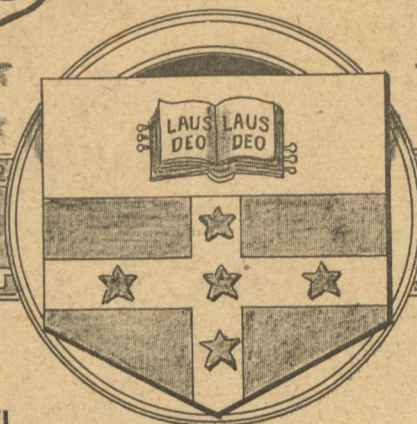


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EDITORIAL.

THE ordinary Matriculation Examination for admission to the University of Sydney, as at present conducted, is probably as injurious to the University as it is to the Schools. The standard of proficiency required for a pass is so low, and the subjects of examination, at any rate on the language side, are so limited, as to afford no sufficient guarantee of intellectual fitness. The result, so far as the schools are concerned, is a constant temptation, on the part of the pupil, to choose the lower and comparatively easier standard of the matriculation examination in preference to the more advanced standard of the Public Examinations, and a constant temptation on the part of the master, to restrict his teaching to the limited number of subjects requisite for a pass. The consequence, so far as the University is concerned, is that the matriculants enter upon their course, at any rate in Arts, without having acquired any real knowledge of literature, and without having developed even the rudiments of literary taste. The retribution comes in the examination at the end of the first year of the University course. The number of these, who are annually "plucked" at this examination, is of itself a sufficient proof, that the preliminary test, at present required for admission to the University, is inadequate and misleading. Indeed it is quite evident to those, who are acquainted with the facts, that a mere matriculation pass is in no sense a certificate that the matriculant is qualified intellectually to enter the University, and affords no sufficient guarantee that he is in a position to pass his subsequent examinations with credit either to himself or to his University.

If these statements are correct, and such statements have frequently been reiterated, and have never been officially contradicted, it would seem, that reform is demanded in justice both to the pupils, and to the parents of the pupils, and if the necessity for such reform is once recognised by the University authorities, it should not be difficult of accomplishment. All that would seem to be required is gradually to raise the standard, and to broaden its requirements. It might not be too much to ask, that the ultimate standard, at any rate in some branches, should be made to approximate to that of the Senior Public Examination, and that by the inclusion of new subjects, such for instance as English, on the language side, and by an extension of the range on the mathematical side, a wider and more liberal spirit should be infused into the work of the schools, and a better preparation be ensured for the possibilities of University teaching. The schools recognise the necessity for reform in this direction, but it is the University, that must demand the reform, and afford the facilities for what it demands.

We reprint the subjects for the chief School prizes for the benefit of prospective candidates.

The Captaincy of the School is awarded for proficiency in the following subjects:—English, French, Latin, Greek or German, Ancient or Modern History.

The Senior Knox Prize will be awarded for proficiency in all subjects offered by the candidates upon the scale of marks already fixed, viz., Latin 500, Greek or German 500, History or Chemistry 200, French 300, Mathematics 1000

The Wigram Allen Prize for Mathematics will be awarded on the marks obtained in the final examinations in the following subjects:—Arithmetic, Algebra, Geometry, Trigonometry and Mechanics, and Geometrical Drawing and Perspective. Maxima 100 for each subject. Total, 500.

The Wigram Allen Prize for Natural Science will this year be awarded on the marks obtained in the final examinations in Chemistry (a), Practical (b), Theoretical.

The appearance of the School Hall is greatly improved by the South African Memorial, the new Senior Prefect's board and the increased number of sports trophies. The latest additions to the lists of names on the School Honour Boards, read as follows:—Senior Prefect, W. F. Matthews, Captain B.M.J. Schleicher, Senior Knox Prize, H. H. Parkinson, Wigram Allen Prize (Mathematics) H. G. Carter, Morehead Scholarship (1902), J. F. Stephen, Salting Exhibiting, M. L. MacCallum. The George Knox Latin Prose Prize was won by Schleicher, the Headmaster's English Essay Prize by Taylor, and the Wigram Allen Prize for Natural Science by Ridge i.

SOUTH AFRICAN MEMORIAL.

WE take the following account of the unveiling of this tablet from the *Sydney Morning Herald*, of Dec. 16th, 1903:—

The walls of the main School-hall of the Sydney Grammar School have for years past been adorned with tablets recording the educational attainment and manly achievements of scholars, many of whom have made their mark in the history of the State. Yesterday there was added, with appropriate ceremony and solemnity, a memorial tablet containing the names of "old boys" of the school who lost their lives in the campaign in South Africa, who, as Colonel Mackay said when performing the unveiling ceremony, "died that the Empire might live."

The large hall was crowded with hundreds of bright, eager-looking lads, on whose faces was mirrored the glow of patriotism and pride, awakened by the speakers, and sympathy with the touching grief of the relatives of their comrades whose memory they had met to commemorate.

Mr. J. Russell French, who presided, read a letter of apology for unavoidable absence from Brigadier-General Finn.

The headmaster, Mr. A. B. Weigall, who first addressed the meeting,

was at times so overcome with emotion that he could not speak. After referring to the difficulty experienced in obtaining an approximately correct list of the "old boys" who had fallen in the war, he said that the memorial had not been erected in a sense of self-glorification of the school, but to have a memento of those whose untimely death they were mourning and at the same time have concrete testimony of the patriotism, loyalty, and self-sacrifice of those who had fallen in what they believed a righteous cause.

Colonel Mackay, senior colonel of those who have been educated at the school, before unveiling the tablet, said that the school had given its best to the public, commercial, and pastoral life of the country. And it was only as it should be when the call of the Empire came the Sydney Grammar School boys readily responded. The names on the tablet represented the "White Knights" of the school, who, in company with hundreds, had died that the Empire might live. As far as the Empire was concerned they had not given their lives in vain. He wanted the boys present to live their lives as those who had fallen would have wished them to do. They must remember that a soldier must be a good man. He must have courage, decision, self-sacrifice, and he must of all things be a gentleman. He appealed to them to fight their life's battle as bravely and as well as those who had passed away, so that when the last reveille sounded and those young soldiers rose from the far distant veldt to march to the Throne they may have so ordered their lives as to be able to answer the command as soldiers erect and unafraid.

As the Memorial was unveiled all stood and Trumpeters sounded the "Last Post." The tablet contained the following names:—

- Lieutenant K. K. Mackellar (7th Dragoon Guards),
- Lieutenant W. R. Harriott (N.S.W., Mounted Infantry.)
- Lieutenant E. A. Lamb (2nd N.S.W. Mounted Rifles).
- Sergeant-Major J. M. Gray (3rd N.S.W. Mounted Rifles.)
- Sergeant W. B. G. Smith (2nd Scottish Horse).
- Corporal W. L. Spier (Citizens' Bushmen).
- Trooper E. D. Ford (Imperial Yeomanry).
- Trooper L. Zollner (Kitchener's Horse).
- Trooper H. S. Ayling (Kitchener's Horse).
- Trooper T. C. Robertson (N.S.W. Mounted Infantry).
- Trooper G. C. Elliot (B.S.A. Police).

We publish elsewhere in this issue a photo of the Memorial taken from a block for which we are indebted to the kindness and courtesy of the *Town and Country Journal*

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE EXAMINATION.

THE following boys of Commercial I. were successful in the Examination held by the Chamber of Commerce for Junior Commercial Certificates in November last:—H. B. Oakey, C. S. Waive, T. Hall, P. G. Legoe, and F. T. Slee.

SENIOR PUBLIC EXAMINATIONS, 1903.

NAMES.	Ancient History	English	French	German	Latin	Greek	Arithmetic	Algebra	Geometry	Trigonometry	Mechanics	Chemistry	Physics ii
	2	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	14	16	18
ME Bates			A		B		B	A	B	A	C		
Campbell... ..			B					C	C	C			
ME Carter i			B		C		C	A	A	A	A	A	
ME Cohen i	C	B	C	A	B		B	B	C	C			
French			C		C			C	C	C			
ME Groundwater		B	A		C		C	C	C	C			
Vine-Hall			A	C	C			C	C				
McKeown i	B	B	A		B	B				C			
McLaughlin i		B	A							C			
Norrie	B	B	B		B	B	C	B	C	C			
ME Parkinson	B		A		A	A	C	B	B	C		C	B
ME Stafford			C		C		C	C	C	C			
Schleicher	B	B	A		A	A							
ME Walker		B	B		C		C	A	B	B	C		
ME Stewart			B		C		B	C	B	C			
A	—	—	7	1	2	2	1	3	1	2	1	1	—
B	4	5	6	—	4	2	3	2	4	2	—	—	—
C	1	—	2	1	7	—	5	6	7	6	2	1	—

A, 21 ; B, 31 ; C 38.

Boys, 15 ; Average passes, 6.

Scholarship—

Cooper No. 2, for Classics Schleicher

Matriculation Honours—

Latin Class i—Schleicher

,, ii—McKeown, Parkinson

Greek ,, i—Schleicher, Parkinson

,, ii—McKeown

,, iii—Norrie

French ,, i—Schleicher, McKeown, McLaughlin, Parkinson, Bates, Cohen i

,, ii—Vine-Hall i, Norrie

German ,, i—Cohen i*Mathematics* ,, i—Carter i, Bates

,, ii—Walker

,, iii—Parkinson

Medals—

French—Schleicher.*German*—Cohen i*Latin*—Schleicher*Greek*—Schleicher*Inorganic Chemistry*—Carter

1902.

17 Boys. A, 37; B, 38; C, 39; Average, 6.5.

Eight Medals.

Scholarships—Barker, No. 2, Lithgow.

Matriculation Honours—First-class, 9; Second-class, 7; Third-class, 6.

1901.

17 Boys. A, 33; B, 37; C, 51; Average passes, 7.1

General Proficiency and Ten Medals.

Scholarships—Cooper, Barker, Lithgow, Bowman-Cameron, and Freemasons.

Matriculation Honours—First-class, 10; Second-class, 3; Third-class 6.

1900.

10 Boys. A, 25; B, 29; C, 23; Average Passes, 7.7.

Five Medals.

Scholarships—Cooper, Barker, Lithgow.

Matriculation Honours—First-class, 9; Second-class, 5; Third-class, 3.

OLD BOYS' COLUMN.

THERE is very little news from the University for this issue. For the past three months 'Varsity men have been resting during vacation from their arduous labours, and as old S.G.S. men work exceptionally hard of course, they find it more necessary to recruit their shattered constitutions in the country. A few are coming back by degrees, some to work for honors, some for "posts."

This year the pluck throughout the University was exceptionally heavy, and, must we say it, many O.S. were among the unfortunates. On the other hand O.S., to a large extent, monopolized the top places in their various years. As the calendar is not yet out, anything like a detailed list is impossible, and it would be best to wait until the "undergraduates' friend" appears before attempting any such list.

"Tom" Browne is now Dr. C. S. Browne, M.B. Ch.M. He passed his final medical exam. at Christmas with honours, and is now a resident Doctor at Prince Alfred Hospital. Along with him is "Sammy" Sharp, the tennis player and erstwhile member of 1st XI., who also passed with honours, and is at the same Hospital.

J. F. H. Hill, B.A., B.E., passed his final engineering, and is probably going to Broken Hill. L. K. Ward, who got his engineering degree last year, is now a lecturer in the Kalgoorlie School of Mines, W.A.

In the recent shooting of the S.U. Scouts Tom Owen got the "possible" at 900 yards.

All over the State S.G.S. boys, old or young, are much in evidence. At Blackheath, Blue Mts., this year they came out strong—strong enough to get a team of S.G.S., past or present, which challenged "all comers." Unfortunately the rain came on, much to the relief of "all comers," we would like to imagine. In various tennis tournaments up there several prizes were taken by them, while in the social line they were quite beyond description.

Albert Cotter, who recently represented the State and also Australia in the matches against the English Cricket Team, is an Old Sydneian. He played in the Eleven from 1899 to 1901, and during each season captured over 100 wickets. He was also a member of the 1st Fifteen, and in both these branches of sport played in the Combined Schools' team. In the match N.S.W. v. Victoria he secured 6 wickets for 120, and with the same team against the Englishmen he finished with 8 wickets for 100. Since then he has twice been chosen in the Australian Eleven, and on both occasions has justified his selection. In the 4th Test Match he got 3 wickets and made 34 runs, and in the 5th Test Match at the time of going to press he has already obtained 6 wickets for 40. Cotter is a right-hand bowler of the Jones type, and as he is very young and athletic, we have no hesitation in predicting for him a brilliant future in the cricket field.

We may here record that Blaxland, while still at the School, was picked to play with N.S.W. Seconds in the match against Queensland. His scores did not come up to our own high expectations, but he got 17 and 6, and the excellence of some of his strokes is evinced by the fact that his total in the 1st innings contained 3 "fours."

Old Boys are again in evidence in rowing circles. J. H. D. Goldie, of the S.R.C., stroked a winning Junior pair in the Anniversary Regatta and has our hearty congratulations. He is now training with the Club's Senior Eight. Vaughan represented the Mercantile Club as stroke of a Maiden Four in the same regatta.

More recently in the Balmain Rowing Club's regatta, E. A. Lucas, our quondam stroke and captain of the boats, rowed in a Junior Eight.

CRICKET.

WET weather, Matriculation Exams. and test matches have made this term a very unsatisfactory one for Cricket, and the team as a whole is not nearly so formidable as in December. We regretfully say farewell to Macnamara and Bull who, if not brilliant in scoring, were yet in all other respects all that Grammar School cricketers should be, always good-tempered and gentlemanly. Their places have been filled by Hall and Fox. The season is drawing to a close yet we still have two competition games to play. The Old boy's game will take place on the Sydney Cricket Ground on the 30th inst. and will almost certainly be the last appearance for their school of Manning, Matthews, Blaxland, Walker, Garrett, Gale, Clayton and Docker. It will at once be seen that the prospect for next year's team is anything but re-assuring. We shall have but one of our 1903, Hill, who is a good bowler but an indifferent field and bat. To make matters worse most of the present second will not be available, and for years the school has never had less material at its disposal. This want is not due to less enthusiasm in the lower grades, for form cricket is as well managed as ever, but to accident, or rather a four-yearly cycle which sends about 75 per cent of our first and second teams for matriculation. These emergencies have their uses and the resources of a large school should be able to bear the strain.

The fact that Blaxland was selected for the second N.S.W. Eleven in December should be recorded here. His success this term is even more pronounced, for in five games he has scored 106 not out, 90 not out, 170, 4 and 1 and this without practice and amid the grind of stiff examination work. A full account of our southern tour is given elsewhere.

The game against the Senior Oldboys in December occurred just too late for our last issue but is now history as ancient as some who took part. The game ended in an even draw. Walker batted well for 104 retired and won Mr. Charlton's bat. Our total was 262 and the Old Boys lost 6 for 143. At lunch Mr. Warner, captain of the All English Eleven, presented the Rawson Cricket Cup and Schools' Association Badges.

The following minor games have been played.

February 3rd. v. Mr. Woolcott's Team at Rushcutters' Bay. S.G.S. 8 for 223, innings closed (Blaxland 106 retired, Mr. Barbour 59). Mr. Woolcott's team, 6 for 120.

February 6th. v. Gladesville, at Gladesville. S.G.S. 110 (Manning 31, Matthews 23, Docker 18). Gladesville 88 (Hill 3 for 14).

February 17th. v. Paddington Veterans. S.G.S. 3 for 61. (Matthews not out 46). Paddington Vets. 271.

February 24th. v. Imps. S.G.S. 1 for 131. (Blaxland not out 90). Imps. 328 (McKay 105 retired).

THE S.C.E.G.S. MATCH.

Owing to the postponement of the St. Joseph's College game this was our first school match, while for our opponents it was the last of the Autumn series. They batted first on a good wicket though perhaps not so good as it was for us later on. Their first bats shaped admirably while our bowling was as loose as the fielding. At one time three were down for 200, yet all were out for 250—six wickets fell before lunch of which Hill got five and was the only bowler to give any trouble. He cleaned bowled two of their best in Minnett I. and Dean and caught another brilliantly if unexpectedly from his own bowling. After lunch Matthews finished off the tail rapidly. Manning and Blaxland faced a rather formidable task and put on 128 when Manning executed one of his vigorous back-cuts, only this time it went further than usual, and found a resting-place in the wicket-keepers gloves. His 59 were inestimable. The game was now safe provided that Blaxland did not go at once and it was well he did not for with the single exception of Fox, the rest of the batting was no better than our bowling and fielding had been. Blaxland reached 170 and played with more discretion than usual, driving producing nearly all his runs. He dropped a hard pull at square-leg's feet early in his innings, but gave no other chances. In a second attempt S.C.E.G.S. lost four wickets for 162, Minnett I. (82) again batting excellently.

S.G.S. v. S.C.E.G.S.

S.G.E.G.S. 1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
R. V. Minnett, b Hill	... 46	not out	... .. 82
Dean b Hill	... .. 40	b Blaxland	... .. 25
R. B. Minnett, c Docker, b Hill	12	c Matthews, b Walker	... .. 11
Bullock, b Manning	... .. 53	c Walker, b Hill	... .. 10
Duffy, c Walker, b Hill	... .. 44	run out	... .. 0
Allen, c Docker, b Matthews	14		
Dent, c and b Hill	... .. 1	not out	... .. 22
Massie, not out	... .. 6		
Fitzhardinge, b Matthews	... .. 8		
Gilles, c Blaxland, b Matthews	5		
Goldfinch, b Matthews 8		
Sundries 21	Sundries 11
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Total 250		4 for 161

BOWLING, 1st Innings—Matthews, 4 for 59; Walker, 0 for 50; Manning, 1 for 63; Hill, 5 for 40; Hall, 0 for 8. 2nd Innings—Matthews, 0 for 40; Hill, 1 for 42; Blaxland, 1 for 34; Walker, 1 for 16; Manning, 0 for 18; Bull, 0 for 0.

S.G.S.

Blaxland, b Allen	... .. 170
Manning, c Dean, b Bullock	... .. 59
Walker, c Duffy, b Bullock...	... .. 12
Hall, c and b Bullock...	... .. 2
Matthews, c Goldfinch, b R. B. Minnett	2
Docker, b Duffy	... .. 6
Fox, c Fitzhardinge. b Dent	... .. 22
Clayton, st. Dean, b Allen 0
Hill, c Dent, b Allen... 7
Ward, not out... 7
Bull, b Dent 2
Sundries 20
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Total... 309

S.G.S. won by 59 runs.

 THE MELBOURNE CRICKET TOUR.

WE left Sydney on Friday, Dec. 11th. As we were not going right through we chose the mail in preference to the express as both starting from Sydney and reaching Wagga at a more convenient hour. Even those who habitually go to sleep in the field got little sleep that night and it was a bleary-eyed blinking company that crawled into the drag waiting for us at Wagga Station. The temperature gets three figures oftener than the batsman there but fortunately this time a cool southerly was blowing and a start was made at eleven. The state of the wicket may be judged by the fact that four innings were played between that hour and six o'clock.

We got 86 and 72 and Wagga 49 and 74. The win was due not to batting but to battery, our bowlers being faster and of better length. Docker and Matthews stood fire best, each getting over twenty. Walker and Matthews directed their quick-firers at their opponents' ribs with most consistency, getting respectively 10 for 53 and 8 for 47. In past years a coterie of Old Boys greatly added to the pleasure of our stay here. This time their numbers were reduced to two, Messrs. Ferris and Commins, and these, with Mr. Wilkin and the brothers Bellair successfully essayed the difficult task of maintaining Wagga's reputation for hospitality. Among other courtesies special mention should be made of a most enjoyable trip to the experimental farm and of the kindness of Mr. McKeown in explaining its various departments and in urging a diffident company to sample the products. Among the students we discovered Old Boys in Suttor and Brereton. We caught the express at daylight on Monday, two in particular carrying with them lingering memories of Wagga pastry. Mr. Blanch met us in Melbourne on a dreary wet morning and the billeting to different quarters was soon arranged. Our programme read, Monday, practice; Tuesday, match with M.C.C. on the Cricket Ground; Wednesday v. Wesley College; Thursday and Friday, v. Melbourne G.S. Of these items the first two were cancelled by continuous rain. The next disappointment came from Wesley College who cancelled their match as late as Tuesday and for no very adequate reason. Mr. Wilson of M.G.S. was, however, good enough to make a special effort to secure us a game and the Scotch College generously stepped into the breach. Wednesday, however, was still showery and play did not start until two o'clock. We batted on a bad wicket and got 103. They on an improving one for 87. Our innings was only remarkable for some fine batting by Bull 43 not out.

We had expected the wicket to get worse as it dried, but such was not the case, for though it was pretty bad at the start, it played well enough towards the end of the day's play, and at one time we looked like losers, but a lucky run out broke up a dangerous partnership, and enabled us to win by 16. Next day, Thursday, we began the game for which we had gone so far. We played on the Grammar School Ground, adjoining the School, and though good before, we noticed considerable improvement this year. The wicket, however, was not yet hard, and when Manning won the toss he had no hesitation in sending M.G.S. in. The earlier batsmen did fairly well under difficulties, but the team tailed off badly and totalled but 56, of which Smith got 23 and Corder 19. Matthews and Walker commenced bowling, but neither was very successful, and the change to Hill and Blaxland soon ended the innings. Hill got four for 8 from five overs, and Blaxland bowled four overs for one run and one wicket. As there was still an hour before lunch, Bull, Matthews, Docker and Garrett were utilised to still further dry the wicket, which was rapidly improved. They did their work well, and at lunch only two were out, and the M.G.S. total had been left behind. Bull, who had done so well the day before, got 40 while the wicket was still uncertain. After lunch everything went our way, though Manning ran himself out without scoring.

Blaxland and Walker got together when the score was 5 for 131, and in a little over two hours added 264. With Walker it was a chance of runs for every ball till he was caught at 114. Many of Blaxland's early strokes were uppish, but from 50 to 245 he gave no actual chance. At the drawing of stumps nine were out for 480, and next morning Blaxland added but two when he was bowled trying to force a good length ball. His 247 easily surpassed A. E. Johnston's 169 made in Melbourne four years ago, and G. L. Garnsey's 181 against S.C.E.G.S. five years ago.

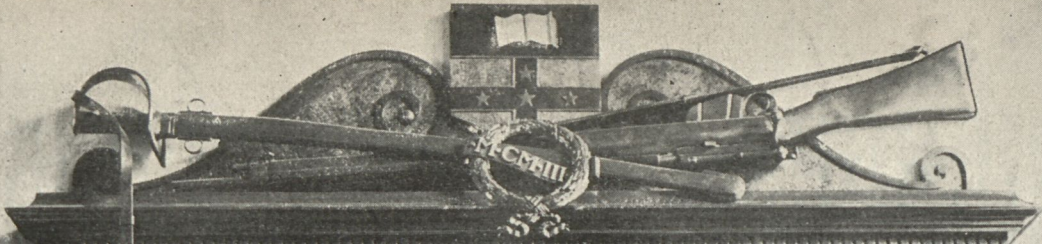
It was not to be expected that Melbourne would face a deficiency of over four hundred runs with much heart. Gardner, Fairthorne, Cumming and McLeish did fairly well, and 156 was the total. Matthews, Walker, Manning and Blaxland were almost equally successful with the ball, and the fielding generally was satisfactory. Notwithstanding their heavy defeat, we saw greater possibilities in the M.G.S. team than in recent years. Moule and Bowden are promising but immature bowlers. Ronald bowled fast with a good length, but appears to have but one ball. Their ground fielding was creditable.

Of these games 24 have now been played, S.G.S. has won 16, and M.G.S. 7. We have won the last nine, but rather expect the sequence to be broken next December.

Perhaps the most enjoyable evening of the trip was that spent at the house of Dr. Clendiman, of Hawksburn. An invitation was extended to the whole team (and adjuncts) by Mrs. Clendiman, whose husband is the X ray specialist of Melbourne. Every form of electrical contrivance was to be seen. Gramophone "records" were taken and re-produced amid hearty laughter, a "poultry duet" by Docker and Clendiman, junior, fairly breaking all Edison records. Many football "breaks" were revealed by the X rays, and the wonders of Radium were exhibited, and the last train seemed all too early. The team too enjoyed a performance by the School Dramatic Society. Some returned by the express on Saturday, others stayed over to see the Second "Test."

The scores of the Melbourne match were:—

M.G.S. 1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
Miller, c Blaxland, b Walker	5	c Garrett, b Walker	... 15
Gardner, b Matthews...	... 4	c Matthews, b Manning	... 29
Cordner, c Matthews, b Hill	19	c Matthews, b Manning	... 0
McLeish, c Garrett, b Matthews	0	c Walker, b Matthews	... 21
Smith, lbw. b Hill	... 23	b Walker	... 9
Ronald, thrown out	... 0	c Manning, b Matthews	... 13
Frazer, c Blaxland, b Hill	... 1	b Walker	... 0
Fairthorne, not out	... 2	b Blaxland	... 32
Bowden, absent	...	b Blaxland	... 0
Cuming, c Gale, b Blaxland	... 0	b Matthews	... 24
Moule, c and b Hill	... 0	not out	... 4
Sundries	... 2	Sundries	... 9
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Total	... 56	Total	... 156



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·GESTO·ANIMAS·IMPERIO·BRITANNICO·DEDERUNT·CONDISCIPULI

LIEUTENANT K.K. MACKELLAR.
7th DRAGOON GUARDS.

LIEUTENANT W.R. HARRIOTT
N.S.W. MOUNTED INFANTRY.

LIEUTENANT E.A. LAMB.
2nd N.S.W. MOUNTED RIFLES

SERGEANT MAJOR J.M. GRAY
3rd N.S.W. MOUNTED RIFLES

SERGEANT W.B.G. SMITH.
2nd SCOTTISH HORSE

CORPORAL W.L. SPIER.
CITIZENS BUSHMEN.

TROOPER E.D. FORD.
IMPERIAL YEOMANRY.

TROOPER L. ZOLLNER.
KITCHENER'S HORSE.

TROOPER H.S. AYLING.
KITCHENER'S HORSE.

PRIVATE T.C. ROBERTSON.
N.S.W. MOUNTED INFANTRY.

TROOPER G.C. ELLIOT.
B.S.A. POLICE.

T. GALE.

H. J. R. CLAYTON.

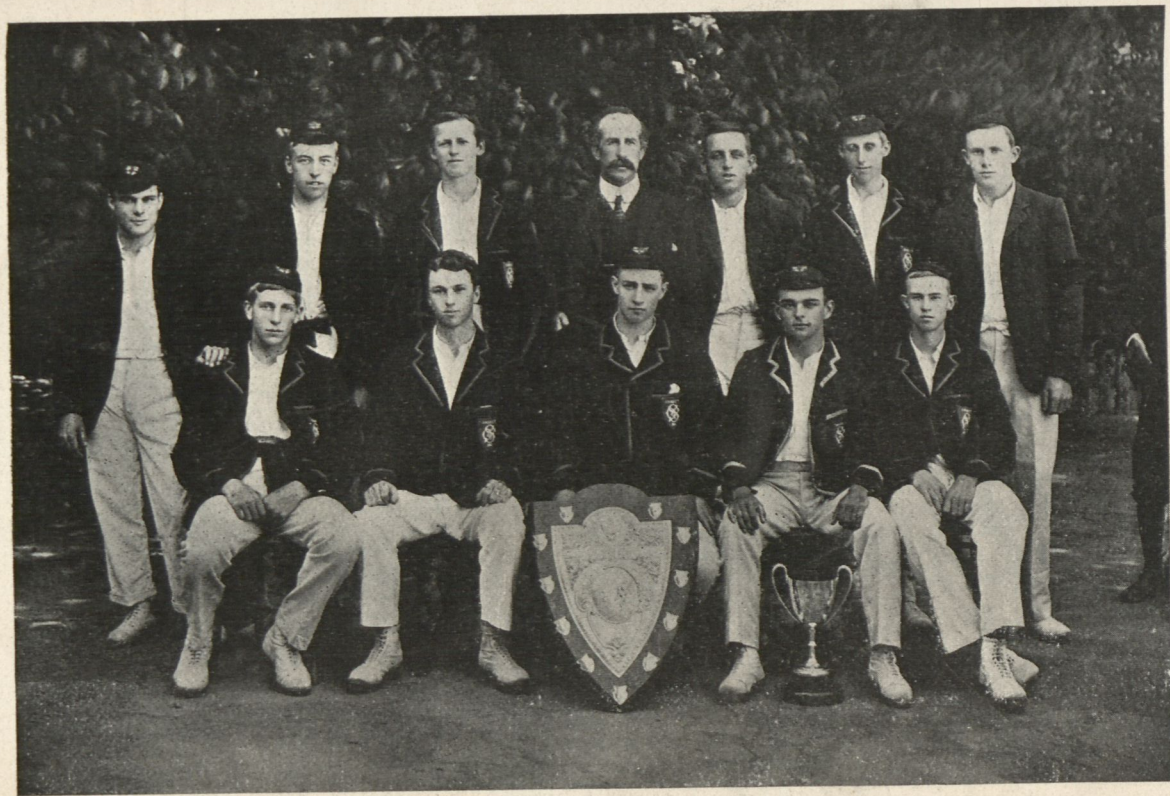
E. BULL.

G. P. BARBOUR, ESQ.

F. HILL.

T. V. GARRETT.

B. MACNAMARA.



J. S. D. WALKER.

M. H. BLAXLAND.

C. A. MANNING (Capt.)

E. N. B. DOCKER.

W. F. MATTHEWS.

S.G.S. 1st XI.

Winners of Premiership, 1903.

BOWLING, 1st and 2nd Innings.—Matthews, 5 for 64; Walker, 4 for 69; Hill, 4 for 12; Blaxland, 1 for 1; Manning, 2 for 33.

S.G.S. 1st Innings.

Matthews, st. Gardner, b Bowden	6
Bull, b Fraser	40
Docker, c Cumming	17
Garrett, c Cordner, b Bowden	12
Manning, run out	0
Blaxland, b Bowden	247
Walker, c Frazer, b Moule	108
Macnamara, c Gardiner, b Ronald	4
Hill, b Ronald	0
Gale, st. Gardiner, b Bowden	14
Clayton, not out	2
Sundries	32

Total... .. . 482

BOWLING—Ronald, 2 for 109, Bowden, 4 for 80; Cuming, 1 for 45; Fraser, 1 for 40; Cordner, 0 for 32; Moule, 1 for 82; Miller, 0 for 40; Fairthorne, 0 for 12, Smith, 0 for 10.

 THE SCHOOLS' ASSOCIATION.

THE Annual Meeting was held on Feb. 17th. The reports were very satisfactory indicating the most successful year since the Association's inauguration. S.G.S. had won the premiership in athletics, rowing and cricket and T.K.S. in football, S.G.S. winning the second-grade cricket. There was a respectable credit balance financially, owing mainly to the success of the Regatta and of the Sports' Meeting. Mr. Maughan, after several years of strenuous and successful work as secretary, resigned and Mr. Marks was appointed. The date of the regatta was fixed for April 23rd. It was decided to institute a second-grade competition in Football. Mr. Barbour was re-elected chairman and Mr. Buchanan treasurer. Reference was made to the projected departure of Mr. W. S. Corr, of T.K.S., to whom the Association largely owed its origin and the success of its earlier years. It was decided to further and more substantially acknowledge the indebtedness of the schools to him.

 2ND ELEVEN.

SINCE the School year commenced several Wednesdays have been too wet for Cricket, so that the 2nd XI. has not yet played many games. Several boys have been promoted to take the places of those who have left or gone into the First. Of these Manning 3 shows fair form with the bat, and Traill 2 may furnish into a moderate bowler. Garrett 2 has also made runs, but Broughton has not made a fair start. We will miss French who kept the team well together. Against Cleveland St. S.P.S. the 2nd XI.

had four down for 131, as a reply to their opponents' 179. Ruse made 44, Satchell 23, Bull 29 and Garrett ii 20 not out. Bull also secured the best bowling average, 5 for 28. Over at North Sydney they rattled up 214 and S.C.E.G.S. 2nd had lost 6 for 95 when stumps were drawn. The match would have been won had our side closed, but everyone wanted a strike. Ruse retired for 47, Morrison i scored 33, Broughton 28, Satchell 27 and Garrett ii 23. Matthews ii secured 3 wickets. In the Competition game against the same school, S.C.E.G.S. made 106 and 5 for 166, and our 2nd, 152 and none for 31. We thus won on the 1st innings by 46 runs. French's contribution was 37, Manning 3 was run out for 32 and Ruse made 20. Morrison i took 4 wickets.

Several of the team are up for examination at the University but will be available for the remaining competition games.

THE 3RD ELEVEN.

OWING to various mischances, only two matches have this term been played by the 3rd XI., and both against Newington. In the former game the school was successful, though the scores on each side were low, owing to a bad wicket. The second match was also won, the team scoring 124 to 52. Keele retired for 41, while Cobcroft, Laing and Traill also reached double figures. Traill took 4 wickets for 9. Despite a pronounced tendency to slog, Keele shows promise; and Bain, Bryan, Cobcroft, and Traill can make a few runs. The bowling and fielding are satisfactory, but the running between the wickets is bad. The striker calls for a stroke in front of the wicket, his partner for one behind, and a run begun should be continued and ended.

LOWER SCHOOL CRICKET.

THE weather—for the first time in two years—has interfered with Wednesday's Cricket, and as there are several matches yet to be played, there is not much to be said, at present, about the doings of the 1st XI. What little may be said is favourable. Ward seems to shape well as captain, and several of those tried in the team, if not yet good bats, have at least the idea of "playing" a ball, as well as of hitting it. Green gives promise as a bowler, and Brogden and Lamrock are also useful. The first match this year was against a weak team from the VA and VI, and resulted in an easy win for the L.S. A return match to be played on March 9th may reverse the position. One match with Newington fell through, owing to rain, and we were beaten by Barker College (Ward 43). It may be well to remind the Lower School once again that there is now no *fixed* Lower School 1st XI. Every boy who promises well in Form Cricket has a chance of immediate promotion, and every boy in the team must justify his inclusion, or make room for someone else.

FORM COMPETITION.

LITTLE can be said of the Form Competition so far. On the points scored up to the present (March 8th), the premiership would seem to lie between

3a and Com. 4, but the concluding rounds may alter all that. It is pleasant to notice that the midget team (1abc) that had rather a bad time of it last year, is now holding its own well, and has already scored one win (against 2a). The following boys deserve a word of praise for their batting:—3b, Cohen iv., 43; Phillips, 21; Cohen iii, 12. 2a, Cohen, 15. 2b, Marshall, 10 n.o.; Garland, 10. 1abc, Elliott, 14 n.o.; Cadden, 12; Grime, 10. Com. 4, Miller, 14; Crane, 12; Burleigh, 12 n.o.; Rowntree, 11; Com. 5. Lord, 13. Bowling:—3a, Robertson and Ritchie. 3b, McKeown and Wallach. 2a, Harris. 2b, Garland and Marshall. 1abc, Matthews. Com. 5, Lord. This list is by no means complete, and Form Captains are once more reminded that if they want a complete record kept of their teams' performances, they must give them to Mr. O'Reilly on Thursday morning.

FOOTBALL.

It does not seem very long since the whole School turned out to barrack for the final match of last season, and already our thoughts are wandering towards the season now almost upon us. At the meeting Woodburn ii was elected secretary, and the boys have made about the best selection. The new secretary is sure to turn out a good worker.

Not more than a couple of last season's fifteen will remain, and, as usual, the "croakers" are saying that our football will not be what it used to be. Well "Mr. Punch" would answer them by saying that it never was. What is wanted is that these gentlemen who talk such a lot should go out to practice and make the team for next year a good deal better than it was before. It means self-sacrifice, and so does every success. If boys all make up their minds to take an active part in our chief winter sport, then we have no fears of the result.

SWIMMING CLUB.

A well-attended meeting to arrange for the holding of the Eighth Annual Swimming Carnival was held in Commercial I room on Monday, 22nd February, Mr. Giles presiding. A committee consisting of Messrs. Corderoy, Morrison, Richardson, A. D. Hill, McKell, Gale and Boone was elected. A Morrison was appointed Honorary Secretary. It was decided to hold the Carnival at Bondi Baths on Wednesday, 23rd March, 1904.

The programme is as follows:—

1. 150 yds. All Schools' Championship and S.G.S. Championship.
2. 33 yds. Handicap, under 14.
3. 50 yds. Open Handicap (A).
4. 50 yds. Open Handicap (B).
5. 100 yds. Handicap, under 16.
6. 100 yds. Open Handicap.
7. Neatest Header—2 styles, Standing and Running.
8. 100 yds. Old Boys' Handicap.

9. 150 yds. Form Championship (Upper School). Each team to consist of 3 men. Each man to swim 50 yards.
10. 150 yds. Form Championship, Lower School. Same conditions as for Upper School Race.
11. Obstacle Race. Each man to swim 50 yds. in coat and trousers, then undress in the water and swim back to starting point, carrying clothes.
12. 250 yds. Handicap.

THE GYMNASIUM.

THE annual display which was held as usual on Speech Day, was in every way a success if one can judge by the enthusiasm displayed both by the audience and boys. The team consisted of the following:—Carter i, Morrison i, Vine Hall i, Carter 2, Archdall, Ralston i, Morrison 2, Goldie, Vine Hall 2, Wray, Vaughan, Wilkinson, Wallace and Rabbetts. If the team lacked brilliancy, it certainly possessed a uniform soundness which enabled it to compare very favourably with former year's work. This year the Gymnasium was honoured by the presence of Brigadier General Finn who expressed himself highly gratified not only with the quantity and quality of the work but also with its variety. The proceedings terminated with three cheers for the General and for the Sergeant.

ROWING.

THE Regatta this year has been fixed for Saturday, April 23rd. It is hoped that we shall be able to put one or two crews, as we did last year, and compete in the same events. The crew that shaped so creditably in the Balmain Regatta on November 9th last, should, with steady practice, improve a lot, and become really good. They have done any amount of work and should be easy to train. It is not yet settled who will be in the maiden boat, but a lot of practice will be necessary whoever may be picked, before they can be anything like together. At present they are terribly rough. It is gratifying to receive applications from boys for membership in our Boat Club, but just at present no attention can be given to anyone who is not a member, or a possible member, of the two crews. There will be ample opportunity, however, for new members to be coached during the Easter holidays, but the School will receive notice about this in due course.

TENNIS.

THE Tennis Handicap was won by Owen and Royds, who defeated Mr. Delmer and Pitt by 6-3, 6-3.

On February 4th a meeting was held at which Pitt was re-elected Secretary and Allen and Fox were elected members of the Committee.

Last year only one team entered the Competition. It is hoped that we shall this year be able to run two teams.

THE HOBBIES CLUB.

During the holidays the Trustees have enlarged the Club-room besides adding considerably to the outfit, and a corresponding extension of membership has naturally followed.

The present captains are Waterhouse, Taylor i. Sear, Ralston i, Rich i, Vaughan, Taylor ii and Sharp ; the number of members is 58 ; the average attendance in the luncheon hours 22, and in the afternoon practices 15.

The usual programme of lessons has been arranged and partly carried out ; in most respects, last year's arrangements are being maintained.

The first excursion of the quarter took place on Wednesday, February 25, when about 40 boys accepted Messrs. Brook's kindly invitation to go over their printing works in Castlereagh-street.

On their arrival, the boys were divided into three squads in order that all might have an equal opportunity of seeing the machinery and of hearing the explanations ; the Messrs. Brooks took charge of these squads personally, and were indefatigable in their endeavours to show and to explain everything belonging to the work. The visit was full of interest not only in itself but also, and especially, as a striking object lesson of the tendency of modern industrial enterprise towards the use of machinery and the most minute subdivision of labour. In the linotype or the lithography departments and the like, there is still need, no doubt, of much skill and dexterity as well as of a high intelligence ; but, all the same, it is generally true, that the skilled mechanic is becoming less and less indispensable, and that the difference between the good and the average man is becoming simply a question of the difference in the speed with which they can serve their common Master, the machine. Hence comes the tendency to restrict each operator to a single operation which, whilst increasing the number of hands through which each article has to go, increases, in a far greater ratio, the speed with which it is completed ; and hence, too, the feverish tension at which the work is carried on ; the machine sets the time ; the man must work up to that or give place to someone else. As to the machines themselves, they are marvels of ingenuity and contrivance, all the more so, perhaps, that the principles on which they work are in themselves exquisitely simple.

The very warm thanks of the School and of the Club are due to Messrs. Brooks, both for the opportunity their invitation gave and for the trouble they took to enable the boys to make the most of the opportunity.

The second excursion of the quarter will be announced shortly as well as the quarterly lecture which will perhaps be given by Mr. Soar.

MOUNT IRVINE.

"MOUNT Irvine" is a portion of the Blue Mountains known only to a select few. Indeed, so little is it known that, when asked where I was going for my trip, I used as a rule to reply somewhat vaguely, "to the Mountains." because if I was more explicit and said "to Mount Irvine" there was the penalty of having to answer a whole string of questions as to where it was and what it was like, etc. For the information then of those who have not heard of "the Mountain" as the local residents call it, let me say that it is about sixteen miles east of Bell Railway Station

and is ninety miles from Sydney. The Kurrajong Mountains are 12 miles to the eastward. Mount Irvine is 2,600 feet above the sea level and there are several very fine views to be had from various points in the locality. I have spoken about "local residents," but the reader must not imagine that there is any sort of town there; the "local residents" consist of the occupants of three farms, owned by three gentlemen, ex-students of the Hawkesbury Agricultural College. At one of these farms I and my friend, whom I shall call Cox, were to stay for a couple of days.

Well, I have explained where Mt. Irvine is, how to get there is quite another matter, as will be seen from my little narrative.

Cox and I started from Sydney at 5.27 p.m. and duly reached Mt. Victoria at 8.30 p.m. As the train did not go on we had perforce to get out and wait for the next train coming. A mixed train arrived after an hour's wait and at 11 p.m. we found ourselves at Bell. Bell is not a town, it is not even a village; as far as I know it consists only of the Railway platform, but we had made up our minds to camp in the waiting room for the night, and as the weather was cold and wet we were glad of its shelter. I don't think I ever tried so many times to go to sleep as I did that night, but all to no purpose. Three chairs placed against a wall make a lovely bed—if you are sleepy and want to keep awake, but there my recommendation ends. Then, again, the fact of a station-master's room being next door didn't make it the best place in the world for that tired feeling which we certainly had. If the station-master wasn't making an awful row stamping letters he would be ringing his telephone or a train would rush past and so make sleep quite out of the question. "Cox" was lying curled up on a table. He looked alarmingly like a snake or a catherine wheel, as his "bed" was only a little larger than a good sized afternoon tea-table. About midnight I heard him groan and sat up to see his fleeting form rush out on to the platform. I followed in hot pursuit (after looking to see if my watch was safe) and found him in the throes of a bilious attack, due to his "Catherine Wheel" position on that table. However, the warmth of the fire in the night office soon revived him and we spent the remaining hours of the early morning in excursions up and down the platform. Day broke at last, but unfortunately not the weather. A drizzling misty rain was still falling. We both felt hungry and sleepy I can tell you, because we had had no sleep, only a few egg sandwiches for tea the previous night, and no prospect of anything till lunch time.

At 1 a.m. we espied the mail cart with a "dashing team" of one cart horse, and after helping to load it with a crate of fowls and sundry other boxes and packages, we got on top of the lot and covered ourselves with sugar bags to keep off the rain. In spite of a rather "foul" smell and other minor inconveniences I thoroughly enjoyed the 10-mile drive to Mt. Wilson, the coach's terminus. The great drawback was that on account of the heavy mountain mist we were unable to see the beautiful views that may be had on a clear day. Mt. Wilson was reached at 9.15 a.m., and here we alighted from our perches and started on a 7-mile walk on to Mt. Irvine.

First of all, however, I must say a few words about Mt. Wilson. The little post office is the only "official" building, the rest of the village consisting of a dozen or so really beautiful houses with spacious and ornate grounds. The residents are all wealthy people who keep their own traps, and the hedges and avenues around their houses rival those of any Suburban mansion. Tree ferns are very plentiful, and the walnut trees on either side of the road make a very pretty sight. We saw Mt. Wilson under the worst possible weather conditions, but nevertheless were charmed with it, the scene with the addition of a bright sun would be hard to beat.

Now for our walk. Never shall I forget it. Cold and wet as we were we had to face a 7-mile walk along a road with soft, slushy mud, nearly up to our ankles, miniature lakes every here and there and continual shower baths from over-hanging boughs. My suit got more and more like a sponge with its ever-increasing water supply, and I'm sure I must have weighed a lot heavier when we reached our destination. The foliage along the road is simply lovely (the soil being very volcanic) and the wild flowers, waratahs especially, were in full bloom. The sun alone was wanted to complete the picture. We spent a good portion of those "alleged" 7 miles arguing about the distance. I maintained that we must have walked quite 10 miles, but my companion who has done the trip before did his best to convince me that the state of the road accounted for the seeming length of the miles. It was just on lunch time when we reached the farm, and didn't we both appreciate the substantial meal which our friends had prepared for us. There was such a deal of mud on my garments that I seriously thought of planting some wild flower seed in them on the return journey in order to save the trouble of carrying a bunch, fortunately I had a change of clothing which I found very useful. My object in this article has been to describe our journey to Mount Irvine, space will not permit of my describing our very enjoyable stay there, but I will say this that notwithstanding the few inconveniences we had to put up with on the trip I and my friend spent a most enjoyable holiday, all the more enjoyable in my opinion *because* of those few inconveniences. A bit of "roughing it" always adds to the enjoyment of a holiday I think, and I'm quite sure that had we been set down right at the farm-house gate by the train, we could not have had a better time than we had under our more varied travelling method.

So much for our trip to the "the Mountains," of our stay there and trip back. I may have more to say anon—that is if the editor will stand it.

"OLD BOY."

A LETTER FROM MR. SOAR.

IN the State of Nebraska the train passed through prairie country. Not a tree to be seen for miles, nothing but beautiful grass and still more beautiful wild flowers. On each side of the railway a space of about 20 feet intervened between the actual line and the fence, and for miles all this space was covered with gorgeous wild flowers in every shade of blue, yellow, pink, and most beautiful tints of brown. Many of the yellow

flowers seemed to be a kind of small Japanese sunflower. The train stopped for a minute, and I jumped out and secured a few specimens, but as I had no facilities for preserving them I fear they are spoiled.

I visited Niagara. I spent but six hours there, but I hired a quick trotting horse and had time to see everything. I am not presumptuous enough to attempt to describe the Falls; I can only say that they far surpassed any conception that I had been able to form of them. I stayed in New York three days and was delighted with that town. From New York I crossed over to Liverpool in a small vessel of about 20,000 tons! I have had a delightful time in England. Every day has provided fresh interests. One day I visited Kew Gardens, and spent a long time in the Orchid Houses, discussing orchids with the gardeners. I also visited the beautiful collection of paintings of flowers bequeathed to the Nation by Miss Marianne North, the great flower painter and traveller. I saw many paintings of N.S.W. flowers. Last Monday I paid a visit to the House of Commons, and spent in all about six hours in the strangers' gallery. No great speeches were made because the House was voting supplies, but as nearly every Minister was called upon to make some explanation, relating to his department, I had the opportunity of seeing and hearing many men whose names are known all over the civilised world. Mr. Chamberlain was speaking when I went in. He looks about forty, although he's about 66—thin, slightly stooping, but keen, bright and wiry. He was speaking in an easy conversational manner, but he spoke so distinctly and so clearly that I could hear not only every word but every letter. I heard many speak later on, but I did not hear one who could compare with him in ease, in polish of diction, and in refinement and clearness of enunciation. Later on Sir Charles Dilke spoke. He is looking very old, and although he evidently knew his subject well, his manner of speaking did not appeal to me. Mr. Asquith also spoke, but he spoke as a lawyer. His speech was clear, argumentative and most logical in every way, but cold and unimpassioned. He has a very fine face and head. Mr. Brodwick, Minister of War, spoke very well, better than I expected from what I had read about him in the newspapers. Mr. Healy, commonly known as "Tim Healy," and looked upon as one of the best speakers in the House, made an excellent speech. He used no notes, although his speech involved many figures and facts. He is certainly a very able man. After dinner the House filled, and the front Government Bench was crowded.

Mr. Balfour was there but I did not hear him speak. He is very tall and thin, and walks with a bad stoop. Ministers appeared very happy and passed the time chatting and joking together. Mr. Chamberlain, senior, was there, juvenile and smiling. Near him sat Mr. Ritchie, a big, hard looking man. He was evidently telling Mr. Chamberlain a good story for the latter smacked his knee and laughed so as to be heard in the gallery. Mr. Chamberlain, jun., Postmaster-General, was also present, but did not speak. He is taller than his father, but not so quick and alert and not so young.

I greatly admired the courtesy which the members showed to one another, I saw no instance of two members standing up at the same time

and clamouring to be heard. If a member were speaking and another member wished to interpolate some explanation *instantly* the first member sat down. Mr. Crooks, who caused such a sensation a short time ago by winning the seat at Woolwich in opposition to a Government candidate, speaks well, but puts his "h's" in the wrong place. However, one soon gets used to this little failing in London.

Yesterday three of us had a day in the country. We passed Mr. Hewlett's old school, and got off the train at a village called Missenden. From Missenden we walked to Hampden House, now occupied by the Duke of Buckingham, but originally the home of John Hampden. It was a most lovely walk—through two beech woods, cornfields, meadows, and lanes with the elm trees meeting overhead. It was indeed good to be there. We had luncheon under an old oak, past which Hampden must have ridden many a time. In front of us was a magnificent cluster of chestnut trees in full bloom. We intended to go on to Penn village, but the rain came on, and we sought refuge in an old inn where the whisky and the bacon and eggs were equally good.

On Sunday I purpose going up to Scotland, arriving in time to start exploration on Monday morning. I originally intended to go up on Saturday, but an acquaintance gave me such a gloomy account of a Scotch Sabbath that I dared not venture.

FURTHER EXPLOITS OF JONES IV.

AFTER JONES IV. had come successfully through the trials of his first football season, and for the remaining three months had scouted for the ball in the playground, with intervals of work and occasional half-hour recreations in the schoolroom till a quarter to four, he felt that he knew most things a lower school boy need know. He had learned to time his arrival in the class room to the last stroke of the bell; he glibly addressed the presiding goddess of the tuck-shop as "Miss," and was for that reason first served; he had even on one occasion introduced to the Form his little sister's most cherished doll. There was an element of bad luck in that venture. The Form were translating English into Latin, and his master, doubting whether Jones IV. had been paying attention to the translation of a previous sentence, said suddenly "Jones IV., give me that." Jones IV. obediently brought to view from behind his book the black-doll with its frizzled hair, brightest of dresses, and to crown all, the musical box, which emitted a weird sound, and when pressed caused the doll's lower lip to drop an inch. He marched solemnly up to the desk and swore to get even with the fellow who made most row.

But life was not all crosses. He could never forget the day after an English revision when his master said before all the Form, that Jones IV. had done so remarkably, that he wished to keep his paper. He has it still, for, in some respects, its answers are collectively the best that Jones IV. has given to any master. After explaining "chaos" as "an animal found in the Alps," he described with melting pathos how "the Chieftain put out in a boat into the raging sea with Lord Ullin's Daughter who tossed and heaved among the angry billoes."

He further combined his remarks on "Heretic" and Inquisition into one pithy statement that "Heretic Inquisition" is "that which they do, if you do not believe in the Catlic Religion; they pull out all your limbs until you do believe in them."

Jones IV. was touched by the kind reception given to his efforts and as he related in glowing terms the praises he had received, a bright light came into his mother's eyes and she mentally resolved he deserved a holiday. Although unworthy doubts for a moment entered her mind when he lost his Saturday morning for carving his name on a new desk, she reflected it was nothing compared with the glory of his examination result. So when Speech day was over, he was sent off to the country to recover from the strain of his previous six months effort. Jones IV. didn't know much about riding and was rather taken aback to learn that he had to ride 8 miles from the station to the house where he was to stay. He was given an old horse that might have been skittish ten years earlier tho' before that time he had spent some years as the faithful friend of an absent-minded elergymin. As they solemnly paced the first half mile Jones IV heard stories of a country-life which rivalled the attractions of a circus menagerie. They had a horse in the stable, said Sam, whose head was where its tail ought to be; the lyrebirds sang round the homestead at night, while a pet-kangaroo met the mail-coach for letters.

By the time they had walked the horses for half-a-mile, Jones IV felt fairly secure in his saddle and readily agreed to a suggestion to trot. His trusty steed "Pig" (on state occasions, Cleopatra) gathered herself together, for like the cloud "she moveth altogether, if she moves at all." Jones IV saw his companion rise to the trot and thought to do likewise, but came to the saddle as the horse rose. They met on the way and he bumped a half-foot into the air. He repeated the performance in rapid succession, landing each time in a different spot, until he had worked himself all round the seat, clutching neck and mane in a fond embrace. He decided that trotting was an acquired art and slowed down to a walk to adjust his parts. He found a canter more to his taste, and when they arrived at the house his interest had revived in that wonderful horse which he could talk of when he got back to school. They strolled across to the stable after dinner, where Sam pointed out the marvel, but Jones IV felt sick as he recognised "Pig" with her head to the door and her tail in the manger. His spirits recovered only as he remembered he could after all say he had seen a horse with its tail where its head ought to have been. And many other things did he afterwards learn, but why say them here? For he wrote them down when the holidays were over, as each boy does when he comes back to school. For don't boys know that after each half-year their first composition will be "How I enjoyed the Holidays." And as Jones IV has also told his best friends, and you can also imagine, from your own experiences, some of the other adventures he had and how he would "get even" with Sam, we'll leave him there for the present and not contradict in the smallest point any tale he may tell of that short six weeks.

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