

for her patient, thorough search of old City Directories for lost "Old Boys" and of the whole series of Canadian Almanacs, and other earlier publications of a like kind, for Old Masters, whose names had been lost to memory. Nor can he forget the services rendered by Miss Gladys Robertson, to whom fell the arduous task of transcribing to the trial cards the information gleaned from the former edition of the "Roll" and from the Registers; by Miss Margaret Robertson, who searched the Fee Books, finding several names that had not been written up in the Registers, and who made the second set of cards; by the Misses Muriel and Jean Young, who, in addition to Miss Taylor, worked with him in the final checking of the cards with the Registers and in making the last set of cards; by Miss Mary H. Young, who helped him to tabulate and to enter the information furnished by the "Old Boys" during the spring of this year; and by Miss Beryl Bruce, who assisted Miss Taylor in making copy for the printer.

To the "Old Boys" for their coöperation, and to more than twelve hundred of them for promptly sending in the subscriptions which have made publication possible, the Editor is grateful. He was much cheered by the generous offer of one in Vancouver to revise the list for that city and its environs. The coming into touch again with many whom he knew well in his own school days and in the five years of his mastership, the renewal of many pleasant memories, and the reception of scores of kindly letters have amply repaid him for the work that he has put upon the index and the "Roll."

For the book he bespeaks indulgent criticism, for he knows better than anybody else can know its imperfections and its shortcomings. Even in ten years it is not possible for one man, however wide his acquaintance may be, to trace every "Old Boy." To determine the date at which "Old Boys" left the School can be done, if one can spare the time to search the Ranking Books since 1832. That time he has not as yet been able to spare; nor, with other things pressing, besides the work by which he earns his living, can he promise to spare it, though he could oversee the work if the Association could continue to find the money for it.

At the best, such a book is, in the very nature of the case, partially obsolete before it reaches the subscribers' hands. Addresses change and deaths take place. By reason of the war the number of the latter has been unusually large in this instance. The lives have been freely yielded up, leaving a noble heritage to the School and to the various family circles to which sorrow has come. "It is the best way," as Oswald Grant wrote to his mother in his farewell letter.

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