

James Pann-Bonczau—whose name would never be forgotten by Prince Alfred boys—and he had had the privilege of settling the measure. Previously he had had the opportunity of sitting on the Education Board with a man whose name would be mentioned with reverence when the names of himself and his hearers were lost in oblivion—the late John Anderson Hartley. He had recognised that Mr. Hartley was the man to be the permanent head of the Education Department, and he had had no difficulty in persuading his colleagues to take a similar view. Mr. Hartley, after being released from the command at Prince Alfred College, had accepted the position. Sir John Colton had demurred at letting him depart from the college until an equally

good man was promised from England. The successor was Mr. Chapple. (Cheers.)

#### A Happy Interlude.

At this moment the Rev. Canon Girdlestone (principal of St. Peter's College) entered the hall and took his seat on the platform. He was greeted by loud cheering.

Sir Samuel Way said he did not wonder at the enthusiasm. A more generous tribute to a brother headmaster he had never read than that from Canon Girdlestone in that morning's paper. (Cheers.) They had no more welcome guest at this gathering save only his Excellency the Governor, than the gentleman who had just entered.

Reverting to the subject he had been speaking about, Sir Samuel Way said he was rather proud of his achievement, which had given the public the benefit of the services of Mr. Hartley, and introduced to Prince Alfred College a distinguished and great master. (Cheers.) If he had done no other service in South Australia, he confessed he thought he thoroughly deserved the hearty applause which had just been accorded him. (Laughter and cheers.) The first time he had seen Mr. Chapple he (Sir Samuel) had presided at a breakfast in aid of the finances of Prince Alfred College 38 years ago. He was then administering the Government. The audience would note he did not fail to bring up the facts in his favor on every possible occasion. (Laughter.) At the breakfast an effort had been made on behalf of the Waterhouse wing of Prince Alfred College, which had not then been erected, and before the gathering rose from the table there was a subscription list totalling £1,500. (Cheers.)

#### Men the College Has Turned Out.

Dealing with the progress of the college, Sir Samuel Way said when Mr. Chapple succeeded Mr. Hartley in 1876, the school had a muster roll of 470 boys. Since that time 4,681 boys had enrolled. (Cheers.) There had been spent £33,000 during Mr. Chapple's term in building additions, and nearly the whole of the £2,286 spent in the erection of the handsome fence round the college had been obtained by bazaars, fetes, and so on, with Mrs. Chapple at the head of other friends of the institution. The academic successes of Prince Alfred boys were many, for 298 had graduated, 116 during about 50 years of the last century, and 182 during 14 years of this century. That was an indication of the increased value that parents now placed upon higher education. (Cheers.) Most of those boys had graduated at the University of Adelaide, but 86 had taken their degrees elsewhere, including 11 at Cambridge, five at Oxford, and five at the London University. That showed that the training was not merely preparatory for the universities of Australia, but for the most venerable and strictest academic institutions of the mother country. (Cheers.) Some Prince Alfred College boys most distinguished in the mother country were:—P. A. Robin, M.A. (Cambridge), Doc. Lat. (Lond.), the late Dr. Holder, J. R. Wilton, M.A. (Cambridge), fifth wrangler in mathematical tripos, and Mr. A. Chapple (son of the headmaster), who had passed in the first class, parts 1 and 2, of the engineering tripos. Some of those who had succeeded in Adelaide were:—J. L. Glasson, D.Sc., J. L. Jonah, D.Sc., F. W. Wheatley, D.Sc., and J. R. Wilton, D.Sc. Among the University teachers were:—At Edinburgh, T. H. Beare, Regius professor of engineering; at Cambridge, A. Chapple, lecturer in en-

gineering; at Sheffield, J. R. Wilton, lecturer in mathematics; in Tasmania, J. L. Glasson; and at Adelaide University there were ten. There had been four Rhodes scholars, ministers had been furnished to all churches, including 50 to the Methodist Church, and amongst the lawyers educated there were now four King's counsel.

#### Mr. Chapple Outside of the School.

Outside of the school Mr. Chapple had been a useful citizen in many respects. Like Canon Girdlestone he was a member of the University Council, and had been warden for 31 years. He had been at the head of almost every good institution in South Australia for the benefit of young men and boys. Speaking of the religious system in Prince Alfred College, he said he admired the State school system in South Australia, but he thought if he had sons to send to school they should go to Prince Alfred College, St. Peter's College, or some school that made religious teaching the basis of the work of the boys. Mr. Chapple had identified himself with every institution for the promotion of Bible reading in State schools. (Cheers.) He hoped Mr. and Mrs. Chapple would enjoy long life and prosperity, and rejoice in witnessing the continued success and advancement of Prince Alfred College. (Cheers.)

Mr. N. A. Webb, in an eloquent eulogium in behalf of the old boys, said the old scholars had intended to give Mr. Chapple a farewell dinner, but the loved headmaster had thought such a dinner should not be given while there were starving women and children in Belgium. (Prolonged cheers.) There was something else that could not be undertaken until Mr. Chapple's future movements were known, as he proposed to go for a world tour. In conclusion, Mr. Webb paraphrased the school "Leaving song" thus:—

Adieu, our well-loved chief, adieu,  
'Tis hard indeed to say farewell to you;  
But though we near the parting way,  
We'll hold you in our hearts for aye and aye.

Mr. Chapple did not attempt to make a speech in response. All he could say was "That which should accompany old age have—honor, love, obedience, troops of friends."

Cheers were given for Mr. and Mrs. Chapple.

### THE CHIEF JUSTICE'S INVESTMENTS.

The Chief Justice (Sir Samuel Way, Bart.), at the Prince Alfred College demonstration on Thursday read a letter the head master had received from the parent of one of the boys. There were in it frequent references to the drought and failure of the crops. "The writer of this letter apparently, like myself, is a struggling farmer," remarked Sir Samuel Way to the accompaniment of much laughter. He explained that, having a little spare capital, he had looked about for means to invest it. He could not become a money lender, nor could he take a partnership in a firm in regard to which he might be called upon to adjudicate. Therefore he had invested it in two farms, and now he had reached the position that the whole of the receipts from those two investments would be absorbed by the new Federal land tax, for which everybody was grateful. (Laughter.) "But there is balm in Gilead," he added. "I went to my Sabine farm last week, and while I was there it began to rain. When I left I saw what I had not previously seen in my 30 years' possession—a mighty stream flowing down, a cascade rippling, and, best of all, a waterfall forming the arc of a circle in leaping over the rocks I had so much admired."

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## THE RHODES SCHOLARSHIP.

MR. F. E. WILLIAMS SELECTED.

A meeting of the Rhodes Selection Committee was held at Government House on Monday morning to consider the applications and interview the candidates for the Rhodes Scholarship for 1915. The full committee met, namely, his Excellency the Governor (chairman), the Chief Justice, Mr. Justice Murray, Professor Stirling, Professor Darnley Naylor, and Mr. J. R. Fowler, and the honorary secretary (Mr. C. R. Hodge). Two applications only were received, and after interviewing the candidates Mr. Francis Edgar Williams was selected as the Rhodes scholar for next year.

Mr. Williams was born on February 9, 1893, and attended Kyre College from 1903 to 1910. In 1905 he passed the primary examination in six subjects, in 1906 the junior in seven subjects with three credits, in 1908 the senior in eight subjects with six credits and a second prize of £5, and in 1910 passed the



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higher public examination in five subjects with three credits. He also won the Tennyson medal and a Government bursary. Between 1911 and 1914 he was at the University, and distinguished himself in the examinations throughout his career, first sharing the Andrew Scott prize, and afterwards winning the Roby Fletcher prize and the David Murray scholarship. In winning the Murray scholarship Mr. Williams took a first class in the honors classes course, and the degree of B.A. will be conferred on him at the forthcoming commemoration.

Mr. Williams has taken a prominent part in athletic matters. In 1909 and 1910 he won his college championship, and the sports cup, in 1910 he was top of his college in gymnastic matters and won a gold medal; in 1910 he was captain of the college football team, and in 1911-14 he played with the University first team, gaining his blue ribbon in 1911. He was treasurer and vice-president of the Arts Association, and secretary of the University Football Club. In rowing matters he was much interested as a participant in the senior schools' races in 1914 and the University eights in the Dash Eights' race.

Mr. Williams is a son of Mr. D. Williams, of the firm of Williams & Good, architects, Waymouth-street, Adelaide.

Previous winners of the Rhodes scholarship were:—Messrs. N. W. Jolly, 1904; R. L. Robinson, 1905; W. R. Reynell, 1906; W. Ray, 1907; R. J. Rudall, 1908; H. K. Fry, 1909; H. Thomson, 1910; C. T. Maligan, 1911; E. B. Jones, 1912; H. H. L. A. Brose, 1913; and A. W. Morey, 1914.