careful lest at any time a colt might kick us and seriously injure us, and also that we should show judgment in the presence of the colts, because a

thoughtless and foolish act might frighten a horse and spoil it for the rest of its life.

The colts consisted of three roans and three chesnuts, the latter being high-spirited animals, as we found out later. The horses were soon yarded, and a roan filly, with a large head and a nose that made one think she was descended from some Roman race, was the first to undergo the ordeal, to them, under some breakers a terrible one, but only a time of excitement under better tempered and more patient men. The stockman on the farm was the colt-breaker, and nearly all the horses at present in the stables were broken in by him, and there is not an ill-tempered one amongst them. Before the operation began care was taken that the colt could not injure itself in any way. To begin with, the roan was run around the yard several times, being kept going by a long stick on the end of which was tied a rag. At first she resented this treatment, but when she saw it did not harm her she gave in. In a short time our instructor put the halter and a rope around her head, and also got on her back, smacking her, but she did not move. After this, he fixed on her the tackling used for mouthing horses, and showed us how to tie different knots that will not tighten or come undone. This tackling he then took off, and fixed the rope from her head along the back and under the tail, the end of the rope being held in the hand. By pulling this the horse can be slewed around, and he soon finds out that if he walks along when the rope is pulled that he is not in the least harmed. A very vicious horse can be made

to lead in this way very quickly. Our filly was now let go till others had undergone the same treatment.

After a few days we caught our roan again and went over the preliminaries with her, which she had not forgotten. This day was her first in harness, and now she showed her spirit and her ability in the art of kicking. We put the dray harness on her, and tied her to one of our old stagers, who has helped to break in many of his stable-fellows, and he knows his duty well. We set them going in one of the paddocks and two of us each took a rope and another took a stick to keep them going. A quarter of an hour was spent in this way. When the filly had quietened down a bit we put her with her consort into a waggon, taking good care that she had winkers over her halter, so as not to let her see what was going on. Having fixed the kicking rope and tied all the chains and tugs securely, we took the winkers off and set them going immediately. What an exhibition of kicking we did see, and what we would have seen had the kicking rope broken we can well imagine. After an hour's drive we took the filly out and tied her firmly to a post to think over what had happened. Next day she was put in the plough, and we now await the second edition—namely, that of breaking her into the saddle.

One thing must not be forgotten when dealing with colts, handle them gently but firmly, and they will cause you little trouble. This has been fully proved to be true in all cases so far witnessed by an

AMATEUR.

### P.A.C. Debating Society.

It was thought advisable by several of the older boys to commence a Debating Society in connection with Prince Alfred College. A meeting was therefore called on July 20, when it was decided to commence a society.

The following officers were elected:— President, Mr. Chapple; vice presidents, Messrs. Iliffe and Rooney; secretary and treasurer, L. Grewar; committee, H. Chapple, A. Dunn, and I. Boas.

The first general meeting was held on July 27, when Mr. Iliffe gave a very interesting and instructive lecture on "Light." A large number of members were present, and the lecture was enjoyed by all. Some of the experiments were particularly good.

On August 10 a second meeting was held, when the subject of debate was "Was the execution of Charles I. justifiable?" I. Boas led for the affirmative, whilst R. G. Nesbit led for the negative side. Boas opened the debate by a well-delivered speech. Nesbit eloquently replied, and Mr. Chapple did great justice in summing up and explaining the strongest arguments for both sides. Votes were then taken. The results were:—Nesbit, 7; Boas, 9. Boas' side were proclaimed victorious.

On August 24 Mr. Chapple delivered an excellent lecture on "Lady Macbeth." From the commencement the lecture was listened to with rapt attention, and as it proceeded the audience grew more interested, and towards the end were completely under

the power of the orator. A vote of thanks was then proposed to the lecturer.

On September 7 a meeting was held, the subject of debate being "Are drinking and smoking right?" S. R. Rooney led for the negative, Flecker leading for the affirmative. Rooney opened with a clever speech, in which he put some almost unanswerable arguments. Flecker had a hard task, but he went at it with a will, and succeeded in answering some of Rooney's arguments. Mr. Chapple again did great justice in summing up and putting the strongest arguments before the audience. Votes were then taken. The results were:—Drinking—Rooney, 11; Flecker, 8. Smoking—Rooney, 7; Flecker, 16.

A social was to have been held on the night of the sports, but as the old scholars are giving a concert on that night it will have to be postponed until next term.

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### Sports Meeting.

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A largely attended meeting to elect officers and a committee to make arrangements for the sports was held in the Lower Fifth classroom on Thursday, August 8, under the presidency of Mr. Chapple. The greatest enthusiasm prevailed throughout the meeting, all being interested in the voting. The following were elected as a committee of management:—Mr. Chapple, president; Mr. Brown, treasurer; Ray Rooney, secretary; Mr. Robertson, H. S. Cowan, R. G. Nesbit, L. Grewar, and S. Verco, members.

### Old Boys.

P. A. Robin, M.A., Cambridge and London, has been appointed Senior Cassical Master at the Church of England Grammar School, Melbourne.

Alfred Chapple has entered at St. John's College, Cambridge, in the Engineering or Mechanical Sciences' School.

Lawrence Birks has commenced study at University College, London, under Professor Beare.

B. H. Goode, of the Norwood Art School, has passed two further examinations towards the Art Class Teachers and Art Master's Certificates granted by the South Kensington (London) Art Department.

In the Civil Service Examination list of this July we note with pleasure H. T. Nottage's name.

Dr. Cecil J. Davenport, F.R.C.S., for four years a medical missionary at Chungking, China, is at present on sick leave in this colony. We are glad to know that he is rapidly regaining health and strength.

Many old boys are heard of at Coolgardie ("tother-siders"). Robert and Bruce Henderson are doing a large forwarding business between Southern Cross and Coolgardie; Andrew Henning and Horace Rounsevell are solicitors; Rudolph Henning is a sharebroker; Eric Sabine is a camel-owner and prospector; William Dempster is at Beverley on Esperance Bay; Charles Rhodes is purser of the Fair Adelaide mine; Ernest Hack at the head of the Water Conservation Department; E. H. Rhodes is managing a store; the Rev. Thos. Trestrail is the Wesleyan minister there.

### Preliminary Examination.

The following were successful at the September Preliminary Examination :—

Adamson, D.	Lipman, J. A.
Berry, B. S.	Mellor, J. H.
Bower, N. L.	Neill, A. L.
Brummitt, E. A.	Nation, E. G.
Brummitt, R. D.	Parks, W. C.
Chapple, E.	Paton, A. E.
Cooper, L. W.	Phillips, H. T.
Cotton, R. H.	Royal, J. H. C.
Cowell, F. H.	Saunders, E. W.
Derrington, L. O.	Savage, W. H. A.
Edwards, R. O.	Scott, M. L.
Goode, F.	Seppelt, W. U.
Grewar, L. D.	Stock, H. H.
Hague, H. W.	Sunter, G. E.
Hodgson, H.	Thomas, F. F.
Horton, A. L.	Wilkinson, R. W.
Keidel, A. H. O.	Walter, W. H. L.

These, with 9 who passed in March, make 43 for the year, a total only twice exceeded, and these occasions had special circumstances in their favor. The biggest number was 57, when the examinations were first instituted; but then the Fifth Form, and indeed some of the Sixth, went in. Now the Sixth, Fifth, and most of the Lower Fifth have already passed, and boys go up from the Lower and Upper Fourth.

### Subscriptions.

We acknowledge with thanks subscriptions from the following old scholars :—A. C. A. Lever, T. Axford, jun., A. White, R. H. Miley, A. H. Riggs, F. W. Simpson, R. Loutit, and C. H. Frost.

### Howlers.

1. What is the plural of forget-me-not? —Forget-us-not.
2. What is the feminine of peacock?—She-peacock.
3. The base of a triangle is that part we don't talk about.
4. We know that St. Peter repented, because he went out and crowed thrice.
5. The head of the English Church is the *Archipelago* of Canterbury.
6. What misfortune befel Lot when he went to Sodom?—"He got a wife, sir."
7. Give a proof of the earth being round?—It says in the Bible, "World without end."
8. What are the chief mountains in Scotland?—Ben Nevis, Ben Lomond, and Ben Jonson.
9. When the Syrophenician woman came home she found that her daughter had gone out, and the devil was lying on the bed.
10. What is a blizzard?—The inside of a fowl.
11. Explain the words, "When we have shuffled off this mortal coil"?—"It means that if we have any shuffling to do we must do it now, because there will be no shuffling in the world to come."
12. Present tense of *posse*?—Pum, pes, pest, pumus, pestis, punt.

### TRANSLATIONS.

1. Quaeritur, uter, sit.—It is queer, a leathern bottle is; or in good English—Its a queer thing, is a leathern bottle.
2. Subjiciunt veribus prunas et viscera torrent.—They substitute hoar frost for truth, and warm their stomachs.

### P.A.C. Annual Athletic Sports.

Saturday, September 21, was the day fixed for holding the sports this year, and if the Committee had possessed some magical knowledge of the future they could not have chosen a better day for the purpose. The rain that fell during the earlier part of the week laid the dust, and made the grounds look their best. There was a large attendance of the relations of the boys, old scholars, and other friends of the school. The sunshine, the gay dresses of the ladies, and the background of green trees surrounding the oval combined to produce one of the fairest scenes that have been witnessed on the College grounds. Everything passed off successfully, under the able management of Mr. Brown and the committee. Special praise is due to Ray Rooney, the secretary, for the able and energetic way in which he discharged his duties, which were somewhat onerous. Several of our old boys rendered us very welcome and efficient service—Mr. A. H. Hill as starter, and Messrs. G. S. Cotton, G. M. Evan, F. A. Chapman, and W. R. Bayly as judges.

Mrs. Chapple thoughtfully provided the visitors with tea and other refreshments, which added considerably to their comfort. The school is greatly indebted to the many friends who so liberally contributed to the prize fund. The City Volunteer Band enlivened the proceedings by suitable music.

At the conclusion of the final event the distribution of prizes took place in the

centre of the oval. Lady Colton added another to the many favors which she has conferred on the school by distributing the prizes to the winners. The honorary President of the College, the Rev. H. H. Teague, made a short speech, congratulating all concerned on the success of the proceedings. Hearty cheers were then given for Her Gracious Majesty Queen Victoria, for Lady Colton, and for the Headmaster and Mrs. Chapple.

The following is a list of the events and the names of the winners:—

130 yards handicap flat race (open), first event for the College Cup—1, R. G. Nesbit; 2, W. R. Kelly.

100 yards flat race for boys under 11—1, C. F. Newman; 2, D. R. Cowan.

Champion (under 15)—1, S. Richardson.

120 yards hurdle race (under 13)—1, H. Hardey; 2, B. L. Gardiner.

Champion of College (100 yards flat race)—1, R. G. Nesbit.

80 yards sack race—1, P. W. Mellor; 2, E. J. Cook.

220 yards handicap flat race (open)—1, R. G. Nesbit; 2, T. T. Thomas.

130 yards flat race (under 15)—1, S. Richardson; 2, F. G. Cowan; 3, H. Chapple.

440 yards handicap flat race (open), second event for Cup—1, L. D. Grewar; 2, W. R. Kelly.

One mile bicycle race—1, F. W. Porter; 2, A. H. H. Williams.

High jump—Not decided yet.

Three-legged race—1, T. T. Thomas and W. J. Jacka; 2, J. Cheriton and A. E. McWaters.

120 yards handicap flat race (open)—1, R. G. Nesbit; 2, P. Broadbent.

Throwing the cricket ball—1, E. Davis.

100 yards handicap hurdle race (under 15)—1, F. G. Cowan; 2, S. Richardson. H. G. Nesbit and D. Dawson tied for third place.

220 yards old scholars' flat race—1, S. L. Dawkins; 2, M. Claxton.

130 yards handicap hurdle race (open), third event for Cup—1, W. R. Kelly; 2, F. Verco.

120 yards handicap flat race (under 13)—1, C. F. Newman; 2, B. L. Gardiner; 3, E. Chapple.

120 yards old scholars' flat race, for old scholars over 30—1, W. Lathlean.

120 yards old scholars' hurdle race—1, F. Jenkins.

130 yards handicap hurdle race (open) — 1, H. H. Stock; 2, L. Canaway.

Half-mile handicap flat race—1, W. R. Kelly; 2, A. H. Goode; 3, G. H. Randell; 4, J. Close; 5, A. E. McWaters.

College Cup—W. R. Kelly, 11 points.

Intercollegiate Cup—1, R. G. Nesbit, P.A.C.; 2, W. Goss, S.P.S.C.; 3, C. Gregory, S.P.S.C.

The Sports Committee gratefully acknowledge the receipt of contributions from the following gentlemen:—Messrs. A. Heath, J. F. Mellor, J.P., J. M. Wendt, and Professor Tate.

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### Chips.

Sports.

Cricket.

P.A.C. cup day.

Oval match next term.

Ray Rooney made a very good secretary.

Mr. H. Rounsevell, who acted as a judge at last year's sports, is suffering from typhoid fever in Western Australia.

Mr. Seppelt's prize was a very popular one.

Question—How do we know that Peter was repentant? Answer—Please, sir, he went out and crowed three times.

C. Seppelt was in evidence at the Agricultural College sports.

"Enough of that species there already."

What is a sanatorium?—A hospital for catching diseases.

Where were the sports committeemen on Saturday afternoon?

Intercollegiate cup remains with us for another year.

Question—Why was Henry II. called Plantagenet? Answer—Because he always wore a white rose in his buttonhole.

Mr. Hill was very successful as starter.

Cricket in full swing.

Why didn't you win a prize?

Question—What is a creditor? Answer—A believer.

Winner of College Cup—W. R. Kelly.

What is the meaning of supercilious?

Answer—Over-silly.

Sports Committee afraid of a little work, and consequently left everything to the judges.

The success of the sports mainly due to the energetic secretary.

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### Our Contemporaries.

We beg to acknowledge with thanks the receipt of the following contemporaries:—

"O.B.I. Manuscript Newspaper" (3).

"Patchwork."

"Geelong Grammar School Quarterly."

"St. Peter's Magazine."

"The Melburnian."

"The Otago High School Magazine."

"Wesley College Chronicle."

"Y.M.C.A. Journal."

"Way College Boomerang."

### Midwinter Concert.

It was unfortunate that we should have had such unpleasantly moist weather on the night of our annual Midwinter Concert, but in spite of the aforesaid unpleasantness, we had a very good attendance, a statement which is borne out by the fact that £7 clear profit was made.

The evening's performance was opened by an overture in Mr. Knox's usual masterly style, and it was received by the audience with every demonstration of appreciation. Mr. Kirkham Evans then performed several very clever card tricks, which greatly delighted the audience both by their cleverness and the easy, graceful style in which they were executed by this first-class master of legerdemain.

The third item of the programme was a song concerning the actions of the juvenile human heart, sung by Miss Chapple with feeling and pathos.

Then H. L. Lane spiritedly recited Rudyard Kipling's "Tommy Atkins," which was greatly enjoyed. It might be as well to remark that Tommy Atkins doesn't wear a South Australian volunteer uniform, and also that the typical T.A. is clean shaved. We make these remarks in all humility, and hope that Lane will profit by them. Moustaches seem to exercise a deep and mystical influence over boys. In season and out of season, they always endeavor to appear on the platform with an upper-lip adornment three sizes too large for them.

Mr. Chapple followed and sang a pathetic ditty concerning the shameless flirtations

of a doll with two soldiers, the plot of which seemed to depend on the fluctuations of the tin market.

The first part of the programme came to an end with a recitation of a scene by the members of the Lower Second Form, delivered in the usual characteristic style.

After a refreshing interval, the ball was re-opened by a pianoforte duet by F. Thomas and Allen.

The banquet scene from "Macbeth" was then performed by Boas, Verco, S. Rooney, Chapple, and R. G. Nesbit. Boas and Verco, as the king and queen respectively, were excellent. Unfortunately for Boas, he not only had to reproach the ghost for his unkind and inconsiderate conduct, but also to keep the Noble Ross awake. This lengthy gentleman, true to the instincts of his race, instead of watching for his cues, showed a strong inclination to watch the panorama of wealth and beauty spread out before his delighted eyes, and considering the many beauteous dames who deigned to honour us with their gracious presence, he is certainly not to be blamed.

Mr. Lawrence then favoured us with two capital recitations.

The next item [was a double quartette, rendered by Mr. Fredk. J. Chapple's Lyrical Company, which was so well rendered that they had to answer to an imperative recall.

G. S. Goldsmith followed and recited "The Footballer," by Ab Original. This was certainly one of the best, if not the best, rendered items of the evening's entertainment. Young Goldsmith is to be con-

gratulated on his easy presence, his clear enunciation, and his clever and spirited rendering of his piece, and he thoroughly deserved the prolonged applause with which he was rewarded at the termination of his recitation.

L. Whitham then sang "The Cat Came Back." If Whitham takes the advice of this paper he will omit the last verse which is quite unnecessary, and not at all funny. Except this his performance was fairly creditable for a youngster. This ended the concert, save that a few misguided, though well-intentioned people, made some strange and inharmonious sounds, which were afterwards attributed to a loyal desire to sing "God Save the Queen."

A letter from Miss Drew expressing her regret at her inability to perform her share of the programme has been received by the committee. Great disappointment was expressed by those present at the concert who had had the pleasure of hearing Miss Drew's exquisite violin playing at one of our previous concerts, when they heard that she was not present.

R.G.N.

### Midwinter Break-up.

On Friday, June 28, the boys assembled at 3 p.m., to hear the Headmaster read the results of the Second Term's work, and to receive the certificates and prizes that had been gained. The President of the College (the Rev. H. H. Teague) was unfortunately out of town, and could not give us the usual

President's address, nor distribute the prizes. In his absence, the Rev. J. B. Stephenson, one of our ex-Presidents, kindly took his place, and gave the boys an earnest and hearty address; he then distributed prizes to the first boy in each form.

Sixth Form—Paton, A. E. (Dux of School)

Fifth Form—Magarey, R. E.

Lower Fifth " Chapman, H. J.

Fourth " Paton, A. E.

Lower Fourth " Saunders, E. W.

Upper Third " Searle, F. J.

Middle Third " Wilton, J. R.

Lower Third " Linn, M. G.

Second " Kelly, G. F.

Lower Second " Cowan, D. R. W.

First " Hunter, E. B.

Herr Drews, the German master, kindly gave prizes to—VI., Dodwell, G. F.; V., Hill, H.; Lower V., Keidel, A. H.; IV., Paton, A. E.; Lower IV., Goode, A. H.

Certificates were given to those boys who had managed to secure two-thirds of the possible marks in the Weekly Examinations during the term. The numbers were as follows:—VI., 6; V., 6; Lower V., 5; IV., 11; Lower IV., 10; Upper III., 13; Middle III., 8; Lower III., 8; II., 12; Lower II., 10; I., 6.

After a prayer had been offered and the National Anthem had been sung, the school was dismissed for a fortnight.

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