



## THE UNIVERSITY OF MELBOURNE ARCHIVES

<b>NAME OF COLLECTION</b>	The Classical Association of Victoria
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<b>HISTORICAL NOTE</b>	Founded in 1912 under the inspiration of Dr. Alexander Leeper and affiliated with the Classical Association in England, the Association sought to "promote the development and to maintain the well-being of, classical studies".
<b>ACCESS CONDITIONS</b>	Access: Open

**Unit 1**

Letters to Secretary of the Classical Association of Victoria (Miss Beatrice Little), 1920s-1950s, includes letter from Dr. Alexander Leeper and H.W. Allen; Letters from H.W. Allen to the Secretary, 1919-1948; Personal correspondence and other material of Miss Beatrice Little (mostly 1950s); Letters from H.W. Allen to Marcus Wells, 1917-1949; Letters from H.W. Allen to Charles Low, 1934-1940; Notices of meetings and circulars.

**Unit 2**

Classical Association Material: Accounts, receipts, membership 1913-1949; Circulars, notices, reports; Correspondence 1920s-1950s; Correspondence 1959; Material relating to other Classical Associations and the study of Classics; Miscellaneous papers for minute book, 1930s?; Newspaper clippings; Talk/lecture notes; Alan Treloar's reports, cuttings, etc. 1949-1950.

Beatrice Little Personal Material: Correspondence, notes, poems, photographs and other miscellaneous material; Certificate of Appreciation of Civil Defence Service, from the City of Brighton, Victoria, 16 July 1945 (also letter from the Brighton A.R.P. Warden and City of Brighton Food for Britain Appeal brochure); Three watercolour paintings by Beatrice Little

**Unit 3**

IRIS - Classical Association News sheet, 1914 - 1940 (incomplete)

**Unit 4**

IRIS - Classical Association News sheet, 1941 - 1969 (incomplete)

**Unit 5**

Account book for The State Savings Bank of Victoria, 1928; Account book for The English, Scottish and Australian Bank, 1928; Journal (payments, subscriptions, donations), 1913-1941; Ledger for Conway Fund 1928; Membership list 1929; Membership list 1934-1941; Receipt Book, 24 June 1948 - 20 July 1950; Receipt Book, 20 July 1950 - 2 May 1951; Subscription ledger 1902-1904 and Conway Fund 1928; Treasurers address book, subscription and contribution ledger, 1914-1931.

**Unit 6**

Membership cards, out of order

**Unit 7**

Talks given to the Classical Association by Miss Beatrice Little and others

**Unit 8**

Stereoscope pictures of Greece; Book - Italy through the Stereoscope by Ellinson

**Unit 9**

Stereoscope pictures of Italy and Sicily

The Classical Association of Victoria was founded on 23 October 1912, nine years after the establishment of The Classical Association in Britain (December 1903), with which it was affiliated. Said to have been founded under the inspiration of Dr. Alex. Leeper, who became its President and remained so until November 1932, its objects were to promote and maintain classical studies by various means. Its news-sheet IRIS notified members of meetings and reported addresses given by member and guest speakers. H.E. ("Barney") Allen (1875-1949), a student of Professor T.G. Tucker, was Resident Tutor in Classics in Ormond College from 1897, Senior Tutor in 1907 and Vice-Master from 1915 to 1943, when he retired. After two years with the A.I.F. during World War I he joined the A.I.F. Education Service as the representative of the University. He was a president of the National Ice Skating Association of Australia and of the Victorian Fly-Fishers' Association, and a member of the Ormond College Council. He was the first Hon. Secretary of the Association and editor of its News-sheet, IRIS, and from 1932 its President. Beatrice M. Little (a teacher at Toorak College from where she retired in 1936), who had served for a number of years as Honorary Secretary, took over the editorship of the news-sheet in ?. The Association met in the Cathedral Chapter House, Assembly Hall, Lyceum Club, Returned Army Nurses' Club, Anzac House etc.

Journal. Shows subscriptions and other payments to the Association, together with rent and other expenses.

Account books (2) showing members' names, alphabetically arranged, with a record of their payments to the Association 1913 - 1933

1934 - 1941 (headed "List of apparently active members at 1/1/34. For record of past payments see Mr. Thompson's book").

Account book with first few pages fastened together, recording "J.H. Thompson, Hon. Treasurer in account with the Kew Branch of the Citizens' Reform League of Victoria, May 1902 - 15 May 1902 - 1904 (fastener removed); then "The Conway Fund" 1925 - 1928 (i.e. Classical Association of Victoria).

Account book "Conway Fund" ("Treasurer in account with guarantors") 1 May - September 1928.

State Savings Bank of Victoria (Hawthorn) pass-book. Mr. John H. Thompson Trust a/c 5 May - 3 Oct. 1928.

English Scottish and Australian Bank Ltd. Pass-book (Kew). Mr. Thompson No. 2 a/c. John Henning. 25 Sept. - 17 Dec. 1928.

#### Receipt Books

24 June 1948- 20 July 1950

20 July 1950-2 May 1951. (Subscriptions, H.W. Memorial etc.)

Membership cards, showing name, address a year (presumably of

joining), date of death or resignation. [Originally in an alphabetical system; now unsorted]

Membership list 2 September 1929.

### The Classical Association

Leaflet "The Value of Greek", n.d.

Notice to members not yet subscribers to the Classical Review and the Classical Quarterly. 1914.

Leaflet showing office-bearers, date of foundation, objects etc. July 1920.

Leaflet "Proposed Visit to South Africa (at the invitation of the South African Association) August 1936.

"Our Debt to the Classics; a Retrospect" by Sir Frank Fletcher. Presidential Address, 9 April 1946. 30 pp.

Preliminary Notice of Annual General Meeting, 19 April 1952.

Notice of general meeting, Leeds, 8 April to 11 April 1953.

IRIS; The News-Sheet of the Classical Association of Victoria. Ford & Son, Printers.

June 1914

December 1915

April 1917 (Supplement only, incorporating the Report by the Council of the Classical Association of England to its members concerning the importance of classical studies.

Vol.IV, No.2. June 1917

Vol.IV, No.3. July 1917

Vol.IV, No.4. August 1917

Vol.IV, No.5. September 1917

Vol.IV, No.6. October 1917

Vol.IV, No.7. November 1917

Vol.VI, No.1. (Whole number 29) April 1919

Vol.VI, No.2. (30) June 1919

Vol.VI, No.7. (35) November 1919

Vol.VII, No.4. (39) September 1920

Vol.VII, No.6. (41) November 1920 [badly torn]

Vol.VIII, No.1. (42) May 1921

Vol.VIII, No.2. (43) June 1921

Vol.VIII, No.3. (44) July 1921

Vol.VIII, No.4. (45) September 1921

Vol.VIII, No.5. October-November 1921 (46)

Vol.IX, No.1. May 1922 (47)

Vol.IX, No.2. June 1922 (48) [report of 10th meeting]

Vol.IX, No.3. June 1922 (49)

Vol.IX, No.4. July 1922 (50)

Vol.IX, No.5. August 1922 (51)

Vol.IX, No.6. September 1922 (52)

Vol.X, No.4. September 1923 (57)

Vol.X, No.5. October 1923 (58) [crumpled and a little stained]

Vol.X, No.6. November 1923 (59)

Vol.XI, No.1. May 1924 (60)

Vol.XI, No.2. June 1924 (61)

Vol.XI, No.3. July 1924 (62)

Vol.XI, No.4. September 1924 (63)

Vol.XI, No.5. October 1924 (64)  
Vol.XI, No.6. November 1924 (65)  
Vol.XII, No.2. June 1925 (67)  
Vol.XII, No.3. July 1925. (68)  
Vol.XII, No.4. October 1925 (69)  
Vol.XII, No.5. November 1925 (70)  
Vol.XIII, No.1. April 1926 (71)  
Vol.XIII, No.2. June 1926 (72)  
Vol.XIII, No.3. July 1926 (73)  
Vol.XIII, No.4. September 1926 (74)  
Vol.XIII, No.5. October 1926 (75)  
Vol.XIII, No.6. November 1926 (75)  
Vol.XIV, No.1. May 1927 (76)  
Vol.XIV, No.2. June 1927 (77)  
Vol.XIV, No.4. September 1927 (79)  
Vol.XV, No.5. October 1927 (80) [Some pencilled notes on first page of first copy]  
Vol.XIV, No.6. November 1927 (81)  
Vol.XV, No.5 (86), November 1928

Vol.XV, Nos. 1-5 (82-86), April, May, July, October, November 1928 [2 sets stapled together, and separately]  
Vol.XVI, Nos.1-5 (87-91) April, June, July, September, November 1929 [2 sets stapled together and separate issues]

8Vol.XVII, No.1-7 (92-98) May, June, July, August, September, October, October 1930 [2 sets fastened together and single issues]  
Vol.XVII No.2 (93) June 1930  
Vol.XVII, No.3 (94) July 1930  
XVII, No.4 (95) August 1930  
Vol.XVII, No.5 (96) September 1930  
Vol.XVII No.6 (97) October 1930  
XVII, No.7 (98) November 1930  
XVIII, No.1 (99) April 1931 (inside, copy of handwritten circular from Alex Leeper soliciting donations towards a portrait of Professor Tucker for Wilson Hall)  
Vol.XVIII, No.2 (100) June 1931  
Vol.XVIII No.3 (101) July 1931  
Vol.XVIII, No.4 (102) August 1931  
Vol.XVIII, No.5 (103) September 1931  
Vol.XVIII, No.6 (104) November 1931  
Vol.XIX, No.1 (105) May 1932  
Vol.XIX, No.2 (106) June 1932  
Vol.XIX, No.3 (107) July 1932  
Vol.XIX, No.4 (108) October 1932  
Vol.XIX, No.5 (109) November 1932  
Vol.XX, No.1 (110) April 1933  
Vol.XX, No.2 (111) May 1933  
Vol.XX, No.3 (112) June 1933  
Vol.XX, No.4 (113) July 1933  
Vol.XX, No.5 (114) October 1933  
Vol.XX, No.6 (115) November 1933  
VolXXI, No.1 (116) April 1934  
Vol. XXI, No.2 (117) May 1934  
Vol.XXI, No.3 (118) July 1934

Vol.XXI, No.4 (119) August 1934  
Vol.XXI, No.5 (120) September 1934  
Vol.XXI, No.6 (121) October 1934  
Vol.XXI, No.7 (122) November 1934  
Vol.XXII, Nos.1-6 (123-128) April, June, July, September,  
October, November 1935 [one set fastened together]  
Individual copies of the above.  
Vol.XXIII, No.1 (129) May 1936  
Vol.XXIII, No.2 (130) June 1936  
Vol.XXIII, No.3 (131) July 1936  
Vol.XXIII, No.4 (132) August 1936  
Vol.XXIII, No.5 (133) September 1936  
Vol.XXIII, No.6 (134) November 1936  
Vol.XXIV, No.1 (135) May 1937  
Vol.XXIV, No.2 (136) June 1937  
Vol.XXIV, No.3 (137) July 1937  
Vol.XXIV, No.4 (138) September 1937  
Vol.XXIV, No.5 (139) October 1937  
Vol.XXIV, No.6 (140) November 1937

Vol.XXV, No.1 (141) April 1938  
Vol.XXV, No.3 (143) July 1938  
Vol.XXV, No.4 (144) September 1938  
Vol.XXV, No.5 (145) October 1938  
Vol.XXV, No.6 (146) November 1938  
Vol.XXVI, No.1 (147) April 1939  
Vol.XXVI, No.2 (148) May 1939  
Vol.XXVI, No.3 (149) June 1939  
Vol.XXVI, No.4 (150) September 1939  
Vol.XXVI, No.5 (151) October 1939  
Vol.XXVI, No.6 (152) November 1939  
Vol.XXVII, No.1 (153) May 1940  
Vol.XXVII, No.2 (154) June 1940  
Vol.XXVII, No.3 (154) August 1940  
Vol.XXVII, No.4 (156) October 1940  
Vol.XXVII, No.5 (157) November 1940  
Vol.XXVII, No.2 (159) June 1941  
Vol.XXVIII, No.3 (160) August 1941  
Vol.XXVIII, No.4 (161) October 1941  
Vol.XXVIII, No.5, (162) November 1941

Vol.XXXVI, No.1 (185) April 1949  
Vol.XXXVI, No.2 (186) June 1949  
Vol.XXXVI, No.3 (187) August 1949  
Vol.XXXVI, No.4 (188) October 1949  
Vol.XXXVI, No.5 (189) November 1949  
Vol.XXXVIII, No.1 (190) April 1950  
Vol.XXXVIII, No.2 (191) June 1950  
Vol.XXXVIII, No.3 (192) July 1950  
Vol.XXXVIII, No.4 (193) September 1950  
Vol.XXXVIII, No.5 (194) November 1950  
Vol.XXXIX, No.1 (195) April 1951  
Vol.XXXIX, No.2 (196) June 1951  
Vol.XXXIX, No.3 (197) July 1951  
Vol.XXXIX, No.4 (198) November 1951  
Vol.XXXIX, No.5 (199) April 1951

Vol.XXXIX, No.2 (200) July 1952  
Vol.XXXIX, No.3 (201) November 1952  
Vol.XL, No.2 (203) July 1953  
Vol.XLI, No.1 (205) June 1954  
Leaflet. J.A. Thompson's lecture on "The Pottery of Cyprus", 5  
August 1954.  
Vol.XLI, NO.2 (206) September 1954  
Vol.XLII, No.1 (208) May 1955

#### Talks to the Classics Association

M.B. Little. Ancient Libraries. 1 May 1953.  
anon. Milton the Puritan n.d.  
Paper based on a theory of Francesco Sforza. n.d.  
anon. Modern Art. September 1945  
Rough notes on Roman and Greek games n.d.  
Notes on food n.d.  
China. M.B.L. for the Coterie n.d.  
The Icelandic Sage. Read to The coterie 26 May 1941.

Albert Schweitzer - Hero. anon. 27 April 1958  
A. Treloar. Training Colleges and the Study of the Ancient  
World.  
M.B.Little.A Homeric Garland 24 November 1936  
Education in the Soviet Union  
That it is essential Women exercise their privilege of sitting  
in Parliament.  
M.B. Little What Christianity owes to Greece May 1930  
ditto Latin Lyrics of the Middle Ages  
A Fantasy  
Social Life in Roman Britain  
ditto Cromwell's Statue  
ditto Herodotus mentions some trees and plants 1940'sa  
H.W. Allen. (Memorial lecture, no author or date.  
B. Little. The Sitwells.  
Paracelsus  
Austrian Poetry for the Coterie 30 Aug. 1954  
English Social History. March 1946.

Talks prepared by Beatrice Little, some for the Classical  
Association, some, not on classical subjects, for "The Coterie"  
or some unspecified audience.

Woinaski. A Day in the Athenian Courts. n.d.  
anon. The Roman Calendar and Julius Caesar n.d.  
W.A. Osborne. Olive Vine and Fig. June 1949.  
anon. A play in three Acts entitled Virtuti est Victoria, 509  
B.C. n.d.  
A. Treloar Training Colleges and the Study of the Ancient  
World. n.d. (not earlier than June 1950)  
Notes on food, with references. On George Hotel St. Kilda  
letterhead. n.d.  
B.M. Little. Electra. n.d.  
ditto Herodotus mentions some trees and plants n.d.  
ditto Social life in Roman Britain n.d.

ditto A HOMERIC Garland. 24 Nov. 1936.  
ditto Latin Lyrics of the Middle Ages  
ditto "paper based on a theory ... by an Italian scholar,  
Francesco Sforza of Cyprus" re Virgil's Aeneid.  
ditto What Christianity owes to Greece (from the essay by Dean  
Inge). May 1930  
ditto Paracelsus  
ditto Ancient Libraries to the Classical Association of  
Victoria 1 May 1953.  
ditto Basilissa. Empress. 27 October 1941.  
ditto Notes for talk on Roman and Greek games.

H.W. Allen. Inaugural memorial lecture [look up date and  
speaker]

H.W. ALLEN

Letters 1919 (one undated), 1928-1948 to Beatrice Little. One  
envelope.

The earliest of these are written from England while Allen was  
waiting to return to Australia after war service.

The latter group are chiefly concerned with arranging the  
contents of IRIS and addresses to Association meetings.

H.W. Allen to Marcus Wells

Letters 1917-1949 H.W. Allen to Marcus Wells. Presented to the  
Classical Association [in black spring-back folder with other  
items, now in fresh cover] Letters are numbered.

"Letter 1 1918". From Halton Camp East, Bucks., 31 March  
1918. Fears for friends and his brother; no prospect of Allen  
getting there and his work as a clerk; reading his first book  
by Henry James. Typed, torn at fold. Notes by Wells giving  
history of their correspondence from early 1918 until shortly  
before Allen's death.

Letters 2 & 3 1918. From Education Office, AIF Corps. H.W.  
France, 25 September 1918. In France at last for a month or  
two with the chief aim to get to know conditions and  
possibilities there and meet the Digger in his proper element -  
has learned what devastation means. Wells' application has not  
come to them but hopes he will be able to help in spreading the  
gospel; the first training school which will start in England  
early October; friends and books; a "Cook's tourist". Attached:  
Wells' notes 2 ms. quoting from Allen's next letter, 4 April  
1918; and commenting on the third war letter [i.e. the above -  
no second letter here].

4. 11 March 1920. Wells' operation; he told Aeneas the truth  
in saying Allen was in danger of becoming a black misanthrope;  
pleasure in being introduced to Bozzy, and fishing; Allen's  
idea of life, nine months in town and three in the wilds; "Foe  
Farrell" by "Q". Note by Wells, identifying Aeneas of these



letters as the Rev. A. Macdonald, M.A.

5. 21 March 1920. Wells' hobby of working full-oak and Allen's own handwork (including knitting); Allen "a devout pious hater(?) of America". [Attached]

6. 6 June 1920 Decision not to Sydney partly because of the extravagance of going for a week's skating, partly because he had rashly promised that if the Prince of Wales wanted to see boomerangs thrown, he would show him. Profoundly sorry for the nervous tiredness of the Prince. Visits to the Booklovers and books; his period in London has shown him just where we stand in regard to civilisation here.

7. 1 Aug. 1920. Imminent trip to Sydney for the skating, staying with sister; his liking for variety in pursuits; other men's work e.g. stonemason's; no music or literature part from the Beethoven Festival; "The Road to En-Dor", Renan etc.; glad Wells has brought Andrew to his bearings - the rudest and maddest as well as the cleverest man in Melbourne - Perhaps we shall have the pluck to kick Mannix out, now England has given a lead [ paragraph blue pencilled].

8. 27 Aug. 1922. Hopes the long spell of knee trouble is ending and can walk again; Wells' "Sunday Comments" the right medium which he thinks are too good to be buried in the St. Arnaud Times and suggests Wells' offering to city editors - The Forum (editor Miss Masson), The New Outlook, Sydney, or Saturday Age or Argus and comments on them; Fowler's play and "The Beggar's Opera". Bennett's Mr. Prohack?" and cost of books.

"Letter 10 9?" Sheet separated from letter, but presumably 4 Jan. 1923. Congratulates Wells on his first walk after a long time; recommends a translation of the Republic; Butler's Note-books are available, and Mullens are always hopeless [passage blue-pencilled]; trout-fishing.

"Letter 9 10?" 16 April 1923. Is a lover of good wood and regrets that bull-oak is being burnt as firewood; has a special slab of teatree from Khancoban for the arms of a land-net, and other pieces and would welcome bull-oak; if Wells cherish's "pure and perfect hatred of Americanism" read "Babgbitt" by Sinclair Lewis; other books [note by Beatrice Little in margin]

11. 23 April 1923. A beautiful knife of Wells' workmanship; asks for a walk-stick; value for Austrian timbers and a Sydney friend making "period" furniture of Australian woods, designed by his architect and artist brother, a man after Wells' heart; regrets Wells' hatred of America not as pure and perfect as his own [quotes pet hates]; C.E. Montague author.

12. 12 June 1923. The stick a beauty; Wells' health and the price paid for out upright stance; skating and a trip to Switzerland; the War Book delayed. 2 ms. Attached: notes by Wells.

13. 26 Aug. 1923. Agrees with Wells' philosophy of life; cost of pleasures; "Babbitt" and James Branch Cabell; Wells' health and hobby, and his own - bead-work etc.; woods

14. 7 Nov. 1923. The Booklovers' Library, the University Press "cheaper, and better informed, and quicker, than anybody else" and books recommended; the "wild man" and civilisation and skating; his pessimism at the end of the year, etc.

15. 19 May 1924. Regrets that Wells is on crutches; "Figures of the Earth", "The Forsyte Saga" and other books; his enjoyment of his trip - St. Moritz and Manchester for skating, "The Birds" at Cambridge (which he had once played at Ormond College; "Hassan", "Ruddigore" etc.; Wells' wood-carving and patterns.

16. 26 April 1926 On Aristophanes, "The Cantab" (Shane Leslie), and plagiarism of his own writing on skating.

17. 26 August 1926. Books and our lack of the notion of grandeur, wildflowers reminding him of Royal Park; a fine coathanger. Attached: Wells' notes.

18. 14 December 1926. Re Wells helping in the shearing --shed and secretaryship of "everythng in the neighbourhoo" and Presidency of the Cricket Association. Allen's own cricket troubles, unpacking classical books for the library, and reading the new Kipling stories - none worthwhle- and Wells. Homer and Herodotus will take on fising rip. Wells' notes attached.

19. 22 Dec. 1927. Holiday plans and return to receive Library furniture; "Donald Times" photograph of Wells; cricket; Books.

20. 8 May 1928. Classical reference to ram's tongues; origin of "quarter"; Trollope, Wells, Bennett, Hardy, Rabelais, Eric Glen. Attached: Well's notes.

21. 19 Nov. 1928. [some blue pencilling] Meeting of the Conway quarantors; Well's grazing farm; the Vera Historia and "Xen."; a new jape for the Symposium; cricket; books.

22. 19 Mar. 1929. [some blue pencilling] Books; extra work for the absent professor.

23. 10 Dec. 91929 ["Wells" blue pencilled] Greg's second attack.

24. 8 June 1930 " " Has completely dropped all the concerns of the Classical Association because he is carrying "the baby of the College" for the next 12 months. Master ordered away for a long trip. Books (Priestley's Good Companions", "All Quiet" etc.)

25. 5 May 1931 Greg's hopeless illness. Attached: Well's notes.

26. 6 Sept. 1933. Thanks for spring flowers; preparations for departure. Attached: notes by Wells.

27. 16 Oct. 1934. Beautiful sticks arrived and given to Masefield and Mrs. Masefield. Attached: notes by Wells.

28. 9 Jan. 1935, from Khancoban, Waterfall Farm. Fishing; Well's grasshoppers; Attached: note by Wells/

29. 29 Sept. 1935. Wells' gift of wood, being used to hold with "the gadget for holding a desk-pen". Attached: note by Wells.

30. 13 Feb. 1939. [some blue pencilling] Bush-fires; civilising the Rotarians. Attached: Note by Wells.

31. 3 Feb. 1946, from Frankston. Allen unaware that Tucker had contributed to the Argue under a nom de plume but knows that he was not "Quintilian" and other comments on Tucker. Knows nothing of [Piesse? passage blue pencilled]; his garden. Attached: notes by Wells.

32. 6 Jan. 1947. Fishing camp (bound to go because Hon. Sec. of the Club) but no longer fishes. His laziness, and visit to Khancoban to be with some oldest and best friends. Sadness of losing friends and death of Aeneas [Macdonald?]; Wells' son Ken in Japan; cricket.

33. 26 Oct. 1947 from Frankston. Cardus' book and cricket and cricketers [a passage blue-pencilled]; the atomic bomb.

34. 4 Nov. 1947. Cardus' book; ZMoiseiwitch's visit to Sir Ernest Scott and Lady Scott (formerly the well-known pianist Emily Dyason) and her bet to him that he couldn't play the arabesque by her former teacher Arensky at his next concert after 20 minutes perusal (he did, from memory); his dislike of dogs; cricket; gardening [close blue-pencilled].

35. 12 Jan. 1949. Trip to Khancoban to hand over to a successor the secretaryship and management he has held for 20 odd years. Can no longer fish that river, and without fishing it is useless to go there. His portrait in fishing garb by Julian Smith hung with ceremony in the dining room [blue pencilled passage]. Sadness at loss of friends. Attached: note by Wells.

"The last letter" Frankston, 6 July 1949 [Wells and Lawrence's names blue-pencilled] Cannot recall Lawrence - probably a student when Allen was a University lecturer, "sitting on a high platform and having no real contact with my class - a state of things I did not at all like, and very different from personal College tuition, to which I soon returned". Agrees, they did meet some queer fish in the ranks but all amalgamated into good companions; the "awful job" of coal mining; his own renewal of ill-health. Attached: Notes by Wells.

"Last words": note by Wells closing "The End".

H.W. Allen to Charles Low

25 Jun 1934 (to Low at the Malvern Grammar School). Has looked at Low's verses and make suggestions.

13 June 1938 (to Low at Clare College, Cambridge). Shall be glad to act as referee for him for this post; cricket; College and exceptionally good students in classics and Classical Association and a bad evening with cinema show of pictures of aboriginals ("all old Cherry's doing"); Sydney's Greek professor, Powell. 2 ms.

10 Sept. 1938. Cricket; If Russell Love reached Melbourne he gave us no evidence of his presence; Malvern Grammar School being in Glen Iris does not seem an adequate reason for an iris as a badge, but doubtless you have other reasons; comments on Low's "carmen"; hopes he will get something worth having Powell; Master still going slow.

27 June 1939. Thanks for accepting some of his suggestions [amendments to "carmen" and it is has gone to the printer for IRIS.

19 June 1940. Pleasure at Low's knocking the examiners in the language and tht he hopes to tackle Hausa (an Ormond man Tremearne wrotw a Hausa grmma and was Hausa lecturer at Cambridge; Low's cricket notes interesting; Low's verses; collections of modern light verse and University Press's publicaion containing howlers, and his own efforts. 3 ms.