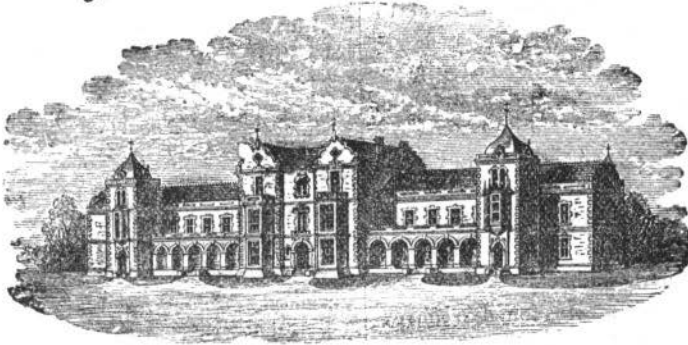


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The Art Class.

I should like to appeal to the boys of the College, particularly to those that are interested in art and love painting and drawing for the pleasure they derive from them. Probably all are not aware that during the past term the artroom has been considerably improved by the addition of some two dozen castes of the very best designs. There are now in it over forty castes as well as models, pictures in oil, water colors, sepia drawings, photos, &c., but more students are wanted to take advantage of these additions. Perhaps the first step in art (out-line drawing) is monotonous and uninteresting to most, but as art knowledge runs in a circle, it is immaterial from what part in the circumference we make our start, as long as we begin, but if it be once started the interest will increase as progress is

made, and it will continually grow greater. I could mention several names of old P.A.C. boys who have made art their profession, and are now doing good work. It was at this College that the foundation was laid, when the College had not the advantages that it has now. It is nearly ten years ago since drawing was first introduced to almost every boy in the College. It was thought that want of time and its interference with other studies which are regarded as more indispensable would prevent success, but this is not so, on the contrary, skill in drawing is found to be most helpful in many of the ordinary studies. What would be thought of a school where pupils were not taught to write? and yet what is writing but the drawing of a series of arbitrary signs, and what an amount of time is occupied in learning to draw them well. The art of writing, in fact, is nothing, but drawing

from memory. To the study of writing, then, the practice of drawing must be very helpful, and experience has shown the truth of this theory and the time devoted to drawing each week has been of much advantage to writing. One should acquire early in life the germ of this important subject which is sure to be of use later on; it is also a great source of pleasure in leisure moments. It has, too, practical uses in every occupation in life, it practises the eye to observe and the hand to record all the beauties of nature.

How impossible it is often found to convey a clear impression of an object to the mind by verbal description, when, by means of a sketch, no matter how rough, the idea is imparted quickly and unmistakably. Remember that every attempt lessens the difficulty.

I hope that the coming term will see the two rooms full, and all striving to emulate each other in producing some good work.

I think it should be the ambition of each one who loves this work to have one at least of his works hung in the class-room so that the boys who are less fortunate in art may look with pride on a schoolfellow's work.—JAS. ASHTON.

Subscriptions.

We acknowledge with thanks the receipt of subscriptions since our last issue from W. E. Gray, S. H. Stirling, W. A. Thompson, J. S. R. Rooney, W. R. Clinch, S. M. Verco.

The First Student Christian Convention of Australasia.

Christian students from New South Wales, New Zealand, Victoria, Tasmania, and South Australia assembled in convention at the Wyselaskie Hall, Ormond College, Melbourne, on the days 5th to 7th inclusive of June.

This is surely an historic gathering, one whose influence on the well-being and progress of these young colonies cannot ever be surmised, let alone accurately calculated, for we believe that "righteousness exalteth a nation." Such a gathering of students has never before been held in these colonies for any purpose whatsoever, but the fact that they met for Christian fellowship is truly very significant. What other purpose could have called men from New Zealand and the other colonies? What cause should always lead the way in matters concerning the best interests of our country of which we are so fond?

The number of institutions represented was 34, and the number of delegates was 258. Of these 68 were women and 190 were men. New Zealand sent three delegates and Tasmania two. Our own College, of course, was not left out. W. R. Kelly and T. T. Thomas had the great responsibility and privilege of representing us. From South Australia went 12—from the University, Prince Alfred, Way and Hardwicke Colleges.

The Convention consisted of eight sessions, each one having an increasing power,

in fact all were loth to leave at 10 o'clock on Sunday night.

John R. Mott, Esq., M.A., the general secretary of the World's Student Christian Federation, was requested to preside. Many of our readers will remember his earnest appeal to the thoughtful amongst them not many weeks ago, when the Prince Alfred College Christian Union was inaugurated. We must here state that the apparent success of these meetings—making special reference here to the great number attending—was mainly due to his infectious enthusiasm and firm belief in the work he was here to stimulate as God's cause in very deed.

The proposal to form an Australasian Student Christian Union met with enthusiastic support, and many University men spoke in favor of the step. Professor Harper, too, in a powerful address, warmly advocated this proposition, especially on the ground that it would be a means of making all the educational establishments a far greater moral and spiritual power. Also it was decided that the Australasian Union should, if possible, become a part of the World's Student Christian Federation, which has now in its ranks nearly half a million students. Again it was resolved that the general committee of the Australasian Union be instructed to procure a travelling secretary to visit various unions from time to time, thus consolidating the work, and also to form fresh Unions in Colleges, where at present none existed. As this last resolution, if carried into effect, would entail a fairly large annual expendi-

ture, the delegates and friends there and then in one of the most spiritual sessions of the whole Convention, promised to consecrate to God's service £150 per annum for two years, and an effort is even now being made to secure the needful sum, and since God is in the movement it will certainly be obtained.

The general committee was composed of two representatives from the Melbourne, Sydney, and New Zealand Universities, one from the Adelaide University, one from the Theological Institutions, one from the Secondary Schools, and Institutions other than the Secondary and one business man to act as treasurer to the Union, residing at its headquarters. Mr. S. H. Barraclough, of Sydney University, is the member of the general committee representing the schools' interests, while Mr. F. J. Chapple, an old P.A.C. boy, is the Adelaide University member.

Various sections of the constitution defined our own power and that of similar secondary schools when in Convention, but more will be known about them when a copy of the constitution is received by us to be ratified by our Union, thus backing up the action of our delegates and receiving the right of admission into this Australasian Christian Union.

One session was devoted to the consideration of missionary work, especially as regards foreign land, and already in Australasia 40 student volunteers have been enrolled. In fact the interest aroused in this phase of work was so great that by special request an extra session was held to con-

sider this subject to a much greater extent. Dr. Bevan gave an interesting and thrilling address at the close of the missionary session, and expressed his great sympathy with the whole movement and his gratitude that God was raising up many of the best young men to engage in Christian enterprise.

All the business of the Convention being finished before Sunday, that day was spent in devotional sessions. Mr. Mott gave two helpful, lucid, and powerful addresses, one on private prayer and the other on personal Bible study.

At the farewell meeting many students testified to the latent spiritual forces which had been aroused. Dr. Leeper, of Trinity College, expressed his great sympathy with this movement, and hoped to see his College leading the way in Christian enterprise and earnestness. Professor Rentoul urged in earnest words the necessity of being strong men and women, and held up the Apostle Paul as a typical saint and missionary. Professor Harper also gave a parting word of encouragement, expressing himself as greatly cheered by such a gathering as the one he was addressing, and that he had now an outlook fuller of hope and promise for the rising community of Australia than he had had hitherto, and he believed that the Convention was one of the most decisive events in the histories of the Universities of this country. Dr. Macfarlane, of Ormond, said that this movement was the most important event in Australian Universities since his arrival in the colonies. Dr.

Morrison, of the Scotch College, said his feeling was one of gratitude and surprise at what had taken place, and that he was cheered and strengthened, and that although formerly he was afraid to have any of his boys go to the University, now he could rest assured that there would be plenty of helping hands to keep them going on the main line in the right direction.

This first most remarkable Convention was at length adjourned, much to every delegate's deep sorrow and regret. Many good results were achieved during those few days, and everyone pronounced it a success greater than the most sanguine had ever dared to think it would be.

The next Convention—in February, 1898—will be the time at which a considerable testing will be made as to whether the delegates have been carrying out the higher aspirations—the nobler determinations to serve more earnestly than ever the Lord Jesus Christ, who is at the head or in the inmost heart of this movement. We believe that the men and women will be faithful, and if these glorious events could happen when the Unions were so young, what ought we to expect for the delegates at the Second Australasian Student Christian Convention?

The committees of the Melbourne Christian Unions spared no pains in making their arrangements for the convenience of the delegates from near or far. Their actions were most warmly appreciated, and the trouble they went to to prevent Sunday travelling showed that they were practical Christians. Those living near the hall,

who were so kind as to place their homes at the disposal of the visiting delegates, have to be debited with a lasting debt of gratitude.

Prince Alfred Old Collegians' Association.

At a committee meeting of the above association held on June 3, Messrs. G. Woodforde, A. C. Finlayson, A. M. Paton and S. Stirling were elected members. It was decided to hold the annual dinner at the College on Wednesday, July 8, at 6.45 p.m. Tickets (4s. each) can be obtained from Messrs. G. S. Cotton, J. A. Haslam, W. R. Bayly, or the secretary.

The voting on the scholarship question having shown a majority in favor of its establishment, it was resolved to pay over the £200 to the College, in order to found it, as soon as the association has £225 in hand. If members will pay up their subscriptions promptly, this may be done in time to award the scholarship at the end of this year. A scheme is now being prepared to govern the awarding.

T. M. BURGESS, Secretary.

The Christian Union.

Towards the close of last term, South Australia was visited by Mr. J. R. Mott, the organising secretary of the World's Federation of Christian Students. After starting his work at the Adelaide University, he came to Prince Alfred. The Headmaster had heard much of this movement

from old boys at various British and American Universities. He therefore welcomed Mr. Mott and invited the senior boys to meet him in the Science Hall at the midday recess. About 50 attended upon the first occasion. Mr. Mott put powerfully before them that one outcome of the great development of earnest Christian life amongst the students of British and American Universities during the last few years had been to rouse a similar spirit in the schools that prepared for the Universities, and he gave some very stimulating statistics and facts illustrating this statement. He then urged the reasonableness of having an association to promote the "best things," saying that at home and at church boys had much to help and protect; but that at school the more independent life began, where they had to learn to choose the right, and to take a stand for themselves. He therefore advocated the formation of a Christian Union and its joining with other similar unions in the colony and throughout the world. The Headmaster promised every support to the proposal, and said that they had voluntary societies for debating, also for similar purposes to this, amongst the boarders, and that he had long wished for something of the kind among the day boys. The second Master also spoke in an encouraging strain, but thought that the boys had better work the movement themselves; the Masters should not be too prominent in it. A second meeting was held the following day, when Mr. Mott again attended. This meeting appointed a sub-committee to draw up

a constitution for the Union. This was modelled upon that adopted by the Adelaide University Christians' Union, and the sub-committee were greatly indebted to Mr. F. J. Chapple for help in it. A third meeting was held, when about 30 were present, and it was decided to form the Union. The Headmaster was elected President; Vice-President, W. R. Kelly; Recording Secretary, T. T. Thomas; Corresponding Secretary, A. L. Nairn; Treasurer, C. T. Rose. These five form the executive committee. A meeting is held each Wednesday in the Sixth Form Boarders' Private Study. If there is any business to transact it is there attended to, the balance of the time being given to Bible study or to hearing addresses from members, masters or other visitors. Some of the members have undertaken to help the boarders' Sunday morning Bible class, some their Junior Endeavor, some to promote the Scripture Union, or Bible Reading Union among the boys, and in many ways they have felt already that "union is strength."

One important step taken lately was sending two of our number, W. R. Kelly and T. Thomas, as delegates to the meeting in Melbourne. They have learnt much from their visit, and have had much to tell us about it since.

By an inadvertence we omitted to state that the song "Hora Gaudiorum," which appeared in our last issue, was the work of the Messrs. Chinner, and was written specially for our own concerts.

The Mount Barker Trip.

Bright and sunny was the morning of May 16th when the first twenty took their annual outing—this year to Mount Barker.

The previous week had been wet, and there were fears that the boys would not have a comfortable time, but everyone enjoyed the trip as also the splendid game afforded by the Mount Barker club.

The drag started from the College at 9 o'clock, and with lusty cheers and lively singing, led by Joe with the horn, we left the dear abode and set our faces towards the hills.

Two more members had to be taken up along the road, and packed into the already crowded drag; "but who minded the crowding?" "All the warmer coming home," was the only response.

With a bright sun overhead the boys' spirits seemed to be roused, and every person on the road was greeted with a score of merry faces and the ever increasingly ridiculous enquiry "Cab sir?"

Why this should interest anybody we cannot say, but someone seemed to be seized with a fad, and the gesture and look of enquiry on the face all seemed to make the phrase more natural and consequently more stupid!

Then the way in which people received it was amusing; some smiled good-humouredly, and one could almost read their thoughts as they said to themselves, "a pack of young spirits let loose; well! boys will be boys;" others scowled and took no notice; while others, perhaps of the

larrikin type, became angry because of the impertinence of those gentlemanly young fellows!

But all this combined to afford amusement to the footballers, and time passed quickly away with songs and jokes.

Every township was greeted by the "man with the big bugle and short breeches," as a youngster was heard to describe him, and the sight of a few houses was always the signal for "Go in Princes!"

The lovely drive through the hills was ended by our arrival at the prettily situated township of Mount Barker.

With loud cheers from the boys, the drag drew up at Grey's Inn, where arrangements for meals had been made.

It was then time for refreshment, and so lunch was partaken of at once.

After lunch a stroll through the principal street, which does not take long in most country townships, afforded an estimate of the sort of place to which we had gone.

The game began punctually at 3 o'clock; our boys led off with a rush, and soon had their enemies' goal in danger; smart play followed for a few minutes around the goal, and then Cowan secured and notched our first goal. From the bounce the Mounts prevailed, but could not send the ball between the uprights; another brilliant rush by P. A. C. again placed the enemies' goal in danger, but the ball was rushed behind.

The Mounts now had rather the best of the game till the end of the

1st Quarter—P. A. C.—1 goal 1 behind.

Mounts—1 goal 5 behinds.

In the following quarter the play was very even, but Sullivan kicked a lucky goal for us out of the ruck.

This was quickly followed by one for the Mounts, which again made the tally level. A rush and some smart play gave Tate a long shot, and from a place none was more surprised than "Baldy" to see a goal kicked.

Half Time.

P. A. C.—3 goals 1 behind.

Mounts—2 goals 7 behinds.

During the 3rd quarter the play was very even, each side securing a goal, the one for Princes being kicked by F. A. Verco.

3rd Quarter.

P. A. C.—4 goals 2 behinds.

Mounts—3 goals 8 behinds.

During the last quarter the play was very fast; S. Richardson and Dawson each kicked a goal for us, the Mounts responding with a similar number.

In this quarter Len. Boucaut, their captain, and an old P. A. C. boy, had the misfortune to put his knee-cap out.

The scores were at the

Final.

P. A. C.—6 goals 2 behinds.

Mounts—5 goals 10 behinds.

In this match the Princes played well, their little marking thoroughly nonplussing their adversaries.

Our Captain Malin played the game of the forty, and was well supported by Cowan, F. Verco, and Dawson.

Boucaut, Von Doussa, and Atkinson tried all they could to win the game for the Mounts.

Mr. Davidson made an excellent umpire.

Dinner was ready on returning from the match, and after a slight rest the return journey was commenced.

The night was cold and dark, but the time was passed in songs and "yarns" till college was reached at about 10.45, when the upholders of P. A. C. fame separated for their respective homes.

Annual Football Match.

P.A.C. v. S.P.S.C.

WIN FOR S.P.S.C.

"Men judge by the complexion of the sky,
The state and inclination of the day."

Soon Thursday morning, June 18, 1896, our weather prophets predicted a wet afternoon, and so it turned out. The weather during the first part of the week had been rather wet, but as it cleared up and the sun shone brightly on Wednesday, our hopes of success were somewhat raised. However, at mid-day on Thursday the rain began to descend, and at 2.30 p.m. the Oval was in a very bad condition indeed. Nevertheless, the attendance was fairly large, and the pavilions well filled, the barrackers of both sides being, as usual, in very great evidence. The teams were as follows:—

P.A.C.—C. Back, C. Bennett, P. L. Broadbent, H. Chapple, D. Dawson, F. G. Cowan, O. S. Flecker, L. D. Grewar, N. Jolly, W. B. Kelly, R. Magarey, S. Malin (captain), J. Morriss, N. Logue, S. Richardson, T. Richardson, C. Sullivan, H. Tolley,

R. Tate, F. A. Verco. Emergencies, 1st, P. R. Verco; 2nd, Doncon.

S.P.S.C.—G. Aldridge, R. C. Baker, A. M. Beresford, J. G. Blackmore (captain), E. O. Blackmore, W. S. Bright, A. Clayton, W. T. Cooke, H. J. Crawford, R. H. Cudmore, G. Cussen, F. B. Flood, R. Glen, J. H. Gosse, S. R. Heseltine, C. Hodge, W. Russell, R. R. Stuckey, C. S. Toms, F. B. Worthington.

By this it will be seen that Saints had eight of their old men playing while we had only six, and this number was reduced to five by the loss of P. L. Broadbent, one of our best players, who had his knee severely injured while playing against the 'Varsity men. P. Verco, our 1st emergency, thus had a game.

The two captains led out their men just after 2.30 p.m., and it was at once seen that, owing to the wetness of the weather, the superior weight and size of the Saints, and their longer experience in the field, our lads would have to play the losing game, the question being not "which side will win?" but rather "by how many goals shall we be beaten?" The Saints also were equipped with gloves, much to the amusement of some of the spectators, but greatly to the advantage of the players in handling the ball.

THE PLAY.

At the bounce the Saints got away with the ball, but it was soon brought back, and F. Verco, trying for goal, kicked out of bounds. Blackmore, obtaining a free mark, sent the ball well down towards the enemies' territory, but captain Malin, at the

centre, by excellent play, raised our hopes again, and N. Jolly had a shot but failed to kick it. The Saints, however, were not to be withstood, and making a combined rush put one of their men in possession, and a behind resulted. Bright, obtaining a shot directly after the kick-off, kicked a splendid goal. Malin and Flecker were doing good work at centre with the help of the followers when the bell rang.

S.P.S.C.—1 goal 2 behinds,

P.A.C.—Nil.

On resuming play the Saints using their weight well, forced the ball up to their goal, and scored a behind. Magarey kicked off, and the ball went out of bounds, whereupon the umpire gave a free mark to a blue, who kicked a behind. After the kick-off Grewar got the ball and kicked down the centre, but it was returned, and the Saints, after having had several attempts, kicked their second goal. The ball was taken to the middle and Tatesoon obtained a free, Heseltine holding the ball too long, but did nothing with it, as it was very wet and heavy, and it was quickly sent back. Kelly and F. Verco, with the assistance of Sullivan and Logue, brought the ball down by a series of little kicks along the wing to Oscar Flecker. Some heavy scrimmaging occurred, and the Saints passed the ball back to Blackmore. Two behinds followed, and during a scrimmage which took place just in front of the goal, the ball was kicked between the posts, just above Rupert's head!!!

At half-time the scores were :—

S.P.S.C.—3 goals, 6 behinds.

P.A.C.—Nil.

At half-time the rain ceased, making things a little pleasanter for the players, for during the preceding two quarters occasional heavy showers had come down, drenching the footballers, and making the ball heavy and sippy and the ground very slippery. The Saints again got away first with the ball after the bounce, and Heseltine kicked to Blackmore, who tried for goal, but Flecker beat his man smartly, and returned the ball to the centre. A scrimmage occurred near St. Peter's goal, and Blackmore obtained a mark. His kick was stopped, and Back was awarded a free for being pushed behind. The ball travelled to the centre, and Dean Dawson played well, showing that although lacking in size he is not deficient in good play. The Saints, however, brought the ball back perilously near the goal, but Cussen kicked out of bounds. Harry Chapple used his weight and with Tate's help brought the ball up near our goal. The ball, however, was heavy and slippery, and consequently hard to pick up, and there was therefore no further score when three-quarter time was sounded. This quarter our men rallied, and showed better form than they had done before, the result being that Saints did not add to their score. At this time also the sun came out for a little while, as if to encourage our boys to keep on with their energetic efforts.

S.P.S.C.—3 goals, 6 behinds.

P.A.C.—Nil.

At the start of the fourth quarter the Princes forced the ball down towards their goal, where it stayed for a time, Flecker,

Malin, and Cowan keeping off the rushes of the Saints. Then the ball was taken back again, and a Saint received a mark, but kicked it behind. Magarey kicked off, and Cowan, Kelly, and Grewar put in some sterling good play, but Bright soon obtained the ball and kicked a good goal for Saints. The ball was bounced again, and the Saints again rushed it up, and Gosse secured another goal out of the ruck. Our men at this time seemed to lose heart, and in several parts of the ground left their places. The Saints forced the ball again up to their end, but Bennett relieved with a piece of good play, and took the ball to the centre. Fav. Verco worked hard, but it was of no avail, for the Saints kicked well up and Beresford notched another goal for them. At the centre again our captain played the game with the assistance of Sid. Richardson and Morriss, but the Saints soon took it back, and the play seemed to be confined to one half of the ground, viz.:—the Saints' end. Kelly, however, with some of his dashing play, relieved the pressure from our back men and travelled to the centre with it. Again the Saints, with terrible persistency, brought it back and scored a behind. The bell then rang, much to the relief of our side, the score being:—

S.P.S.C.—6 goals, 8 behinds.

P.A.C.—Nil.

Matin, Kelly, Flecker, Grewar, Cowan, F. Verco, Magarey, and Sullivan played the game for us, J. and E. Blackmore, Bright, Gosse, and Heseltine for S.P.S.C. A severe defeat; but we must not be discouraged.

Let us hope that we shall do better next time. We know that our fellows did their best, although fighting against fate, and no one can do more. Our mistake is that there are not enough big fellows who take sufficient interest in the game to turn out at afternoon practice. What is the use of a little Red dwarf of 7 or 8 stone weight trying to match himself with a 12 stone giant in Blue. Wake up then, you big fellows, and show St. Peter's what you can do next time. And if it is wet again next time take a lesson from the Saints and wear gloves.

Personnel of First Twenty.

1. Back, C.—Half forward on the left wing. Good kick and fair mark.
2. Bennett, C.—Right back on the left wing. Good kick and fair mark, but rather slow.
3. Broadbent, P.—Centre. Very fast, good kick, very cool. Has improved in marking during practice.
4. Chapple, H.—Follows and half forward. Good kick and mark. Uses his weight well.
5. Cowan, F.—Half back on the right wing and follows. Good kick and best mark in the team.
6. Dawson, D.—Right forward and follows. Very smart and tricky. Good mark and very straight kick.
7. Flecker, O.—Follows and centre on the left wing. Fast. Good kick and mark.

8 Grewar, L. D.—Vice-captain. Centre half back. Very fast. Good mark and fair kick.

9. Jolly, N.—Right forward on the left wing. Rather small. Good kick and fair mark.

10. Kelly, W. R.—Half back on the left wing. Very fast. Good kick and fair mark.

11. Logue, L.—Centre on the right wing. Very fast and tricky. Fair kick.

12. Magarey.—Right back. Splendid mark and good kick.

13. Malins.—Captain. Roves; good kick and mark; splendid ruck man. Always found where wanted.

14. Morriss, J.—Follows. Good mark and fair kick.

15. Richardson, S.—Centre on the left wing and follows. Very fast. Dodges well. Good kick.

16. Richardson, T.—Right forward on the right wing. Good mark and fair kick.

17. Sullivan, C.—Half forward on the right wing. Good kick and fair mark. Fast.

18. Tate, R.—Follows. Fast. Fair kick and mark.

19. Tolley, A.—Right Back on right wing. Good kick and fair mark. Rather slow.

20. Verco, F. A.—Half forward and follows. Fast. Splendid kick and mark.

21. Verco, P.—Right forward. Rather light. Good mark and fair kick.

Little Len. Hill, after a long year or more of weakness, passed away on April 21st.

Science Hall.

On Saturday evening, May 16, Mr. Iliffe, our Science Demonstrator, gave one of his very interesting lantern entertainments to the boarders. Many beautiful views were shown, some of which had been prepared by Mr. Iliffe himself. This is a pleasing and instructive way of entertaining the youngsters during the winter evenings, and is greatly appreciated by them. The art of photography has lately been developed more fully in the laboratory, the recent discoveries of the power of the Röntgen rays causing more interest to be shown. Experiments in that direction are being made.

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W. R. KELLY, *Hon. Manager.*

Old Boys.

The greatest talk about old boys this term has been of Joe Darling and Clem. Hill, our representatives in the Australian Eleven, now playing so successfully in England. P.A.C.'s past and present here, and all over the world, are proud of their prowess and achievements.

We note with pleasure that E. C. Padman has gained the John Howard Clark Scholarship at the Adelaide University.

In the Adelaide University Eight that beat the crews from Sydney and Melbourne in splendid style, three old P.A.C.'s were found—Padman, Smeaton, and our assiduous coach, J. A. R. Smith.

In the S.A. lawn tennis quartett, two old P.A.C.'s had a place—R. G. Bowen (the champion of the colony), and W. A. W. Lang.

R. G. Nesbit has been very successful in running, winning big races and big prizes at Stawell, Victoria.

Mr. B. Crank, D.M.D., has been appointed dental surgeon to the Adelaide Hospital.

Dr. Jüttner has unfortunately been obliged to resign his position as one of the house surgeons of the Adelaide Hospital, through ill-health.

E. J. Counter has successfully passed his second year's examination in dental surgery at Philadelphia, U.S.

Erwin Basedow has returned to the colony after a successful four years' course at the Technical High School for Mining at Clausthal, Hartz.

J. "Lav." Bonython called to say good-bye previous to starting on a trip to England. Amongst other things he intends to call on Alf. Chapple and Harold Rischbieth at Cambridge, and of course to see Clem. Hill and Darling. There are a good many P.A.C.'s in England now, and all doing well too.

T. H. Frewin, M.A., has been appointed to a curacy in the diocese of Durham.

Football.

BY L. D. GREWAR.

P.A.C. v. College Park.—The first game of the season was played on our grounds on April 18, but owing to a number of our fellows being absent, and the superior weight of the Parks, we received a defeat.

P.A.C., 3 goals 6 behinds.

College Park, 5 goals 9 behinds.

P.A.C. v. Glen Osmond.—This game we regret to say was no credit to the winning side, who played an exceedingly rough game from the start.

P.A.C., 5 goals 7 behinds.

Glen Osmond, 14 goals, 9 behinds.

P.A.C. v. St. Paul's.—We had a very pleasant and friendly game on May 2 with the St. Paul's, several of our old scholars playing for them.

P.A.C., 4 goals 5 behinds.

St. Paul's, 2 goals 3 behinds.

P.A.C. v. Acacia.—This team also in-

cludes some of our old boys, who seemed to have lost none of their last year's form.

P.A.C., 2 goals 4 behinds.

Acacia, 4 goals 2 behinds.

P.A.C. v. Mt Barker.—An interesting account is given elsewhere of this trip and match.

P.A.C., 6 goals 2 behinds.

Mt Barker, 5 goals 10 behinds.

P.A.C. v. Unley.—This game, played on the Unley Oval, was the most unpleasant game of the season. The Unleys, taking advantage of our lightness and the weakness of the umpire, to use a slang expression, "jumped on us."

P.A.C., 3 goals 5 behinds.

Unleys, 7 goals 3 behinds.

P.A.C. v. Way College.—This match was looked forward to with some interest, particularly as it was rumored that Way was likely to beat us. The Princes had the best of a fast game right through, and although the Ways played pluckily they were badly beaten. Verco had exceptionally good luck, kicking five goals out of eight "shots."

P.A.C., 12 goals 11 behinds.

Way College, 1 goal 4 behinds.

P.A.C. v. Avenues.—This was the first game played under the new "five yard" rule, and was exceedingly fast throughout. The new rule completely alters the game, and kicking the ball as soon as one gets it seems to be the best thing to do.

P.A.C., 4 goals 2 behinds.

Avenues, 2 goals 3 behinds.

A Trip to Stawell.

I was just beginning to forget there was such a place as Stawell, when I received a memo. from your worthy manager, reminding me of my promise to write an account for the *Chronicle* of my Victorian victory. I won't weary you with a detailed story of training operations, beyond stating the fact that even sprinting work is not easy. Nor is it very exciting to get up at 5 o'clock every morning, in addition to walking about twelve miles every day and running again in the afternoon. So you see I had to work pretty hard for my win.

Considering the list of performances I had to send to the handicappers, I was very pleased to be allowed 11½ yards. An old friend of yours—on second thoughts, "ours"—Dick Hancock, was also endeavoring to add another win to his already startling list of honors. Dick, however, broke up completely and has been ordered a spell.

We started for Stawell by the Melbourne express on April 1st, many of the more experienced Adelaide peds. thinking that the day was very appropriate.

Having arrived at the pretty little mining township, we prospected for our hotel, and in a very little while were sweetly slumbering. We had arrived a couple of days before the date fixed for the first meeting, and so had time to try the track once or twice before the contest. The aforesaid track is the best natural running ground in Australia, which is saying a good deal. In the training room on Saturday was a sight to make the heart of a youngster sink into

his shoes. Fully a hundred of the cream of Australian runners, athletes of the first water, were undergoing their preliminary grooming. Splendid looking fellows they were too, and of these forty-one were to start in the Stawell Easter Gift, the biggest Sheffield Handicap in Australia, the home of big stakes, and so far no S.A. ped. had been able to bring it home. In my first heat I had to meet a Queensland champion, Collins. With only four yards start, this was rather a severe ordeal for a colt to face in his first contest, and I can assure you, I felt very creepy. In spite of the warmth of the day I was positively shivering. But "reds can't be beat," and I was wearing the colors of my college. Having beaten my man by fifteen yards, I began to regain my confidence.

On Monday I entered the arena for the second heat, and had to face King, Coun, and Fish. Of Fish I was not afraid, but King was an even timer, and Coun, who was only a yard behind me, was known throughout Victoria as the "Bendigo Flyer." I won this heat by five yards, and started in the final an hour later, feeling confident that only hard luck in the shape of an accident could prevent my winning. And the bad luck almost came! Robertson, who had a yard on me, beat the pistol, and got away a clean five yards in front of me. Those of you who have experienced this, will understand my feelings. I clenched my teeth, held my breath, and set to work to overhaul him. In fifty yards I had caught him, at seventy-five I had passed him, and when I broke through the worsted at the winning

post I was leading by ninety-two inches. This I learnt afterwards. At the time all I knew was that I had won, whether by a neck or a length, I had not the remotest idea. I rushed for the dressing-room, had my shower, and then claimed from my trainer the reward of my six weeks' hard work—a cigarette! And how I enjoyed it! The prizes were distributed that night at our hotel, and I think I made seven speeches in all. It was a severe strain, but the memory of many a stormy debate in the P.A.C. Debating Society sustained me. The next day we spent in viewing the gold mines, visiting the photographers, and inspecting the brewery, the last at the invitation of Mr. Edhouse, J.P., who showed us, as indeed did everyone else in Stawell, the greatest hospitality and kindness. That night we boarded the train for home, a happy, but by no means quiet group of excited athletes.

Before closing, allow me to say a few words respecting my trainer, Mr. Harry Hogan. To this gentleman's care, attention, hard work, and thorough trustworthiness, I owe not only to a great extent my win, but also the immense pleasure and freedom from anxiety that I experienced during my trip to Stawell.

R. G. NESBIT.

The Referendum.

The Headmaster received hints from many quarters that the boys would prefer to have Friday, the 26th June (the last day of this term) as a holiday, instead of the public holiday on Monday, June 22nd.

He decided to test the feeling of the school, and issued ballot-papers to the master of each form. The result of the voting was a decided majority for Monday, as is shown below. The total number of votes was 280, but this does not represent the whole of the boys, as there were 30 who were either absent or did not record their vote.

It is satisfactory to note that there were only two informal votes, and one of these was given by a mischievous boy who wished to express his desire to have both days as holidays.

FORM	MONDAY	FRIDAY	INFORMAL
VI.	16	8	1
V.	9	11	—
V.	23	10	—
IV.	19	14	—
IV.	25	2	—
III.	26	5	—
III.	23	8	—
III.	14	9	—
II.	23	3	—
II.	18	4	1
I.	7	1	—
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Letters to a Schoolboy from his Father.

No. IV.

MY DEAR BOY—

I would have you learn Latin and Greek, partly because I learnt them myself, and I would not like you to be without any of the advantages or sources of knowledge that I possessed; it would be a bar of separation between us; and secondly, because there is

an atmosphere round the classical ground to which that of actual life is gross and vulgar. The peculiar advantage of a training in classics is that it not only strengthens the understanding, but also softens and refines the taste. It gives men liberal views; it accustoms the mind to take an interest in things foreign to itself, to love virtue for its own sake, to prefer fame to life, and glory to riches; it fixes our thoughts on the remote and permanent, instead of on narrow and fleeting objects. It teaches us to believe that there is really something great and excellent in the world, surviving all the shocks of accident and fluctuations of opinion, and raises us above that low and servile fear which bows only to present power and upstart authority. Rome and Athens filled a place in the history of mankind which can never be occupied again. They were two cities set on a hill, which could not be hid; all eyes have seen them, and their light shines like a mighty sea-mark into the abyss of time.

By conversing with the mighty dead, we imbibe sentiment with knowledge. We become strongly attached to those who can no longer hurt or serve us, except through the influence which they exert over the mind. We feel the presence of that power which gives immortality to human thoughts and actions, and we catch the flame of enthusiasm from the nations and ages of the past. The great object of these studies is to cure a "narrow and selfish spirit," and to carry the mind out of its petty and local prejudices to the idea of a more general humanity.

HAZLITT.

New Railings for P.A.C.

A meeting of ladies interested in the erection of iron railings and gates, instead of the old post and rail fence which now disfigures the grounds of P. A. C., was held at the College on Thursday the 11th inst., at 11 a.m. Mrs. Chapple presided over a representative gathering, when arrangements were made for holding a fête at the College on August 22nd at 2 p.m. Mrs. P. C. Thomas was appointed President for the '96 effort. The stalls were appointed as follows.

1. Produce.—Mesdames Davis, Wight, J. Cowan, F. Stapleton, P. C. Thomas, and Miss Wight.

2. Pinafores, Aprons, &c.—Mesdames J. Gartrell, Bogan, Wilson, J. M. Uren, Reinecke, and Misses Fleming and Taylor.

3. General Goods.—Mesdames A. Marshall, R. Knowles, W. A. McDonald, and J. W. Porter.

4. Dolls and Toys.—Mesdames W. Taylor, A. Mellor, Misses F. Davey, E. Marshall, K. Berry, E. and E. Porter, and J. Gordon.

5. Cakes.—Mesdames Gault and D. Davidson, and E. B. Haslam, and Misses Hantke and D. Wight.

6. Lollies.—Mrs. J. Roach, and Misses E. Gartrell, M. Marshall, J. Knowles, E. Dunn, M. Haslam, M. Hocking, and J. Darling.

7. Flowers.—Misses G. Rhodes, R. Reid, B. Mellor, A. Marshall, E. Russell, M. Lane, C. Berry, and P. Chapple.

8. Refreshments.—Boys.

9. Xmas Tree.—Misses M. Drew, J. Marshall, G. Hawkes, M. Wood, P. Lawrence, D. Paton, Harris, G. Uren, W. Brad-dock, and M. Lane.

10. Afternoon and High tea.—Misses Plummer, Aitkin, Lawrence, Whittington, G. Mead, Chapple 2.

There is also to be an afternoon concert under the charge of Mr. J. Haslam, Punch and Judy by Professor Smith, Camera Obscura made by Mr. J. Mellor, Post Office, Aunt Sally, and Art Gallery. The concert at night is to be conducted by Mr. J. Roach, and there is also to be a brass band. The ladies have commenced working energetically, and only require the hearty co-operation of all friends of P. A. C. We hope soon to publish a list of donations and annual subscriptions, which will cause surprise and pleasure to all.

Our Contemporaries.

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

“Wesley College Chronicle” (2).

“The Sydneian” (2).

“The King’s School Magazine” (2).

“The Otago High School Magazine.”

“The Coerwull Magazine.”

“The Melburnian.”

“Whinham College Echo.”

“Riviere College Sibyl.”

“O.B.I. Manuscript Newspaper.”

“Patchwork.”