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## EDITORIALS.

If the educators continue to increase our college requirements we'll all have to have the intellect of a Christian Heinrich Heinechen, who, as the Britannica tells us, "was able to speak at the age of ten months; at two years he had mastered all the sacred history; and at three was intimately acquainted with history and geography both ancient and modern, besides

being able to speak French and Latin." But alas! he died at the age of four.

*Hæc fabula docet—(?)*

One of the enterprising Greek scholars has made the astonishing discovery that the word "hash" in that classic language contains 169 letters. Obviously the ladies of Mrs. Xenophon's time wouldn't mention it. Oh most fortunate Greeks!

It was an impressive if not a refreshing spectacle to behold all the verdancy on the first morning of the winter term.

Use the boxing gloves with skill and care.

Just think of it, a "Soph. Social."

The sacred New-Year's-Resolution-Look is fast disappearing from Arms' faces.

Brevity is the soul of wit *except* in Presidents' messages *and* tri-weekly news items.

Why not have a school sleighride?

A thousand copies of the "Student" each issue. "That's some."

Oh yes, let's have a Latin play!

Sliding—bouleversé!

## OUR OLDEST INHABITANT.

Jarvis Bodman Bardwell was born in Leyden, Mass., Jan. 1, 1802, and was the fourth of a family of eight children. His

boyhood was passed in his native town, where he received the education that the common school afforded. He remembers one Sunday, especially, in Leyden, when he was about twelve years old. He went to church with his mother, but before the long sermon was over, some soldiers appeared and the drum sounded. The men lined up, and every seventh one had to step forward three paces. These men were drafted and taken to Boston to guard a prison. Also, when at Leyden, he heard firing on Lake Champlain by putting his ear close to the ground.

Packingham was the British officer here at the time, and Uncle Jarvis remembers hearing the soldiers in Greenfield sing:

"Old Packingham had made his brags,  
 If he in fight was lucky,  
 He'd have their girls and cotton bags  
 In spite of 'Old Kentucky.'

But Jackson he was wide awake,  
 And not afraid of trifles,  
 For well he knew what aim to take  
 With his Kentucky rifles."

In the year 1818 he set out for Shelburne Falls, tramping over drifted mountains and thru wind-swept valleys with all his personal belongings tied up in a red bandanna and carried on a stick over his shoulder. Arriving at his destination, he became apprentice to his brother, Apollon Bardwell, in the trade of tanning and boot-making.

The village at that time contained seven houses, four on the Shelburne and three on the Buckland side of the river. Shelburne manufactories included a grist mill, a saw mill, and the tannery. There being no bridge at that time, the crossing of the river was accomplished by means of a ferry; and any one, be he idle or busy, hearing the call, "Hello—the ferry," was obliged to go to the river and ferry the traveler across.

At the age of twenty-one, Mr. Bardwell went into company with his brother, and continued in the business for three years.

After this he was incapacitated for active work by two attacks of typhoid fever, and several summers were spent at Saratoga Springs, where he was able to support himself by trading watches.

In 1828 Joseph Merrill built, on the land now occupied by the block containing the stores of G. W. Jenks and F. E. Merrick, a brick hotel or tavern. After acting as tavern keeper for two years, Mr. Bardwell bought half interest in the building. During the next year Shelburne's first post-office was located in the "bar-room," with the tavern-keeper as postmaster; a position which Uncle Jarvis held for twenty-four consecutive years. The magnitude of the business may be evident from the fact that during the first year, nearly twenty dollars came in at the office, with rates of postage varying from six and one-quarter to twenty-four cents on a letter.

Mr. Bardwell was active as one of the founders of the S. Falls Savings Bank, and was its president for four years. Afterward he was for thirty-one years director, and for twenty-three years president of the Shelburne Falls State and National Bank, until his hearing became so impaired that, at the age of eighty-one, he resigned and for a number of years acted in capacity of vice-president.

Since retiring he has lived at his home in Shelburne Falls where he has ever been ready to receive visits from his many friends and to entertain them with his reminiscences of olden times.

The sight of "Uncle Jarvis," as he is called with affectionate respect by everybody at the Falls, with his faded-out, coffee-colored umbrella,—neither he nor his old

friend, the late S. D. Bardwell, are ever known to have carried respectable ones—strolling about his grounds or walking to or from the business portion of the town, has been a familiar one for many years and altho now, in his 101st year, the joints have become a little stiffer and the eyes more dim, still Uncle Jarvis holds his own. And all must echo the hope that he be spared to us yet a little while, as the example of a long life well lived. '88

### THE BROKEN RING.

(From the German.)

In a cool and shaded valley,  
A moss-grown mill-wheel turns,  
But my loved one has vanished  
And my heart for her still yearns.

She had given me her promise,  
And a little ringlet, too,  
But now her troth is broken,  
And the ring is broken, too.

Though I wander as a minstrel,  
Far away from friends and home,  
And sing my ballads by hundreds  
As I farther, farther roam,

Though I travel as a trooper,  
And engage in bloody fight,  
And lie down beside the camp-fire  
On the dark and cloudy night,

When I hear that mill-wheel turning  
It reminds me of that hour  
Oh! could I only vanish,  
And hear it never more.

C. L. G.

### THE RING.

(From the German.)

I sat on a lofty mountain,  
Far away from my fatherland;  
Below me lay the hill-chains,  
Deep valleys and meadows grand.

I sat there idly dreaming,  
And my ring from my finger fell,  
A token of true love given  
By her at our last farewell.

And close to my eyes I held it,  
As one would a spyglass hold;  
And peered thru the tiny circlet,  
Adown on the verdant world.

Oh, beautiful, verdant mountains,  
And the peasants golden fields!  
In such a charming framelet  
The scene true beauty yields.

For here little houses glimmer  
On the slopes of the mountains green;  
And sickles and long scythes glitter,  
Reflected on water's sheen.

And there the distant meadows,  
Afar the laughing stream,  
And the blue-tipped mountain ranges  
High watchtowers of marble seem.

And cities with shining turrets,  
And forests with leafy trees,  
And clouds, that thru the distance,  
Like hopes that are vain, one sees.

The earth and the clear, blue heaven,  
The homes of men in the land,  
All this I saw thru the ringlet,  
Which glittered in my hand.

Oh, beautiful, beautiful picture,  
Which came thru my ring, clear and grand,  
The earth and the clear blue heaven  
The homes of men in the land.

B. L. S.

### JANUARY JOLLITIES.

Where was Martin when the lights went out?

Gardner defines a man as a crawling tetrahedron.

Does the Gardener of Arms pay much attention to the Rose and the Daisy?

Was the skating any good, Stewsy?

Teacher: Martin, sit up.

M. (after basket ball game) I can't.

The Basket Ball Team don't know a good lodging when they see it.

Now that we have a (S)mith all sorts of work can be done here.

Will some one tell the girls of the composition class what a cravat is?

Miss Pickles doubtless needs a few lessons in steering a sled down hill before she undertakes to tip the girls off again, or there may be broken bones.

Martie is almost satisfied with her own name.

Water, water, a w(H)ol(e)brook and A. C.

At last we have a (P)orter to guard our (G)ates.

Is mumps a contagious disease?

Ask the Earl of the Sr. Class.

Shortie has invented a new camera plate that cannot be exposed to the wind.

What happened to Jones?

"Mine turned red." Poor Shortie!

"Hit 'em hard," says one of the faculty.

Sometimes girls get fast but they can't always get Swift.

Applicant: Shall I go up or down?

St. Peter: Where did you come from?

App: Arms Academy.

St. Peter: Did you take "The Student?"

App: No.

St. Peter.

Moral: Subscribe immediately 'for ye know not the day nor the hour, etc.'

Translation in Virgil. "How did you feel when you saw these things, Dido!"

The Soph's have at last overcome their fit of chronic shirks.

NOTE. The answers to the following conundrums will be found among the advertisements of this issue.

1. Why is a kiss like a sermon?
2. How many wives is a man entitled to, according to the prayer book?
3. What is that which has a mouth, but never speaks, and a bed, but never lies in it?

4. Why does a baby cry in the morning?

5. Where are happiness and contentment always to be found?

6. Who was the first electrician?

7. Who wrote the song "There is only one girl in the world for me?"

8. Why do we have so much joy, pleasure and splendor at Arms?

9. Why does every one that comes to Massachusetts become Catholic?

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### THE SNOW WALKERS.

In what bold relief stand out the lives  
 of all walkers on the snow. The snow  
 is a great tell-tale, and blabs as effect-  
 ually as it obliterates. Go out into the  
 woods and you can know all that has  
 happened. Cross the fields, and if only a  
 mouse has visited his neighbors's, the fact  
 is chronicled.

The Red Fox is the only species that  
 abounds in my locality; the little Gray  
 Fox seems to prefer a more rocky and  
 precipitous country, and a less vigorous  
 climate. There are traditions of the Sil-  
 ver Gray among the oldest hunters. But  
 the Red Fox is the sportsman's prize and  
 one of the three fur bearers worthy of  
 note among these hills.

The successful trapper commences in  
 the fall, or before the first deep snow. In  
 a field not too remote, with an old axe he  
 cuts a small place, say ten inches by four-  
 teen, in the frozen ground, and removes  
 the earth to the depth of three or four  
 inches, then fills the cavity with dry ashes,  
 in which are placed bits of roasted cheese.  
 Reynard is very suspicious at first, and  
 gives the place a wide berth. He thinks

he will see how things behave before he  
 approaches too near. But the cheese is  
 savory and the cold severe. He ventures  
 a little closer every night, until he can  
 reach and pick a piece from the surface.  
 Emboldened by success, he presently digs  
 freely among the ashes, and finding a fresh  
 supply of the delectable morsels every  
 night, is soon thrown off his guard, and  
 his suspicions are quite lulled. After a  
 week of waiting in this manner, and on  
 the eve of a light fall of snow, the trapper  
 carefully conceals his trap in the bed,  
 first smoking it thoroughly with hemlock  
 boughs, to kill or neutralize all smell of  
 the iron. If the weather favors and the  
 proper precautions have been taken, he  
 may succeed, though the chances are still  
 against him.

So much for foxes, but among our walk-  
 ers in the snow, hares, partridges, squirrels  
 and mice abound. The mice tracks are  
 very pretty, and look like a sort of fan-  
 tastic stitching on the coverlid of snow.  
 One is curious to know what brings these  
 tiny creatures from their retreats. They  
 do not seem to be in quest of food, but  
 rather to be travelling about for pleasure,  
 though always going post-haste, and link-  
 ing stump with stump, and tree with  
 tree by fine hurried strides. That is when  
 they travel openly, but they have hidden  
 passages and winding galleries under  
 the snow, which undoubtedly are their  
 main avenues of communication.

The snow walkers are mostly night  
 walkers also, and the record they leave  
 upon the snow is the main clew one has  
 to their life and doings. The hare is  
 nocturnal in his habits, and though a very  
 lively creature at night with regular run-  
 ways through the wood, is entirely quiet  
 by day. He is easily overtaken by a dog  
 in the open field, but in the woods he

saves himself at a bound.

The sharp-rayed track of the partridge  
 adds another figure to this fantastic em-  
 broidery upon the snow. Her course is a  
 clear, strong line sometimes quite way-  
 ward, but generally very direct, steering  
 for the densest, most impenetrable places,  
 leading you over logs and thru brush,  
 alert and expectant, till suddenly she  
 bursts up a few yards from you, and goes  
 humming thru the trees, the complete  
 triumph of endurance and vigor.

Many people say they never saw squir-  
 rels in winter, but if this true why do you  
 see them so active in the fall, carrying  
 nuts, wheat, and corn to their store-houses?  
 Did they expect to be torpid, or did they  
 expect to do a lot of running about upon  
 the cold snow, and return hungry? Red  
 and grey squirrels are more or less active  
 all winter, and one is inclined to believe  
 that they are partially nocturnal in their  
 habits.

In February there appears upon the snow  
 another track, slender and delicate, about a  
 third larger than that of the grey squirrel.  
 This foot print indicates no haste, but on  
 the contrary, denotes the most imperturba-  
 ble ease and leisure. The foot prints are so  
 close together that the trail appears like  
 a chain of curiously carved links. In plain  
 English this is a skunk. He has just  
 awaked from his six-weeks' nap, and  
 comes out into society again. He is a  
 nocturnal traveller, very bold and impru-  
 dent, coming quite up to the barn, and  
 sometimes taking up his quarters for the  
 season under the hay-mow. There is no  
 such word as hurry in his dictionary, as  
 you may see by his path upon the snow.  
 He has a very sneaking, insinuating way,  
 and goes creeping about the fields and  
 woods, never once in a perceptible degree  
 altering his gait, and, if a fence crosses

his course, steers for a break or opening to avoid climbing. He is too indolent even to dig his own hole, but appropriates that of a woodchuck, or hunts out a crevice in the rocks from which he extends his rambling in all directions, preferring damp thawing weather for his excursions.

These are the snow walkers that are left now on our hills, and much of the old-time wildness is gone. But as we go out in the clear moonlight and look up at the mountains bulging with drifts, we can hear the sharp bark of a fox and imagine him sitting there in his fur and looking down in our direction. Then comes an answering bark from the valley, and we get a suggestion of the weirdness of the ghostly hills, when wolf and panther reigned.

MARY A. WHITE, '02.

### A DRY SEASON.

In these days it is quite gratifying to occasionally come across a man with real "back-bone." We wish to call attention to Judge Robert J. Peaslee, of the Superior Court of New Hampshire, and an alumnus of Arms Academy. New Hampshire by law is a prohibition State although it has not been generally known outside of the State or very apparent inside. For several years sixty saloons have done a thriving business by openly defying the law and cheerfully paying their fines. Chief of Police Healey is largely responsible for this state of affairs. So the case was tried before Judge Peaslee who gave a memorable decision. "It is found that Michael J. Healey has willfully and intentionally refused to enforce the law and has permitted the violation of said law."

Accordingly, in the city of Manchester at nine o'clock on Saturday night, Jan. 4,

farewell drinks are taken. An extra force of clerks is on hand. One provident brother carries three full jugs home, having first filled himself. He is the cynosure of all eyes as he wobbles slowly homeward.

On Manchester st. where the saloons are thickest, a cornetist plays "How Dry I Am," and the crowd swells to the size of a mob. At five minutes of ten the saloons allow no more customers. The last drinks are served. The old standbys are hustled out, and the doors are locked and bolted just as the clock strikes ten. It was a wholesome sight, and it sent a chill through the liquor interests of the State. Three cheers for "Judge Peaslee," and may Arms produce more like him.

### CLASS NEWS—1904.

Our sociable, though postponed several times for various reasons, was at last given on the evening of Jan. 8th. The program consisted of a farce, music and marches. Though our guessing contest could not be given owing to the lack of pencils, all seemed to enjoy a pleasant evening. And as for us Sophomores, we're very glad it's off our minds, and we are now prepared to enjoy "the chief event of the season," the Freshman sociable.

### ATHLETICS.

The Basket Ball squad commenced practicing in Academy Hall early in November. At first this squad consisted of fourteen hustling young athletes, but gradually it dwindled down to about ten.

The season was opened Dec. 3, 1901, by a game with Greenfield high school. Arms excelled in all points of the game in spite of some inexperienced men. The

score was 27 to 10. Goals from floor, Martin 4, Atkins 3, Koonz, Wikon, Conant 3; goals from fouls, Hosford; ref., Redfern; Umpires, Spinney and Irwin.

ALL-PITTSFIELD 42. ARMS 11.

This game was played at Pittsfield, the home team winning by the score of 42 to 11. Arms played a good game, considering the class of the opponents. Goals from field, Hicock 2, Curtin 4, Featherstone 4, Downs, Dale 3, Macher 2, Packard; goals from fouls, Macher 2; ref., Hall; umpire, Siskind. Time, 20 min. halves.

CHICOPEE 35. ARMS 15.

The Academy team played its third game at Chicopee with the St. Joseph T. A. Arms was not used to playing '97 rules. Score Chicopee 35; Arms 15.

GREENFIELD HIGH SCHOOL 36. ARMS 33.

The second game with Greenfield High School was played at Greenfield, Jan. 7, 1902. At the end of the first half Arms was 27 and G. H. S. 12, but in the second half Greenfield played a fast game while Arms, feeling sure of the game, played easy and lost. Score Greenfield 36; Arms 33. Goals from field; Coombs 5, Conant, Butler 4, Koonz 2, Martin 4, Short 2, Wikon 3; ref., Mowery; umpires, Shay and Fiske; time-keeper, Alvord.

ARMS 35. SHELBURNE FALLS, JRS 4.

The next game of Basket Ball was played Jan. 11, at Shelburne Falls with S. F. Jrs. Arms played a very good game and won. Score, Arms 35; S. F. Jrs. 4. Goals from field; Martin 5, Koonz 1, Wikon 2, Atkins 2, Short, Hoyt; goals from fouls; Macher, Martin 2.

Manager John E. Short has arranged the following games and would be glad to receive challenges for more:

Jan. 27, Oakman High School at Turners Falls.  
" 29, Montague " " " S. Falls.  
Feb. 5, " " " " Montague.  
" 26, Drury " " " S. Falls.

The line up for the season is R. Koonz, l. g., J. Short, r. g., H. Wilson, c., G. Martin, r. f., Packard, Atkins and Brown, l. f.

### FINANCIAL REPORT OF A. A. FOOTBALL TEAM FOR 1901:

RECEIPTS.	
Collections,	\$ 7.00
Gate receipts,	52.25
A. A. A. Social,	5.35
A. A. A. A.,	4.35
	<u>\$68.95</u>

EXPENDITURES.	
Ball,	\$ 4.00
Visiting teams,	64.00
Sundries,	.95
	<u>68.95</u>

In connection with the above is the statement of the Harvard athletic receipts and expenses for 1901:

Football association—Receipts, \$55,810.57; expenses, 19,688.16; credit balance, 36,122.41.  
Baseball association—Receipts, \$11,525.89; expenses, 10,566.23; credit balance, 959.66.  
Track team—Receipts, \$3,440.49; expenses, 6,328.68; debit balance, 2,888.10.  
University boat club—Receipts, \$6,792.76; expenses, 6,394.56; credit balance, 398.20.  
Buildings and grounds—Expenses, \$6,206.10.  
Permanent improvements—Receipts, \$6,559.49; expenses, 13,922.50; debit balance, 7,363.01.  
Total receipts for year 1900-1901, \$117,317.27; total expenses, \$78,238.91; total credit balance, \$39,078.36.

Harvard, at the age of 226 years, received from football \$55,810.57, while Arms, only 24 years old, received \$68.95. Perhaps Arms will catch up with Harvard yet! Will every mathematician please figure out the following problem and enlighten the Editorial staff of the 'STUDENT'?

IF \$55,810.57 : \$68.95 :: 266 years : 24 years + x years, in what year, month, week, day, and hour will the A. A. Football receipts equal those of Harvard?

### A WARNING.

The instructor in English ventures to quote from "St Nicholas" the following specimen of orthography, and wishes to suggest it as an awful warning to certain members of her composition classes:

EH KERNEL'S SUN.

A rite suite little buoy, the sun of a kernel, with a rough around his neck, and a plane read cote reaching to his waste, won knight paste up the rowed as fast as a dear.

After a thyme he came too a paws before a house and wring the belle. His low butt hymn and he kneaded wrest. He was two tyred too raze his fare butt too pail face, and a mown of pane rows two his to lips.

The made who herd the belle was about to pair a pare butt she put it buy and flue wythe awl her mite and mane in vein fear her guessed wood knot weight. Butt when she saw the we won teirs powred from her teaming eyes at the site fore her heart was touched.

"Yew poor deer, what ales yew? Why dew yew lye hear? Prey are ewe dying?"

"Know; knot sew," was his grown. "My foot is soar, and eyeam feint."

Sew she boar hymn inn her alms as she aught, too a room where he mite bee quiet, gave him a peace of gnu wry bred and meet stake in a plaice by the grate, held a cent-bottle under his knows took aweigh his choler, rapped hymn up warmly, gave hymn a suite drachm from a blew vial till at last he went fourth threw the reign as hale as a young bare.

### EXCHANGES.

"A fair exchange is no robbery."

Among the new exchanges that have come in during the past six weeks are: The Amaracus, M. H. Aerolith, The Krishno, The Indian Leader, The Vindex, The Crimson, The Susquehanna, The Norm, The Sparks, The Egypti, The Adjutant and many others. They are very interesting and we hope to receive them all again.

The design on the cover of the Egypti is very clever, but it lacks that essential of all good High School papers—an exchange column.

At a table in a hotel  
A youth and maiden sat;  
They didn't know each other,  
But then, what of that?  
The youth picked up the sugar  
With a smile you oft wont meet,  
And passed it to her, saying,  
"Sweets for the sweet."  
She picked up the crackers,  
And scorn was not alack,  
As she passed them to him, saying,  
"Crackers for the cracked."

—From the Egypti.

The M. H. Aerolith is particularly interesting to the German classes. It is fun to translate the jokes und "Glücklich wieder vereint."

Hypatia's letters in the Living-Stone are no credit to a college paper. We thot best to keep them away from our Junior class for fear they might have a bad effect. Sentimentality seems very much out of place in a school paper.

"Oh, it's pleasant to foot to the High School  
From a distance a mile or more  
Then to find you've not that excuse  
For your absence two days before." —Ex.

There have been several fine stories in the recent exchanges. Among them the best were "Misjudged," in the Senior, "Two of a Kind and Another," in the Krishno, and "Christmas in a Mining Camp," in the Interlude.

The designs on the Christmas editions have as a rule been very good. The Papyrus and the Ottawa Review had perhaps the best. The Vindex might be improved upon.

To be applied at "Arms,"  
"Eyes are full of laughter  
Heads are full of whirls  
They are very pretty  
Our little Junior girls." —Ex.

He was a Freshman—  
"A boy stood on a burning deck  
So far as we could learn  
Stood there in perfect safety  
He was too green to burn." —Ex.

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### ANSWERS TO CONUNDRUMS ON PAGE 7.

1. It requires two heads and an application.
2. Sixteen—four richer, four poorer, four better, four worse.
3. A River.
4. Because Aurora is the Goddess of morning.
5. In the dictionary.
6. Noah—he made an Ark (arc) light on Mount Ararat.
7. Adam.
8. Because we have the three (G) races.
9. Because they go to Mass.

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