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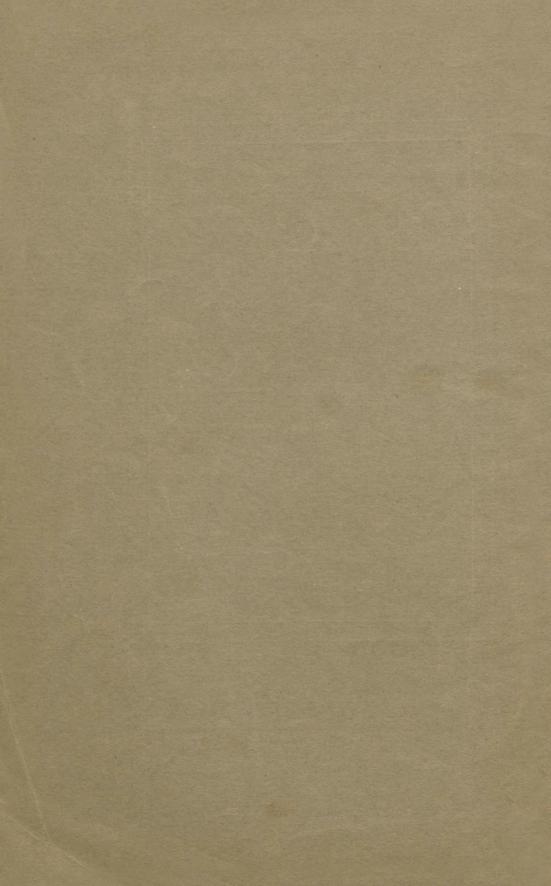
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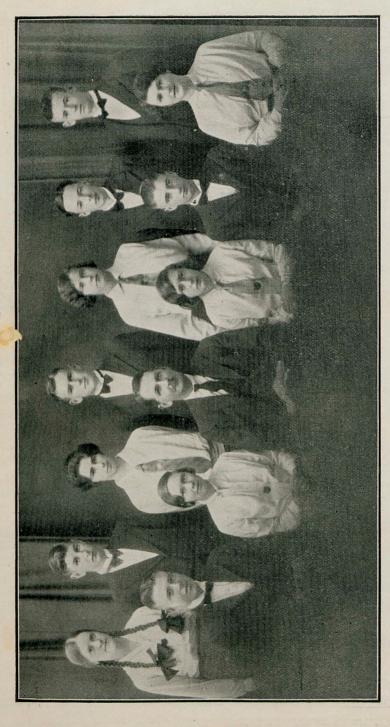


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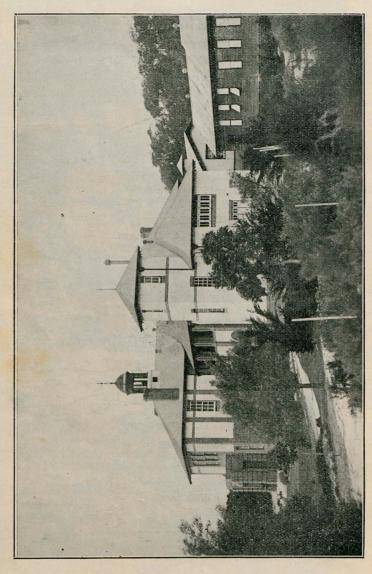
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EDITORIAL.

SCHOOL NOTES

Among the many crimes committed in the name of convention surely the worst is that which obliges an Editor, harassed as he is by a thousand and one cares, to preface his work by a message to the world as represented by his readers. The futility of the custom becomes more apparent when one considers that only in moments of mental aberration are editorials ever known to be read. So, secure in the knowledge that only our own-and the printers'-eyes will behold this we venture upon our task. Editors are wont in delivering their remarks to use the simple metaphors of nativity, but our child, like Minerva or Richard II., wears a quaintly aged look. Representing, as it does, the youth of the present students and the mature years of those who have left these walls, its Janus-like expression can be easily understood. It is not for us to contradict the sentiments of one of the great Elizabethans, but, if the present "Boronia' is what it strives to be, then crabbed age and youth can go together.

Some may be curious as to where we have been for the last two years. If any such there be, tell them, gentle reader, that brutal circumstances imposed on us a lean time, a kind of spiritual pilgrimage into the wilderness, from which we have at last emerged hopeful that a diet of increased advertisements and a more active circulation will speedily restore us to our former vigour.

W. J. ARCHIBALD.

T. GLOE.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

We wish to acknowledge receipt of the following School Magazines: "The Sphinx," "The Kingia," "The Avon," "The Golden Mile" and the "Hobart High School Magazine."

The pictures purchased in London about two years ago and hung for some time in the School Hall, have now been distributed among the various classrooms. These pictures, of which there are over seventy, were framed and mounted by the boys in the Manual Training Centre, under Mr. Morrison's supervision, and the way the work was carried out leaves nothing to be desired. The selection of the pictures was made by F. Schonell, Esq., B.A., to whom the thanks of the School is due for the discrimination and taste shown in his choice. The pictures have evoked the enthusiastic admiration of all those who have seen them, among the prints most admired being those of Raphael, Vermeer, Ruysdael, Corot, Holbein, Hals, Constable and Leighton.

In view of the urgent need of playing fields at the School, the excavation and levelling of the ground in front of the School was commenced last year. A good deal of work was done, the labour and necessary equipment being paid out of School funds. Owing to the depletion of the latter, there was not the same prospect of as much being done this year, until the Headmaster succeeded in obtaining the use of sustenance men, which meant that the required labour was to be paid out of the State grant to the Municipality. He also hired tip trucks and rails from Mr. Patterson of Torbay, and consequently there was at one stage a prospect of all the excavations being completed this year. Actually about three-quarters of the work has been completed and had it not been for the interference of "coffee" rock and bad weather, the whole would have been done by this time. The western portion of the Oval has been levelled and partly planted with couch grass and ought to be ready for use in three years' time. fortunately the recent withdrawal of the sustenance men threatened a complete stoppage of operations, but, as so many of the boys generously volunteered to form working parties after school and on Saturdays, the work is still proceeding. As has

always been the case when something needs to be done Mr. Colgate has throughout rendered invaluable service.

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During the last twelve months there have been a few changes in the staff. Miss A. J. Morrison, B.A., who joined the staff at the beginning of 1930, received a transfer at the end of the year to her home town, Kalgoorlie, where she is now teaching at the Goldfields' High School. She was succeeded by Miss C. Morrow, B.A., who, of course, had been away for only one year and consequently needed no introduction to A.H.S. Miss King, who left the staff in December, 1930, became Mrs. Haynes sometime in June, while Miss Farmaner, a member of the staff some years ago, was married to Mr. Squires of Mount Barker a few weeks ago. To both of these ladies we extend our felicitations.

Greater success than ever attended the Annual Ball held on Friday, June 26, when amidst excitement that had accumulated for weeks, the School gathered at Elder Smith's to celebrate the event of the year. Twelve sets in fancy costume participated in the Grand March and in the Lancers, the wnole presenting a delightful and colourful spectacle. new departure was made this year in the holding of an Adults' Ball on the following night. This proved highly successful, there being six to seven hundred present. The decorations were prettily carried out in pennant flags, coloured lights, and greenery, and were very creditable to those responsible. The supper on both nights was also excellent and the High School owes much to the ladies and gentlemen who put so much hard work into its preparation.

Arbor Day this year was held on July 10 and was as well patronised as usual by friends of the School. A fresh acre was planted with pines and incidentally the preparation of the acre in question, was a

matter of much hard work on the part of those who had previously undertaken to grub and clear the section. The occasion was distinguished by the presence of Mr. Wallace Clubb, B.A., Director of Education, who in his address to those present, eulogised the tree planting scheme and was most generous in his appreciation of the training supplied by the Albany High School and the country High Schools generally. What impressed Mr. Clubb most was the good feeling, amounting almost to comradeship, existing betwen staff and student. Let us hope that it will always be so.

Owing to the depression, the Annual Sale of Work held on March 7th was not quite as successful as in some previous years. Nevertheless £35 was cleared, a sum which was supplemented by over £12 as the result of a most successful and enjoyable Bridge Evening held on April 30. It need not be stated that the money was most welcome owing to the School's various activities.

A few weeks ago we were gratified to hear that two of our first year students, Shirley Alger and Marguerite Page, were placed first and second respectively in the P. and O. Essay Competition (Secondary Schools Division, under 14). As the competition was State-wide and as the judges included Professor Murdoch of the University of W.A., Mr. Hope Robertson, ex-Chief Inspector of Schools and Mr. G. L. Burgoyne, of the "Daily News" Newspaper, the winning of the prizes in question was no mean feat. Meanwhile Shirley Alger's essay has been sent to Sydney to be considered in the selection of the first prize in her division for the whole of Australia.

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SPORT.

(By the Sportsmaster.)

The great advantage for us of these years is that they are teaching us to examine all the things that come into our lives with a more searching enquiry into their value and the extent to which we are deriving the best value possible from them. I hope that sport, not less than any other branch of school activities, is so examined, not only by those who try to take a critical view from outside, but by ourselves to whom is entrusted the responsibility of turning all the experiences of the school days to the best account we may. To me the most encouraging feature of the year's sport is that it has revealed the boys and girls who, realising that sport provides one of those spheres wherein we may develop self-reliance, talent for leadership and honest dealing with others at the same time as we make something of whatever prowess we may have, have shown a willingness to play their part and contribute their share of work and effort. I am pleased that Albany High School still has boys and girls, few though they may be, who, not less than those in other schools, play their part fully in conscientious application to training and practice, and attention to those other things that games involve to-day. I note, too, that of these there are also a few who are able to put games in their right place, and I would be happy to see this example followed more generally. The best achievements at games, with all their merit, are not the goal of our lives and our games have not only failed in them-selves but have been a hindrance in our school career if they have distracted us in our preparation for the life we are beginning to plan for ourselves. Our achievements, though not brilliant, have been generally creditable. It is my business to review these, but I believe that they are of minor importance compared with the aspect I have just mentioned.

The two public functions of the year, Swimming Carnival and Sports Day were successfully negotiated. In both was presented a very big programme in which a rather small number of entrants have to bear an unduly heavy strain because of low numbers of students at the school. There is cause for satisfaction that entries are so high as they are, but I would like to see more students take advantage of the peculiar opportunities offered by a comparatively small school to take this, the best possible chance of trying their talent, whereas at a larger school they would be, perforce, debarred. While expressing our congratulations to the champions, O'Callaghan, Eileen Dick, Benger and Miss Smith, McDonald, Pedler, Baker and Irene Dawson, I would like to draw attention to the very creditable performance of our athletes under 16 as indicative of the promise of worthier performances in the future.

Once more I am very pleased with the achievements of the Hockey Teams, and particularly with that of the A Team which has the very fine record of securing all three trophies in the Local Association and remaining unbeaten in competition with three of the other State High Schools. We will not conceal the fact, however, that, after a very fast and exciting game against Perth Modern School, we were only able to draw with Bunbury High School. I would like to congratulate Miss McDonald upon her very capable and tactful leadership and express my pleasure at the good fellowship and team spirit that

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was so obvious throughout the season.

The feelings of all of us with relation to the football team are mixed. Though it failed disappointingly in the object of all its endeavours, it is very true that it yielded to good teams, and had already given promise of better things in its encounters with local ones. But we must admit that, as a team, it had its weaknesses. Individual effort is only a part of the game and not the most important one. I cannot speak too highly of the consistently high standard of play of Barrett and Old, but, though they were backed by other good individual efforts this does not compensate for inconsistent team work. Herein lay the chief weakness. To some extent the non-attendance at practice may be excused when we remember the other heavy calls upon the students' time, necessitated by efforts to raise funds to help finance the trip. But this does not cover all cases. Apart from unfortunate casualties boys were absent when exercise of a little effort and forethought could have avoided it. Practices are for team work; and unexpected small practices at a time when the bad state of ground and other activities were already making the situation difficult, caused a serious setback to the team's progress.

In connection with the athletics, I wish to express my sympathy with those boys who were really eager to do well for the school. A series of unfortunate interferences in arrangements made for their practice, the very bad state of the ground and the absence of outside competition obliged them to go to Perth lacking in confidence, through inadequate prepara-tion—and this in spite of a promising beginning. Nevertheless, I recognise that in Shiner and Kemble we had representatives, who under more favourable circumstances, would have acquitted themselves well. Owing to the very full programme of winter games locally, it is difficult to secure outside competition in this branch, but I believe that we have now obtained valuable help and interest which will be of assistance in the future.

I am pleased to note the keenness and interest displayed in the baseball competition throughout this year, in which the game has been once more enlivened by enthusiasm on the part of those girls who have taken it seriously. Basketball has received good support and has proved a very valuable branch of faction compettition. It is a matter for some regret that, in spite of a very good beginning, tennis

Education consists of the necessary technical knowledge of the correct way to go about the work on hand, and the ability to apply it. It also consists of the knowledge to direct the work of others, and impart to them a spirit of enthusiasm and whole-hearted co-operation. Another important, though sometimes less recognised phase of education is a knowledge of the correct way to wear your clothes. Appearances make the first impressions on the minds of others, and those first impressions are most important, and lasting in their influence on future success. Whilst it is technical skill and ability which enables you to make a success of any work that is undertaken, it is your smart personal appearance that will secure for you your opportunity to put that skill into use. Drew's make a special feature of smart wearing apparel for the younger set. It is wise to consult a firm of long and honourable standing such as Drew, Robinson and Co., on the all important subject of clothes. Styles change, and it is only on the advice of such experts in the field of fashion that you can feel sure that you are being equipped in such a way as to secure for yourself the most favourable recognition.

was stopped, except for coaching at Lawley Park under Mr. Haliday and Miss Bulgin, by the ravages which the severe winter made upon our courts and from which they are only just beginning to recover.

A very big part of our endeavours from the end of First Term until the end of Second Term was taken up by efforts to raise funds towards the expenses of the teams. This may not be actually a branch of sport, but, before concluding this report, I would like to mention a few of the significant aspects of that phase of our activities. Those senior students who took the lead in organising and arranging the functions gave unstinting service and were generally well supported by those who were likely to be members of the teams and a few others. But, in spite of frequent appeals, there was yet a large group that give little or no assistance. While making allowance for the difficulty which many must experience in contributing even small amounts, I would like to draw attention to the need we all have of deciding that economies can be made in spending even small sums on things which we can deny ourselves in order to help something which deserves our support. Though all are not naturally interested in sport, we are all interested in the school, and we believe that the visit to Perth where we meet students of other schools like ours is a school affair, and a potential factor for its good. But even in its wider aspect this effort was for our-We have taken this big part of the year, therefore, for ourselves, we have now one very valuable opportunity to do something for those who come after us, and perhaps others to help those more needy than ourselves. Let us not fail to recognise these opportunities as they arise, and particularly let us seize this chance of playing our part in giving to our successors an oval, the lack of which has so seriously handicapped ourselves.

SPORTS DAY

Following is a summary of the results of events at the last Sports Day:—

Mile Championship, Open: F. Kemble, 1; E. Williams 2; P. Barrett, 3. Time, 5 mins. 9 secs.

880 Yards Championship, Open: R. Benger, 1; E. Ackley, 2; F. Kemble, 3. Time, 2 mins. 19 1-5 secs.

220 Yards Championship, Open: E. Ackley, 1; R. Benger, 2; F. Kemble, 3. 25 4-5 secs.

100 Yards Championship, Open: E. Ackley, 1; R. Benger, 2; F. Kemble, 3. 11 3-5 secs.

120 Yards Open Hurdles: P. Barrett, 1; R. Benger, 2; F. Kemble, 3. 21 1-5 secs. High Jump, Open: P. Barrett, 1; E. Ackiey, 2; R. Benger, 3. 4ft. 11ins.

Broad Jump, Open: P. Barrett, 1; R. Benger, 2; F. Kemble, 3. 17ft. 10½in.

Mile Championship, under 16: E. Wīliams and R. Purves, tie, 1; T. O'Neill, 3. Time, 5 mins. 26 secs.

880 Yards Championship, under 16: E. Williams, 1; R. Purves, 2; T. McDonald, 3. 2 mins. 16 4-5 secs.

440 Yards Championship, under 16: T. McDonald, 1; E. Williams, 2; R. Purves, 3. 61 2-5 secs.

220 Yards Championship, under 16: T. McDonald, 1; L. Read, 2; K. Cahill, 3. 25 4-5 secs.

100 Yards Championship, under 16: T. McDonald, 1; L. Read, 2; K. Cahill, 3. 11 3-5 secs.

120 Yards Hurdles, under 16: P. Forte, 1; H. Riggs, 2; E. Williams, 3.

High Jump, under 16: H. Riggs and P. Forte, tie, 1; R. Purves and K. Cahill, tie, 3. 4ft. 7½ins.

Broad Jump, under 16: T. McDonald, 1; H. Hawley, 2; H. Riggs and E. Williams, 3. 16ft. 9ins.

Hop, Step and Jump, Open: E. Ackley, 1; P. Barrett, 2; R. Benger, 3. 38ft. 5ins. Hop, Step and Jump, under 16: T. McDonald, 1; K. Cahill, 2; H. Riggs, 3; 36ft. 10½ins.

100 Yards Championship, under 14: A. Pedler, 1; L. Medcalf, 2; J. Baker, 3. 14 1-5 secs.

75 Yards Championship, under 14: A. Pedler and J. Baker, tie, 1; I. Medcalf, 3. 10 1-5 secs.

50 Yards Championship, under 14: J. Baker, 1; A. Pedler, 2; I. Medcalf, 3. 7 1-5 secs.

Broad Jump, under 14: J. Baker, 1; A. Pedler, 2; J. Edwards, 3. 13ft. 5\(\frac{1}{4}\)ins.

100 Yards Girls' Open Championship: E. Smith, 1; J. Ward, 2; M. Hill, 3. 13 secs.

50 Yards Girls Open Championship: E. Smith, 1; J. Ward, 2; M. Hill, 3. 7 secs. 75 Yards Girls' Open Championship: E.

Smith, 1; J. Ward, 2; M. Hill, 3. 10 secs. Hitting Hockey Ball, Open: J. Williams, 1; E. Moir, 2; T. Gloe, 3. 49 yards.

75 Yards Girls' Championship, under 14: I. Dawson, 1; C. Collins, 2; M. Willock, 3. 10 2-5 secs.

50 Yards Championship, under 14: 1. Dawson, 1; B. Palmer, 2; M. Willock, 3. 7 4-5 secs.

Faction Relay, Boys: Brown, 1; Boronia, 2; Gold, 3. 1 min. 53 secs.

Faction Relay, Girls: Boronia, 1; Green, 2; Gold, 3. 28 3-5 secs.

Pass Ball: Brown, 1; Boronia, 2; Green, 3.

Overhead Ball: Boronia, 1; Gold, 2; Green, 3.

HANDICAPS.

Open.

1 Mile: R. Taylor and A. Bitters, tie 1; 440 yards: M. O'Callaghan, 1; L. Lam-

220 Yards: E. Beckwith, 1: R. Madgen,

100 Yards: E. Beckwith, 1; R. Madgen, 2.

Under 16.

440 Yards: T. O'Neill, 1; N. Ferguson, 2. 220 Yards: T. O'Neill, 1; R. Stevens, 2. 100 Yards: T. O'Neill, 1; K. Cahill, 2.

Under 14.

100 Yards: A. Pedler, 1; J. Edwards, 2. 75 Yards: A. Pedler, 1; J. Edwards, 2.

GIRLS.

Open.

100 Yards: B. Palmer, 1; H. Scarborough, 2.

75 yards: M. Hill, 1: B. Palmer, 2.

50 Yards: E. Moir, 1: S. Alger and M. Hill, tie 2.

Under 14.

75 Yards: M. Willock, 1; A. Carlson, 2. 50 Yards: M. Willock, 1; B. Palmer, 2.

Oh, and there and then my legs were lead, a weary man was I (Hodgson). After a Saturday morning working bee.

PAYNES

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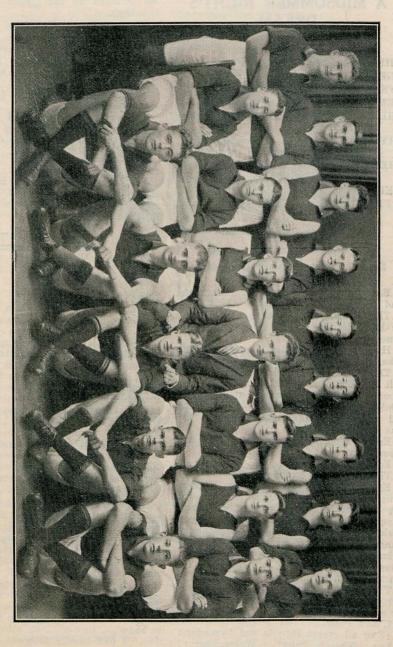
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A MIDSUMMER NIGHT'S DREAM

Dramatis Personae.

THESEUS, Duke of Athens.

EGEUS, Hermia's father.

LYSANDER, in love with

DEMETRIUS, Hermia

PHILOSTRATE, master of the revels

to Theseus.

HYPPOLYTA Queen of Amazons be-

HYPPOLYTA, Queen of Amazons, betrothed to Theseus.

HERMIA, daughter of Egeus, in love with Lysander.

HELENA, in love with Demetrius.

ATTENDANTS on Theseus and Hyppolyta.

Scene: Athens.

Act I.

Scene I.: Athens, Palace of Theseus.

Enter Theseus, Hyppolyta, Philostrate, and Attendants.

Thes.: Waal, Polly, in four days we'll be hitched But struth, 'snot a deuce of time coming! Aw, no!

Hyp.: Doesn't matter, any 'ow. It'll hike like mad, you see if it don't!

Thes. (to Philostrate): Say, Phil, go 'n tell the Botts to shake a leg an' get up summat wot'll give us a laire time! (Exit Philostrate.) Polly, I scrapped for yer, but I'll marry yer different—we'll have the dux of a time, what!

Enter Egeus, Hermia, Lysander and

Demetrius.

Egeus: Good luck to yer, Theseus.

Thes.: Ta, Eg.; but wassup?

Ege.: 'S about my daughter Hermia. This feller 'ere called Demetrius, 'as got my consent to marry 'er, but she won't 'ave 'im. This ither bloke 'ere's been makin' love to 'er an' all that—serenadin' unner 'er winder an' takin' 'er to the community singin' givin' 'er flowers an' chocolates an' all the rest of it. I wanner ter marry Demy, an' she won't.

Thes.: Yeah, Hermy, you liss'n ter wot yer ole man sez, or be a nun orl yer life or else be shot at dawn. 'S th' law.

C'mon Polly.

(Exit all except Hermia and Lysander.)
Lys.: Whatoh, baby! Wassermarrer?
Wot's yer white for?

Her.: Aw, nuthin'.

Lys.: Say, Hermy, we'll clear out t'night

so's nob'dy'll be able ter touch us. Meet me ternight on the stroke o' eleven in the bush.

Her.: O.K., Sandy, dear. But here's

Helen. (Enter Helena.)

Lys.: Hullo, Helen! Look! Me an' Hermy's elopin' ternight! Yeah! Don't go spoutin' it all over the country, now. So long!

Her.: So long, Helen. (Exit Hermia

and Lysander).

Helen: Ah, I'll just tell Demy about 'em elopin' an' 'e'll just stop 'em an' give 'em up to justice. Not the dux! Only a rumour!

Curtain.

Will the villain succeed in frustrating the efforts of Hermia and Lysander to elope? Read our next instalment of this thrilling serial!!????!!

—D.H.W.

BAA!!

This . . . baa . . . is a sheepy tale. Rather it . . baaa . . it has a sheepy flavour. To be precise . . baaa . . it concerns a . . baaa . . lamb, a very small . . baaa .. lamb. Baa .. Our neighbour has acqui . . baaa . . red the aforesaid lamb. Baaa . . . For over a week now the wretched animal has lifted up its abominable voice incessantly . . baaa . . morning, noon and night. I, too, have lifted up my voice at the sound thereof. Baaa . . Bother the animal! Really people ought to have more . . baaa . . consideration for the auditory organs of other people . . baaa . . and acquire an animal whose voice is not so offensive. A cat would really be much more suitable. Baa . . .

The other day I . . baa-a-a . . crept stealthily to the fence dividing our properties, and peered over to observe the offending sheep. At the . ba-a-a . . identical moment it observed me and baa-d sheepishly or rather lambishly. I gazed upon it ferociously and it gazed back sheepishly totally unconscious of its iniquity. I would assuredly have smitten it were I near enough. Baa-a-a. It evinced a further desire to lift up its voice just to show . ba-a-a . . its admirable qualities. I fled hastily followed by a triumphant ba-a-a.

Jun. and Leaving Certificate Exams. 1930

At the University Examinations, November, 1930, the following students ob-

tained full Junior Certicates:— Stanley Austin, Sylvia Austin, Philip Barrett, Alfred Basley, Kyra Box, Phyllis Chopping, Alice Crispe, Brian Dawson, Murray Dawson, Joan Everett, Claus Gloe, Vera Goodall, James Grocock, Maisie Lethlean, Clara Maslin, Robert Moncrieff, Maurice O'Callaghan, John O'Halloran, Jean O'Neill, Ruth Nenke, Kathleen Palmer, Patricia Schorer, May Simper, Joyce Smith, Bethwyn Tomlinson, Maurice Wellstead.

The following qualified for a Junior Certificate, pending a pass in one subject:

Ray Benger, George Boardley, May Ellis, Noel Ingham, Ernest Moncrieff, Ethel Smith.

The following students passed the Leaving Certificate Examination:

James Archibald, Irene Bryant, Cora Campbell, Ester Genoni (with distinction in biology), Margaret Hallett (with distinctions in app. mathematics and biology), Winifred Hillman, Jean Mathews, Enid

THE CREEKS

The valley lies sleeping Under the sun. But in the cool darkness I hear the creeks run. I hear the sweet music Of creeks running clear O'er stone scattered pathways-A joyous career. Hurry, scurrying, bustling along, Babbling and bubbling in silvery song,

To reach the far plains ere the day should be done.

And the river to ocean without them have gone.

But the slow sluggish river creeps on, creeps on.

O'er the forest green plains below, To the far golden shore and the wild white waves.

And the creeks are lost in the foam. -B. U.

Mitchell, Barbara Quigley (with distinction in biology), Phyllis Vaughan, Maisie Ward, Dorothy Wise, Jack Shiner. Leonard Anderson requires one subject

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REPAIRS ON THE PREMISES.

SCHOOL OVAL.

It became evident, soon after the opening of the Albany High School, that the academy was handicapped by the lack of a suitable sports ground near the School. It is still necessary for the scholars to walk half a mile or so before the local grounds can be reached, on the sports day, once a week. This tiresome walk, through sand and bog in their respective seasons, tends to lessen the interest taken in sport, especially as an equally tiresome one has to be undertaken after the match. This tendency has a bad effect on some lads in whom sport should be encouraged.

These conditions continued for six long years, the students trudging on in the hope that some day, before their happy school days terminated, the School would proudly display to the slumbering public, a brand new oval of its own. However, in the sixth year we saw the commencement of the excavation necessary to get the projected scheme successfully under way.

Sundry gentlemen of local repute as shovel experts, turned up at the appointed hour with several drays complete with motive power in the shape of rather downcast looking horses. Mr. Reedy, our headmaster and instigator of the scheme, had ascertained, with the aid of a theodolite, and boys with mallets and pegs, exactly where the work should be started on the memorable morning. The male portion of the scholars watched the operations with many taunts and much round advice as how to manage the shovels and horses. And so the passing of the days found the stalwart gang gradually moving, preceded by an ever-growing bank towards the School. The horses, more downcast than ever, vied with the diggers in their efforts to show off the "government stroke" to the best advantage to the admiring lads that lined the bank every recess period. However, all good things come to an end, and this entertainment was no exception.

The hoarded funds that enabled the work to be carried on, at last dwindled away and so the good work ceased. The disappointed spirits of the boys were only buoyed up by the fact that there would probably be more work done next year. Imagine our delight when truck load after truck load of rails and several trollies were dumped on our dormant oval. Little time was lost in laying out the track and soon sand was being shifted at a good five miles an hour. The pent-up spirits of the boys found re-

lief in being able to rush over two hundred yards of diminutive railway on a heavily laden truck at quite an exhilarating speed. At first all conventions were thrown aside and we were amazed to see lordly fifth formers mingle with scrambling first and seconds in attempts to gain a ride. Soon, however, the upper school saw the folly of their ways, and withdrew to the top of the bank to sneer and laugh at the "rest's" puny amusement. "Most weak," they said with deep sarcasm, and perhaps, we think, a tinge of envy.

So great was this novelty of careering across the level expanse of sand that many boys who should have been studying were found riding the trollies during their private study periods. This practice was stopped by the Headmaster, whose duty it is to see that we do our required amount That this practice of work every day. should have been stopped was very necessary, for it was rumoured that the mailboy, harassed wretch, took refuge under the bank from the searching eyes of our Form Master annoyed at the non-appearance of the fellow.

Such conditions existed, the sustenance men, kindly provided by the Albany Municipal Council, did good work under the stern eye of Mr. Colgate, he able caretaker and lately foreman on the eval. Unfortunately a seam of coffee rock has been encountered that dragged the proceedings back. It will be necessary to blast the rock, an expensive and (so Mr. Colgate says), very tiring job. And now bad luck has beset us-the sustenance men have been removed and we are asked to take to ourselves shovels and at different times continue with the work. We don't mind this very much as we like to follow the example set us by Mr. Reedy. Always he has encouraged the males of the staff and students to turn up to the various working bees that have been held. He, himself, has always turned up and sportingly taken up a shovel and worked with us. The girls, too, have helped. They plant grass and what is more important, provide tea for the workers.

This system of working bees will keep the ball rolling for some time. It is rather interesting to see the staff and students, mingle and heave sand into trucks. Some fine, very fine, and stout figures have been observed at the "bees"; we hope the number and condition of the figures will improve as time goes on.

Some people may question the need of an oval near the School, but there is no doubt that we are in dire need of one. In the first place the School cannot enter a team into the football association without the oval. Further, the boys who train extensively for sports must go to one of the present ovals to do so, whereas a sports ground close to the School would no doubt improve the sports and the spirits of the boys. Yet again, what has hitherto been a waste of sand is being turned into something that will improve the boys physically and morally—for that is sport. We hope the work will speedily be completed.

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that the plane will glide from the top storey to the bottom without a falter, thus eliminating the necessity of cleaning up the path below.

We would once more draw your attention to its adaptability. No other aircraft on the market can be screwed up into a ball and used as ammunition and later

converted into aircraft again.

We are convinced of the marvellous powers of our invention. A trial is solicited. We suggest that some of your dare-devil pilots of Room F fame, such as Non-stop Squeaker or Pancake Read, should give our machine a trial on some arranged date.

We remain,
Yours, in anticipation,
Blue Glider Co.
—"WAGGA."

TIES AND OTHER SINS

It has often been stated that it is possible to read a man's character from his choice in ties. I, for one, have certainly been struck very forcibly with the divergence in choice of this most unnecessary article of dishabille as displayed by the masculine leaders of fashion in this school.

These sprightly young gentlemen endeavour to brighten the horizon with vivid blues, greens, reds and golds in the form of spots, stripes, or squirmy-looking patterns. This has even spread to the teachers, and we look forward from day to day to the various, and somewhat aggressive colours, that will be blended with our history lessons in the form of variegated ties—they are the bright spots of the day.

Phlegmatic youths choose sombre colours as if fearful of the limelight that they might have to face if they regarded the world over a neck-piece of brilliant hue. They retire behind their ties like shy, but amiable elephants.

There are even some colourless fellows, though I shudder to say it, who actually face the world in general from behind a bow tie, usually black in colour and butterfly in form, but certain acute cases of spots have been seen, and on one memorable occasion we were confronted by a large red one.

Let us, however, be thankful for small mercies 'cause some of 'em don't wear any at all round their necks.

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FACTION NOTES.

In spite of the interest evinced in other activities, faction competitions still form the most important part of the School Sport. Training for competition with the other State Secondary Schools, Town Association Matches in Hockey, and a few matches against town teams in Football have supplied valuable incentives to better effort, while giving more training to those more naturally adapted to playing But these competitions have been responsible for sustained effort and have given some form of sport to almost every student of the School. It is pleas-ing, therefore, to observe that the interest in the Factions has been so general and that the competitions have been, for the greater part, of a higher standard.

Changes appear in the organisation of competitions from year to year and on this occasion the most outstanding feature has been a reduction in the number of rounds of Faction matches. Owing to

the fact that more football matches with outside teams were possible, the number of Faction rounds in that game was reduced by one, but the very keen interest in a couple of the final matches and the higher standard of play are proof that this has reacted to the benefit of the competitions and suggests that it may be to the advantage of Faction sport to try to do

the same in other games.

Two features of the Faction activities are worthy of mention in that they indicate a keener interest on a part of the leaders, and a more concerted effort on the part of the Faction as a whole. The first of these has been the very fine performance of Gold, an achievement attri-butable to the two factors mentioned above. The boys particularly owe their success to good leadership and good team work. In the second place, the fact that Boronia has at last managed to leave the bottom of the Faction Board is proof of the realisation that it is capable of maintaining rivalry with the others. Fine individual performances have played a big part in this, but once again good team

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work and leadership, particularly among the girls, has been the chief factor. Brown well deserved its place second to Gold, for, though not supported by the same number of good players it has a number of very promising boys and girls and some really outstanding individual players. The most disappointing feature of the competitions has been the reversal of form shown by Green in comparison with last year's Though not favoured with the possession of a large number of good players, it was by on means devoid of talent, and has had outstanding individuals. But teams will never win success in the prowess of one or two, and it is certainly true that in the boys' side at least the Faction, as a whole, has lacked interest.

Such are the merits and demerits of the Factions, by which they have earned success or failure, remembering always that the lowest Faction on the Board has succeeded if it has made the best of the talent in its ranks. Judged by these standards, Gold has been the outstanding success of the year followed by Boronia and Brown. Following is a brief statement of the Faction records:—

GOLD.

Total points to date, 213.
Captains: E. Beckwith and Miss Wallis.
The Faction was first in the Swimming
Carnival and third in the events on Sports
Day, won all cricket and boys' tennis
matches but one, and six out of nine football matches. It had also the champion
girl swimmer, E. Dick, and champion girl

BROWN.

Total points to date, 199. Captains: P. Barrett and Miss Gloe.

athlete, E. Smith.

The Faction was first on Sports Day, and has otherwise registered its best successes in football, in which it was beaten only once and in cricket and tennis ranking second to Gold in the first and Boronia in the second. E. Ackley, who was runner-up for champion athlete, was its most outstanding performer on Sports Day.

BORONIA.

Total points to date, 137.

Captains: J. Archibald and Miss McDonald.
The Faction's best achievement were in hockey and boys' tennis, in which it ranked first, and for which it owes much to the two Captains in their respective parts.
On Sports Day it was a close second to Brown and it enjoys the distinction of being the only Faction to defeat Gold in

cricket. Congratulations are due to McDonald, who was champion athlete under 16.

GREEN.

Total points to date, 98. Captains: M. O'Callaghan and Miss Urquhart.

Its best achievement was at the Swimming Carnival when it secured second place. Without O'Caliaghan, champion swimmer and Benger, champion athlete, its position would have been even more hopeless.

"LA CAVERNE DE MORT"

What was the meaning of these strained horror-stricken faces? Why could these mouths emit but sighs and groans? Surely the spiritualists had not once again announced the end of the world.

Nine forms slowly paced the corridor like walking corpses. Up and down they went, dragging their heavy feet and hanging their heads as if in disgrace. there was one, who, contrary to these beings in purgatory, stood silently in a corner, holding his little round head up in defiance-a proud and confident creature. It was the tenth. With a smile upon his impudent face he watched the proceedings of the nine tortured souls. Now and then one of these would slowly lift his leaden head to look with pitiful eyes at this embodiment of confidence and determination -perhaps to seek sympathy-but all in Oh, horrid thing, why should he taunt them any longer.

The nine forms now huddled themselves together in a corner and whispers could be heard. "The end is nigh, it is all up with us." As the minutes slowly passed the gloom became even more intense. Then, suddenly a thin little creature, with a sharp nose and a piercing look, tripped "d'apres les Francaises" into the adjacent room. The groans and "soupirs" augmented and a mighty anguishing cry arose. "She has come—woe is me." But the one in the corner—his beaming little eyes were lifted to heaven. The hour of fame and glory was nigh.

Then the sound of a bell rang sharply through the air. Aha! the gloomy slaughterhouse was opening its gates of death to the first victims. Slowly two of the nine poor souls wended their way to the door, and with one last deploring look disappeared within. After twenty minutes had passed the door slowly opened again

and a terrible thing with a white face and protruding eyes staggered out. It was a wonder that the poor thing withstood the terrible ordeal. Moaning and groaning he joined his companions who at the sight of the spectacle became even more terrorised. But the optimist in the corner smiled and said "Poor mut."

Another of the miserable pessimists left the group and disappeared into the den. A second trembling apparition having received his judgment came out, gasping for air. It was now the signal for the tenth to enter. Tossing his proud little head he walked stoutly to the door. There was a new light in his eyes. His dreams were to come true, he would be triumphant. Ten minutes after the appearance of the third he came out, with the bold air of one who has succeeded. He had that "Thank you, Doctor, it didn't hurt a bit" expression. This tormented the troubled souls even more and one was just able to utter "For heaven's sake, get away. Oh! Oh!" But no, the proud thing stood there and mocked and jeered at them.

One by one the remainder met their doom. Each came out in a more pitiful state than when he entered. Eventually

the last staggered out of the den ready for suicide. The tormentor, her countenance grim and hard, stepped blithely through the door. The fate of the poor sheep was in the executioner's hands. Soon she descended the stairs and was gone.

The nine poor creatures were now reconciled to their fate and were waiting now only for the ground to swallow them up. But that thing in the corner—ough! loathsome animal—all he could utter was: "Vivez amis, vivez en paix."

-T. G.

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PUBLIC NOTICES

ROOM F.

The gentlemen of Room F wish to inform their inferior brethren of the School that they will commence business on Octember 30, 1931. They have at their service twenty experienced and capable experts. As the following detailed list shows, their accomplishments are of the most varied description, but there is one in which they take particular pride, viz., the ability to tell the width of a person's trousers at sight, correct to onehundredth of an inch.

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blackmail.

H. Stewart: Isaac Walton and his art. E. Stanford: The dangers of chasing

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Sir D. Williams: The art of corking

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home work on time.

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say writing. H. Rowbotham: The art of keeping si-

lent and burning people.

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Mr. "Boop" Stevens: Bush whacker and scrub turkey.

Hon. J. Ramsay: Sheiking.

P. Haywood: The effects of Mahommedanism on the inhabitants of the South Polar regions.

L. Perkins: Boxing and the life of Scipio

Africanus Minor.

H. Hawley: Pawn broking as a source of income.

F. Saw: Art and gliding.

PUBLIC NOTICE.

Tuesday, Dec. 12. Tuesday, Dec. 12.

> All are welcome to an ILLUSTRATED LECTURE

By Rev. H. Riggs and Bishop Cahill in Room F.

Subject: "Missionary Work Among the Cannibals of Dead Man's Lake."

Hear how Johnny Cockles, head hunter and gilgie catcher, saw the error of his ways. See the saving of the life of "Chut" Old, gun runner and fire-water vendor, from the hands of "Binghi" Norman, skull collector, and his submission to the Brahmin rites under the mesmerism of the Rev. Riggs.

Admission: Copper Coin.

"BICKET" READ, Organiser.

EX-STUDENTS NOTES

During the year the Association was reorganised and we are pleased to report that it gives promise of greater stability than in the past. A meeting has been held on the first Monday of every month and most of these have been fairly well attended.

Several dances have been held by the Association this year, and these have been a great success. We hope to include in our programme for 1932, a grand Annual Ball.

Soon after the reformation of the Association the matter of a special pocket for ex-students was proceeded with, a suitable design was submitted by Mr. T. Chester, and an order for the manufacture of the pockets was placed with Messrs. Foy and Gibson, Perth. The work was satisfactorily carried out and many ex-students are now proudly wearing pockets of a very handsome and unique design. The Secretary, Mr. J. Cooke, Lands Office, Albany, will be pleased to receive further orders from ex-students.

In conclusion, I wish to appeal to those who will become ex-students at the end of the current year. Do not let the Association down. School is not a place which you attend only to reach a certain academic standard, pass examinations and then slip quietly away and forget most of your school associations. Forget the binomial theorem if you like, but do not

forget that you are an ex-student of the Albany High School. Wherever you may find yourself, after you have left your petite alma mater, keep in touch with the Ex Students Association and do all you can to make it a firm and permanent institution. If you find yourself in any locality that has amongst its citizens a sufficient number of ex-students to justify the formation of a new branch, get together and form one.

We have to thank Mr. F. M. Reedy for the assistance he has given us in allowing us the use of the School Hall for our social gatherings and one of the class

rooms for our meetings.
Stan Evans (1930), P. Ward (1930), Martin O'Halloran (1929), and Wilson Forte (1929), all of whom were awarded Hackett Scholarships at the end of 1930, are at present pursuing their studies at the University.

Francess Haywood, awarded a Hackett Scholarship in 1929, has now completed her second year in the Arts Faculty.

Eva Chester, who declined a Hackett in 1929, is a monitor at Albany Infants'

B. Jenkin, Joyce McGuire, B. Paltridge,

J. Peat, J. Urguhart and S. Ingram are monitors at various centres.

Barton Lindsey (1929) is in the National Bank at Claremont and his young brother, Rolfe, is also a bank clerk at Wagin.

John O'Halloran (1930) is a bank clerk

at Narrogin.

Jean Mathews (1930), is taking her first year Arts Course through the University Correspondence School.

Margarett Hailett (1930) has completed

her first year in Science.

B. Quigley (1930), a former editor of the Boronia, has had several contributions in verse and prose accepted in English periodicals.

Both she and P. Vaughan (1930) have taken a prominent part this year in local

theatricals.

J. Haire (1926) has further distinguished himself in athletics, having created a new State record in the high jump.

"What pipes and timbrels, what wild ecstacy" (J. Keats). Leaving Albany Station or break up School Concert.

"What thou art, we know not" (P. Shelley). Naming a clause in analysis.

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OUR TOURISTS' GUIDE

TO ALBANY AND DISTRICT.

(Supplied by the Boronia's Special Bilious Correspondent.)

EMU POINT.

Emu Point is a restful place about six miles from Albany. It is a spot of considerable antiquarian interest from its association with Captain Vancouver and the strange old fossils to be met with there. To save the reader from any illusions, it must be pointed out that there are no emus there and no points, except those the residents show you when you are trying to hire a boat to go fishing.

When the visitor arrives there, the local dogs come rushing at him and if he resists this form of entertainment a native appears on the scene and attacks him with a waddy. Our special correspondent speaks of being "donged on the boko," but we feel that in using such an expression, he is using too much local colour.

The jetty is quite a feature of the place. It consists of six piles and two rotten planks. The visitor is allowed to look at the structure but not to walk on it in case it collapses, in which event the residents might have to provide a new one. Naturally Emu Point does not care to contemplate such a costly undertaking—in any case it would completely destroy the peculiar old world charm and flavour of the place. The latter again has been attributed by our bilious special correspondent to decayed seaweed and dead fish.

On the other side of the channel is the place where Captain Vancouver watered his ship. The supposed camping ground consists of a dead tree which affords no shade, miscellaneous scraps of old newspapers used for packing sandwiches in bygone years, a fire place and a rusty jam tin. The latter can be used for getting water out of the well which, however, must be used with discretion as it has not been cleaned out since Vancouver's time and quite recently a pet kangaroo, deciding it had had enough of Emu Point, drowned itself in the well.

Among other curiosities is a motor car the body of which is a stretcher on which one of Napoleon's marshals was carried from a battlefield wounded, and the engine is reported to have been used by Vancouver for pumping water out of the well.

The principal industry appears to be the breeding of dogs.

DENMARK.

This famous summer resort is within easy reach of Albany for anyone who has an aeroplane, the land and sea communications being somewhat difficult. Many assert that Albany is connected with Denmark by road, but there is a good deal of doubt about it. In any case, if you follow the line of miscellaneous parts of motor cars, which have been wrecked and abandoned on the journey you can't go far wrong. Denmark is not very densely populated unless you count the masquitoes and flies. If you do, its total population must be considered very nearly equal to that of London or New York.

ALBANY

IN A HUNDRED YEARS TIME.

It was a sultry summer afternoon, and even lying in the shade, on the lawn, I began to feel drowsy. At length, deciding to "indulge my inclinations," I settled down and was soon asleep.

When it seemed to me that I awoke, it was to find that the hands of time had raced forward one hundred years, in 2031 A.D., and I, like Rip Van Winkle of old, rubbed my eyes and stared. Was this glorious garden the tiny lawn patch upon which I had fallen asleep?

Was this magnificent five-storied building our five-roomed house? Impossible! This could not be Albany! But yes, on the opposite side of the road was a huge edifice, over the front door of which was inscribed, "H. Hiscock, Pastrycook," while on a placard in one of the ground floor windows was written: "Best Pies in Albany. Freshest and Tastiest. Send in your order now, to H. Hiscock, these buildings."

I had walked across the road to read this, and now, looking around me, I was amazed at the heights of the buildings, and the number of gigantic shops, here in our poor little John Street.

What puzzled me most was the absence of motor cars and all other vehicles. Everywhere silence reigned supreme, and I was beginning to think the whole town was asleep, when I heard a clear, piercing yell of "Taxi-i-i."

Turning I saw near me a man clad in baggy green silk trousers of oriental pattern, with a pale pink silk shirt, mauve socks, blue slippers—also oriental—and a glistening topper. As I stared at him I heard a rushing of wind and was just in

time to jump out of the way of an aeroplane, which had hurtled straight down from the blue. It was a very small 'plane and could land easily in the street, but, instead of landing in the usual manner, it dropped vertically. Stepping into the 'plane the "rainbow" man called out, Rowley Street, please," and up soared the plane to drop in some other part of the town.

Looking up, I now saw dozens upon dozens of aeroplanes, airships, and batlike gliders, flying very low. Just at that moment I heard another yell of "Taxi-i" and down came another aeroplane into the street. A second man clad somewhat similarly to the first, stepped into the curtained "tonneau" of the "taxi," saying hurriedly, "Delhi market place, please, in five minutes," adding, "There's an Ayah with a bangle for sale, and my wife wants it." Up roared the plane, and deciding to test this novel mode of conveyance, 1 too, called "Taxi-i," and I, too, took my seat in the aeroplane which fell at my feet, saying as I did so, "York Street."

I did not feel the rising motion at all, and was quite surprised when, no sooner than he had shut the door, the pilot opened it again. "A penny," he said. Amazed I gave him a threepenny piece and turned to look about me.

Where was I? Not in York Street. There was the Monument at the Yes!

top of the street, and there was the sea at the bottom. But what was this huge Church which confronted me. Surely it was not the S. John's Church from which

I had so often "wagged" it!

Yes, it must be! Oh! Let me get away from this town of alterations," I cried, and hailing another aeroplane, I seated myself in the back and said, Mt. Barker, please."

"Er- where did you say?" inquired the

"Mt. Barker," I replied.

"Don't know it, I'm afraid," he apologised. "Is it one of these new towns at the Pole."

As best I could I explained the position of Mt. Barker, and the driver said, "I see you're one of these "a hundred years ago-ers. We often have them arriving along here. W.A. is now divided into seven cities, of which Albany is one. The others are Perth, Broome, Geraldton, Onslow, Kalgoorlie and Hall's Creek. other places are their suburbs. I think the place that you mention must be Porongorups Terrace. It is in the suburbs of this town, which extend as far as Broomehill, after which you come to the suburbs of Perth."

Utterly dazed, I sank back on the cushioned seat. Up and up and up we flew, to fall again in-to-day.

-D. H.

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