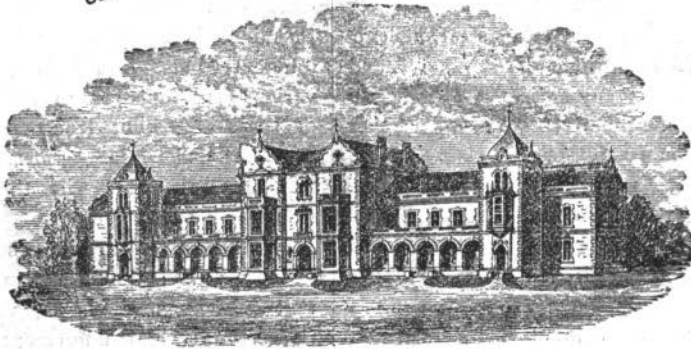


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Notes and News.

This term began without our esteemed second-master. We hoped his absence was to be but temporary, but he was never to return to his loved work. Then Mr. Kerr, B.A., had been absent for eight weeks. We are glad to see him back once more with his wonted earnestness and vigour. Mr. Bayley and Mr. Benbow, B.A., stepped manfully into the gaps thus left in the staff for the senior forms, and laid the school under great obligations to them for taking up the work so skilfully and so well. Their places in the junior forms were supplied by Mr. J. B. Allen, B.Sc., and Miss M. Chapple, B.A. At once things went on smoothly, and the school is to be congratulated upon securing such excellent supplies. Spite of these uncertainties the numbers in

the school have kept up, and are higher than they were last term.

Permanent arrangements for next year are being made by the Committee, and it is hoped that two competent gentlemen will be obtained from England. Prince Alfred College has not "imported" masters for many years. Most of its posts have been occupied by its own old boys, and this is a policy that will generally be adhered to; but the Committee thought that there was only one of them quite suitable in age and other qualifications for the highest positions now vacant or shortly to be vacated, and that one felt he could not accept the offer made him, as he wished to study further at the University. So, early in the term instructions were sent to competent and kind friends in England to select the best available talent. We trust wise choices may be made,

June 26. We had only just broken up when the news came that Alfred Chapple had gained a scholarship at St. John's College, Cambridge, and a Wright's prize for mechanical sciences at the same college. Great rejoicing in the school and amongst the many friends of P.A.C. and its Headmaster. Telegrams of congratulation came from Mr. G. S. Cotton, the secretary, from Mr. Mostyn Evan, a leading "old boy," from a father of a present boy in Melbourne, from another in Perth, besides many letters and visits. It is a great distinction for one so young to have earned the title of a "scholar and prizeman of St John's.

The same day, at the Adelaide University Council, it was reported that Lawrence Birks, who went to England about the same time as Alfred Chapple, had been offered an appointment as Assistant Professor of Engineering at the Heriot Watt College, Edinburgh, having been recommended thereto by Professor Hudson Beare, of University College, London, (another old P.A.C.) Surely its alumni are bringing great credit on their old school. May they continue to do so. "Floreat alma mater" is a very hearty wish with many of them. And they do better than wish her a good name, they earn one for her.

In the Midwinter holidays, our Headmaster gave a lecture in the Science Hall, on the "New Photography or the Röntgen rays." It was one of the treats he has given in Midwinter holidays to the Boys' Institute for a good many years. But so much

interest is felt in this subject just now that several ladies and gentlemen came as well, and the Science Hall was packed. The chief points of the lecture were to show (1) that light is complex, consisting of many different kinds of radiation; and (2) that various substances were opaque to some of these rays, but transparent to others. Then he explained fluorescence, and lastly the "X" rays, showing why they were called so, and what they could do. A number of very interesting experiments were shown by Mr. Iliffe; the spectrum, its various parts, visible and invisible, vacuum tubes, Geissler's, several fluorescent substances, and then Crookes' tube, and how radiograms are taken. Photographs taken by Mr. Iliffe, and lantern slides prepared by him added to the clearness of the exposition. At the close, after a hearty vote of thanks had been passed to the lecturer and his assistant, the boys were invited to adjourn to the dining room and partake of refreshment. This proved the most popular part of the evening's entertainment.

Our Contemporaries.

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

- "St. Peter's Magazine."
- "King's School Magazine."
- "Patchwork."
- "Melburnian."
- "Whinham College Echo."
- "Way College Boomerang."
- "C.G.S. Monthly."
- "Sydneyan."
- "Coerwull Magazine."

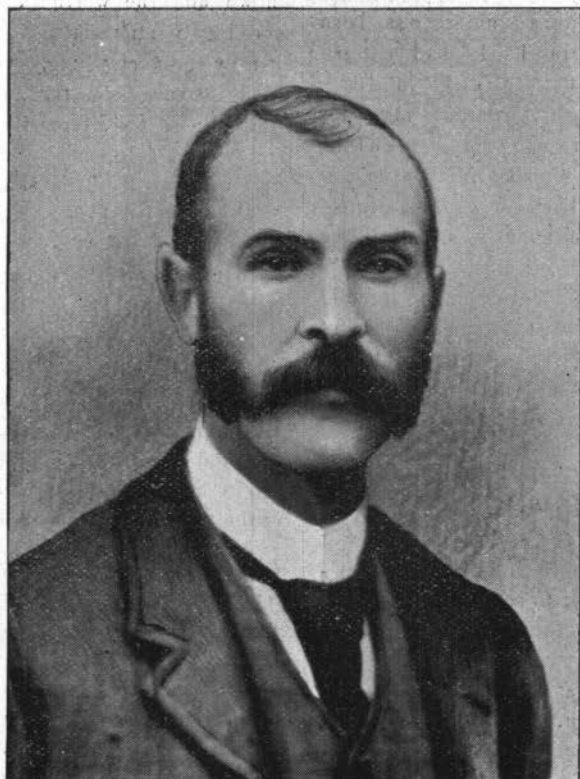
Obituary.

Our obituary list is sadly long this issue ; at least four honoured names call for more than a passing reference.

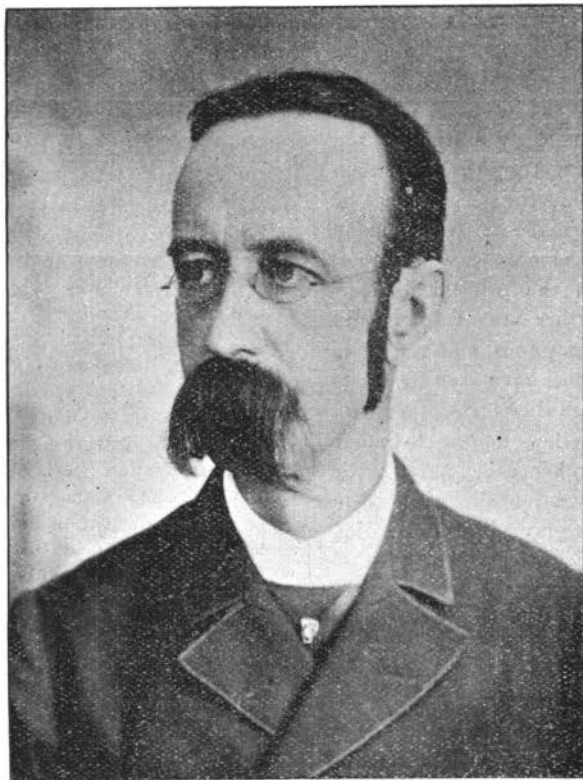
Joseph Tregilgas Sunter was born at Strathalbyn in 1854, and entered Prince Alfred College early in 1869. From that time onwards, save for a period of three years, when he attended Trinity College, Melbourne, and studied for his Bachelor of Arts degree, Mr. Sunter continuously attended the college as scholar or master. In 1872 he began as a junior teacher, and in 1892 he was appointed to the high office of second master. He continued to discharge his duties with fidelity and ability, with kindness and courtesy till the close of last term. On the first day of the midwinter holidays he was seized with an attack of influenza, pneumonia supervened, and for some days the gravest apprehensions were entertained. However, on returning to school we were met with cheering reports, and confident hopes were cherished that our beloved master would soon be restored to health. Alas, it was not so to be, and on Wednesday, July 15th, he suddenly passed away. Mr. Sunter was most enthusiastic in his devotion to the school, and in addition to the duties that fell to his lot in the classroom, as chief editor of this Chronicle, and as manager of the sports for many years, he rendered

invaluable service. The boys whom he more immediately taught will not soon forget the high code of honor he sought to set before them and to exemplify in his own life. But perhaps he was better known and the worth of his character more highly appreciated by those older than by the very young. Old boys and his colleagues saw the kindness, the brotherliness, the hearty readiness to co-operate and help, and by them he was greatly beloved. This same feature of his character led him to take a leading part in Teachers' Associations, and he was secretary of the Collegiate Schools' Association and of the Teachers' Guild for many years. We miss him greatly, and yet are comforted by the recollection that, in the life, so comparatively short, there had been done a great deal of the best and noblest work. Many young men in South Australia will be grateful for the memory of it many days.

Percy Beaumont Evan was with us from 1871 to 1875. During the last year he held the Colton scholarship, was in the first eleven and the first twenty, and was in every way one of the leading boys. He then entered the Civil Service in the Education Department under Mr. J. A. Hartley, to whom he was much attached. He was subsequently transferred to the Engineer-in-Chief's staff. He was always a warm supporter of manly sports, though latterly not robust enough to take part



The Late Joseph Tregilgas Sunter.



The Late J. A. Hartley, B.A., B.Sc.,
Headmaster of P.A.C., 1871—1876.

in them. In October last he was compelled to relinquish his duties through failing health. From that time he gradually sank, and peacefully passed away.

And younger still, George Tate has been called away. He was a young man, highly respected and of great promise, and had risen thus early to the position of assistant manager of the Leviathan Battery, near Kalgoorlie, W.A.; but he succumbed to typhoid fever as so many young men there have done. His father, Professor Tate, of the Adelaide University, and his mother are at present in Europe on a holiday tour, and the news cabled to them must have been the more distressing because they are so far away. One old schoolfellow helped to nurse him, and several others called in sympathy at the sickroom, and finally gathered in respect round the grave in the "Golden West."

Henry E. Cook, the eldest grandson of Mr. E. Spicer, the founder of the Spicer Scholarship, also came home from the "field," stricken with typhoid. All care and skill proved unavailing, and another promising life came to a very early close, July 19.

Mr. J. Spencer Williams was a junior master at P.A.C. for about four years, ending early in 1894. During the latter part of his time on the staff he began to be exceedingly useful as a "modern"

master, teaching shorthand and book-keeping. Also, his previous country life led him to take great interest in the agronomy class, and he worked it most successfully. His health, however, suddenly gave way, and he was advised to turn to an outdoor occupation. However, the remedy produced only temporary relief, and his life came to an early close.

The obituary notices had been prepared for the press, when another revered name had to be added to it, for on September 15, Mr. J. A. Hartley, B.A., B.Sc., "ceased at once to work and live." He was Headmaster of Prince Alfred College from January, 1871, to April, 1876. Soon after his appointment, he began to show his fitness for a wider sphere, and his energetic nature made him take up public work. In 1871, the government of the day invited him to join the Board of Education, which then managed the elementary schools of the colony. He was soon made chairman of this Board, and when the growing number of schools, and the increasing demands of the work of directing them led to the formation of a Council of Education, with a paid president, Mr. Hartley was selected to fill this important position. In 1879, it was deemed wise to abolish this council, and to administer the public school system of the colony as a government department, and Mr. Hartley was made the permanent chief of this, under the title of Inspector-General. In 1874, the Council of the University of Adelaide was formed, and Mr. Hartley was made a member of it, and from that date continued to render immense service to that

highest seat of learning. Prince Alfred College owes a deep debt to Mr. Hartley ; his five years' rule was marked by advance in every direction, and he laid down lines wisely chosen, along which it has developed ever since. The system of exhibitions that he established brought to us from the public schools many of our most diligent students, and the scholarships, tenable at the University, rewarded and fostered industry and ability. He always kept up his interest in this school, remembered his old pupils marvellously ; was for many years president of the Old Collegians' Association, and in many ways promoted the welfare of P.A.C.'s past and present. It is universally acknowledged that his removal by the hand of death is a national loss, and certainly for long years his memory will be held in the highest esteem amongst us, and by masters and boys alike, he will be gratefully remembered.

Prince Alfred Old Collegian's Association.

The Annual Dinner in connection with this Association was held at the College on Wednesday, July 8th. Mr. G. S. Cotton (President), occupied the chair, and between 50 and 60 members attended. Full justice was done to the excellent repast provided, before the toast list was commenced. The

programme was opened by an overture from Faust, which was skilfully played by Mr. W. C. Grey.

The loyal toasts having been duly honored, and followed respectively by the singing of the National Anthem, and the Song of Australia, the chairman thanked the Association for having elected him to the position of President. He referred feelingly to the absence of our old friend, Mr. J. T. Sunter, and voiced the sentiments of all present in wishing him a speedy return to health. He also stated that the Association had determined to found another scholarship in connection with P.A.C., when the funds had increased sufficiently. Next he alluded to the recent scholastic successes of P.A.C., especially that of Mr. Alfred Chapple, news of whose doings in London had just been received. Passing on to physical prowess, mention was made of Darling and Hill on the cricketfields of England, and the fact that the College running Cup was still held by P.A.C., having been won by R. G. Nesbit.

The Chairman's remarks were followed by two songs—"Nancy Lee" by Mr. T. Roach, and "They all love Jack (George)" by Mr. A. H. Harry.

The Hon. President of the College (Rev. P. C. Thomas) now submitted the toast "P.A.C. and Masters," outlining the start and growth of the College under the head-masterships of Messrs. Fiddian, Hartley, and Chapple ; and emphasising how much the College owed to its masters. The toast having been honored with great enthusiasm, The Headmaster, in responding, expressed

the very great pleasure such an occasion gave him. He was extremely gratified at the frequent indications of kindness he was continually receiving from old boys, who thus showed their love for the old school. He referred to some of the recent achievements of the school, the successes of Messrs. Birks, Frewin, Fletcher, Wyllie, and others, and the responsible positions the old scholars were taking in the world. He especially mentioned that a large number of the staff of the College had formerly been scholars at the institution.

Messrs. W. R. Bayley, A. H. Harry, and J. Ashton also responded.

Messrs. F. J. Chapple and J. A. Haslam now rendered the comic duet, "Who did?" and Mr. S. B. Shierlaw caused roars of laughter by his recital of the doings of "Cricket at Killaloo."

Mr. W. H. Colliver was entrusted with the task of proposing "Our Association," and after pointing out some of the work that had been done, and the present condition of the Association, asked all the members to do whatever they could to increase its usefulness and membership.

Mr. J. H. Chinner, in responding, suggested that the formation of a Literary Club or similar society in connection with the Association, and so holding more meetings, would increase the interest of the the members, and be of great benefit.

Then followed a song, "The Admiral's Broom," by Mr. E. A. A. Dunn; and the recitation, "King John and the Abbot," by Mr. S. W. Bailey.

At this stage of the proceedings the

President, on behalf of the members, presented Mr. F. J. Chapple, who had recently retired from the position of secretary, with a set of surgical instruments, in appreciation of the valuable services he had rendered to the Association.

Mr. W. R. Bayley sang "An Eton Boating Song," and was succeeded by Mr. W. D. Whittam with "The Old Brigade."

Mr. A. W. Piper, with one of his customary bright speeches, proposed "Absent Friends," and members were delighted to hear Dr. Cecil Davenport (at present home on leave from his missionary work in China) respond.

After songs by Mr. J. E. Johnstone ("Home, Boys, Home") and Mr. W. Taylor ("The old Soldier"), and the toast of "The Ladies" by Mr. F. W. Young, the proceedings were brought to a close by the singing of "Auld Lang Syne."

The Annual General Meeting was held at Prince Alfred College on Saturday, September 12, when there was a fair attendance of members. The 15th Annual Report was read as follows:—

The report for the twelve months from September, 1895, to September, 1896, must be of a very satisfactory character, as the operations of the Association have been marked with good progress in all directions.

Membership. — Twenty-five new members have been elected during the year, thus increasing the number on the roll to 247. The steady growth of these figures is an evidence of prosperity, but matters are not yet what they should be. Out of the many hundreds, nay thousands, who have passed

through the College, more than 247 should belong to our Association. If all members would, by personal request, seek to induce old scholars of their acquaintance to join, it is certain that the membership would be greatly increased, and the usefulness of the Association advanced.

Finance.—The treasurer shows an increase in the funds of £43 odd, bringing the balance in the bank up to £191 5s. 11d.; the usual payments for scholarship, chronicles, and sports' fund, having been made. This is largely due to the increase in the number of life members, of whom there are now 23. A large number of subscriptions are still outstanding, the bulk of which will be received in time, though the work of collecting, on account of members being so scattered, is necessarily difficult.

The Association Scholarship for 1896 is held by Mr. A. M. Paton, who is now studying at the University, where we trust he will add still more to the fame of the old school.

The Intercollegiate Challenge Cup (running) was in 1895 won by R. G. Nesbit, for P.A.C., and in 1896, by L. D. Grewar.

The annual dinner was held again this year, at the college, on July 8, when between 50 and 60 members attended, and an enjoyable evening was spent. Many old boys look forward to its annual occurrence for a talk over old times.

The *P.A.C. Chronicle* has been distributed to members at each quarterly issue, and advantage is taken of the paper to publish the doings of the Association.

The most noteworthy event of the year

is the decision (obtained by the vote of the Association) to found another scholarship at P.A.C., in connection with the Association.

The College Committee undertake, on the payment of £200, to give free tuition each year to one boy, nominated by the Association. The committee of the Association have decided not to pay over the £200 until the funds in hand amount to £225, in order that a balance may be kept as a reserve for payment of annual expenses. £30 is still wanted; ten more life members would provide this, and the scholarship could be given at once. Can this not be done?

Another event of notice was the retiring of Mr. F. J. Chapple from the position of secretary, which he had held for some years. It was decided to acknowledge Mr. Chapple's valuable services in some way, and this was done by presenting him, at the annual dinner, with a set of surgical instruments.

It is with feelings of deep regret that we have to record the deaths of two of our members during the year. Our old friend, Mr. J. T. Sunter, B.A., had been connected with the school as scholar and master for many years, and his death, which came as a shock to all, leaves a gap in the ranks of P.A.C. Mr. G. R. Tate had not long been a member of the Association when he was numbered one of the victims of fever in the West.

In conclusion, we trust that increased interest may be taken in the working of the Association, and any proposals for furthering the usefulness of the Association

will have your Committee's earnest attention.

The balance sheet was as follows:—

RECEIPTS.		£	s.	d.
Balance from last year	...	148	15	4
Subscriptions	...	80	6	0
Savings Bank Interest	...	5	1	10
Proceeds of Dinner	...	12	0	0
		£246	3	2

EXPENDITURE.		£	s.	d.
Scholarship	...	15	15	0
Printing, Advertising, and Sundries	...	9	1	3
Annual Dinner	...	12	0	0
Secretary—Honorarium and Commission	...	7	3	0
P.A.C. Chronicle	...	7	15	0
P.A.C. Sports' Fund	...	3	3	0
Balance in Savings Bank	...	191	5	11
		£246	3	2

Both report and balance sheet were adopted.

The election of officers for the year ending September, 1897, resulted as follows:—

President—Mr. A. W. Piper
 Vice-Presidents—Messrs. F. Chapple, B.A., B.Sc.; H. C. Shortt; and A. H. Hill
 Treasurer—Mr. F. A. Chapman
 Secretary—Mr. T. M. Burgess
 Assistant-Secretary—Mr. A. H. Harry
 Representatives, to P.A.C. Committee—Messrs. J. H. Chinner, and W. Lathlean
 Committee—Messrs. J. A. Haslam, B.Sc.;

W. R. Bayley, G. M. Evan, W. Taylor, F. W. Young, G. S. Cotton, and E. B. Colton
 Auditors—Messrs. H. R. Adamson and C. W. Chinner

The President and Secretary were deputed to attend a meeting called by the Collegiate Schools Association, to take some steps to permanently recognise the late Mr. Sunter's work, and to vote in favor of establishing a fund for the benefit of his son, Gordon Sunter.

The sum of £10 10s. was voted for the purpose of placing upon the walls of the College some memorial of Mr. Sunter.

Messrs. G. S. Cotton and M. M. Maughan were instructed to forward, on behalf of the Association, a letter of sympathy to Mrs. Hartley, on the sad accident that had befallen Mr. Hartley, expressing a hope for his speedy recovery.

The Committee were instructed to submit a scheme for the awarding of the new scholarship at a future general meeting; and they were also instructed to consider the advisability of forming a Literary or Scientific Society in connection with the Association.

After an adjournment for coffee and cake, kindly provided by Mr. and Mrs. Chapple, members witnessed some interesting experiments on the Röntgen rays discoveries, which were conducted by Mr. J. D. Iliffe, B.Sc., assisted by Mr. J. B. Allen, B.Sc. This concluded a most enjoyable evening.

Why are our school colours unlike our champion fencer? Sure, its because they can't be Bate, man.

Old Boys.

L. Birks, who was bracketed with Alfred Chapple for the Angas Scholarship, has been exceedingly successful. He has attended the engineering course at University College, London, under Professor Hudson Beare (quondam P.A.C. boy), and through that gentleman's recommendation Birks has been appointed assistant professor at the Heriot Watt College. He is to take charge of the engineering and mechanical laboratories under Professor Stanfield's supervision, and to give lecture courses to the second-year classes on mechanics, higher mathematics, the application of the calculus to engineering and graphical calculation as applied to engineering. Mr. Birks recently obtained the following distinctions at University College:—Gilchrist engineering scholarship, for two years senior, £8⁰; electrical engineering, third prize; senior graphics, prize; mechanical engineering, senior class prize; senior machine design and engineering drawing, second class; geology, engineering course, second (obtained the number of marks qualifying for a prize). We heartily congratulate him.

The doings of our Australian Cricketers, the "1896 team," in England, are familiar to all the men and boys, at least in South Australia; but we may be allowed to refer with pardonable pride to the rank our "old boys" have won amongst their fellows—Joe Darling second on the batting averages, and Clem. Hill third. Every P.A.C. boy shouts "Hurrah" and hits harder himself, in hope to do likewise, or near it.

Mr. A. H. Otto has written a fairy opera entitled "Cinderella," which is spoken very highly of by the musical critics. Mr. Otto is the assistant organist at the Adelaide Cathedral, and this libretto was recently produced by the boys of that choir with considerable success. The *Register* wrote of the performance:—

"The work is, for a first attempt at comic opera, undoubtedly worthy of high commendation, and justifies the confident expectation that with further study and experience Mr. Otto will achieve considerable success in this particular branch of musical art, for which he already shows such decided ability. The music is bright and sparkling, containing a pleasing element of freshness. The orchestration is good, and the composer shows an excellent knowledge of the various instruments and their combinations. The most striking musical numbers are the overture, containing some particularly bright and pretty solos for the wind instruments; a "Slumber" song in the first act; the minuet in the second act, which is perhaps the best number in the score, but would pay for a judicious revision in the matter of length; and the solo and chorus, which bring the work to a conclusion."

Dr. Cecil J. Davenport paid us a farewell visit on the morning of Sunday, September 20th. He is about to return to his work as a Medical Missionary in China, and wished to attend once more the Sunday morning Boarders' Bible Class. He gave an earnest address to about 30 boys who were present, specially recalling how he was led to join that class himself by a school-fellow, and then to a similar class at St. Bartholomew's Hospital in London. He

advised all, when in new places and new circumstances, promptly to take a stand and show their colours; also, when seniors, to help "freshmen" to begin well.

We wish to congratulate Mr. H. L. Hancock on the success of the concentrating machinery he has designed and erected for the British Broken Hill Company.

Football Notes.

BY L. D. GREWAR.

Football, to use a popular expression, has this term been conspicuous by its absence.

Apparently, schoolboys as well as older people, are rapidly losing interest in this once popular, and still capable of being a manly game.

Our respected Headmaster, having noticed this, and being always on the look out for an opportunity to assist the boys in their sports, and to encourage athletics, has proposed, that a Lacrosse club should be organised in this term of each year in future, and as this game is quickly becoming very popular, his proposal is likely to meet with great success.

Only one match has been played this term, and that one was an inter-collegiate. On August 28, the first twenty from the Roseworthy Agricultural College visited us, and a very pleasant game was played. Up till half-time the Princes had the better of a fast game; after that, however, the weight and form of the Roses, and our lack of practice began to tell, and when the final bell rang, the scores were:—

Roseworthy.—7 goals, 3 behinds.

P.A.C.—4 goals, 6 behinds.

The Headmaster entertained the visiting team in the dining hall at the close of the match.

1896 Fete in aid of Iron Railings and Gates for P.A.C.

This fete was held in the College grounds on Saturday, August 22nd, on what proved to be a very fine and warm spring day. With the help of our kind friend, Mr. W. Pengeley, the stalls were erected in the big schoolroom. The central stalls were draped with white, relieved by red, and displayed produce, cakes, and sweets. To the right of these were dolls and toys, and flowers, and to the left general goods, and pinafores and aprons. The Christmas-tree had a position of honor on the dais at the end of the room, and the bran pie on the floor near the centre of the front wall. By a quarter to 2 p.m. every lady was in her place, each wearing a red and white rosette in compliment to the boys. Her Excellency Lady Victoria Buxton, accompanied by Miss Mabel Buxton, and attended by Captain Guise, arrived punctually at 2 p.m., and were received by the Headmaster and Mrs. Chapple, the president of the 1896 fete, Mrs. P. C. Thomas, Mrs. E. Spicer, Treasurer of the fence fund, Mrs. F. Dunn, secretary of the fence fund, and Mesdames W. B. Chinner, J. Colwell, A. Davey, C. Drew, T. Drew, J. Dunn, jun., J. Gartrell, S. Harvey, J. Hill, R. Knowles, J. Mar-

shall, A. W. Marshall, W. Taylor, and J. M. Uren, committee of the fence fund; also, the Revs. Burgess, Berry, Stephenson, Ingamells, Cowperthwaite, Teague, Goldsmith, Thomas, Casely, and Mather; and Messrs. Spicer, Scott, Nock, Knowles, Piper, Cooper, C. Drew, Madge, and G. Cotton, members of the College Committee, were present. Lady Victoria was conducted to a raised dais at the extreme end of the big room, when the Headmaster called on the Rev. J. B. Stephenson, in the unavoidable absence of the President, Rev. P. C. Thomas, to introduce Lady Victoria to the large audience, and to ask her to kindly declare the fete open, which she did in a few well chosen words. After three cheers for Her Excellency, A. B. Grummet and Thomas, two of the youngest juniors, presented her with a beautifully arranged basket of exquisite flowers, as a memento of her first visit to P.A.C. Business of a brisk kind then commenced and proceeded until 6 p.m. During the afternoon the following programme, arranged by Misses Dunn and Hocking, was carried out on a piano kindly lent by A. W. Marshall, Esq., and was much appreciated, some of the numbers being enthusiastically received.

The Produce Stall was managed by Mesdames F. Davis, A. J. Wight, J. Cowan, P. C. Thomas, F. Stapleton, and Misses Hantke and Wight.

The Cake Stall was presided over by Mesdames A. H. Gault, and E. B. Haslam, and Misses Back, Wight, and Wilcox.

The Sweets Stall had the misfortune to be deprived of its head during the week of

the fete, but Mrs. A. W. Silver kindly took her sister's place, and was assisted by Misses Silver, M. Haslam, Hocking, Darling, Dunn, J. Knowles, M. Marshall, and E. Gartrell. Their services were fully employed all the time the sale was open, this being the most popular stall.

The Flower Stall, which was described in the *Advertiser*, as "particularly beautiful," was indeed a model in the arrangement of flower stalls, and reflected great credit on Misses G. Rhodes and A. Back, and ably assisted by Misses A. Marshall, B. Mellor, E. Russell, M. Lane, C. Berry, R. Reid, L. Dunn, and P. Chapple. The improved appearance of all gentlemen after entering the room, testified to the energy and persuasive powers of these young ladies.

The Dolls and Toys Stall, ever attractive, proved on this occasion to be irresistible, under the management of Mrs. W. Taylor, assisted by Mrs. A. Mellor and Misses Fleming, E. Marshall, K. Berry, E. and E. Porter, J. Gordon, and F. Davey.

We must congratulate Mrs. S. Cooper, and Misses Plummer, Aitkin, Lawrence, Murray, Gordon, B. and E. Drew, and E. and M. Chapple on the admirable way in which the afternoon and high teas were managed.

We also congratulate W. Kelly and T. Richardson on keeping so closely to the refreshment stall all the afternoon and evening. The way in which the stall was cleared of everything proved that strict attention to business will generally earn success.

The General Goods Stall under the able

management of Mesdames A. W. Marshall, W. A. McDonald, R. Knowles, and J. W. Porter deserves more than the passing notice for the beautiful assortment of goods with which it was loaded. Its pictures, plaques, easels, brackets, fans, perfumes, made up a most artistic collection of goods.

The Pinafores and Aprons Stall, most prosaic of all stalls, was presided over by Mesdames J. Gärtrell, J. M. Uren, W. B. Chinner, J. S. Wilson, and E. Harris.

The Christmas-tree, laden with its pretty nicknacks, was managed by Misses M. Drew, G. Dunn, D. Paton, J. Marshall, G. Hawkes, W. Braddock, J. Harris, M. Wood, and G. Uren. This number of young ladies was divided into two sets, who took duty an hour at a time in turns. As almost everything was sold off the tree, it proves that they all were diligent in business.

The lecture on the Röntgen Rays, by Mr. Iliffe, was listened to by a full house, with marked appreciation. The famous barium platino-cyanide screen, which he has made, was on view for the first time. Many, by its aid, saw the bones of their own hands and arms.

The Post Office, managed by Misses E. Russell and G. Chapple, kept its postboys busy all the afternoon and evening.

The Shooting Gallery, managed by Shearing, needed only to be better known to be better patronised.

Aunt Sally, attended to by S. Stirling, and H. Chapple, received more than the usual number of hard knocks. Punch and Judy and the Camera Obscura were well patronised, and a successful attempt was

made to send up a red and white balloon by our kind friend Mr. J. F. Mellor.

The room was cleared at 6 p.m. to allow the stallholders and others to partake of high tea, which was provided in the college dining-room. It was reopened at 6.45 p.m., when brisk business was resumed. A concert, under the direction of Mr. J. A. Haslam, B.Sc., was given and was crowded, and everything was enthusiastically received. An excellent programme was carried out. Overture, Mr. H. J. Procter; Song, "Stars," Master Egerton; Song, "Promise of life," Mrs. E. W. Oldham; Recitation, "Legend of Bregenz," Miss Daniels; Song and Dance, "Spirit of the Lake," Misses Young and Devenay; Song, "Longshoreman," Mr. A. H. Daniel; Pianoforte Selection, Mr. H. J. Procter; Song, "Georgie," Master Egerton; Song, "The Magpie Song," Mr. A. H. Daniel; Recitations, "Jawcob Strauss," "Dot baby of mine," Miss Daniels; Song, "Caller Herrin," Mrs. E. W. Oldham; Song and Dance, "The Gee-Gee," Misses Young and Devenay; Living Waxworks with musical accompaniment. The Living Waxworks caused great amusement. Mrs. Oldham was in excellent voice in her songs, and Mr. Daniel very funny in his. Miss Daniel's recitations were splendidly delivered.

The amount realised by the 1896 effort is about £130, which sum is placed to our credit in the savings bank, and added to sums already paid in, makes the amount bearing interest for this object, £470. There is still much to be done, however, to reach the amount needed to accomplish our scheme.

The whole affair was pronounced a great success. A friend remarked:—"We have all come to the conclusion that there is no place so suitable or so pleasant for holding a fete as P.A.C., and the whole thing was more like a garden party than a sale. Though many people object to bazaars, any one who attended this must have had real enjoyment out of it." This we sincerely hope is a general experience.

Chips.

Cup.

Michaelmas.

Nearly £500.

Sacks too big.

Sports a success.

Wake up rowers!

Lacrosse next year.

Cricket will soon start.

Champion runner—Grewar.

Champion gymnast—Seppelt.

Bennett did the "Giant" well.

Fence Fund gradually growing.

Kelly had hard luck at the sports.

University examinations drawing near.

Who was Melpomene? A Dutchman!

T. M. Burgess, B.A., a capital secretary.

Gymnastic Demonstration passed off well.

Mr. A. Hill, as usual, a very efficient starter.

Joe Darling and Clem. Hill obtained good averages.

A term with many sad memories and many bright ones.

Grewar, Kelly, and Magarey our champions for Saturday.

Old Scholars' Association intends to be a "real live concern."

In memoriam. Messrs. J. Hartley, J. Sunter, J. S. Williams.

Everybody glad to see Mr. Kerr able to come back to work again.

Many thanks to all the ladies who helped to make the fete a success.

The champion under 15 (S. Richardson) had very little opposition.

The Chronicle will greatly miss the services of the late Mr. Sunter.

R. G. N. came in for a lot of "barracking" when receiving his prize.

Much of the success of the sports due to Mr. Benbow and the committee.

Were some of the boarders too tired to help to remove the forms after the Sports?

Did the owners of those collie dogs in the Medley Race get them to fight on purpose?

Mr. Iliffe, assisted by Mr. Allen, made the lecture on the Röntgen Rays very interesting.

The large funerals of Messrs. Hartley and Sunter showed the esteem in which they were held.

The Gymnastic Demonstration.

A gymnastic demonstration was given by P.A.C. boys, on August 27, in aid of the new building for Our Boys' Institute. The Jubilee Exhibition Hall was kindly lent for the occasion. The audience numbered about one thousand, although the inclement weather kept many away, who would otherwise have been present.

Rago's String Band, which had been engaged for the evening, opened with an overture.

Miss Guli Hack then sang "The Children's Home" very tenderly. In response to an enthusiastic encore, she gave briskly and brightly "Cherry Ripe." The same lady was also very successful later in the evening in "The Voice of the Sea," which was composed by an old P.A.C., Mr. Eustace Dunn.

The first item of the demonstration proper was a grand march by about 250 boys, neatly dressed in white, and decorated with red, the school colour. In this and in the free exercises, the precise and machine-like movements of the boys excited great admiration.

Parallel bar exercises and jumping were then simultaneously indulged in by the upper and lower school boys respectively, and were very creditably performed.

A display of fencing followed, which was very interesting, although some of the boys were evidently novices. Bateman and T. Thomas, W. Cowell and E. Chapple, F. Cowan and W. Whyte had skilful bouts at the end. The junior school then showed their ability on the parallel bars, while some excellent leaping was being done by the seniors.

Another grand march came next, in which the various evolutions were even more intricate than in the one before, but from the tallest gymnast down to the least, every one seemed to know exactly what to do and where to go. Naturally this item evoked great applause.

Horse exercises by the lower school, and horizontal bar exercises by the upper school came next. Bennett and Seppelt were applauded for accomplishing the "giant" swing, and the applause was renewed when Herr Leschen himself, gracefully and without effort, showed "how it should be done."

The boys speedily cleared the floor, and then about a dozen members of the class manipulated the Indian clubs. This exercise, as usual, was appreciated by all present, some difficult swinging being gracefully done.

After some horizontal bar exercises by the juniors, and horse exercises by the upper school, some pyramids were quickly formed. The beauty of these was enhanced by coloured light effects, forming a fitting conclusion to a very successful demonstration.

Herr Hugo Leschen is to be congratulated on the high standard of efficiency to which his large class has attained, and the system of having the majority of the school learning gymnastics, certainly seems superior to forming a special class as was formerly done.

The following were the medal winners at the demonstration:—U. W. Seppelt, gold medal; C. E. Bennett, H. Morris, F. W. S. Bateman, E. Doncon, D. R. Cowan, E. N. Goode, A. T. Burns, J. Fletcher, F. W. Spicer; club-swinging, E. Chapple; fencing, F. W. S. Bateman.

Close on £25 worth of tickets were sold in the school, and this, together with the takings at the door, should leave a good balance for that deserving institution, O.B.I., for which our Headmaster and many P.A.C.S. have worked so long.

The Annual Sports.

On Saturday, 12th September, the annual sports were very successfully carried out, thanks to the energetic way in which the committee did their work, and to the friends who contributed so liberally to the prize fund. The enjoyment of the spectators—of whom there was a goodly number, consisting chiefly of the old boys and of the relatives and friends of the present boys—was somewhat marred by the heat and dust at first, and by the showers of rain which fell during the latter part of the afternoon. The boys ran splendidly, though W. R. Kelly, being not very well, did not show his true form. The races were contested by a large number of scholars, among whom we were glad to see our worthy captain (G.F.D.) holding his own against the mighty runners of the school. The College Cup was won by L. D. Grewar (11 points). During the afternoon refreshments were provided for the lady visitors, and the prizes were on view in the Headmaster's study. The City Volunteer Band was in attendance before the pavilion. The High Jump, Kicking for Goal, and Throwing Cricket Ball were postponed till Monday afternoon, for want of time. A dais was raised near the centre of the grounds, surrounded by a circle of forms. Here, after the Half-mile race, the spectators and athletes assembled to witness the distribution of prizes. The Headmaster and the President of the College (Rev. P. C. Thomas) made short addresses, introducing to us Mrs. John Dunn, who presented to the successful

competitors the trophies which they had won. The medals for gymnastics were also distributed to their winners. The assemblage dispersed, after giving hearty cheers for Her Most Gracious Majesty Queen Victoria, His Excellency the Governor, Mrs. Dunn, and Mr. and Mrs. Chapple.

THE EVENTS.

1. 130 yards Handicap Flat Race (first event for Cup). (1) R. E. Magarey, (2) L. D. Grewar. This was a tight race between Magarey and Grewar, of whom the former had 3 yards handicap.
2. 100 yards Handicap Flat Race (under 11). (1) E. G. H. Wood, (2) P. Goode. Wood, who won this race easily, had rather too large a handicap (20 yards.)
3. Championship under 15 (100 yards flat). (1) S. Richardson. The winner, who was expected to have it all his own way, had hard work to beat O. R. Flecker.
4. 120 yards Handicap Hurdle Race (under 13). (1) R. East, (2) C. Bottcher. East jumped well and deserved to win.
5. College Championship (100 yards flat). (1) Grewar (10½ seconds), (2) W. R. Kelly, (3) R. E. Magarey. These three are to run against the S.P.S.C. champions for the Intercollegiate Cup, on the Adelaide Oval, on Saturday, September 19. This cup has been competed for by the two colleges 4 times, and has been won every time by the P.A.C. Boys, twice by T. C. Hantke, twice by R. G. Nesbit. We

- expect that there will be a magnificent struggle for it this time. (Grewar won it.—Ed.)
6. 80 yards Sack Race. (1) A. J. Lord, (2) F. Porter. This would have been easily won by A. R. Tate, if he had not had the misfortune to fall down just in front of the tape.
 7. 220 yards Handicap Flat Race. (1) E. Doncon, (2) C. A. E. Sullivan, (3) G. F. Dodwell. Gaius Fabius led from the start, but at the end, as he thought he was far in advance, did not spurt, and allowed Doncon and Sullivan to pass him. (Hard luck !!)
 8. 130 yards Flat Race (under 15). (1) J. Hooper, (2) O. R. Flecker, (3) S. Richardson. Flecker used his head rather much in the final heat.
 9. 440 yards Handicap Flat (2nd event for Cup). (1) Grewar, (2) Magarey, (3) F. G. Cowan. Dodwell, who had a great chance in this, allowed his natural modesty to prevail over him, and did not start. Grewar won easily. Kelly dropped out half way.
 10. One Mile Bicycle Race (under 14). (1) H. E. Reid, (2) F. W. Spicer. (Time approached 15 minutes). This race was too long for the little boys, considering the state of the track and the strong wind. It would be well to make it shorter next time.
 11. 120 yards Three-legged Race. (1) H. Tolley and F. Bateman, (2) A. R. Tate and W. U. Seppelt. Thomas and Richardson were blocked, and could make no headway.
 12. 120 yards Handicap Flat Race. (1) J. P. Bailey, (2) H. Noltenius, (3) W. R. Kelly. Bailey, who won easily, both in his heat and the final, was a surprise to most of us.
 13. 1 mile Bicycle Race. (1) A. Williams, (2) F. Porter. Owing to the absence of Flecker Primus, Williams carried off the palm with considerable ease.
 14. 120 yards Handicap Hurdles (under 15). (1) L. Gardiner, (2) A. G. Nesbit, (3) H. Hardy. This resulted in a dead heat for the second place, but in the run-off Nesbit proved himself superior.
 15. 130 Yards Medley Race. (1) D. Dawson, (2) J. Morris, (3) A. R. Tate, (4) H. W. Brice. Chapple (scratch) ran well, with his rooster under his arm, scratching, but the handicaps of the winners (75 yards) were evidently too great.
 16. 220 Yards Old Scholars' Race. (1) H. S. Cowan, (2) R. G. Nesbit. Old Rajah, last year's champion (scratch), ran splendidly.
 17. 130 Yards Handicap Hurdles (3rd event for Cup). (1) F. A. Verco, (2) L. D. Grewar, (3) R. E. Magarey. Grewar, by beating Magarey in this, became the winner of the College Cup.
 18. 120 Yards Handicap Flat Race (under 13). (1) H. Throssell, (2) R. P. Goode.
 19. 120 Yards Old Scholars' Handicap Flat (over 30). Only two entries were received in this race, and they generously decided to leave the prizes to be assigned as extra prizes in some other races.
 20. 120 Yards Old Scholars' Hurdles. (1) R. Fraser, (2) J. Jenkins. This race showed that Bob had not lost all his old skill.
 21. 130 Yards Handicap Hurdles. (1) Magarey, (2) J. Morris. Morris led

over the hurdles, but Rupert beat him on the flat.

22. Half-mile Handicap Flat. (1) L. D. Grewar, (2) H. Tolley, (3) H. Finlayson, (4) E. Doncon. The entries this year were rather fewer than usual. Grewar ran splendidly, making a fine spurt at the finish.

MONDAY'S EVENTS.

23. Kicking for Goal. F. A. Verco (4 out of 9). For want of practice the kicking was very poor.
24. High Jump. (1) R. E. Magarey (5 ft. 3 in.) Kelly ran Magarey very close for first place.
25. Throwing the Cricket Ball. P. Taylor (about 83 yards) with an old ball.
26. Consolation Race. (1) W. R. Kelly, (2) S. A. Malin, (3) G. F. Dodwell, (4) L. A. De Garis and R. Osborne. A great number of disappointed athletes entered their names for this race, but as usual, most of them were doomed to further disappointment. There were too many starters in the "final" and too much (fun?) with the starter.

PLANCUS.

Sports Meeting.

A meeting to elect officers and a committee to make arrangements for the annual sports, was held in the Lower Fifth classroom on Monday, August 3rd. The Headmaster presided. It was felt desirable that two secretaries should be appointed this year. The following therefore were elected as a committee of management:—Mr. Chapple, president; Mr. Benbow, treasurer; W. R. Kelly and L. D. Grewar, joint secretaries; Mr. Robertson, P. L. Broadbent, R. E. Magarey, H. Tolley, and S. A. Malin, members.

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Extracts from Alfred Chapple's Letters.

As one or two special requests have been made that some extracts from Alfred Chapple's letters may be printed in the *Chronicle*, a fresh start has been made, but as it would be impossible to go back to his landing in England in May, 1895, a commencement has been made at May, 1896, and if approved by our readers, will be kept up quarterly.

May Day, 1896.—On Sunday afternoon that exquisite man, the Master of Trinity, preached the 'Varsity sermon in great St. Mary's Church. It was grand! and as beautiful as his own character. "And Jesus took a little child." Slow, impressive, and terribly earnest it was as the grand old man (Rev. H. M. Butler, D.D., former Headmaster at Harrow), painted the picture of a truly great man in God's sight.

May 7, 1896.—One is breathing just now the air of exams. Matth. tripos, stinks tripos, mechanical stinks tripos, all near at hand. Gaiety, festivity, happiness, and tennis balls also fill the atmosphere. Cambridge is beginning to smile preparatory to bursting out laughing when the wooden spoon goes up to receive his degree amid the volley of witticisms from the 'Varsity wags. I should just love to transfer you all for a few moments, if not longer, to the "backs" of our College. When the sun is shining from a bright blue sky on the lovely green expanse of grass, the exquisite new leaved trees, and the chestnut blossoms, I tell you, there comes to me the conviction that there is absolutely nothing which I have seen equal to it, and again last evening, about sunset, in the selfsame spot I stood, and what a scene! equally grand, but totally different. Sky with clouds hanging over the sunset of all possible hues, nature silently dropping off to sleep, birds whistling their last good-night and etc., etc. I cannot describe it. Friday last was Mayday, and I was disappointed not to see the Maypole Dance, and all the pretty things one reads of. Yesterday was Commemoration Day. Had a big feed at 1.30. Flowers on the elaborately got-up tables, swagger menu cards, etc. It took us an hour to get through.

May 23rd, 1896.—The Mathematical Tripe Horse started his rounds again on Tuesday morning. The hours are 9-12 and 2-5. I have been down to the Senate House to get a copy of the papers set. Half an hour after the start a man comes and opens a little window (which reminds one of Noah opening a little window in the ark and letting go a dove) and gives out a paper each to anyone who wants it, he returns to his rooms, and gives himself three hours to do the papers.

The difficulty seems to be to do three-quarters of the amount in three hours. Joe Darling has written to me twice, and has kindly given me a season ticket to all the Australian matches.

The glorious month of May is almost gone. Often when out for "a grind," and looking at the white May, and the double scarlet May, and the fields yellow with buttercups, and some of them white with daisies, I long and almost sigh that some of you might be there to share the lovely sight. Some friends came up last Whit Monday and spent the day. I trotted them all over the place. We lunched together, went down to see all the college eights training, had afternoon tea and "Hall" together at the guests' table. Poor old Clem! Risch and I both wrote him letters after receipt of the news of poor little Len's departure. He was a dear little boy, and I was fond of him.

I have been working hard at carpentry for the last eight afternoons from 2 to 6, and have already done far more than most loafers do in a term. I have heard twice from Kaiser, he is coming up on Monday to stay till Wednesday. All excitement. May exams. May races, fêtes, garden parties, &c. How desperately anxious some are about these trifles. They spend pounds and pounds in these festivities, and then a miserable £1,400,000 is given to carry that "name high over all" to the uttermost parts of the earth. Birks came up on Monday. I met him, and we had a real good time together, he has taught me many things, and seems to have been doing splendidly and working hard. I don't think it is possible for him or any one to have worked harder than I have, but he has been visiting more central supply stations, and that kind of thing. We have had grand talks about everything in general, and he seems to thoroughly appreciate a Cambridge

life. Owing to my having exams. during the day, he has had to go somewhat alone, but after work is over, we have been visiting and visited. He certainly has done splendid work, and will make a far better engineer than his feeble fellow student. Herr Drews said, "Birks is a sleeping lion." He is. And now under the right influences is developing wonderfully, and best of all, his character is on the only right foundation. It has nerved and inspirited me to have met him. We have clearly struck out in totally different lines, and are both, I trust, in the places most suited to our characters.

The first May boat races start to-day in awfully dull, wet weather. We have had six exams., and only one more remains. Mr. Lamb came up to me during drawing yesterday and said to me "you're a demon." I asked why. He said "you got 99 per cent. for the third paper." I said I was glad. We had three papers and four practicals, 92, 99, and about 90 per cent. will put me well up I trust, and now I am expecting to be granted an exhibition, and a Wright's Prize.

The Tripos list is out. Six men have been put in the first class. The standard is to be considerably raised next year, and we are going to begin essays in all the Triposes but the mathematical. In the May races our first boat bumped Third Trinity. Great rejoicings. We are now third on the river. We didn't make a bump last night. First Trinity nearly bumped Trinity Hall, displacing them from head of the river. They overlapped once, but owing to bad coxing didn't effect the bump. Have just finished the description of my experiments, and am waiting half hour to begin to do them. Electrical work, have got two Sperrys. 1. Internal resistance of a cell. 2. Efficiency of a wretched little motor. Both easy. Have just heard that I got 100, 98, and 92 for my three papers.

June 19.—Free from a year's hard strain I have a game of tennis from 4.30 to 7 p.m. Met Rev. H. Haigh from Mysore, he said he well remembered the game of tennis in '83 or '84 with the pater. I saw the marks for our list. I had 549 out of a possible 600, the second man 519, he was formerly a Whitworth scholar. I went at once and told Dr. McAlister, who seemed very pleased. My friend Parker (Melbourne) seems to think it is worth being proud of beating a Whitworth scholar. I hope in success to learn lessons that will keep my head above water during the floods of failure. In the afternoon a large party of us took a big boat, and rowed down to Ditton Corner, where all the "bumps" occur. Thousands of ladies and gents line the peaceful side of the river. On the other a howling, shouting, excited mob of undergrads. rushing along beside their favourite boats, some rationally dressed, some in all manner of college blazers, others in boating costume, somewhat prehistoric—a pair of shoes, cap, and blazer, or sweater, and a pair of white (once they were white) boating trousers four or five inches long, the rest bare flesh. Near to the gentle crowd are drawn up hundreds of boat loads. We were early and in front, and I am to be seen in three or four photos., but they are not good of me. We arrived at three at our front seat, and spent the time in making and drinking afternoon tea. Of course every boatload takes a hamper and a kettle and a spirit stove (not a billy and a big log fire, as your custom is). At 5.30 the eights passed down to take their places. Naturally they pull up at Ditton to be admired. I calculated that with thirty boats, nine men in each, there were at least 270 men on the water, rowing or coxing for the honor of their colleges, or about one-tenth of the men are rowing—many others would fain be in the May eights if possible, so you

can get some idea of what rowing means up here. At 1.45 p.m. on Sunday afternoon took up my seat in Great St. Mary's, half an hour before the great Dean Farrar should begin his sermon. Crowds overflowed the building, and the grand man preached a sermon entirely worthy of the occasion, even more so. On Monday had tennis, and went for a swim in the Cam.

On Tuesday that sight long looked forward to, at last an accomplished fact—the reading of the Math. Trip. list in the Senate House. Ladies (women Newnhamites and Girtonites) filled the gallery, the “men” filled the house below. The examiners in cap and gown, stood discreetly among the ladies in the gallery. Just before 9 a.m. a chorus of voices shouted “5, 4, 3, 2, 1, Go!” whereat the examiner smiled. Professor Herman of Trinity, senior examiner, amid roars raised his cap, and at silence began, “Senior Wrangler, Fraser, of Queen's,” and so on and on. The wooden spoon was greeted with rounds of applause. Then the examiner cried “Women!” Whereat a huge and prolonged roar said “Ladies! Ladies! Cap! Cap!” The examiner was imperturbable and did not cap. Silence at last. First lady a Girtonite. Then Part II. was read, and the list of “women” (Ladies! Ladies!), and then lists of men were thrown among a scrambling set of undergrads. by wives of the examiners and other ladies. I am not heavy enough, so could not secure a paper, though I shoved as hard as I could.

On Tuesday morning, at 8.45 a.m., we (scholars elect), 8 of us out of 14, assembled in the rooms of the Bursar, R. F. Scott, M.A.,

previous to passing on to the “Combination room” to be presented as scholars to the Master, the Rev. Charles Taylor, M.A. Marched off and stood in a line along the table, at the head of which the Master sat. Each scholar read off, I, A. B., do solemnly promise, being elected scholar &c., &c., to promote its peace, honour, and well being, &c., &c., as a place of education, religion, and learning. Then march up and kneel in gown before the Master, who kept his cap on. With hands placed palms together we knelt in the attitude of prayer. The Master placed his hands outside ours, and then jabbered off in almost inaudible tones, in Latin, “er, er, er, — Alfredus Chapple, er, er, er —” Then rise, sign your name in a book, and the date of signing, June 23, 1896. Of course I signed April 10, 1876. The Bursar spotted it, and cried out, “Here what are you doing? Is that your birthday?” “Yes! Sir!” “Scratch that out, and put the present date down,” which I did with many smiles. Then waited and wrote in a kind of ledger something in Latin, *Ego, Alfredus Chapple, Australiensis scholar — decessore Chotzner.* That is to say Chotzner held the scholarship before me. Then went out after shaking hands with Peter Mason, D.D., the dear, old, white-headed President, who said, “I congratulate you most heartily and wish you all joy with it.” Then went to the Senate House to see the First Class honours' degrees given. No fun at all! Ladies are allowed in the gallery among the men, and seem to be a cooling and restraining influence. Afternoon went to see the Second and Third Class honours' degrees given. The wooden spoon was the only joke. St. John's and Selwyn divided the honours, and each had a huge spoon suspended over the Chancellor's head by means of

strings across from opposite galleries, Dimensions of spoon about size of ordinary garden spade blade, about 1 foot diameter, with College arms painted on it. When the "wooden spoon" knelt in turn before the Vice-Chancellor, the suspended spoon vigorously waved over his head, with its streamers of red and white ribbon. Then amid cheers, after the usual muttering in Latin, he, the "wooden spoon," arose, and deliberately took out his knife, and cut the strings of the now lowered trophy, shouldered it, and marched off in triumph amid deafening applause.

On Wednesday uncle and I trained off to Lord's to see that magnificent and heroic struggle we made for a victory we deserved. Spoke to Clem and Joe. They received us very kindly, but had little time to spare. Clem caught Grace out, and both he and Joe fielded brilliantly. Both seemed well and strong, but looked a trifle tired with the hard work of six days a week. They are big fellows, are they not?

Uncle was struck with the look of Joe's wrists. Have felt the real need of a good rest this week and have had it. Yesterday I went to visit some friends at Windsor, and walked over the terraces, etc. of the Castle. H.M. was at home, but I did not call, as she has rheumatism. Service at St. George's at 3 p.m. Lovely chapel and good singing. After chapel I had a good look at Eton. Hundreds were playing on the playing field at cricket, and on the river hundreds of "wet bobs" were plying the oar. I longed to join them, but no! I am content with my own happy state. Nowhere but at dear old P.A.C. would have been best for me, and I am proud to belong to the dear old school. Had a glance inside the College Chapel. On the way out heard an engine; popped round the corner. "What's that for?" "For the organ, sir!" "Oh! thanks." It was an

ordinary Otto gas engine. On Saturday had a grand time. Three of us took a car, then a boat to the bridge, I mean, of course, London Bridge; then strolled to the Tower Bridge, and I trotted up the 210 or more steps, from the lower to the upper way, and over the upper way, down to meet the others on the further shore. All three then went into the Tower, the famous Tower of London. Would that there were time and ability to describe the walls, the moat, the sentries, the "beefeaters," the swords, guns, flags, cannon, pistols, statues, busts, &c., taken in battle and otherwise. The staircase where the princes were buried, and the crown jewels. Ah! only seeing can give anything of an idea of the whole affair. But it would take more time and space than there is at my disposal to describe all the glory, beauty, and want of beauty of that famous Tower to which this and that "Juggins" who misbehaved himself, was sent by the angry tyrant, whose lineal descendants have sat on the throne of this free and mighty empire, and do sit, and shall sit (if they be not done away with) for ever. I had a very short note from Professor Tate, and replied. Found I had just left London as he entered it, but hope to see him soon. I have been able to give more attention to tennis since the Long Vac. commenced, and have been getting on. Last Friday I was an ordinary insignificant player amongst many others on our tennis courts. The Wednesday following I played in the first double in the first six of the Long Vac. tennis team, with the best man in John's as partner. It happened something like this. I was playing last Friday, and was "spotted" as serving rather hard by one of the first six. Next day my name was upon the list for second double of second six to play *versus* first six. The first six

were giving us 15. Started with Atlee as partner against second double, and won, 11-9, 4-6, and 6-1. Then played third double and won, 6-0, 6-0. Then played first double and won, 6-4, 3-6, 6-1. Somehow I was in good form, and everything I hit went in. Of course I fagged out at the end of the 75 games. Sunday night got a note from the captain. "Will you make a fourth to-morrow, at 2.30?" Did so. Won three sets to 0, with another partner. Tuesday was again invited, but we lost three sets to one. Wednesday was picked to play first double with Edwards (fifth wrangler) against Clare. Our pair won all our matches, 6-2, 4-6, 6-3 against first double, 6-1, 6-4 against second double, 6-0, 7-5 and 7-5 against third double. Yesterday was picked to play for the Eleven against S. Giles. So wet that we could not play, so went to the Labs. and made bagatelle balls out of boxwood at the turning lathes for uncle. It's awfully hard to make a sphere.

When this reaches you I hope to be at Keswick, on Lake Derwent water, in Cumberland, at the Annual Student's Conference. It lasts for a week, from July 21 to 27.

Shall leave about 10 to 8 a.m., travel all day, and reach terminus about 6.30 p.m. This train, which I intended to catch, I missed, and had to go by one an hour later, which joined the main line at Rugby at 11.23, and having lunch and an hour to spare, and a congenial companion from Oxford, we walked out and had a look at the old school, which was about twenty-five minutes walk from the station, like our own P.A.C. The boys were at school, so I had a good look at them, and was much interested in the old archway leading to the school, the curious quad, and the old chapel, which was all we could find time to look at. We went in the Scotch Express at the rate of

60 miles an hour. We fled on through Warrington and Wigan. Oh, the smoke, dust, dirt, and everything abominable at Wigan! We crossed the famous ship canal, which is an admirable piece of work. We left the express at Preston, and went on by a slow train to Penrith, where we changed again for Keswick, which we reached about 6.50 p.m. Took a bus to the camp, and began to make ourselves known. I almost immediately met an old P.A.C. as I ran against A. W. Fletcher, B.Sc., but although we saw each other often, we were so much occupied we hardly had a word together. We proceeded to fill our sacks with dry straw, and drag off our beds thus made to our tents. There were about 17 tents in all, one an office tent, a huge dining tent to hold about 150 at meals, an executive tent, a washing tent, a cook's tent, and then other 10 or 11 for sleeping in. There were two Cambridge tents, about 20 or 21 being present. Edinburgh sent a large contingent, about 32; Oxford about 20; Glasgow 3; Belfast about 10; Dublin 8. There were several foreign delegates. I could go on describing Keswick, the lovely Lake of Derwentwater, the grand old Skiddaw and surrounding country, the rows on the lake and bathing in it, tennis on the public courts, &c., &c., until midnight. Our first night was almost sleepless, owing to beds of straw, hard pillows, and rough, brown blankets, but we soon got accustomed to it.

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