

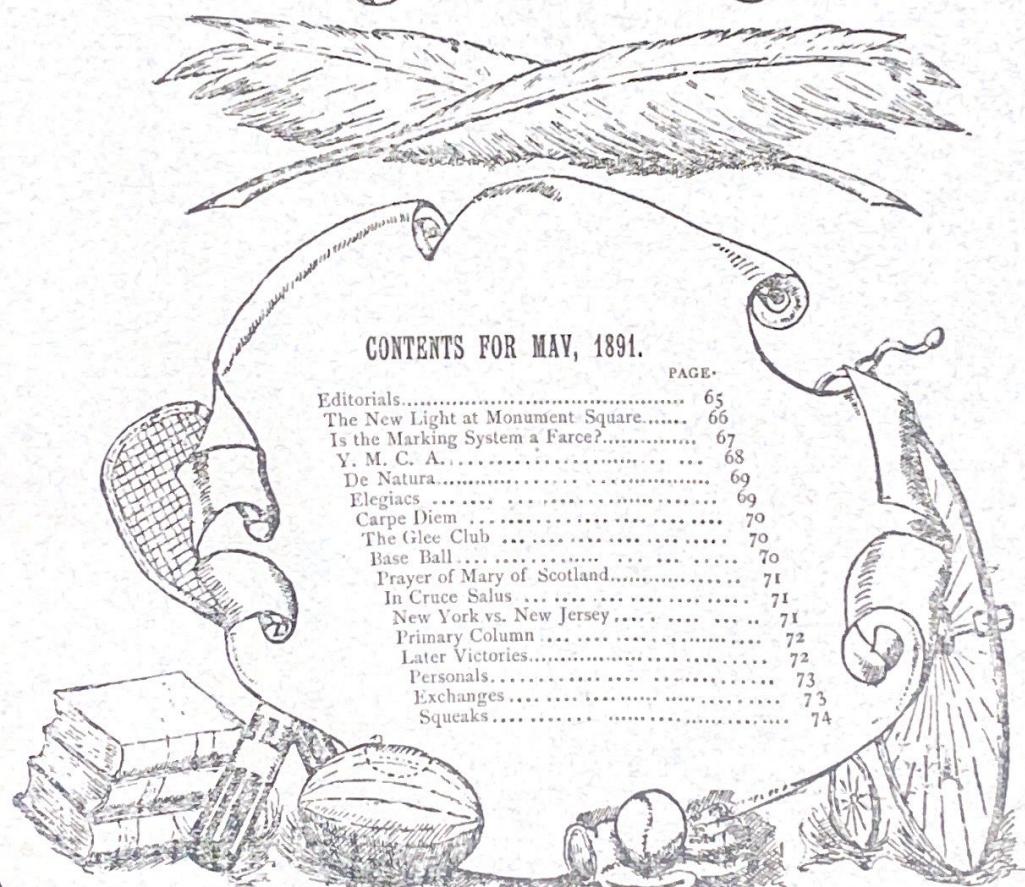
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THIS number of THE ARGO is the last that will be issued under the present Board of Editors. With the June number the class of '92 takes charge of the paper, the senior editors being elected from that class. As we, the present editors, make our parting bow, we wish to thank the school for the kindness it has shown us in bearing with our blunders and in affording us aid in various ways, pecuniarily in particular. The advertisers and other friends must also be assured of our gratitude for their assistance, and our special thanks are due Prof. Cummings for his advice and aid, granted so cheerfully at all times, as well as for other favors which have been partly recognized before. Our wish for THE ARGO is that it may be more prosperous next year under '92's care than it has been during this, and that it may become more interesting and more nearly what a perfect school paper should be.

ON May 15th a general school election was held for choosing the next board of editors and the business managers for the following year. The election was decidedly lively, and by its spirit showed the interest felt by the school in THE

ARGO's welfare. Those elected were Collier, senior editor for a year; Enyard, senior editor for half a year; Scudder and Johnson junior editors for one quarter; Schneider, Y. M. C. A. editor for a year; English and Suydam business managers for a year. Of these Collier and Enyard have already served as junior editors and have well shown their fitness for the positions they will occupy. The others elected are also fellows who we think are the best selections possible. To these, our successors, we give our most cordial good wishes, hoping that they may profit by our mistakes and be able to make the THE ARGO all we can desire it to be. We ask for them from the school the same kindness and co-operation that has been shown us, and if this is heartily given we know that THE ARGO will flourish under its new management.

ALTHOUGH our base-ball team has not made as brilliant a record as our foot-ball team did, yet we hope that they may continue after the fashion of the Peddie game. They have met teams which have been considerably heavier than those the foot-ball team met, and, although they have been defeated in three out of four games, yet we hope that now, that they have gained a victory, they may not go back, but in future may win against any team they may play.

IT may be well to sum up what has been done in and for this paper during our administration. *Nisi nostram buccinum inflabimus, nemo inflabit*, as says the Latin poet. In the first place the principle that a school paper should be original has been adhered to as strictly as was practical, only one short article having been copied, so far as we know. The personals and "squeaks," although not all they should be, have increased in number and are more interesting. Best of all, THE ARGO received the gift of a plate for printing the new cover, and, with a slight change in shape,

was able to appear in a more attractive form. A box for receiving contributions of articles—more especially personals and “squeaks”—has been placed in the school room and promises to be a great success. Last, but second in importance only to the new cover, through a special effort made to secure more subscriptions, we were able to add an extra sheet to the paper.

IT is our boast as a school that we have access to the college library, and indeed that is a boast worth making. In that way we need not feel ashamed of a very small library in our own building, as few preparatory schools have access to such a fine collection of books as we through the college library. Our own library has no necessity of being large, but should be thoroughly supplied with what we need upon the spot. It does little good to know that we can find certain information in the college library when we wish that information at once and have not the time to go out of the building. It is our wish that this necessity may be supplied, and suggest to any one desiring to aid us that no more acceptable gift could be bestowed upon us than some good books of reference, one or two sets of cyclopædias, and some of the standard works on American, English and classic literature which are sadly needed on our book shelves.

THE NEW LIGHT AT MONUMENT SQUARE.

THIS is my third year in the “Trap” and consequently my third in New Brunswick. In these three years, especially since I am a Jerseyan any way, my attachment for this old town has grown strong, and I look with pride at any improvement made in it.

I know more about New Brunswick, I dare say, than do many of her own citizens. I know where the city park is, and that is more than most New Brunswickers do. I can tell what houses have gone up in the last three years, what streets are paved and the number of streets macadamized, with how long the latter have been finished. I have been out to Weston’s Mills lots of times, and I should really like to know how many New

Brunswickers have ever seen the source of their city’s water supply. I can even tell how many goats are owned in the Sixth Ward, but don’t dare to for fear that I shall be accused of yarning.

I think I have shown conclusively my interest in and love for old New Brunswick, and shall now tell about the surprise the good people of this city had in store for me when I returned after Easter vacation.

Monday evening, April 6th, one of the fellows and I were walking about town after the manner of boys who have just got back from a good time at home and who don’t care at all how the next day’s lessons may go. We walked down Church street and back and then started out George street. Passing Bayard street we noticed an odd and unwonted light ahead, and in another moment we saw that an electric light had been raised at the George street and Livingston avenue corner of Monument Square. The sight was imposing. There on a pole—yes, a *pole* at least twenty feet high—was a real, live Brush electric light—it makes the *third* owned by the city.

What in the world could have ailed the City Fathers? Was it that the Soldiers’ Monument had at last been secured and they wished to display it? No, for only the poor, lonely base was there surrounded, as usual, by stones and brush. Was it possible that the macadamizing of Livingston avenue had at last been finished, and they wished to have the remarkable achievement seen even at night? No, for the avenue was still unfinished. Had they discovered some beauty in the facade of the Liberty Street Methodist Church as seen by electric light? Hardly, for it was even uglier by artificial than by natural light.

And oh, wonder of wonders! they had left the gas lamp which the pole had supplanted *and the gas was lit!* What could it mean! Had some of the boodle which had been taken away by the boodlers in former years been restored, and had the city voted this pole and light as a means of showing their thankfulness? Either oil had been struck in some way or the city was getting more reckless than of old, and we might even expect to have gas light in the time of full moon! Possibly they wanted a light near the station house

bright enough to show it so plainly that the police force might not get lost. Or another possibility was that the City Fathers were superstitious and did not like the idea of *thirteen* carbon lights in town—there were eleven in stores beside the two owned by the city.

I made up my mind then and there to ask the Mayor about it on the following day, but, possibly as a visitation for my undue inquisitiveness, I was laid up with a cold, and, taking the warning, I have let the matter rest and merely ask now in this way for information, if any one can give it to me.

TAU RAMP.

IS THE MARKING SYSTEM A FARCE?

OF all the different systems of marking used in our schools and colleges for the purpose of ascertaining a student's standing in any one subject, the one most harmful to the student, and which gives the greatest temptation to cheat, is the one in which the instructor has a small book containing the names of the members of the class. As each student recites the instructor places opposite his name the mark, which in his judgment, the student has merited by the translation of one or two sentences from a page of Latin or Greek, upon which he has spent two or three hours of hard, honest work. And if, perchance, one or two of the words in this sentence has slipped his mind for the moment, as strange words are apt to do when we want to use them, he is given a mark of 45 per cent. or 50 per cent. in payment for his whole evening's work. Perhaps it is a Geometry proposition of which he has forgotten a portion of the proof, and consequently he is marked 50 per cent. on a lesson of ten propositions, nine of which he understands. Is this just? No; decidedly no; there is nothing just about it.

When a student goes into the class room and sees his classmate called upon to translate the only sentence in the whole lesson that he knows, and receive a mark of 85 per cent., and he is called upon to translate the only sentence in the lesson that he doesn't know, and receives a mark of 65 per cent., he feels that he has been treated unjustly and that his labor has been for nothing,

and, if he is a fellow that is a little weak morally, it is not long before he goes into class with his Geom. propositions on his cuff, and a translation for his Latin and Greek.

I have attended several schools and academies as a student, where no marking system for daily work was used, and altogether I have never seen one third the dishonest work that I have seen in two years' attendance at a school in which this system is in vogue.

As the mark terms usually counts two-thirds upon the examination papers, how easy it is for one of the class of "now working students," by the aid of a "pony" and "skinning," to keep up term marks and then pass a miserably poor examination on subjects he doesn't know anything, or but very little, about and get through his year's work with a very good average mark, while on the other hand the honest, working student can hardly get a passing mark, since he has to contend with the "ponied" translation of his classmate.

The majority of students where this system is used are studying for what marks they get—not for what they learn.

This bug-bear causes more contention among the students and between the students and instructors than anything else in school life.

The comparison which each student's work has with that of the rest of the class depends altogether on the judgment of the instructor in marking, and if he happens to be a man mean enough to be prejudiced by his likes and dislikes, as I am sorry to say some instructors are, some certain ones in his classes will always stand high, while others doing the same work are low.

I have in mind at present a close marking professor, who seemed to wreak his vengeance upon certain students by cutting down their marks, and consequently he stood very low in the estimation of the best students in the school.

Then does anyone say that when the term marks depend not upon what you do, but upon what you pretend to do, and upon the partial judgment and prejudices of one man, the marking system is not a farce? It is a farce, and a big one, and one of the biggest bug-bears and greatest annoyances of a student's life.

JUDGE.

Y. M. C. A.

"THE YOUNG MEN OF THE WORLD FOR CHRIST."
The following are the subjects for the June prayer meetings:

- Wednesday, June 3—Subject, "The Golden Rule." Leader, F. W. Johanknecht.
 Friday, June 5 -- Subject, "The Future." Leader, J. P. Stout.
 Wednesday, June 10—Subject, "Whither shall we go?" Leader, J. H. Seeberger,

THE STUDENT VOLUNTEER MOVEMENT.

THE American Student Missionary uprising had its beginning in July, 1886, at the Mt. Hermon conference of college students. About two hundred and fifty had come together at the invitation of Mr. Moody to spend a few weeks in the study of the Bible. Some time passed before the subject of missions was even mentioned. But one young man from Princeton had come with the deep conviction that God would call a few at least out of that large gathering who would consecrate themselves to the foreign field. At an early day he called together all who were thinking seriously of spending their lives in the foreign service. Twenty-one students answered the call, although all of them had not definitely decided. This little band began to pray that the spirit of missions might pervade the conference, and that many more might be called to this great work.

On the evening of July 16 a special mass meeting was held, which was addressed by Rev. A. T. Pierson on the all important subject of missions. He argued that "all should go and go to all." This was the keynote that set many men to thinking and praying. A week passed, and then on Saturday, July 24, a meeting—afterwards called the "meeting of the ten nations"—was held. It was addressed by the sons of missionaries in India, China and Persia and by seven young men of different nationalities. The addresses were short and consisted of appeals for more workers. At the close each speaker repeated in the language of his country the words "God is love."

From this night on to the close of the conven-

tion the missionary spirit grew more and more intense. One by one the men alone in the woods or rooms fought out the battle with self and were led to forsake all and carry the Gospel "unto the uttermost parts of the earth." Dr. Ashmore, who had just returned from China, added fuel to the flame by his burning appeal to look upon "missions as a war of conquest and not as mere wrecking expeditions. In the eight days elapsing between the "meeting of the ten nations" and the close of the conference the number of volunteers increased from twenty-one to exactly one hundred. Several of the remaining one hundred and fifty delegates became volunteers after months of study and prayer. On the last day of the conference a meeting was held at which they decided that the missionary spirit which had pervaded the conference should be communicated to students throughout the Union. They believed that the reasons which had influenced the students at Mt. Hermon would move hundreds of other students throughout the country. Accordingly a deputation was appointed to visit among the different colleges throughout the United States. This deputation worked so faithfully that at the end of the year two thousand two hundred volunteers were pledged. Some time afterward a committee was appointed to organize the movement.

After much thought and prayer the committee decided that the movement should be restricted to students, and consequently it was called the "Student Volunteer Movement." An executive committee was appointed to devise and execute plans for developing the movement wherever it exists and to extending it to where it has not been felt. There is also an Advisory Committee of seven persons. The Executive Committee has decided to have a corresponding member in every State and province in which the movement has been sufficiently introduced to insure its permanency. There is also a traveling secretary, who touches at the principal colleges in every State. The work in a State consists not only in arousing more interest in the colleges and seminaries, but also in quickening the missionary spirit in the churches by means of visits from volunteers.

Those who have the time or fitness for such

work spend all or a part of their vacations in visiting churches. A young man who is himself going in a foreign field has a great deal of power over a congregation. The movement has far outgrown the expectations of its nearest friends. Even Dr. Pierson did not expect more than one thousand volunteers from the American colleges. To-day there are nearly six thousand preparing for the foreign work. "The evangelization of the world in this generation" is the watch cry of the Volunteer Movement, and, to accomplish this, all who have volunteered are needed and many more beside. Mr. Wishard writes from Japan that twenty thousand men are wanted there before 1900 in order to keep pace with the inroads of infidelity. Dr. Chamberlain appeals for five thousand missionaries for India during this century. At a very moderate estimate at least twenty thousand men are needed to preach the Gospel to every creature within this generation.

May the Volunteer Movement go on increasing in numbers and power until its influence shall be felt even to the very "uttermost parts of the earth."

DE NATURA.

"To him who in the love of Nature holds
Communion with her visible forms she speaks
A various language. * * * From all around—
Earth and her waters and the depths of air—
Comes a still voice."

TIME, 5.00 P. M.; day, May 9, 1891; companions, none. Slowly I wend my way from the haunts of men to those of "coot and hern."

The sun is slowly setting behind the distant hills, bathing the earth with that mellow tint of crimson so coveted by artists of the brush and palette, not alone by those of the present day, but by such old masters as Rubens, Angelo and Titian also.

In the distance come two children carrying huge bundles of fagots on their backs, making a "faire picture indeed" with the back ground of purple red.

In the brook at my right two robins are bathing and playing in the babbling waters, unheedful of my proximity to them. Now they fly to yon wild cherry tree, all radiant in its spring-tide vesture of

snowy whiteness, and now back to their evening's bath.*

Now and then a fish, whose hunger has not yet been appeased, jumps up out of the water for a passing fly, falls back with a dull thud, the waters close rapidly over him, the ripples cease, and quietness reigns supreme.

Passing over the brook on a bridge of stones, that, probably, the dairy maid has had placed there for her own convenience, I wandered up through the Russys' ravine, which gives bedding for another brook, smaller, but a more reckless, laughing and romping one than the first.

The dark banks of the ravine, with the brilliant sunset glittering through the masses of leaves, a distant whip-poor-will's plaintive call and the splashing of the brooklet over the stones causes the following words of Whittier's to come to my mind :

"And still the water sang the sweet,
Glad song that stirred its gliding feet,
And found in rock and root the keys
Of its beguiling melodies."

On either side of me flowers peep up, some with heads nodding a "glad good night," others trailing as though on their knees like devout Mohammedans at sunset.

Higher up on the bank, keeping watch over their lowly situated sisters, the majestic columbine, *aquilegia Canadensis*, reigns in glory; there on its left sways the bellwort, *uvularia grandiflora*, tolling the "knell of the departing day."

Passing on out of this Paradise, I see two girls (of the earth, earthy) sketching the woodland's beauty at sunset.

Once again the whip-poor-will's realistic threat is heard, this time almost directly overhead, disturbing Nature's solitude.

Seating myself on a tree hard by that some sturdy woodman has felled across the brook, I sit and contemplate the wonders and greatness of Nature, and am overwhelmed by the emptiness, in comparison, of the works of man.

DANIEL MORRISON.

ELEGIACS.

Hiding its beauty beneath the fallen leaves on the hill-side,
Arbutus, sweetest of flower~~e~~, waits for the loving ~~earth~~
So, underneath Society's hollow shams and conventions,
Lies unrevealed the Soul, only responsive to Love.

CARPE DIEM.

PARAPHRASE OF HORACE, LIB. I, CARM. XI.

Why dost thou ever vainly strive to know
 How long for thee the lamp of life shall beam?
 The wind of Fate doth, never-shifting, blow
 All vessels to that one dark Stygian stream;
 Sure, it is nobler, better far to bear
 Whatever destiny the gods assign.
 Endure with patience, be days foul or fair,
 Rejoice in youthful loves, rejoice in wine.
 Look not to past or future for thy joy,
 But snatch thy pleasure from each passing day;
 For Mournful Age will all delights destroy.
 The Hours with swift-winged feet bear youth away.

THE GLEE CLUB.

THE Glee Club has been prosperous during the past year. Three times we have sung by request: At Hope Mission in December, at the Y. Y. Mission entertainment in March, and at the W. C. T. U. anniversary this month. We were well received at all these places and derived much benefit in the confidence gained, even if our treasury was not filled by this means. We also had proposals to sing out of town, but on account of the small profit we would have made, judged the efforts not worth making.

The fellows are somewhat inclined to laugh at us, saying that we can sing nothing but "Onward Marching" and a few other pieces which have become old to them from having heard us practice them so often. We think the school has been benefited by our morning rehearsal at which they make fun. By it the fellows have become familiar with our pieces, and though that may make them seem stale when we sing them, yet when the boys now want to sing they have something beside the old regulation college songs. We are sure this fact was appreciated at Peddie Institute and also at the one serenade we have ventured in town.

After the game with Peddie, while the fellows were waiting on the campus for the stages, what did they sing? Why the Glee Club pieces with only a few exceptions, and the Glee Club's drills and example caused the pieces to be sung with an expression usually lacking when a lot of boys get together and sing. The singing was certainly very

good, and there were a number of compliments heard upon it, beside the evident enjoyment—more gratifying to the boys—the Institute girls showed. The Glee Club ought to have a large share of any credit thus deserved, it seems to us.

We have shown our interest in our work by imposing a fine of ten cents for absence from Friday afternoon rehearsal. Any one who knows the value of a dime to a school-boy and the difficulty of his obtaining it will appreciate what this means. By this plan more regularity has been secured and over five dollars have been raised. This has been used in buying some sheet music.

We are now at work on music for commencement. This will be entirely new, and if we sing it as well as we have at some of our rehearsals we think we will be able to effectually silence our musical friends, the critics, and prove that we can sing something besides chestnuts, and that we have at least a little music in us. SECRETARY,

BASE BALL.

HURRAH, our base-ball team has gained a victory! On the 9th of May they met a team from Peddie Institute, and after a hard and closely-contested game, at last wrested victory from the Peddie boys by a score of 9 to 4.

Four match games have been played this season. With Pingry, at Elizabeth; Iroquois, at Bergen Point; Princeton Preps., at Princeton; and Peddie Institute, at Hightstown. The team was defeated in the first three games and victorious in the last.

A number of games have been arranged for future dates, in which we hope the boys will do as well as they did in the last.

Nearly all the fellows of the foot-ball and base-ball teams will graduate this year, English, Scudder and Enyard being the only fellows on the base-ball team who will be left in the school.

Out of nine fellows on the base-ball team, five were on the foot-ball team, a thing which very seldom happens in any school or college. They are Wills, Geo. Ludlow, Van Dyck, Van Slyke and Enyard.

Our school has been stronger in athletics this year than any year since 1887, and we hope that

it may continue to grow in strength and at no distant date may stand at the head of Prep. schools in New Jersey, both in scholarship and athletics.

George Deshler, one of the best players on the college nine, is in our school this year, and this is the first time in several years that any Prep. School fellow has played on the college nine.

Not having grounds of our own makes it pretty hard for us to get games in the city, as we have to arrange them for dates when the college does not play. And now, since the City Council has passed the ordinance prohibiting ball playing on enclosed grounds or charging admittance, it makes it doubly hard for us, as the expenses have to come on each fellow individually, while heretofore we could take in enough gate money to pay our expenses and have something over. Our own grounds are in no condition to play a match game on, being in the first place too small and in the second altogether too rough and uneven.

This year the fellows have fitted themselves out with mask, mit and chest protector, bats, balls and suits and have paid their own expenses wherever they went, without the aid of the college or Prep. School, the whole expense being between \$50 and \$60. The boys think that it would be only just to have one half of the expenses paid by the Prep. School.

The base-ball team is as follows: Catcher, Enyard, Capt.; pitcher, Deshler; 1st base, Geo. Ludlow; 2nd base, Van Dyck; short stop, Runnyon; third base, Van Slyke; left field, Ballagh; centre field, Wills; right field, English; sub., Scudder.

PRAYER OF MARY OF SCOTLAND.

FOTHERINGAY CASTLE.

O Lord God most Holy,
My hope is in Thee !
O blessed Christ Jesus
Come, liberate me !
From chains and from prison,
My prayers have arisen,
Uplifted to Thee.
With moaning and groaning,
For my sins atoning,
I adore, I implore Thee,
O Lord, set me free !

H.

IN CRUCE SALUS.

The organ sobs its inarticulate woe,
Filling with sound the chancel's lofty height ;
The priests, in penitential vestments dight,
Before the altar stand, and bending low,
They chant the Miserere sad and slow.
But from a window, up far out of sight,
A sunbeam streams, and in its crimson light
The cross shines over all with mystic glow.

When in this dark world, full of toil and grief,
The heart is bowed beneath its weight of care,
Disconsolate with haunting sense of loss,
In vain it looks below for its relief,
Nor can it find its solace anywhere
Save in the mystic splendor of the Cross.

H.

NEW YORK vs. NEW JERSEY.

ONCE more the representatives of old New York have vindicated their superiority over the sons of New Jersey. On Thursday, May 14, the New York ball team met and vanquished the New Jersey aggregation by a score of 33 to 15. The game was full of brilliant plays and fumbling errors. Only six innings were played. "Strawberry" made some fine sprints after the flying sphere. "Wooly" covered first base in good shape. "Old Jamaica" played a fine game. "Holmdel" was well represented. No particular mention can be made of the other players, though they did remarkably well. After supper the New York fellows took the Jerseyites to Bates' and each member of the team treated his opponent who played the same position on the other team to a collation of ice cream or strawberry short cake. After this the boys of Jersey treated the boys of New Amsterdam to soda and cigars.

Score by innings..	1	2	3	4	5	6—Total.
New York.....	3	3	13	5	2	7—33
New Jersey.....	3	2	2	5	1	2—15

Earned runs—New York 2. Two base hits—Tilton, Collier. Three base hits—Walser, Collier, Schneider, Stilson. Home runs—Rottger, 2; H. C. Cook, Ballagh. Hit by ball—Johanknecht, 2; Schneider, Johnson, Walser. Wild pitches—H. C. Cook, 4; Stilson, 3. Struck out by H. C. Cook, 6; by Stilson, 4.

Umpire, Mr. I. Enyard.

PRIMARY COLUMN.

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THE ATTRACTIONS AT WASHINGTON.

Washington is a very interesting place to visit.

At the Navy Yard one can see many old cannon such as were formerly used in war, and that have been collected as relics of important battles. New ones are being built on the latest models.

War ships are also being constructed to strengthen the Naval Department.

There are so many wonderful things to be seen at the Smithsonian Institute, it would be impossible to mention them, but the most interesting to me was the manufacture of silk.

At the Botanical Gardens every variety of plants, shrubs and flowers are cultivated. There are orchids, palms, ferns and all common plants.

The process of fish hatching may be seen at the Fish Commission. The eggs are placed in automatic glass jars filled with water, and so arranged that as soon as the fish hatch they pass into the tanks. They are transported to different parts of the United States to stock the rivers and streams.

Other attractions are the Coreoran Art Gallery, the American Museum, and last, but not least, the great Capitol building in which Congress assembles.

C. C. C.

FIRST BASE BALL GAME.

ONE of the most interesting events of the primary department was the game played May 2 between the D Class of the Rutgers College Preparatory School and the Metuchens. Following were the members of the clubs:

R. C. P. S.—J. B. Kirkpatrick, s. s.; L. Runyon, Capt.; W. Auton, 3d b.; C. Runyon, 2d b.; Van Dyck, c.; J. K. Rice, 1st b.; R. W. Booth, l. f.; Howell, p.; Chas. Cowenoven, c. f.

Metuchen—Dimmon, c.; Giles, 1st b.; Clark-

son, l. f.; Moore, Capt.; Randolph, 2d b.; Frank, s. s.; Martin, 3d b.; Powers, p.; Corbin, r. f.

Umpire, Enyard.

The Metuchens played very well until the fifth inning, when there was a change and the runs were made by the R. C. P. S. Before this the score was one or two runs and twenty for the Metuchen side, but after this the R. C. P. S. caught up, and by the time of the seventh inning the score was 21 to 20 and none out.

Howell then knocked a home run, but the Metuchens would not give it because he neglected to touch third base. After this the Metuchen club went home and the umpire gave the R. C. P. S. the game by a score of 9 to 0.

In all probability the game would have been won by the R. C. P. S. club had it been played out. Great regret was expressed because of the unfinished game, but we will have a chance to finish one with them before long.

J. W. METTLER

LATER VICTORIES.

ON Thursday afternoon, May 21st, the school team defeated the Freshman team by a score of 17 to 1. The Freshmen played a wretched game.

In the game played on Saturday morning, May 23d, with the Pingry team a grand victory was won by the home team, and the Pingry's returned home vowing that they would not play another game this year. The score was 23 to 4.

PERSONALS.

John Derr will not return to school until next fall.

Mildred Davis who returned to school last week, was taken sick with the mumps on the 12th.

Fred Nelson is suffering from the rheumatism, but it is hoped that he will soon return to school.

William Jennings has not yet recovered from the whooping cough.

SCHOLAR translating Anabasis—"And the Greeks formed themselves into a rectangular hollow quadrilateral"

PERSONAL.

R. B. Littell, '90, will enter college in the fall. THE inmates of the "Trap" were photographed by Clark on May 4th.

"DAVE" is now the regular scorer of the baseball aggregation, and "Strawberry" is the hoodoo.

COL. A. M. HARDENBERG, a former pupil, now of Peekskill Military Academy, lately paid a visit to the school.

T. S. L. SEAMAN spent the night of the 2nd at the "Trap." It did the old boys good to see "Tommy" about again among them.

J. G. says that *tempus fugit* would be a good motto for '91, considering the procrastinating propensities of the class.

THE yellow ribbon club has now developed into the white cap club. It looks very "sweet," as the school girl would say, to see the five immaculate yachting caps hanging in a row in the hall.

ON April 29th the base-ball team while up on the "Trap" grounds indulged in a game of foot-ball with a lot of scrubs. It seemed natural to hear the familiar cries, and really the weather was as good for foot-ball as for base-ball.

SEVENTEEN "Rats" went up to Somerville on the 2d of May to see the game between the College Varsity and the West Ends. In spite of the defeat of the college nine the fellows were in high spirits and had a good time, as they should on such a fine spring day.

ON Sunday, the 3rd, "Pop" had a Sunday school class of three youngsters in one of the mission schools. He said they were nice and quiet, and he got very much interested in teaching them. His ardor was somewhat dampened, however, after Sunday school, when a lady who knew more about the scholars than the person who asked him to take the class, informed him that the children were Germans and did not understand a word of English.

OUR travelers, "Ma" and Jennings, walked to Hightstown when the ball team played Peddie at that place.

VACATION will soon be here.

EXCHANGES.

MAINTAINLY owing to a lack of space and also on account of other reasons, we have given our exchanges only one brief notice during the past year. It has been a decidedly sad omission, for if there is anything an editor of a school paper enjoys, it is seeing the criticisms made by other papers upon his work, and we wish to afford our share of pleasure to others.

Our exchange list is not large, but as THE Argo grows older we trust that the list may grow longer proportionally. We invite any school paper to exchange with us, and shall try to do our share in the courtesies of the exchange. This time we can but mention our exchanges in a general way, but hope that hereafter each number may be criticised as to its merits individually.

Taking our exchanges in order we first come to our Baptist friend from Hightstown, the *Peddie Chronicle*. This is by far the oldest paper on our exchange list, being now in its twentieth volume. As might be expected in a publication of such age, the *Chronicle* is a solid, attractive paper, with little nonsense, and is always welcomed and read with interest.

Our sister, *The Targum* of Rutgers College, ranks next, being eleven years old. It is published fortnightly. We wish that it had a little more life and enterprise, but think that we can notice an improvement lately in that respect. We congratulate it upon the new cut upon its cover. That is certainly an improvement.

The Advocate, of the Livingston Avenue High School, this city, is in its ninth volume. After the rabid and cutting notice "To Our Exchanges" in the February number we are even inclined to doubt *The Advocate's* desire to exchange with other papers, and certainly fear to make any comment upon it. We sincerely hope that it may get over its attack of "big head."

The Quill, of Stapleton, Staten Island, is in its fifth volume. It has a very attractive cover, fine press work, a very courteous tone, and is al-

together a fine sample of a bright, model school paper.

The Reveille, of the Peekskill Military Academy, is in its fourth year. It is an excellent paper of a somewhat poetic and yet decidedly military character, published every quarter. Remarkable to state, it has no advertisements. We should like to be initiated into the mystery of its existence, as even with the aid secured from advertisers, in our case we find it difficult to make the ends meet comfortably.

The Vidette, of the Hudson River Institute and Claverack College, is two years old. It is hardly as military in tone as its name and cover would indicate. It is somewhat sedate, but has in it solid worth and much of interest. The article on "Ancient Claverack" in the March number especially attracted our notice.

Our gray covered friend, the *A B C Monthly*, of the Misses Anables' school, 66 Bayard Street, this city, is also in its second volume. We have a peculiar regard for it as it is about the same age as THE ARGO, and we have many interests in common with it. It is a very clever paper, some of its articles being remarkably bright and original. We can only wish that the paper were larger and the articles longer.

The *High School Herald*, of Jersey City, is a paper which reflects great credit upon those connected with it. It is in its first volume, so THE ARGO is its senior. It has more reading-matter than any other of our exchanges. Even if it is a meritorious paper, we think it has no right to feel exalted and say of its elder: "THE ARGO hails from New Brunswick, the home of *The Advocate*. It would be a good idea for the two to consolidate and thus make a first-class paper." "Pride goeth," etc., our dear contemporary—but I suppose that we should be thankful that we are judged to be half as good as a "first-class paper."

The High School Advance, of Salem, Mass., which is in its first volume, is our only exchange from "down east." It is starting nobly in its literary life, and we wish it every success and not as many rocks as we have had to encounter.

The Echo, of Camden Academy, N. Y., is our youngest exchange, having published only three numbers. In spite of its youth it has nothing of which to be ashamed, and we wish it long life and great prosperity.

SQUEAKS.

A man-of-war—An-ark-ist.

"Don'd you got somedings for me?"

Who chased "Stuffy" by the candy shop?
The Kickapoo.

Why is a dog-wood tree like a dog?
Because they both have a bark.

A game with the "scrub" may be called a "brush" quite appropriately.

"Simon" reported that "'Pete' made a home run on Enyard's hit," in a game with the college.

"Snid" said the trouble with his sentence on the board was that it had "only one punctuation."

A poem:

"Little boys
Must not have toys."—*A Prof.*

Monday morning, after the class has recited.
Prof.—"A Monday morning of the usual character!"

The following pun will be appreciated by "Pete's" friends: "When there's a Wills, there's a way."

An "A" class historian recently expatiated upon *Pepsin*, the Short; and another one upon *Miss de Mediky*.

C.—"Hello, E,—, have you seen your friends this morning ?

E.—"Rats!"

"Wooly" (reading a novel in study hour) as the fellows make a racket—"Prof., I can't study with so much noise in the room."

"Pop" excitingly bursting into L.'s room: "Give me your opera glass, L,—, I want to look at a girl going across the field."

"Snid" was visited by 52 June bugs one evening last week. "A pretty good bug-inning for the summer's work," a Prof. remarked.

Solomon—"Professor, that fire was caused by a cigarette thrown out of the window."

Prof.—"Moral: Never smoke cigarettes."

Why doesn't Treasurer "Ma" Stout skip to Canada?

Because she never uses "French" (slang of dubious character.)

This is what a Prof. asked A—— the other day: "When does the Blain (brain) know what to do?" The answer was: "When he is in office."

Prof. to class—"What is it?"

S.—"Nothing."

Prof.—"Well, don't mention it."

It is rumored that a young gentleman in the R. C. P. S. is pretty far gone on a certain young lady in a boarding school in this city.

It's mutual.

Here are two characteristic excuses for not getting in till after at 10 night: "Josh" said he "didn't hear the bell" and "Solomon" pitifully stated that he "had been locked out."

Dr. knocking at the door of No. 5 about midnight—"Why is your light burning at this time of night?"

Our naturalist just returned from the social—"Watching the butterflies, Dr."

A poetic gem:

The team went down to Princeton
For to play a game of ball,
But when they arrove,
Though hardly they strove,
They didn't get there at all.

We wonder why it is that the boys all wish the return game with Peddie to be played at Hights-town.

IT has often been remarked how quiet and orderly the fellows are in chemistry class!

We are gradually nearing that period of the year when the scholars begin to look anxious.

BALLAGH, who was compelled to go home on account of sickness, has returned.

THE Senior Class had their pictures taken on May the 18th.

THE Glee Club was greatly appreciated the other night.

OUR base-ball team has at last gained a victory.
"Do you vas got a rubber?"

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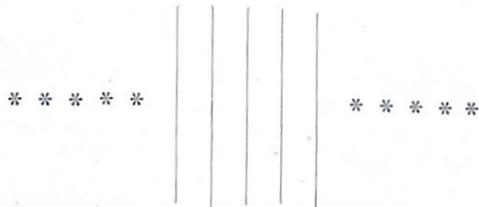
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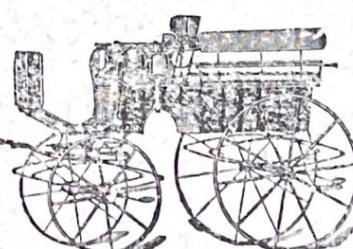
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