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Editorial.

ITH this number we begin a new volume. Our previous Editor, S. A. Castlehow, who carried out his duties so successfully last year, found it necessary to retire from the Editorial Chair, in order to prepare for the Sydney Senior Examina-Everybody connected with the school will be pleased to note that the school roll now contins the names of 255 boys, a number never exceeded and only once reached before, in the second quarter of 1889, just before the beginning of the financial troubles of Queensland. Of these only 50 are State school scholars, including bursars—viz., State school scholars of 1902, thirteen; of 1903, twenty; and of 1904, seventeen. Twenty-six boys are boarders, and the sports fund, under the able management of Mr. Jones, has 205 subscribers in all. We give an account of our annual Swimming Sports, which were well patronized by the parents and friends of the The well-contested races and the large number of entries certainly deserved this. The School has joined the Queensland Swimming Association this year, and will be represented in the Valley Carnival Relay Race. Our cricket team has been defeated once by Maryborough and twice by Ipswich, but we hope for "better luck next time."

S. Roe, who captained our football team so successfully last year, has left school for the Sydney University; his place is well filled by C. E. Parkinson, and we expect great things of him. It is to be hoped that the Sports Committee will see that a little more grass is planted on the turf, and that some tan is put on the cricket pitch, as the prospect of "gravel-rash" is no encouragement to a dashing player.

We also publish some account of G. A. Sampson, who did so well in the last Senior Exam., as well as the results of all our candidates. A detailed account is given of the Empire Shooting Match. We hope that these and the other articles which have been so kindly contributed will be found of interest to our readers.

An interesting article on Hong-Kong, by M. Edwards, is

included in this number.

The Annual Prize Giving.

THE annual Prize-giving took place on the 11th of December. In the absence of the Headmistress, the Girls' Grammar School report was read by Mr. J. Woolcock, after which Mr. Roe delivered his report, commenting on the Sydney Senior, the Sydney Junior, and Civil Service results. He also referred to the Rhodes Scholarship, which he said would benefit both the social and moral life of our school. His Excellency the Governor then gave away the prizes.

Mr. J. Woolcock, in the absence of Sir S. W. Griffith, proposed a vote of thanks to his Excellency for presiding, and in the course of his speech impressed upon the pupils that the Brisbane Grammar School was a school for all boys and girls--not only for the clever ones, but also for those of less ability, and that no one should be

discouraged at taking a low place in class.

His Excellency delivered an interesting speech on educational matters.

The Trustees.

GREAT change has been made in the governing body of the school by the retirement of Sir S. W. Griffith, Mr. L. A. Bernays and Mr. J. J. Kingsbury from the Board of Trustees, whose places have been filled by the appointment of Sir Hugh Nelson, Mr. E. H. Macartney, and Mr. J. G. Anderson; Sir Hugh Kelson being elected by the subscribers, and Messrs. Anderson and Macartney nominated by the Government. Sympathetic and regretful reference to the approaching retirement of Sir S. W. Griffith from the Board was made by the Headmaster in his annual report at the December Prize-giving. It will be very difficult to fill his place in connection with the Brisbane Grammar School, or in any other of the prominent positions in which he has laboured for the educational welfare of Queensland. He was first elected as a trustee in 1871, and has been chairman since 1803. The school owes him a heavy debt of gratitude for his devoted and able services in its administration. Mr. L. A. Bernays has been a trustee since the foundation of the School in 1868, so that his term of office has

extended over a period of 36 years, and he has held the office of Vice-chairman since 1895. No one has had a more sustained interest in all that tended to its welfare, and the news of his retirement from a share in its management will be received with universal regret, combined with a feeling of gratitude for his long and valuable services. Mr. J. J. Kingsbury first joined the Board in February, 1800, and the serious illness which has caused this premature severance of his connection with the School has called forth a general feeling of sympathy and regret. It is earnestly hoped that he may return from his travels with such complete restoration of health as may enable him at some future date to again take his place on the Board.

G. A. Sampson.

G A. Sampson, whose name appears in the list of Senior candidates, entered the School five years ago. At the end of his first year he won the Lilley Medal, annually awarded to the best boy in the Lower School. In 1901 he passed the Junior, and in 1902 and 1903 he won the Lilley Gold Medal. In 1903 he passed the Senior, winning the John West Medal and Grahame Prize, and James Aitken Scholarship for greatest proficiency at the Senior Examination, in addition to the first of the three Government Exhibitions. He has since been awarded the Coutts' Scholarship at St. Andrew's College, Sydney.

University Results.

SYDNEY.

E. Culpin-4th year Medicine.

C. J. Weedon-1st year Medicine with Honours in Biology.

G. A. Brookes-1st year Medicine, with 1st Class Honours in Chemistry and Biology.

S. Lightoller-3rd year Medicine. C. Sapsford—3rd year Medicine. V. McDowall—4th year Medicine.

G. Buchanan-5th year Medicine, M.B. Degree.

H. Lethbridge—5th year Medicine, with Honours, M.B. Degree. H. Jensen—1st Class Honours in Geology, Honours in Mineralogy

and Chemistry, B.Sc. Degree.

J. Burgess-2nd year Engineering, 1st Class Honours in Geology and Mineralogy.

F. E. Connah-Metallurgy.

Sydney Senior Results, 1903.

Nine candidates entered for the "Senior" in December, all of whom passed.

The following are the results:

Physiology.	0	81	87	61	В			z	
Chemistry.	0	_		B	O	4	O	2	C
Mechanics.		o			o	o		V	B
Trigonometry.		V	o	2		o		V	B
Свеотету.		o	o			C	၁		C
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English.		B	В	4		C	8	4	B
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History of Europe.			O	A		C	B	A	
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NAME.	Avery, W. P	Lavarack, J. D.	Leslie, N	McDonald, S. F.	Patterson, M. S.	Roe, A. S	Rutherford, W. R.	Sampson, G. A.	Smith, K

Civil Service Examination.

A Civil Service Examination was held in December last year. Of our candidates, R. Craig, W. Thompson, Blair, E. Crosser, J. Irwin, and M. Blocksidge were successful.

The newspapers report that an examination for admission to the Federal Civil Service will be held in November.

Re-opening of School.

O N Monday, the 1st February, the date fixed for the re-opening of the School, all the masters and a big muster of boys were in attendance, one and all looking healthy, vigorous, and sunburnt. Punctually at half-past nine the second bell sounded, and we all trooped into the hall. Loud applause was created by the appearance of the various masters, which reached its highest point on the entrance of the Headmaster. When quietude had been in some measure attained, Mr. Roe, as on previous occasions, gave us all some good, sound, practical advice, after which we preceded to the various class-rooms, to begin the work of another quarter.

The Swimming Sports.

THE Swimming Sports were held in the Booroodabin Baths on the 4th of March. The events were well contested, and great interest and enthusiasm was shown. Our committee are certainly to be congratulated on their handicapping. The entries for each event were numerous, and most of the boys started. The increased number of spectators shows how popular our Swimming Sports are becoming. The officials, who are to be congratulated on the prompt way they disposed of the events, were:—Referee, Mr. R. H. Roe; judges, Messrs. F. S. N. Bousfield, G. Gross, J. Cowan, R. Porter; starter, Mr. T. E. Jones; timekeeper, Mr. A. J. Mason; committee, Messrs. J. A. James, C. E. Parkinson, W. S. Mactaggart, N. R. Murray, and H. S. Smith.

The results were as follow: --

MAIDEN RACE, two lengths.—A. Corrie, 1; Clowes, 2. Time, 40½ secs.

CHAMPIONSHIP, two lengths.-D. Corrie, 1; W. Mactaggart,

2; N. Markwell, 3. Time, 37-2/5 secs.

Long Dive.—Patterson, 1; Boddington, 2. Distance covered, vards 8 ins.

UNDER 16, two lengths.—D. Corrie, 1; Clark, 2. Time, 39-4/5 secs.

HURDLE RACE, one length, run in heats, the following qualifying for the final:-Brown, A. Corrie, Elliott, M'Nab, Perry, M'Taggart, Parkinson, and Hill. In the final Perry won, the time being 26 secs.

SWIMMING ON BACK AND FEET FOREMOST, one and a-half

length .- Patterson, 1; G. N. Elliott, 2. Time, 47 secs.

SCHOOL HANDICAP, four lengths, run in heats.-Markwell, D. Corrie, Parkinson, A. Corrie, and Brown starting in the final, which resulted: -A. Corrie, 21 secs., 1; Markwell, 22 secs., 2; Brown, 17 secs., 3. Time, 1 min. 57-4/5 secs.

NEAT HEADER. - M. Patterson, 1; Macartney, 2; A. Corrie, 3. VI. AND V. FORMS, two lengths. - First Heat: Roe, scratch, 1; Brown, 4 secs., 2. Second heat: Donaldson, 1 sec., 1; Parkinson, 6 secs., 2. Final: Roe and Donaldson, 1; Brown, 2. Time, 46-2/5 secs.

IV. FORM AND UPPER MODERN SCHOOL, two lengths .- First heat: Bray, 8 secs., 1; Mactaggart, 13 secs., 2. Second heat: Smith, 6 secs., 1; Hardgrave, 5 secs., and Eliott, 12 secs., 2.

Final: H. S. Smith, 1; Bray, 2.

LOWER SCHOOL AND UNDER 14, one length.—First heat: Hides, 3 secs., 1; Sparkes, 3 secs., 2. Second heat: Lilley, 5 secs., 1; Tighe, 3 secs., 2. Third heat: P. Scott, 3 secs., 1; Holdsworth, 2 secs., 2. Final: Hides, 1; Lilley, 2; Scott, 3. Time, 25-2/5 secs.

RELAY RACE, five lengths, five teams. -D. Corrie's team, 1;

Mactaggart's, 2.

OLD BOYS' HANDICAP, two lengths.-First heat: J. Hiron, 6 secs., 1; H. J. Bale, 3 secs., 2. Time, 41-2/5 secs. Second heat: C. Marchant, 4 secs., 1; C. Joyce and Sheldon, 5 secs., 2. Time, 43-1/5 secs. Final: Hiron, 1; Sheldon, 2.

Consolation Race (Scratch), two lengths.—Spence, 1: Par-

WATER POLO MATCH .-- Markwell's team beat Patterson's by 3 goals to 2.

Cricket.

ON December 5th of last year our team journeyed to Ipswich with Mr. Roe to play the usual half-yearly cricket match against the I.G.S. After a pleasant journey we were kindly welcomed by Mr. Flint and a number of the senior boys. Play commenced about 10 o'clock. James won the toss from Cossart and sent the Ipswich team in. Ipswich batted well and won easily.

The following are the scores: -

	IPSWICH GRAMMAR SCHOOL 1ST INNINGS.	
C.	Cossart, b. James	18
	Cossart, b. Gill	
	Wilson, c. James, b. Roe	
	Hargreaves, b. Bridgman	
V.	Bell, run out	0

J. M'Culloch, c. Roe, b. Bridgman 23 H. Thompson, not out 3 G. Hænke, c. Gill, b. Bridgman 9 H. Gibbs, c. Dixon, b. Bridgman 6 R. Keary, c. Barnes, b. Roe 15 V. Frederick, c. Dixon, b. Leslie 1 Sundries 10
Bowling Analysis.—J. James, 1 for 28; N. Leslie, 1 for 39; A. S. Roe, 2 for 22; R. O. Bridgman, 4 for 17; R. Gill, 1 for 9.
BRISBANE GRAMMAR SCHOOL.—IST INNINGS.
J. James, b. C. Cossart
Thompson, 2 for 19; S. Cossart, 2 for 9.
IPSWICH GRAMMAR SCHOOL.—2ND INNINGS.
S. Cossart, b. Bridgman 1
C. Cossart, c. James, b. Leslie 26
A. Wilson, c. and b. Dixon 22
E. Hargreaves, run out 7
V. Bell, b. James
H. Thompson, not out
G. Hænke, c. James, b. Bridgman 4
H. Gibbs, b. Bridgman
R. Keary, not out
V. Frederick o Sundries 5
Total for 8 wickets
Bowling Analysis.—James 1 for 20; Bridgman, 3 for 19; Les-

lie, I for 4; Gill, I for 9; Dixon, I for 5.

On Tuesday, December 8th. the Cricket Team, with the Rowing Four, set out for Maryborough, under the care of Mr. Bousfield. We arrived at Maryborough at 4 p.m., and both the Four and the Cricket Team were able to have a practice. On Tuesday evening

the teams accepted Miss Bowen's kind invitation to attend the Girls'

Grammar School concert, which was much enjoyed.

The cricket team went to see the boat race, and on returning to the School, James won the toss from Thompson and decided to bat. Wickets fell rapidly until S. Roe came in and made a good stand. After a brisk innings of 31 Roe came out, and the remaining wickets fell rapidly, the total reaching only 90. Maryborough then took the creases and made an equally poor start, until N. Gibson and J. Anderson became partners. At the luncheon interval, Maryborough had not yet reached the Brisbane total. After lunch the game was continued until a drizzling rain came on, which, although not sufficient to stop play, made it almost impossible to handle the ball. The Brisbane total was quickly passed, when a heavy downpour stopped all play for about an hour and a-half. On resuming play, the partnership of Gibson and Anderson yielded well over 100 runs. The Maryborough total at length reached nearly 270 runs, of which Anderson scored 96 and Gibson 85. Maryborough thus won by 180 runs.

The following are the scores:-

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BRISBANE GRAMMAR SCHOOL.—IST INNINGS		
J. James, c. Simpson, b. Gibson	10	
N. J. Dixon, b. Marsden	0	
N. Leslie, c. Thompson, b. Gibson	7	
A. Barnes, b. Gibson	15	
R. O. Bridgman, b. Thompson	6	
A. S. Roe, c. and b. Marsden	31	
Briggs, c. and b. Gibson	2	
H. S. Smith, c. Harvey, b. Rahmann	9	
G. Govett, b. Marsden	0	
R. Gill, not out	0	
Leeds, b. Rahmann	0	
Sundries	7	
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Total	87	
Bowling Analysis.—J. Marsden, 3 for 29; N. G.	ibson, a	for
D. Thompson, 1 for 19; H. Rahmann, 2 for 5.		. 1000
MARYBOROUGH GRAMMAR SCHOOL.—IST INNIN	GS.	
J. A. Kent. b. A. S. Roe	3	
J. Forster, c. Bridgman, b. Roe	4	
C. E. Friend, c. Govett, b. Bridgman	1	
P. Friend, c. Gill, b. Roe	7	
J. Anderson, c. Roe, b. Gill	96	
D. Thompson, c. and b. James	18	
H. Harvey, c. Roe, b. James	9	
N. Gibson, l.b.w., b. Leslie	85	-
H. Rahmann, c. Briggs, b. Leslie	14	
A Manaday L D	- 4	
A. Marsden, b. Roe	8	

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19

F. Simpson, not out

Sundries

Total

Bowling Analysis.—R. O. Bridgman, 1 for 27; A. S. Roe, 4 for 62; J. James, 2 for 46; N. Leslie, 2 for 41; R. Gill. 1 for 24.

In B Grade fixtures we have done fairly well this year. Although defeated by Woolloongabba twice in succession, we defeated South Brisbane, who were leading the grade. We also defeated Toombul rather easily.

B.G.S. v. Woolloongabba.—Played at the Brisbane Cricket Ground, and won by Woolloongabba by an innings and 37 runs. Woolloongabba, 1st innings, 306 (Pearse, 87, Norris 71, Woodward 36 not out). B.G.S., 1st innings, 89 (Stark 30). B.G.S., 2nd innings, 180 for 8 wickets (Barnes 49, Stark 30, W. Roe 31 not

out).

B.G.S. v. Woolloongabba.—Played on Brisbane Cricket Ground, and won by Woolloongabba on first innings. B.G.S. 1st innings, 148 (Leslie 53, James 28, Barnes 21, MacGregor 16 not out). Woolloongabba 1st innings, 357 (Woodward 96, Nelson 50, Norris 55). B.G.S. 2nd innings, 3 wickets for 96 (Leslie 53 not out,

Barnes 13, Leeds 17 not out).

B.G.S. v. South Brisbane.—Played on the school turf and won by the B.G.S. on the first innings. B.G.S. 1st innings, 180 (Leslie 24, Briggs 43, James 19, Forbes 18, Smith 18). South Brisbane 1st innings, 156 (J. Mortimer 29, J. Graham 26, J. W. Graham 47). B.G.S. 2nd innings, 96 (Leslie 44 not out, James 33). South Brisbane 2nd innings, 5 wickets for 35. Bowling for the School: Bridgman, 6 for 66; James, 3 for 57; Leslie, 3 for 19; Gill, 3 for 30.

B.G.S. v. Toombul.—Played on School turf, and won by the B.G.S. by an innings and 62 runs. B.G.S. 1st innings, 219 (James 114, Leeds 16, Marshal 15, Forbes 14). Toombul 1st innings, 78 (Oxley 33, Tregurtha 25 not out). Toombul 2nd innings, 79 (Oxley 24, Maynard 25, Munro 11). Bowling for School: Leslie, 10 for

62; James, 3 for 58; Briggs, 2 for 10.

CRITICISM OF THE FIRST THIRTEEN.

J. James (Captain).—A vigorous bat, possessing clean strokes all round the wicket. Bowls a fast ball, varied with fair off-breaks. A good serviceable field. Has developed with some success a faculty for wicket-keeping. His score of 114 is a record for the School in a good match.

N. LESLIE.—The most consistent bat of the team. Has a fine defence, with strokes all round the wicket. His average so far this year is 65—a record for the school. He has improved as a bowler, and is quite the Bosanquet of the team. His fielding is also good.

- A. BARNES.—A very bright, useful bat, his hitting at times being quite phenomenal. He has generally kept wickets well. In other parts of the field he is rather slow.
- R. O. BRIDGMAN.—The most consistent bowler in the team. He keeps a beautiful length, sometimes working in from both ways. He gets an amount of pace on the ball that is surprising. He is a

left-handed batsman, and has shown that he can make runs. He needs to be careful about his defence. He is a splendid field.

A. Briggs.—A careful batsman. His strokes in slips are peculiar, but pay well. He needs to practice leg play. A moderate change bowler, but keeps a poor length. A very fair outfield.

S. Castlehow.—Has played only one or two matches with the School so far, but has shown as a left-hand bowler that he is capable of some very fine performances. He is a left-hand bat, with rather a cramped style, but has improved wonderfully during the last few weeks. A good field in slips.

R. Gill.—A good change bowler, who alters his pace well, but sends down some rather loose stuff. Is improving as a batsman.

but needs to pay attention to his defence. A smart field.

D. N. MACGREGOR.—A splendid field. A careful batsman, with good back play, but rather weak forward play.

A. W. LEEDS.—A fair bat with some useful leg hits. A very

fair catch, but only a moderate ground field.

A. FORBES.—A good hitter. Plays with a nice straight bat. His defence needs attention. He has brought off some wonderful one-hand catches, but needs to use both hands more in ground-fielding.

H. S. SMITH.—A fair bat, with some good off-strokes, but has a flourish which he ought to get rid of. Needs to improve in his ground-fielding.

MARSHAL.—Has improved in his defence and batting generally.

Still a rather uncertain field.

HARDGREAVES.—Has played only once with the First Eleven. On that occasion he made 50 not out by really good cricket, some of his off-strokes being particularly effective. A moderate field.

BATTING AVERAGES.

A. Those who have had 12 imnings and over.

No. of Times Highest Aggre-

Name.		n.	Not out.	Score.	gate	Average.
N. Leslie		12	2	53*	306	30.60
J. A. James		17	0	114	384	22.59
A. A. Barnes		17	0	49	211	12.41
R. Bridgman		14	1	48	110	8.46
R. Gill		14	2	22	87	7.25
H. S. Smith		12	3	18	55	6.11
B.—Those who	have	had	under	12 and		innings.
A. S. Roe		8	0	31	86	10.75
A. A. Briggs		9	0	43	81	9.00
A. D. Forbes		6	1	18*	43	8.60
A. W. Leeds		9	1	17*	66	8.25
D. N. MacGr	egor	6	1	16*	39	7.80
N. J. Dixon		8	0	17	55	6.87
C. Marshal		8	1	15	35	5.00
G. Govett		8	1	9	19	2.71
B. Woodbine		7	0	2	4	0.57

C.—Those who	have had 4 innings	and under.
Nume.	No. of Times Highest In. Not out. Score.	

ge. 11* 11.00 G. Blanshard H 9* S. Castlehow 10 10.10 2 I W. S. Dixon 0.00 0 9 9 I 2.00 2 2 I. Anderson 0 50* 50 Hardgrave 1

BOWLING AVERAGES OF FIRST ELEVEN FOR SEASON 1903 AND 1904.

A .-- Those who have bowled 400 balls and over.

Name.	19	Overs.	Maid.	Runs.	Wick.	A verage.
R. Bridgman		1655	29	442	36	12.28
N. Leslie		110	11	395	28	14.10
A. S. Roe		805	15	240	16	15.00
R. Gill		728	9	230	13	17.68
J. A. James		179	30	544	23	23.65
B.—Thos	e w	ho have	bowled	under	400 ba	lls.
G. Blanshard	١.,	51	0	17	2	8.50
S. Castlehow		34	12	59	3	19.66
A. A. Briggs		13	3	43	2	21.50
G. Govett		165	0	155	3	51.66
N. J. Dixon		5	1	2.2	1	22.00
A. A. Barnes		16	3	58	0	-
H. S. Smith		2	0	9	0	-

SECOND TEAM.

The Second Grammars played 6 matches this season, of which they won 2, drew 1, and lost 3. They beat the Second I G.S. team, their principal rivals.

The following are the results of the matches:-

v. Sussex .-- A tie. Dixon got 11 wickets for 42.

v. Wellington.—Forfeited after first day's play. Leeds 10. Casey, 4 for 20, bowled best.

v. Second Ipswich.—Won by 26 runs on first innings (Biggs 45, H. S. Smith 25, Casey 20. Wilcocks, 7 wkts. for 54).

v. Merthyr.—Lost by an innings and 39 runs (Jardine, 17 not out, Dixon, 5 wickets for 58; Jardine, 3 wickets for 19).

v. Tarragindi.—Lost by 4 wickets (Marshal 16, Wilcocks 21, Anderson 28 not out, Dixon 40. Dixon, 10 wkts. for 79 and Wilcocks, 4 wkts. for 40).

v. GLEN ALLAN.—Lost by 5 wickets (Wilcocks 13, Jardine 11, Hardgrave 10 not out. Clatworthy, 7 wkts. for 36).

BOARDERS' CRICKET TEAM.

The following boys constitute the Boarders' Cricket Team:—Heron (captain), Phipps, Hides, Roe, Bennett, Alley, Powell, Campbell, Dimmock, Newell, Willcocks, Pegler, Kiernan. This team played six matches in all. It beat the Shamrocks and the Eagle Junctions, and was beaten by the Day Boys (twice), the Glen-Kedrons, and the Dutton Parks.

Presentation to J. A. James.

On the 24th of March, Mr. Roe, on behalf of the boys, presented J. A. James, the popular captain of the First Cricket Team, with a gold medal, which was bought by the boys and presented to James to mark their appreciation of the remarkably good score of 114 that James made on the preceding Saturday, this being the highest score hitherto made by any boy in first-class cricket.

HANDBALL.

Handball has been taken up this year more enthusiastically than ever. The walls are in use daily, both for confining the boys in school hours, and for the game in recreation hours. As many new players are budding out, it has been proposed to hold a tournament after Easter on somewhat the same lines as that so successfully held last year.

The Library.

The preceding quarter was not a very busy one. The boys who entered the school this year did not seem to understand that no subscription is asked for, and some did not use the library through uncertainty as to its conditions. Sometimes a fairly large number of boys assemble in the library who seem to have wonderfully little spare time if any delay occurs in the delivery of books. Then when the cases are opened a general scramble ensues, which, however, seldom lasts many minutes. Then several minor questions are asked concerning the books, but the advice of any boy who has read a book rarely prevails against an attractive title or a pretty cover, or even a few pictures.

The library now contains some very good books, the best of which, as novels, are undoubtedly "Richard Carvel" and "The Crisis," both by Winston Churchill. As they are both much praised by former readers, they have now a circulation almost equal to that of "Wild Life in the Land of Giants." Dickens, Henty, and Marryat are still years popular.

Marryat are still very popular.

The tastes of the "New Boys" seem to be decidedly better than usual. Several have taken to reading the lives of our national heroes, and some read Scott and Shakespeare. These books, how-

ever, are seldom kept out many days.

We tried hard to persuade boys to take out books from the case containing various editions of the classical and modern poetical works. All interest in these books faded, however, when it was noticed that the works of Horace, Virgil, and their fellows were in their mother-tongue and not in ours.

The rules are still pasted on the glass door, but though the boys look over, under, and around the notice, they seldom appear to see it, to judge from results.

All contributions will be gratefully accepted, and will be entered

on the catalogue.

The Cadets.

THE number of cadets at present on the roll amounts to 145, as compared with 119 at the end of last year, which is really quite a substantial increase. A fortnight ago the examination for noncommissioned officers was held, and the results show that a high state of efficiency has been reached, the three top markers (Wilson Heron, and Jack) obtaining 97%, 96%, and 93% respectively, while the lowest on the list obtained a percentage as high as 72. At the end of last year we lost the services of those popular and capable officers, Lieuts, S. F. MacDonald and "Banjo" Patterson. latter has joined the Sydney University Corps, where he will doubtless find his Grammar School training extremely useful. vacancies have been filled by the promotion of H. Bourne and J. A. James to the rank of Lieutenant. Another vacancy has lately been caused by the retirement of W. S. Mactaggart, and it will be filled by the promotion of Col.-sergt. MacGibbon. quarterly competition for 1903-4 in the State Schools' Match was shot off on March 26th, and resulted in a win for Toowoomba with a score of 654 (including handicap, 48). Ipswich was second with a score of 613 (including handicap, 48), and Brisbane was third, making 599 (including handicap, 12). Our yearly class firing has not begun yet, but it will be begun shortly. A Company has been armed with rifles instead of carbines, so that good results may be expected from them this year in this branch of their training. miniature range has been constructed on the "Turf," and a couple of rifles fitted with Morris tubes have been supplied, but the range has not been used very much vet.

The bad weather put a stop to the Easter Encampment, for which a good attendance (about 87) was expected, but it is expected

that a camp will be held at Midwinter.

The Bugle Band.

A FTER a number of years the Bugle Band has again come to life, chiefly through the interest taken in the matter by Major Roe and Mr. Montgomery, and I am pleased to say the strength of the band is now ten buglers and three drummers, and later on it is hoped that Major Roe will consent to increase that number. To become proficient requires a good deal of practice, and a fair amount of self denial on the part of the buglers, who have

EMPIRE CADET TEAM.



Back Row and Row Col.-Sgt. Mactaggart. Corpl. Cooke, Pte. Barnes, Corpl. Markwell (Emergency).

Pre Wassell, Corpl Lilley, Capt Gross, Sergt James, Pte. Dixon, In Front Pte. Plant,

to give up some of their dinner hour, and also other time that might be given to things more interesting, from their point of view, and they deserve every encouragement, and it is to be hoped that they will be supplied with badges to distinguish them from the other cadets, as is done in other school cadet corps. The Bugle Band gave great assistance and heip to our cadets at the March Past Competition in connection with the Military Sports held in the Exhibition Grounds last year, when B Company obtained the 2nd prize. The buglers are busy practising new calls that have come into use in connection with the new drill, since a great many of the old calls have been done away with.

Schools of the Empire Shooting Match.

THE rifle match amongst the cadet corps of the British Empire had its origin at a meeting of the commanding officers of public school cadet corps held at Bisley on 17th July, 1902, who then decided to invite the public school cadet corps of the colonies totake part in such a competition, under the same conditions as those for the Ashburton Shield, the Bisley prize, shot for each year by

the English public schools.

The staff officer for cadet forces in the Commonwealth placed the arrangements for Australia in the hands of Major Garrard. commanding cadet corps. Church of England Grammar School, Geelong, Victoria, who after communication with the English officers, decided that in Australia the school teams were to fire on any day during the week beginning on November 9th. The English teams decided to take their scores made in July at the Bisley competition of 1903 as their scores for the Empire Match in that year. The score made by the Tunbridge Grammar School, 500, in 1903, was the record score for the Ashburton Shield. It would no doubt add to the interest of the match if the schools shot in the same week all over the world, but as practice in rifle shooting at schools is only practicable in the long evenings of summer, it is impossible in fairness to arrange the same week for both hemispheres.

The names and individual scores of the winners have been placed on the Honour Board in the Headmaster's room, and a photograph of the team has been hung in the School Hall under the

Sargood Shield.

The conditions of this match were:—(1) Open to teams of eight belonging to any one school corps of the British Empire. (2) 200 and 500 yards, one sighter and seven shots at each range. No spotting or coaching except by members of the team. (3) Targets, rifles, firing position, etc., in accordance with the rules regulating the competition for the Ashburton Shield. (4) The match to be fired in Australia on any day during the week beginning on November 9. in Natal on June 24, and in Great Britain during the week of the Bisley Meeting. Forty-two schools in Great Britain, 12 in

Australia, and 14 in Natal competed. New Zealand, Cape Colony, and Canada propose joining in, and it is expected that they will

ocmpete in 1904.

The scores made showed the superiority with the rifle of the schools in Great Britain over Australia and Natal with one notable exception, and that is in the case of the Brisbane Grammar School, which came out at the head of the list with the remarkable score of 501 out of 560, Tonbridge (England) being second, only one point behind, with a score of 500. All schools in Great Britain used the Lee-Enfield. In Australia some used the Martini-Enfield and some the Martini-Metford, and Natal were handicapped by using the Martini-Metford.

The scores were as follows: -

AUSTRALIA			
Brisbane Grammar School (Que	ensland)		501
		**	444
			431
King's School (Parramatta)		4.4	404
Bucklands School, Hobart (Tash	nania)		101
C.I.G.S., Geelong (Victoria)			389
C.E.G.S Melbourne (Victoria)			378
Scotch College, Melbourne (Vic	toria)		375
Hawthorn College, Melbourne (343
Church Grammar School, Launce	ston (Tasn	nania)	331
Grenville College, Baliarat (Vic			314
High School, Launceston (Tasn			286
Rifle, range, and weather		ed.	
GREAT REITA			

mg	Rifle				weather not stated.
			G	REAT	BRITAIN.
Shot	at Bis	lev.	July	16.	1903. Rifle, Lee-Metford.
Tonbridge				500	Dover 41
Bradfield				496	Blair Lodge 41
Wellington				496	High School, Glasgow 40
Dulwich				477	Cranbrook 40
Charterhouse				469	Blundell's 40
Rugby				465	Wellingborough Grammar
Harrow				463	School 40
Clifton				462	Ley's 40
Marlborough				462	Reading 39
Glenalmond				458	South-Eastern College 39
Bedford				458	Sherborne 39
Eastbourne				457	Lancing 39
Rossall				456	Felsted 39
Repton				450	Malvern 38
Winchester				450	Merchant Taylors 37
Uppingham				446	Haileybury 37
Berkhampsted				442	Cranleigh 37
Eton				442	Brighton 36
Cheltenham				440	University 36
Kelly				438	Biackheath 34
Highgate				429	Bedford County 31
St. Paul's				418	

NATAL.

Shot at Colenso, June 24, 1903.	
Michaelhouse (Private School)	 354
Hilton College (Private School)	 325
Ixope (Government School)	 325
York (Government School)	 324
Greytown (Government School)	 297
Durban High (Government School)	 297
Durban Boys' Model (Government School)	 292
Maritzburg College (Government School)	 286
Musgrave Road, Durban (Private)	 259
St. Charles, Maritzburg (Private)	 241
Maritzburg Boys' Model (Government School)	 200
Dundee (Government School)	 196
Berea Academy, Durban (Private)	 181
Pinetown (Government School)	 157

Rifle-M.M. carbine. Fired under favourable conditions-9 a.m., bright, clear, light breeze from left; 12 noon, light breeze from east.—The Times, Jan. 8th, 1904.

INDIVIDUAL SCORES OF WINNING TEAM. AT 200 YARDS.

11 20	,0	MI	Do.						
Corporal E. M. Lilley			5	5	5	4	5	5 4	33
Sergt. J. A. James		5	4 5	4	5	5	4	5	32
Corp. G. A. Cooke			5	5	5	3	5	4	31
Cadet N. J. Dixon		5	4	5	5	4	4	5	32
Cadet C. E. Wassell		4	5	5	4	5	4	4	31
Cadet A. Barnes		4	4	5	4	4	4 5	3	28
Cadet E. C. Plant		4	5	4	5	4	5	4	31
ColSergt. W. Mactagga	rt	5	4	4	5	4	4	5	31
AT 50	OV	AKI	S.						
Corp. E. M. Lilley		5	5	5	5	5	5	5	35
Sergt. J. A. James		5	5	5	5	4	5	5	34
Corp. G. A. Cooke		4	4	5	5	5	5	4	32
Cadet N. J. Dixon		4	5	4	5	5	4	4	31
		4	5	5	4	5	4	4	31
Cadet A. Barnes		4	4	4	5	5	5	5 2	32
Cadet E. C. Plant		5	4	4	5	5	4	2	29
ColSergt. W. Mactagga	rt	4	3	4	4	5	4	4	28

TOTAL SCORES OF WINNING TEAM.

	At 200 yds. Max. 35.	At 500 yds. Max. 35.	Total.	Averages. 5.
1. Corp. E. M. Lilley	33	35	68	4.86
2. Sergt. J. A. James	32	34	66	4.71
3. Corp. G. A. Cooke	31	32	63	4.50
4. Cadet N. J. Dixon	32	31	63	4.50
5. Cadet C. E. Wassell	31	31	62	4.43
6. Cadet A. Barnes	28	32	60	4.29
7. Cader C. E. Plant 8. ColSergt. W. Mac-	31	29	60	4.29
taggart	31	28	59	4.21

The success of our team in this Empire Competition is due very greatly to the self-denying efforts of Captain Gross, who has cheerfully devoted a great deal of his spare time to the preparation of the marksmen. This enthusiastic officer is to be heartily congratulated upon the well-earned victory of his team.

Congratulations.

I T is impossible to publish all the congratulatory messages which have been received by Major Roe with reference to this match; but we are publishing a letter from Sir Henry Norman, who always took a great interest in the School and the Cadet Corps while Governor of Queensland; and also a telegram from E. and R. Bray, and a letter from C. Cowley.

CONGRATULATIONS FROM SIR HENRY W. NORMAN.

The following letter has been received from Field-Marshai Sir Henry W. Norman by Mr. Roe in connection with the shooting of the Grammar School Cadets in the Empire Match. The complete scores of the different schools of England and the colonies had appeared in the "Times" on the morning of 8th January, and Sir Henry, in the warmth of his heart, wrote the same morning his words of hearty congratulation, which will be read with interest by the many who remember his stay amongst us with unabated affection and respect:—

"Royal Hospital, Chelsea, S.W., 8th January, 1904.

"Dear Mr. Roe.—I cannot tell you how pleased I was to see in to-day's 'Times' that the Brisbane Grammar School team had won the rifle match among the grammar schools of the Empire, and indeed had a considerable number of marks in excess of those gained by the second highest team in the colonies.

"I congratulate you and the instructors and the team, as well as the school and the State of Queensland on this great triumph, and I trust the success will encourage the team to increase their

efforts so as to remain good marksmen for the future.

"Lady Norman and Miss Norman are also much pleased, and send their hearty congratulations."

"Green Snake Gully, Limoru, Brit. F. Africa,
"8th February, 1904.

"Dear Major Roe,—I take this opportunity of congratulating you and Captain Gross on the splendid performance of the boys of

B.G.S. Cadet Corps.

"As I am in the heart of British East Africa, you will understand why these congratulations are late. I am sure that the army of old B.G.S. boys, which is scattered all over the earth, will feel, as I do, pride in knowing that the old school can still prove itself first among the Australian schools as marksmen. In my opinion every

school boy should serve in the Cadets. That the Cadet of to-day may be the soldier of to-morrow was amply proved during the late war, when many an old B.G.S. boy became re-acquainted on the veldt; and many of them had cause to be thankful for their early training on the old Parade Ground.

"Please remember me to Captain Gross and any of the old masters who may be still with you. I hope that this late event and victory will add to the members of the Cadet Corps; and make those who are already members strive to emulate Lilley's fine performance. Hoping to read of many "possibles" in the future, and again congratulating the officers, non-coms., and boys of B.G.S. Cadets,

"Believe me,

Yours very sincerely, CAMPBELL COWLEY."



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Rowing.

E are glad to be able to chronicle the defeat of the Maryborough crew on the Mary River last year. They are the School's chief opponents in this branch of athletics, and out of the three races which have been rowed, we have won two. The crew representing the School was:—

Preparations for the race were begun early in the year, but as the other members of the crew had left school, A. S. Roe was the only member of last year's four remaining. K. Smith, on account of his experience and form, justly occupied the stroke seat. left for getting the new members. Parkinson and Mactaggart, into form was very short, and this was further encroached upon by the time which had to be given to the Empire Shooting Match, in which Mactaggart was taking part. Consequently our crew was in appearance rough and unsteady, but from the first they made their boat travel, being all hard workers and physically as fine specimens of young Australians as the School could wish to get together. They beat the scratch crews that were got up to pace them, and went to Maryborough with good hope of success. The School is much indebted to the Brisbane Rowing Club for the use of the Club's best clinker boat, which placed them in the matter of boats on an equal footing with their opponents. K. Smith gained considerable experience in racing by taking part in regattas during the year, and this experience proved most useful to him in his responsible position at the stroke oar. Of the other three, Parkinson perhaps showed the best form; but Roe and Mactaggart could both be trusted to get a powerful hold of the water, and not to spare themselves from start to finish.

The crew journeyed, together with the cricket team, by the morning train, and arrived in Maryborough about four. Both crew and team met with a most hearty welcome from Mr. and Mrs. Thompson, of the Maryborough School. The race took place next morning at ten o'clock, and was to be rowed up the river and finish opposite the rowing shed. The Brisbane crew had the disadvantage of the bend and tide. The starter got the crews well away together, but the visiting crew soon gained a slight lead. Turning the bend the lead was increased to a length, and in the reach from there to the shed the Brisbane crew forged ahead and won by three lengths clear.

Several of our boys rowed in the last Brisbane Rowing Club Regatta, and the following from the School took part in the racing but though they acquitted themselves creditably, none were in the winning crew:—Eliott, in Tait's crew; Mactaggart, in Nicholson's: Parkinson and Murray, in Stephen's; and Bourne and Wilson, in

Swensson's. Mactaggart, and Parkinson and Murray won their heats, and the latter pair their semi-final. They were beaten in the final, however, by two feet, after a splendid race. Mactaggart rowed in Swensson's crew, which won the last Under-Twenty Fours. Among the later arrivals to the shed. Eliott and Taylor promise well, and the others are making good progress, including T. Brown and Markwell.

Jennis.

THERE has been very little enthusiasm shown on the tennis courts this year among the day boys. Among the boarders, however, an observer might have noticed a sudden development in their interest in tennis. The reason for this is the Handicap Tournament, which Mr. Montgomery promoted for the boarders alone. Mr. Montgomery, with E. H. Roe and V. Phipps, acted as handicappers, and, although a few dark horses have come to light, the handicapping reflects great credit on the officials. The Tournament will probably be finished during the third week after Easter. Mr. Porter and N. Leslie kindly consented to umpire. Among the day boys the two Lilleys seem promising players, but the greatest amount of enthusiasm is shown by Payne and Co.

Old Boys' Association.

SINCE the last issue of the Magazine the following members have joined the Association:—G. E. Gabriel, F. T. Suthers, F. H. Walker, G. P. Scott. F. Butler, W. M. Hall, W. R. Parker, and R. L. H. Peterson. As the usual circular will shortly be issued to the boys who left in 1903, it is expected that our roll will soon receive numerous additions.

The second quarterly meeting was held in the Rooms on Nov. 18th, 1903, and was fairly attended. At this meeting it was formally decided to contribute the customary championship prize at the School Swimming Sports in 1904.

The annual cricket match, O.B.A. v. B.G.S., is fully reported in another part of this issue. Afternoon tea was provided, and cards of invitation were sent to the members and their friends. The secretaries have learnt, with great regret, that by some unaccountable mischance, one or two members did not receive their cards.

As the three years' lease of the Club Room expired last February, the Council decided to ask the members to discuss at the third' Quarterly Meeting the question of continuing rooms for the Association, and issued a circular to that effect. At the meeting the question was debated very fully, so that it was nearly 11 o'clock before it was put to the vote. The division resulted in a tie; so the Chair-

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man, in order to give a definite result to the discussion, gave his casting vote on the understanding that the matter was to come up

at the Annual Meeting for final settlement.

We are sorry to report that the name of one of our prominent town members has been transferred to the country list. Mr. C. S. Graham has, since the initiation of the Association, always shown an active and wide interest in its affairs. On the Thursday prior to his departure for Palmerville (via Cooktown), his fellow members of the Whist Club gave him an informal but hearty send-off; and we feel sure that all the members of the Association will heartily endorse the good wishes expressed by them for his future happiness and prosperity.

DEBATING SOCIETY.

The Annual General Meeting of the Old Boys' Literary and Debating Society was held at the Association Rooms on Wednesday evening, March 30th, when a very fair proportion of the members were present, considering the unfavourable weather. The report and balance-sheet were read by the retiring Hon. Secretary and Treasurer (J. J. Walsh), and adopted. The roll of members, as set forth in the report, was 33 nominal and 21 effective. The financial statement showed a credit balance for the year of 2s. 6d., a result on which the Treasurer received the hearty congratulations of the members present.

The following officers were elected for 1904:—President, F. S. N. Bousfield (re-elected); Vice-President, E. R. Crouch (re-elected); Hon. Secretary and Treasurer, F. Connah; Committee: J. J. Walsh. It was decided to hold a social about the middle of May, to which representatives of kindred societies should be invited. The meetings of the Society are to take place every alternate Tuesday, commencing on Tuesday, April 12th. At every other meeting there will be a debate on a political or other subject, and the intervening meetings will be occupied with papers, impromptu and "after din-

ner " speeches, etc.

At the first meeting the recent import Federal legislation will be discussed, the opening speakers being the President, F. Connah. E. R. Crouch, and J. J. Walsh. The interest displayed by the members at the General Meeting promises well for a successful session, and it is hoped that there will be a substantial increase in the number of effective members.

THE OLD BOYS' MATCH.

By " AN OLD BOY."

The annual cricket match. Past School v. Present, was as usual played on School Foundation Day, February 29th, on the Brisbane Cricket Ground, under the auspices of the Old Boys' Association. Though a temperature of something like 90 degrees was recorded, the day was an ideal one from a cricketer's point of view, and the wicket was excellent. Only a small number of last year's Old Boys' team were available, and the side eventually selected was lamentally weak in bowling, a state of affairs which the Present team took full.

Winning the toss, James, the school captain, of advantage of. course decided to bat, and when 4 o'clock came, closed his innings. with 13 wickets down for 250. For this total the captain with 37, Leslie 52, Hardgrave 50 not out, and Barnes 28, were mainly responsible. All showed good punishing powers, and Leslie's defence was excellent, though he hardly made sufficient use of his height and reach in getting on to the ball. The other double figure scorers were Marshall, 10 not out, who in many of his strokes strongly resembles his elder brother, Allan; and Forbes, undoubtedly the most stylish batsman on the side; when shaping like a regular tradesman he had the misfortune to be bowled by a trimmer from Sapsford. No less than nine bowlers were tried, Jones and G. S. Crouch bowling slows, and Sapsford a medium pace bowler, accounting for most of the wickets. But they were not well supported by the field, whose work was patchy. Without any back numbers to refer to, it is pretty safe to say that 250 for 13 wickets is a record for the Present School. and they are to be heartily congratulated on a performance due not so much to the individual success of any one member, but to the allround cricketing ability displayed by the team. After an adjournment for afternoon tea the Past School commenced their innings with about an hour and a-half at their disposal; and so, with no hope of reaching their opponents' total. Crouch and Sapsford placed their side in a safe position by making 70 without loss, and then the rest of the team took matters lightly, with the result that 7 wickets were down for 157 when time was called. Included in this total was a merrily hit 31 from Tozer's bat. The School's bowling was not so strong as their batting, due in a great measure to their inexperience on turf wickets, which are heart-breaking to bowlers used to the assistance a matting gives. Of the 5 tried, Castlehow, though the only unsuccessful one, showed the most promise, and if he sticks to the game should meet with much success in the future.

As usual, both teams were the guests of the Old Boys' Association at lunch, and afternoon tea was provided for members and theirfriends.

The following are the detailed scores:-

PRESENT SCHOOL

TREGERT CONCORT	
J. James (captain), b. Jones 37	7
N. Leslie, b. G. S. Crouch 5:	
A. Barnes, c. Crouch, b. Jones 28	3
A. Briggs, c. Doran, b. Jones	
D. N. M'Gregor, run out	0
	3
J. Bridgman, b. Crouch	3
Forbes, b. Sapsford	5
A. Leeds, b. Crouch)
H. Smith, b. Crouch	9.0
W. Dixon, c. Tozer, b. Sapsford	•
Anderson, c. Tozer, b. Sapsford	

PRESENT SCHOOL-Continued.

Castlehow, b. Crouch	,			 . ,						1
Hardgrave, not out										50
Marshall, not out										10
Sundries								×		29

Total for thirteen wickets 252

Bowling.—King took one wicket for 35 runs, Jones three for 51, Crouch 5 for 38, Warry none for 3, Sapsford three for 44, Stewart none for 9, Tozer none for 11, Hiron none for 20, Bennett none for 12.

PAST SCHOOL.

Sapsford, run out	47
G. S. Crouch, run out	36
Newton, b. Bridgman	1
Tozer, c. E. S. James, b. Gill	31
Warry, c. Bridgman, b. Leslie	0
Bennett, run out	3
Hiron, b. J. James	17
R. Doran, not out	5
Sundries	17

Total for seven wickets 157

Bowling.—Gill took one wicket for 23 runs. Leslie one for 51. Castlehow none for 28. J. James one for 18. Bridgman one for 32.

Jottings.

M. M. Edwards passed his Solicitors' Intermediate Exam. in November at the top of the list.

At the February Legal Examinations C. R. Ellison passed the Preliminary Solicitors' Exam., and C. Swiss-Davies the Intermediate.

G. S. M'Donald and C. G. N. Miles have passed the examination for commissions in the Royal Australian Artillery.

Nigel Miles is coming to the Australian Station as a midshipman in the new flagship "Euryalus."

N. V. Townley, of the Australian Scouts, has been decorated with the D.S.O. at Pretoria.

W. R. Grahame, who has been in Western Australia for the last nine years, has been taking a short holiday in Queensland, and

has paid a visit to his old school.

A. F. McDonald and W. A. Wallace have been appointed surveyors in the Malay Peninsula. They have arrived safely there and find the country not too uncivilised, for people ride bicycles; there are also plenty of motor-cars, and white men do not need to carry revolvers.

D. H. E. Brown is at Albany in command of the Artillery.

C. Phiip has bought a cattle station in North Queensland. E. and R. Bray are in Western Africa, and F. Bray in Fiji. C. Cowley is engaged in farming pursuits in Central Africa.

H. Kingsbury has completed his studies at the Ballarat School of Mines, and is putting his knowledge to practical use at the "Stannaries," Irvinebank.

P. M. Forest has gone for a trip round the world.

Roy Murray has finished his course at the Hawkesbury Agricultural College, and has started work on one of his father's stations.

W. Leslie has joined the A.M.P. and is stationed at Toowoom-

ba. E. Tully has been elected an Alderman of Kangaroo Point.

We are glad to inform our readers that Frank Butler has re-

scovered from his recent illness.

Harold Lethbridge completed medical course in Sydney, and passed final exam. for Degree M.B., and is now resident medical officer at Prince Alfred Hospital, Sydney.

A. G. Campbell, after a year's "spell" in the bush, has gone

to Edinburgh to study medicine.

C. Higginson has entered Service of Government of New · Guinea.

Dr. J. F. McDonald has been appointed medical officer to Q.D.F.

W. Avery has gone to the School of Mines at Ballarat.

Walter Coe passed his semi-final dental exam. at Philadelphia excellently. He will afterwards go to England to complete his studies.

Dr. A. H. Macintosh has been appointed superintendent of Prince Alfred's Hospital, Sydney.

L. K. Ward has been appointed lecturer at the School of Mines

at Kalgoorlie, W.A.

Don Macansh has gone to New Zealand to gain further agricultural experience.

G. Sampson, S. Roe, K. Smith, and M. Patterson have started

their medical studies at Sydney University.

W. Mactaggart has started work in the Commercial Bank of Sydney.

Subscribers

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Marriage.

McCowan-Perry.—On March 15th, at All Saints' Church, R. McCowan to Kitty, daughter of the late Hon. W. Perry.

Exchanges.

We have much pleasure in acknowledging the receipt of the following School Magazines:—"Yellow Dragon," "Nelsonian," "Ipswich G.S. Magazine," "Townsville G.S. Magazine," "Coverwell Magazine," "Newingtonian," "Amateur." "Melbournian," "King's School Magazine," "Geelong Grammar School Magazine," "Torch-Bearer," "Armidalian."

Hong Kong.

(Maldwyn M. Edwards.)

THE Island of Hong Kong is a Crown Colony, and with the exception of Bermuda and Gibraltar, the smallest colony in the British Empire, the area being less than 30 square miles, was ceded by China in 1841 by the Treaty of Nanking.

The population then was about 5,000, made up of pirates, fishermen, farmers, and granite workers, living in baked mud huts, and holding no intercourse with the outside world beyond Canton,

which lies about 90 miles to the north.

To-day there are 300,000 souls, 97% of whom are Chinese, and the capital, Victoria, is a fine city, with electric light, splendid roads, a beautiful statue of our late Queen, and all the institutions of a modern western city.

There are also ship-building yards, sugar refineries, cement works, a cotton mill, and factories for making soap, paper, fire-

works, and other articles.

The postal service is most efficient, and it is connected with the rest of the universe by cable and by the most extensive system of steamship lines which converge at any part in the world. To give one an idea of the enormous amount of shipping in this free trade port, it is only necessary to mention that in the year 1900 the total tonnage entered and cleared surpassed London and New York by about half a million tons, and that its export trade amounts to over £4,000,000 annually.

The view from the steamer's deck as it makes its way slowly up the harbour is very fine. Scores of men-o'-war of various nations are dotted here and there, whilst merchantmen from all over the world find safe anchorage and lie protected under the lea

of the surrounding hills from the full force of the dreaded typhoons which have been known to blow at the rate of 120 miles per hour.

As soon as a vessel reaches her moorings she is surrounded by a crowd of "sampans" plying for passengers, generally partly "manned" by women, pulling away heartily with a baby slung across their shoulders. Whole families live and even die aboard these boats, all helping in the navigation, whether it be sailing or rowing.

The children often fall overboard, and should the youngster have the misfortune to be a girl, most likely no trouble will be taken to rescue her, but a great effort is always made to save a boy, for the Celestial proverb runs—" Better one son, though deformed, than

eighteen daughters as wise as the apostle of Buddha."

Numerous junks with large, dirty, torn sails are always setting out to fish in the China Sea, and they are to be met with hundreds of miles from land. Strange, grotesque craft they are, with their huge bows built to represent the heads of sea monsters. A great eve is painted on each side, for the Chinese treat their ships as reasonable beings, and say, "Spose no got eye, no can see; spose no can see, no can walkee."

On board the steamer which took me to Hong-Kong were about to Chinamen returning from Australia after making their pile, to end their days in peace in the land of their birth.

As soon as the quarantine flag was down, the vessel was invaded by boardinghouse keepers, carrying enormous hats with a small knob for a crown, the rest being brim, and having the names and advantages of their establishments written across in huge Chinese characters. These men to about the number of 200 had specially engaged steam launches, and the sight was most amusing, although the din was terrific, as each man clambered noisily up the side of the steamer, and endeavoured to persuade a returning "John" to tay at his place.

The great drawback to Hong-Kong is that none but the smallest

·craft can get up to the wharves.

To land one must either go in one of the numerous splendidly fitted up steam launches, or risk the slow and dirty sampan, and put up with being crawled over by the numerous babies and vermin on board.

Should one wish to board a steamer lying in the harbour at night, he must go to a certain spot and there get a policeman to take his name, destination, and the number of the sampan. Even then he may quietly be knocked on the head, robbed, and his body thrown to the sharks.

Upon stepping on shore ricksha and chair boys, hawkers of flowers and fruits, at once surround the unwary tourist, and it is

with difficulty that he makes his way through them.

Along the water's edge stretches a broad, level, re-claimed road, known as the Praya. After this come banks and various offices, all magnificent high stone buildings facing the harbour, then a

couple of streets running horizontally, one of which, Queen's Road, is the principal thoroughfare, and contains many fine structures. From this road the town rises and is soon left behind, the hills

becoming dotted with splendid stone dwelling houses.

Mount Victoria Peak, from which a magnificent view of the surrounding country is obtained, stands right behind the native quarter of the town, and is 1,825 feet high. A cable tram with a grade of sometimes one in two feet, provides means of access to the heights.

It is impossible to walk 100 yards without coming across representatives of the different races. Chinese largely predominate, and they are kept in order by the Sikh policeman, whom they greatly fear, owing to the habit they have of catching hold of the offending

"John" by the pigtail and giving him a hard kick.

One also comes in contact with Japanese, Malays, Parsees, Portuguese, and people of almost every race under the sun. The population of Hong-Kong contains an undue proportion of criminals owing to its proximity to Canton and to the extreme mildness of the English Criminal Law as compared with that of China. As an example of this we may take the punishment which would follow a third or fourth conviction of theft in Hong-Kong and in China respectively. In the latter an end would be put to the offender's career, either by rubbing quicklime into his eyes, or by crushing his ankle bones so as to lame him for life. In Hong-Kong he would get a few months hard labour in goal. The result is that the island has become a happy hunting ground for thousands of criminals from the mainland, and that the Police Force of the colony costs about one-tenth of the total expenditure.

There are no cabs or buses, and the only tram is that going to the peak, so that should one wish to ride, he must either hire a jinricksha, which is a diminutive hansom cab with a man instead of a horse between the shafts, or else a "chair." The chair is supported by a long bamboo pole at each side, and is carried on the shoulders of one man at each end. The fares are very cheap, being about threepence per hour for each man who carries or pulls you.

Most European clerks live over their offices in luxurious style, each having a "boy" to attend to his most trivial wants. Men servants are always called "boy" throughout the East, and it amused me very much when on the way to Canton, to hear a girl of about fifteen with her hair down her back address the steward, who was a splendidly proportioned Chinaman of about 6 feet 4 inches, as "boy." But one gets used to it, and soon finds himself calling the most venerable looking men "boy."

A friend of mine who stayed on shore at Victoria with some clerks above a shipping office, was greatly alarmed in the morning to find upon awakening a man at his bedside with a razor in his hand. He called out in terror to his friends in the adjoining rooms. thinking he was about to be murdered, but they merely laughed and told him that the assassin was only the "boy" come to shave

him in bed.

Although the winter climate is delightful, the summer is excessively hot and moist. It is during the warm months that bubonic plague and cholera are rampant, and it is estimated that in 1899 and 1900 fully 95% of those infected with plague succumbed to it. The Chinese warehouses are called "godowns," and a walk

The Chinese warehouses are called "godowns," and a walk through the native quarters with its narrow, crowded streets, peculiar smells and amusing shops displaying their curious Oriental wares on each side, is most interesting and instructive as to the products, of the East.

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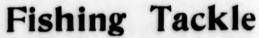
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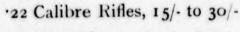
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