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Editorial.

Sixiff. S. Wilson, the late editor, having left school. Our readers will notice that the articles in this issue are, for the most part, very concise. This is owing to the large amount of news we have received, and the limited space at our disposal.

In January last we, with the world in general, passed through a season of sorrow occasioned by the loss of our beloved Sovereign, Queen Victoria. At the services held in Her memory in the various churches on February 2nd, our school was represented by a squad of Cadets under Captain Cross.

We have welcomed Mr. Roe back from his lengthy but well-earned holiday, and the articles relating to this event should be found very interesting. Since his return, Mr. Roe has, on various occasions, spoken of his experiences in England. Of most importance to us as a school, however, was his statement when interviewed by a representative of the "Courier." On that occasion he stated that, on the whole, the Australian Schools were quite up to the standard of the English Schools. This statement was further strengthened by the success of Claude Roe at the Oxford University, when he won the Balliol Col-

lege Scholarship for Mathematics, one of the most coveted prizes at the University.

With regard to our School Work, Mr. Roe thinks that steady

progress is being made in all the departments.

A very intersting letter will be found in this issue from Rolf Boldrewood, the great Australian writer, author of "Robbery Under Arms," "Squatter's Dream," etc., and our readers are advised to take particular notice of it.

The sporting items are numerous, owing to the amount of cricket news. The cricket teams have, on the whole, had a very successful

season, but the football teams are determined to do better.

We again remind the past and present boys that we will gladly welcome contributions from them, if they will only send them along.

Prize Day.

N the absence of Mr. Roe, who was on his well-earned holiday, Mr. Bousfield, the Acting Head Master, presented his report for the year 1900. In it he stated that the average daily attendance for the year was 215 or 94 per cent. of the number on the roll. average was about the same as that of 1899. The number of boarders had increased from 18 to 29. Claude Roe's successes in the Senior for 1899, and at Oxford were mentioned; the former has already been reported. In the Senior for 1900 the five candidates who entered were successful, with an average of nine subjects each. J. G. Avery brought credit to himself and the School by winning the first exhibition, and also the Major Scholarship at Ormond College. For the Junior 21 out of 30 candidates passed, with an average of 5.95 subjects each. P. F. Calow secured the German Medal. Mr. Bousfield explained that the reason of our ill-success as compared with the Senior Exam, was that the time was far too short to prepare for an exam. in which the standard was so high and the competition so great. During last year 13 boys entered for the Civil Service Exam., and only one failed, while one qualified for entrance to the Post Office. C. Davis entered for the Law Exam. and headed the list. The Cadets have increased from 90 to 150, and were under Captain Gross' command during the absence of Major Roe. Turning to the social life of the School, Mr. Bousfield said that he did not remember to have seen such activity in Cricket and Foo ball. Arch. Dennis was mentioned as having been selected as full-back to the Intercolonial Football Team, which visited Sydney last July. The Cricket and Tennis teams also came in for their share of praise. In conclusion, Mr. Bousfield thanked his colleagues for their support during his six months' office as Head Master. After a short speech by His Excellency the Governor, and another by Sir Samuel Griffith, the proceedings terminated.

SENIOR AND JUNIOR EXAMS.

The Senior took place in November last. Five boys entered from the School, all of whom were successful. J. G. Avery secured the 1st. Exhibition. The following is a list of the names of the candidates with their passes:—

J. G. Avery (M)-4 A's, 4 B's, 2 C's.

A. C. Davidson (M)—2 A's, 4 B's, 4 C's.

G. F. McDonald—2 A's, 3 B's, 1 C.

M. V. Parker (M)-2 A's, 4 B's, 4 C's.

C. Sapsford (M)--2 B's, 7 C's.

MATRICULATION HONOURS.

Latin, 2nd Class—Avery, Parker; 3rd Class—McDonald. Greek, 2nd Class—Avery, McDonald; 3rd Class—Parker. French, 1st Class—Avery, McDonald; 2nd Class—Parker. Mathematics, 2nd Class—Davidson.

J. G. Avery also obtained the Major Scholarship at Ormond

College.

In the Junior, held in June last, 21 candidates out of 30 were successful. The following are the names of the successful candidates:—

Bale, Butler, Calow, J. A. Campbell, Crofts, Goldsmith, Graham, Higlett, Hiscock, Jackson, J. S., Jones, A. E., Kingsbury, S., McNab, Marks, Miles, C. N., Moorhouse, Wilson, P. N., Oxley, O. G., Parsons, Smith, J. E., Tait.

Of these J. S. Jackson was the most successful candidates. He obtained A's in History, Arithmetic, Geometry; B's in Geography.

English, German, Latin, Greek.

P. F. Calow secured the German Medal, the only medal awarded to Queensland.

Departure of Mr. Flint.

At the end of last year Mr. Flint was appointed Head Master at Ipswich Grammar School, in the place of Mr. Cameron, who had resigned. From Midwinter to Christmas he was here, and short though the time was, he gained many friends. We hope to see him again when the I.G.S. boys come down for cricket at the end of April, and he is sure to receive a hearty welcome. We al! wish him every success in his new sphere.

Mr. Roe's Return.

On February 2nd Mr. Roe returned to Brisbane after a holiday of nearly eight months. He was met at the Roma Street Station by a number of Old Boys, who gave him a hearty welcome home. On the 4th February he resumed his duties at the School, and delivered his quarterly address. He then stated that during his trip he had

visited many of the old English schools. The most noticeable feature in the great schools was the great respect that the students showed towards their masters, and the many little courtesies they paid them. At the same time Mr. Roe pointed out that he did not wish to imply that the Queensland boys were behindhand in this respect. On the contrary, there was no more goodness of heart and earnestness of

spirit than was to be found in the boys of Queensland.

Referring to the difficulties under which we work here, in the matter of finances, as compared with the English schools, Mr. Roe quoted two noticeable examples. At Marlborough a large library and a science-room had been built and fitted with all the latest conveniences at the cost of £6,000. On inquiry it was found that this sum had been subscribed by the Old Boys. Again, at Eton, a level piece of country, 100 acres in extent, had been purchased by the old boys for £20,000. Mr. Roe expressed a hope that some of the Old Boys here might follow such a good example, although they could not be expected to subscribe so large a sum.

Smoke Concert to Welcome Mr. Roe.

RETURN OF MR. ROE.

WELCOME BY OLD BOYS.

GREETING TO RETURNED SOLDIERS.

The members of the Grammar School Old Boys' Association gave a smoke concert at their club rooms on Saturday night, 9th February, as a we'come to Mr. R. H. Roe, head master of the Grammar School. on his return from his European tour, and also to those of the Old Boys in the various Queensland contingents who have returned from service in South Africa. Among the guests were Mr. Roe, Major V. C. M. Sellheim, Corporal F. O'Mahoney, and Privates Marley and Drew, and Private J. Grant, who is leaving with the fifth contingent. The president of the association (Mr. F. S. N. Bousfield) occupied the chair, and there were over 100 members present. One of the apartments had been arranged as a concert room, while the billiardroom was used as a lounge room. An entertaining programme had been arranged, the contributors being all members of the association. Mr. D. Stewart played the opening overture, and acted as accompanist throughout the evening. Songs were rendered by the following members: Messrs. P. J. O'Shea ("On the Road to Mandalay" and "Pals"), R. Armour ("Yeoman's Wedding" and "Thy Sentinel am I"), C. A. Flint (two tenor solos), Graham ("Simon the Cellarer" and "Off to Philadelphia"), and Fletcher. The comic element was supplied by Messrs. A. G. Campbell ("Happened to be There," "M'Sorley's Twins," and "By the Sad Sea Waves"), and A. J. Fay "Biscuits," and German and Irish dialect impersonations). Mr. J. Love gave two recitations.

Refreshments were partaken of about 9 o'clock, the catering being in the efficient hands of Mrs. Young, of the Ascot Tea Rooms. The health of the King was honoured, and a verse of the National

Anthem was sung.

The Chairman, in proposing Mr. Roe's health, said that in some ways he was as good a person as any to undertake the duty, because during Mr. Roe's absence he had a little experience of the hard work that gentleman had done. After six months of it, he (the chairman) was extremely gad to get six weeks' holiday. So that after 24 years of it he thought Mr. Roe fully deserved six months' houday. (Laughter.) He had learned while acting for Mr. Roe how very much the character of a school depended upon the head of it. (Hear, hear.) When he saw the multifarious ways the head could go wrong or right, he felt that a great deal more than before, and he also saw plainer than ever what they so often heard about, the magnetism of numbers. When Mr. Roe came to Brisbane he (the chairman) believed it was rather an isolated place, and there would be a great temptation in course of years to fall out of touch with other places and fall behind in a profession which he might be allowed to say made constant demands upon people's energies, and which required to be kept up to the mark as much as any profession in the world, but Mr. Roe had said that he saw no reason to be ashamed of the school in comparing it with what he saw at home after a long absence. Though he did not mean to compliment himself in so saying, yet that was the highest compliment he could have paid himself. He could pay Mr. Roe another compliment. Laving served under him for thirteen years-many of the staff for a great deal longer-they could sincerely say they were glad to see him back. (Hear, hear.) He asked them to drink the health of the founder of the association and the head master of the school with musical honours.

Mr. Roe, on rising to respond, was greeted with much applause. He said that the scene that evening reminded him very forcibly of the scene on the Lucinda when they sent him off. It equalled it in its heartiness, and aroused the feeling he had then, that it was a great deai more than he deserved. It made him extremely grateful to them and made him feel indeed that he had come home. He had been coming "home" everywhere the last six months. Everybody welcomed him in England as having come home after 24 years' absence and their reception made him feel that he had really come home. If he had to go to the law courts to decide what country he was domiciled in-(laughter)-he had not the slightest doubts that the law courts in England would decide he was domiciled there, because he was born there, his character was moulded there, and the first 25 years of his life spent there. No doubt the Australian courts would decide equally that his home was here, because the greater part of his working life had been spent here, and because the warmth of his-

reception, both going and coming, had surpassed anything he had met with, however hearty his friends were, in the old country. They had made him feel his real home, and he hoped his future work would be amongst them. They gave him a very handsome present. took that bag and its contents with him about Europe, and it had been to him what it was suggested it would be, a source of much comfort and of the greatest pleasure on many occasions. Constantly when he was thinking he would like to do this or that, but it was a little too extravagant, he always said, "I have got the sovereigns to spend '-(laughter)-and always went and took his pleasures with his son in the heartiest way. (Hear, hear.) He was also able to get his son the very best coaching to be obtained in Oxford without regard to expense, so that he could meet his opponents on equal terms, and it was the knowledge that he had the sovereigns at his back which enabled him to do it with a clear conscience. He discharged the obligation to spend it all, but he had brought back the bag. (Laughter.) He would continue to use it as a memento of their generosity and the kindness of heart which prompted it. He had been a little afraid whether he was doing the right thing in taking it, but the kindness with which it was offered convinced him he was right. and that he could accept the present and use it without losing caste in any way in their eyes. He had often thought about the old school, and was always glad to hear people say about Claude, referring to his work and the way he settled down in his life, that it must be a They were struck with some of his characteristics, which he thought were striking characteristics of Australians-their independence of thought and freedom from anxiety as to whether they were doing the "correct" thing, whether they had the right "form," which was the great bugbear of other school boys. Australian, when he went home, generally asked himself whether he was doing the sensible thing-what a rational man should do-and did not care whether he met with everybody's approva!, provided he was not making a fool of himself. There was an independence of thought about the young Australian, often a little trouble in a school (laughter).—but which helped him to bring out the characteristics which made Australians respected everywhere. He found it was a great distinction to be an Australian, and a ways posed as one, and got very hearty greetings in consequence. People recognised the independence of spirit which the conditions of our lives helped to develop, and which he hoped would always be prominent characteristics. He had received newspaper cuttings which showed him that many grammar schools in Queensland were suffering storm and stress -(laughter)-but he was very delighted to find their dear old school was sailing on in smooth waters under the able guidance of Mr. (Applause). He was delighted to hear the many more Bousfield. kindly things said about it than he recalled at any other period. They were always held up as the possessors of virtues, which he knew they possessed but which nobody previously seemed inclined to acknowledge. (Laughter). Mr. Bousfield must have been extremely

judicious, and he had spoken very kindly about the relations between himself and the other masters. While they had been at work he thought they had always been warm friends, and certainly the way they had worked for him to enable him to go away with an easy conscience, and the delight in taking extra burdens upon them, had made the feelings of friendship between them deeper and more lasting than before. He was glad to see that the Old Boys' Association had been so flour shing. It seemed to be built on a firm foundation, which he hoped would enable it to grow into a large, vigorous, and lasting institution. He was sure the opportunity they had taken advantage of to show the goodwill they felt towards him, while it ought to till him with feelings of modesty, should be the greatest encouragement to him to try and dohis best to further the work of the school, and the friendship which existed, and which ought to exist more firmly still, between the old boys and the school. He thanked them sincerely for their welcome. (Applause).

The Chairman, in proposing the health of the old boys who had returned from the war, regretted the unavoidable absence of Captain Gross, who had perhaps inspired some of them with their first notions of military discipline. Mr. Roe had told them that he found it was a distinction to be known as an Australian, and the gentlemen whose health he was proposing were to a great extent responsible for that. (Hear, hear). He would not say much about their exploits, which they had all followed with great interest and enthusiasm, as valour and modesty always went together. One incident about which little had been said, but which proved that the Australians were not blowers, was the defence of the camp at Elands River, when some of those

whose health they were drinking were present.

The toast was given with musical honours.

Major Sellheim briefly returned thanks for the manner in which

the toast had been honoured.

Corporal O'Mahoney said that Mr. Roe had stated that the Australians at home were noted for independence of action, and in the field that was how they had gained their good name. If sent on patrol the Australian did not adhere strictly to one course if he thought that by diverging a little he could gain more information. "Tommy" was satisfied to do just as he was told, and no more. He referred to the expansion of mind that was obtained by going to the war and meeting with people from all parts of the world.

Messrs. Marley and Gallwey also responded.

During the evening the Chairman referred to the inconvenience of the present rooms for the purposes of the Association, and stated that it had been decided by the council to recommend that a change be made, and that the offer of a lease of the premises lately occupied by the Brisbane Bicycle Club in the Brisbane Permanent Building, Adelaide Street, be accepted. The members unanimously adopted the recommendation of the council on the motion of Mr. J. L. Woolcock, seconded by Mr. W. E. Graham.

Later in the the evening the President said he thought it was a fitting occasion for them to wish good luck to one of the boys of the school who was present, Mr. J. Grant, who was going to South Africa with the fifth contigent, and he would call upon them to drink his health.

Mr. Grant, in responding, said he would do all he could not to disgrace the old school, and he hoped to return safe and meet them

all again.

During the evening Mr. Heussler read a letter from Lieutenant H. Harris, who stated he was in command of the remnant of the second contingent, 75 strong, and sent his good wishes to the Association.

The gathering broke up about 11 o'clock.

Cricket.

THIS season has seen four teams in the field again, so that there has been a good chance for all the boys to play in one or the teams.

THE FIRSTS.

As usual, we played B Grade electoral cricket, and on the whole we have had a very successful season. Under the able guidance of our captain, H. Frew, the team has displayed greater vigour than usual, both at practice and in matches. The season opened disastrously for us, as we were beaten by 107 runs on the first innings by Woolloongabba. Since then, however, much better form has been displayed. The fielding of the team, on the whole has been good, though on one or two occasions it was very poor.

The most remarkable feature of the season has been the fine form shown by E. Irving, both with the bat and ball. He has proved himself to be by far the most consistent batsman in the team, and is regarded by many as the most promising junior cricketer in Brisbane. His best efforts for the School were his 76 against Ipswich Grammar

School, and 64 not out against Woolloongabba B.

C. Joice and H. Frew have at times shown very good form, the fielding of the former being very brilliant, especially his one hand catches. Frew has greatly improved since the season started, and now shows signs of becoming a very good batsman. His 55 against Maryborough Grammar School was a fine bit of play, and was his best effort for the School. The following are the results of the matches to date (limited space makes brief accounts necessary:—

October 13th and 20th.—Brisbane Grammar School v. Woolloon-gabba.—This match was played on the School turf, and was won by Woolloongabba by 107 runs on the 1st innings. Scores: Brisbane Grammar School first innings, 84 (E. Irving, 48 not out); second innings, 2 for 89 (E. Irving, 36 not out, J. A. Campbell, 28 not out).

Woolloongabba, first innings 191 (T. Henderson 61 not out, G. Scott 32, Woodward 26). Bowling for Schools: E. Irving 5 for 74, Hindmarsh 4 for 70, Graham 1 for 18. For Woolloongabba: Foster 6 for 46. Woodward 3 for 23, Beard 1 for 29. Scott 1 for 6.

October 27th and November 3rd.—Brisbane Grammar School v. Toowong.—Played on Toowong Sports Ground, and won by Brisbane Grammar School by 6 wickets and 3 runs. Scores: Toowong, first innings 97 (Harden 50, G. Armstrong 16); second innings 103 (G. Armstrong 33, Strickland 21, Harden 15). Brisbane Grammar School, first innings 91 (E. Irving 45, Sapsford 11); second innings 4 for 112 (C. Joice 58 not out, G. Graham 19 not out. E. Irving 14). Bowling for Brisbane Grammar School: Hindmarsh 7 for 41, Joice 5 for 53, Irving 4 for 78, Martin 1 for 21. For Toowong: Darley 6 for 52, E. Armstrong 6 for 64, Harden 1 for 21. In this match Harden hit nine consecutive fourers, while Joice hit two fivers and five fourers, and scored at a tremendous rate.

November 10th and 17th.—Brisbane Grammar School v. Valley.
—Played on the Turf and won by Brisbane Grammar School by 10 wickets. Scores: Brisbane Grammar School, 1st innings 108 (E. Irving 28, H. Frew 33 not out, Hindmarsh 16, C. Pennefather 10); 2nd innings 0 for 61 (M. V. Parker 34 not out, E. Irving 26 not out). Valley, 1st innings 98 (Newell 40, Smith 11, Beardmore 10); 2nd innings 70 (Newell 18, Beardmore 10). Bowling for Valley: Eves 3 for 57, Beardmore 2 for 14, Fagan 2 for 16. For Brisbane Grammar School: Graham 4 for 19, Joice 5 for 26, Parker 2 for 14. Hind-

marsh 2 for 28. Irving 2 for 64.

November 24th and December 1st.—Brisbane Grammar School v. North Brisbane.—Played on the Turf, and won by North Brisbane by 136 runs. The wretched fielding of the School team was entirely responsible for our defeat. Scores: North Brisbane, 1st innings 125 (Carey 25. Massey 17, McQueen 16. Mathewson 15, Grealy 10 not out); 2nd innings 150 (Stack 33 not out, Mathewson 26. Carey 20. Carter 15). Brisbane Grammar School, 1st innings 71 (J. A. Campbell 19, O. Oxley 12, E. Campbell 10); 2nd innings 68 (G. Graham 28, E. Irving 10). Bowling for Brisbane Grammar School: Frew 8 for 52. Graham 4 for 40, Oxley 2 for 7. Parker 2 for 38. Irving 1 for 57. For North Brisbane: Massey 6 for 19, Jacobs 5 for 40, Stack 4 for 25. Bestman 4 for 35.

February 9th and 16th.—Brisbane Grammar School 7. Valley.—Played in the Gardens, and won by Brisbane Grammar School by an innings and 8 runs. Scores: Valley, 1st innings 36 (Fagan 15. Martin 14): 2nd innigs 106 (Martin 39, McMaster 17. Hatton 14. Maher 11). Brisbane Grammar School. 1st innings 150 (H. Frew 36. E. Campbell 30, O. Oxley 25, E. Irving 21. C. Pennefather 14, C. Joice 10). Bowling for Brisbane Grammar School: Joice 8 for 35, Irving 4 for 52, Graham 2 for 4, Frew 2 for 9, Oxley 2 for 14, Hindmarsh 1 for 20. For Valley: Beardmore 7 for 38, Fagan 2 for 22, Newell 1 for 41.

February 23rd and March 2nd.—Brisbane Grammar School v. Woolloongabba.—Played on School Turf, and won by Brisbane

Grammar School by 59 on 1st innings. Scores: Brisbane Grammar School, 1st innings 131 (H. Frew 32, E. Campbell 20, M. Parker 23, C. Sapsford 14, E. Irving 10); 2nd innings 3 for 112 (E. Irving 64 not out, C. Sapsford 19, C. Joice 11 not out). Woolloongabba, 1st innings 72 (Wielent 21 not out, Woodward 16, Jarrott 13, Nicklin 11) Bowling for School: E. Irving 8 for 31, Joice 2 for 24. For Woolloon gabba: Walker 4 for 40, Woodward 3 for 40, Nicklin 3 for 60, Kavanagh 1 for 15, Henderson 1 for 11. Irving's innings was a very fine

one indeed, but marred by a couple of chances.

March 9th and 16th.—Brisbane Grammar School v. Toowong.—Played at Toowong Sports Ground, and resulted in a win for Toowong by 6 wickets and 5 runs. Scores: Brisbane Grammar School, 1st innings 43 (H. Frew 10, E. Irving 11); 2nd innings closed, 4 for 140 (E. Irving 56 not out, Joice 20, E. Campbell 17, J. Campbell 10 not out) Toowong, 1st innings 98 (J. Darley 22, E. Armstrong 24, Horn 10, Swain 13); 2nd innings 4 for 85 (H. Middleton 48, J. Darley 23 not out). Bowling for Toowong: E. Armstrong 5 for 63, Darley 2 for 47, C. Brenan 6 for 30, Middleton 1 for 20. For School: Joice 3 for 50. Irving 5 for 55, Graham 2 for 13, Frew 2 for 25.

Result of Cup matches: - Played 7; won 4: lost 3.

SCHOOL MATCHES.

BRISBANE GRAMMAR SCHOOL v. MARYBOROUGH GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

The Maryborough boys arrived here about 6 p.m. on November 28th under the care of Mr. Thomson, the head master, and were met by the members of the Br.sbane team and several of the masters. Both teams then went to the school for tea, after which a tram-ride round the principal routes took place and was much appreciated. On the 20th the Maryborough team journeyed to Ipswich and defeated e Ipswich Grammar School boys, E. Gibson making the fine score of 102 runs. On the 30th the match against us took place, but owing to an unfortunate mistake in one of the scoring books, it was impossible to arrive at a definite decision; accordingly the match was declared a draw. E. Gibson was again in fine form, and his 48 was a very fine display, though married by an easy chance when only 10. H. Hart and W. Horsborough were the pick of the remainder. The visitors' innings closed for 129 runs. Brisbane then batted and also scored 129 runs. Frew played a very fine innings for 55, and did not give the slightest chance. In attempting a short run he was unfortunately run out. He went in at a very critical point in the game, 3 wickets being down for 4 runs, and his play in such an uphil' game is therefore the more praiseworthy. Graham made 3 consecutive hits out of the ground, but in attempting a fourth was caught at long-on. Sapsford played a very nice innings for 21. Praise, too, is due to Hindmarsh, who made the last stroke of the innings, for his lucky 15, being missed no less than five times. Appended are the scores :-

MARYBOROUGH! GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

First Innings	Second Innings
Gibson, J., b E. Irving 10	Gibson, J., b Joice o
Challands, J., run out o	Challands, J., b Joice 5
Gibson, E., c E. Campbell, b Frew 48	Gibson, E., b Irving
Ashley, S., c Parker, b Graham 6	Ashley, S., not out 10
Warry, S., b Frew 7	Warry, S., not out 7
Horsborough, W., run out 14	Sundries 5
Watson, G., c Joice, b Frew 2	
Brennan, F., c E. Campbell b Frew o	Three for 40
Nokes, B., not out 2	Bowling for Brisbane Grammar
Hart, H., b Frew 18	
Knudson, C., c and b Frew o	School: 1st Innings—Frew six for 19,
Sundries	Graham one for 12. Irving one for 21.
_	and Innings Joice two for II, Irving
Total 129	one for 18.

BRISBANE GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

Irving, E., st J. Gibson, b Brennan I Parker, M., b Ashley o Campbell, J. A., b Brennan o	Hindmarsh, A. c Knudson, b Ashley 15 Osborn, N., not out
Sapsford, C., run out	-
Joice, C., c Hart, b Brennan 7 Graham, G., c E. Gibson, b Brennan 13 Oxley, O., b Brennan 0 Campbell, E. c J. Gibson b E. Gibson 4	Bowling for Maryborough Grammar School Brennan five for 61, Ashley two for 28, E. Gibson one for 18.

BRISBANE GRAMMAR SCHOOL v. IPSWICH GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

We journeyed to Ipswich on the 8th of December to play the Grammar School boys there, and were met on arrival by the Ipswich team. Mr. T. E. Jones, honorary secretary to the School Sports Fund, accompanied us, and acted as umpire during the match. Play commenced at 10 a.m. Frew, winning the toss for us, decided to bat. The innings totalled 180 runs. E. Irving was in rare form, and looked as if he would reach the century, when he was bowled by Meyer for 76. His runs were obtained mostly on the "off" side, his cuts being beautifully executed. Joice, Sapsford and Parker made very useful scores, but the remaining seven players could only make 8 between them, there being no less than 5 "ducks." Ipswich then batted, and totalled 148 runs. Frank Meyer played a chanceless innings for 76. and like Irving, looked set for the century, when he fell a victim to Hindmarsh. George Graham bowied splendidly, better, in fact, than his average would imply. Five other Ipswich players secured double The usual "banquet" was given, and several toasts figures. In the second innings we had 2 wickets down for 43. drunk. E. Irving again making the useful score of 30 not out. Brisbane Grammar School thus won by 32 runs on first innings. Appended are the scores :-

BRISBANE GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

First Innings—	Second Innings -
Parker, M. V., b Meyer	lrving, E., not out 30 Osborn, N., b Brown 5
Sapsford, C., b Atherton 29	Frew, c and b Gossart 6
Frew, H., I.b.w., b Meyer o	Graham, not out o
Joice, C., c and b Meyer 36	Sundries 2
Graham, G., l.b.w., b Meyer o	
Oxley, O., b Darvall 3	Two for 43
Campbell, E., c Meyer, b Coss at 0	43
Pennefather, C., st Bell, b Coss it 5	Bowling for Ipswich Grammar
Hindmarsh, S., b Cossart o	School: 1st Innings-Meyer five for
Osborn, N, not out o	51, Cossart three for 31, Darvall one for
Sundries 5	19, Atherton one for 15. 2nd Innings—Cossart one for 28,
Total 180	Brown one for 13.
IPSWICH GRA	MMAR SCHOOL.
Bell, c Joice, b Graham	Kennedy, c and b Frew 2 Sundries 5
Meyer, F., b Hindmarsh 76	Total 148
Cossart, S., c Sapsford, b Graham 2	
Palmer, c Parker, b Irving o	
Darvall, b Graham o	Bowling for Brisbane Grammar
Greenham, b Hindmarsh 12	School: Graham six for 58, Hindmarsh
Atherton, c Parker, b Graham 12	two for 10, Frew one for 13, Irving one
Cossart, C., not out	for 32.

Criticisms on the First Jeam.

BY THE CAPTAIN, H. FREW.

E. IRVING.—Most reliable and consistent batsman in the team;

good field and medium-pace bowler.

C. Joice.—Vigorous bat, but risky; excellent field and fast bowler with a good length. With Irving, bears the brunt of the bowling.

H. Frew has made an excellent Captain. He is a very careful batsman and has made wonderful progress, both in batting and bowl-

ing. Sure field at point (Ed.)

C. Sapsford.—Very pretty batsman when set, but inclined to be

risky on the off; splendid field.

M. PARKER.—Vigorous bat, but very lucky; very good field anywhere, but uncertain bowler.

J. A. CAMFBELL.—Fine steady bat with good defence, but lacks

vigour. Fair field.

- G. E. Graham.—Free bat, but unreliable; requires practice in defence; good field and wicket-keeper, and is a slow bowler with a tremendous break.
- E. T. CAMPBELL.—Hits hard and scores very quickly when he gets going, but requires more practice in defence. Best field in the team.
- O. Oxley.—Fair bat, but very slow; fair field; with practice will make a good bowler.

A. HINDMARSH.—Uncertain bat; energetic field, but should use his hands more. Good left hand bowler.

C. Pennefather.—Good defence, but ought to put more weight

into his strokes; good field.

N. Osborn.—Bats freely in practice, but uncertain in matches; good wicket-keeper.

Leslie.—A stonewaller, but will probably open out when older;

fair field.

E. MARTIN.—Fair field, and will no doubt become a good bowler. Batting lacks defence.

F. Sisley.—A very promising batsman, but requires practice in

defence ; fair field.

OTHER TEAMS.

2nds.—The 2nds are captained by E. Martin, but have not had a good season. They have played 6 matches, won 2, lost 4. The best batsmen in the team seem to be J. Curtis and C. F. Murray, while Martin is by far the best bowler. His bowling is very good, and has earned him a place in two matches with the Firsts. Kelly is another good bowler, but needs more practice.

3rds.—F. Sisley captained the Thirds at the beginning of the season, but he improved so much in his batting during the season, that he was given a place in the Firsts, and has amply justified his promotion. Bridgman and Blanshard are the two best bowlers in the team, while Carvosso is the best batsman. The team have had a fairly

good season, having a majority of wins in the matches played.

4ths.—Small though this team is, the members are very promising. They have had hard luck in not being able to play during part of the season through want of players, but since the holidays they have been playing nearly every Saturday. O. Ross captains the team. As a batting team there is not much to choose between them, but in bowling P. Lavers holds first place. With practice he should develop into a good bowler as he gets older, as he keeps an excellent length and has a big off-break. The team have played 7 matches. won 3, lost 4.

AVERAGES OF FIRST TEAM IN BATTING.

Place.	Name.	Complete Innings.	No. of times not out.	Highest Secre.	Total.	Average
1,	Irving, E.	11	7	76	510	46.36
2	Joice, C.	10	2	58	181	18.1
3	Parker, M. V.	7	1	34*	101	14.43
4	Frew, H. (c)	15	1	.55	208	13.86
5	Campbell, E. T.	9	1	3 '	110	12.22
6	Campbell, J. A.	9	3	28*	89	9.89
7	Sapsford, C. P	1.4	0	29	136	9.71
7 8	Pennefather, C.	9	2	14	02	6.89
9	Graham, G. E.	13	1	28	81	5.24
10	Hindmarsh, A.	8	O	16	48	6.
11	Oxley, O. G.	11	0	25	49	4 45
12	Osborn, J. E. N.	5	2	6	11	2.2

BOWLING AVERAGES.

Place.	Name.	Balls.	Overs.	Maidens.	Runs.	Wickets.	Average
1	Graham, G. E.	410	681	19	164	20	8.2
2	Joice, C.	853	142	31	277	30	9.23
3	Frew, 11.	351	58½ 80	15	131	1.4	9.35
4	Hindmarsh, A.	480	80	-10	207	20	10.35
5	Irving, E.	1095	1821	30	532	28	14
		UNDI	R TEN	WICKETS.			
1	Oxley, O. G	114	19	2	58	5	11.6
2	Parker, M. V.	168	28	4	70	5	14.

LIBRARY.

We are pleased to announce that this valuable institution has been very extensively used during the last three months. The new boys are reminded that they are not allowed to take a book without entering their names, nor to leave one without having their name marked off. Further support is requested from all the boys in the school.

J. O'HAGAN, Librarians.

Swimming Sports.

HE annual swimming sports were held in the Booroodabin Baths on Friday, 8th March, and were very successful. number of entries was considerably lower than usual, but the finishes were in most cases very close. The attendance was very gratifying, about 250 people being present. Among the visitors were representatives from the Q.S.A., and almost all the metropolitan clubs. In addition to these, R. Cavill, Australasian champion, favoured the sports with his presence, and seemed thoroughly satisfied with the standard of swimming at the school. A new contest was included in the programme, viz., a water polo match, for which the promoters, Messrs, R. H. Roe and K. Carson, deserve great thanks. The match aroused great excitement, and it was impossible to hear anyone talking at times for the "barracking." The championship was again won by W. Roe, but this time Williams finished the distance with him.

The officials for the day were :- Referee, Mr. Roe; Timekeeper, Mr. Mason; Starter, Mr. Jones; Judges, Messrs. Bousfield, Gross. Porter, Colclough, and Major Sellheim. The sports started at 3.30

p.m. with the Maiden Race. The results were as follow: --

MAIDEN RACE, Two lengths (18oft.).—C. C. D. Murray, 1; A. S. Hudson, 2. Eight starters. A close race throughout, and won by half-a-vard. Time, 41 1/5sec.

CHAMPIONSHIP, two lengths.—W. Roe, 1; L. Williams, 2. Six starters. Roe took the lead from the start, and won easily with fully

five yards in hand. Time, 39 4/5sec.

Long Dive.-N. Amos, 121ft. 3in., 1: M. Patterson, 109ft. 11in.,

2.

FOR BOYS UNDER SIXTEEN, two lengths.—J. H. Dalrymple, 1; S. Roe and Hudson, a tie. Time, 42 1/5sec. A most exciting race, Dalrymple being first to touch and turn, and winning by less than half-a-yard.

SWIMMING FEET FOREMOST.- C. W. Roe, 1; K. Smith, 2. Six

starters, and won only by a few inches.

HIGH DIVE. W. Roe, 87 per cent., 1: N. Amos, 80 per cent., 2; K. Smith and S. Roe, 74 per cent., tie for third. Seven competitors. Three tries each.

HURDLE RACE, one length.—C. C. D. Murray, 1; L. Williams,

2. Four starters. Very close finish. Time, 27sec.

SWIMMING ON BACK, one length.—L. Williams, 1; W. Roe, 2. Four starters. The winners kept close throughout. Time not taken.

BOYS UNDER SIXTEEN, four lengths.—K. Smith, 12sec. behind scratch, 1; Hudson, 13sec., 2. Time, 1min. 55sec.

WATER POLO MATCH. North v. South Brisbane.-Won by the

Norths by 1 goal to nil. A most amusing and exciting match.

OLD BOYS' RACE, four lengths (under the auspices of the Q.A.S.A.).—H. J. Bale. 2sec. behind scratch, 1: E. Cowlishaw, scratch, 2: E. Beardmore, 5sec., 3: G. J. Bond, 12sec., 4. E. Hurd, J. Hiron, R. Gailey, R. Hassall also started. A splendid race and exciting finish, barely a foot between first and second. Bond was close up for third. Time, 1min. 37 1/5sec.

BOYS OF THE VI. AND V. FORMS, two lengths .- A walk over for

A. S. Roe. Time, 52 4/5sec.

BOYS OF THE IV. AND UPPER MODERN, two lengths-E. Green-

field, 1; Butler, 2; Palmer, 3. Time, 46 2/5sec.

Boys of the Lower School and Under 14. one length—C. Marchant, 1: Asprey, 2; W. Taylor, 3. Time, 18 1/5sec.

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notify the Manager.)

Exchanges.

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School Notes.

"Johnny" Avery and "Tib" Sapsford have both left for the South, the former going to Ormond College, the latter to Sydney, while "Monty" Parker has gone to Gympie, to impart his knowledge to the young of that city of gold.

In the Cadets' exam. for non-commissioned officers H. Crofts secured 92 per cent., qualifying for sergeant. The average of per cents. in the exam. was very high, which speaks volumes for the

standard of efficiency among our young soldiers.

The School has reason to be proud of possessing a young cricketer like Ernie Irving, who has proved himself to be one of the best batsmen playing in a lower grade than senior cricket in Brisbane.

It was very pleasing to see Herb. Bale and Eric Cowlishaw, who have just left school, gain first and second places respectively in the

Old Boys' Race at the Swimming Sports.

There are seven boys in the Upper Sixth Form at present who are studying for this year's Senior, and all should give a good account of themselves.

The Civil Service Class numbers 12, all of whom are going in for the "next" exam., whenever that may be; there has not been an exam for nearly 12 months. The annual Essay Competition promoted by the Society for Prevention of Cruelty will take place shortly. It will be remembered that the first and second places in the competition last year were gained by S. Kingsbury and P. Calow, so it is to be hoped that an effort will be made to bring the prizes to our school again.

We wish success to the boys who are going in for the Junior this

year, which exam. takes place as usual in June.

The Hospital Sports are to be held on Saturday, June 22nd, and the programme this year will again include the All-School Championship Races. Grammar School boys, train hard to wrest the championship shield from the Nudgee College boys.

Football.

THOUGH at present it is impossible to give any definite information about the personnel of the team, we are in a position to state that there will be many changes. The team has suffered greatly by the loss of P. Forrest, Arch. Dennis, H. Appleton, and George MacDonald, and their places will be very hard to fill. Either Roy Murray or Curtis will take full-back in place of Forrest, while George Graham will perhaps be brought from forward to wing three-quarter. Henry, a new man, will most likely play forward; otherwise the team will have little or no change in it.

W. Roe will be captain this year, and it is safe to predict that he will make a good captain, and the team should make good progress

under him.

The team, taken as a whole, will be about the same weight as last year, but all the players are fast runners, and mostly good tacklers, and will doubtless render a good account of themselves during the coming season.

Jottings.

E. O. Marks has passed the entrance examination to Trinity College, Dublin University, also the Junior Freshman's examination.

H. Lethbridge and H. Marsh stayed a couple of nights at the house as Mrs. Roe's guests on their way to Sydney to resume their

medical studies.

C. F. G. Webster and J. F. MacDonald took their medical degrees at the end of last year, in Melbourne, the former gaining 1st class honours in Surgery, and 2nd class honours in Medicine; and the latter 3rd class honours in Medicine.

Dr. Webster is now on the residential staff of the Melbourne Hospital, and Dr. MacDonald, after a very interesting trip on the cable steamer "Sherard Osborne," has settled down for a time at Colmslie as plague doctor.

Dr. Row, another Old Boy, is going with the sixth contingent as medical officer.

Mr. C. Mullens, nephew of Mr. Roe, who paid Brisbane a visit in 1896, has been granted the V.C. for conspicuous gallantry in South Africa, on the occasion of the relief of Mafeking.

Mr. Roe, while in England, met several Old Boys. Russell Grant was at Oxford.

The two fig trees near the house have been labelled with the names of their princely planters—the late Prince Edward, and Prince George, Duke of York.

The engagement is announced of Mr. G. W. Power, M.A., L.L.M., and Miss Josie Kennedy, daughter of Mr. Kennedy, of Kangaroo Point. Mr. Power's name figures most prominently in the medal case in the hall.

Claude Roe has been successful on the river as well as in the examination room at Oxford. He is the only freshman in the first Torpids of Balliol College; and in the Morrison fours his crew was just beaten in the finals.

The names of all the School Medallists and of the Captains, both of cricket and footbal!, are to be written up on the walls of the VIth form room.

The Cadets

At present there are on the rolls 149 cadets, as against 143 at the corresponding date of last year. Though the increase has not been very marked, nevertheless, it is sufficient to show that the martial spirit aroused by the Boer war has not yet died out.

Early in December Captain Gross proceeded with the year's classfiring, and finished it before the holidays. The marksmen of last year were to receive their badges at the School Prize Distribution, but owing to the inability to obtain the badges, the presentation had to be deferred.

The public of Brisbane has, during the month of January, had an opportunity of seeing to advantage the manly forms of our cadets, for detachments under Captain Gross took part in the Commonwealth and Imperial Troops' Processions, and attended the Queen's Memorial Service.

An examination of the nominees for admission as non-commissioned officers took place last Wedensday. The results appear on the second page of this Magazine.

Jennis.

The match between the Brisbane Grammar School and Gatton Agricultural College is to take place on 27th April. The following is the Brisbane team:—C. W. Roe and A. S. Roe, Oxley and Bernays, O'Sullivan and Butler.

Old Boys Association.

The last few months have been very b sy ones for our officials owing to our changing rooms. Our new rooms in Adelaide Street are being set in ship-shape order. One very noticeable feature is the small roll up of members; but as the idea of getting a second billiard table in the near future is under serious consideration we hope that many members who now go elsewhere for a game will instead find their way to the Association Rooms. We have had a couple of very enjoyable smoke concerts lately, at which the attendance has been a little better than formerly. Our Annual Dance will be held on 3rd May, in our own rooms, when we hope to have a very good roll up both of members and friends. To conclude I would like to remind all those whose subs. are in arrears that our present year ends on July 15th, and the Treasurer would be very glad to receive same.

Letter from a Celebrated Author.

The following interesting letter has been received from Roif Boldrewood, author of "Robbery Under Arms." The Squatter-Dream," etc., in answer to one sent by us:

Melbourne Club, 13th April, 1900.

Dear Sir,—In answering your very reasonable and natural inquiry—very proper and indeed creditable at your time of life—I feel a distinct sense of responsibility towards yourself and such school fellows as may attach weight to my opinion. If you young fellows would only see it, the more or less prosaic professions to which your parents or guardians destine you, will afford far more solid satisfaction and real pleasure, than the so-called brilliant successes of successful writers. How few are the authors in the present day, who have made anything more than a decent living? As for fortunes, those who have made them by the pen, may be counted, if not on the fingers of one hand, without any great knowledge of arithmetic; whereas, in the

learned professions-law, physic, and divinity-by mercantile parsuits, civil engineering, metallurgy, not to mention agriculture and pastoral investments-average intelligence and industry may safely be relied on to secure a competence, if not a fortune, and withar, a life of comfort, peace, and reasonable leisure—a life so superior in the essentials of happiness to that of the man who writes for his bread and depends on the fickle favour of the public. In the first place, I feel much inclined to say, don't trouble yourself, much less 'worry' about the matter. Your business-your plain duty at present-is to work at your studies, diligently and earnestly, without much thought for the future. Certainly without "worry," a disagreeable and indeed dangerous-sometimes fatal complaint, to which middle age is prone, but which should rarely be suffered to assail the golden hours of youth.

At the same time there is nothing to hinder you from trying, by all means within your reach-and while you are at school much is in your power-to acquire the habit of writing easily, an effective literary style, and the power of describing attractively such scenes, incidents, characters, and adventures as may come in your way. To acquire a polished and at the same time vigorous style, study carefully such writers as Macaulay, Sydney Smith, Switt, Gibbon, John Richard Green (Short History of England). Among the novelists, Dickens, Thackeray, Lever, Bulwer Lytton, Walter Scott, Charles Lamb (Essayist), Charles and Henry Kingsley, Robert Louis Stevenson, with any others whose style is comessedly good. From among these, not moulding your style upon any one of them, for copying is a sign of weakness and want of originality, you may compose a good and effective style, without which, as the vehicle of expression, you can do but little.

A habit of observation should be cultivated. What is called "local colour" adds to the weight and importance and attractiveness of descriptions. Every detail of climate, soil, plant, and animal life should be studied, though it is by no means necessary to reproduce it. But such thorough acquaintance with the foundation, so to speak, will be found valuable in the construction of your work. Dialect also is an important branch of preparation. Whatever sort of people you introduce must be described as speaking in a natural manner and according to the idiom of their class. This knowledge can hardly be acquired except by actual experience.

Dramatic incident, that is, the occurrence of situations, tragical or otherwise, such as appeal strongly to the emotions-yet which are, if not actual facts, still such as may have happened or which would not be improbable, connecting the actor and the circumstances. Walter Scott is the great master of dramatic situation—in that department, altogether unequalled. The comic, tragic, pathetic gift as illustrated by Dickens and Lever, chiefly from among materials drawn from the lower ranks of life, is hardly to be excelled. Thackeray is a master of polished yet poignant satire of the cynical, yet manly and dignified in tone and manner.

I would strongly recommend the purchase of Sir Walter Besant's excellent work (published by John Burleigh, London, 1899), the "Pen

and the Book." All the arguments for and against the literary life are fairly stated. He rather inclines to take a favourable view of the profession of literature—in the present day. He believes that the reading classes of the populations of English-speaking nations have been immensely increased within the latter part of the 19th century, thereby offering increased openings for fairly capable writers, with, of course, profitable occupation in proportion. But he warns—warns as follows:—

"Let me warn young people against giving up their line of life—humble perhaps, but safe—in order to attempt the literary life, for which they do not possess the necessary qualifications. What their qualifications are we will presently inquire. Without them the writer must be content to take the lowest place; to do the humblest jobs; to count himself happy, if he can find a post as compiler of indexes or corrector of proofs; to lead a life of dependence, which in itself need not be a bad thing, and of humiliation and failure. The old miseries are mostly gone, but there are many bitter disillusions in the present day; and I think for the young writer, just in proportion to the glow and glory of his hopes, so is the agony and shame of his disappointment and failure."—(See page 25 of the "Pen and the Book.")

However, Sir Walter Besant goes on to present a more encouraging outlook. Whereas in the Australian colonies, sixty years ago, there were practically no readers, now there are all these people, of whom more than half are decently educated and read books. In fifty years' time, unless some check, some overwhelming national disaster, happens to this country or the United States, or to our colonies, the population of the English-speaking race will be more than doubled. There will be at least 250 millions-all of them, on an average, far better educated than at the present moment, and all readers of books. Imagine more or less, if you can, the position of a writer, who has won the heart of only a tenth part of those people. Imagine his power for good or for evil! "In the long run the taste of the people is sound So long as they read Scott and Macaulay, and Dickens and Marryatt, one may trust the taste of the people. A bad writer may win an audience for a while, but he cannot keep his hold." For my own part, I cannot remember a single instance in literary history of the survival of a bad writer.

Sir Walter Besant considers "The literary life, in spite of many dangers and drawbacks, by far the happiest life, which the Lord has permitted mortal man to enjoy. But without a reasonable measure of success it must be a disappointed and a miserable life." Therefore, I should be very sorry indeed if by any words of mine any young man should be persuaded to exchange his certain work, whatever it is, for an uncertain plunge into literature.

Apologising for my delay in answering your letter suitably, but excusing it on the score of my narrowed leisure lately. I conclude with my good wishes to all of my young friends who have literary tastes, and who desire to write, but let them never forget the old saying, "Literature is a good crutch, but a bad staff." Most men have found it so.—Very faithfully yours,

T. A. BROWNE.

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