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Editorial

LOOKING at the issue of *THE CYGNET* published in July last year, we find that the Editorial remarks include a lament for the loss of the Darlôt Cup, and an exhortation to the School to "buck up" and win it back, and end with the quotation of the School motto "*FLOREAT SCHOLA PERTHIENSIS*." We can safely say that, since then, the School has passed through a most successful period; for it has not only "bucked up" and won back the Darlôt Cup, but it has also annexed the "Rhodes' Scholarship." On the Cup the name of the High School appears eight times in nine years, while three of the six Rhodes' Scholars are claimed by us. This is not a bad record considering the size of the School, and it would indicate that the High School goes in for quality rather than quantity.

Another matter of complaint remarked upon in the above-named Editorial remarks was the fewness of occasions on which any outside literary contribution is received. We grieve to have to record that there has been no improvement whatever in this respect since the complaint was last made. As for the members of the School, there seems to be very little chance indeed (at any rate for some time to come) of getting any of them to conjure up sufficient courage to expose their literary talent to public criticism, but amongst the Old Boys there must be many who have long ago got over this nervousness and lack of confidence in their powers. In one respect, indeed, we are likely to receive help in the near future, viz., in the compilation of an Old Boys' column, a task which is almost an impossibility for present boys to manage. When once the Old Boys' Association is an accomplished fact (and this should not be long now), a fairly complete and reliable budget of Old Boys' news should easily be procured for each issue of *THE CYGNET*. We hope also through the medium of the Association to be able to increase our circulation to a large extent, and of course, with the consequently enlarged funds, to augment the size of our journal. Altogether, the prospects of *THE CYGNET* for the current year seem to be painted in the rosiest of hues.

R.L.S.

In certain circles it is customary for a lady whose name, for example, is Mrs. Brown, to refer to her husband as Mr. B. Let us be charitable and assume that she adopts this form as a sign of affection. Certainly it is affection which prompts lovers of Stevenson to speak of him by the method of initials. It is even more than this. It is a kind of intimation to the world at large that nobody is at liberty to have these particular initials conferred on him; they are reserved, as by letters patent, to describe the author who has obtained so sure a hold on the hearts of his fond admirers. Moreover, it has the advantage that these same admirers have no difficulty with the spelling of Stevenson's name, when they have occasion to refer to him in writing. Stevenson himself was very much annoyed with anyone who addressed him as Stephenson. He even took pains elaborately to pronounce the name Stephenson, when he came across it, as Step—henson. It is a very pardonable peculiarity, this desire to have one's name spelt correctly, and many people would be more careful if they knew how objectionable it is to be addressed by some merely collateral form of surname.

Why is it that Stevenson is regarded with such a generous measure of personal fondness? It is because he put more of himself into his work than is usual with novelists. Page after page of his books reads like friendly talk between man and man. The limpid style runs on with all the freshness of the skilled *raconteur* telling the story with the living voice. Doubtless it was not without infinite pains that he acquired his easy grace. Indeed, what thing worth having is ever gained without painful effort? He has told us himself how he played the sedulous ape to many of his predecessors, to Sterne, perhaps, above all others. But in the result he attained a style of such distinction and distinctiveness, that if anonymous work of his should be discovered his lovers would not have a moment's hesitation in declaring it to be his. No dry analysis can reveal the secret of his charm; no critical inspection can define the constituent qualities of that which is so elusive and yet so real. But since the days of Thackeray no writer has been able to secure his readers in such bonds of friendship. Indeed, he grapples them to himself with hooks of steel.

In essays and letters, and books of travel, he speaks to all who care to listen as friend speaks to friend. He has a way of setting down in perfect phrase exactly the thoughts and feelings that we ourselves have

had, without being able, in our inarticulate weakness, to find their proper expression. He preaches pleasant sermons, and this is indeed a rare accomplishment. He is grateful for all blessings; for night and day; for dawn and the light of stars; for "the wind on the hill;" for healthy toil and restful sleep; for cheerful talk and wayside greetings. He makes us feel that life is a thing worth living, because, like Abou Ben Adhem, he loves his fellowmen. However large a library may be, no shelf contains better prescriptions for weariness and depression than that which holds the works of Stevenson. In his frail body, over which one might have expected a constant shadow would rest, there was a cheerfulness which puts most of us to shame. Nor is it "the loud laugh that speaks the vacant mind." His optimism is full of tender wisdom. He has seen life steadily, and after his survey of mankind he has decided that life contains more pleasant things than painful, and that our duty lies in thankfulness and in making the best of everything, and in crediting our neighbour with kindly motives and a generous heart.

It was largely because of this cheerful spirit that he succeeded in writing one of the best boys' books in existence. If anyone is to be happy and to look on life, like Peter Pan, as "having fun," it is surely a boy; and Stevenson remained much of a boy to the end of his life. He could never have written anything solemn and priggish like "Sandford and Merton." "Treasure Island" is written with due regard for many of the well-established conventions. The boy hero must be the central figure in the moving incidents. It must be he who is able, by fortune's favour, to checkmate the rascally projects of atrocious villains. His seamanship may not be altogether beyond criticism, but the reader has the comfortable assurance that he is bound to "come out on top." He tells his story in the first person, which is very comforting to nervous people who fear that his schemes may "gang aley," since he could hardly be telling the tale unless he survived the desperate plotting of his adversaries. But he tells it in clear and forceful English, with humour that is not mechanical or laboured; he is no paragon of all the virtues, but makes mistakes like anybody else, and is not afraid to admit them as some people are; and he grows so much our familiar acquaintance that we feel we might easily meet him some day in the street, in which case we might perhaps walk up to him with outstretched hand, as Stanley did to Livingstone, and say—"Mr. Jim Hawkins, I presume." We are grateful to him because, in spite of his being so much a favourite of fortune as to make the captain rather doubtful of him, he does not

put so great a strain upon our credulity as Rudyard Kipling's *Kim*, or any one of the heroes of most modern American novels, whose utterances in childhood contain the hoarded wisdom of centuries, and an unfailing gift of repartee.

Then the villains in the piece are wholly delightful. They have distinction, not without differences. Billy Bones, Pew, Israel Hands, and John Silver are precious rascals all ; but there is no confusing one with another. They stand out quite distinctly, each with his own proper methods of conducting his shameless profession. Pew and Silver would probably be the most awkward of the quartette to have a quarrel with ; and that is a little surprising, as one of them was blind and the other could not walk without a crutch. They are all excellent foils for the duty-loving captain, the kindly, clever doctor, and the large-hearted squire, whose tongue is inclined to run away with him. Altogether, it is hard to imagine a better handling of the well-worn plot of the search for buried treasure, a plot which has occasionally been managed well, as in Poe's "*Gold Bug*," and often not so well.

But the chief matter for thankfulness in the book—and this applies to "*Kidnapped*" also—is that no time is wasted on foolish love-making. People who wish to see how Stevenson tells a love-story may go to "*Catriona*," or "*St. Ives*." The only real example of faithfulness to the domestic affections to be found in "*Treasure Island*" is the attachment of John Silver to the negress, whom he probably rejoins after the tale of the treasure is fully told ; and it is safe to say that his mind was not very much concerned with her while he was on the schooner or on the island. Ben Gunn was not longing in his solitude for wife or sweetheart. A piece of cheese was what he had set his heart on. The book is made up of men good and bad (many of whom disappear suddenly) ; plenty of fresh air and salt water, except in the swamp ; and a boy.

Looking very briefly at "*Kidnapped*," many things may be said of it that have been said of "*Treasure Island*." The hero is again a boy, and a very real boy, who tells his own tale. But this time there is a character that is even more vivid than that of the narrator. Alan Breck is the most fascinating of all Stevenson's gallery of portraits. R.L.S., like Walter Scott, might be expected to be at his best in his native Scotland, and it was a very loving hand that drew the picture of the brave, loyal, and vain Jacobite. As for the plot, it is simply an incident—the flight through the heather—to bring out the features of

David Balfour and Allen. The villainous schemes of the wicked uncle are just a trifle mechanical, though the old rascal is a very interesting person. It is Alan whose company we chiefly want, and there are few people whose company is quite as good. We love him as much as we love D'Artagnan, or Mulvaney, or Harry Lorrequer, and we seem to know him better, because he is drawn in such detail and with such clearness.

These two books are perhaps the best to read at the outset as an introduction to Stevenson; and assuredly those who have felt their charm will not rest content until they have read a good deal more of such an author. They will be glad to have quoted some lines of the poem in which one of his friends, W. E. Henley, attempts to describe him. It is in sonnet form, and the octave is concerned with Stevenson's outward appearance. It runs as follows:—

Thin-legged, thin-chested, slight unspeakably,
Neat-footed and weak-fingered; in his face—
Lean, large-boned, curved of beak, and touched with race,
Bold-lipped, rich-tinted, mutable as the sea,
The brown eyes radiant with vivacity—
There gleams a brilliant and romantic grace,
A spirit intense and rare, with trace on trace
With passion, and impudence, and energy.

The sestet is an attempt to describe his qualities of genius and character, and with the famous last three lines we may conclude:

A deal of Ariel, just a streak of Puck,
Much Antony, of Hamlet most of all,
And something of the Shorter Catechist.

From the French.

Prenez garde, mes enfants,
Vous qui lisez des romans
Ou des journaux bien ornés de gravures,
De vous asseoir tête en l'air,
Parceque chez les locataires,
On rencontre partout des confitures.

Will you take a friend's advice?
When you choose a story nice,

Or the pictures in the papers wish to see,

Take your seat with every care;

For the boarders' supper-fare

Is adhesive, and you'll find it scattered free.

School News.

The prefects for this term are :—Davy, Smyth, Montgomery i., Woods, Price i., McLarty and Riley i. Montgomery i. has been promoted to headmaster's prefect in place of Terry ; while Price i. McLarty and Riley i. fill the places of Montgomery, Maley and Burges.

The beginning of this term brought a change in our School staff. The vacancy caused by the departure of Mr. Henwood who, we hear, has "gone on the land," has been filled by Mr. Noake. We wish Mr. Henwood every success in his new sphere.

The Cadet Corps, whose uniforms have at last arrived, has been undergoing a rigorous course of training this term, and is beginning to look very soldierly. The officers of the Corps are :—Captain, Mr. Jenkins ; lieutenants, A. B. Montgomery and D. R. McLarty ; sergeants, McMillan, Mitchell, Riley i. and Jenkins ; corporals, Walker, Dickson, Browning and Hester. Among the four Secondary School Corps, the High School has the distinction of ranking first.

The crew for the Inter-School Boat Race, to be rowed on May 1st, is :—

Montgomery i.	...	bow	...	9 st. 8 lbs.
Riley i.	...	2	...	10 st. 7 lbs.
Smyth	...	3	...	10 st. 6 lbs.
Davy i.	...	stroke	...	10 st. 12 lbs.
Thomas	...	cox.	...	5 st. 1 lb.

The weights are given with a deduction of 7 lbs. for clothes.

The crew is under the able care of Mr. H. Stone, who is an old boy of the High School. As in former years, our representatives labour under the serious disadvantage of starting their training about two months later than the other three schools.

In Saturday's Carnival there is included this year an Inter-School Old Boys' Race. Our crew is :

S. Connor	...	...	...	bow
G. Pretty	...	...	...	2
H. Stone	...	...	...	3
J. Gray	...	...	...	stroke
H. Fowler	...	...	...	cox.

The School has had two great successes this term ; first we have won the Rhodes' Scholarship, which makes the third gained by boys from the High School ; and secondly the Darlôt Cup has come into our possession once more. Of this we may deservedly be proud, since in nine years we have lost it only once.

Adelaide Examinations.

The following were the successful candidates in the Adelaide examinations, held in November last year :—

HIGHER PUBLIC.

- T. A. Davy : Ninth place on general Honour List, Latin (first place of all candidates), Greek, French, English Literature, History.
- C. H. Terry : Latin (second place), French, English Literature, History.
- H. K. Smyth : Latin (fifth place), Greek, French.
- A. B. Montgomery : Latin, Greek, French.
- H. L. Fowler : Latin, History.

SENIOR.

- H. K. Smyth, H. L. Fowler, A. B. Montgomery, F. B. Riley.
- H. K. Smyth : Thirteenth place on general Honour List, Latin (fourth place), Greek (fourth place), French, English Literature, History, Geometry, Trigonometry.
- H. L. Fowler : Forty-fourth place on general Honour List, Latin (thirteenth place), French, Greek, English Literature, History (thirteenth place), Geometry.
- A. B. Montgomery : Forty-eighth place on general Honour List, Latin, (fifth place), Greek, French, English Literature, History, Trigonometry.
- F. B. Riley : Latin, French, History, Arithmetic and Algebra, Geometry, Trigonometry.

JUNIOR.

- W. J. Price, R. L. Curthoys, E. W. Leake, R. C. Dickson, K. J. Walker.
- W. J. Price : Seventh place on general Honour List, Latin (first place), Greek, French (fourth place), History, Geography, Arithmetic, Geometry, Algebra (first place).
- R. L. Curthoys : Thirteenth place on general Honour List, Latin (first place), Greek, French (second place), English Literature (twelfth place), History, Geography, Arithmetic, Algebra, Geometry.

E. W. Leake : Latin (seventh place), French, History, Geography (fourteenth place), Algebra.

R. C. Dickson : Latin (fifteenth place), French, History, Geography, Algebra, Arithmetic.

K. J. Walker : Latin, French, History, Algebra, Arithmetic.

R. M. Jenkins obtained seventeenth place in Latin.

The Swimming Sports.

The Annual Swimming Sports were held in Claremont Baths on Wednesday, March 3rd, and fortunately the day was not so cold as last year, although the night before the weather had been unpromising. We went down to Claremont by the 10 o'clock train, and Mr. Hall, the starter, began the races well up to time.

The first race was the Hundred Yards School Championship, for which there were only three entries. Walker, as was expected, was easily first, and Price i. finished second.

The Under 14 Years 50 Yards Handicap came next, and owing to the number of entries it had to be divided into two races—a heat and a final. Price ii., who was one with limit start, easily came first in the heat and then just succeeded in winning the final, Maitland being close up to him in second place.

In the Hundred Yards Open Handicap Walker scored a second victory by beating Hester by about three lengths.

The Breast Stroke 75 Yards Handicap was won for the fourth time in succession by McMillan, who was scratch. Hester, however, who was second, was close up at the finish.

The Long Dive was won by Walker, who dived 29 yards. Price i., who was second, only went about half the distance Walker did, and the rest hardly did a "long" dive.

The Fifty Yards Under 16 Handicap proved a very close race, Goadby,—who had a good start—just succeeded in winning, Badock being a good second and Hester third.

The handicapping was done by Mr. Hall and the prefects, and all through it was very satisfactory.

Eastern Districts Tour.

On December 15th we started on our annual cricket tour of the Eastern districts. This time we left out Northam, but included Pingelly in our programme of matches, and I think everybody was well pleased with the change. We were all sorry that Tipperary was unable to play us, because we looked forward to this match with pleasure.

Leaving Perth early on Monday morning we arrived at Pingelly, the first place on our programme, at about three o'clock in the afternoon. In the evening we were entertained at a card party and dance, given by the people of Pingelly.

On Tuesday we played the first match of the tour. Pingelly batted first and put up the moderate total of 128. After a splendid lunch given by the proprietors of the Pingelly Hotel, the High School started their innings, and through the agency of Mr. Hall and Woods 125 runs were made before the fall of the first wicket. Before reaching Pingelly's total Woods was dismissed for a well made 49. Mr. Hall played a splendid innings and retired when he had made 126. The rest of the team failed to make a stand and the innings closed for 254, thus beating Pingelly by 126. Montgomery bowled best for the High School, securing five wickets for 30, while Smith and O'Neil each got four wickets for Pingelly. Our first match was won. On Wednesday afternoon we bade our guests farewell and journeyed back to Beverley. On Thursday we played Beverley. The High School batted first and made 147, of which the principal scorers were Davy 58, Smyth 21 and Taylor 20. Beverley then entered on their innings and looked as if they were going to beat us rather easily; but at last their first men Fleay (who made 31) and Hall (25) were dismissed. As there was not long to play Beverley tried to make the runs quickly, but their wickets fell at the same time. Seeing they were unable to beat us they then tried to play out time, and it looked as if the match would end in a draw; but their last man was caught off the last ball before time was called, when they were 27 short of our total. After the match, Mr. Hall thanked the ladies for their kindness in providing us with afternoon tea, and we then hurried off to catch the train to Wilberforce. On Friday we met Wilberforce, but in this match we suffered our only defeat of the tour. Wilberforce went to the wickets first and owing chiefly to the batting of E. Hamersley and R. Burges put up the total of 105. The High School then followed, but the bowling of A. Hamersley proved too much, and

we were disposed of for the poor score of 72, thus losing the match by 32 runs. The principal scorers for Wilberforce were E. Hamersley 46 and R. Burges 22; for the High School, Mr. Hall 25 and Woods 22.

On Saturday we travelled back to York to play our last match. We were rather late in starting so the match ended in a draw. York batted first and were dismissed for 178. At the call of time the High School had lost two wickets for 123. The principal scorers for York were Laurence 35, McDonald 29 and R. Burges 22; for the High School, Mr. Hall 45, Woods 34 and Smyth 28 not out. Montgomery secured most of the wickets for the High School.

On Saturday night most of the boys caught the train for Perth, all agreeing that they had spent a most enjoyable time. Thus ended a most successful tour, in which we had scored two wins, a draw and a loss.

The following are the batting and bowling averages on the Eastern Districts tour:—

BATTING.

—	No. of Innings.	Runs.	H.S.	N.O.	Average.
Mr. Hall	4	202	126	0	50.5
Woods	4	112	49	0	28
Davy	4	76	58	1	25.3
Smyth	4	73	28*	1	24.3
Taylor	3	30	20	1	15
Ewing	3	22	16	0	7.3
Price	2	12	9	0	6
Leschen	3	18	8	0	6
Hester	1	5	5	0	5
McDougal	3	9	4	0	3
Montgomery i.	2	2	2	1	2
Burges	2	2	1	0	1
Weaver... ..	2	1	1	1	1

* Signifies "not out."

BOWLING.

—	Wickets.	Runs.	Average.
Montgomery i.	12	85	7.08
Woods	5	43	8.6
McDougal	2	26	13
Davy... ..	12	183	15.25
Mr. Hall	6	96	16
Ewing	1	68	68

Cricket.

CUP MATCHES.

On the 30th November, 1908, we started the second round for the Alcock Cup against the G.G.S. The Grammar School went in first but only made 41, no one reaching double figures. Of the High School bowlers Davy (2 for 25) and Montgomery (6 for 18) bowled unchanged through the innings. Our first innings opened badly and 4 wickets fell for 19. However, Davy put a different aspect on affairs by making 30 in fine style, hitting 5 fourers and two 3's. The remaining batsmen, aided by 13 sundries, put on 39 runs, and the innings closed for 79, Harper getting 4 for 34 and James 6 for 22. In their second innings G.G.S. only made 49, "Sundries" being the only one to make 10. Our most destructive bowlers were Davy 3 for 9 and Woods—who bowled splendidly—securing the "hat trick." His analysis reads: Four overs, 1 maiden, 5 runs, 5 wickets. We only had 12 runs to win, but lost 6 of the "tail enders before we got them, thus winning by four wickets.

Following are the scores:—

GUILDFORD GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

FIRST INNINGS.					SECOND INNINGS.				
Harper, b Davy...	...	...	...	7	c Woods, b Montgomery i...	...	...	...	7
James, b Davy ...	...	...	...	0	c Montgomery i., b McDougal	...	...	...	9
Evans, c Weaver, b Montgomery	...	...	...	0	c and b Woods	...	...	...	8
Forrest, b Montgomery	...	...	...	0	st Smyth, b Woods	...	...	...	0
Ferguson, b Montgomery	...	...	...	6	b Davy	...	...	...	9
Bussell, run out ...	...	...	...	5	b Woods	...	...	...	0
Cockshott, b Montgomery	...	...	...	0	b Davy	...	...	...	3
Brockman, c McDougal, b Montgomery	...	...	...	6	b Woods	...	...	...	0
Taylor, run out ...	...	...	...	7	not out	...	...	...	3
Cusack, not out ...	...	...	...	7	c Weaver, b Woods	...	...	...	0
Terry, b Montgomery	...	...	...	0	b Davy	...	...	...	0
Sundries	...	...	...	3	Sundries...	...	...	...	10
Total	...	...	...	41	Total	...	...	...	49

Bowling—First Innings: Davy, 2 for 20; Montgomery, 6 for 18. Second Innings: Davy, 3 for 9; Montgomery, 1 for 13; McDougal, 1 for 12; Woods, 5 for 5.

PERTH HIGH SCHOOL.

FIRST INNINGS.			SECOND INNINGS.		
Woods, lbw, b Harper ...	...	11			
Price, b Harper ...	...	0			
Ewing, b James ...	...	0	b Harper ...	...	5
Smyth, b James ...	...	0	st Evans, b Harper ...	...	4
Davy, b Harper ...	...	30			
Taylor, lbw, b James ...	...	6	b Forrest ...	...	3
Weaver, b James ...	...	9	c and b Harper ...	...	10
McDougal, b Harper ...	...	0	c Evans, b Harper ...	...	0
Leschen, b James ...	...	5			
Montgomery, not out ...	...	0	b Harper ...	...	0
Burges, b James ...	...	5	not out ...	...	14
Sundries ...	...	13			
Total ...	...	79			16

Bowling :—First Innings : James, 6 for 32; Harper, 4 for 34. Second Innings : James, 0 for 5; Harper, 5 for 4; Forrest, 1 for 7.

On the 2nd of December we met the Scotch College. They batted first and made 92, to which Marshall contributed 24, Medcalf 15 and Halliday 10. The wickets fell to Davy 3 for 35, Woods 2 for 11, McDougal 3 for 9, and Montgomery 2 for 32. In our first innings Woods (68) and Smyth (43) put on over 80 for the first wicket; Ewing (12) and Davy (11) also batted well and the total was 150, Bennett getting 5 wickets for 13 runs. The Scotchies did not give up but forced the pace in their second innings and put up 102 for 5 wickets, of which Medcalf made 32 and Sloss 42. Then they put us in again, hoping to be able to get us out under 55 before time. At time, however, we had lost 5 wickets for 28, and so we won on the first innings by 58 runs.

Following are the scores :—

SCOTCH COLLEGE.

FIRST INNINGS.			SECOND INNINGS.		
Marshall, b Montgomery ...	...	24	b Montgomery ...	...	4
Bennett, b Davy ...	...	0	b Davy ...	...	14
Medcalf, c Ewing, b Montgomery ...	...	15	c Price, b Davy ...	...	32
Sloss, b Davy ...	...	9	c Burges, b Ewing ...	...	42
Richardson, c Smyth, b McDougal ...	...	8	not out ...	...	3
Halliday, c Burges, b McDougal ...	...	10	b Ewing ...	...	3
Stewart, c Davy, b Woods ...	...	5			
Snook, c Smyth, b McDougal ...	...	0			
Bray, not out ...	...	8			
Haffner, b Davy ...	...	7			
Rabbish, st Smyth, b Woods ...	...	2			
Sundries ...	...	4	Sundries ...	...	4
Total ...	...	92	Total ...	...	102

Bowling—First Innings : Davy, 3 for 35; Montgomery, 2 for 32; McDougal, 3 for 9; Woods, 2 for 11. Second Innings : Davy, 2 for 40; Montgomery, 1 for 18; McDougal, 0 for 10; Woods, 0 for 18; Ewing, 2 for 12.

PERTH HIGH SCHOOL.

FIRST INNINGS.

Woods, b Bennett	...	...	68
Smyth, c Stewart, b Bray	...	...	43
Price, b Richardson	...	...	0
Ewing, c Medcalf b Sloss	...	...	12
Davy, b Bennett	...	...	11
Weaver, run out ...	...	...	7
Taylor, b Bennett	...	...	0
Leschen, c Haffner, b Bennett...	...	...	0
Burges, b Stewart	...	...	6
Montgomery b Bennett..	...	...	0
McDougal, not out	...	...	1
Sundries	...	...	2

Total 150

SECOND INNINGS,

c Snook, b Bennett	...	...	13
c Medcalf, b Sloss	...	...	1
c Stewart, b Sloss	...	...	0
b Bennett	...	...	3
not out	...	...	7
not out	...	...	2
b Sloss	...	...	2

Total 28

Bowling—First Innings: Sloss, 1 for 33; Stewart, 1 for 40; Bray, 1 for 22; Richardson, 1 for 34; Bennett, 4 for 13. Second Innings: Sloss, 3 for 7; Stewart, 0 for 6; Marshall, 0 for 6; Bennett, 2 for 9.

On December 4th we played the Christian Brothers' College. We went in on a bad wicket and were all dismissed for 40; Woods (12) and Davy (10) being the chief scorers. Dorney got 6 wickets for 22 and Troy ii. 3 for 13. The Christians then went in, but could only total 51; Dorney (11 not out), McLeod (10) against the bowling of Davy 3 for 18 and Ewing 6 for 24. We started our second innings 11 runs in arrears, but declared at 7 for 78, of which Woods made a capital 47 and Davy 14. A very exciting finish now took place. We had a little over an hour to get them out under 67 runs, and by dint of keen fielding and bowling we managed it with 10 minutes and 9 runs to spare. The bowling honours fell to Davy 3 for 20, Ewing 3 for 2 and Woods 4 for 35, who was aided in a large degree by Price in the out field. We were now leading for the Darlôt Cup 1908-9, as we had not lost a match this term.

Following are the scores:—

PERTH HIGH SCHOOL.

FIRST INNINGS.

Woods, b Dorney	...	...	12
Smyth, c Savage, b Troy ii.	...	...	4
Ewing, c Dorney, b Troy ii.	...	...	2
Price, b Dorney...	...	...	0
Davy, c Rodrigues, b Dorney...	...	...	10
Weaver, b Troy ii.	...	...	0
Taylor, b Dorney	...	...	0
Burges, b Dorney	...	...	1
Montgomery, not out...	...	...	4
Leschen, b Dorney	...	...	2
McDougal, lbw, b Dorney	...	...	0
Sundries	...	...	5

Total 40

SECOND INNINGS.

st Simpson, b Dorney	...	...	47
b Dorney	...	...	0
b Dorney	...	...	3
lbw, b Dorney	...	...	14
b Dorney	...	...	1
run out	...	...	0
b Troy...	...	...	4
not out	...	...	2
Sundries...	...	...	7

Total 78

Bowling—First Innings: Troy ii., 3 for 13; Dorney, 6 for 22. Second Innings: Troy ii., 1 for 30; Dorney, 5 for 33; Cumming, 0 for 8.

CHRISTIAN BROTHERS.

FIRST INNINGS.				SECOND INNINGS,			
Dorney, not out ...	...	...	11	b Davy ...	...	...	1
Mitchell, c Woods, b Davy ...	...	...	0	c Smyth, b Woods ...	...	...	8
McLeod, b Montgomery ...	...	...	10	b Woods ...	...	...	1
Appel, b Ewing ...	...	...	2	b Ewing ...	...	...	1
Troy ii., b Ewing ...	...	...	2	c Price, b Woods ...	...	...	10
Rodriguez, b Davy ...	...	...	0	c Smyth, b Ewing ...	...	...	1
Savage, c Smyth, b Ewing ...	...	...	5	c Price, b Woods ...	...	...	8
Cumming, b Ewing ...	...	...	9	c Montgomery, b Davy ...	...	...	11
Troy i., b Ewing ...	...	...	0	b Ewing ...	...	...	0
Glowrey, b Ewing ...	...	...	7	b Davy ...	...	...	4
Simpson, lbw, b Davy ...	...	...	1	not out ...	...	...	0
Sundries ...	...	...	4	Sundries ...	...	...	1
Total ...	...	...	51	Total ...	...	...	58

Bowling—First Innings: Davy, 3 for 18; Montgomery, 1 for 10; Ewing, 6 for 24. Second Innings: Davy, 3 for 20; Woods, 4 for 35; Ewing, 3 for 2.

On December 9th we played off with the Scotch College on the W.A.C.A. ground. We were level with them for the Alcock Cup since we had lost to them in March last. We went in first but failed miserably, only totalling 37, no less than four of our batsmen being run out. The "Scotchies" replied with 110, chiefly owing to good batting by Sloss (59) and Bennett (14), Davy securing 4 wickets for 59 and Ewing 2 for 27. Our second innings was an improvement and realised 106 runs, Woods (25), McDougal (10), Leschen (14), Burges (12) not out. This left the Scotch 34 to win. They got these with the loss of two wickets, Medcalf making 31 by splendid batting, including seven fourers. This lost us the Alcock Cup for the year 1908, but did not affect our lead for the Darlôt Cup.

Following are the scores:—

PERTH HIGH SCHOOL.

FIRST INNINGS.				SECOND INNINGS.			
Woods, run out ...	...	...	8	c Medcalf, b Sloss ...	...	...	25
Smyth, b Sloss ...	...	...	0	b Bennert ...	...	...	9
Ewing, c Sloss, b Stewart ...	...	...	1	c Evans, b Stewart ...	...	...	7
Davy, run out ...	...	...	0	lbw, b Stewart ...	...	...	6
Weaver, st Medcalf, b Stewart ...	...	...	5	run out ...	...	...	0
Burges, b Sloss ...	...	...	0	not out ...	...	...	12
Leschen, run out ...	...	...	1	run out ...	...	...	14
Taylor, c Bennett, b Stewart ...	...	...	0	b Stewart ...	...	...	5
Price, b Bennett ...	...	...	5	b Bennett ...	...	...	6
Montgomery, not out ...	...	...	3	b Bennett ...	...	...	0
McDougal, run out ...	...	...	7	c Medcalf, b Bray ...	...	...	10
Sundries ...	...	...	7	Sundries ...	...	...	12
Total ...	...	...	37	Total ...	...	...	106

Bowling—First Innings: Sloss, 2 for 9; Stewart, 3 for 12; Bennett, 1 for 9; Richardson, 1 for 0. Second Innings: Sloss, 1 for 18; Stewart, 3 for 39; Bennett, 3 for 15; Richardson, 0 for 15; Bray, 1 for 7.

SCOTCH COLLEGE.

FIRST INNINGS.				SECOND INNINGS.			
Medcalf, c McDougal, b Montgomery	2			c Woods, b Davy	...	...	31
Richardson, c Taylor, b Davy	...	9		not out	...	...	6
Bennett, lbw, b Ewing	...	...	14				
Sloss, st Smyth, b Woods	...	...	59				
Snook, run out	...	...	5	b McDougal	...	...	0
Halliday, c McDougal, b Ewing	...	0					
Stewart, b Davy	8				
Bray, b Davy	0				
Haffner, b Davy	5				
Rabbish, run out	0				
Evans, not out	1				
Sundries	7				
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Total	110	Total	37

Bowling—First Innings : Davy, 4 for 55 ; Montgomery, 1 for 15 ; Ewing, 2 for 27 ; McDougal, 0 for 5 ; Woods, 1 for 1. Second Innings : Davy, 1 for 8 ; McDougal, 1 for 26 ; Ewing, 0 for 3.

GENERAL MATCHES.

On October 7th and 14th we played our first match, which was against Claremont Training College, on their own ground. We lost by 11 runs on the first innings. We made in our first innings 86 (Mr. Hall 35, Price 15), and in our second innings 159 (Woods 39, Mr. Hall 62, Smyth 35). C.T.C. in their first innings made 97 (Smith 32, Selkirk 17, Brine 10), and in second innings lost 8 for 140 (Smith 48, Bell 25, Brine 19). Bowling for us Davy took 11 for 108, Montgomery 4 for 80, Woods 3 for 28.

On the 7th of November we played the Wanderers second XI., on the Zoo Ground, and lost by 129 runs. We made 87 (Mr. Hall 16, Ewing 14, Taylor 19, Smyth 11). Wanderers made 216 (Hardwick 28, Trude 52, Mare 33, Hickson 25). Bowling for us Burges took 4 wickets for 45, Weaver 1 for 16, McDougal 1 for 29, and Montgomery 1 for 64.

On the 25th of November we played against Mr. Hall's XI., on the Association Ground, and lost by 1 run. Mr. Hall's XI. made 141 (Mr. Hall 47, retired, Smith 34, Gordon 15). For P.H.S. Davy got 3 wickets for 44, McDougal 4 for 38, Woods 2 for 11. We made 140 (Woods 61, Ewing 28, Taylor 12). Mr. Hall got 4 for 23, H. Walker 4 for 26, and Wilkinson 1 for 26.

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