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one side of the paper only.

Ofticers of the school, students, and alumni are most

cordially invited to contribute.

WE WISH TO APOLOGIZE.

We wish to apologize to our readers for the

delaying of The Argo for April and for May.

For these delays we were not altogether re-

sponisble, yet we do not desire to shirk the just

blame which is due us. Next month (June)

the last number of this volume will make its

appearance as soon after Commencement as is

possible, and we therefore request our readers

to heed the notice in another column and hand

in their names to the management as soon as

If you did not hand in your name

possible.

which

you will not receive the June number,

will probably be larger than usual.

THE BASEBALL TEAM.

Though the baseball team has not been very

successful so far this season, let no one think

for a moment that that is an excuse for not

attending the games and not cheering. We

should cheer just as hard when defeat is com-

ing our way. Let every one feel it his privilege

to cheer and then the team will know more

surely that

We must win the game.

FRATERNITIES.

Some people ask the question: “Are farter-

nities a good thing for Rutgers Prep.?” We

would most emphatically answer in the affirm-

ative. Interest in the Athletic Association, the

athletic teams, and in all branches of the

School’s life is heightened because of the rival-

ry among the fraternities. This rivalry, ris-

ing, perhaps, from selfish motives, but conduct-

ed in an honest way, will result for good, not

only to the School as a whole, but also

individually.

ALUMNIANA.

[All authentic notes pertaining to those who,

at one time or another, have been connected

with the School, will be gratefully received.]

Frank Dawson, ’94, Rutgers College, ’98,

was in town recently. Mr. Dawson, who grad-

uated from the local Seminary in 1901, is even

more successful in catching souls than he was

in skillfully catching flies behind the bat for

the School ten years ago.

Clarence E. Case, 96, was in town May

sixth. Mr. Case is a lawyer, having his offices

in Somerville, N. J.

Miss Elizabeth Corbin, ’96, who has been

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spending the winter in this city, recently re-

turned to her home in Oxford, N. Y.

John E. Gleason, ‘96, is in California on

business.

Frank L. Janeway, '96, is in town again,

after spending the winter in New York City,

where he was a student in Union Theological

Seminary.

Frederick H. Douglas, ’96, Princeton Uni-

versity, 1900, is a member of the Executive

Committee of the Princeton Club, of Newark.

Alonzo Ranson, ’97, was recently graduated

from the local Theological Seminary with high

honors, and was one of the speakers at the

Commencement exercises at that institution.

Mr. Ranson was awarded second prize in the

contest for the Bussing Prizes.

Nicholas N. Williamson, ’97, recently won

the first prize in a handicap contest on the links

of the New Brunswick Golf Club.

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Henry Pearne Miller, 1898, passed away in

a hospital at Minneapolis, Minn., on May sev-

enteenth. Mr. Miller was recovering from an

attack of grip and death resulted from going

back to his work before he had fully recov-

ered. When in the School the deceased made

many friends, and his sudden death was a great

shock to all who had the pleasure of his ac-

quaintance. Mr. Miller was a member of the

Beta Phi Fraternity and was also in the drill

while a student in the School. In 1902 Mr.

Miller was graduated from Rutgers College.

To Mr. Benjamin Miller, 1904, a brother of

the deceased, The Argo extends its heartfelt

sympathy.

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~ William B. Wyckoff, ’98, was in town re-

cently. Mr. Wyckoff’s address is 231 West

Eleventh street, New York City.

Martin L. Schenck, ’oo, recently won second

prize in a speaking contest at Rutgers College.

Carroll Badeau, ’o1, was in town recently,

He has a position at Newark with the Public

Service Corporation.

Charles P. Wilbur, ’or, has been elected cap-

tain of the Rutgers College gymnasium team

for the season of 1905.

Ned Wilbur, ’o1, won second place in the

120-vard hurdle race in the dual track meet

between Rutgers College and Haverford Col-

lege on Saturday, May seventh,

T, Alan Devan, 02, won second place in the

pole vault in the dual track games between

Rutgers College and C. C. N. Y. on May

fourteenth.

Harold E. Green, ’o2, is playing first base

on the Rutgers College baseball team.

Gilbert Mason, ’o1, has joined the “Tower

Club,” of Princeton University.

Clifford I. Voorhees, ex-’o1, has joined “The

Ivy Club,” of Princeton University. Mr.

Voorhees is also a member of the chorus of

the Triangle Club’s Musical Comedy, entitled

“The Man From Where.”

William R. Hill, ex-’84, has been elected

vice-president of the New Brunswick Golf

Club.

John DeMott, ex-’03, has a position in the

engineering corps of the Public Service Cor-

poration, and is stationed in this city.

Walter R. Moss, ’03, was in town during the

first week in May. He is working in New

York City.

Ralph P. Badeau, ex-’o4, was in town

recently,

NOTICE

Since the June number of “The Argo” will not

be ready until after the School closes, subscribers

are requested to hand their NAMES and AD-

DRESSES IN FULL to the Business Managers

as soon as possible. Subscribers will NOT receive

their “Argos” unless this request is complied with.

As the June number will be very attractive, per-

haps you may wish extra copies—same will be

sent to any address upon receipt of 10 cents.

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RUTGERS PREP., 6; CEDARCROFT, 3.

The Rutgers Prep. School baseball team de-

feated the team from Cedarcroft Academy, of

Plainfield, in a well-played game at Nei!son

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Field on April twenty-third. The score, 6-3,

shows how close the contest was, although

the local school was always leading. In the

third inning the boys from Plainfield scored

one run by good hitting. But at their turn at

the bat R. P. S. did their opponents one better

by scoring two runs on heavy hitting. In the

next inning Cedarcroft scored two more rins,

while the local team was blanked. But in the

sixth the Preparatory School practically won

the game by scoring four times on a series of

hits and errors. There was no further scoring.

The line-up of the Rutgers Prep. team was

as follows: Case, c.; Fisher, p.; Matzke, 1b.;

Lang, 2b.; Hancock, ss.; Thompson, 3b.; C.

Nicholas, lf.; Kirkpatrick, cf.; Opdyke, rf.; C.

Corbin, cf.

Fisher pitched a fine game and received good

support. The cheering was also good. The

cheerleaders were Kilmer, ’04, and Devan, ’04.

THE PRINCETON

INTERSCHOLASTIC GAMES.

On April thirteenth the track team, accom-

panied by seven or eight “rooters,” journeyed

to Princeton, and, though they did not meet

with success, had a fine time. At noon the

squad and “rooters” took lunch at the Charter

Club, and immediately after this proceeded to

the ’Varsity Field, where the games were held.

In the hundred-yard dash Fisher, Verdi and

Woodbridge were entered, and, although out-

classed, ran remarkably well. This was won

by W. Hoganson, of Lewis Institute, who ran

the distance in 10 seconds flat.

In the shot put Watson made an excellent

showing, but his fouling twice prevented him

from showing his true ability. This event was

won by Klaus, of Dwight, with a put of 47 feet

4% inches. ;

Considering that Taverner never ran In a

race before, he did remarkably well in the one-

mile run. This was won by Sheppard, of

Brown Prep. The time, which equalled the

record, was 4 minutes 42 3-5 seconds. ;

The last event of the day was the one-mile

relay race, atid in this event the School was

represented by Woodbridge (captain), Hage-

man, ’o4, Verdi and Fisher, who ran in the

above order. On the draw for position Rut-

gers Prep. was placed on the extreme outside

of the track—rather discouraging. For the

first half of his relay Woodbridge managed to

keep up the terriffic pace, but it was impossible

to hold it and he finished about thirty-five

yards behind the winner and ten yards ahead

of the runner from Harrisburg High School.

Hageman took up the task, and, though he ran

in grand style, could not gain. Verdi ran

finely, but was not able to gain, and when

Fisher took up the pace Rutgers Prep. was

way behind. We have seen a number of races,

but seldom have we seen such magnificent run-

ning as that done by Fisher. Had there been

ten yards more to go Fisher would have put

the team in fifth place. As it was, the team

finished sixth, about twenty-five yards ahead

of Harrisburg High School. The team’s time

in this race was not taken, but it is safe to

say that it was nearly 3 minutes 47 seconds,

or about four seconds faster than last year’s

time. The race was won by Bethlehem Pre-

paratory School. Lawrenceville was second,

Central High, of Philadelphia, was third, and

Lewis Institute was fourth. The time of the

winning team was 3 minutes 36 3-5 seconds.

‘The meet was won by Lewis Institute, of Chi-

cago, with 28% points. Mercersburg Acad-

emy was second, with 19% points. Philadel-

phia Central High School was third, with 14

points. In all there were thirty-one schools

represented. After the games the team saw

Princeton defeat Cornell at baseball.

THE TRENTON GAME.

The School baseball team journeyed to

Trenton on May seventh and there met defeat

at the hands of Trenton State Normal School

by the score of 14-6. The game was closer

than the score indicates, and, had not the fel-

lows played such a poor game in the field, the

score might have been different. Fisher

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pitched very well. The line-up of the Rutgers

Preparatory School team was as follows: Case

(captain), c.; Fisher, p.; Matzke, 1b.; Han-

cock, 2b.; Kirkpatrick, ss; Thompson, 3b.; C.

Nicholas, lf.; C. Corbin, cf.; 5. H. Opdyke, rf.

BARNARD GAME.

On Saturday afternoon, May fourteenth, the

Rutgers Prep. baseball team met Barnard, and,

incidentally, defeat, by the score of 14-7.

The day was a good one for baseball, and

the School team played a fine game for the

first six innings, but then suddenly went to

sleep and allowed a team, which had been

playing only “fairly good ball,” to pile up nine

Tuns and win the game.

In the first two innings both: teams failed

to score, but in the third the home nine scored

two runs, while Barnard was again shut out.

In the next inning both sides scored one

run, while in the next Rutgers Prep. scored

once again, but the New York boys were not

able to cross the plate. In the sixth Rutgers

Prep. scored twice, while her opponents scored

three times. The team began its aerial ascent

in the seventh inning, and at the end of this

inning Barnard was leading by one run, which

lead they increased in the eighth, while Rut-

gers Prep. failed to score. But in the ninth

the local team went to pieces and allowed Bar-

nard to score six runs and win the game. The

best the Prep. School could do in this inning

was to score one run.

The line-up of the Rutgers Prep. School

nine was as follows: Case (captain), c.; Fish-

er, p.; Matzke, 1b.; Lang, 2b.; Hancock, ss;

Thompson, 3b.; C. Nicholas, If,; Kirkpatrick,

cf.; Opdyke (C. Corbin), rf.

THE SECOND BASEBALL TEAM.

So far this season the second baseball team

has played two games, winning one and losing

the other. Both games were with the local

High School. In the first game on the Trap

grounds the Preps. lost by the very close score

of 23-22, If Price had pitched the entire

game the score would have been decidedly

different. In that game the line-up of the

second team was as follows: Allen, c.; C. Cor-

bin and Price, p.; Allgair, 1b.; Woodbridge,

a2b.; Scott, ss; Price and U. Corbin, 3b.; Vroo-

man, If.; Packard, cf.; W. Nicholas, rf.

RUTGERS PREP. (SECOND TEAM), 15; N. B,

H. S., 53.

In the second game with the High School

the Rutgers Prep. team defeated their oppo-

nents in a hard, uphill, eleven-inning contest,

by the score of 15-13. The game was interest-

ing throughout, and the last four innings were

very exciting, Price being very effective at

critical points. In the last inning the Prep.

School scored two runs by Allen’s smashing

two-base hit, with men on first and second. The

High School went out in order. The team was

composed of the same fellows as played in the

first game. Cyrus Smith made a very impar-

tial umpire and gave satisfaction to both sides.

At the dawn of twilight,

When my heart grows gay,

And the evening shadows

Swallow up the day,

Two arms invite me

To their fond embrace,

And hold me gently

’Gainst a wealth of lace.

And I love her dearly,

Still so rich and rare,

She is ever constant,

Is my old armed chair.

—Selected.

TAU PHI AND BETA PHI DANCE.

On Thursday evening, April twenty-second,

the Trap was the scene of an enjoyable dance

conducted by the Tau Phi and Beta Phi fra-

ternities. Dancing was commenced at half-

past eight o'clock and continued until eleven

o’clock, when cake and cream were served by

Schussler. After this dancing was resumed,

and not until one o’clock did the happy dancers

depart.

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About fifty were present, among whom

were the Misses Lienau, Miss Davies, Miss

Wallack, Miss Cook, Miss Neilson, Miss El-

mendorf, Miss Fisher, Miss Schenck, Miss

Stelle, Miss Vliet, Miss Buttler, Miss Mar-

den Miss Shankel, Miss Cary, Miss Biles, Miss

Scott, Miss Prentice, Miss Conway, Miss D,

Conway, Miss Hendrickson, Miss Wilbur

Miss Price, Miss Suydam, Miss Corbin, ‘ies

Payson, Mrs. Lienau, Mrs. Scott, Mrs. Wil-

bur, Mrs. Kirk, Mrs. Cook, Dr. Payson, Mr.

Ferguson, Mr. Riedel, Mr. Miller, Mr. Scott,

‘99; Mr. Mittag, ’02; Mr. Hageman, Mr.

Fisher, Mr. Opdyke, Mr. Landers, Mr. F,

Corbin, Mr. Labaw, Mr. Warner, Mr. Kilmer,

Mr. Voorhees and the members of the fra-

ternities.

The patronesses were Mrs. Payson, Mrs.

Scott, Mrs. Cook, Mrs. Kirk, Mrs. Lienau and

Mrs. Wilbur. The committee which managed

this successful affair consisted of Mr. Benja-

min Miller, 1904; Mr. Samuel R. Taverner,

1904, and Mr. Ripley Watson, 1904.

This is the gospel of labor—

Ring it, ye bells of the kirk!

The Lord of Love came down from above

To live with the men who work.

This is the rose he planted,

Here is the thorn-cursed soil ;

Heaven is blest with perfect rest;

But the blessing of earth is toil!

Dr. Henry VANDYKE.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT.

Wnerras, It has pleased God recently to

take from this world the life of the father of

our classmate, J. Vincent Harman-Ashley, and

Wurreas, We, the members of the Class of

1904, of Rutgers Preparatory School, feel a

strong sympathy for our classmate in this his

bereavement, therefore, be it

Resolved, That we hereby express our pat-

ticipation in the sorrow which is his, and, be it

further

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions

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be sent to our friend, and that they be pub-

lished in The Argo,

S. ArtHur Devan,

Turo. A. Haceman,

SAMUEL Royce TAVERNER,

Epwarp R. ScHNEIDER,

Committee.

Whereas, It has pleased Almighty God to

remove by death our beloved brother, Henry

Pearne Miller, we, the members of the Beta

Phi Fraternity of Rutgers Preparatory School,

have adopted the following resolutions:

That we do hereby express our sincere ap-

preciation of the many noble qualities of our

departed brother, and our deep sympathy with

the members of his afflicted family ;

That the badges of the fraternity be draped

in mourning for fifteen days; furthermroe,

That a copy of these resolutions be sent to

our departed brother’s family and a copy be

sent for publication in The Argo.

R. Watson,

S. B. VrooMan,

F. D. Exserson.

Wuereas, It has pleased Almighty God to

remove by death the father of our classmate,

Gilbert Phelps Hall, be it

Resolved, That we, the members of the Class

of Nineteen Hundred and Four of Rutgers

Preparatory School, do express our heartfelt

sympathy for our classmate in his affliction;

furthermore, be it

Resolved, That these resolutions be sent to

our classmate and that a copy be published in

The Argo.

S. H. Oppycx.

R. Watson,

WHAT HAS ALGEBRA

TO DO WITH VIRTUE?

The natural answer to the above question

is—nothing, algebra has nothing to do with

virtue. But that is entirely too short for an

essay. Mathematics and morals seem so dis-

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tinctly separated that the study of the one

would appear to have no effect upon the other.

A man is certainly not made mathematical by

studying morals; it would seem strange were

he made moral by delving into mathematics.

Some of the most moral men have had no head

for figures, while many of the craftiest crim-

inals have had a mathematical turn of mind.

It would seem as though you were planting

onions and expecting Jacque roses when you

drill algebra into the head of a youth in the

hope of making him moral.

But let us look to the pages of history, as

the college orators say. Moses was, as far as

we know, a decidedly moral man; yet he knew

no algebra. (Here follows in the original man-

uscript a dessertation, learned after the manner

of scholars, proving what needs no proof, that

Moses in fact really knew no algebra.) Ergo,

algebra can never have anything to do with

virtue. But I realize that a statement “as

broad and general as the casing air” cannot be

upheld by a slender single incident. Well, let

us take Job. Job, from his proverbial patience,

proves to us that he also was grossly ignorant

of algebra. Yet Job was a moral man. So

were they all, these Biblical worthies, all moral

men with one or two exceptions, and all equally

dark on the subject of algebra.

Now, a large class of people hold that this

subject has a demoralizing influence on the

youth of the land, that when they are given

long equations about trains going in opposite

directions and passing various points at various

times, and representing these vanishing trains

when the answer does not come at their bid-

ding, it teaches them to swear softly under

their breath. Besides this, aulow me to point

out the fact that algebra arose among a notor-

iously immoral nation, the Arabians. If it is

true that you may know by an apple that it

grew on apple tree (unless grafted), it is

equally true that apples never grow on pear

trees (unless grafted). So it is rather a dan-

gerous proceding to put into the unsullied

minds of little boys and girls a branch of

knowledge growing from such a corrupted tree

as the Arabians. It would lead an unpreju-

diced man, especially if he knew nothing about

algebra, to declare such a subject unfit for his

children.

On the other hand, we must take into consid-

eration that the moral man must not be gov-

erned by evil passions, that any general that

marshals against these foes of the human heart

a strong sustaining power is entitled to be

called a moral agent. It might be held that

algebra by strengthening the mind gives a

counterbalancing weight to the passions and so

leads to good. his is readily answered, how-

ever, by the fact that the springs of action are

in the will, not the mind, and that the will is

untouched by algebra. Certain virtues may

perhaps be taught by mathematics—persisten-

cy, perseverance, calculation, but little faith, no

hope and less charity, for few give as readily

when they stop to consider as when they act

under the first promptings of the heart. Truth

is undoubtedly taught by algebra—it is such a

veracious subject that it has become a proverb

that “figures do not lie.” Students are taught

to emulate figures.

But do the morals of a people grow better

as they grow more cultured? It does not ap-

pear to be the case. All nations give evidence

of the same law—virtue among peasantry,

thrift among merchants, corruption among

polished nobles. Country people are generally

of stronger morals than their more cultured

city brethren. The German barbarians were a

people of sturdier virtues and homelier morals

than the present day Parisian. It may not be

due to culture, but to its accompaniments,

wealth, luxury and ease, but it is certainly true

where you find the most culture you do not

find the moral virtue. Shall we then cease to

train the clergy?

Culture is like an unskilful scluptor that

hews from stone a rough head, great chipped

masses of shaggy, unkempt strength; then he

polishes it down with here a touch too much

and there not quite enough; we see the well-

curled locks, smooth face and calm eye of the

gentleman, but cannot help feeling that certain

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original force is gone. Alas, the sculptor

knows not when to stop, for the next scene

shows us thin, delicate lips faintly smiling,

eyes tired, but still beguiling, a head finished

till all admirable character is gone, a marble

face where is clearly seen culture, lust and

cruelty.

It may be true that intellectual culture does

not promote morality, but what a discouraging

outlook that gives us!

M. Scuencx.

ON THE VALUE OF

SCIENTIFIC STUDY.

At last, after centuries of upward progress,

man has reached the height and climax of all

civilization—the knowledge of science. It is

indeed wonderful how man’s state of happi-

ness has improved since he has turned to the

study of scientific thoughts and theories. This

is apparent in a number of ways, some of

which we shall mention.

To begin with, since the introduction of ex-

tensive scientific study we have become ac-

quainted with a vast number of new diseases,

concerning which our fathers were in a state

of deluded and pitiful ignorance—they never

having seen or heard of them. These new

maladies (of course, we have the remedies for

them—scientists never do anything half-way,

being always so accurate and practical) are an

evidence of our modern culture, and have

doubtless contributed much to man’s present-

day happiness. Moreover, to these diseases,

as well as to many other things, science has

appended exceedingly long and sonorous ap-

pellations, by way of demonstrating the power

of mind over matter, we suppose.

Another thing we owe to scientific discov-

cries is this. To-day man has instruments of

warfare that for cruelty and devilishness put

to shame anything that our savage ancestors

ever saw. ‘Those harsh and semi-barbarous

men used to spend their energies and ingenuity

in devising instruments of torture for captured

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enemies; but with modern scientific methods

we can send hundreds of men into eternity in

a second. And these instruments of warfare

have been very useful in depopulating this

overcrowded earth, especially in certain parts

of it, as among the American Indians. How

much happier is the world because of these

things! What wonders hath science wrought!

But now let us leave off considering these

beneficial results of scientific research, which

have so often been dwelt upon, and turn our

attention to another which has never been

remarked.

The squabblings of learned and scientific

gentlemen afford to the rest of the world great

amusement. For example, behold! The learned

Dr. Smallatom, professor of chemistry in Hei-

delsic University, after spending all his life in

seeking to discover the composition of nothing,

finally comes to a startling conclusion—name-

ly, that nothing is composed of nothing! He

writes a book setting forth this audacious

theory. And now what a storm of opinions

and reviews and theories and contradictions

and upholdings bursts upon that poor scien-

tist’s head! Scientific excitement (which is

usually a negative quantity) foams up like

some of the professor’s own carbonated hydro-

gen oxide. The book is denounced and defend-

ed on all sides, and the doctrines thereof at-

tacked and maintained with great vigor. The

scientific world is divided against itself on this

momentous question. Each party writes books

on the subject and hurls them at the other’s

head. The bubble ot learned and scientific ex-

citement swells with air-blown agitation.

Suddenly the world is startled—that is to

say, the scientific world, which is practically

the whole world. A new element is discov-

ered that does away with all former theories

and laws and scientific “facts,” and with them

the poor professor’s theory. The bubble has

burst. And we have left—nothing.

Meanwhile, the public has been looking on,

and enjoying with an amused smile the

wranglings of the learned. L. RN.

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PICKED UP HERE AND THERE.

Teacher (to boy caught writing in his book)

—Johnny, what were you and Willie doing?

Johnny—Oh, teacher, we were only playing

a little game of cribbage—Princeton Tiger.

Commencement Day will fall on June fif-

teenth this year.

Frank Corbin’s impersonation of the catcher

is very humorous.

WINTER.

Here is a schoolboy’s composition :

“Winter is the coldest season of the year, be-

cause it comes mostly in the winter. In some

countries winter comes in the summer, then it

isn’t so worse. I wish winter came in Chicago,

then we could go skating barefooted and make

snowballs without getting our fingers froze.

\_ When it snows in summer they call it rain.”—

Chicago News.

CAUSE AND EFFECT.

He smoked the deadly cigarette,

This youth of tender years;

For aught we know he’s smoking yet

Beyond the vale of tears.

—Ex.

GREATER THAN LOVE.

“Love,” remarked the beautiful girl, “is said

to be the greatest thing in the world.”

“But I am greater than love,” protested the

young man, “because I can make it.” —Chicago

Daily News.

JOHN WASN’? SHARP.

John Sharp Williams, Democratic leader of

the House, tells of attending a dinner in the

West some time ago. On the previous day he

had been caught in a violent thunderstorm

while out in the woods. In telling his fellow-

guests of this experience he said: “The scene

was frightful—awe-inspiring. I expected

every moment that the lightning would strike

the tree under which I had sought shelter.”

“Why in thunder didn’t you get under another

tree?” shouted a man at one of the tables, and

Mr. Williams, quick witted though he is, could

not find a ready reply.

COLD GRIEF.

They were discussing political broils after a

Congressional chat, and Senator Charles Fair-

banks said that a personal element in them re-

minded him of a church sociable he once

attended.

“As I sat comfortably enjoying the scene

the little boy opposite set up a shriek.

“What's the matter, child?’ I inquired.

“ ‘Boo hoo! Boo hoo!’ he yelled.

“Who's worrying you?’ I inquired.

“You!’ he whimpered.

“Me?

eV 6S,”

“ Tow ?

“Yer sittin’ on my plate of ice cream.’ ”—

Philadelphia Public Ledger.

BROKEN ENGLISH.

Classified—Charlie—Papa, the Whites have

a new nurse.

Papa—What is she, son—French or Ger-

man?

“T don’t know, papa. I think she’s broken

English—Life

“G’WAN IN.”

Bored—The Honest Man (to theatre door-

tender)—I see that you have signs in the lobby

saying that tickets bought of speculators will

not be accepted. Now, I want to inform you

that I bought my ticket of a speculator.

Door Tender (with a sickly smile)—Say,

you reformers give me a pain in the solar

plexus! G’wan in.—Puck,

A LITTLE OUT OF THE WAY.

Courier—Duke Albrecht hath put his two

uncles to the rack. .

Jester—Ah, another case of strained rela-

tions.—Princeton Tiger.

HOW LONG A WAIT?

He—Now may I have that kiss I’ve been

waiting for?

She—Nu; it’s Lent.

He—What! Show me the guy who had the

nerve to borrow it!—Baltimore American.

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THIS IS NOT PERSONAL,

A Postponement—Editor (of magazine)—

What's the delay about my getting in?

St. Peter—You paid on publication, didn’t

you?

ty 6g.”

“Well, some of your contributors are inside,

and I’ve agreed to let you wait until all their

stories have appeared.” —Life,

THE MESSAGE,

Escaped Punishment. — A Philadelphia

schoolmistress was giving her pupils instruc-

tion in the elements of physiology, and among

other things told them that whenever they

moved an arm or leg it was in response to a

message from the brain. “The brain always

sends a message to your arm or leg whenevet

you wish to move the particular member,” she

explained.

At last a mischievous boy aroused her anger

by his apparent inattention to the lesson.

“Hold our your hand!” she exclaimed.

The boy did not move.

“Why don’t you hold out your hand?” said

the teacher.

“[’m waiting for the message from my

brain,” said the lad—Philadelphia Ledger.

A WISE GIRL.

They were discussing a member of Gotham’s

fashionable set. “She has a great deal of fore-

sight,” some one remarked. “Oh, yes, indeed.

Why, she acquired a residence in South Dakota

before she was even married.”—Chicago Rec-

ord-Herald.

A GOOD IDEA.

The public schools of Chicago will be organ-

ized into miniature national, State and munici-

pal governments, if plans under consideration

by Superintendent Edwin G. Cooley are cat-

ried out. Each elementary school will send one

representative to the national congress, and

each high school will send several senators—

one or two from each year’s class—to the high-

er branch of the mock national government.

All officers of the different branches of the gov-

ernment will be elected by the Australian bal-

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lot system, and in every detail the machinery

of the national government will be copied. The

little government will be founded upon the

principles of co-education and equal suffrage.

THE WAY OF IT.

Woggles—How did you come out in the

automobile race?

Goggles—Over the back of the blamed

thing !—Yonkers Statesman,

VERY TRUE.

“But,” expostulated Jones, “if you'd only

pay me what you owe me I could pay Smith

what I owe him.”

“I know it,” said Robinson. “But Smith

wouldn’t pay me what he owes me. You and

I would merely impoverish ourselves to enrich

Smith.”—Town Topics.

THE LESSON IN SLANG.

The woman reporter was interviewing Sen-

ator Arthur P. Gorman about suffrage, ac-

cording to The Troy Times. The astute poli-

tician answered with a story. “Now, young

woman, what would happen to men if women

entered politics? Why, they are keener than

we are, even in their Sunday-schools, and we

wouldn’t stand any chance with them. In one

of the few Sunday-school classes I ever ad-

dressed I was nonplussed by a miss of six sum-

mers. I was telling the girls the story of the

seven foolish virgins, and I asked what we

might learn from the beautiful story, when a

little blossom in blue replied: “That’s easy

enough; learn to keep our eyes peeled for a

bridegroom !”—Selected.

A CONVERSATION.

“Tt’s so long since you sang,” said the genial

sun to the frozen brook, “I suppose when you

get started again you'll babble some old chest-

”

nut.

“‘Jutht tell them that you thaw me.’ ”

lisped the brook, faintly,—Philadelphia Press.

KNOWLEDGE.

Deacon (severely)—Do you know where

bad boys go who go fishing on Sunday?

Tommy (eagerly)—Yessir. Up Jones’s

Creek.—Princeton Tiger.

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NATURE CONVERSE.

Said the river to the hill:

“Can’t you check my currents flow?

Though I’m in the running still,

I am feeling pretty low.”

Said the hill unto the river:

“Shut your gaping mouth, you clam.

I’m a very cheerful giver,

But I never give a dam.”

Said the river in reply:

“Don’t be keeping up the bluff;

Roll a bowlder from on high;:

A little bowlder is enough.”

“When I get a little bolder,”

Said the hill, “than now I am,

I may drop the bluff, you scolder,

But I'll never give a dam.”

—William D. Nugent, in Life.

“UNUS, DUOS, TRES, QUATTUOR.”

A Western clergyman, having performed

the marriage ceremony for a couple, undertook

to write out the usual certificate, but, being in

doubt as to the day of the month, he asked:

“This is the ninth, is it not?”

“Why, parson,” said the blushing bride,

“you do all my marrying, and you ought to

remember that this is only the fourth.”

THE REASON WHY.

Her Curiosity—Mrs. Chellus looks had,

doesn’t she?

“Yes, and no wonder. She’s been awake

every night for a week past.”

“The idea! What was the matter?”

“She discovered about a week ago that her

husband talks in his sleep, and, of course, she

had to listen.”—Philadelphia Ledger.

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