

### THE REGISTER OFFICE V. BRIDGEWATER.

The members of The Register Football Club and office friends to the number of 30 journeyed to Bridgewater on Saturday afternoon to try conclusions with the local players. The weather conditions were all that could be desired, and the run through the hills, now garished in all the loveliness of Nature, was greatly enjoyed. The game, which was played in a manner creditable to the sport-manlike qualities of both teams, resulted in a win for the Bridgewater Club by 7.13 to 5.10. Dinner was afterwards served at the Bridgewater Hotel, the chair being occupied by the President (Mr. J. B. Anderson), who was supported by the Patron (Mr. E. Kyffin Thomas) and the Chairman of Committee (Mr. J. Courtney).

At the conclusion of an excellent repast the Chairman took occasion to refer to the singularly happy auspices under which the social reunion was held. They welcomed the presence of their honoured Patron among them, not merely because he was one of the proprietors of The Register, but also because they admired his qualities as a man. His being with them that night was a token of his practical interest in the club, and an indication of his belief that social contact was an influential factor in promoting kindly feeling throughout the various departments of the house. The gathering also served as an opportunity for conveying to the proprietors hearty felicitations on The Register's completion of 75 years of eminently useful service to the

expended money freely in the erection of buildings and up-to-date equipment, but he believed that, with the growing prosperity and increasing population of the State, the expenditure would be fully justified. There were worries and anxieties incidental to the work of carrying on an important morning newspaper, but those were mitigated by the cordial character of the relationships that existed between the proprietors and their employes. He believed that the spirit of zeal and loyalty that had prevailed among the men in the past would still continue to mark the progress of The Register in the days to come. (Applause.)

After cheers had been given for the proprietors, and an extra one for the Patron of the office football club, harmony was engaged in, and a pleasant hour was spent in social intercourse. Credit is due to the hon. secretary (Mr. H. Norley) for the excellence of the arrangements.

State. It was their united and sincere hope that their employers would long be spared to carry forward the work ably begun and nobly promoted by their predecessors to higher issues and greater fruition. (Applause.) The toast of "The Register proprietors," coupled with the name of Mr. Thomas, was enthusiastically honoured.

In responding, Mr. E. Kyffin Thomas thanked the Chairman for the sentiment to which he had given expression, and the company for the very hearty manner in which they had endorsed it. He had enjoyed watching the great game that afternoon. He thought that, with practice, The Register team would soon make headway. With reference to the seventy-fifth anniversary of the establishment of The Register, which they were celebrating that day, he thought the record of the work accomplished by the paper was something to be proud of. (Applause.) As they all knew, his grandfather had brought out the first issue in London, afterwards transferring the necessary plant to Adelaide. Then his father, who had succeeded, was subsequently followed by his (the speaker's) brother, and now the present proprietors were doing their best to maintain the traditions of the office. His whole life from his earliest years had been intimately bound up with The Register, and its progress was dear to his heart. The proprietors had expended money freely in the erection of buildings and up-to-date equipment, but he