

that systematic, painstaking and persistent effort to which he has hitherto been a stranger.

In the tailor, shoe and knitting departments are made all the clothing, boots and stockings worn by the boys. Great praise is due the instructors in these departments for the excellent work their boys are enabled to turn out. In the printing department *Our Boys* is highly appreciated, not only by the boys, but by our numerous subscribers. It is the intention to increase the usefulness of the paper by making it semi-monthly in the future.

Our young carpenters, with their instructors, are kept in constant employment in the repairs necessary in keeping the buildings in good order. So that little time can be given to shop work. But more valuable to them is the practice they receive in the practical work of repairs and construction.

All the bread required in the school is made by the boys under the careful supervision of a capable instructor.

The farm gives employment to a large number of the boys. The out-door exercise afforded them on the farm has been conducive to health, while at the same time they have had that pleasure that boys naturally feel in seeing things grow and develop under their care. About 40 acres are under cultivation. All the vegetables required for use in the institution are grown. Provision is being made for a more liberal policy in feeding the soil, with the view of making the farm more productive during the ensuing year. Under the careful management of the florist our

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have produced a magnificent display of the choicest flowers, chief among these being the chrysanthemums, roses and carnations. A reference to the tables in the appendix will show to what extent they have been productive. Aside from this, too much can not be said in favor of the floral department as an educational factor in developing the finer feelings of the boys and cultivating in them a love for the beautiful. They thus contribute their quota in the work of reform.

It is a cause for gratitude that we were enabled to meet for a portion of our exercises in the beautiful Memorial Hall erected to the memory of the noble founder of this institution, W. H. Howland. This hall, familiarly known as the

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will prove to be a very valuable acquisition to the school.