

GEELONG COLLEGE.

PUBLIC EXAMINATION.

The annual public examination of the pupils attending this institution took place on Tuesday, in the Town Hall, in presence of the parents and of many of the most respectable residents in Geelong and vicinity. The chair was taken by the Rev Mr Fraser, and among those present we observed the Revs Messrs Campbell, Hopking, Clarke, M'Roberts, Proudfoot, Moore, Scales; the hon Dr Hope, M.L.C., the hon James Henty, M.L.C., His Worship the Mayor, George Hope, Esq, Dr Stodart, Dr Shaw, John Calvert, Esq, James Simson, Esq, James Balfour, Esq, John Guthrie, Esq, John Cumming, Esq, Terrisillum, &c. The Hall was full throughout the entire proceedings. After an introductory prayer by the Rev Mr Fraser, the pupils were subjected to a searching examination by the Principal, Mr Morrison, and the Assistant Masters, Messrs Herbst and Hutton. Several of the visitors also proposed questions, and the answers given on such a variety of subjects showed how accurate and thorough is the education imparted at the college. In History, both ancient and modern, they underwent a rigid examination, and acquitted themselves to the admiration of all present. In geography the junior class showed a familiar acquaintance with topography in general, it was examined at considerable length on the map of North America, and seemed perfectly at home in the history and political constitution of that country.

The Junior Latin Class was examined in a passage selected from Cæsar, which they translated correctly, answering most of the questions put on the grammar of the language and showing considerable acquaintance with Roman antiquities. In the higher Latin and Greek Classes the passages were selected at random by the visitors, and read with an ease and correctness which proved how well they were understood. One piece read was from Cicero's letters and the other from a difficult Greek chorus.

In French, the Senior Class read a passage from Charles the 12th, and showed an accurate knowledge of the Grammar and Idioms of the language. In Mathematics several Algebraical Examples were solved, and propositions from the six books of Euclid proved.

The most interesting part of the day's proceedings was the Oratorical Readings, which were given with great success and with well merited applause. We understand that in this branch the pupils have been under the instruction of T. P. Hill, Esq., Professor of Elocution, and certainly the admirable style in which their readings were given, reflected the highest credit on that gentleman. Among the boys that particularly distinguished themselves in this were Craig, Grey, Guthrie, Cumming, and Parker. One side of the hall was decorated by specimens of drawing, mapping, and penmanship, which were examined and much admired. Two large school-room maps attracted particular notice from the beauty of their execution, and reflected not only in the boys themselves, but also in their teacher, Mr Hutton. At the end of the examination the prizes were distributed by the Rev. Mr Fraser, after which the reverend gentlemen expressed the satisfaction he experienced in the result of the day's proceedings, that in the higher classes the pieces read had been selected at random, and he felt sure the way the pupils had acquitted themselves

hibited the same scholarship, and to a higher extent than last year's, and was besides pleasantly diversified by the able readings the pupils had given.

The Rev. A. J. Campbell made an appropriate address to the boys. He stated that the college had been started as a first-class institution, and that the high character it had attained was merited, from the distinguished position its pupils took at the Melbourne University, and from the fact that all the pupils it sent had passed their examinations, and he doubted if any other school in the colony could make the same boast. The position it had now taken was such that the Board of Management had resolved, without further delay, to erect a large and commodious building for the purposes of the institution.

The Hon. Dr. Hope, M.L.C., in a few remarks, expressed the pleasure he felt at being present and witnessing the day's proceedings, which he considered highly satisfactory and most creditable to Mr Morrison. He expressed a hope that those who intended going to the University next year would be equally successful with their predecessors, and thereby uphold the credit of the institution. He concluded by proposing a vote of thanks to the chairman, which was cordially agreed to, and after the benediction was pronounced, the proceedings were brought to a close.

PRIZE LIST—SESSION 1882.

ENGLISH.

Second Class.—1. Charles Pearson, Avoca.
2. Michael J. Clarke, Geelong.

Third Class.—1. John McKellar, Hamilton.
2. George F. Clarke, Geelong. 3. John Cumming, Terrinallum.

Fourth Class.—1. Robert Morrison, Borhoneyghurk. 2. Wm. Wick Burke, Mount Shadwell.

Fifth Class.—1. James Wm. Skene, Geelong.
2. Richard Gates, Geelong.

LATIN.

First Class.—Wm. Blair, Geelong, George F. Clarke, Geelong, equal.

Second Class.—1. Philip Anderson, Skipton. 2. John McKellar, Hamilton.

Third Class.—1. Thomas Hope, Batesford. 2. Wm. Alick Burke, Mount Shadwell.

Fourth Class.—1. Harry Anderson, Skipton.

Fifth Class.—1. James Campbell, Geelong. 2. Joseph H. Grey, Geelong.

GREEK.

First Class.—1. Harry Anderson, Skipton.

Second Class.—1. James Campbell, Geelong.

MATHEMATICS.

First Class.—1. Robert Morrison, Borhoneyghurk.

Second Class.—1. James Campbell, Geelong.

FRENCH.

First Class.—1. Thomas Hope, Batesford. 2. Philip Anderson, Skipton.

Second Class.—1. James Campbell, Geelong. 2. Harry Anderson, Skipton.

ARITHMETIC.

First Class.—1. Alex. Scene, Geelong.

Second Class.—1. John Cullen, Geelong. 2. Frank Couves, Geelong.

Third Class.—1. James Oswald, Melbourne.
2. John McKellar, Hamilton.

Fourth Class.—1. Edward Sparrow, Geelong.
2. Richard Morrison, Geelong.

Fifth Class.—1. Harry Anderson, Skipton.
2. John Burrows, Geelong.

MENTAL ARITHMETIC.

First Class.—1. Charles Pearson, Avoca.

Second Class.—1. Donald Craig, Darlington.

WRITING.

First Division.—1. Andrew Murray, Colac.

Second Division.—1. Frederick Pearson, Avoca.

Third Division.—1. George Southey, Geelong.

English History.—1. John McKellar, Hamilton.

Roman History.—1. Arthur Greenwood, Geelong.

Grecian History.—1. James Skene, Geelong.

SCRIPTURE HISTORY.

First Class.—1. John McKellar, Hamilton.

Second Class.—1. Wm. Alick Burke, Mount Shadwell.

Drawing.—1. Andrew Murray, Colac.

Mapping.—1. John Gundry, Geelong.

SPECIAL PRIZES.

Junior Class.—Reading: William Guthrie, Geelong.

Junior Class.—Arithmetic: Murray Simson, Geelong.

Boy best liked by his companions.—Robert Morrison, Borhoneyghurk.