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COMMUNITY LIST.

Br. K. Salesius Foley (Superior)                      Br. J. Gregory Hyland  
 Br. J. Vivian Murray (SS & B)                      Br. G. Salvator Dick  
 Br. G. Owen Whitely

HORARIUM:

Monday to Friday

5-45 a.m. Rise  
 6-00 Morning Prayers, Spiritual Lecture, Meditation, Mass.  
 7-30 Breakfast (first sitting) for those not supervising charges.  
 8-00 Breakfast (second sitting); Boys' breakfast.  
 9-00 School.  
 12-35 p.m. Particular Examen, followed by dinner.  
 1-15 Beads, Visit (Office).  
 5-45 Tea (Lecture at the end). (5-30 at the week-end)  
 6-40 Night Prayers with the boys; Conference when convenient.  
 8-30 Recreation and Supper.  
 9-15 Final Night Prayers.

Mass on Saturday: 7-30 a.m.; Mass on Sunday: 8-00 a.m.

The above Horarium is then adjusted to suit these times. The Horarium is very suitable for this establishment where the supervision is more or less continuous because of the age of the boys.

OBSERVANCE: The standard of observance is good, particularly in the morning. Throughout the day, arrangements are such as to enable the Brothers to make their Exercises in common with but one on Supervision duty.

COMMUNITY SPIRIT AND CHARITY: The Brothers get on well together, giving way a little to the Sub-Superior for the sake of peace and harmony. There is a just disposition of the work of the day; all are generous, willing and self-sacrificing.

PERSONNEL: Br. Salesius Foley, the Superior gives a good lead to the community. He is mild and calm in manner, firm when necessary, but often too shy to correct the Brothers or offer worthwhile timely suggestions. He has obtained a good discipline and spirit among the boys without resorting to harshness. He is a good manager of finance and had gained the goodwill of the many friends of Castledare. In a quiet, unobtrusive way he is giving "a new look" to Castledare.

Br. Vivian Murray has been here over five years. He is an unusual type, even somewhat odd. He is very versatile and willing - in effect the key man. He knows this and is inclined to use it as a lever to get his own way. He has a quick and fluent tongue and can be devastating if policy does not meet with his approval. The Annals care an over-detailed account of his contribution to the life of the place - they are written by him! A great deal of time and labour goes into the annual Gilbert & Sullivan Operetta; it takes a heavy toll of his physical energy towards the end of the year when the season is on. It makes one question its worth for such small boys who barely understand what they are doing. He has good control of the boys, although somewhat inclined to favouritism. He has done his best work here; he would not be easily replaced.

Br. Gregory Hyland keeps fairly well, being helped by an occasional blood transfusion. He is retired but dissatisfied because he is not allowed to teach some secondary work at Leederville. I am convinced that his teaching days are over - his health is too uncertain.



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SCHOOL (Continued): For the rest, one can have nothing but praise and admiration for the work being done for the less-privileged boy, who is obviously very happy at Castledare.

### FINANCE:

#### Balance Sheet as at 30th November 1961

Total Receipts	£23,682. 0. 0.
Total Expenditure	<u>£21,103. 1. 8.</u>
Excess I/E	<u>£2,578.18. 4.</u>
Receipts to the end of April 1962	£12,991. 8. 3.
Expenses to the end of April 1962	£11,466. 1. 2.
Bank Balance to the end of April 1962	£1,525. 7. 1. Cr.

CHAPLAIN: Father P. Gavin, Parish Priest of Wilson, resides in a cottage on Watts Road, belonging to the Institution. The Chapel is his Parish Church. He has a zealous interest in the boys' spiritual welfare, is very co-operative and enjoys living with the Brothers. His having meals with the community in no way interferes with the religious exercises. He has a Brother with us in the English Province, at present teaching in Scotland.

ANNALS: All House books are written up to date.

GENERAL: So far this year no appeal has been made to the Lotteries' Commission for financial assistance. It is recommended that help be sought for the purchase of new equipment for the laundry and that in the process, provision be made for a sewing room near by, with a kitchenette and toilet attached. Some covered ways are needed; parts of the structure of the main house need renovation; the drive-in should be re-sealed. All these were recommended to the Superior. An oil-burning hot water system has recently been installed; it is proving very efficient.

The Canning Road Board refused to renew the licence to keep pigs - a fortunate occurrence, as the pig sheds were uncomfortably close to the residence. The Road Board has also intimated that a storm water drain will run along one of the gazetted roads (designed for possible sub-division) parallel to the main entrance road at a distance about midway between the priest's cottage and Bungaree Road.

*J. J. Levander*