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Editorial.

IT WAS a very great sorrow to everybody to learn that Mr. F. D. Stevenson had passed away. He was in very good health until April 16th, when he had a slight breakdown. From this he recovered, but a fortnight later he was taken ill again, and died peacefully on Sunday morning, April 30th. He was the first to die at Bullfinch, and his mining comrades buried him there. One of them has since written to say that "it took them very little time to recognise the sterling worth of their mate, who was indeed worthy to be called a 'white man.'" Right to the end his thoughts were always centred on the School and the boys he loved; long may his memory be kept green in the hearts of those whose privilege it was to be intimate with so noble a man as our late Sports Master "Stevey."

ONE of the very oldest of the Old Boys, Mr. A. E. Thomas, passed away on July 24th, at Ravenswood. He was always very enthusiastic about the School, particularly so about the Association. In the Murray District he was exceedingly popular, and there are many to lament his early death at the age of 47 years.

THE usual routine of prize term has this year been considerably broken into by the festivities in celebration of the Coronation of Their Majesties King George and Queen Mary. Owing to the old Cadet Corps being disbanded we did not take part in any of the public functions, but all the same we gained several extra holidays, which always tend to increase loyalty by happy remembrances. So loyal are we all to the Throne that it was found impossible to undertake the subject of "Monarchy v. Republicanism" at the last meeting of the Debating Society.

Prize day will be on August 18th, when we will have the Gymnastic Display, which is given every alternate year. Under the capable instruction of Lieutenant Emmott it promises to be as good as ever. On the evening of prize day the School Ball will be held in St. Mary's Hall, West Perth.

The number of boys on the roll is now 107, being a larger count than there has been since 1898, when the total was 108. Clearly we are still holding our own as well as ever, although we still look forward to the time when new buildings may be constructed to give that chance of expansion which private enterprise gives to the other schools.

The event of the year in Australia has undoubtedly been the beginning of compulsory service—we ourselves have got 60 boys over 14 years of age, and so we are going to remain a separate unit. So much the more will we then endeavour to make our company an efficient unit in this great scheme, which will, we hope, be of great value in abolishing the "slacker" from the towns, and in preserving and retaining under the free flag of Britain this fair land of Australia.

Old Boys' Column.

J. F. McMillan got a Third Class in Law, Part II., at Trinity Hall, Cambridge, and has just returned to W.A. He rowed in the second College boat in June. He returns to England in November.

C. H. Terry, who is in Melbourne, is getting on very well. He is studying in the Dental Hospital. He writes a very amusing letter about the Student's Dress Parade, held in aid of the Alfred Hospital.

L. Hester is still at Roseworthy College. He is a member both of the football and cricket teams, and is secretary for his school magazine, "The Student." He was over in W.A. for his holidays in April.

H. Parry has now started working by himself as architect, and is getting on well. He is very keen on hockey, and is Secretary for the Perth Club, for which several other Old Boys are playing.

K. McDougall, who left us at the beginning of the year to go to the Melbourne Grammar School, played several times for the first XI, and for nine innings had an average of 6·7. He is also playing in the second football XVIII.

W. J. Price has gone to the Adelaide University, where he is studying for honours in Classics. For sport and exercise he has taken to rowing.

We have to thank J. L. Walker for the photo of Mr. Stevenson, which he very kindly lent to us.

A. R. Gorrie writes very cheerfully from Chidlow's Well. He seems to be rather out in the wilds, but is getting on well and wishes to be remembered to the Old Boys.

T. G. Watkins has had a trip to Singapore on business, and found it so pleasant that he is contemplating another.

Dug McLarty was married to Miss Royce in Sydney on April 22nd. We wish them best of luck.

C. D. Lovegrove has had singular success in soccer in England. He has had presented to him a county football cap. He has played for Hertfortshire. He also played for Oxford, but was kept out of the Oxford-Cambridge match through a damaged knee, and was given a half blue. He had previously been captain of both cricket and football at Trent College, Derbyshire.

G. James writes very cheerfully from the Melbourne Grammar School. He is in the band there. He did very well in his last exam., gaining 88% in Latin. He says that although he likes the Melbourne Grammar School very much, still he likes the old High School just as well.

We beg to call the attention of all Old Boys to the fact that Messrs. Chris. Ewing and R. A. Woods have been up to nearly every football practice this term, and have coached both big and small thoroughly, in order that the School might make a good show in the League Competition. To these two we offer our heartiest thanks. But what a fine thing it would be if some of the Old Boys were to assist Mr. Lowe at coaching the boys during the cricket season. Mr. E. A. Randell and one or two others kindly lent their help last season. With the help of other Old Boys as well, we will have the better chance of keeping the cherished Darlôt Cup.

E. W. Leake recently went to Sydney, intending, if possible, to study electrical engineering. He has, however, decided to go to the Hawkesbury Agricultural College, where he can learn both theory and practice in scientific farming, in which machinery plays such a large part.

L. Craig has recently been appointed a probationer for prefectship at the Melbourne Grammar School.

T. A. M. Wilson left by the R.M.S. Otway on August 2nd for Harvard University, America, where he intends to study medicine.

A. C. Clifton and R. A. Clifton have just returned from a trip through the Eastern States, during which they visited a number of irrigation works.

Owing to the Hall being so crowded at last year's dance, it was obviously necessary to limit the numbers in some way this year, since it is possible to obtain no hall larger than St. Mary's, Colin Street. It was therefore considered that we should recognise that Association members have the first claim in such circumstances, and this was approved of by the Head Master.

The Secondary Schools Association has definitely decided to build new School fours for next year's Boat Race. We have £32 in hand, but we will need quite £50, and will be glad to receive subscriptions for this purpose from kindly disposed Old Boys.

The following have become members of the Old Boys' Association:—

S. Burges.	E. Stokes.	J. H. Lukin.	R. McDougall.
F. Pearce.	A. A. Guy.	R. M. Jenkins.	C. Ewing.
S. B. Connor.	R. V. Woodward.	B. Connor.	V. Abbott.
H. A. Blake	R. McLarty.	W. Brine.	F. Millar.

A Dream.

The other night I dreamt a pleasant dream ;
 I viewed it by a rich, celestial gleam.
 Above me, far on high, there seemed to rise
 A mansion, marvellous in length and size ;
 The breadth thereof was like unto the height,
 Being fifty cubits, and the length was quite
 Three times the breadth. And all around the place
 There ran a golden wall. With trembling pace
 I entered at an ivory gate and strolled
 Through porticoes of marble, and behold !
 Array of cleanly forms and desks to see
 From rusty knives and sticky jams quite free.
 Near by I met a spotless little lad
 Who wrote with gold-nibbed pen on cream-laid pad.
 He was a boarder—so he said to me.
 " How call you then this heavenly place I see ? "
 Proudly he made reply, sedate and cool,
 " Why, my good sir, this is the Perth High School."

DREAMY D.

Rowing.

The Annual Boat Race has come and gone once more, and has again left us sadly disappointed. Our stroke had begun taking scratch fours out as long ago as last July, in order to have plenty of boys to pick from this year. During the summer holidays we had many long rows, and when, on our return to School in February, we found we still had three of last year's crew and, in place of Lukin, G. O. Montgomery, who had already rowed a lot before, we thereupon settled down hopefully for three months of steady work. A cox was not hard to select, for the Lefroys are a good steady trio of light weights and well acquainted with the river, and Tertius was chosen to steer the racer for us. Thomas, who was cox last year, was thought to have grown too heavy for the racer; however, he went out with the second crew, which consisted of Goadby, Clarke, Slee and Lodge i. This crew put in some good work, and were going very decently by the end of the term. Some of them will be very useful next year.

In all quarters it was confidently expected that the first crew would succeed in being winners, and to that end many hours were spent repairing and revarnishing the boat. Positions and weights at the finish were as follow :—

Bow—F. B. Riley	11st. 2lbs.
2—G. O. Montgomery	10st. 4lbs.
3—A. B. Montgomery	10st. 5lbs.
Stroke—E. M. Riley... ..	12st. 2lbs.
Cox—K. Lefroy	4st. 10lbs.
Average weight, 11st.	

Up to the last the crew was considered to have the very best chance, and Mr. Stone, our coach, deserves very great praise and thanks for the time he spent to make it so. The day of the race was, however, by no means favourable for rowing, and we were delayed some time putting splashboards on the racer and waiting to get clear of the shed, this making us rather late at the starting point. Hardly had we got into position at the moored boats when it was noticed that one had drifted out of line. The starter thereupon called us shorewards for a flying start, in spite of protests. This not only altered the set course, but gave a distinct advantage to two crews, as they were sheltered by the Mount from the north-west wind. From the start all four crews kept well together for a quarter of a mile, and then C.B.C. and S.C. forged ahead. As we neared the finish our boat drew away from the C.B.C. and S.C. the two inside

crews, and considerably forced C.E.G.S. further out into the stream, thus making the course longer for both of us. This occurred through our cox steering on the point given to him for the correct course, and who is to blame him for obeying orders? In the end C.B.C. were first past the post, with S.C. a length behind them; C.E.G.S. were third by another half length, and we were a canvas behind them. Such was the judge's verdict. Protests were entered as to the changed start, but they were dismissed. Next year we hope to have new boats, and to row in the morning. Meanwhile we are not disheartened, and some have already been for a row for the rowing's sake. We conclude by heartily thanking our friends, the Swan Club, who are so kind to us, and above all Mr. Stone, who has spent so much time on coaching us every year.

Debating Society.

After making such a good beginning, this society has been rather neglected lately. Prize term, and its extra work for the sixth and fifth, does not give much time for speech preparing, so that the debates have been rather tame lately. It is also found difficult to select a subject each time, owing to most of the School having a very scanty knowledge of what is going on in our own State and in other parts of the world, while past history completely baffles them. We do not wish the Debating Society to be too serious, but wish it rather to be a means to induce boys to read and think about subjects of a wider concern than their own particular path in life. Let them also watch for pithy points in the various speeches, and let the speakers not be afraid of making a few jokes to keep the audience on the alert. Another purpose of the Society is to get boys together occasionally for some other object than work or sport; we do not want mere noise-makers, we want boys to come and think carefully, and applaud or criticise as seems best to them. Also when members are making up speeches let them give the subject plenty of thought, and when they have decided on a fixed line of argument let them decide whether to talk from notes or from a written speech, and then, when they have prepared enough, let them go over it to themselves to see how long it will take to deliver, remembering that a good beginning and a good end carry a large amount of weight with them.

On March 30th the subject was "White Australia." There were 44 present, and the speeches were well above the average. E. A. Randell, Esq., who took the chair, kept the debate well under control, and at the end gave us some useful hints. A. R. Leschen and J. R. Perston were the leaders. One speaker caused much amusement by declaring that he would not object to marrying a Chinese lady.

On May 2nd we had a "Mock Trial," when Perston was tried for using obnoxious German records on the Eastern Districts Tour. Mr. Noake was the judge, while Perston was prosecuted and defended by various members of the XI. He was however acquitted, as the evidence was insufficient on both sides. There were 30 present.

Owing to Professor Cox's lecture claiming the attention of the elder boys, the next debate was postponed to June 14th. The result was that we had a very poor affair on the question "Has the civilised man more happiness than the uncivilised?" The speakers were Riley ii, A. B. Montgomery and Leschen on the one side, and McCullough, Montgomery ii. and Makeham on the other.

The Cadet Corps.

During this year the Cadets have been started on the new military training scheme. Boys, as soon as they are 14, must now learn to defend their hearths and homes. Australia has far too few inhabitants at present, despite the strenuous efforts which are now being made by our own Government. It is therefore necessary that every male should be perfectly efficient in squad and company drill, by which that discipline which makes a formidable army can be obtained. Close order drill is the foundation of all open order drill; men cannot go straight from the streets to skirmishing and hope to do any good at it, still less can boys. Therefore, to those members of the Corps who would like to see us crawling on our stomachs through the Park, we would say that as soon as they are thoroughly efficient in squad drill in close order—and can “form fours” correctly instead of just shuffling about—then they will have the more interesting part of military training.

Since June 30th we have had the statutory parade of one hour and a half every Tuesday, and have also had two half-day parades of three hours each. On June 27th, after the Company had “fallen in,” they were told that as it was the last time on which they would fall in as volunteers they were going to be given a holiday. The statutory parades this term have been mingled between company and squad drill, but, owing to the fact that about half of the Company cannot march correctly as yet, doubtless the next term will be spent in teaching squad drill, for squad drill is just as much a factor for good company drill as company drill is for good skirmishing.

We have no uniforms or rifles as yet, but they are “coming.” We sincerely hope they are. If we have no new uniforms before the break-up we shall have to get permission to use our old ones. The new uniforms consist of a khaki shirt and knee breeches, and puttees. The pants are made so as to allow three years’ growth of boys, so that when the first lot are issued we will look like a “Buffalo Bill” troop, with pants that stick out about six inches all round one’s legs. But this will be rectified as boys expand in limb and muscle we hope. On the 16th of August a class will be started in the drill hall for those intending to go for the non-commissioned officers’ exam. We hope that the aspirants will take the opportunity of further instruction, and benefit by it. The class will be held every Wednesday night until the examinations take place in December.



The Late Mr. F. D. Stevenson.

In Memoriam.

F. D. Stevenson.

JUST as the last number of the School Magazine was being printed, we heard with the greatest sorrow that our former Sports Master, Mr. F. D. Stevenson, had passed away at Bullfinch. Three months have elapsed, during which I have been thinking much of Mr. Stevenson and his work here, but I still find it very difficult to state concisely, and yet appropriately, the work he did. I must be concise, for the space allotted to me is limited, but the story of what he did is really the history of sport at the School.

It was towards the end of October, 1893, that Mr. Stevenson joined the staff, taking the place of Mr. Weir, who had been appointed Assistant to the Professor of Hebrew at St. Andrew's University, Scotland. Although he had no previous experience he soon won the respect and affection of the junior boys, and in June, 1895, on the resignation of Mr. Grant, I offered him the position of House Master. Then he deliberately set himself to thoroughly organise all the branches of School Sport. He had many difficulties—want of grounds, apathy, want of funds, no previous organisation—but so great and so contagious was his enthusiasm that in a little over two years we were able to send to Tipperary probably the best cricket eleven we have ever sent to the Eastern Districts. This, however, only made him increase his efforts, and till the time, now five years ago, that ill-health unfortunately compelled him to leave us he was incessant in his attendance at all games. To him it is undoubtedly due that we have won the Darlôt Cup nine out of the eleven years it has been competed for, to him it is undoubtedly due that we to-day are so keen on games, but most of all is it due to him that we should ever cherish his memory, and try to imitate his example by striving to do with all our might whatever we may undertake.

F.C.F.

School News.

The prefects for this term are as follows:—Riley ii., Riley i., Lodge i., Montgomery i., Slee, Leschen i., Goadby. The Head Master chose Lodge i. to succeed A. B. Montgomery, and Goadby was elected by the boys to fill the vacancy.

As we are having a Gymnastic Display this year, permission was obtained from the Head Master at the beginning of the term for the Gymnasium to be used at any time by the bigger boys, provided a prefect is always in charge. It is hoped that this custom will continue, as it is a more useful occupation for the leisured than "alleys" or "comics," and is bound to improve the standard of our already excellent displays.

On 21st June Coronation medals were distributed to all the boys in the School; both the medal and the idea which caused its issue are excellent, but the result was disastrous, for they were all so much alike that the small fry were very soon disputing as to which medal really belonged to which boy!

On Coronation Day the boarders were "regaled" in right "royal" fashion; long will they remember the crowning of the King and the benefits it brought to his humble subjects.

Coronation Day, King's Birthday and Foundation Day were whole holidays for the School, and also Saturday morning, 14th July, the holiday due for the winning of the Darlôt Cup.

A pile of bricks has been lying idle at the School for the last two months. It is but the first ramour of the long foretold sewerage scheme, the rest is "coming."

We sincerely hope that the mumps epidemic has at last run its course. It claimed some 40 victims from our midst between last August and May. However, apart from one isolated case this term, there has been no fresh outbreak.

There has, however, been a lot of measles in Perth this year, and though so far none of our own boys have caught it, yet several boys have had to miss a fortnight's school owing to their families being in quarantine. To those who have lost the chance of winning prizes we offer our sympathy.

It was pleasing to note that about a dozen boys went to hear Professor Cox's excellent lectures. Those who did not go missed

something which will always be useful to remember. Unfortunately we shall most of us be away whilst Professor Henderson is lecturing, as he begins on the day on which we break up for our holidays.

Mr. Noake is again going to take the sixth form for a holiday at Rottneest Island for the first fortnight after the break up. A little time will be put in at mathematics and a lot of time at having "a good time."

We are very glad to know that Roy Saw has quite recovered from his sharp attack of pneumonia; and we hope he has suffered no serious effects as regards his admirable avoirdupois.

Various improvements are being made on the School playground at King's Park. A number of young pine trees have recently been planted along the east side, close enough to each other to make a fine hedge. The shed has been given a coat of paint and may now be termed a pavilion. It is understood that grass is shortly to be planted all over, and the present sandy pieces will be gradually covered with road sweepings, which become quite firm under foot in a very short period.

To the west of the wicket the scrub has been cleared right through to the fence, thus giving us a space which will be used next year as part of the football ground, in order to avoid playing over the pitch during the winter. Most of it was done by the energy of some dozen boys, in spite of the opposition and pessimistic banter of a large horde of lookers-on. It is curious how many have to go home when any work is suggested! Anyhow, the extra space is much needed, as there was very little room for the smaller boys to play hitherto.

Football has of course been the main sport during this winter term. Although there are in the School a few advocates for adopting the rules of the Australian game, yet the majority of us will always be in favour of still sticking to "soccer." It is, we think, by far the better game for us, being suitable both for the ground and also for the boys we have.

At the beginning of the season it was decided that we should drop out of the London Cup competition. This has enabled us to have a number of scratch matches every Wednesday, such as Boarders v. Day Boys. It has also given more practice to those boys who, not being in the team, are wont to go and "barrack" for every match, and thus in past years used to get no football themselves.

Lodge i. was elected captain of the team, with Slee as vice-captain.

The first XI. played every Saturday afternoon in the third division of the Association League competition. There were eight teams in this competition, and the School was fourth on the list at the finish with 16 points out of a possible 28.

Owing to the loss of the account of the Pinjarrah trip, no report of it was made in our last issue. It took place from Friday, 7th

April, to Monday, the 10th, and was very much enjoyed by the team. As the crew decided not to go, owing to the nearness of the Boat Race, Ewing, who was down there, played in the team, and he and Mr. Lowe successfully disposed of Pinjarrah for 58 in their first innings, with bowling averages of five for 27 and five for 19 respectively. The School then made 161 (Mr. Lowe 37, Fleay 33, Lefroy ii. 19, Thomas 17, Lefroy i. 16, Ewing 13, Leschen 13). In their second innings Pinjarrah secured 174 runs, Edwards making 71. Bowling for the School, Leschen got four for 36, Mr. Lowe three for 71. The School went in again and when daylight was going had nine wickets down for 68; thus the School won by 103 runs on the first innings. The ladies of Pinjarrah kindly provided them with afternoon tea. Sunday was spent in various ways, Roosevelt's hunting expedition being the chief attraction, and on Monday all returned to Perth full of contented weariness after a most agreeable week-end.

There are at present 107 names on the School roll, this being a larger number than at any time since 1898. The boarders now number 27, and so the limited space of the big dorm. is very nearly filled; whilst the little dorm. has a sufficient number for half-a-dozen rooms. Manthorpe and Parker came back again after a term's absence, the former at Greenbushes, the latter in the Eastern States.

C. Badock also returned after spending six months in Tasmania and a further six months on the sick list.

The new boys whom we welcome are 12 in number—Sharman ii., Gee, MacKenzie, Nicholson i., Nicholson ii., Toms, Pearse, Shimmin, Buckingham, Lefroy iv., Sanders, Cowan. Gee, MacKenzie and Cowan are boarders.

Since our last issue we have said farewell to eight boys, namely, A. B. Montgomery, F. J. Fleay, J. R. Perston, S. Deap, H. Lacy, J. Lacy, F. Hawley, A. Porter.

A. B. Montgomery entered the School in 1903. He passed the Adelaide Exams. in the Junior, Senior, and Higher Public divisions. In School he won a number of prizes, and for the past two years he has made many contributions to the CYGNET, of which he became editor in February, 1910. At cricket he was in the XI. for four seasons, and was the captain last term; he also won the bowling average three times. He was in the rowing crew and the football XI. for three years, being vice-captain of the football last year. In the Cadets he was sergeant and later first lieutenant; he was also a marksman. He ran for three years in the open events of the Inter-School sports. He was successively boys' and Head Master's prefect, and became captain of the School. He was the candidate for the Rhodes Scholarship this year, but not being selected, he decided to take up teaching, when a vacancy at the Church of England Grammar School gave him a good opening.

F. J. Fleay ("Silent Fred.") came as a boarder in May, 1910. He was very useful in the cricket XI. last season, but left last term, after winning the respect of boarders and day boys alike. He has now gone on the land, and writes to say he is getting on alright.

J. R. Perston came in March, 1910, but broke his arm shortly afterwards, being absent for six months. He played in the first XI. before Xmas. He has now gone to Nelson College in New Zealand.

S. Dean came as boarder in February, 1910. He swam for the School last December, and was in the second XI. at cricket and football. He has now gone to England.

H. Lacy ran in the under 12 Inter-School events.

We acknowledge with many thanks the following magazines :—
 "Reporter," "Swan," "Melbournian," "Southportonian," "R.A.C. Magazine," "Chronicle," "W.A. Trainee."

The Tale of the Team.

A GRUMBLE.

The captain's a boarder, and so a good sort,
 And is now very skilful in all kinds of sport.
 The vice plays at full back and misses his kick;
 He runs like an ostrich, though not very quick.
 The goalie's a duffer, whose play makes one ill, though
 He wears gloves sufficient for use as a pillow.
 The left back is podgy and grunts like a pig;
 His bump upsets forwards, although they are big.
 Centre half is a rover who loses his place,
 But runs round his man when he uses his pace.
 Right half is from Bunb'ry, and treads on your feet,
 Unhappy's the forward he happens to meet.
 Left half's an old woman, in running scarce finer
 Than a dowager, such as the Empress of China.
 Our right wing is little, but plays a good game;
 His centres are fine, but his tackling is tame.
 The inside's a bullock and weighs near a ton,
 And it sometimes appears that he shoots at the sun.
 The captain's our centre and adds to the score,
 And bucks up the team till they're thirsting for more.
 Though rather a small 'un our left inside's smart,
 But has'nt quite mastered the goal-shooting art.
 Left outer's red-headed and swaggers around,
 But his place really suits him right down to the ground.
 The team is not good, and you plainly may see
 If *I* played how much better off they would be.

THE MAN WITH THE GRIEVANCE.

Football.

We began the football season last term with a match against C.E.G.S., played on our ground. Neither side had had any practice, but still we had a good game, and C.E.G.S. showed up several useful soccer players; the only goal was scored for C.E.G.S. by Lockyer off a free kick. We played them a return match under Australian rules on 19th May, at Guildford. We only had 15 aside owing to the mumps epidemic. Our opponents had quite the best of the game and won by about 15 goals to 4, with endless points in addition.

On Wednesday afternoons during this term we have had several Boarders v. Day Boys matches; of these the Day Boys have won 3 and the Boarders 1, and one was a draw. The smaller boys have also played the Little Dorm., but the Boarders have won most of these matches. In the League competition we had as successful a season as usual, and we had some very hard games to play.

On Saturday, 27th May, the School played its first match against Claremont B at Shenton Park. Being the first match for more than half the eleven, who were rather nervous; many chances of scoring were missed, with the result that we lost—1 to *nil*. The School on the whole put up a good fight, though lacking combination. Shenton Park is not an ideal football ground, since it is uneven and sandy. Lodge had not yet returned from his holiday. The out-sides (especially Ogborne) did some splendid runs, but were unable to score. Cadd and Slee played well for the defensive.

On Wednesday, 31st May, the School played a friendly match against Claremont Training College at the College ground. The weather was far from making football enjoyable, rain falling almost incessantly throughout the afternoon. During the first half the game was entirely in favour of the College, who scored 2 goals to *nil*. In the second half, however, the School livened up and scored 4 goals in quick succession, 3 by Riley i. and 1 by Lefroy ii. The College realized their position too late and succeeded in scoring only 1 more goal, thus leaving us victors—4 to 3. The most useful players were Riley i., Lodge i., Ogborne, Slee and Loton. Just on time Loton unfortunately kicked one of the College forwards on the ankle, spraining it badly.

On Saturday, 3rd June, the School played St. Andrew's at Shenton Park. During the first half the game was fast and even, but in the second half the School seemed to go off, and were badly beaten by 4 goals to *nil*. St. Andrew's had an English lad in their team, and he strengthened it considerably. Ogborne did some splendid shooting but failed to score. The School had many chances, but seemed unable to utilize them. Loton, Lefroy i. and Lodge i. tried hardest to avert defeat.

On the following Saturday (10th June) the School met Claremont at Claremont. The ground was a pleasant contrast to Shenton Park, being grassed all over. The game was entirely in School's favour, owing largely to the Claremont team being small fellows. The noticeable fault of the match was the lack of shooting, with the result of a victory of only 1 to *nil*. Riley i. scored for us well in the second half after a scrum in front of Claremont's goal. The best players were Riley i. and Lodge i.

Our next match was against Modern School A on Wellington Square, and resulted in a win for us by 2 goals to 1. The game was fast and interesting and one of the best the School has played this season. From the kick off Modern School pressed and kept our defence busy for some time. Lodge cleared well and sent the leather amongst his forwards, who kept the opposing halves busy; the Lefroy Bros. showed some good combination, and from a centre by Lefroy i. Riley i. missed a good chance of scoring. Ogborne on the left wing did some fine runs, and finished up one of these with a beautiful shot which hit the cross bar, but was well cleared. The School continued to press and the forwards were well backed up by the halves, but the backs were lying too far back and were useless for attacking. Shortly before half time Modern School scored from a good rush, but the shot was a very feeble one, the School goal-keeper missed his kick and the ball rolled through. Upon resuming the play was mostly midfield, until Lefroy i. put in a fine centre, which Riley i. sent through with a shot that gave the goal-keeper no chance. From the kick

off the School at once attacked, and Lefroy ii. had bad luck in not scoring. Modern School backs relieved and their forwards sent in a couple of good shots which Slee saved well. Play was quickly transferred to the other end, and a penalty was given against the left back for handling. Lodge i. took the kick and scored easily. Modern School made a good rally, but the School halves were equal to the occasion, and the whistle blew leaving the School winners of a game by 2 goals to 1. For the School all played well, but the pick were Ogborne, Lodge i. and Lefroy ii.

On Saturday, June 24th, the School played Reserves at Fremantle Park, this being the first of the 4-point matches. Reserves are the first and best team in the Competition, and were naturally our superiors, and they gained an easy victory by 4 goals to 1. At the start the play was mostly mid-field. Reserves, however, soon got away and scored a good goal. Fremantle Park is not the best of football grounds, since it is on an incline and very rough. Ogborne and Lefroy i. did good work on the wings, and the latter scored our only goal from a splendid shot. Ogborne and Cadd were the best of the forwards, and for the defence Clark and Lodge i. were best.

On the following Saturday, 1st July, the School played another 4-point match against the Modern School B on the Esplanade. The game was very one-sided throughout, the unfortunate backs had very few chances of doing any work, since only occasionally did the Modern School forwards succeed in passing Cadd at centre half, who was playing a strong game. The wings continually centred well and shots were put through by the insides and centre forward without much trouble. The goals were kicked:—3 by Lefroy ii., 3 by Lodge i., 2 by Riley i., and 2 by Ogborne. For the School all played well, but especially Cadd and others who shone were Riley i., Lodge i. and Ogborne.

On 8th July the School met Rangers for 4 points at Wellington Square. Rangers had a strong team, and from the kick off they had the better part of the game. The School, however, did not play up to their usual form, and were badly beaten—3 to nil. The weather was miserable, rain falling several times during the game, which made the ball like lead, and unpleasant for head work. The lack of shooting was noticeable amongst the forwards. Lodge played a good defensive game at centre half and Ogborne did good work at outside left. Towards the end of the first half the School made a big rally, but were unable to score.

On 15th July the School met Claremont B at Wellington Square. Claremont were unfortunately short owing to a compulsory parade. From the kick off the School had the better part of the play, but the team again seemed to lack its usual form. The game was fast, but the hesitation of the forwards was again noticeable, and we only succeeded in defeating them by 2 goals to nil. Lodge kicked both goals for us after some good work by the forwards. The best players were Ogborne, Lodge i., Lefroy i. and Cadd.

On 22nd July the School played St. Andrew's at Wellington Square, and we defeated them easily by 6 goals to nil. The weather was excellent for football, being cold and dry, with the result that the game was fast, although entirely in the School's favour. St. Andrew's had a weak team but put up a good stand. For the School Lodge i., Slee and Ogborne played best. The goals were kicked:—4 by Lodge i., 1 by Lefroy ii., and 1 by Riley i.

On Saturday, 29th July, the School was to play Claremont, but owing to a compulsory parade removing half the team, Claremont decided to forfeit the match.

On Saturday, 5th August, the return match with Modern School A was played at the Esplanade. The School team had had little practice owing to the examinations. Modern School, however, did not put up such a good stand as the first time we met. The game was fairly fast and even. During the first half there was some rough play, and Ogborne got badly winded by the elbow of one of Modern School players. During the second half the play was much cleaner, and Ogborne scored the only goal by a splendid shot after some neat work. The lack of goal shooting was again in evidence. The best players were Ogborne, Lefroy i., Lodge i., and especially Cadd, who played splendidly at centre half. This match was the last of the season, and left the School in the very creditable position of fourth in the Competition. As the team was very light and more than half new players, this record is quite good.

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