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Words of Encouragement.

We have just received a very nice letter from Dr. Page, which while encouraging us very much, makes some remarks of which we would like some of our fellow pupils to take notice.

The Doctor says: "I am fully persuaded that if conducted with the same care and ability which characterize the first three numbers, PUSH must become a power for good among the pupils of the Truro schools. I know nothing of the deportment of the boys in school, but I am sorry to say that I have seen the time when out of school it was not creditable. I have blushed to see well-grown boys pile themselves on to the sleighs of country women and treat the occupants with inexcusable rudeness, and when they had kept possession for as long as they pleased, get off and snowball the horse and driver. Boys often forget how thin the line is between fun and rowdyism, and while we all delight

in seeing them enjoy the former, we are much pained by any exhibition of the latter. Under the influence of PUSH we expect speedily to see the time when the Truro boys will be as kind and gentlemanly as the girls are and ever have been modest and lady-like.

"Perhaps I should mention that yours is not the first venture of the kind in the Truro schools. More than forty years ago John Ambrose, now Rev. Dr. Ambrose, published a weekly paper in connection with the old Academy, and singularly enough his publishing day was Friday. It was issued in manuscript, there being no printing press in Truro then, and the only persons benefited by it were the Academy pupils, to whom the Editor, standing on a box, read the paper every Friday after school. It contained no advertisements but lots of fun, as almost everything from his pen did, in his boyish days."

"All the old Academy boys and girls wish you every success with PUSH."

LOCALS.

Miss Allie Gladwin, Queen St., is ill with diphtheria.

Miss Bertha McNutt, of Nuttby, is now attending school in town.

Charlie McLennan, Grade II, has recovered from his illness of last week.

We are glad to see Miss Sadie Crowell, Grade V, out to school once more after a long illness.

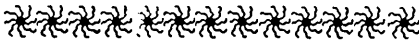
A little Brooklyn scholar, Miss Blanche M. Creelman, has entered Grade V.

We are sorry to hear of the illness of one of our editors, Miss Maud Pugsley, Grade VIII.

Miss Bessie Murray, Grade VIII, who has been ill for some weeks is slowly recovering. We shall be glad to see her in her class again.

In the January monthly examination of Miss Archibald's division of Grade VIII, the four highest averages were made by Miss Lena Clis-hohn, Miss Sadie Cameron, Miss Lizzie Peterson and Fred C. Baird.

We are sorry to learn that some Grade V scholars are very ill. Miss Bessie McLean and Miss Maude Burrows, Brunswick St., have been ailing for some time, while Miss Jessie Murphy, Havelock St., is but slowly recovering from a dangerous illness.



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Compliment the students on their energy and industry in bringing out this little paper, and show their encouragement by occupying this space.

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Fussy Old Gentleman—"Have you any children?"

"Yes, sir; a son."

"Ah! Does he smoke?"

"No, sir; he has never touched a cigarette."

"Does he frequent the clubs?"

"He has never put his foot in one."

"Does he come home late?"

"He goes to bed directly after dinner."

"A model young man, madame. How old is he?"

"Just two months."

The bag pipe, the favorite Scotch and Italian musical instrument, was invented in Greece 200 B. C.

The first silver coin was made by Phidon, king of Argos, 869 B. C.

The first American coins were made in England in 1612 for the Virginia Company.

Venice is built on 72 islands in a lagoon, and is often called the "City in the Sea."

The banana produces per acre 44 times more food than the potatoe and 131 times more than wheat.

It is estimated that over one hundred millions of people now speak the English language, over forty-one millions the French, sixty-nine millions German, thirty millions Italian, forty-one millions Spanish, thirteen millions Portuguese and sixty-seven million Russians.

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Any one who wishes to send the queen a personal poem or a communication of any kind (except a personal letter, which the poor lady is not allowed to have at all) must have it printed in gilt letters on one of those silk sheets with a gold fringe, just so many inches wide and no wider, all about it.

These gold trimmings will be returned to him in time, as they are expensive, and the Queen is kindly and thrifty, but for the queen's presence they are imperative.—[Fireside.]

The first book with a date printed in England was "Diets and Sayings of the Philosophers enprynted by me, William Caxton, at Westmestre, the yere of our Lord MCCCCLXXVIJ."

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