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"So far as the City is concerned, Gregory Terrace will always remain the Great Centre of higher and University education given by the Christian Brothers." ~ Archbishop Duhig, 11th April, 1925.

PRICE ONE SHILLING

~ St. Joseph's College, Gregory Terrace ~
A Secondary School for Boys ranging in age from nine years to those of University standard. Pupils are prepared for Scholarship, Junior and Senior Public, Civil Service, and Matriculation Examinations.
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Our Most Distinguished Ex-Student
GENERAL VIEW OF BUILDINGS.
THE point of maximum enrollment was reached in July, 1925, when our numbers stood at 244. That number shows an advance on previous years, and the rate of increase is being maintained during this present year. An analysis of this enrollment shows that the college is strongest in its middle forms, that is, in classes comprised of boys ranging from 14 to 16 years. Our numbers are comparatively weak in the ages under 14 and over 16. I say comparatively, for the number of boys between the ages 9 and 13 has doubled itself in the past few years. Despite this marked increase there is, I find, a fairly prevalent impression that the college does not admit boys under scholarship standard. I avail of this opportunity to correct that impression; boys are admitted here as soon as they have completed the second standard.

Continuing the analysis of the enrollment, I find that with boys over 16 years of age the case is similar, but for a different reason. Here the dominant factor is economic, and we have to content ourselves with the return for higher study of a small percentage of those who pass the Junior University Examination. But this percentage is smaller than it need be. Parents not knowing or ignoring the value of higher education too quickly succumb to the importunity of youth, even when there is no need of immediate financial assistance from the child. This is largely due to the sorry price set upon education considered apart from the utilitarian aspect.

This indifference to the intrinsic worth of knowledge is not, of course, confined to Brisbane, nor, indeed, to Australia; it is a lamentable and alarming feature in European civilisation, wherever society makes success in the pursuit of material prosperity the exclusive test of national achievement. Wordsworth voiced a regretful protest a couple of generations ago:—

"The world is too much with us; late and soon,
Getting and spending, we lay waste our powers;
Little we see in Nature that is ours;
We have given our hearts away, a sordid boon."

We teachers feel this indifference keenly. We best of all, I fancy, can estimate the loss sustained by the boy, intellectually and morally immature, sent untimely into
ONE OF THE NEW CLASS ROOMS—SENIOR.
the bitter school of life. We know what we can do for them, and we are not unaware of what awaits them in that other school. Much, very much more, might be said on this matter; but the time is not now. I shall only add that the paucity of numbers in our senior division causes us much anxiety. We have ample staff and equipment for 40, but we endeavour to consider ourselves fortunate if we can retain half of that number.

Next a word as to what matters most in a school. I mean its animating spirit. I am pleased that, for this purpose, I can speak as an outsider, for I have not yet been 18 months at my present post. I shall not, therefore, feel a reluctance to praise that in which one has been intimately concerned. Let me say, then, that if you wish to appraise the spirit of a school, you have only to look to the senior boys; what they are their juniors will be. I even doubt if their influence be less than that of the teacher. Certainly the teacher’s words will be almost wholly barren of result if the conduct of the senior boys be a contradiction of them. Now, this school possesses a type of boy that plays his hardest, toughest game when the opponent is stronger; the weaker foe feels but his gentleness; he gives fairplay to both. But he values sport only that he may be the better son of his Alma Mater whom he honours most in his love of learning, and he is all this because he is, most of all and above all, a Christian. This is the type I found here on my coming, and trust it will long remain.

You will not, therefore, be surprised to learn that two of our boys have offered themselves to the Archbishop as candidates for the Priesthood. Raymond O’Donoghue and John Leahy are leaving to-morrow for the Ecclesiastical College at Werribee, Victoria. Another boy, Hermann Gygar, having left here in January, has already entered upon his novitiate in the Congregation of the Christian Brothers. He was received on St. Patrick’s Day. It may be timely also to mention that Mr. Reginald Copley, who left a few weeks since for the seminary at Springwood, N.S.W., is also a pupil of our college.

Before proceeding to outline for you the scholastic achievement of our College, as shown by the results of public and other examinations, permit me to give you a short explanation regarding the certificates for the sub-senior, the sub-junior A, and the sub-junior B. Between the scholarship and the Junior Public Examinations there is a gap of 2½ years. Every practical teacher knows that without periodic examination little progress can be made in class-teaching. An examination of some kind is essential, and the higher the sanction of the examination the greater will be the effort of both pupil and teacher. Therefore the Christian Brothers throughout Queensland have spared no pains in organising a system of preparatory examinations on the same lines as that of the Junior Public. Papers are set and examined by teachers not directly concerned in the boys under examination, and a certificate is awarded to each successful candidate. This examination has this further advantage that a boy who passes that preliminary test has a practical assurance that with a similar effort he can also succeed in the University Examination itself.
CHEMICAL LABORATORY.
CERTIFICATE AND PRIZE LIST

CHRISTIAN DOCTRINE—A GRADE.

Gold Medal for 1st place in the Archdiocese.—94.6 per cent., James Mahoney.
Silver Medal for Third Place.—87.3 per cent., Leonard Nelson.

MERIT CERTIFICATES IN CHRISTIAN DOCTRINE.


SENIOR UNIVERSITY EXAMINATION.

University Exhibition, tenable for three years.—James Mahoney (second place in Queensland).
Buchanan Medal for Best Pass in Senior.—James Mahoney.

CERTIFICATES.


MATRICULATION EXAMINATION.

R. Marchant.

JUNIOR PUBLIC EXAMINATION.

Buchanan Medal.—F. Malone.

SUB-SENIOR EXAMINATION.

Second Place in Combined C.B. Colleges.—H. Atwell, J. Hogan, Mth. B., 1st; T. Portley, Physics 1st.
Certificates.—H. Atwell, T. Portley, N. Behan, F. Cullen, L. Clarke, V. Fogarty, J. Hogan, V. Ferry, T. Gaffney.

SUB-JUNIOR A.

Geometry.—First place, J. Lamont.
French.—First place, J. O'Brien.
J. Lamont came fourth in the Examination as a whole; C. Groves and C. McKerring ninth in the Examination as a whole.
SENIOR UNIVERSITY AND MATRICULATION CLASS.
Middle: J. Clark, J. Ryan, D. Boland, T. Gaffney, J. Hogan, V. Ferry.
Back: C. Byrne, L. Clarke, R. Sherman, W. Levander.

SUB-JUNIOR B.

Algebra.—First place: F. McGuire. F. McNamara.
fourth place in Examination as a whole; K. French,
eighth place in Examination as a whole.


SCHOLARSHIP.

First Place in Class.—Brian O'Connor.
Second Place in Class.—M. Houston.
Third Place in Class.—J. Atherton.

FIFTH CLASS.

First Place in Class.—J. Williams.
Second in Class.—M. Bracewell.
Third in Class.—W. Shand.

FOURTH CLASS.

First in Class.—G. Deere and P. Hay (equal).
Second in Class.—E. Douglas and J. Doolan (equal).
Third in Class.—F. Rush and D. Wightman (equal).

THIRD CLASS.

First.—F. Connolly.
Second.—M. Windsor.
Third.—J. Henry and J. Hooper (equal).

SWIMMING CARNIVAL.

Senior Champion.—J. Clarke, 1; P. Fallon, 2.
Junior Champion.—D. Porter.
JUNIOR UNIVERSITY CLASS.

SUB-JUNIOR B.—FIRST DIVISION.

Absent: W. Fitzwalter, J. Shallicross, P. Sullivan, J. Hynes.
SUB-JUNIOR B.—SECOND DIVISION.

Ground: J. Courtney, J. Donovan, M. Conrad.
Absent: J. Gayton, J. Glynn, D. Ahern.
SUB-JUNIOR A.
Absent: J. Bakey, F. Brown.
SCHOLARSHIP AND FIFTH.

Our Jubilee
REPORT OF INAUGURAL MEETING

As 1925 was the Golden Jubilee year of our College, the following excerpts from the "Advocate" are here reprinted. The addresses were delivered in the Theatre Royal on March 31st of last year at the Inaugural Meeting, the Archbishop presiding.

Rev. Bro. Reidy gave the following interesting account of the Christian Brothers since their advent to Queensland:

Early in 1875 Brother Barrett was sent to Brisbane as first Principal. He was accompanied by Brothers Nugent and Noonan, and on reaching Brisbane his first duty was to select a temporary residence for the Brothers. A house was rented in Gipps Street convenient to old St. Patrick's, where Foy and Gibson's now stands. A little later on he looked round for a suitable site for a permanent residence and the site decided on was that where Gregory Terrace now stands. There appeared to be some discrepancy in the records, but as far as he (Brother Reidy) could make out, Dean Rigney, in the Archdiocese of Sydney had purchased the property and when Brother Barrett selected the site there was no difficulty in transferring it to the Brothers.

St. Stephen's was then got ready for a school temporarily and the first school was opened there in July, 1875. On the 4th September of the same year the foundation stone of Gregory Terrace House was laid by the Bishop of Hobart, Dr. Murphy, assisted by Dr. O'Quinn and Dr. Mahoney, of Armidale. In August of the following year the school was ready for the Brothers. The architect for the building was an Italian named Stombuco, a well-known identity of Brisbane, and Mr. J. A. M. O'Keeffe was the contractor. The school at St. Stephen's started with a roll call of 19, and by the end of the year the numbers had so increased that the University boys had to be removed to Gregory Terrace where Brother Barrett took charge of them. The outlay on the house and school was £3500. During 1877 Brothers Treacy and Butler came from the South to try to raise funds to liquidate the debt. In 1879 the number of scholars had further increased and it was found necessary to build the lower storey of the present school. The late revered Father Canail, patron of the poor in this city, was the architect for the lower portion of the school. In the meantime boarders had been applying for admission but had to be refused. It so happened that two boys named King on their way from Maryborough to enter a school in the South, called on Dr. O'Quinn who, when he learnt of their intention to go South to a boarding school, prevailed upon them to remain in Brisbane, and a boarding school was then started at Gregory Terrace which had a very chequered career for a few years. In 1881 Dr. O'Quinn died, and the late Dr. Dunne was appointed to succeed him. Towards the end of the year 1881 Brother Barrett was sent to Melbourne on account of ill-health and was replaced by Brother Mullan. In 1883 Brother Treacy went to the Old Country for the purpose of securing more Brothers for Australia, and while he was away Brother Mullan went to Adelaide and Brother Barrett returned to Gregory Terrace and decided to close the boarding school which, however, was re-opened in 1886 at the request of the Archbishop. It was decided later on to build the western wing, a three-storey stone building costing £4,500.

Meantime Brother Treacy had been presented with a property on Nudgee Creek, but as the site was unsuitable for building purposes, the property on the hill where Nudgee College now stands, was purchased. Building operations began in 1890 and in 1891 the first batch of boarders—30 juniors from Gregory Terrace—entered Nudgee College, the remainder of the boarders following in 1892. In 1893 St. James's school was taken over by the Brothers.

In 1906, improvements costing £6000 were made, and the next improvements we owe to the most brilliant pupil and best friend of the Christian Brothers—Archbishop Duhig. These improvements consist of two of the best fitted-up science laboratories in the Commonwealth.
THIRD AND FOURTH CLASSES.

Absent.—B. Barry, F. Sunners, J. Wilkinson.
At present three classrooms are sadly needed and we want to get sufficient funds this Jubilee Year to enable us to carry out the necessary additions to the old school on the hill. It is hoped at the end of the year to have a bazaar, the arrangements for which will be left in the very capable hands of Brother Moore.

One of the original three Brothers who came to Brisbane—Brother Noonan, is still a very active member in one of the institutions in Melbourne.

THE ARCHBISHOP’S ADDRESS.

His Grace regretted that the inclement weather had prevented so many friends of the Brothers from attending the meeting. “The work of the Christian Brothers in Queensland as outlined by Brother Reidy is very interesting,” said the Archbishop. To some of us, part at least of that history, is very familiar. There are old scholars here this evening to whom the names of Brothers Ryan, Noonan, Bodkin, Barrett, Larkin and Duggan are very familiar. Their beginnings were very humble indeed, but so are the beginnings of many great works. What we have to concentrate our attention upon this evening first of all is this: that the Christian Brothers have been practically the only educators of Catholic boys in Queensland. There was a very fine school established in Ipswich by Father Brunn, and some of the old scholars of that school are still living, but at most it was a temporary arrangement. There was a school at St. Killian’s carried on for many years by laymen, and we all remember Mr. Long, at St. James’s. I learnt from Mr. Long my first Latin declensions. But apart from these and there may be a few others and the work of the Sisters with the younger boys, the whole of the education of our Catholic youth has been carried on by the Brothers, so that they have laid the Catholic community under a very great debt of gratitude to them. I do not think we can congratulate ourselves—even those of us who are old boys of the Brothers—that we have ever made any serious attempt at repaying that debt. It would be impossible to fully repay the debt, but at all events I think we cannot even say that we have ever tried to repay it. The Brothers have been silent workers. They have been uncomplaining under very trying conditions and in all circumstances they have been great teachers. I do not think a nobler band of teachers ever went to any country than were the first band of Brothers who came out to Australia about 70 years ago.

Some of those original Brothers worked in Brisbane—in fact the head of them all—Rev. Brother Treacy, not only worked in Brisbane, but died in Brisbane, and I am glad to say I attended at his bedside and gave him the Last Sacraments.

Gregory Terrace is a school that the whole Catholic community feels proud of. She is now a venerable mother. Schools have been founded in various towns in Queensland, but Gregory Terrace school was the first. She is the mother of them all—even of Nudgee—and she has to her credit the fact of having educated some of the foremost citizens of Brisbane, men who have figured largely in public life, in the professions, in the Church and in other callings of life, and I believe that no boy has ever passed through and gone out into the world without carrying away with him the happiest recollections of his school days and a very deep affection for his old masters. (Loud applause). I see in the audience here this evening many of the old scholars—one of the oldest of them, Mr. Harry Neylan, and one of the most distinguished—Mr. Shannon, a Judge of the Land Court. We have all carried during our lives very sacred memories of the days that we spent at Gregory Terrace, and it is only when we grow to manhood that we realise all a good school has meant to us. Of all the associations of a man’s life, there are none, outside the family circle, that are so sacred to him as the associations of his old school, and I feel that in appealing to the old scholars the Brothers are certain of a very ready and a very generous response. The improvements which were made a few years ago were not entirely out of any generosity of mine. The late Archbishop had made in his will provision for educational work carried on by the Christian Brothers. Most of the legacy was spent in Nudgee. £8000 out of the £8000 spent in Gregory Terrace came out of the legacy, and I became personally responsible for the rest. More of the money was spent in Ipswich, but although we made in 1919 very great and necessary improvements, yet the number of scholars has been increasing, and the Brothers now find themselves faced with the necessity of amplifying the accommodation and bringing it up to date. One of the great needs of the Catholic community here has been boys’ schools. I came back from Sydney with a promise from the new Brother Provincial that the Brothers would open a school next year in the western suburbs. We have already acquired a property there and the opening of a new school there will relieve St. James’s to a great extent.
FIRST THIRTEEN (RUGBY LEAGUE).

Sitting: H. Sewell, J. Clarke, V. Ferry, R. Harris, L. Dwyer.
It will not relieve Gregory Terrace very much because so far as the city is concerned, Gregory Terrace will always remain the great centre of higher and university education given by the Brothers.

No body of men deserve higher admiration than do the Christian Brothers. They work without monetary remuneration, simply getting the food they take and the clothing they wear. There are no other teachers working under the same conditions as our Catholic teachers, and therefore I say their high calling and the great sacrifices they make should receive and does receive recognition from those for their work. We all appreciate their work very deeply, but sometimes we do not show that appreciation in the practical way in which we should. Probably the larger portion of the Catholic community does not think what are the needs of the Brothers. We are glad that on this, the Golden Jubilee year of the old school, the Brothers will have an opportunity of placing before the whole Catholic community their position. I hope the Jubilee Year will be marked by the completion of those very necessary improvements which Brother Reidy indicated. I hope it will also be marked by a re-kinding of that old affection for the Brothers, by an increasing practical interest in their work; and the celebrations will not be confined merely to making an appeal and holding a bazaar. We shall have celebrations at the old school and religious celebrations at the Cathedral. It is meet that as we thank Almighty God for all His good gifts, we should thank Him for the best of gifts—a real Christian education, and thank Him for the Brothers who have given that education to the Catholic boys of Brisbane. I hope Brother Moore will bring out a pamphlet embodying the records referred to by Brother Reidy. The work of the Brothers will be still greater in the future, and it is for us to try to give them every facility for carrying on that work which must of necessity increase with the increasing population.

In conclusion His Grace said it afforded him very great pleasure to preside at the meeting that evening, and he hoped the Brothers would find generous co-operators and generous givers in the whole of the Catholic community and the people would show their appreciation of the work done by those noble men, and help in every way to make the Jubilee Year a commemorative one.

Between the date of that inaugural meeting and November 21st last year, many social functions for the raising of funds were held, and a short account of what was thereby achieved will not be out of place here. But it should first of all be understood that our Jubilee functions, although singularly favoured by the gracious patronage extended by the Archbishop, were most unfortunate in their time of incidence: every parish of the city and suburbs was busy with a succession of functions for other purposes, and these lasted throughout the year. Indeed, excepting the most welcome arrival of Red Hill and Valley parishes at the eleventh hour, and the kindly personal effort made earlier in the year by Rev. Fr. Jordan, the Jubilee functions were outside the pale of direct parochial co-operation. As already announced in the press, the Jubilee Appeal totalled £4179 2s. 7d. An additional £450 was raised by an Old Boys’ Appeal Committee, and a further £125 was given by the St. Patrick’s Day Celebrations’ Committee. Against these amounts must be set an initial overdraft on our bank of £2671, and £2861 expended on extensions, alterations and repairs to College buildings at Gregory Terrace; so that at present we are left with a debt of (about) £800, and the furnishing of certain class-rooms—one of our objectives—has had to be deferred.

Although our aims have not been fully achieved, much, very much, has been done, and for that we are most thankful. The school principals—and those who knew them—have been metamorphosed. For this very great achievement we are entirely indebted to the devoted and self-sacrificing efforts of the following ladies and gentlemen, and we gladly avail of this further opportunity of thanking them:

Mrs. S. A. Bergin, Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Forgarty, Dr. and Mrs. Windsor, Miss Mary Kenny, Mr. N. McGroarty, Mr. D. O’Flynn, Mr. J. D. O’Hagan, Mr. P. McLachlan, M.L.A., Mr. P. Gaffney, Mr. M. Ferricks, M.L.A., Mr. J. McDonnell, the Hon. M. J. Kirwan, M.L.A., Mr. M. Dwyer, Mr. S. Hegerty, Mrs. J. J. Leahy, Mrs. Cleary, Mrs. Thomsen, Mrs. Felby, Mrs. Twinn, Mrs. Murphy, Mrs. Carmichael, Mrs. Hubbard, Mrs. Maranta, Mrs. Poulsen, Mrs. Wyatt, Mrs. Boucher, Mrs. Baxter, Mrs. Lynch, Mrs. Burke, Miss K. Kelly, Mrs. McNamara, Mr. W. McNarnie, Mrs. Moroney, Mrs. Keys, Mrs. Oldham, Mrs. Murphy, Mrs. Sherman, Mrs. Jones, Miss Schott, Mr. and Mrs. Gygar, Mr. McSweeney.
CRICKET, FIRST ELEVEN PREMIERS (B GRADE), 1925-1926.

Sitting: T. Portley, J. Clark, V. Ferry, K. McGrath, M. Moloney.
CUP WINNERS AT ANNUAL COLLEGE SPORTS, 1925

T. O'Halloran (Junior), R. O'Donoghue (Senior), F. Winship (Junior-Minor).

T. O'Halloran is our best sprinter. During the present year he won the under 17 and under 18 "100 yards" the Junior 440, and Junior 220 yards championship during the Queensland Championship Amateur Sports. He has a unique distinction in having been selected to represent Queensland in the recent Australian Championships. He is not yet 17 years of age.
 CURRICULUM AND PROSPECTUS

The Curriculum includes both Primary and Secondary Courses, The Primary Course is completed at a stage corresponding to the Scholarship Examination, for which pupils are prepared.

The Secondary Course has two divisions, Junior and Senior, of two and a half, and of two years respectively. The subjects taught include, English language and literature, French, Latin, Mathematics, Physics (including Electricity), Chemistry, History, Geography and Drawing.

In all divisions of the College, lessons in:-

Elocution are given, and in the upper divisions public speaking is practised. This branch is directed by Mr. Harry Borradale, who visits the College weekly.

Physical Culture: The formal side of this most essential branch of education is controlled by Captain Burns, of the Oxford School of Physical Culture. All pupils are expected to join his classes, except where medical authority counsels abstention.

The School Games, which include football, cricket, tennis, handball, swimming and general athletics, are under the personal direction of the Brothers. The College recreation grounds are situated in that part of Victoria Park immediately in front of the College.

Lessons in Vocal Music are given twice weekly, and an earnest attempt made to cultivate a taste for truly worthy music. For this purpose songs from only the best masters are selected.

Uniform: The College colours are Cardinal and Black, and all pupils are expected to wear the official Hat Band or Cap and the College necktie, all of which are procurable at the College.

Absence from Class: The earnest co-operation of parents is expected in this important matter. In the case of a whole or half-day's absence a written note stating that the absence was unavoidable and authorised by parent or guardian is to be sent. When a pupil is required to leave school for home before the conclusion of class, a written authorisation from home is required before leave can be granted. These regulations are made in the best interests of the pupils.

Annual Retreats: A three days' Retreat is arranged for the boys each year. The lectures are given by an experienced Missionary Priest in the General Assembly Room and all approach the Holy Sacraments during the Retreat. This Retreat has been found to be of incalculable good to the boys.

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Primary Classes—
3rd Class: Two Guineas per quarter.
4th Class: Two Guineas per quarter.
5th Class: Two and a half Guineas per quarter.
Scholarship: Two and a half Guineas per quarter.

University Classes—
Sub-Junior Class: Three Guineas per quarter.
Junior Class: Three Guineas per quarter.
Senior University Class: Four Guineas per quarter.

Physical Culture and Sports Fees—
3rd and 4th Classes: 5/- per quarter.
All other Classes: 7/6 per quarter.

Laboratory Practice in Physics and Chemistry—
For University Classes, 7/6 per term.
There are no other extras.