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New Brunswick, N.J.,and iust be accompanied

name of the author,

sere IE, Winter with its many amusements is about

over, and now we see preparations being

made for the base ball season. If you come

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across a number of boys talking, and you should #

stop to listen, you would find that they were giving

their views on the merits of different players, or

were talking of other matters ‘pertaining to base

ball. We hope that our base ball team may have

as great success as our football eleven, and, if pos-

sible, may again defeat the Freshmen.

HE Missionary Society at the “Home” a

short ticve ago conceived the idea of getting

an entertainment for the benefit of the Y

Mission, in securing it new seats.

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The Society

set about carrying out its plans, and the Glee

Club and other members of the school have

seconded its efforts. ‘The entertainment will be

\* held in the Y. M. C. A. Hall on the evening of

March 6th, and will consist of two farces, several

songs by the Glee Club, ete. It is believed that

it will be well worth going to, and we trust that all

friends of the School and Mission will give the en-

tertainment their most hearty support.

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WEBRUARY,

N the 20th the School held its patriotic exer-

0) cises in. honor of Washington's Birthday.

‘The primary and intermediate departments came

down stairs and united with the other departments.

As usual, their contribution to the day's enter-

tainment was the most interesting, the “ Meeting

of the Nations” showing great care on the part of

both teachers and pupils in its preparation. The

Gice Club sang, and four pieces in honor of

Washington were spoken by down stairs boys. Dr.

Scott and Dr. Cook each also spoke, and Rev. J.

G. Reed closed, as he had opened, the exercises

of the day with prayer. Quite a number of the

friends of the boys were present in spite of the

weather, and all seemed to have enjoyed the oc-

casion,

A WALK TO HIGHTSTOWN.

ce the 24th of January four members of the Five-

. Mile Club took a tramp to Hightstown.

They were “ Ma,” “Solomon,” “Simon,”

“ Uncle Josh,”—or “ Josh,” for short.

“Ma” went because he wanted to see Peddie

Institute and a friend in it, and also to gratify his

insatiable desire for seeing a new section of coun-

try; “Solomon” went to see some friends in the

Institute—\* Jerusha,” especially, it is believed ;

“Simon” went because “Solomon” did, and of

course “Solomon's” friends were “ Simon’s” as

well; “Uncle Josh” went to make up the even

number so desirable on a walk, and was eager to

go because Peddie Institute is coeducational.

Such were the boys and such were the reasons

for their undertaking the tramp. The weather was

rather mild for January and the roads were muddy

in the middle of the day, so the Club decided to

start early, at 7 A. M.

and

Permission to go was se-

cured from the principal, and the housekeeper was

interviewed as to getting an early breakfast. The

Club retired with the great weight of an early

rising upon its mind, “Josh” secured all the alarm

clocks in the house and set them for the next

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morning at intervals of 20 or 30 minutes apart.

Whether this was to secure his own early rising ot

had in it a malignant idea of keeping the \* Bowe-

ry” awake in those unearthly hours cannot be del

initely stated,

The next morning dawned. “ Ma” was up early

looking at the weather and his watch, and calculat-

ing on how many more minutes he could spend in

bed before he would have to get dressed. Solo-

mon was up early too, and skipped down stairs to

get a shirt from the laundry, Of course the laun-

dry was not open so early, and so poor Solomon

was kept on a hop going down every little while

until he got his clean biled shirt at last. Simon

slept peacefully until Solomon called him. Josh

was awake half the night attending to his clocks.

After they went off, he had to wind them up again

so that he would not sleep too long! At last 6

o'clock came, the hour agreed upon as the time

for waking. Excepting Simon, the Club met in

the hall on their way to call each other.

About 6.30 the Club sat down to breakfast.

This was soon dispatched, and then came the

usual bother of actually starting. ‘The morning

was cloudy, and so the weather had to be discuss-

ed. Ma said that though he did not believe it

would rain he would take his old umbrella as a

mascot. That made Simon want a mascot too,

Then the hat question was up for debate. A dip

is such a plague on a walk, and both Solomon and

Simon had hats of that order. “ Borrow caps,” sug-

gested Josh. Happy thought! Sned and Sara-

toga were roused at ance, and Solomon and Simon

were soon ready in their borrowed finery. ‘Then

the Club was off just as the 7 o’clock whistles were

blowing.

Ma, who had a pocket map and a general

knowledge of New Jersey, was the leader. ‘The

plan was to go to Jamesburg, see the State Reform

School there, and then go to Hightstown by the

train which left Jamesburg about ri a.m. Ma

thought it would be a good idea to follow the Rar.

itan River Railroad to Milltown and then strike

for Jamesburg. The Club, therefore walked out

to the terminus of the road on Commercial

Avenue, .

The tracks of a railroad like the R. R. Railroad

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are not the most pleasant to walk on, but it was

the original plan to take them, and as the Cranbury

Turnpike did not look better and did not lead to

Jamesburg any way, the Club started boldly down

the railroad. ‘The track had not been laid a year

and had been put down in the cheapest: manner,

with no ballast and little grading. ‘T'o look down

the road and see the crazy curves of the rails would

make any one smile.

When the Club was half way to Milltown the

clouds broke, the sun was rising, and there was a

really beautiful view on both sides of the road as

they went round a curve,

With the enjoyment of nature's beauties and the

sense of freedom from all restraint, the Club was

was in high spirits, and sang and laughed and

cracked senseless jokes in a giddy style. A high

trestle just before they reached Milltown cooled

down their ardor for a few minutes. Solomon

stalked on ahead in dignified silence. Simon was

afraid to cross, and Ma and Josh were only too

glad of an opportunity to talk big and hang on to

some one, so taking Simon on each side they

crossed after Solomon. All heaved sighs of relief

when they arrived safely at the other end.

Milltown had no station building, only a platform,

After taking a drink at a fine spring near the sta-

tion, the Club started on. The post office was

found after some pumping of infantile Milltown

ians, and there some postals were mailed to let

friends know where the Club was.

Milltown is only a small place, but has a large

mill or two and numerous hotels, and is withal a

rather pretty town in some respects.

On a hill, back of the school house, the road

parted. ‘lwo men were standing near the forks

and the Club asked them which was the best road

to Jamesburg. ‘The directions were complicated

as to both, but taking the one which seemed the

least difficult to understand, the Club followed the

left hand road which was also the better, if not the

shorter, from what could be judged. ‘They walk-—

ed and walked, and the road began to get soft as

the sun thawed it. Judged by the time and speed

since starting they thought they had gone 8 miles,

and that was the distance to Jamesburg, according

to Ma’s map, which, by the way, had only the

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railroads on it. At length the blacksmith’s shop

mentioned in the directions appeared and the sign

post near it said 5 miles to New Brunswick, and

did not say anything about Jamesburg ; and Jarees-

burg was only three miles from Milltown when

they left the latter place. A native was interview-

ed, who said: “ Five miles to Jamesburg; go to

your right.” ‘The Club then wished they had

taken the other road from Milltown.

Half an hour later another native was seen

roosting on a fence. ‘ How far to Jamesburg ?”

was asked. ‘Five miles.” Still the Club walked

and tempus fugit. Then two small boys were

met and questioned. ‘They said something about

the Rhode Hall the Club had heard of so often

already, about 14 miles, and about Jamesburg.

Whether the 1} miles was to Rhode Hall, to

Jamesburg, or from Rhode Hall to Jamesburg was

not certain. ‘The Club was getting weary, and the

chances of catching the train at Jamesburg, much

less of seeing the Reform School, were slim. But

soon Rhode Hall was seen. Rhode Hall was a

tavern with several houses about it.

A short distance beyond it a farmer in a wagon

was met and was asked how far it was to James-

burg. “Four miles.” How the Club's spirits

sank. Ten minutes later, another farmer was ask-

edthe same question. ‘Five miles!” Despair

seized the Club, even though the ludicrous in the

answers was appreciated. Then a carriage with

a woman and four or five children passed and to

the old question, the woman answered “14 miles.”

The whoops and yells of joy must have astonished

the good lady.Soon the cross roads were reached

and the sign boards were examined. The sign on

one side of the road read “1 mile to Jamesburg;”

the sign on the other side, “ 14 miles to James-

burg.”

There was a fine large house on one of the

corners, set well back from the road and surround

ed by a fence having thick square posts. The

Club perched on these posts and meditated—and

rested. It was ro.30 and the distance to James-

burg—if there was a Jamesburg—was uncertain.

The 11 o'clock train could not be caught proba-

bly, so Ma advised the Club to walk on to Hights-

town. The plan was finally agreed to, although

the Club would rather have gone to Jamesburg

and waited for the next train, even if it were well

on towards night, or have taken the risk of having

to walk any way than to go the eight miles. Ma

thought it was to Hightstown right then.

Cranbury was five miles distant, and the Club

made up its mind to stop there for dinner. Simon

and Josh were very tired and it was after 12 when

the Club reached Cranbury. On the way the

Club amused itself by munching corn and trying

tosolve the problem given by the sign posts one of

which said: “T’o Rhode Hall,2 m. To Cran-~

bury, 3 m.;” and another “To Rhode Hall, 3

m. To Cranbury, 3 m.”

Cranbury was a pleasant town and the Club en-

joyed its stay there. They learned that it was only

two miles further to Hightstown, instead of three

as Ma imagined. The bakery was visited and a

few rolls and crullers were purchased, and then

something was wanted to drink, The baker said

there was no milk to be had, and of course soda

water was out of the question. Cider was sug-

gested. ‘That's the stuff !” exclaimed some of

the party. They entered a grocery, but the old lady

attending said they had no cider and did not be-

lieve any could be had in the town; but if they

were thirsty she would give them some water,

which she thought would be better for them than

cider. ‘The Club was given seats and had a jolly

meal in the little grocery on rolls and crullers, to-

gether with some butter and a can of salmon they

purchased there. The kind reception and good

dinner revived the spirits of the Club and \_ they

again started on their journey with renewed energy

and grateful hearts.

But the next two miles! The mud was the

deepest the Club had found. It took them over

an hour to walk the two mile, and they were

about exhausted at their journey’s end. A boy

was met on the way, He was a friendly chap, and

the Club had a lively confab with him. He was a

Peddie Institute fellow, on lis way to Cranbury,

and consequently was interesting. He was interest-

ed in the Club also, and certainly he might will be,

for they were an odd looking gang as they sat in a

row on the eulvert, with muddy shoes and rolled

up trousers,

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Hightstown was reached at 2.10 and Peddie

Institute “ at last at length”—to use Cicero's

phrase—was close at hand. Its tower had been

seen ever since Cranbury had been left... Now the

Club braced up and walked two abreast, looking as

spruce as they could to undergo the inspection of

the Institute fellows—and girls. Boldly they

marched up the front walk, up the steps and on

the high porch. “Ma” rang the door bell with a

flourish. Not one of the Club flinched under the

embarrassing examination they received from the

lads and lassies; even opera glasses did not make

them more than blush. A gentleman, who the

Club afterward learned was Principal Slaught, re-

lieved their mental agony by calling them off of

the porch and having their friends hunted up for

them. They found out later that the front path

and the porch were sacred to the “South Wing”

and that the boys’ entrances were either under the

porch or at the side of the building.

The Club's friends were glad to see them, and

after the mud and grime had been washed and

brushed off, introduced them around. Professor

Slaught was most kind, taking them over the

main building and through the pretty new build-

ing, the Longstreet Library which has a science

department on the second floor and an observa-

tory attached. A museum was also on the second

floor and had a very fine collection of minerals, of

which Prof. Slaught seemed justly proud. After

the Principal had completed the tour and had left

a most pleasant impression upon the minds of the

four “ Rats,” the fellows showed them other things

about the main building and took them over the

town.

Everything having been seen, the Club sat

about in the fellows’ rooms and listened to and

told stories of school life and larks. As can be

imagined, this was jolly work, and the Club up-

held the honors of the “ Trap” to the best of their

ability, and having Josh along they did well of.

course.

Ma and Josh went back to New Brunswick by

the 5.24 and were escorted to the station by the

other two members of the Club and their old and

newly made friends. Ma and Josh longed to ac.

cept the invitation to staygover with Solomon and

Argo.

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Simon, as the cordial, pleasant way in which they

had been treated made them wish to stay longer;

and they had not seen the “South Wing” either.

But duty was duty, so the Club broke up and Ma

and Josh were soon in New Brunswick again,

while Solomon and Simon stayed and had a time

most gorgeous. They saw the “ South Wing,” or

its inmates rather, and said——. But that is not

the business of the Club, nor had it anything to do

with the Club’s walk to Hightstown.

Tau Ramp.

THE RECEPTION.

HE “Trap” held a reception at the “Trap”

on the evening of Feb. 5. It was the first

time anything of the kind had been undertaken by

the boys there, as the traditions from 'way back do

not state that the boys had ever held one before.

The house was all thrown open and was prettily

decorated with flowers and plants. The commit-

tee took special pains with the dining room, which

had been cleared for dancing. The decorations

were appropriate, being made up of tennis and la-

crosse rackets, base ball masks, a banner and a

flag or two upon the walls, and a foot ball hung

from one of the chandeliers. Our old friends,

Washington and Lincoln, also were there, having

come up from’ the school for the occasion, and

seemed to look down rather more approvingly upon

the scene in the dining room than upon the larks

in the school room, which they have to endure

“when the Prof’s and the ‘ Rats’ do play.”

At 8 o’clock the guests began to arrive, and an

hour later dancing was begun. The old dining

room then looked decidedly gay and more \_pleas-

ant than ever before in the memory of the oldest

inhabitant—even at mealtime. The bright young

faces and feet tripping to the music of the piano,

violin and cornet made a picture long to be re-

membered. Refreshments were served at 10.30

and then dancing was resumed until 12 o'clock.

Most of the boys left their rooms open, with

lights burning and everything fixed to look its best,

and many of the guests took the opportunity of in-

specting them. This feature of the evening

seemed to be enjoyed even if dancing was the

main attraction, and certainly it was a pleasure to

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the boys to show off their quarters and\_posses-

sions,

The evening was most pleasant to all concerned

and will doubtless be handed down to succeeding

generations of “ Rats” as “¢he dance we had when

‘Where here in the year the Grammar School

beat the Freshmen at foot ball.”

The committee on the reception was J. H. Se-

berger, H. D .Harder, W. B. Collier and W. H.

Stilson.

The patronesses were Mrs. E. H. Cook, Mrs.

J. S. Clark, Mrs. Clarkson Runyon and Mrs. W.

R. Newton, to whom the “resident students” are

most grateful for their kindness.

Y. M.Cc A.

YOUNG man employed in a London business

house saw his companions ruining their

future prospects by fast living, and, wishing to save

them, he invited them one night to spend the

evening with him at his room. They accepted,

and it is said that the Young Men’s Christian As-

sociation was the outcome of that visit.

So we see that the object of the Y. M. C. A.

even when first organized, was to lead young men

to look away from those things which lead them

down to ruin, and upon those things which lead

them into a higher and nobler life. And \_ this is

the object of Y. M. C. A. work to-day.

To draw young men from influences which

create in them evil habits and desires is perhaps

the most prominent phase of Y. M. C. A. work;

in fact all other branches of the work are auxilia-

ries of that object, for the games, gymnasiums and

other attractions are designed to draw men and

boys from the saloons and other such places, and

the evening classes, in almost every study, are de-

signed to show them the higher life to which edu

cation is the door. And they have Bible classes

and prayer meetings, and even prepare men for

evangelistic work.

Now, it is very evident that something like this

is needed in schools and colleges. | And so, to fill

this need, a Y. M. C. A. has been organized in

this school. It is doing some good, we believe,

but hardly enough. Do we appreciate the privi-

leges and responsibilities we take upon ourselves

when we join? As members, we ought to stand

by the Association and help to broaden its influ-

ence, for the more work we do for and in such an

association, the more benefit we receive from it

ourselves.

Certainly all Christians need some work that

they can do among their fellows. Perhaps one of

the greatest faults among men of the present day

is that of keeping their religion for Sunday and not

taking it with them into business.

Now the Y. M. C. A. offers us the chance to

show our colors and to express our opinions about

religious subjects, but we do not appreciate the

privilege. We must remember that when we iden-

tify ourselves with a society we are in duty bound

to support it. Now quite a number of active mem-

bers show up at the meetings very seldom, and the

meetings are consequently less interesting.

Now, let us turn over a new leaf and see what

can be done to improve our Y. M. C. A. Wecan

make it very lively if we choose, and the only ques-

tion is, do we choose ?

The subjects and leaders for the Friday evening

prayer meetings will be:

Friday, Mar. 6—Subject, “ Purity.”

Prof. W. H. van Allen.

Friday, Mar. 13—Subject, “God's Reward to

those who Read His Word.” Leader, George

Janeway.

Leader,

Friday, Mar. 2o—Subject, “ Aggressive Christi-

anity.” Leader, George Ludlow.

Friday, Mar. 27—Subject, ‘Intimacy with

Jesus.” Leader, R. K. Painter.

The following are the subjects and leaders for

the Wednesday evening prayer meetings at the

Home: :

Wednesday, Mar. 4—Subject, ‘‘ Helpers, not

Hinderers.” Leader, F. E. Tilton.

Wednesday, Mar. 11—Subject, “Our Ene-

mies.” Leader, W. Ballagh.

Wednesday, Mar. 18—Subject, “ The Wonder-

ful Powers of Love.” Leader, H. G. Cooke.

Wednesday, Mar. 25—Subject, ‘ Sowing Allthe

Time.” Leader, F. Schneider,

es Ghe Argo.

PROPOSITION.

Proposition I—Tueorem I.

If Dr. Cook=Natural Philosophy, then will

the electric clock ring.

Hyp.—Let D.C. place a chair directly under

the clock and erect a | by standing upright on

the said chair. Let D.C. remain | for half an

hour or while the Geometry class is. trying to re-

cite.

To prove.—D. C.=ringing of the electric clock.

Proof.—Draw a line connnecting Lewiston,

Me., with Brunswick, Me. run D. C. over this

line and shove him into Bowdoin, keep him here

for four years, or until D. C.=4. y.

But 4. y.=Prof. in Natural Philosophy.

-.- D. C.=Prof. in Natural Philosophy (ax. 1-).

- D. C.=ringing of the electric clock. Q. E. D.

PERSONAL.

Tue mystery of the bell.

Pur down those snow balls !

Wuo were sick on the 16th?

CLAWHAMMER coats and low-necked dresses.

Tue walk out Hamilton street is very pleasant.

to-night ?

WILL you go to M

No, to windy.

TuereE has been a number of changes since the

third of February.

Dr. Cook complimented the school on its high

standing last month.

“J ope the tellers will see to it that the names

are spelled correctly.”

Ir is dangerous for anybody to put their head

out of a window at the “ Trap.”

Last month a debating club was established in

Leal School. It is known as the Delta Beta.

SEVERAL of our boys seem to like to be noticed,

as they very often stand in the middle of the floor.

From the sounds which issue from No. 19, the

inmates must play “ paddie cake, paddie cake,

etc.”

Ir would seem that some of our boys would

prefer having beds in the class rooms instead of

desks,

es ee

Tue question has been changed from “ What

did you get for Christmas” to “ What did you get

in examinations.” ;

Tuey say there are to be no more “ free feeds”

given by the C. E. societies, so some of the

“Trap ? boys are in mourning.

‘TakeN from a chemistry student's note book:

Ex. I.—“Tried to light Brunsen’s burner, but

Brunsen’s burner wouldn’t work. Experiment

failed.”

A. R. Briccs, ’90, who was for half a year in

Leicester Academy, Leicester, Mass., has passed

the entrance examination and has entered Worces-

ter Polytechnic Institute, Worcester, Mass.

A PRAYER.

“ Jove most glorious, great, dark, cloud-collect-

ing, dwelling in the Classical air, thou who so

greatly afflictedest me by keeping me up late so

many a night, grant that thy son may not flunk in

his examination, but may get through aright.”

Thus prayed a student on Feb. 2d, and—

made a bad flunk.

SQUEAKS.

Query.—If I should ¢ flunk” in all my exam’s

would it be a coincidence ?

Ans.—Yes, but it would not be a singular one.

Uncle P.—Prof., how can I draw a straight line

through a triangle ?

Prof. N. Y.—You must work that out yourself,

ze

Uncle J.—Prof., how do you translate this

Greek sentence ?

Prof. N. Y. (hastily)—You must translate it by

your own unaided efforts. It will do you more

good that way.

A rap at Ma's door. Ma

Voice outside—Me.

Ma (sarcastically) —Who's me? This 1s agram-

mar school, and we are supposed to study gram-

mar.

Who’s there ?

Voice outside—\

or not? I want to fill those lamps.

Ma opening up for Alec, (apologetically)—Oh,

excuse me, l thought it was ‘ Solomon.”

e you guing to open that door

The biceps of the three angles of a triangle

meet at a point.

Prof, in Caesar class—What is P. M. the abbre-

viation of ?

Bright scholar—Post Master.

The Huns “ wore skins.”

“Tt makes me feel bad to see the boy who ain’t

woke up.”

N.....—Who was Jacob ?

W....—The father of Lot’s children.

After the proposition had not been demon-

strated :

The great “ Would Be,” raising his hand—I

didn’t see that, Professor.

Prof.—Neither did I.

“ All sit a-round square in your seats.”

“ Wooly ” says Y—is a band of iron.

A pun: Ifa fellow is promised a yacht for a

prize, he “ yacht ” to do good work.

“ Wooly ” says they are not so “ barberized” as

to have gas in Minneapolis. We suppose he

means that they have electric lights.

Prof.—Do you know anything about the bell,

“ Saratoga P”

“ Saratoga ’—Yes.

Prof.—What ?

“ Saratoga’’—That the clapper is gone.

“ Has the second bell rang yet ?

Dr. C. says that a ‘certain choir he once heard

seemed to sing “ One Sweetly Solemn Thought,

etc.,” as:

One sweetly solemn thought !

Come! stew me o’er and o'er.

The word “ unhungry” was used by Prof. N. Y.,

so it must be allright.

A member of the history class the other day

stated the fact that some old notable “would not

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