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## ANNUAL SPEECH DAY.

As far as Prince Alfred College is concerned the past year has been studded with scholastic successes. Even during the progress of the "breaking-up" ceremony which took place in the Town Hall on Tuesday afternoon news came to hand of further honors gained in University examinations. Needless to say it was received with great exultation, and the headmaster and his capable staff were heartily congratulated on the way their efforts had been crowned. "Speech day" is regarded by the scholars as nearly if not quite the most important event of the year's programme, and on Tuesday there was the same jubilation among the boys and the same satisfaction on the part of their friends and relations as have prevailed at similar functions in the past. Tastefully arranged around the large hall were many evidences of the excellent work done in the school. The attendance was exceedingly good, and among those on the platform were his Excellency the Governor—who was accompanied by Captain Wallington—the Treasurer, the Hon. A. Catt, members of the committee, and the Old Scholars' Association, and a number of other gentlemen interested in the work of the institution. The hymn "O Lord of heaven, and earth and sea," having been sung, and the Rev. J. Berry (the hon. president) having offered up prayer, Masters H. Chapple and R. O. Edwards played a pianoforte duet, "Tannhäuser" (Wagner). Then the headmaster (Mr. F. Chapple, B.A., B.Sc.) read his annual report, which stated:—

## HEADMASTER'S REPORT, 1897.

Members of the Prince Alfred College Committee, your Excellency, Ladies and Gentlemen—I am glad to be able to report another year of quiet and steady work, of peace and progress. The numbers that welcome the close of 1897 are about the same as those with which we ended 1896, four or five more names are on the school roll before me and five more on the roll of "boarders." There has been no change of any importance in our curriculum to record. We have gone on working on the lines that experience has shown to be the best for us, making slight adjustments when they seemed to be called for by the needs of the boys, or the special gifts of the masters, or to give variety and breadth to our training. Parents have co-operated with us willingly, and the attendance has been constant, and regular punctuality has been secured, and cordial support has aided us. The senior and junior lists are exceedingly satisfactory to us. In the former we have only one failure, and that explained by illness. Four are in the first class, four in the second, four in the third, and one in the fourth. Churchward leads the special lists in Greek, and he is bracketed with Jolly for the top place in Latin, Basedow heads that in German, and Churchward the chemistry and physics. In the junior we have three first classes, four seconds, six thirds, and three other passes. Ward leads the English list, Priest the German, and Burnard the mathematics. To sum up on the special lists we compete in ten subjects, on eight of them we have the first place and on the other two the second. Our own scholarships have fallen into deserving hands, though there are some equally deserving who have just missed them. And no winner will be congratulated more heartily to-day than Spencer Churchward, the son of my late colleague, who for 16 years was second master here. He has well earned the "John Dunn" Scholarship of £50 for three years. The "old boys" have done remarkably well at their University examinations, as the long list printed with the programme shows. Our medical students have had to go to the adjoining colonies to complete their fourth and fifth years, and there they have acquitted themselves with distinction. The most striking success is that of J. A. R. Smith at the University of Melbourne. Two scholarships are offered at the October examinations to the fourth year medicals, one for medicine and one for surgery, and Mr. Smith gained them both. At the Adelaide University we note with pleasure that out of the seven first classes assigned to men of the first three years of the M.B. course five were taken by old P.A.C.'s. In law, arts, and science there are equally gratifying facts to record. Seven degrees will be conferred in these faculties by the Chancellor of the University to-morrow, and all of these will be received by those who not very long ago studied in our classrooms. A. M. Paton, C. Lillywhite, B. H. Moore, L. H. Boas, A. L. Nairn have also "credit" records in the various stages of their degrees. The headmaster, too, must for the moment forget that he is the father, and refer to the brilliant success of Alfred Chapple at Cambridge in obtaining a first class in the mechanical sciences tripos. There are other "old reds" at Cambridge doing well in the various stages of their courses of study. The P.A.C. Old Collegians' Association has made considerable

progress in popularity and power under its succession of able presidents and its whole-hearted secretary (Mr. T. M. Burgess, B.A.). It seeks to bind together all old P.A.C.'s for mutual support and for the benefit of the "old school," and of the successive generations of those who compose it. I am asked to give a hearty invitation to join it to all whose school career closes to-day. What a mighty force this old school bond can be found I found in my visit to West Australia last January, not only in the kind way in which old reds rallied round me, but in the manifest signs there were that they believed in and stood by one another. Perhaps the greatest event in our school history this year has been the endowment of it with the handsome sum of £4,000 under the will of the late Sir Thomas Elder. The committee have resolved to devote this amount to the establishment of seven additional scholarships, thus responding to the generous spirit of the testator. Three are to be offered to meritorious candidates without our walls, but desirous to enter them; three to deserving boys already within them; and the seventh, the most valuable of all, is to send a promising student to the Adelaide University or other place of higher learning, giving him £50 a year for three years towards his maintenance while there. This principle has guided Prince Alfred College from its very inception, no distinctions to be made; reward for merit alone. This principle is enshrined in our Act of Incorporation and in the trust deed of every scholarship; and will not lightly be departed from. I shall have the pleasure of presenting to your Excellency this afternoon the first "Elder Foundation" scholars chosen from our younger boys, H. J. Priest and F. Searle. Those from without are to be selected by examinations to be held in the middle of January. And next year I hope I may have the privilege of calling up to this platform to receive from your Excellency's hands his token of success the winner of the first "Sir Thomas Elder University Scholarship." In the two great events of our athletic year, in the cricket and football matches with St. Peter's, we have no success to record. But we can rejoice in having met "foemen worthy," and in having made a good fight of it with them. There was keen pleasure in the contests and lessons learnt there that could be learnt nowhere else. But we are still shouting and singing the watchword which an enthusiastic "old boy" endowed us with some time ago. We still declare "Reds can't be beat," for we mean that they shan't be beat, that while we have an ounce of power or pluck we shall come up smiling at the next round meaning to secure victory then, and expecting to. In the minor contests—at running, tennis, bicycling, and swimming—we have had clear wins. L. D. Grewar again has his name on the challenge cup before me for running, Frank Felstead has won all inter-collegiate swimming races, A. H. Williams and E. H. Stirling have won the bicycle races, and H. Chapple, F. F. Muecke, C. Osborne, and W. J. Cowell scored 10 games to 14 in the tennis match. A word of acknowledgment to my colleagues must be allowed me before closing. Last year we anticipated the arrival of Mr. Vanes, M.A., of Jesus College, Oxford, and of Mr. Langley, B.A., of London, and this year it is at once my duty and pleasure to state that those anticipations of mathematical ability in the one case and of classical scholarship in the other have been fully realised. In classroom and in playground they have entered earnestly into our corporate life, and in his tribute none will join more cordially than the senior members of the staff, to whom the school and its headmaster have felt obligation so long and still do. The large show of work on the tables and round the wall does credit not only to the boys who did it but to the skill and zeal of the instructors, of Mr. Ashton in art, Mr. Hiffe in science, to Mr. Forsaith, of the School of Mines, in carpentry.

### PRIZE-LIST.

The following is the prize-list:—

SUCCESSSES GAINED BY PRINCE ALFRED BOYS,  
past and present, at Public Examinations, 1897.

OLD BOYS.

AT BRITISH AND FOREIGN UNIVERSITIES.

Cambridge — Alfred Chapple, Bachelor of Arts degree; first class in mechanical sciences; tripos, Part I.

Philadelphia — E. J. Counter, doctor of dental surgery.

AT SYDNEY UNIVERSITY.

M.B. and Ch. B.—4th year—F. W. Magarey.

AT MELBOURNE UNIVERSITY.

M.B. and Ch. B.—5th year—F. J. Chapple, B.Sc.

" " 4th year—F. S. Butler, M.A.

" " 4th year—G. M. Hains.

" " 4th year—J. A. R. Smith, first class honors and both scholarships open to 4th year students.

AT ADELAIDE UNIVERSITY.

M.B. and Ch. B.—3rd year—B. T. Zwar, first class.

" " 3rd year—J. B. Cleland, first class.

" " 3rd year—H. F. Shorney, second class.

" " 3rd year—H. Zwar, second class.

" " 3rd year—O. Leitch passed in anatomy, therapeutics, and Materia medica, thereby completing the third year.

" " 2nd year—H. H. Formby, first class.

" " 2nd year—W. C. Grey, second class.  
 " " 2nd year—R. D. Heggaton, second class.  
 " " 2nd year—S. M. Verco, third class.  
 " " 2nd year—T. M. Drew passed in anatomy, physiology, and Materia medica, thereby completing the second year.  
 " " 1st year—P. L. Broadbent, first class.  
 " " 1st year—S. A. Malin, first class.  
 " " 1st year—O. S. Flecker, second class.  
 " " 1st year—W. R. Kelly, third class.  
 LL.B.—4th year—F. W. Young, first class (and the prize and the Stow Scholarship).  
 LL.B.—4th year—H. A. Parsons, second class.  
 LL.B.—1st year—J. H. Vaughan, third class.  
 Law of contracts—P. E. Johnstone, B.A., R. G. Nesbit.  
 Equity—P. E. Johnstone, B.A.  
 Law of wrongs—P. E. Johnstone, B.A., I. H. Solomon, B.A., R. Homburg, G. McEwin, W. L. Stuart.  
 Law of procedure—I. H. Solomon, B.A., P. Hague, R. Homburg, G. McEwin.  
 Constitutional law—I. H. Solomon, B.A., R. G. Nesbit.  
 Law of property—T. H. Nicholls.  
 B.A.—3rd year—W. C. Aunells, first class honors classics, first class honors mental and moral philosophy.  
 B.A.—3rd year—A. S. Devenish, second class honors classics, second class honors mental and moral philosophy.  
 B.A.—3rd year—L. E. Giles, second class honors classics, third class honors mental and moral philosophy.  
 B.A.—3rd year—E. C. Padman, second class honors classics, pass in mental and moral philosophy.  
 B.A.—1st year—A. L. Nairn, Latin, Greek, a mathematics, physics, English.  
 B.Sc.—3rd year—C. F. Stephens, second class honors geology, pass in metallurgy and assaying.  
 B.Sc.—2nd year—W. R. Bayly, B.A., physics, inorganic chemistry and assaying, organic chemistry.  
 B.Sc.—2nd year—A. M. Paton, a physics, a mathematics.  
 B.Sc.—1st year—I. H. Boas, mathematics, a physics, biology, inorganic chemistry.  
 B.Sc.—1st year—C. Lillywhite, a mathematics, a physics, biology, inorganic chemistry.  
 B.Sc.—1st year—B. H. Moore, mathematics, a physics, biology, inorganic chemistry.  
 a denotes that the candidate passed with credit.

#### HIGHER PUBLIC EXAMINATION.

Latin (Part II.)—A. H. Harry.  
 Logic—E. C. Laurie.  
 Physics (Part I.)—E. C. Laurie.  
 Biology—T. T. Thomas.  
 Physiology—T. M. Drew.  
 Inorganic chemistry—P. E. Magarey, E. W. Whitham.  
 Pure mathematics (Part I.)—N. S. Giles.  
 Applied mathematics (Part II.)—E. G. Mitton.

#### ADMITTED TO BAR OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

H. Homburg.

#### SCHOOL OF MINES SCHOLARSHIP.

P. J. A. Plummer.

#### PRESENT BOYS.

#### SENIOR PUBLIC EXAMINATION.

(An "a" denotes that the candidate passed with credit.)

#### First Class.

S. Churchward—English, a Latin, a Greek, German, a mathematics, a chemistry, a physics.  
 A. S. Clarke—English, Latin, German, a mathematics, a chemistry, a physics.  
 S. V. Easter—English, Latin, German, a mathematics, a chemistry, a physics, a geology.  
 N. W. Jolly—English, a Latin, Greek, German, a mathematics, a chemistry, a physics, geology.

#### Second Class.

H. Basedow—English, a German, a chemistry, physics.  
 O. E. Flecker—English, Latin, German, mathematics, a chemistry, physics, geology.  
 E. E. Magarey—English, Latin, German, mathematics, a chemistry, physics.  
 F. F. Muecke—English, Latin, German, mathematics, a chemistry, physics.

#### Third Class.

L. C. Adcock—English, German, mathematics, chemistry, physics.  
 L. G. Cleland—English, Latin, French, mathematics, chemistry, physics.  
 W. M. Hunn—English, Latin, mathematics, chemistry.  
 H. E. Noltenius—English, Latin, mathematics, chemistry, physics.

#### Fourth Class.

C. Bennett—English, French, chemistry.

#### JUNIOR PUBLIC EXAMINATION.

(An "a" denotes that the candidate passed with credit.)

#### First Class.

R. G. Burnard—a English, Latin, German, a mathematics, a physics.  
 H. J. Priest—English, Latin, a German, a mathematics, a physics.  
 J. F. Ward—a English, Latin, German, a mathematics, physics.