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Papers of Francis Hume Kelly (matr. 1859)

Francis Hume Kelly matriculated from University College in 1859. He was an enthusiastic rower, being part of the winning Oxford boat in 1863 and 1864.

This rowing diary which he kept at the time was given to the archives by his great-nephew William Harvey Kelly (himself an Old Member of the College) in November 1998 as Acc. No. 83

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Diary kept by Francis Hume Kelly as a record of his rowing activities whilst an undergraduate at University College. One end of the diary records his rowing for the College, both at Oxford and at Henley, the other end his rowing for the University Eight. The diary records all his rowing activities in detail, naming several of his colleagues, and describing where Kelly rowed (there are no references to any other part of his life at the College). Several photographs have been pasted in the book, some identical with the early photographs in UC:O4/P1/1, as well as many newspaper cuttings relating to races in which Kelly took part. There is also a list of placings of the University College First Eight since 1839.

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Letter from William Harvey-Kelly to the archivist, with some information on the life of Francis Hume Kelly.

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