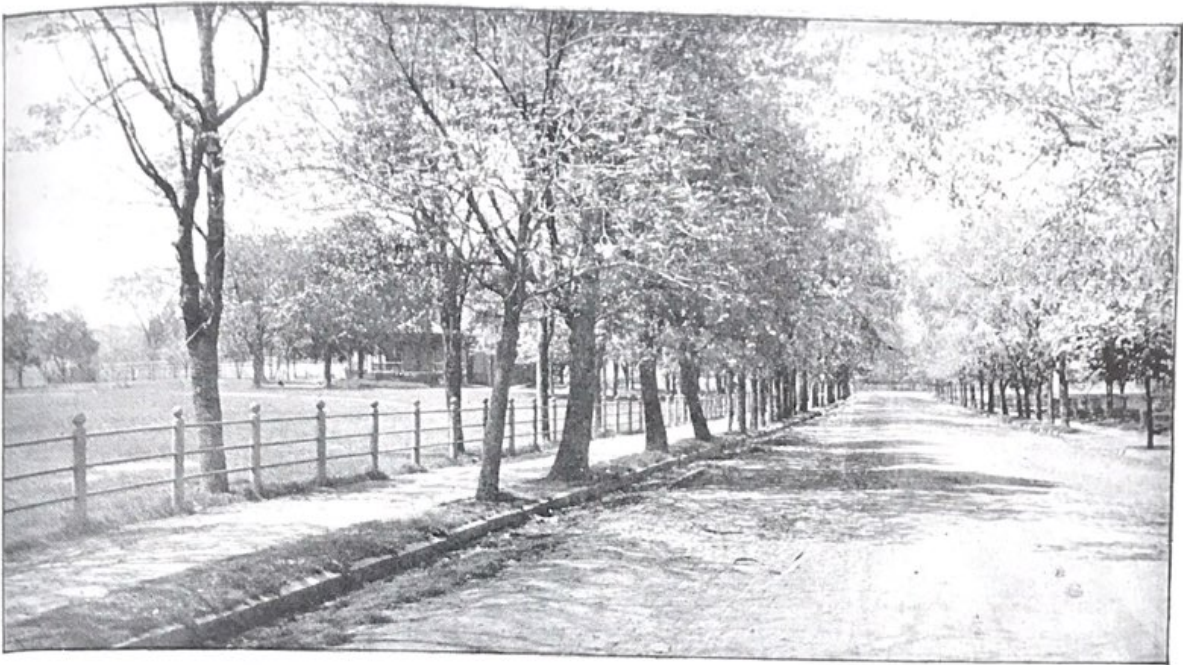
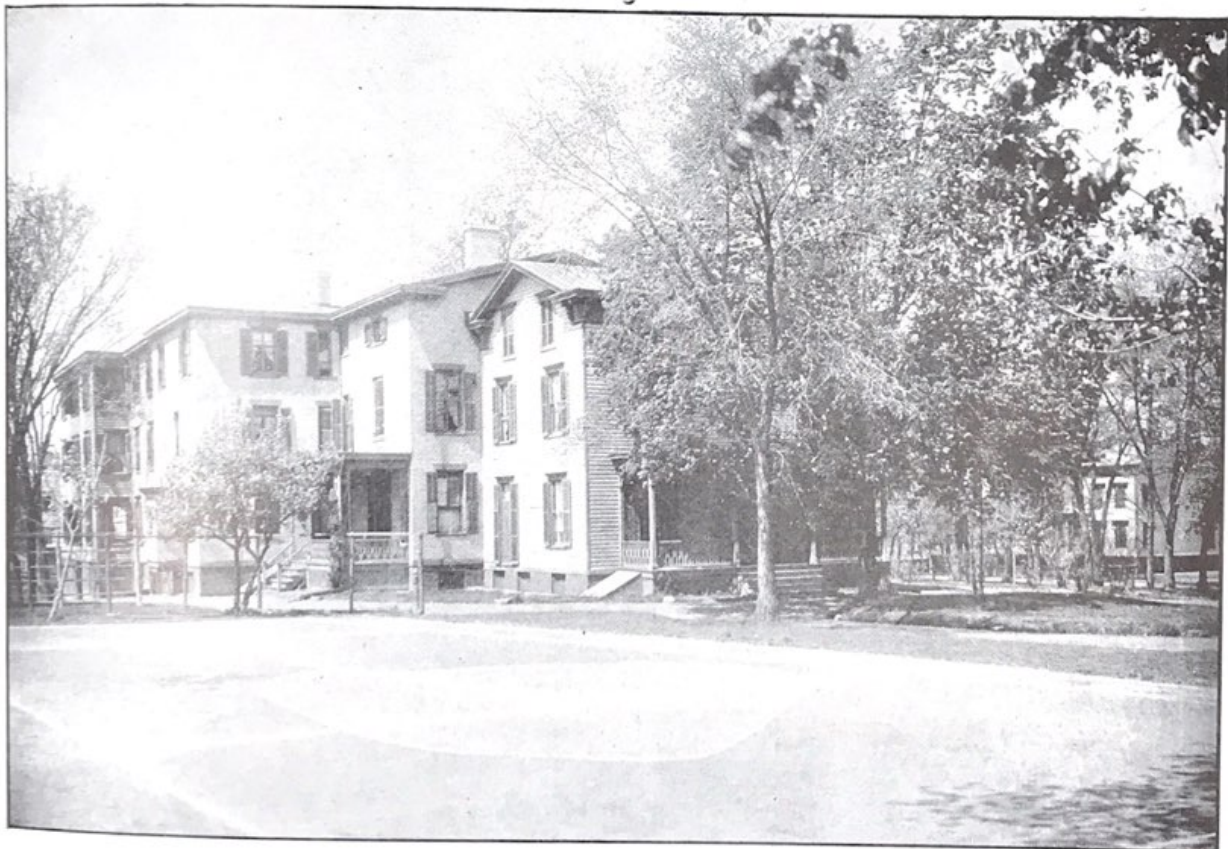


RUTGERS PREPARATORY SCHOOL CADETS.



THE APPROACH TO THE TRAP.



THE TRAP FROM TENNIS COURT.

The calendar's always marked with care,
For Patrick's Day we shamrocks wear,
For Valentine's day the dining-room glows
With hearts upon hearts all strung up in rows.

Hallowe'en had a feast that was quite unique,
In each little cake an emblem you'd seek,—
To Hansen the modest a diamond did fall
Which proved he'd be married first of us all.

To Mark went the whistle—he makes such a
noise—
Scott got the bottle to doctor the boys,
Cox got the button to sew on his clo'es,
Green and Black got the bells, because they're
the beaux.

We bobbed for red apples, the candy we
stirred,
The racket we made, you just ought to have
heard,
We had peanut races, bit rings out of flour,
We sang our school songs till a very late hour.

The hot cross buns, the Paas eggs gay,
Showed how the Spring term was passing
away.
We danced with the Tau Phies, we danced
with the Betes,
And at College Farm with the Delta Thetes.

At the Thanksgiving banquet we all ate our
fill;
At the Christmas one we'd a nervous chill,
Holly and greens made the dining room gay,
But we each had a toast of our own to say.

From Rutgers Faculty came welcome guests,
Dr. Payson, as toastmaster, made many jests.
We sang all our songs and everything toasted,
And who was the fellow that didn't get
roasted?

The Prof. with the Kodak failed to come
'round,—
It's the only time in the year, I'll be bound,—
He's taken us indoors, he's taken us out,
In coats, in pajamas, the thin and the stout.

Mike showed up his art with a lantern so
bright

We met in the school-room one warm summer
night,—

Whenever a picture was stuck up in sight,
If Mike said 'twas Case, we knew he was
right.

From Doctor's reading, we've gained Shakes-
peare lore—

Hamlet, Othello, and several more,—
His Bible class also gave us much knowledge,
You'd think we came straight from Theologi-
cal College.

Before the end we'll meet once more
To honor the seniors—quite a score:—
With blossoms gay and lanterns bright
The Trap will be a festive sight.

Commencement Day is drawing night
When to the Trap we'll say good-bye.
To Scarlet and White we'll loyal be
As long as the Raritan runs to the sea.

THE MEET OF RUTGERS.

On May nineteenth the annual meet of Rut-
gers College was held at Neilson Field. In
this meet Nicholas won third place in 220
yard dash. Cox won the first place in high
jump by a splendid exhibition, beating Rut-
gers' record by 2 3-4 inches, clearing 5 feet,
8 inches. Cox is to be congratulated on his
magnificent showing.

PREP. SCHOOL FRATERNITIES.

"A fraternity," says Mr. Webster, "is a
body of men associated for their common in-
terest, business, or pleasure, a brotherhood."
According to collegiate usage, the term "fra-
ternity" is applied only to organizations hav-
ing chapters in more than one institution. Al-
though the societies in Rutgers Prep. School
are local in character, yet, since they meet the
dictionary definition, they may justly be term-
ed fraternities.

Of the fraternities, Tau Phi is the oldest,

Beta Phi next, and Delta Theta the youngest. All have been established more than ten years. Membership is confined to male students of Rutgers Preparatory School, who, generally speaking, are not admitted into the society until they have entered the Second Form. There have been some exceptions to the latter part of the above rule, and men are pledged any time after they have entered the school.

As far as is generally known, good character and good fellowship are the main qualifications for membership. Scholastic, literary and athletic ability also are considered.

The fraternities all aim at the promotion of brotherly feeling in their ranks, and the improvement of the moral, mental and physical natures of their members.

They are of great benefit to the individual members, and to the school as a whole. The friendly rivalry for scholastic honors between the fraternities does much in the way of furnishing an incentive for hard work. The student learns to strive in the class-room and on the field with nobler aims than his own personal glorification. He forms close and lasting friendships, and comes to know the value of unselfishness and brotherly love.

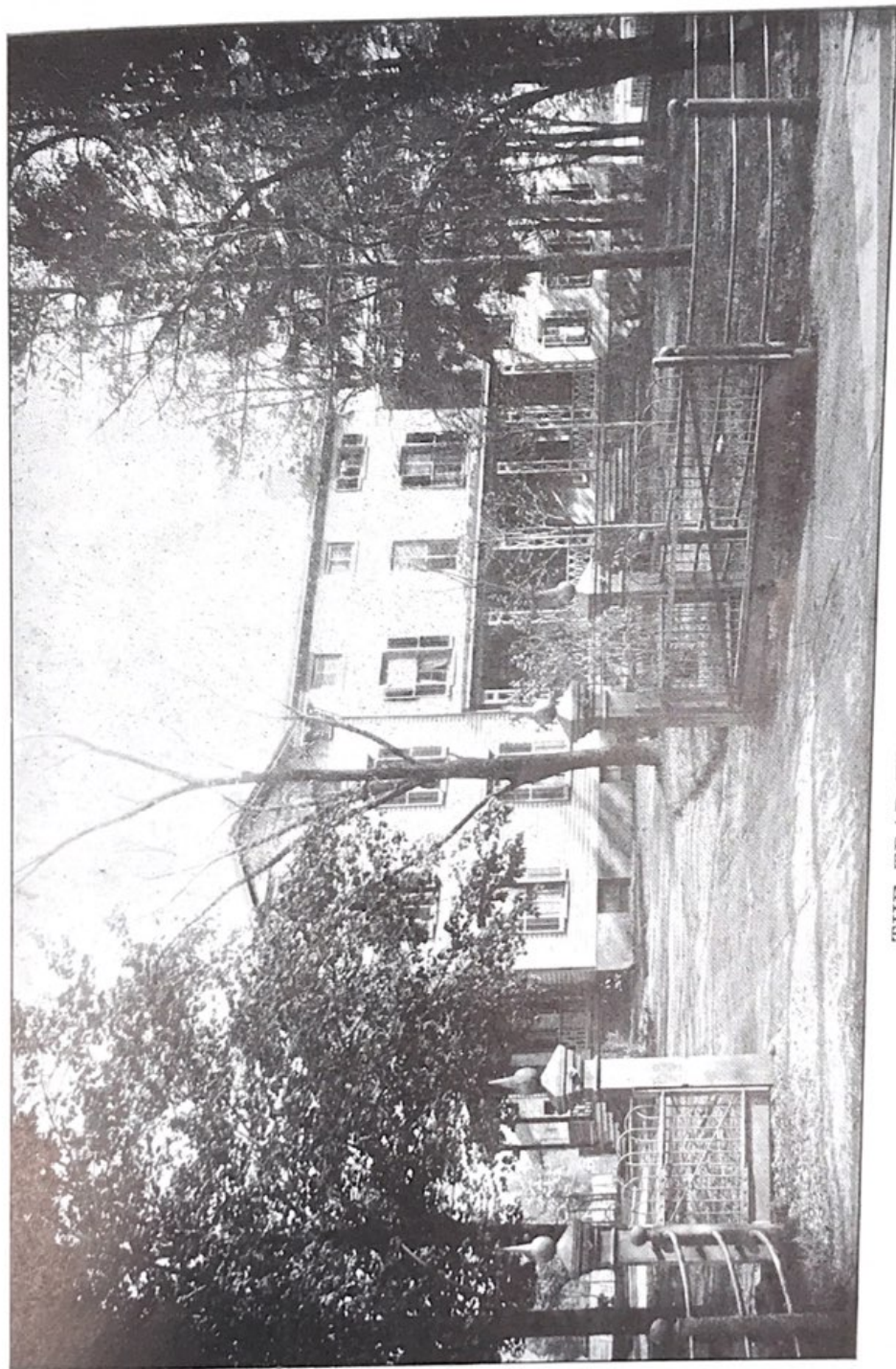
And finally, these fraternities lend to the school life an interest and a charm which binds the hearts of the students yet closer to Rutgers Prep.

THE SAN FRANCISCO EARTHQUAKE.

I shall never forget the terrible earthquake at San Francisco in April, 1906; how I was awakened from my sleep by the shocks, and all that I saw and heard while I was trying to get away from the city. As it happened I was travelling for a Denver firm. I had a young colored man, Sam, along with me, for we had grown up together and had always been the best of friends, and I usually took him with me on business trips. He helped me in many little ways and I always enjoyed his company—especially when anything mysterious happened, for he was very superstitious.

We were staying at a large hotel in San Francisco, and had a front room on the third floor. Sam slept on a cot in the corner, while I had the bed. I had had a busy day and was much pleased at the thought of a good night's sleep. As I slept I had a strange dream. I was on the ocean in a small boat. All at once the boat began to pitch violently and giving a sudden jerk threw me into the water. I could not swim but I somehow managed to float. I saw two dim lights come slowly toward me and then somebody grabbed me! I gave a yell and at once awoke. The room was swaying in a jerky fashion and I was sitting in the middle of the floor with Sam holding on to me. He was frightened almost out of his senses and his eyes were glowing like a cat's at night. "Massa George," he gasped, "de Jedge-men Day is sure an' come an' I nevah paid dat tailor fo' ma' Easter britches, de Angel Gabr'el will call de roll an' catch me sure. See de fire of de Lord is a-burnin' up dem heathen over there!" (referring to some Hungarians who lived across the street, whom he disliked.)

Clancing out of the window, I saw that the house across the way was in flames and many other fires were breaking out. The streets were filled with fleeing people and there was the greatest confusion. Just then a man in his nightshirt paused a moment in the doorway of our room and Sam gasping, "It's de angel" dove under the bed and tried to drag me after him. The man said: "You must all come, quickly! Mr. Haines?" "Here I am," I answered. "Samuel!" "Absent," called a weak little voice from under the bed. The man, smiling, ran on and I finally persuaded Sam to come out and grab some clothes as it was not the end of the world at all. Then we quickly ran down stairs to the street and not a moment too soon for just then another shock came and the building collapsed. I steered Sam for the hills, because I feared a tidal-wave, and then followed him as quickly as I could. It was almost impossible to get through the streets on account of the debris



THE TRAP FROM HAMILTON STR EET.



BETA PHI FRATERNITY.



TAU PHI FRATERNITY.



DELTA THETA FRATERNITY.

and the heat from the numerous fires, but we finally reached Golden Gate Park almost driven insane by the cries of the people who were pinned under the ruins whom we were not able to save from the on-rushing flames.

We stayed in the Park for two days, helping all we could in the day time and sleeping under two horse blankets at night. Then we got a train for the east and reached Denver in safety, after having an experience which I hope, for the sake of all who lost home and friends, will never be repeated.

THEODORE N. POCKMAN, '07.

Annex Notes.

ANNEX NOTES.

HOW THE DANDELION

GOT ITS NAME.

Down, down, down, planted deep in the brown earth was a little seed all alone. It wished the spring would come, because it wanted to know what kind of a flower it would be. At last the spring came. The sun shone warm and bright. All this time the little seed was growing. Soon a little yellow flower came and to its joy found that it was the first flower out. It looked around and exclaimed in amazement, "Why, I never saw this forest before."

Just then a little girl came running up to the flower and said, "This is the first—" A

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lion gave a great roar. The little girl in fright ran away. All the time saying, "It was such a dandy one."

As she was talking it occurred to her that she did not know the name of the flower. I will tell my mother that I found a dandy lion.

Ever since we have called the little flower the dandy-lion.

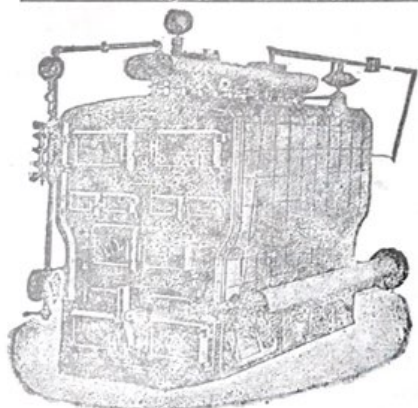
MARGUERITE NELSON,
Fourth Year.

THE DANDELION.

There was once a seed that was very proud. He was even more proud than the beautiful flower. One day the proud seed asked another seed, that was lying beside it, what it was going to be. "I don't know yet," said the little seed. "What are you going to be?" "I am going to be," said the proud seed, "the king of flowers and wear a gold crown and reign high."

The other seeds laughed at this and said, "You are only going to be like the rest of us. You will not be a king." The proud seed grew more proud. At last the time came when it was to grow. One day it said, "I have had a drink of water at last! I'm growing! Good-bye." Up it went. It pushed itself through the ground and saw so many things. It heard the chirping of the birds and the singing of the brook as it went along. The proudness left it and it was only a golden dandelion.

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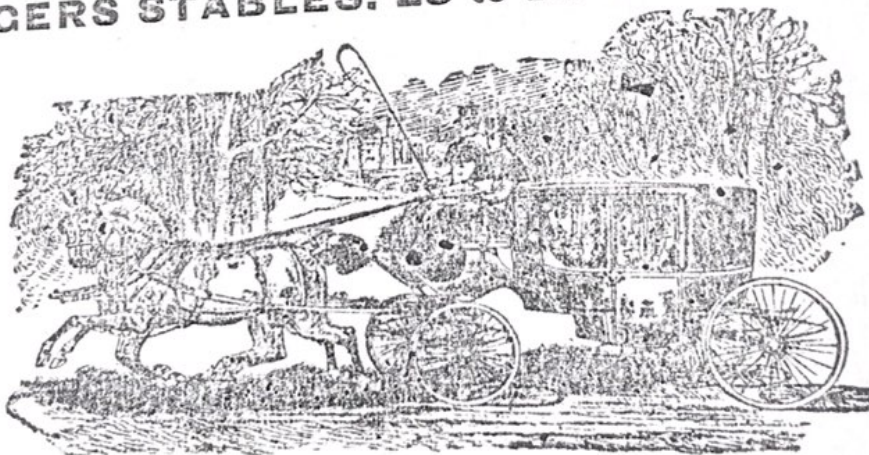
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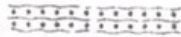
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