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Editorial Notes

The School year closes on Thursday, December the 14th. The Headmaster's report will be delivered as usual, and the prizes distributed by His Excellency the Governor in the Gymnasium on the afternoon of that day, and the "House" will go into recess for seven weeks, to reassemble on the last day of January.

As it is found more convenient to publish the Magazine before the boys disperse, it is necessary to defer the publication of the prize-list and the proceedings of Speech Day until next issue.

The term has been a strenuous one, and both masters and boys have had a surfeit of examinations and their accompanying "grind." As we go to press the scholarship examinations are in progress: the McNaughton, for boys under 16; the Senior Newcastle, for boys under 14; and the Junior Newcastle, for boys under 12. In addition to these are the usual scholarships awarded by Christ's College on the results of the Junior Public Examination. The Public Examinations are just finished, and those who faced the ordeal are awaiting the results with various degrees of impatience. Unfortunately one of our most promising Junior

Public candidates has been seriously ill all the term, and was not able to enter for the examination. However, we trust that those who did compete will not disgrace us.

Early in the term we had the Diocesan examination in Scripture, the results of which should soon reach us.

We also sent up several candidates for the Qualifying examination of the Education Department, on the results of which Junior Bursaries are awarded.

Finally come the ordinary class examinations for the whole School, from which we have just emerged, apparently none the worse.

It is our duty to remind the boys who are leaving school that the privilege of becoming members of the Old Boys' Association is now theirs. The Editor has been asked to receive the names and subscriptions of those who wish to join. He will also be glad to receive subscriptions for the Magazine from those who will be "Old Boys" next year.

Old Boys will probably be pleased to hear that the proposal to change the School colours has been definitely rejected by the Board of Management.

The vacancy on the staff caused by the resignation of Mr. L. F. Stutterd, who has gone to England, has been filled by the ap-

pointment of Mr. E. H. W. Eldridge, an old boy of Scots' College, Sydney. Mr. Eldridge, who has had teaching experience in several European schools, was wounded while serving in an English regiment in France, and returned to Australia to recuperate. He took part in the retreat from Mons and the battles of the Marne and Aisne.

Mr. Masterman has had five weeks' "holiday" in camp with the Citizen Forces. He returned just in time to revel in the bliss of correcting examination papers.

Lieut. R. A. Black, one of our Senior Public candidates, was also called out in connection with the training camps, and consequently had to abandon the examination. He seems to be enduring the disappointment with equanimity.

The following boys have been admitted this term:—E. A. J. Green, R. B. Hay, P. A. Stephens, L. E. Booth, D. G. Overell, G. F. Onslow, R. C. Best. The roll numbers 176.

Some Classical Fragments

Professor Dunbabin sends us the following valuable contribution:—

Dear Sir,—The following classical fragments, which were discovered very recently far from the Fayûm, may interest the Sixth Form. The initial trochee in the first line of the hendecasyllabics points to Catullus rather than Martial, but the smooth versification of the elegiacs suggests the authorship of the later epigrammatist. For the benefit of Old Boys, whose Latin may be rusty, I add a free translation:—

I.

Gaius mala multa comprecatus
Nutricem petiit suam lagona:
Ut nasum miserae ferit puellae,
"Telum quam bene" ait pater "regebat."

*Willie, with a frightful curse,
Flung the coffee-pot at Nurse,
As it caught her on the nose,
Father said, "How straight he throws."*

II.

Paruola uti biberet multo clamore petebat:

Atramentum aderat: Gaius inde dedit.
At mater pueri lusum ridebat amati
Auxiliumque tulit: uirus harena bibit.

*Baby clamoured for a drink;
Willie filled her up with ink.
Mother, smiling at the lad,
Fed the babe on blotting-pad.*

For England

(We select these lines from the "Scotch Collegian," Dec., 1915, as they express so finely the spirit that has prompted public school boys all over Australia to volunteer. The writer was killed in action just a year ago.)

The bugles of England were blowing o'er the sea,
As they had called a thousand years, calling now to me;
They woke me from dreaming in the dawning of the day,
The bugles of England—and how could I stay?

The banners of England, unfurled across the sea,
Floating out upon the wind, were beckoning to me;
Storm-rent and battle-torn, smoke-stained and grey,
The banners of England—and how could I stay?

O, England! I heard the cry of those that died for thee,
Sounding like an organ voice across the winter sea;
They lived and died for England, and gladly went their way,
England, O England—how could I stay?

J. D. BURNS.

The Supreme Sacrifice

LIEUT. H. A. ANSELL.

*"Qui procul hinc—
Qui ante diem periit,
Sed miles, sed pro patria."*

Herbert Abraham Ansell, younger son of the late Henry Ansell, Esq., was born at Hobart on October 1st, 1878. He entered the School in April, 1887, and left in December, 1896. All through his School career he showed great ability in his studies, and was always near the top of his class, while his high spirits and bright personality made him popular, both with boys and masters. He passed both the Junior and Senior Public Examinations with distinction, qualifying for a University Scholarship in 1896. During this last year at the School he was the best all-round athlete we had; a smart wicket-keeper, a dashing bat, an excellent footballer, and a good tennis player. He was captain of the first eleven, and quite the best man in the football team. On leaving school he chose a commercial career, and at the time of his enlistment was employed at the head office of the Vacuum Oil Company of Melbourne. He joined the A.I.F. in August, 1915, and soon qualified for a commission. He was killed in action in France on October 23rd. The news of his death was cabled to his brother, Mr. M. M. Ansell, Registrar of the University of Tasmania, to whom we extend our sincere sympathy.

Our Roll of Honour

Dulce et decorum est pro patria mori.

Donald J. C. Anderson.
Kenneth H. Anderson.
Herbert Abraham Ansell.
David Barclay.
John Errol Benson.
Alexander Douglas Bethune.
Edward George Brain.

William John Alder Brown.
Edward Lionel Austin Butler.
Eric Louis Giblin.
Frederick Miller Johnson.
Charles Daniel Lucas.
Henric Clarence Nicholas.
Percival Hugh Rex.
John Clive Sams.
Bryan James Walch.
Roderic Noel Weaver.

For the Empire

N.B.—The Editor will be grateful for additions or corrections to this list, which we believe is still far from complete.

Abbott, M. C.
Abbott, Paul, Quartermaster-Sgt., A.A.M.C.
Abbott, Percy, Lieut.-Col., Light Horse.
Abel, W. T., Gunner, Field Artillery.
Adams, G. W., Lieut.
Adams, L. W., Gunner, Field Artillery.
Adams, R., Lieut.
Allen, C. T., Pvte.
Anderson, A. F. S., Pvte.
Anderson, D., Pvte, 2nd Batt. Killed.
Anderson, G. H., 13th Field Artillery.
Anderson, K., Lieut., 15th Batt. Killed.
Ansell, H. A., Lieut. Killed.
Atkins, C. N., Capt., A.A.M.C.
Bailey, A., Pvte., A.A.M.C.
Bailey, G., Capt., A.A.M.C.
Bailey, R., Pvte., 3rd Light Horse.
Barclay, D., Pvte., 3rd Light Horse. Killed.
Belstead, A., Pvte.
Benson, J. E., Lt.-Corp., 11th Batt. Killed.
Bernacchi, L. C. D.
Bethune, A. D. B., Corp., 8th Light Horse. Killed.
Bethune, F. P., Lieut., 12th Batt.
Bibby, L., Pvte., Light Horse.

Bisdee, J. H., Capt., V.C.
 Bisdee, G. S., Capt., 40th Batt.
 Blacklow, A. C., Major.
 Boniwell, R. O., Sapper, Field Engineers.
 Boyer, C.
 Boyes, J.
 Boyes, E., Corpl., 40th Batt.
 Bradford, H.
 Bradford, J. P., Sergt., 40th Batt.
 Brain, E. G. Died at sea.
 Brent, R. D., Major.
 Brown, W. J. A., Pvte., 14th Batt. Killed.
 Butler, Angus, Lieut., Royal Engineers.
 Butler, Brian, Pvte., 3rd Light Horse.
 Butler, C. T., Lieut., Dorset Yeomanry.
 Butler, G. T., Lieut., R.F.A.
 Butler, J. H., Pvte., Light Horse.
 Butler, H. N., Lieut.-Col., A.M.C.
 Butler, Hedley.
 Butler, Lionel, Lieut., 12th Batt. Killed.
 Butler, L. T., Lieut., 12th Batt.
 Cameron, Cyril.
 Cameron, D., Major, Machine-Gun Corps.
 Chalmers, R. H., Pvte., Light Horse.
 Champion, H. E. C., Lieut., Field Artillery.
 Chancellor, C.
 Chambers, V. E., L.-Corpl., Field Engineers.
 Chapman, K.
 Chisholm, J. D. W., Capt., 40th Batt.
 Clark, A. I., Pvte.
 Clark, C. I., Pvte.
 Clark, J. P., Major, 40th Batt.
 Clark, W. I., Capt., A.M.C., 40th Batt.
 Clarke, N. A., Pvte.
 Colbourn, F. R., Corpl., A.S.C.
 Colbourn, K., Pvte., A.A.M.C.
 Cotton, S. F., Aviation Corps.
 Cox, Guy, Lieut., Somerset Light Infantry.
 Crick, A. T., Lieut., A.S.C.
 Crisp, A. P., Capt., Field Artillery.
 Crosby, A. W., Sergt.
 Crosby, W. M., Pvte.
 Cruickshank, A. La T., Capt., 40th Batt.

Davies, G. G., Bombardier, Field Artillery.
 D'Emden, M., Pvte., A.S.C.
 Dollery, E. M., Sergt.
 Douglas, B., Pvte., A.A.M.C.
 Elliston, C. W., Driver, Field Artillery.
 Elliston, V. G., Sergt., Field Artillery.
 Farmer, B. C., Pvte., A.S.C.
 Farmer, C. G., Capt., A.S.C.
 Farmer, I., Pvte.
 Flexmore, A., Pvte.
 Fitzgerald, F. G., Pvte.
 Fitzgerald, G. M., Gunner, Field Artillery.
 Foster, J. A., Capt., 12th Batt.
 Fox, E. C., Gunner, Field Artillery.
 Frizoni, Oscar, Lieut., E. Yorks. Regt.
 Garnett, B. G., Colonel.
 Gibbs, J., Pvte.
 Giblin, A. L.
 Giblin, E. L., Capt., R.A.M.C. Killed.
 Giblin, L. F., Capt., 40th Batt.
 Giblin, W. W., Col., A.A.M.C., C.B.
 Gravely, E. C., Pvte.
 Grant, F. G., Lieut.
 Hardy, A. W., Pvte., A.S.C.
 Hardy, H. N. M., Lieut.-Commander, D.S.O.
 Harris, J. O., Capt., 4th Batt.
 Harvey, J. B.
 Henry, H. L.
 Hickman, K. M., Corpl.
 Hill, T. A., Lieut., Royal Sussex.
 Hughes, S. L., Lieut., 12th Batt.
 Johnson, F. M., Major, A.A.M.C. Killed.
 Johnson, A. F., Capt.
 Jones, K.
 Kelly, H. G., Pvte.
 King, C. S., Lieut., R.F.A. Military Cross.
 Knight, M., Sapper, F. Engineers
 Lamph, A., Pvte.
 Lindley, T. M., Pvte.
 Lines, E. W. L., Lieut.
 Long, G. H., Pvte.
 Lucas, C. D., Lieut., 12th Batt. Killed.
 Lucas, R., Pvte.

Marshall, N., Pvte.
 Marshall, P., Pvte.
 Marshall, R., Pvte.
 Mathers, K., Pvte.
 Maxwell, D., Pvte., Light Horse.
 McCormick, A.
 McIntyre, F., Capt., A.A.M.C. Military Cross.
 McIntyre, G. L., Lieut., 40th Batt.
 McIntyre, W. K., Capt., R.A.M.C.
 McLeod, L. B., Sergt., Light Horse.
 McLeod, T. B., Capt., Light Horse.
 Moore, B. R., Corpl.
 Moore, K. F., Pvte.
 Moore, T. C. B., Lieut., 12th Batt.
 Morton, K., Pvte., 3rd Batt.
 Morriss, D., Corpl., 26th Batt.
 Murdoch, A., Corpl., A.A.M.C.
 Murdoch, J., Pvte., Light Horse.
 Nicholas, H. C., Lieut. Killed.
 O'Doherty, J., Pvte.
 O'Kelly, R. A., Pvte., Light Horse.
 Page, L. F., Sergt.
 Page, R., Pvte.
 Payne, A. F., Lieut., Pioneers.
 Payne, L. W., Pvte., 40th Batt.
 Peacock, J. E., Pvte., A.A.M.C.
 Piesse, J. S.
 Pretzman, E. R., Corpl., 40th Batt.
 Pritchard, N., Pvte.
 Radcliffe, B., Pvte., Light Horse.
 Ramsay, P. M., Gunner, Field Artillery.
 Rayner, C. S. W., Lieut., Oxford and Bucks
 Read, C. H., Lieut.
 Reid, F. W., Sergt., Pay Corps.
 Reid, J. A., Pvte., A.A.M.C.
 Rex, P. H., Pvte. Killed.
 Richard, N. B., Lieut.
 Richard, R. B., Sergt.
 Risby, T., Pvte.
 Rodway, S. F.
 Sale, A. T., Pvte.
 Salier, E. L., Capt. Fusiliers, Legion of Hon

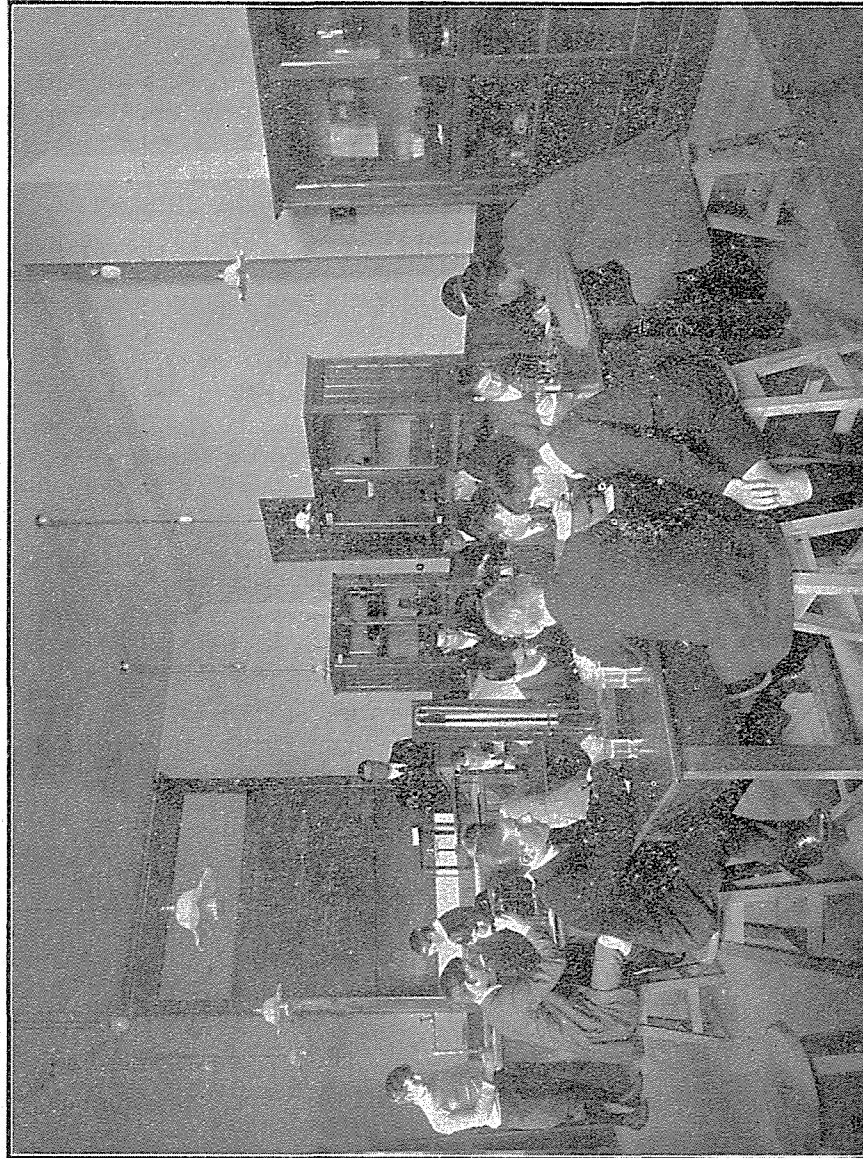
Sams, J. C., Pvte. Killed.
 Sargent, D.
 Sharland, C. S., Lieut.
 Shcobridge, A. W.
 Shcobridge, E., Corpl., 26th Batt.
 Snowden, R. E., Lieut.-Col., 15th Batt.
 Sorell, M., H.M.A.S. "Melbourne."
 Steinbach, R., Royal Flying Corps.
 Swan, R., Pvte., 1st Pioneers.
 Swan, E. T., Pvte.
 Taylor, A. C., Pvte.
 Thirkell, G. L., Lieut., Field Engineers.
 Thirkell, W. M., Lieut.
 Todd, R., Pvte., A.A.M.C.
 Tressider, L., Pvte.
 Turner, J. W., Lieut., Field Artillery.
 Uren, L., Sergt.
 Uren, H. S., Sergt., 12th Batt.
 Walch, B. J., Lieut., Essex Regt. Killed.
 Walch, J. C., Major, R.F.A.
 Walker, H. C., Corpl., A.A.M.C.
 Williams, C. E., Lieut., 4th Wilts.
 Weaver, R. N., Pvte, Light Horse. Killed.
 Webster, A. A., Gunner, Field Artillery.
 Westbrook, H. L., Pvte.
 Wertheimer, M. J. T., Pvte.
 Wilson, E. R.
 Windsor, E., Pvte.
 Wood, R. A., Gunner Field Artillery.
 Wright, P. L., Capt.
 Wylly, G., Major, "The Guides," V.C.
 Youl, J., Pvte., 12th Batt.

Old Boys' Column

BIRTHS.

WATCHORN.—On Sept. 27th, at Fitzroy-place, Mr. and Mrs. Erskine Watchorn—a son.

PRINGLE.—On Oct. 13th, at Hampden-road, Mr. and Mrs. E. N. Pringle—a daughter.



A PHYSICS CLASS

GRANT.—On Nov. 1st., at Edinburgh, Scotland, the wife of Lieut. F. G. Grant—a son.

IRELAND.—On Nov. 3rd, at Hobart, the wife of Dr. E. W. J. Ireland—a son.

DEATH

ANSELL.—Killed in action, on October 23rd, Lieutenant Herbert Abraham Ansell, younger son of the late Henry Ansell and Hannah Ansell, aged 38.

We regret to learn that Lieut. Oscar Frizoni, of the 12th Battalion, East Yorkshire Regiment, is reported missing since about the 20th of October.

Lieut. T. C. B. Moore, who was severely wounded at Pozieres in July, is now convalescent. He has just been promoted to captain. We congratulate him heartily on both recovery and promotion. He is the youngest of our captains, being only just over 21.

Lieut. S. L. Hughes, who is still suffering from the effects of shell shock in the same action, is expected to reach home in a few days. We shall be glad to see him again.

We are glad to see Mr. C. W. Butler about again after his long illness. Mr. Dennis Butler is at present taking an enforced rest in a private hospital. We wish him a speedy recovery.

Lieut. G. L. McIntyre, who left in charge of the first reinforcements for the 40th (Tasmanian) Battalion, had the bad luck to injure his knee rather badly, and has been in hospital for some time. Latest news is that he is getting better.

The following is an extract from the book, "The Great War," part 96, and refers to a Tasmanian Rhodes Scholar, Charles King:—"Some of our forward observing officers, who watched day and night the enemy's positions upon perilous capes between the opposing lines, had become interested in the raids that went on around them. For example, Temporary Second-Lieutenant Charles Stanley King, of A Battery, 96th Brigade, took part in the raid of —, December 15, 1915. He directed the fire of his battery on to the enemy's wire, and cut it so as to help the raiders. When the sharp,

brief bombing attacks increased in fury, owing to the Germans placing more men close in support of their fire trenches, our forward observing officers began to take a larger part in the tussle, and bring their guns down on the alarmed and disconcerted enemy." [Lieutenant King received the Military Cross for his conduct on the occasion referred to above.]

Letters from Old Boys

Lieutenant C. H. Read writes from "Somewhere in France," 28/6/16:—

"We had one day at Marseilles, but saw very little of the town, except from the harbour, which is very beautiful. All the trams are driven and conducted by women, who are doing everything, down to coaling and cleaning railway engines. It seems quite natural, after you have read of the country, to see them in the vineyards and fields, but it is rotten seeing them on the heavier work. I think one of the saddest things is that such a large percentage of them are in black. France is making fearful sacrifices, but I think the country is worth anything one can do to hold it. We left Marseilles by train very comfortably—four officers to a first-class carriage, so we had plenty of room to stretch out and sleep comfortably—very different from Egypt, where all ranks travel in unclean trucks, without springs. (By the way, I'm coming home via America, so that I shan't have to see Egypt again.) We lived on dry rations on the trip, and got a liberal deal. At Lyons an old French colonel and a crowd of Red Cross nurses gave us a jolly fine dinner, with real live strawberries and peaches, and a liberal supply of good red wine. Everyone was very pleased with everyone else, and two old colonels embraced each other affectionately. Some Australian subalterns, not to be outdone, kissed the nurses. We went on our way highly pleased with things in general. We had other welcomes, but Lyons would always do me at a pinch! It is no good my trying to describe the country we travelled

through, except that it is the loveliest country I've seen. All along the Rhone Valley there are vineyards, some of them terraced on the sides of steep hills. They rely entirely on rainfall for water, and apparently it is very regular there.

"Later we came to the agricultural country—all small holdings and intense culture, and, as it is only for farming, practically no fences. Some of the properties are divided by hawthorn hedges, and all the homesteads are surrounded by lovely trees, mostly oaks and elms.

"Then there are a good many dairy farms; enormous cows—in fact, all the animals seem abnormally large (good tucker all their lives). The crops are fine, and, owing to the war, every available inch is under crop. It is supposed to be the finest harvest for years. I don't know how they propose to take it off. Although our train journey of 750 miles took 57 hours, I enjoyed every minute of it. We saw Paris in the distance, Versailles, Boulogne, and Calais, and had a glimpse of the English Channel.

"We have now been in billets eight days, 12 miles behind the firing line, two platoons at this billet and two further on. Our division is scattered over the country round about. My men are very comfortable in a big brick barn, with plenty of clean straw, and R—and I have a room in the farmhouse, with real beds. We hand our rations to the people of the house, and for a few francs a day they cook for us, adding eggs, milk, vegetables, and strawberries, so you can see we are not starving. Anyhow, we want a bit of tucking in after Egypt. We are all working very hard at different preparations for the trenches, gas being the main practice; it's rather rotten stuff, and the fellows need a lot of practice to know all about it. I have the gas responsibility for the company, and to-day am doing a school with an English crowd. It is very interesting. I've been sent to so many specialist things now that they'll have me 'Jack of all' before long."

Lance Payne writes, 10/9/16:—

"I have been chosen to attend an officers' school at Balliol College. There was one candidate from each battalion of the 3rd Division, and I was the lucky one from the 40th. We are treated exactly as officers, and are expected to act accordingly. One could spend hours looking through the colleges. I spent three hours in St. Mary the Virgin's Church, where Cranmer, Ridley, and Latimer were tried and sentenced to be burnt. There are marks on the stone pillar where Latimer was chained, and the pulpit from which the sentence was read. The church also contains the room where Latimer was imprisoned. The large east window is of plain glass, the stained glass having been destroyed by Cromwell. The Bishop's dining-hall at Christ Church has been given over to flying men, who dine there in state. At Madgalen I only saw the dining-hall, which is just great. There is a mulberry tree here supposed to be 600 years old; it certainly looks it."

Capt. J. O. Harris, writing to the "Torchbearer," says:—

"In our last billets our company were shelled out by high explosive shells, and had to take refuge in shelter trenches, which were very wet. Our post was surrounded by our artillery, which fired night and day, and drew a lot of shellfire upon us. I had only one officer with me, and the post was a pretty large one to get round. It wasn't that the shells were constantly falling on us; it was the uncertainty of knowing whether they were coming on to us or not that made it trying, and the noise made sleep out of the question. Happily, we got off very lightly, but were all a bit jumpy when it was finished. On the last day I was walking back to battalion headquarters when, without warning, a large bullfrog leapt into a ditch with a loud 'plop,' and I jumped about three feet into the air.

"The other night we had a great show. Our artillery bombarded the enemy's trenches, and we got it back for two hours hot and strong, mostly 'whiz-bangs,' little brutes that give you no warning. At one

time there was a constant stream over company headquarters, and either bursting on the parapet or from 10 to 100 yards behind, varied by occasional bursts of shrapnel, and trench mortar bombs and grenades. The sight was magnificent, better than the finest fireworks I have ever seen, but the noise can only be described as shocking, and the stench of the explosives was sometimes enough to choke you; in fact, after it was over, a number of the men were physically sick, not from fear, because they all regard it as a joke, but from nausea caused by the smell. What annoyed them most was having to sit there and do nothing while the 'argument,' as they sometimes call it, was on. They wanted to get over the parapet and 'at 'em.'

"I expect you saw about some balloons being brought down. One afternoon we saw a curious cloud effect, something like heavy rain falling from a cloud in the distance, with occasional sparks of fire in it, over a German balloon. Directly after the balloon burst into flames and fell. The observers nipped out quick and lively in a parachute. Three more balloons quickly caught fire and fell, and the only other one in sight went down nearly as fast. As soon as they suspect that any trouble is coming the Germans send up flares like Roman candles, dozens and dozens of them all along the line, which can be picked out by the lights.

"The most trying time here is the lack of sleep. One gets very little sleep at night frequently none, and it is hard to sleep during the day, as reports and returns and little trifling matters of organisation have to be attended to every minute. To look at the country as you go through, but for the ruins one would never know there was a war on. The wheat is three feet high, the pastures are covered with beautiful deep grass, and the trees are in full leaf. Well, I must close now, as I have a lot of work to do and no time to do it in."

Major R. D. Brent writes as follows to his parents:—

"I am glad to hear that my brother has

enlisted. When the Somme casualty list appeared it ought to have bucked up recruiting again. There would be very few remaining behind if they could hear the contempt with which they are spoken of by everyone over here. It is wonderful to see, both in France and Belgium, the way the women and girls do everything, even to ploughing in some cases, but they are very sick of the war, and nearly everyone is in mourning. At present they are picking hops, which reminds me of old times in Tasmania. All the farms are very close together, and grow a bit of everything. Just before leaving—we held a big gymkhana, open to all. It went off splendidly. General Birdwood was present. There were 37 hunters (mostly English) in the hunters' contest, including two owned by a French general and ridden by crack English amateurs. I jumped two, Whitefoot and Crazy Jane, and won the reb riband (2nd) with the former, Major W— (W.A.) winning the blue riband (1st). So Australia did well to come out 1st and 2nd, considering the fine horses against us."

Early History of the School

(Continued.)

Before entering on any contract, the Building Committee appear to have had about £900 at their disposal, and they subsequently sold the land in Collins-street to Thomas Alcock for £430. Mr. Archer's estimate for his fresh design (a building he describes in the style of architecture of 15th Century) was £1,500, but this was afterwards altered by the insertion of three attics. The Committee having got the promise of the site, and the guarantee from the College Trustees, resolved to set to work on the building at once, and fixed the 31st August, 1847, as the date for the laying of the foundation stone.

This ceremony began at 2 p.m. on the date mentioned. A quarter of an hour before that time a large number of persons, estimated at 1,500, had assembled, the Band of the 96th Regiment being in at-

tendance, by permission of Colonel Cumberland. The Archdeacon and Clergy, the Warden and Fellows of Christ's College, the principal Government officers, the Headmaster and students of the Hutchins School, and of the Church Schools of Trinity Parish and St. John's, Goulburn street, met at the site in Macquarie street, which, according to the account in the local papers, "presented a gay and sprightly appearance." Shortly after two o'clock His Excellency Sir Wm. Denison, accompanied by Lady Denison and Captains Denison and Clarke, arrived on the ground, and proceeded at once to the place where the stone was to be laid. The Archdeacon read the 127th Psalm, and offered up an appropriate prayer. The Headmaster then read the following inscription engraved on the lid of a metal box, containing some silver coins, before it was deposited in the cavity in the stone:—

In Memoriam

Viri in primis venerandi

Gulielmi Hutchins. M.A.

Terræ Diemenensis Archidiaconi

Cui semper, dum vita manebat,

Hujus urbis juventutis in bonis artibus

Erudiendæ studium cordi erat,

Lugentes amici

Hanc domum ædificandam curavere.

Lapidem auspicalem posuit

Excellentissimus Gulielmus Thomas
Denison

Eques auratus—et huic insulæ Præfectus,

Francisco Russell Nixon

Diæceseos Tasmaniensis Episcopo

Prid: Kal: Sept:

A.D. MDCCCXLVII.

When the box had been deposited in the cavity, the usual arrangements were proceeded with, and the stone was lowered to its bed. His Excellency, applying the plane, the level, and the mortar, said:—

"We lay this stone as the foundation of the Hutchins Grammar School, and dedicate it to the honour of Almighty God, and of His Son our Saviour, Jesus Christ."

The Warden of Christ's College then gave an address, after which the first part of the 119th Psalm, according to the new version, was sung. It began as follows:—

"How shall the young preserve their ways

From all pollution free?

By making still their course of life

With Thy commands agree."

The Senior Chaplain (Dr. Bedford) concluded the ceremony with prayer.

His Excellency then left the site, and proceeded towards a marquee, which had been erected for the occasion. The students and children present were regaled with an unlimited supply of buns, which were served out by His Excellency and suite, who remained upon the ground for a considerable period. The boys of the School had a special dinner at the School after the proceedings, and the Governor gave a dinner to 18 guests, mostly connected with the proceedings, and gave the toast "Success to the Hutchins School."

Owing to the long time that had elapsed between the origination of the memorial to the Archdeacon, and any steps being taken to carry out the proposal, several subscriptions which had been promised had not been paid. A new prospectus was, therefore, issued, explaining the progress that had been made, and inviting further subscriptions. In this prospectus quotations are given from the Bishop's instructions to the Headmaster, and although the Hutchins School is described as being inseparably connected with the Church of England it is distinctly stated that its system of education is open to all.

"The Hutchins School has been for some time before the public. Its principles are

known, and its prospects are full of hope. Based upon these sentiments of comprehensive, yet consistent liberality, which animate the great body of the Church of England, it appeals to the active support of all who appreciate the importance of preserving a well tried system of education in this colony, of all who desire the promotion of moderate practical views, and of all who would testify their unshaken affection to the Church of their forefathers, by extending her blessings to succeeding generations." The prospectus also shows that it was in contemplation to build a Public Museum and Library to occupy one portion of the site, and to the maintenance of this an estate of 400 acres (the Ancanthe Estate) had been set apart. The Museum referred to is the one which Lady Franklin desired to establish, and, in fact, did establish in the building on the Augusta road, New Town. With reference to this, the Warden of Christ's College, writing to the Headmaster on 18th February, 1847, says:—"I will answer for the Museum furniture being placed there as soon as ever the College has the disposal of the land in Macquarie street, which will be when we get our Charter. Of course, the Museum must be so arranged as to be the public benefit Lady Franklin designed, and not merely for the use of the boys." This part of the scheme was never carried out, owing to the College not receiving a Charter, and the collection was given to the Public Museum of the Colony.

The grant of the site for the Hutchins School evoked loud complaints from the opponents of the Bishop. The land had formerly been offered by Sir J. Franklin as a site for his contemplated College before it was determined to establish it in the country. Sir Eardley Wilmot had subsequently offered it for a proprietary school, on a system definitely opposed to that of the College, as revived under the Church of England. It was urged that such a valuable block of land, being the only available area in the city at the disposal of the Crown, should have been reserved for municipal purposes, and be-

stowed upon the City Corporation, which was then expecting a charter from the Crown. The Lieutenant-Governor was blamed for his action in the matter, and the Rev. Dr. Lillie, Minister of St. Andrew's Church, addressed a letter to the Secretary of State, protesting against the alienation of the land for "sectarian" purposes, the School being under the Bishop, and not affiliated, as stated, to the new Christ's College, which was, he maintained, not a College at all. Mr. Gell replied, defending the College, and maintaining that the School was affiliated to it, "and open to all upon the most liberal footing, under a clergyman whose eminent qualifications for the business of instruction have earned for him the warm support of 'the Church of England.'" ["Courier," Sept. 18, 1847.] "Civis," same date, says:—"The 'Hutchins Grammar School is an institution of general utility, and open to all. It is exactly calculated to meet the wishes of successive Lieutenant-Governors and Secretaries of State, who have from time to time authorised public aid to be given to any such institution; and the very fact of bestowing this aid increases the probability that the liberal principles to which the Managers of the School are pledged will be carried out."

This controversy led to the issue of a prospectus on 31st August, 1847, by those who shared Dr. Lillie's views, for the establishment of a proprietary school on a wider basis, and on undenominational principles, and ultimately with the growing wants of the community to obtain the privileges of a chartered corporation, and the advantages of a European University, the affairs to be managed by a council of nine shareholders, or subscribers, elected by the association.—W. Robertson, Treasurer. R. W. Nutt and F. Haller, Secretaries. The shares were rapidly taken up, and the building, called the High School, was erected at a cost of £4,500, on a site granted by Sir Wm. Denison, and opened in January, 1850, with Mr. James Eccleston, of Trinity College, Dublin, as Headmaster. This School continued for many years to be the friendly rival of the Hutchins School, until the build-

ing was leased to the Council of Christ's College in 1885, when most of the pupils joined that institution.

At the anniversary of Christ's College on 1st October, 1847, it was stated that number of students were 30 at the College, 29 at Hutchins School, 27 at Launceston Grammar School. A writer in the "Courier," October 13th, 1847, says:—"It is 'only when we come to the excellent plan 'laid down for the Hutchins School that we 'perceive those grand principles of religious 'liberty, which are the true safeguard of 'Christianity. Here the parent cannot re-'strain the Master from speaking his mind 'upon all subjects of religious truth; nor 'can the Master compel the parent to sub-'mit his child to the necessity of using 'forms and performing devotional acts con-'trary to his father's creed. . . ." How well this enlightened plan accorded with the views of the first Archdeacon of V.D.L., whose name the School bears, appears from the many occasions upon which he admitted the same principle, while the schools throughout the country were wholly or chiefly under his enlightened care. He always acknowledged the parent's liberty to interfere in his child's behalf, where the formulas used were such as the parent conscientiously disapproved.

The "Courier," Dec. 25th, 1847, says:—"The School was examined by the Warden of Christ's College, with the assistance of the staff. This School is successfully surmounting the difficulties of the first beginning, and its numbers are gradually on the advance in proportion as the soundness of the system is becoming more proved and known. The new building is in active progress. The plans are worthy of the object, so that when completed the School-house will form one of the handsomest ornaments of the town."

The School Roll

(Continued.)

Entered 1854.—C. H. Robarts, Jas. Meyers, P. McGinley, A. Murphy, John

Moore, W. J. Fisher, E. Fisher, R. Thomson, W. Thomson, Jas. Keenan, J. Livingston, D. Luckman, A. Luckman, E. Luckman, John Allen, James Allen, T. Galligher, M. Regan, Wm. Garrard, J. S. Barclay, C. J. Barclay, T. S. Barclay, David Barclay, J. W. Perriman, H. W. Drury, W. H. Strutt, T. Laidman, J. R. Crook, T. Nolan, C. H. Martin, L. Davies, R. A. Wright, Geo. Wright, R. R. Reeves, Alfred Weara, Henry Pitt, Francis Nicholas, H. Allsop, John Wright, G. D. Rouse, Alex. Marshall, Henry New, W. Welch, Caleb Tapping, W. Seal, J. Low, J. G. Greig, F. S. Makeig, A. Makeig, O. G. Armstrong, H. J. Armstrong, H. Hurley, H. J. Chapman, Henry Teend, G. Conliffe, John Austen, W. D. Mills, J. T. Harris, M. Harris, T. H. Turner, C. W. Crump, P. Bradshaw, H. Hagon, H. C. Hardinge, Walter Price, J. M. Vicary, D. Wilkinson, T. Kemp, S. D. Barrow, P. Murray, H. L. Crowther, Stephen Bell, E. A. Chapman, H. B. Thompson, H. McCracken, M. W. Gage, J. E. Addison, F. Carandini, J. W. Russell, E. J. Russell, J. Sargison, H. C. J. Hull, — Birchall, W. Sugden, R. J. Sugden, J. Riley, C. Riley, J. Carpenter, P. Eardley-Wilmot.

Cricket

Inasmuch as we finished up the year only two points behind the premiers, St. Virgil's, and in addition defeated them by four wickets, it cannot be said that the team had a bad season. But on one or two occasions we collapsed unaccountably on a good wicket.

The team was far from good; the bowling lacked variety and the batting depended too much on one or two members. The fielding was much better than that of last year, but still might be greatly improved.

The mainstay of the batting was Richardson; it will be seen that he scored more than half the runs of the side. Though rather weak on the leg, he was very patient, and hard to bowl out. Norman showed good form now and then, as did Loane, but Lilley for some reason was right off, and seldom looked like getting runs.

Henry made his debut by scoring 42, but failed to keep up his form. Most of the others were uncertain, and showed lack of practice, which, owing to the bad weather, it has been impossible to obtain.

Lilley bore the brunt of the bowling, and succeeded very well, generally keeping a good length and breaking back a little, with an occasional swerve. It is interesting to notice that 19 of his 24 wickets were clean bowled. Richardson, depending largely on the field, was more expensive. Loane proved excellent as a change bowler, and several times broke up dangerous partnerships, but Norman appeared to have quite lost the skill he showed in the junior eleven, and little use was made of him.

As has been mentioned before, the fielding showed some improvement. Richardson, Upcher, and Georgeson were very safe, while Loane and Norman, if a little slow off the mark, generally held any catches that came their way. Steele, though rather small, also fielded well.

Crouch, behind the wickets, performed his duties very well, allowing only 27 byes, and taking five catches.

Batting Averages.

Name.	Innings.	Runs.	Highest Score.	Not Out.	Average.
F. Richardson ...	6	351	114*	2	87.75
J. Henry ...	3	47	42	0	15.66
C. Norman ...	5	77	23	0	15.40
K. Douglas ...	3	10	9*	2	10.00

*Not out.

Highest Score of Season.—Richardson, 114 not out, against Friends'.

Best Partnership of Season.—Richardson and Norman, 89 against Leslie House.

Total number of runs made during season, 695 for 47 wickets, an average of 14.79 per wicket.

Total number of runs made by opponents, 865 for 54 wickets, an average of 16.01 per wicket.

Bowling Averages.

Name.	Balls.	Maidens.	Runs.	Wickets.	Average.
E. Lilley ...	675	20	251	24	10.46
T. Loane ...	186	5	94	7	13.43
F. Richardson ...	608	18	324	19	17.05

Douglas, Upcher, Norman, and Long also bowled.

Best Bowling Performance of Season.—E. Lilley, 7 for 40, against Friends'.

The catches taken during the season were:—F. Richardson (6), A. Crouch (5), D. Georgeson (3), Lilley, Norman, Steele, and Upcher (1 each).

The following school matches were played this quarter:—

Against Friends' High School (New Town, Oct. 28th and 30th). Winning the toss on a dead wicket, we decided to bat, but with our score at 59 for three wickets rain put a stop to further cricket for the day. On the resumption of play Henry, taking risks and enjoying some luck, put together 42, but the last six wickets fell for 33. Friends' opened very cautiously, the first 14 overs yielding only eight runs, but later Hickman hit out with success, and, though Lilley bowled finely, we lost by six wickets. Scores:—

F.H.S.—First Innings.

123 for 4 wickets (S. Hickman, not out, 60, Escott, 17).

H.S.—First Innings.

F. Richardson, c Miller, b Hickman ...	21
C. Norman, b Rowlands ...	17
E. Lilley, c Rowlands, b Miller ...	11
J. Henry, c Escott, b Rowlands ...	42
T. Loane, b Rowlands ...	3
P. Upcher, b Hickman ...	0
R. Clarke, st Cooper, b Rowlands ...	0
D. Georgeson, c Cooper, b Rowlands ...	4
A. Crouch, hit wkt., b Hickman ...	2
C. Steele, b Page ...	2
K. Douglas, not out ...	0
Sundries ...	11

Total ... 113

Bowling: Rowlands, 5 for 29; Hickman, 3 for 49.

V. Leslie House School (New Town, Nov. 4th and 8th). Leslie, winning the toss, batted, and their total reached 134. C. Geeves (missed in the outfield before he had scored) hit very hard on the off side in compiling 72. He hit a nice sixer off Loane, and was finely caught by Georgeson at extra cover. It is difficult to account for the rot that ensued in our innings. On an easy wicket, against easy bowling, we were dismissed for 62, of which Richardson and Crouch scored 42 between them.

L.H.S.—First Innings.

134 (C. Geeves 72, E. Montgomery 17, E. Archer 10).

HUTCHINS SCHOOL.—First Innings.

F. Richardson, c Burrows, b C. Archer	24
C. Norman, b C. Archer	2
E. Lilley, run out	0
J. Henry, b Oldmeadow	2
R. Clarke, run out	2
K. Douglas, b C. Archer	1
T. Loane, b Oldmeadow	0
A. Crouch, b C. Archer	18
C. Steele, b C. Archer	0
P. Upcher, not out	3
D. Georgeson, c Finlay, b C. Archer	2
Sundries	8

Total ... 62

Bowling: C. Archer, 6 wickets for 25 runs; Oldmeadow, 2 for 44.

H.S. Bowling: Richardson, 5 for 41; Lilley, 2 for 44; Loane, 1 for 14.

V. St. Virgil's College (New Town, Nov. 11th). St. Virgil's batted first on a rather tricky wicket, and were dismissed in an hour and a half for 86, Barker alone making much of a stand. Richardson and Norman opened for us, and looked like hitting off the runs without being separated, but Norman was unfortunately run out. Richardson batted very steadily, and with five wickets down we passed St. Virgil's total. The bowling

of Oakleigh, who had met with such success against the other schools, presented no difficulties.

ST. V.C.—First Innings.

86 (W. Barker 26, W. West 16).

HUTCHINS SCHOOL.—First Innings.

F. Richardson, b Oakleigh	51
C. Norman, run out	15
E. Lilley, b Fahey	0
J. Henry, b Fahey	3
T. Loane, c Parer, b Oakleigh	11
R. Clarke, c West, b Oakleigh	2
K. Douglas, not out	9
Sundry	1

Total for 6 wickets ... 92

Bowling: Oakleigh, 3 for 40; Fahey, 2 for 6.

H.S. Bowling: Richardson, 3 for 40; Lilley, 2 for 30; Loane, 3 for 6.

JUNIOR CRICKET.

The junior eleven has had a fairly successful season. Out of six matches played they won four, and, following the example of the First XI., they tied for second place on the premiership list. The batting was very evenly divided amongst the team, while Chapman and Alexander proved most successful as bowlers. In most matches the scores have been very close, notably in the St. Virgil's match, which we won by a run.

The majority of the team improved very much during the season, more especially Oliver, Hammond, Henry, Evans, and Davis. During the latter half of the season Hay captained the team very efficiently.

Rowing

During the term satisfactory arrangements were made with the Sandy Bay Rowing Club, which permitted several boys to use the club's property.

Hay and Allison (stroke and 3 of the last crew) have been hard at work teaching aspirants to seats in boat.

As a result of their efforts a marked improvement is shown by the boys, who have benefited much from the coaching they have received. We are looking forward to putting a crew into training when school resumes next year, and hope to improve on our previous performances.

Our thanks are due to the Bay Club for the generous way they have met us as regards terms, and we hope that in future years they will be rewarded by possessing many champion oarsmen who were once Hutchins School boys.

Sixth Form Spasms

There is very little to chronicle this term, except one continual round of work. We are absolutely up to our ears in it, and poor old Mary, never very energetic, has had to have recourse to some Sanatogen he bought cheap. Peggy left us awhile, being called out to Claremont, while a bad attack of illness caused the absence of Nanna, and left a considerable gap in the Form. So overjoyed were we at his return that we were moved to perpetrate the following:—

Poor Peggy Black has gone to war,
And Waugh is going Black
Because his pleura, joined before,
Have joined behind his back.

As works the busy Bumble Bee,
So works Sir Bumble Clarke;
Yet sad it is to find that he
Reached but the sixteenth mark.

See toiling Reynolds swotting still,
He means to do or die.
Although he's "Pasty," yet he will
Eat of no humble pie.

Has Elsie Lilley joined the Hun?
Why else 'e, like a Turk,
Whilst Seena Owen is the one,
Has seen a Billie Burke!

If Pimple Crouch his tongue would stall
Whilst "keeping" in a match,
He'd find that holding of the "bawl"
Would often mean a catch.

We have several other verses in mind, but lack of space prevents our publication of them, and if any member of the Form feels put out at not being in the list, as the society column puts it, "there were also others."

Gus and Reginald are overjoyed at the prospect of a trip to Launceston, but they are warned that a strict look out will be kept, and that any "funny business" will be put down with the firmest of firm hands.

A good many of the old brigade are leaving this year. Mary, Pimple, Bundle, and Gus, will be amongst the ranks of the dear departed, and probably, also, Billie and Hermann. However, Teddy and Holy will be here to keep up our reputation, and to instil terror into the hearts of the Fifth.

This is the last effusion of the present "Spasmer," but he hopes that some better artist of the pen will follow in his footsteps, and wishes him the best of luck in his new job. Having heard of some remarks addressed to a certain "mob orator" by the Warden, we sincerely hope our mantle will not fall upon him.

F.B.R.

Boarders' Notes

The usual writer of these notes having entered for the Senior Public, his work has fallen to an understudy. A short time ago Mr. Eldridge joined us as a housemaster. He has occupied some of our spare time in relating his experiences during the retreat from Mons and the battles of the Marne and Aisne, which seem to interest most of us, except Granny and Ham, who seem more interested in hiding-go-seek.

Once again the boarders have shown their superiority by beating the day boys at tennis. Our team consisted of J. Henry, N. Hay, J.

Clark, and P. Upcher. The four members of the team were in great form, especially Jack and Holy, who managed to win a set from the day boys' best pair.

Jerry has taken it into his head to be a weekly boarder. We are all wondering why!

Old Ham is with us once again, but his trip to Queensland has not made him any thinner. We have also two new boys among us—Onslow, from New Norfolk, who is a weekly boarder, and Booth, from Ulverstone.

We are all thinking of "throwing in" for a new scarf for Wog to use on his way to Kimberley, as his last one got spoilt on the way down. Many boys have asked "how," but that is a secret.

We were all very glad to hear of Bill Payne, who is attending an Officers' School of Instruction in Oxford, and we all wish him the "best of luck."

Mr. Erwin was kind enough to treat us to a night's entertainment, and we all take this opportunity of thanking him.

Our latest recruit to the "long-trouser" brigade is O. J., who on his return from the pillar-box received great acclamations from the Cally, which made our poor wowser colour a little.

Great interest has been shown by some of the boarders in rowing. There are six of us who attend the sheds regularly for practice, namely, Hay, Allison, Onslow, Madden, Upcher, and A. Henry. The last two mentioned are coxswains.

Bushy has become quite fashionable lately. He now wears a wrist clocklet, which greatly amuses everyone, as its diameter is not more than three inches.

We are very sorry to hear that J. Henry, Craw, Jackson, Loane, and G. Davis are leaving us at the end of the year and we wish them the best of luck in future life.

N.G.H.