

much larger than our ordinary one (which, by the way, will be enlarged after the holidays). It will contain a series of stories, poems, news, etc., "At Crosby School" being continued in it. Business Men! We give special space and easy terms for advertising in this number.

Composition on School Days.

Our school days are the most important part of our lives; the foundation stones on which all our after life is built. If the foundation of a house is badly laid, the house will be badly built; and if our school days are badly spent, our lives are not likely to be spent much better. An unlearned lesson is like a stone left out of the foundation. One stone does not make much difference, but when a boy or girl goes through school, wasting his time and leaving hundreds of lessons unlearned, he lays a bad foundation; and in after years he will wish that he had a chance to lay it over again. If those idle boys and girls who spend their school days in reading novels, or some such nonsense, would only consider the value of the time they are wasting, surely they would not dare to sit there and fritter away those opportunities, which, once lost, will never return.

HELEN ARBUTHNOT,
Ryerson School.

A newly married couple had settled down, on returning from their honeymoon, in a lovely house with all the modern improvements among which was a telephone. Daily over the wires passed epithets of love between him at the office and her at the house. But soon he saw that his business required more of his time, and he would not have his wife know for the world that he could not give his full time to her. He struck a plan. In his employment was a man, who worked around the office doing general work, and whose voice was remarkably like his employer, the husband. The plan was to have him take his place at the telephone in the morning and talk to his employer's wife in the same strains as his master. It worked well, and all the business required was well attended to. The day the husband had to go within a few doors of his house on a message to a customer, he went on and looked through the shutter, when to his surprise and horror what should he see but his wife coolly reclining on the sofa reading a novel, and the girl, Bridget at the telephone.

The following is published at the request of the author:—"In a country school was a trustee who

had a very small and thin mustache, about the boys would mercilessly tease him. One day the trustee was passing through the school-yard when he heard a boy say to his chum:—"Why is Mr. L.'s mustache like a baseball match?" "Because, three out all out," was the sarcastic reply.

H. D. McMAHON.

School News.

A Jesse Ketchum boy says that their school company is not going to compete for the drill prize.

Ex-Mayor Howland has offered two prizes in the Jesse Ketchum school, for the two best compositions, one in the junior fourth book class and the other between the senior fourth and junior fifth book classes.

A baseball match played April 18th, between Church street school and the St. Simon's church choir resulted in favor of the latter. Score, 27 to 8 runs.

The broom drill and calisthenics by the girls of Victoria street school, was a complete success and was appreciated accordingly.

We understand that the managers of Loretta Abbey intend giving a silver medal at the midsummer examination for general proficiency.

To the writers of the second and third best compositions we will give a year's subscription besides publishing the leading three. We will also publish the names of all those who write. Full particulars on page 7.

The drill company in Wellesley school devote a half-hour twice a week to practise, besides the regular drill on Thursday. Their head master says "they must and will win the prize this year."

Why is it that a match is not fixed between any two of the large schools.

Two matches were played on Saturday, May 5th: Oaklands vs. Albions and Wellingtons vs. Cass Club. Score as follows: Oaklands, 16 runs; Albions, 13 runs; Wellingtons, 11; Cass, 0.

It was amusing to see the principal of that large school in the "Noble Ward" enter one of his rooms with his fists clenched, his eyes protruding, and pale with rage as he assured the class that he was *angry*. I wonder would they have known if he had not told them.

The Dufferin school boys stand a good chance of getting the drill prize this year.

On Saturday, April 28th, the Eastern Stars defeated the Poplars by a score of 15 to 8. Lyons and Rosenfeldt were the battery for the victors, while Newberry and Smith performed that part for the vanquished.