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WITH this number we commence the third year of our existence. Uneventful as school life may seem to be, in no other, perhaps, is one more constantly reminded that all things change.

Of those who were on our forms at the commencement of our career, fully one-half have already left us; some to enter at once on the active duties of life, and others to prepare themselves still further for positions to which they aspire. We trust that, in whatever sphere they are placed, all will act well their part, and labour to merit success.

This year a considerable number have left us for the University, and we have lost more than the usual proportion of those who have of late so worthily represented us in our athletic contests. The stream, however, still flows steadily on, and the vacant places are occupied by others, who, we have every confidence, will do their utmost to maintain the prestige of the past. We have to remind the secretaries that

their duties are not merely honorary. They are expected to keep a correct record, and to furnish us with full reports of all our interscholastic and other matches. We shall be well satisfied if, in this respect, they emulate the example of our last honorary secretary, who discharged his duties most efficiently.

We have on several occasions intimated that we were anxious to encourage the practice of English prose composition, and we have again to express our regret that our efforts have been but partially successful. There is still a great lack of voluntary contributions, although there are many boys at school who are quite able to write something original. We have to remind them that they are not limited in the choice of a subject, and to request that they will be a little more liberal in their patronage of the Editor's Box.

Of poetry we have hitherto received but one specimen, and for that we were indebted to an old Collegian. It is said

that the circumstances of the colony are not favourable to the cultivation of the muse. It is true that this land of ours has no soul-stirring traditions, and that no historic romance throws its spell over its virgin soil. But it can boast of mountains and scenery equally picturesque with those of older countries. It has a flora and a fauna, unique of their kind. It has plains vast and lonely as the prairie, and a sky sunny as that of Italy. Doubtless these surroundings will in time engender the poetic impulse. Meantime, however, it would seem that Professor Strong was somewhat premature when he sang that the muse, born "amidst Caledonian rocks," had betaken itself to our southern clime. Yet, the day may not be far distant when some one will do for Victoria what Scott and Burns did for Scotland. Will none of our youthful contributors prepare themselves for such a work by trying their prentice hand at original verse?

A CORRESPONDENT, whose letter we gladly insert, suggests the establishment of an annual prize essay, to be competed for by old pupils. This, he submits, would bear to the literary work of the school the same relation which the race for the Old Collegians' Cup does to its athletics. The competition for that Cup has always been one of the most exciting events at our sports' gatherings, and has done much to maintain the interest of old boys in the school. There are many, however, who do not care for athletics, who would yet gladly take part in some such competition as that proposed. We think the suggestion an excellent one, and we shall be happy to do all in our power to carry it into effect. We trust that we shall be in a

position to make an official intimation on this subject in our next issue.

ANOTHER correspondent suggests to us the establishment of a club, composed exclusively of old pupils, who would have their names enrolled as members on the payment of a merely nominal annual subscription. An association of this kind might be made a very effective means of maintaining a connection between past and present, and might do a great deal to forward the interests of education. A subscription of half-a-crown or five shillings from each member would supply sufficient funds to meet the expenses of the club, and to give one or two good prizes, for which there would be very keen competition. In fact, a prize presented by an associated body of old collegians would have a value peculiar to itself, and the honour of winning it would be enhanced if the examinations were conducted by old pupils. We trust the suggestion will not be allowed to drop, and that some practical method of carrying it into effect may soon be forthcoming.

THE rising generation possesses many advantages. Its lot has been cast in a time of unusual educational activity, when pulpit, press, and platform vie with each other in the earnestness with which they discuss the best methods of training the young. On these, as on most other matters, opinions differ, and it is not astonishing that amid the profuse and conflicting advice which is so liberally offered, parents and teachers occasionally get a little bewildered. Still the subject is one of pressing interest, and it is, perhaps, good for both parties, that they are so frequently reminded of their respective

duties, for there is, doubtless, a strong tendency for each to throw too much responsibility on the other. It is, of course, impossible to determine positively the effect of the moral training which the discipline and atmosphere of a large school are calculated to impart. Efficient as these may be, it must not be forgotten that in the formation of character and habits the influences of the home, and even of its neighbourhood, are much more potent than those of a mere day school. When both, however, work earnestly together for the same good end, their combined action may reasonably be relied on to secure, in ordinary cases, habits of truthfulness and strict honour, of punctuality and courtesy, and those minor virtues which mark good breeding. It is often said that there is, now-a-days, too much familiarity between parents and their families, and if it is so, it is, doubtless, a natural reaction against the opposite extreme of reserve. On this matter Locke, one of the wisest of philosophers, writes—

“That which I have often blamed as an indiscreet and dangerous practice in many fathers, viz., to be very indulgent to their children whilst they are little, and as they come to ripe years to lay great restraint upon them, and live with greater reserve towards them, which usually produces an ill understanding between father and son, which cannot but be of bad consequences; and I think fathers would generally do better, as their sons grow up, to take them into a nearer familiarity, and live with them with as much freedom and friendship as their age and temper will allow.”

There is, we think, a great deal of wisdom in this advice. Probably, however, men will never agree as to the best practical method of preparing the young for active life, but whatever plan be adopted, the fact that the result is uncertain cannot but suggest painful reflections. For those who have been reared most carefully

too often belie the promise of their youth. And amid the sorrows which cross the path of parents and teachers, none surely can compare in bitterness with that produced by the sudden lapse of those whom they honoured and trusted, and in whom they reposed that perfect confidence which uniformly good conduct inspires. In such circumstances they can only console themselves by the thought that all things work together for good.

“For yet these days of dreariness are sent us
from above;
They do not come in anger, but in faithfulness
and love;
They come to teach us lessons which bright ones
could not yield,
And to leave us blest and thankful when their
purpose is fulfilled.”

THE speech delivered by Sir James McCulloch, at the distribution of prizes last year, was published in an extraordinary number of this journal, which we are glad to find had a very extensive circulation. The address was one of exceptional excellence, and was specially well fitted for the occasion. It is a matter for congratulation to find men of position using their influence to advance the highest interests of education, and giving to the young the invaluable benefit of their experience of life. We commend to our young readers a re-perusal of the following extract from Sir James McCulloch's address:—

“In a well-spent life happiness is pretty evenly distributed over man's existence, but there is a buoyancy of spirit and a freedom from engrossing cares which are the peculiar portion of youth. God forbid that I should say anything which would detract from your pleasure and light-heartedness. I would rather say, enjoy life to the full, always provided your enjoyments are consistent with virtue, and the proper discharge of the duties devolving on you. But you must ever remember that amusement is subsidiary to duty, and that on the habits acquired at College, much

of your success in after life will depend. It has been well said that "The boy is father to the man;" how important, then, that the foundations be well laid—if they are insufficient or bad, what can become of the superstructure? Boys who have been careless or thoughtless may succeed in the world, but they are exceptions to the rule; and, in any case, it is your duty to make the most of time as it passes, and use to the utmost the facilities and privileges afforded you. To you boys who have been successful I say *persevere*. You have commenced well, and worked with energy and a will to attain the proud position you occupy to-day. It is not merely winning a prize—the prize is but the sign you have reached what you were striving after. You have done your duty—you have acquired knowledge in the particular branches you were studying; you have put forth your best efforts, and, in the consciousness of having done your duty, you have that within you which is always the greatest source of happiness. Exertion is not to end with school days—the time of real struggle commences when school days end; and this is applicable to all, whether they betake themselves to the learned professions or to mercantile life. With all there is a struggle, but your education will have missed its aim if you labour not manfully in the discharge of duty in whatever line it lies. We may labour for the acquisition of wealth, but it will be mean if we seek wealth for merely selfish ends; we may study to acquire knowledge, but it will be mean if we do so only that our names may be famous. If we use wealth to succour the helpless, to minister to the wants of the poor and needy, to disseminate learning, and if we use our knowledge for the instruction of the ignorant and the benefit of mankind, then we will be fulfilling some of the ends of our being; and that, I am sure, is what you boys will strive after."

IN a short address delivered at the Annual Commencement at the University His Excellency, the Governor of the Colony, touched on several matters of great importance to teachers and parents. His argument in favour of the cultivation of an *esprit de corps*, and his description of a true gentleman, are both entitled to careful consideration. They will be found in the following extract from the speech:—

"A university, like a country, is not a thing which is to be built up in a day; it requires a history and a prestige to make it thoroughly what it ought

to be, and it is also necessary that it should obtain an *esprit de corps*. By that I mean that all its members should remember in all their actions through life that, to some extent at least, the character of the university or college where they have been brought up is involved. I have told you that I place the highest possible value upon a sound education, and such an education is peculiarly necessary in a young country, where men may in after life be placed in positions which they little expected to fill when they commenced their career. But much as I value the advance of education, there is also another thing which I believe may be, and should be, obtained at school, at college, or at the University—wherever a young man may obtain his education—and that is to learn to be a gentleman. I wish not to be misunderstood in my application of that term. When I say he should learn to be a gentleman, I do not mean a fine gentleman—I do not mean a man who, because he is possessed of wealth or independence considers himself a gentleman. That is not my acceptance of the term. I believe the true acceptance of the term is a man who is honourable and upright in all his dealings—who will never try in any way to deceive or forereach his neighbour; a man who will meet his superior—with respect, I admit—but yet with respect for himself at the same time; a man who will hold out the hand of fellowship and good feeling to all those around him; who will interest himself in the affairs of his district or his country; who will devote his best energies to advance the well-being of the community, and who will, by so doing, gain the esteem and regard of all. That is my acceptance of the word 'gentleman,' and it is one which I think all those who have charge of the education of this or any other country should always endeavour to instil into the minds of those over whom they are placed. If that is the result of your schools, your colleges, or your University, I believe the benefit which will be derived from that teaching will be no less great to your country than the learning which is obtained within their walls."

Is it an evidence of the depravity of human nature that boys show an almost instinctive aversion to hold their pens in the way which experience has proved to be the best? At the regular writing lessons they yield to necessity, but at other times, in school and out of it, they seize every opportunity to indulge their own sweet will both as to position and grasp. The result, as may be imagined, is anything but satisfactory. Will our young friends accept this hint?

Notes and Comments.

Work was resumed, after the Christmas holidays, on Tuesday, the 11th February, when a large number of new boys presented themselves. As usual, a good many did not put in an appearance on opening day, and the roll-call in the higher classes showed that several had finally left school to enter on other pursuits.

Of the eight State-school Exhibitors for 1878, six have entered themselves as students at the Scotch College. Of these, two are from Yarra Park school, of which Mr. J. F. Walker is Head Master; two from Carlton school, of which Mr. F. A. Nell is Head Master; one from North Prahran school, of which Mr. T. H. Templeton, late of Fitzroy, is Head Master; and one from Mount Pleasant school, Ballarat, of which Mr. W. H. Nicholls is Head Master.

THE following boys have this year been enrolled in the Sixth Class:—E. Alexander, W. Bird, A. Brodie, F. Dodgshun, H. Downes, H. Elliott, F. Gaunson, S. Greville, E. Harkness, A. Hyde, L. Jones, E. Kelso, W. Lewers, W. Lindsay, W. Melville, J. M'Cay, J. M'Nicol, F. Neave, J. Robertson, C. Russell, I. Taylor, R. Welshman, E. Wynne, F. Wolstenholme. Of these, Jones, Downes, and Melville, are attending lectures at the University, and J. M'Nicol has gone to business. There are now twenty boys in the class, all of whom have passed the Matriculation Examination.

OF our Sixth Class of last year, the greater number have gone to the University. Altogether, there are some nineteen old pupils attending the First Year Classes—twelve in Arts, six in Medicine, and one in Engineering. The following are the names:—*Arts*: W. J. Bayles, E. P. Browning, L. S. Jones, J. A. M'Crae, W. H. Melville, J. Porter, R. J. P. Simson, F. Smith, H. J. Syme, F. G. Syme, P. Thomson, F. R. C. Wilson. *Medicine*: H. Adams, C. A. Altman, H. J. Downes, D. Mitchell, C. M'Farlane, R. Scott. *Engineering*: E. A. Parry.

F. BRYAN, who passed the Matriculation Examination at the end of last year, has sailed for England, with the intention of studying for the Medical Profession at London University.

THE results of the Matriculation and Civil Service Examinations held in December last, excited a great deal of interest in educational circles. The results obtained by the candidates from the Scotch College are given elsewhere, and it will be seen that they are eminently satisfactory. Twenty-nine boys have been successful in passing for Matriculation. This is a larger number than on any previous occasion—the highest success

hitherto attained having been in October Term, 1872, when twenty-six boys from the Scotch College were successful. An inspection of the results will also show that most of the boys have done more than merely pass. Candidates require to pass in six subjects only, but it will be seen that—

Four boys passed in nine subjects.
Six " " eight "
Fourteen " seven "
Five " six "

Again, looking at the total results, it is found that out of 490 candidates, only four boys obtained credit, and of these two were from the College, W. Lewers, who made the highest score on the whole list, passing in nine subjects, and well in five, and J. W. Merry, who passed well in four. These results are highly creditable to all concerned. They are higher than any hitherto obtained in Victoria, both in the number of passes and in the proportion of passes to the number of pupils at the school. The *Argus*, as heretofore, gave the last place of education of the candidates from which it appeared that the passes from the Scotch College, were more than double those of any other school.

As usual, the results of the Matriculation Examination led to a good deal of correspondence in the newspapers. Contrary to its usual custom, the *Argus* inserted a tabulated statement of the passes and attendance of each school drawn up by a gentleman who withheld his signature. The results of the examination were thus taken as a basis for comparing the efficiency of the teaching in the leading schools, which were arranged in order of merit according to the percentage of passes to the total attendance. We have no reason to complain of the action of this test, which placed the Scotch College considerably ahead of all other schools. Notwithstanding this, however, we are strongly of opinion that this method of comparing schools is wrong in principle. It is certainly utterly unfair in its application unless the age of the pupils forms a factor in the calculation. Obviously, a school which has an age limit for admission, ought to pass a higher proportion of the whole than one which admits boys at any age. If merit lists are to be considered necessary it is to be hoped that the heads of the schools will agree upon some common action in the matter, and supply the press officially with the requisite data for forming such. This would at all events secure accuracy, and would render unnecessary the insertion of guesses from anonymous contributors. According to the statement in the *Argus*, the Scotch College, which headed the list, passed 8.53 of the whole school. As a

matter of fact, deducting those who had previously passed the examination, the percentage of passes to the number of boys at school was 10·36.

THE Classical Exhibition at Matriculation was gained by L. S. Jones, who was also *proxime accessit* for the Mathematical Exhibition. Jones was dux of the Scotch College in 1878, and is a son of the Rev. Thomas Jones.

At the February Examination, two candidates from the Scotch College passed Matriculation, Inglis Taylor and F. Smith. Harry Adams, a well-known old pupil, was also successful in passing.

At the ordinary University Examination, February Term, three students passed in single subjects, two passed in Arts, and six in Medicine.

At the Honour Examination, E. W. Anderson obtained First Class Honours in the Second Year Medicine. Alexander M'Arthur, B.A., passed the Examination for the degree of M.A.

At the Annual Commencement of the University, held on the 21st April, the following students from the Scotch College received Exhibitions or Degrees:—Classical Exhibition at Matriculation—L. S. Jones; Engineering Exhibition—James H. Fraser; Degree of LL.B.—Alexander F. Morrison, B.A., Percy B. Serjeant; Degree of M.A.—Alexander F. Morrison, B.A., LL.B.; Degree of Ch.B.—Peter B. Bennie, M.A., M.B.; Frank Haley, M.B.; Edward B. Heffernan, M.B.

MR. ROBERT BAILLIE, who matriculated in 1877, and Mr. George Baillie, have passed the Entrance Examination at Brasenose College, Oxford, and are now entered as students there. The Messrs. Baillie are sons of Mr. Thomas Baillie, of Toorak, one of the Directors of the College.

WE are glad to learn that Mr. Murray Wilson, who passed Matriculation in 1872, is prosecuting his studies successfully at St. John's College, Cambridge. He was, at one time, captain of our cricket team, and is now captain of the first eleven of his College. Mr. Wilson is a nephew of the late well-known Professor Wilson.

MR. JAMES HAY, of Adelaide, for several years a resident boarder at the Scotch College, is studying at Trinity Hall, Cambridge, and rowed in the second boat of his College in the May races last year.

MR. MONTAGUE COHEN, of the firm of P. D. Phillips and Cohen, solicitors, has been appointed by the Governor in Council a perpetual commissioner under the Transfer of Land Statute.

MR. JOHN MATHESON and Mr. William Matheson, both old pupils of the College, have returned to

the colony after three years' absence in the old country. The former was for some time a student at Jesus College, Cambridge. The Messrs. Matheson are sons of Mr. John Matheson, one of the trustees of the College.

Two old collegians, members of the Medical profession, Mr. J. Kennison, M.B., and Mr. Angus Munro, M.B., have lately gone to Europe, with the view of prosecuting their professional studies.

MR. A. J. SUTHERLAND, formerly a pupil, and subsequently a master at the Scotch College, has been appointed Principal of the Maryborough Grammar School. We observe from the local newspapers, that Mr. Sutherland has delivered several very successful lectures on "Chemistry."

MR. PETER BENNIE, M.A., M.B., of Melbourne University, has received the appointment of Resident Medical Officer at the Metropolitan Hospital. Mr. Bennie matriculated from the Scotch College in 1868, carrying the Mathematical and English Exhibitions.

MR. ALEXANDER M'ARTHUR, M.A., formerly a pupil, and subsequently a master at the Scotch College, has been appointed English Master at the Auckland College, and has sailed for New Zealand.

OUR obituary contains the name of Dr. William Carey Rees, a gentleman well-known as a successful and rising medical practitioner. Dr. Rees matriculated from the Scotch College in 1861, and had a very distinguished career at the University of Melbourne, in which he was the first medical student and the first to take the degree of M.B. He subsequently visited England, passed as M.R.C.S., and on his return took the degree of M.D. at Melbourne. His untimely death is a loss not only to the profession of which he was a member, but to the community amongst whom he laboured. A short notice of his career, for which we are indebted to the *Argus*, appears elsewhere.

OUR obituary also contains the name of Mr. John Mackintosh, M.A., Head Master of the Toowoomba Grammar School, Queensland. Mr. Mackintosh came to Victoria from Scotland in 1860, under an engagement to the Scotch College, where he was for some time one of the Assistant Masters. The particulars of the appalling accident by which he was killed appeared in the newspapers.

IN the list of marriages will be found the names of Mr. Page, one of our masters, and of Mr. McArthur, M.A., lately one of our staff. The officiating clergyman on both these auspicious occasions, was another old master, the Rev.

John G. Mackie, of Beechworth. Our list also contains the name of another old master, Mr. Sutherland, M.A., Principal of Carlton College.

MR. ARCHIBALD G. BLACK, M.B.C.M., L.R.C.P., L.F.P.S., an old collegian, who lately returned to the colony, after finishing his medical education in Scotland, has commenced the practice of his profession at Alfred Place, Victoria-street.

At the Annual Meeting of the members of the Melbourne Football Club, Mr. Sillett was again elected captain, and Mr. S. C. Lamrock, formerly a leading player in the College team, was elected vice-captain.

MR. A. M. CATTACH won the maiden race at the late Melbourne Cricket Club sports. At the Kew meeting the first prize for vaulting was won by Mr. J. W. Dobbinson. Both these gentlemen competed last year for the Old Collegians' Cup.

At a meeting held on the 28th April, several old Collegians were elected to official positions in the University Football Club, which has lately been reorganised. Of these, R. Simson is captain, H. J. Downes is honorary secretary; whilst W. Melville, J. P. Montgomery, and T. Sergeant, are members of committee.

ELSEWHERE will be found an abstract of the results of the various contests at cricket, football and boating, which have taken place between the representatives of the Scotch College, and those of the Church of England Grammar School, and of Wesley College, since 1868 inclusive. Of forty-two matches with the Grammar School, eight ended in a draw, and of the remaining thirty-four, it is somewhat singular that each school has won exactly seventeen. Of thirty-five matches with Wesley College, three were drawn, twenty-four were won by the Scotch College, and eight by Wesley College. During the same period, there were eight matches with St. Patrick's College, of which one was drawn, and seven were won by the Scotch College; there were two matches with Geelong College, both of which were drawn, and there were four matches with the Geelong Grammar School, all of which were won by the Scotch College. Altogether, our representatives took part in ninety-one different contests; of these fourteen were drawn, fifty-two were won, and twenty-five were lost.

THE Christmas number of *Wesley College Chronicle* contains the following paragraph:—"As the Scotch College announces in the *Young Victoria* its intention to ignore the delegates' resolutions, to which their representatives were parties, it is our intention to reject as faulty the

only one to which, in a modified form, it adheres, viz., the definition of a *bonâ fide* pupil." Our contemporary, unintentionally no doubt, misrepresents our position. The words on which he probably founds his statement occur in a letter from our secretary, and are these:—"Our committee desire me to assure you, with the view of preventing further misunderstanding, that they do not hold themselves in any way affected by any action which delegates have taken, or which they may hereafter take, *except when such action has been unanimously approved by the school authorities.*" It will be observed that our contemporary has omitted a very material clause of a sentence, and we submit that the meaning of the statement in our secretary's letter is obvious enough. It implies that delegates met simply to deliberate and recommend, and that the unanimous assent of the Head Masters was necessary in order to render such recommendations interscholastic law. It implies further, that a rule thus constitutionally sanctioned is in force until it is altered or abolished in the same way, and by the same authority as gave it validity. The rule as to a *bonâ fide* school pupil was unanimously agreed to at a meeting of Head Masters held to consider the question, and, as a matter of course, it remains in operation until it is formally repealed. We would not have referred to this matter had our contemporary contented itself with merely announcing the action which Wesley College intended to take, although we have a strong opinion that an intimation in a school journal is neither a constitutional nor a desirable way of withdrawing from a contract entered into personally by the heads of the schools. We feel bound, however, to protest against the imputation, that we have ever failed to meet our engagements, or that we have expressed any intention to do so.

A MEETING of school delegates was lately held at the Athenæum, and a resolution was passed, recommending the Head Masters to give their assent to a new definition of a *bonâ fide* schoolboy. The new rule, for which we are indebted to Mr. Cuthbertson, of the Geelong Grammar School, who kindly forwarded a copy of the minutes of the meeting, is as follows:—

1. That the "*bonâ fide*" public schoolboy must be under twenty-one years of age on the first of January of the year for which he plays for his school.
2. He must be in constant and regular attendance on his school foras.
3. He must not have matriculated.

The Scotch College did not send a representative to this meeting, and its decision, so far, in no way affects us. We see little, however, to object to in the proposed definition of a schoolboy,

although we fail to conceive of any good reason why the mere formal act of signing one's name in a book at the University should be a disqualification. It seems to us that it is of small consequence what the rule may be, so long as it is not liable to abrupt change. Otherwise there is a possible danger that fresh legislation might be attempted in order to meet some particular case, and that an injustice might thus be done, both to individuals and to schools. If, however, a rule is well understood, and is not open to any misconstruction, it will in the long run act with equal fairness to all.

This meeting of delegates also passed a resolution to the effect that the three Melbourne Schools should row the preliminary heats of the race for the Summer Cup in Melbourne, and that the winning crew should row the Geelong Grammar School on the Barwon. They further resolved that after this year the race should be rowed on the Yarra in a single heat. Of course these resolutions are inoperative unless agreed to by the Summer Cup Committee, and by all the schools interested. The Scotch College declined to agree to the proposal contained in the first resolution, for reasons which are given elsewhere. The matter has been discussed in the *Australasian*, and we have been a second time unwillingly compelled to take part in a correspondence initiated by the Geelong Grammar School. The correspondence will be found in another column.

DR. W. C. REES.

DR. WILLIAM CAREY REES, who died on 11th April, at his residence, South Yarra, was the first medical student entered in the University of Melbourne, and he was the first Melbourne University student who took the degree of Doctor of Medicine in Victoria. But his marked success during his student-life, and the good position he has since held as a medical practitioner, entitle him to a mention beyond that which is to be derived from these incidental circumstances. Dr. Rees thoroughly illustrated the completeness of the medical education our own university is able to afford, and his natural intelligence and singular quickness of apprehension had helped him to make the best use of the advantages he had derived from a connection with our own principal seat of learning. He was a native of Isleham, in Cambridgeshire, England, and was only in the thirty-fourth year of his age. He came to this colony in 1859, and commenced his professional studies at the university in 1862, just after the medical school had been established. During the five years of his student career he took honours and exhibitions in each year, and when he passed his final examination

for the M.B. degree, he received the distinction of Scholar of the University. He was appointed resident medical officer of the Melbourne Hospital in 1867, and in the following year he accepted the same office in the Adelaide Hospital. In 1869 he visited England, and passed the examination of the London Royal College of Surgeons. On his return to this colony, he was appointed first resident surgeon to the just opened Alfred Hospital. After quitting that institution, he practised for a short period at Sale, Gipps Land, but the quiet routine work of country practice was unsuited to his active disposition, and he returned to Melbourne, where, in the busy suburb of South Yarra, he has since been actively engaged. In 1872 he completed his connection with the University by passing the examination for the M.D. degree. For a while he was one of the honorary assistant surgeons of the Melbourne Hospital, which appointment he relinquished on being elected one of the honorary surgeons of the Children's Hospital. His thoroughly-disciplined ability found the best possible opportunity for its exercise, and the admirable care and attention he manifested in the performance of his duties have contributed in no inconsiderable measure to keep up the prestige of this most excellently-conducted charity.

As a member of the Medical Society, Dr. Rees has contributed several most valuable papers. He had devoted much attention to the subject of medical electricity, and he was steadily acquiring a special reputation in that increasingly important branch of therapeutics.

Dr. Rees' death, at the early age of thirty-three, is an undoubted loss to the medical profession. He was most deservedly looked upon as one of our rapidly rising young men, and it is highly to his credit that whatever success he had won he had obtained it in the most legitimate and honourable manner. Indeed, he was most fastidious in his avoidance of anything that savoured in the least degree of inviting public attention. Like everybody else who has lived an active professional life in a large city, full of conflicting interests, he had not entirely escaped collisions, but those who knew him best can speak most warmly of the enthusiasm with which he loved and practised his art, and of the desire he always expressed to stand well with his professional brethren.

Dr. Rees was married in England in 1870, and he leaves a widow and two children. The funeral took place in the St. Kilda Cemetery on Monday morning.—*Argus*.

OUR next issue will appear early in July; and contributions are respectfully invited.

Melbourne University.

MATRICULATION AND CIVIL SERVICE EXAMINATIONS.

OCTOBER TERM, 1878.

NAME.	Greek.	Latin.	French.	German.	English.	Arithmetic.	Algebra.	Euclid.	History.	Geography.	Subject passed.	Number of Wells.	Passed Matriculation.	Passed Civil Service.
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Lewers, W. C. ...	W	W	P	—	P	W	W	P	W	P	9	5	P	P
Merry, J. W. R. ...	—	W	—	—	P	W	W	W	P	P	7	4	P	P
PASSED.														
Kelso, E. W. ...	P	P	P	—	W	W	P	P	P	P	9	2	P	P
Neave, F. J. ...	P	W	P	—	P	P	P	P	P	P	9	1	P	P
Morrison, H. H. ...	P	P	P	—	P	P	P	P	P	P	9	0	P	P
McCay, J. W. ...	—	P	P	—	P	W	W	W	P	P	8	3	P	P
McCutecheon, W. B. ...	P	P	N	—	P	W	P	W	P	P	8	2	P	P
Dodgshun, F. W. ...	—	P	P	—	P	P	P	W	P	P	8	1	P	P
Wynne, E. P. ...	—	P	P	—	P	W	P	P	P	P	8	1	P	P
Brodie, A. G. ...	N	P	P	—	P	P	P	P	P	P	8	0	P	P
Greville, S. J. ...	—	P	P	—	P	P	P	P	P	P	8	0	P	P
Robertson, John G. ...	—	W	—	—	P	W	W	P	P	P	7	3	P	P
Kerrigan, E. F. ...	—	P	—	—	P	P	P	P	W	P	7	1	P	P
McNicol, J. N. ...	—	P	—	—	P	P	P	W	P	P	7	1	P	P
Russell, C. D. ...	—	P	N	—	P	W	P	P	P	P	7	1	P	P
Welshman, R. S. ...	P	W	N	—	P	P	P	P	P	—	7	1	P	P
Alexander, E. ...	—	P	P	—	P	P	P	P	N	P	7	0	P	P
Boyd, C. K. ...	P	P	P	—	P	N	P	N	P	P	7	0	P	N
Bryan, F. ...	N	P	P	—	P	P	P	P	—	P	7	0	P	P
Cole, F. H. ...	—	P	N	—	P	P	P	P	P	P	7	0	P	P
Elliott, H. C. ...	—	N	P	—	P	P	P	P	P	P	7	0	P	P
Gaunson, F. H. ...	—	P	P	—	P	P	N	P	P	P	7	0	P	P
Lindsay, W. ...	—	P	P	—	P	P	P	P	N	P	7	0	P	P
Wilson, F. R. ...	P	P	—	—	P	P	P	N	P	P	7	0	P	P
Altman, C. A. ...	P	W	—	—	P	P	P	N	—	—	6	1	P	P
Robertson, James G. ...	—	—	—	—	P	P	W	P	P	P	6	1	P	P
Harkness, E. ...	—	P	P	—	P	P	P	N	—	P	6	0	P	P
McMillan, D. ...	—	P	—	—	P	P	P	N	P	P	6	0	P	P
Shegog, R. G. ...	—	—	—	—	P	P	P	P	P	P	6	0	P	P
Wilson, W. ...	—	—	—	—	P	P	P	N	P	P	5	0	N	P
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Adams, H. ...	—	P	P	—	P	P	P	P	N	P	7	0	P	P
Smith, F. ...	—	N	—	—	P	P	P	P	P	P	6	0	P	P
Taylor, I. ...	—	P	P	—	P	P	P	P	N	P	7	0	P	P

FEBRUARY TERM, 1879.

ORDINARY EXAMINATION.

SINGLE SUBJECTS.

J. T. Burnett—History of British Empire.
 E. S. Raphael— „ „
 H. B. Serjeant— „ „

ARTS.

T. W. Serjeant First Year.
 A. B. Taylor Second Year

MEDICINE.

M. Mailer First Year.
 J. P. Montgomery „ „
 W. R. Fox Second Year.
 J. J. Fullarton „ „
 C. B. Duigan Third Year.
 H. A. Samson Fourth Year.

HONOUR EXAMINATIONS.

L. S. Jones—Classical Exhibition Matriculation.
 L. S. Jones—*Proxime accessit* Mathematical
 Exhibition Matriculation.
 E. W. Anderson—First Class Honour; Second
 Year, Medicine.

EXAMINATION FOR M.A.

Alexander McArthur, B.A.

DEGREES CONFERRED.

BACHELOR OF LAWS.

Alexander F. Morrison, B.A.
 Percy P. Serjeant.

MASTER OF ARTS.

Alexander F. Morrison, B.A., LL.B.

BACHELOR OF SURGERY.

Peter B. Bennie, M.A., M.B.
 Frank Haley, M.B.
 Edward B. Heffernan, M.B.

Sports.

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Mr. Page.	Mr. Rock.
„ Forman.	

Mr. Rock, Treasurer.

SPORTS FUND.

FIRST TERM.

The account for cricketing material for the first term, 1879, amounts to £10 15s. 6d. To this has to be added a balance of £2 1s. due from 1878, making a total of £12 16s. 6d. To meet this, the treasurer has received 170 contributions of 1s. each, in all £8 10s., leaving a debit balance of £4 6s. 6d., which is carried to the charge of the second term.

Cricket.

Our first eleven have this year played two matches, one with the Church of England Grammar School, and one with Wesley College. In the former our representatives were easily victorious; in the latter they were easily defeated. Of the teams which had proved themselves successful during 1877 and 1878 but few now remain. Downes, Melville, Mitchell, Syme, and McCrae are at the Melbourne University, Bryan is on his way to London University, and Mackay is at Sandhurst. There are still left Moore, Adams, Taylor and Aitken. The departure of seven of our best players is of course a serious matter. The vacancies have, however, been filled up, and with steady practice the team, we believe, will succeed in maintaining the reputation which the College has attained for good cricket.

SCOTCH COLLEGE AND CHURCH OF ENGLAND
GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

This match was played on the East Melbourne Cricket Ground on Friday, 14th March, and resulted in an easy victory for the blue and white stripes. Riddell won the toss for Melville, and went to the wickets with Hume. Both batsmen

played steadily; but with the score at 14 Moore got one past Hume (1—6—14,) and with the score unaltered Riddell took his departure, having trifled with a yorker from McGuigan. The College team was jubilant at thus getting so cheaply rid of two good bats. Of the succeeding batsmen Youngman was the only one to give trouble, he hitting up 15 before he was caught and bowled by Moore. The innings closed for a total of 46 runs. Downes and Shepherd, a colt, were the first to appear at the wickets on behalf of the College. The former at once commenced to score, whilst his partner contented himself with stopping the bowling. When the score had reached 18 Downes was splendidly caught in the long-field by Riddell (1—15—18) At 43 Shepherd was disposed of for 11, obtained by sterling cricket. Moore, as his custom is, played a good game, not however without luck, scoring and keeping his wicket up whilst one by one his comrades bade him adieu. Brodie relieved the monotony by making four fourers in quick succession. Anderson, another freshman, played a neat innings for a dozen, and McGuigan, the last batsman, played a free innings for 24 (10—24—162,) Moore carrying out his bat for a finely-obtained 60. With 117 to make to save the one innings defeat the wearers of the dark blue again occupied the wickets. Hume was well caught at the wickets for 3. Riddell and Youngman were dismissed with the score at 5. The fourth wicket fell for 11, the fifth for 12, then Kirkpatrick, aided by Smith, brought the score to 25 before the fall of the latter's wicket (6—6—25.) McLaren, the next man, played a fair innings for 13; the next three not troubling the scorers to any extent, the innings closed for 44, leaving the Collegians the masters of the situation, having won in one innings and 72 runs to spare.

The fielding of the College all through was very good, the catch of Aitken's, which disposed of Smith in the first innings, being particularly fine. McGuigan bowled exceedingly well. The following is the score:—

GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

First Innings.

Riddell, b. McGuigan	8
Hume, b. Moore	6
Youngman, c. and b. Moore	15
Currie, b. McGuigan	4
Shuter, c. Taylor, b. McGuigan	3
Kirkpatrick, b. McGuigan	0
Smith, c. Aitken, b. Moore	6
McLaren, b. Moore	3
Herring, c. Melville, b. McGuigan	0
Snodgrass, b. McGuigan	0
Cumming, not out	1
Total	46

Second Innings.

Riddell, b. Moore	2
Hume, c. Downes, b. McGuigan	3
Youngman, b. McGuigan	1
Currie, b. McGuigan	0
Shuter, b. Moore	6
Kirkpatrick, c. Anderson, b. McGuigan	7
Smith, b. Moore	6
McLaren, b. Jukes	13
Herring, c. Taylor, b. Moore	0
Snodgrass, not out	1
Cumming, b. Jukes	2
Sundries	3
Total	44

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

First Innings: Moore, 76 balls, 29 runs, 3 maidens, 4 wickets; McGuigan, 72 balls, 18 runs, 4 maidens, 6 wickets. Second Innings: Moore, 66 balls, 19 runs, 2 maidens, 4 wickets; McGuigan, 78 balls, 19 runs, 5 maidens, 4 wickets; Jukes, 17 balls, 3 runs, 2 maidens, 2 wickets.

SCOTCH COLLEGE.

Downes, c. Riddell, b. Cumming	15
Shepherd, c. Hume, b. Riddell	11
Adams, c. Youngman, b. Riddell	5
Melville, b. Snodgrass... ..	5
Aitken, c. Hume, b. Riddell	0
Moore, not out	60
Brodie, b. Riddell	17
Taylor, b. Cumming	2
Anderson, c. Hume, b. Snodgrass	12
Jukes, b. Snodgrass	0
McGuigan, c. Smith, b. Snodgrass	24
Sundries	11
Total	162

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

Cumming, 96 balls, 44 runs, 5 maidens, 2 wickets; Snodgrass, 136 balls, 58 runs, 13 maidens, 4 wickets; Riddell, 54 balls, 35 runs, 4 wickets; Shuter, 24 balls, 10 runs, 1 maiden; McLaren, 18 balls, 3 runs.

SCOTCH COLLEGE v. WESLEY COLLEGE.

This match was commenced on the South Melbourne Ground on Friday, the 28th March. Our Committee were anxious to play on an earlier date, so that our team might have the advantage of Downes and Melville, who were leaving School for the University. Both these players took part in the match against the Grammar School, and their absence on the present occasion accounts, to a great extent, for the easy victory of our opponents.

Of the team which represented the College, five had previously been in the First Eleven, one

of whom, F. Moore, was elected captain, who, having won the toss, sent his opponents to the wickets. McGuigan and Moore acted as our bowlers, but were unable to dispose readily of the batsmen, and, although a change was resorted to, Jukes and Adams having handled the ball, the Wesley College obtained the large score of 153 runs before they were finally disposed of. Of these, Turnbull, Harvey, and Goldsmith, made 53, 24, and 16 respectively.

The Wesley College then took the field, Sloman and Turnbull doing the bowling; and our last wicket fell for a total of 105 runs, of which Brodie, Taylor, Moore, and Adams made 24, 20, 19, and 17 respectively.

In their second innings the Wesley College succeeded in topping their former score, and the team were not all disposed of until the total had attained the large number of 193 runs, of which Howard made 95 and Turnbull 57.

Our players were thus 243 runs behind, but this they not only failed to reach, but were rapidly disposed of for the small score of 59 runs, leaving Wesley College easy victors by 183 runs. In this innings Sloman took 6 of our wickets for 19 runs. Of our players Jukes alone made a good stand, going in first and carrying out his bat for a total of 24 runs. The defeat was a decisive one, and although the number of colts in our team, and their want of practice, may help to account for the sundries, there is no doubt that our fielding was bad, and that our team was fairly overmatched by that of Wesley College, which has now defeated us for the first time since 1876. The following is the full score:—

WESLEY COLLEGE.

First Innings.

Turnbull, c. Brodie, b. Jukes	...	53
Sloman, c. Finlay, b. McGuigan	...	15
Howard, c. Finlay, b. McGuigan	...	0
Goldsmith, c. Taylor, b. Moore	...	16
Moss, b. Jukes	...	0
Scott, b. Moore	...	5
Buncle, c. Armstrong, b. Moore	...	7
Stewart, c. and b. Moore	...	0
Harvey, l.b.w., b. Adams	...	24
Agg, b. Adams...	...	4
Parnell, not out	...	4
Sundries	...	25
Total...	...	153

Second Innings.

Turnbull, b. McGuigan	...	55
Sloman, b. Jukes	...	5
Howard, c. Brodie, b. McGuigan	...	95
Goldsmith, c. and b. Rutherford	...	6
Moss, b. McGuigan	...	2

Parnell, b. McGuigan	...	5
Scott, l.b.w., b. McGuigan	...	2
Harvey, b. McGuigan	...	6
Buncle, b. Jukes	...	7
Agg, b. McGuigan	...	0
Stewart, not out	...	3
Sundries	...	8
Total...	...	194

SCOTCH COLLEGE.

First Innings.

Shepherd, l.b.w., b. Turnbull	...	0
Taylor, c. Parnell, b. Turnbull	...	20
Adams, b. Turnbull	...	17
Aitken, c. Moss, b. Sloman	...	1
Moore, b. Sloman	...	19
Anderson, c. Stewart, b. Sloman	...	0
Brodie, b. Sloman	...	24
McGuigan, c. Turnbull, b. Sloman	...	2
Jukes, b. Sloman	...	9
Armstrong, c. Turnbull, b. Sloman	...	2
Rutherford, not out	...	3
Sundries	...	8

Total... 105

Second Innings.

Jukes, not out	...	24
Shepherd, b. Sloman	...	7
Adams, b. Sloman	...	3
Brodie, l.b.w., b. Sloman	...	0
Moore, b. Sloman	...	21
Anderson, b. Sloman	...	0
Aitken, b. Sloman	...	4
McGuigan, b. Turnbull	...	0
Rutherford, c. Turnbull	...	0
Armstrong, c. Parnell, b. Turnbull	...	0
Taylor, absent	...	0

Total... 59

*Correspondence.**To the Editor of "Young Victoria."*

SIR,—I presume that in the establishment of an Old Collegians' Race at the annual sports, the idea was to keep up the connection between past and present scholars. This is a most praiseworthy endeavour, and in order still further to strengthen this feeling of connection, I would suggest that there should be established a prize for an essay, to be competed for by Old Collegians, thus giving those whose forte is not athletic sports an opportunity of keeping up their connection with their old school in a more congenial way. I am sure there are many friends of the College, who would, if the subject were mentioned to them, be glad to assist in this object. Hoping that you and all concerned will approve of my suggestion I subscribe myself
OLD BOY.

SEASON 1878-79.

BATTING AVERAGES.

BATSMAN.	Matches.	Innings.	Times not out.	Total No. of runs.	Most in a match.	Most in an innings.	Averages.
Moore, F.	8	9	3	230	60	60*	38.33
Downes, H. J.	7	8	1	151	36	36	21.57
Mackay, G.	5	5	—	88	38	38	17.6
Juckes, T.	2	3	1	33	24*	24*	16.5
Mitchell, D.	4	5	—	80	38	38	16
Syme, F. G.	4	4	—	44	29	29	11
Taylor, W.	3	4	—	44	25	24	11
Adams, J.	8	10	1	97	28	23	10.77
Brodie, A. G.	5	7	1	62	24	24	10.33
Melville, W. H.	6	8	2	57	21	21	9.5
Shepherd, W.	4	7	—	66	48	30	9.42
Beckwith, H.	3	4	1	21	11	9	7
Armstrong, T. S.	2	4	1	18	16	10*	6
Bryan, F.	5	7	—	41	22	22	5.8
McGuigan, J.	5	7	—	37	24	24	5.28
Taylor, I.	7	7	—	36	20	20	5.14
Aitken, D.	7	8	1	23	7	7*	3.28
Anderson, G. W.		7	—	21	12	12	3

* Signifies not out.

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

BOWLER.	Matches.	Innings.	Balls bowled.	Maiden overs.	Runs.	Wickets.	Average runs per wicket.
Mackay, G.	5	8	436	17	161	30	5.36
McGuigan, J.	4	7	522	23	200	28	7.14
Moore, F.	6	9	566	33	206	25	8.24
Melville, W. H.	4	5	216	8	86	9	9.55
Juckes, T.	3	4	209	11	72	6	12
Adams, J.	3	4	150	8	57	3	19

Football.

THE cricket season is over, and footballs have already made their appearance in the playground. Of those who represented us last year, nine, including several of our best and most reliable players, have left school. We have thus lost Downes, Melville, Bayles, J. Armstrong, Mitchell, Parry, F. Syme, Bryan, and H. Morrison. Of these, seven are at the Universities, one is studying privately, and one has gone to business. Of the team there still remain—Adams, Aitken, T. Armstrong, Austin, Balcombe, A. Brodie, Clendinnen, Ellerman, Finlay, McNicol, Montgomery, Taylor, and Whan. The loss of so many players of experience, will of course, be seriously felt; but it will be seen that there is

much excellent material left. There are many aspirants for the vacant places in the team, and we trust that the Football Committee will exercise a wise discretion in selecting those who will be willing to make some sacrifice, so as to be able to practice earnestly and continuously. The reputation of the last two years can only be maintained by each individual player doing his duty, and devoting a proper amount of time and attention to practice and to general training.

Rowing.

THE time for the annual contest for the Sumner Cup is now drawing near, and crews from the various public schools are in active training. The Scotch College representatives are—

H. C. Elliott, S. Greville, D. Aitken, and W. Whan. They are rowing in very fair form, and are assiduous in their practice. Their coach, Wallace, is extremely well pleased with the attention they pay to his instructions. Each one of the crew seems firmly resolved to do his very utmost to wrest victory from the hands of the Geelong crew who so deservedly won the coveted honour last May. The race is fixed for the 10th and 14th May, but where it is to be rowed is still a matter of doubt. By the Sumner Cup rules the course is defined to be "the old regatta course, on the Upper Yarra," for all trial heats; and the race has hitherto been rowed over this course. For some time, however, it has been considered advisable to have the race rowed elsewhere. A few weeks since delegates, from the Melbourne and Geelong Grammar Schools and the Wesley College, met and passed various rules, in reference to the race for the Sumner Cup; amongst others—"That next year, should the cup not be finally won this year, the race should be rowed in a single heat by all competing crews on the Lower Yarra course." We heartily approve of this rule, with the exception of the words which postpone the adoption of the suggestion until next year. If the change is advisable, why not carry it into practice as soon as possible? For ourselves, we have nothing to gain by the change, but we desire to see the race won on its merits. By present arrangements the choice of sides may cause the defeat of the best crew by one decidedly weaker; whereas on the Lower Yarra, all competing crews starting together with little if any advantage obtainable from choice of station, the various crews in all likelihood reach the winning-post in order of merit. Our Geelong friends seem to think that they, being holders, are entitled to stand out from the trial heats, and to row only in the final heat, and that on the Barwon River. Undoubtedly this theory seems vastly pleasing when viewed through spectacles discoloured by Geelong partisanship. Against this, however, must be set the precedent established by the Sumner Cup Committee in the year 1876. At that time the Scotch College were the holders of the Cup. Blinded by a prejudice similar to that which now interferes with the vision of our Geelong antagonists, we claimed the right to row only in the final heat, and we rowed in the trial heats under protest. The committee received our protest, and ruthlessly dismissed it. Is it likely, then, that we shall now calmly surrender to Geelong a privilege denied to ourselves? From our point of view it seems especially weak for the Geelong to expect such a concession at this time, when they already have so great an advantage on their side; for they

have this year the same crew that struck terror into the hearts of their opponents last May—in the opinion of many rowing men, the best that ever contested the race for the Sumner Cup. And yet with so good a crew, strengthened by a year's experience and practice, they hesitate to meet their opponents on a course which shows no favour. They seek, forsooth, "the advantage of water." This seems to us a confession of weakness totally unworthy of the reputation hitherto borne by the Geelong Grammar School for engaging in all athletic contests fairly and honourably, neither showing nor seeking favour. We are ready to admit the objections to the Upper Yarra course, but we see no reason whatever why all the Schools should not meet on the Lower Yarra, on a course as unfamiliar to ourselves as to the other crews. It is to be hoped that the Geelong will yet see fit to alter their determination, and so prevent the dissatisfaction that is almost sure to result from the trial heats being rowed on the Upper Yarra, and the final on the Barwon.

The following letter appeared in the *Australasian* of the 19th and 26th April.

To the Editor of the "Australasian."

SIR,—As the action of the Sumner Cup Committee with regard to the Public Schools Race for the present year has now become a matter of public comment, I trust you will allow me space to state the views of our club on this subject.

The law of the committee on the locality of the race is as follows:—"The first race shall be rowed on Melbourne water. Afterwards all trial heats shall be rowed on Melbourne water, and the final heat on the holders' water. No more than two crews shall compete in any heat."

The obvious interpretation of this rule appears to us to be that if the G.G.S. are holders of the Cup, the Melbourne schools should decide on the Yarra which is their best crew, and send their representatives down to row it out with us. If this view is not correct the law would, in the case of our competing in the trial heats and being unsuccessful, involve the absurdity of sending two Melbourne schools down to row the final on the Barwon. If successful, we should be obliged to bring down the other winning crew to the Barwon, in addition to having all the trouble and expense of our visit to Melbourne.

Holding, then, that the former view is the correct one to be taken of the rule, we are aware that the Melbourne schools may not unreasonably ask, "Why should Geelong stand out, when we, as holders, rowed in the trial heats?" Our answer to this is, that the Upper Yarra course is a hard one to steer over, and that for four years

the Melbourne schools have had the advantage of rowing on their own water, with steersmen who knew that water thoroughly. We think that when the disadvantage which we have for four years laboured under in this race is taken into consideration, it quite outweighs the advantage supposed to be given us by standing out. Moreover, a Melbourne crew rowing on the Barwon would have none of the difficulties to contend with which we have had in Melbourne, for the Barwon regatta course is nearly straight, and gives plenty of waterway, and, in fact, leaves nearly everything to rowing and little to steering—a statement which could not be made about the Upper Yarra course.

The Melbourne Grammar School and the Wesley College have signified their willingness to consent to our standing out; the committee have indicated to us that they also consent to it, but say that they are unable to act because of the refusal of the Scotch College to agree with the other schools. The committee are the framers and natural interpreters of their own laws, and should see that the arrangement most in accordance with fair play is carried out.

J. L. CUTHBERTSON,
Hon. Sec. G.G.S.R.C.

[We understand the Scotch College, in objecting to the Geelong crew (the holders of the cup) being allowed to race in the final heat only, were actuated by the principle of "what is sauce for the goose is sauce for the gander." It seems that on a previous occasion, when the S.C. were holders of the cup, the committee of the S.S.C. decided they should row in the trial heats. This they did under protest, and won. They now object, and perhaps with some show of reason, that a favour should be shown to Geelong that was denied themselves.—*SR. ED.*]

To the Editor of the "Australasian."

SIR,—Your footnote renders it unnecessary to reply to the letter which appeared in your last issue from Mr. Cuthbertson, who does not seem to have been aware that the matter discussed by him was definitely settled in 1876. I must, however, crave space to state a fact which your correspondent has carefully suppressed, that we have all along expressed our willingness to row in a single heat on the lower Yarra. The other Melbourne Schools are, we understand, also willing to do so, but when asked to agree to this arrangement the Geelong Grammar School declined.

Mr. Cuthbertson states that it is a great advantage for us to row on our own water, and his idea of "fair play" is that we should voluntarily forego this advantage and transfer it to our opponents. Now, we are very anxious to oblige Geelong, but

we think that in this matter they ask just a little too much. We are still willing, however, to row in a single heat on neutral water, and more cannot fairly be expected of us. We have nothing whatever to gain by the change, but we desire to see the race won on its merits, and, undoubtedly, the contest would take place under the fairest possible conditions if, as "Cloanthus" suggests, all the crews started together in a single heat on the Salt-water River.

In conclusion, permit me to express my extreme surprise that Geelong, who are represented by an experienced crew of such excellence that it ought this year to win the race under any conditions, should make an "ad misericordium" appeal to the Sumner Cup Committee to alter the interpretation of the rules so as to give them an advantage to which they have no legal or equitable claim.—I am, &c.,

H. G. MONTGOMERY,
Hon. Sec. S.C.R.C.

Scotch College,
22nd April, 1879.

School Matches—1868-1879.

We insert below a tabulated statement of the results of the principal interscholastic matches at cricket, football, and boating, since 1868 inclusive. We have at present no record of the matches played previous to that year, but we will be very glad to receive information as to them from any source. The list will prove useful as a record, and its publication now will afford an opportunity to have any errors corrected, so as to ensure perfect accuracy hereafter. It will be observed that the practice of rowing for the Sumner Cup in heats has rendered it impossible in some instances, to give any results. Thus there was no race between the Scotch College and Wesley College, either in 1877 or 1878, and although both schools have crews on the river, it is impossible to credit either with a win.

Again, our representatives defeated the crew from the Geelong Grammar School in 1875 and 1876, yet in 1878, when the School was, barring accident, certain of victory, no race took place. On the whole we are inclined to think that it would have been better that the races should have continued to be between school and school.

The authorities of the Scotch College have hitherto declined to accept the offer of Cups for interscholastic competition, and it would probably be no great loss if the Sumner Cup should be the last of such trophies. It will be observed that the Scotch College is the only school that has competed on the river every year for the past

eleven years. The Geelong Grammar School competed on the Yarra three times in all; the Wesley College seven times, and the Church of England Grammar School eight times. A dash signifies that no match took place:—

SCOTCH COLLEGE AND CHURCH OF ENGLAND
GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

	CRICKET.			FOOTBALL.			BOATING.	
	Won by S. C.	Won by G. S.	Drawn.	Won by S. C.	Won by G. S.	Drawn.	Won by S. C.	Won by G. S.
1868	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	0
1869	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	0
1870	2	0	0	1	0	1	0	1
1871	1	1	0	0	0	2	0	1
1872	—	—	—	1	1	0	1	0
1873	0	1	0	0	2	0	—	no crew.
1874	—	—	—	0	1	1	—	no crew.
1875	1	0	0	0	1	0	—	no crew.
1876	0	2	0	0	2	0	1	0
1877	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	1
1878	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	1
1879	1	0	—	—	—	—	—	—
	9	5	1	4	8	7	4	4

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	CRICKET.			FOOTBALL.			BOATING.	
	Won by S. C.	Won by W. C.	Drawn.	Won by S. C.	Won by W. C.	Drawn.	Won by S. C.	Won by W. C.
1868	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	no crew.
1869	—	—	—	1	1	1	—	no crew.
1870	1	0	0	1	0	0	—	no crew.
1871	2	0	0	2	0	0	0	1
1872	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	0
1873	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	0
1874	—	—	—	1	0	0	0	1
1875	1	0	0	2	0	0	1	0
1876	1	1	0	1	0	1	—	no crew.
1877	2	0	0	1	0	1	—	no race.
1878	2	0	0	1	0	0	—	no race.
1879	0	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
	9	4	0	12	2	3	3	2

Notice to Correspondents.

WE have to remind correspondents that letters addressed to the Editor cannot be inserted unless accompanied by the name and address of the writer.

We have to acknowledge receipt of issues for the year, of the *Melburnian*, the *Geelong Grammar School Quarterly*, and the *Sydneian*.

We have also to acknowledge with thanks the receipt, from the publishers, of a copy of the second edition of the first two books of Euclid, lately issued by Professor Andrew and Mr. Pirani.

All communications should be addressed—"Editor," *Young Victoria*, Scotch College, Melbourne.

Births.

LEONARD.—On 19th December last, at Carlton, the wife of William H. Leonard of a son.

McKENZIE.—On 29th December last, at Flemington, the wife of Colin McKenzie, of Worrourgh, of a daughter.

LAWRENCE.—On 30th December last, at Canally, N.S.W., the wife of Alexander Lawrence of a daughter.

LARKE.—On 30th January, at Brighton, the wife of H. W. Larke of a daughter.

KINNEAR.—On 15th February, at St. Kilda, the wife of Robert S. Kinnear of a son.

COSGRAVE.—On 18th February, at Williamstown, the wife of John T. Cosgrave of a daughter.

CADDEN.—On 24th February, at Cambridge-street, the wife of Charles C. Cadden of a daughter.

HARPER.—On 4th April, at the Ladies' College, the wife of Andrew Harper, M.A., of a daughter.

Marriages.

PAGE—FINLAY.—On 22nd January, at Fitzroy, William Stewart Page to Maggie Finlay.

CHUCK—HADDOCK.—On 22nd January, at St. Kilda, Thomas H. Chuck to Alice Haddock.

McCRACKEN—DAVIS.—On 20th February, at Moonee Ponds, James McCracken to Annie Davis.

CALLAGHAN—DONALD.—On the 24th February, at Coburg, James M. A. Callaghan to Ada Rosina Donald.

FISHER—DEAN.—On 27th February, at Camberwell, John D. Fisher to Florence Caroline Dean.

McARTHUR—ROBERTSON.—On 19th March, at East Melbourne, Alexander McArthur, M.A., to Florence Sophie Robertson.

SUTHERLAND—BALLANTINE.—On 26th March, at Clifton Vale, Tasmania, Alexander Sutherland, M.A., to Lizzie Ballantine.

AFFLECK—LAIDLAW.—On 9th April, at Menzies' Hotel, James Affleck to Maggie Gordon Laidlaw.

Deaths.

HEALES.—On 25th February, at South Yarra, Richard Parker Heales, aged 36 years.

REES.—On 11th April, at South Yarra, William Carey Rees, M.D., M.R.C.S.

MACKINTOSH.—At Toowoomba, Queensland, John Mackintosh, M.A.