

A SICK COLLEGE BOY.

All alone I lay on my boarding-house bed,
My hands so feverish, and such a pain in my head,
That when the doctor came and saw me he said,
"To-day you must not get up."
The fire is out and the room is quite cold,
And countless rats are indeed getting bold,
For I see them sneaking right out of their holes,
And eating what's in my cup.

There's a long, long hall 'tween this and the stairs,
Of which there are several very steep pairs;
And waiter does not attend to my prayers
For potatoes and a tender cut.
I've called as loud as indeed I should,
But hear waiter neither could or would,
For I am weak for want of food,
And the door of my room is shut.

But hark! the three quarters past ten bells sound,
And I hear the shouts in the large play ground
Of the boys contending for the high school mound,
Built in the centre field.
There are Tom and Harry and Jack I suppose
The loud voices of whom everybody knows,
When at play, (but not when at Latin Prose,
To which their minds they do not yield.)

Oh, how I long to go out and play,
And not lie in this lonely bed all day,
But to join in the hardy school-boys fray,
That's going on outside.
But I must not grumble or even sigh,
For I shall be healthy as Jack bye and bye;
Then to beat him for Term I'll try,
And Exhibitions beside.

R. N.

APPROPRIATE CONUNDRUM.—How many days has the year of its own? Three hundred and twenty-five, because forty of them are Lent (lent).

ON A BAD SINGER.

Swans sing before they die: 'twere no bad thing
Should certain persons die before they sing.
COLERIDGE.

DECLINED WITH THANKS.

A correspondent something new,
Transmitting signed himself "X.Q.,"
The editor his letter read,
And begged he might be X.Q. too.

A RETORT.

"I'm going to seal a letter, Dick,
Some wax pray give to me."
"I have not got a single stick,
Or whacks I'd give to thee."

MARRIAGE GRIEFS.

On his death-bed poor Lubin lies—
His spouse is in despair;
With frequent sobs and mutual sighs
They both express their care.
"A different cause," says Parson Sly,
"The same effect may give;
Poor Lubin fears that he shall die,
His wife that he may live."

PHOX.

A doctor's motto is supposed to be "Patients and long suffering."

A candid old bachelor says, "After all, a woman's heart is the sweetest thing in the world; it is a perfect honeycomb—full of cells."

Mary had a little corn
That grow upon her toe,
And everywhere that Mary went
The corn was sure to go.

What fish has its eyes nearest together? The smallest.
If a small boy is a lad, is a big boy a ladder?

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