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Dethroning A Bully

BY PROF. R.O.T.

PART I.

"HELLO fellows there comes the new student."

Thus spoke John Andrews of the Barton Military Academy.

The subject of this speech was a boy of about 17 summers, well built and of very athletic form.

He wore a look of interest on his handsome face as he gazed curiously around at the students gathered near the spokesman.

They certainly were a fine lot of young men and their fine forms were well shown off in their trim military uniforms.

The new student, whose name was Ned Anson, was soon introduced to the group of boys by John Andrews, who was always sociable.

After a general hand shaking Ned was taken to Prof. Barton, proprietor of the academy, a kinder hearted old soul would be hard to find anywhere.

During the day Ned made a good impression by the manly way he acted, thus making many friends.

John Andrews took a lively interest in him and at his request Ned was to room with him. Before going to bed that night John told Ned about the bully of the school, Alex Johnson by name.

Alex was the best all-around athlete in the academy, he could beat any boy in the academy at swimming, running or skating and several who had defied his authority receiv-

ed several beatings, John, himself, being in the lower class.

The next few days were spent in getting accustomed to the general routine of things. During this time it had blown up cold and the river at the foot of the grounds was frozen over with the smoothest ice.

Thursday afternoon the boys betook themselves to the river to enjoy the skating for an hour.

After adjusting his skates Ned took a sharp dash down the river. He seemed to scarcely touch the ice so swift were his movements.

The spectators stood and gazed after him in astonishment and John Andrews was strong in his declarations that at last Alex was to have a rival.

At this Alex blustered up and said "Oh that is nothing I'll soon show the beggar how to skate" and with this he started off too full of hatred to say anything more.

Soon after as Ned was talking to some friends Alex deliberately ran into him, knocking him down. He quickly rose and demanded an apology to which Alex replied "Why didn't you get out of my way you saw me coming." "That is a lie" replied Ned, "how could I see you coming when I had my back toward you?"

"You dare to call me a liar?" said Alex and with that he aimed a vicious blow at Ned's head but it never landed for Ned had fallen before the bully knew what had happened and he was lying on his back on the ice.

[TO BE CONTINUED IN OUR NEXT]

GOSSIP

By JOSEPHINE C. DOUGLASS.

The U. A. P. A. is a great organization and will surely succeed with Ed. H. Weigel at its head.

The N. A. B. O. is another organization worthy of every one's support.

It would be a good thing to get up a guessing contest to guess the right names of some of our "nom de plume" writers.

For once in my life I find girls slow. Do you know the opportunities you have in amateurdom? I really believe you are not or you would not remain quiet. If some one would tell me the cause and if I could get at the root of their inactivity I might be able to do something, but I cannot. The idea of a girl keeping quiet is absurd. (This expresses our views.—Ed.)

Yours truly has resigned the trusteeship of 122. Too much other work is the cause.

Xmas has come and gone, but will come again. Not so with some of our papers. They come and go, just as Xmas does, but do not come again.

The Y. A. C. is getting there.

CLUB MORSELS

By Ye Clubite.

Bright Days Clubs are the latest. A prominent clubite is at their head. And the Young Sports also has opened a club. G. Days Clubs are booming. They rub with some of G. Hours Clubs.

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ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS

By BARON DE CLUB.

G. Edw. Harrison, Balt.—To begin with you must drop all connections with the 'MARYLAND CLUB OF BRANCH OFFICERS' or you can never gain the friendship of clubites unless that of the imitators R. R. Rich, R. G. Ballard and followers.

Giant Campbell, Phila.—Yes, your phrase—"Black sheep and disparaging remarks cannot be tolerated." It is just right.

H. M. F., Peoria—The fastest gait of a greyhound is about 6 laps a minute. In very hot weather more. 2. You can ascertain by looking at his tongue.

May B. Wrong—You had better answer Ed. Clubite's letter and then you will know why his branch number is not among the actives.

P. A. L., LaGrange—1. The best you can do is to leave clubdom, for I don't believe any one loves you. 2. You must be a revenue collector.

Mufti Nabo—Yes! It's true that Harrison at one time tried to run the N. A. B. O. with the aid of Phila. But, alas, his dirty work was spoiled by an honest and manly fellow.

Witty Jane, Sioux Falls—Your question "Where is Wienerwurst, Ger." we cannot answer, as we never saw-sage a place.

H. M. E., Catuck—1. The U. A. P. A. Election resulted in favor of Phila, as that town run things to suit themselves. 2. Most every clubite in that city ran for office. 3. Yes it has a spice called selfishness in it.



GOLDEN HOURS EMPIRE STATE CORRESPONDING CLUB. BRANCH 862.

This paper is official organ and members who wish to keep up with the club should subscribe.

All official orders, elections, etc. will be given here.

J. S. Dreher having resigned as Vice President, a special election was held on Dec. 28.

Candidates were H. A. Brand and David Freemark. 19 ballots cast, Brand 12, Freemark 7.

Total membership up to date 70.

The secretary will be pleased to correspond with persons wishing to join.

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▷ STAMP ITEMS ◁

By WOOD B.

Many new papers.... Auctions all the rage now..... And the philatelic literature collectors are coming out.... Jersey Stamps is a new paper by an old homo.... All the boys papers now have stamp depts... Where, Oh, where will the Columbians wind up at?

Next!

Subscribe now and avoid the rush.

Remember all the latest club news, & doings in amateur circles will be PUBLISHED IN THIS PAPER.

The Self Made Man.

By PHIL. A. TELIST.

EVERY boy ought to try to rise in the world, to do something to put him on the road to success and make a great man of him in the future.

The first thing which is necessary to succeed at any thing is to have as good a knowledge of the intended business, or trade, or calling as it is possible to obtain and the next thing is a firm determination to stick to what you begin.

The class of men who the world calls 'self made men' are those that follow this rule and achieve greatness because they do not yield to discouragement.

Now gentle reader, if you wish to see some self made men just look at our postage stamps, Franklin, Washington, Grant, Lincoln, Garfield, Webster and others.

(CONTINUED IN OUR NEXT)

A SUBSCRIBER to the Telephone Exchange asked to be placed in communication with his medical man.

SUB. "My wife complains of a severe pain at the back of her neck, and occasional nausea."

DOC. "She must have malaria."

SUB. "What's to be done?"

At this moment the clerk at the central station alters the switch by mistake, and the unlucky husband receives the reply of a mechanical engineer in answer to inquires of a mill-owner.

EXT. "I believe the inside is lined with excoriations to a considerable thickness.

Let her cool during the night, and before firing-up in the morning take a hammer and pound her vigorously. Then get a garden hose with a strong pressure from the main, and let it play freely on parts affected

To his great surprise the doctor never saw his client again.

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JAN. 97.

With this issue we begin in our career on the sea of amateur journalism.

We had "sampled" the philatelic and found it lacking of calmness—support in the shape of subs., etc. hence our change.

We shall endeavor to give all the latest club notes, also the doings of amateur philatelists and shall devote 2 columns to that great science—philately.

The sub. price is 10c and we hope for a favorable reception.

—All of our contributors should not fail to send in their manuscripts by the 15th of each month.

—Right here we wish to state that we are here to stay. If for any reason we are compelled to discontinue the publication of this paper, your cash will be returned.

—Read and patronize our advertisers, they are reliable.

—We are late but 'better late than never.' A mistake was the cause.

—Next month we will publish several new articles by other prominent writers.

—Next month an extended chat upon our exchanges.

—Publishers and others will please notice that both "Stamp Facts" and "Butler Philatelist" have been discontinued.

Our Exchanges

Amateur, Our Gopher, Parker's Monthly, Eagle, Rambler, Star, Monthly Exchange, Philatelic Literature, Omaha Philatelist, Philatelic West, Bits and Chips, Fireside Philatelist, Philatelic Advocate, Texan Philatelist, Mail Bag, Philatelic Messenger, Gem Club Recorder, Trans-Mississippi Stamp, and Philatelic Nebraskian.

ST. PETER—"Where are you from?"

APPLICANT—"I was a reporter in New York"

ST. PETER—"Step on the elevator, please."

APPLICANT—"How soon does it go up?"

ST. PETER—"It doesn't go up; it goes down-slide."

CALENDAR FOR JANUARY 1897

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17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31	z	z	z	z	z	z

New moon second. First quarter tenth.

Full moon 18th. Last quarter 25th.

Epiphany Jan. 6th.

STAMPIC SCRAPS

..Edited by..

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All stamp papers received will be reviewed here.

Dealers report that business has improved since election.

Entire envelope collecting is gaining in popular favor.

The stamps of the Formosa Republic are nothing but a speculative issue.

The stamps of the U. S. are in use at but one place outside its domains, viz:—Shanghai, China.

Due stamps are not on sale to the public, but can be procured unused through the courtesy of ignorant or "friendly" postmasters.

An unruly water-mark will soon come to light by the application of a little benzine applied to back of the stamp with a camels hair brush.

The higher values of the Columbian issue are still on sale at the Washington P.O.

SOME GOOD STAMPS CHEAP

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Are you in the amateur journalism? If so join the U.A.P.A. Send for blanks. Adds Ed. or Pub.

Advertisers! let us know result of your ad.

THEY TELL US

By E. D. SWARTOUT.

1. That Campbell is racking his brain to find out who the The Rambler is. Why Jack it's easy, when you know.

2. That Harrison is more than sore at every living thing.

3. That the Quaker City is a hot club center.

4. That W. L. Chambers will burst into view with the same old vim, as of old.

5. Some one has called Hollinger a crook or such as one. (He is.—Ed.)

6. That W. J. S. Dineen Jr. will X photos with other clubites. If they are all as large as the one he sent me—well you can use as a postage stamp.

7. That B. A. Wilson has left the dom.

8. That every branch in N. Y. is to consolidate. Whew! But what a job.

9. That Geibel is an artist. Right.

10. That Harris Reed Jr. is one of the mainstays of the Y. A. C.

11. That "506" with B. Bros. will soon be on top.

12. That minor lights bucking against the N. A. B. O. will soon get hurt. Why not break up these odds and ends and take up the N. A. B. O. as your main stay?

13. That Gene had better quit and save Ed. the bother of blue penciling him. (Right Ed.)

More hope in the sweet—

BY & BY

CLUB NOTES

By the Badger had to be omitted on account of lack of space. Read his notes next month.

STRAY SCRAP

By KAPT. KLUB.

"The Rambler" makes his reappearance this month.

The ladies dept. of "81" is a great success. 50 members already.

Branch 122 (G. Days) issues a certificate which is a work of art.

Branch 1 (G. News) has nearly twice as many members as any club in that organization.

Bro. Collester succeeded in getting numbers, etc, for the Good News, now let's try for Natl. Officers.

Bits and Chips is as claver an amateur paper as comes from the press.

I wish some of our lady "Notes" would take an active interest in the paper. They appear to be shy.

SCQUIBS

13,400 different kinds of postage stamps are now in use in the various countries of the world.

The old-fashioned copper cent weighed 264 grains.

The bronze cent was issued in accordance with the law passed in 1857, and its coinage was begun in 1864.

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YOU CAN VOUCH FOR IT.

Millionaire Talks Upon OUR AMATEURS

Bits and Chips is fine and no mistake. Give us your brother Merritt.

And The Visitor is "out er sight" in its new shape.

Journalist is good but foreboding reports are being scattered around. Stay with us, bro. Reavely.

Parker's Monthly is improving in contents.

The Amateur is small but fair.

The Rambler is here again, filled with good things. Stay this time Bro. Leach.

Publico. Nuff said. They are having troubles of their own.

Courier, T'Id Bits, etc. still in it.

Ink Drops. O. K.

Our Gopher is rotten. Not an original line in it, if we except ads. and editorials and some of those have appeared in other papers.

Heck's Monthly, small but good.

The American Amateur is here at last, fine, but new.

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