

Basket Ball.

Those who were saying that Company D team had gone to pieces are strangely silent now, wondering what made them think that every game was to be lost because the team had a slump when they played Norwich. This game shows that Company D is still out for the state championship and will make every contesting team struggle to keep up with their skillful playing. It was evident, when the game opened, that both teams were keyed up to the highest pitch, that the do or die determination was unmistakably on their faces, and the spirited game that followed bore out this belief.

The game opened with a goal on a foul by Brattleboro, which was followed by the second, and then Company D tied the score with a basket by McGovern. Throughout this period, the teams were alternately ahead, until the period ended with the score 11 each. During the period Company D threw five baskets and one point on fouls, Brattleboro, four baskets and three points on fouls. It was seen in the first period that Company D was the more skillful at blocking and floor-working and it was only the question of strength. In the second period goals were few and far between, only four being thrown and only one point on fouls. This period was one of manoeuvring on the part of both teams, each trying to outdo the other in skillful passing and blocking. Time and time again a player would dribble the ball down the hall only to find his play blocked, when some one else would take the ball around the hall with the same result. Some of Company D men were so anxious that they passed the ball with such great speed that it could not be caught and held, but several long, swift passes counted and made three baskets. The period ended with the score 17 to 14 in favor of the home team. In the last period there was "something doing every minute," for every Company D man took the ball around the hall with speed which it would take an avalanche to stop. A rush and a pass and Buckley and McGovern of Co. D, caged the ball with marvelous shots, while Wright managed to elude March and drop the ball in just when it was needed on a rapid pass thrown in a difficult one on a rapid pass by Carr. For Brattleboro, Bothwell caged the ball from the center of the hall and received the applause he deserved. Seven baskets were thrown by D in this period and the visitors secured two and one point on a foul, making the score at the end of the game 31 to 19.

The objectionable features which marked the Company D-Brattleboro games in last season were missing, and it was a pleasure to see such a spirited game without having a disorderly crowd and slugging by the players or objectionable decisions by the officials. One thing seems to be lacking by the Company D team—the ability of any player to throw goals on fouls. Fourteen fouls were called on Brattleboro and of this number Company D secured but one point and several D men tried to catch the ball. This is a poor record. After the game the Brattleboro team were given a lunch in Company D club rooms.

The line up— Company D: Buckley, McGovern, Carr, Wright. Brattleboro: Ferriter, Stafford, Bothwell, Stafford, Howe, H. Ellis, March. Summary. Score, Company D 31, Brattleboro 19. Goals from floor, McGovern 9, Stafford 3, Buckley 2, Thompson 2, Wright 2, Bothwell 2, March, Ellis, Fools, Co. D 17, Brattleboro 14. Goals on fouls, Carr 5, Carr, Referee, Gunn, Umpire, Howe, Score, Sulloway, Timer, Bonett. Time, 15 minute periods. Attendance 700.

Co. D 2nd Defeated. The Barre Telegram of Saturday has this to say in regard to the game played there Friday evening between Company D 2nd team and Barre Y. M. C.

The Y. M. C. won out in a fiercely played contest with the team sent here to represent Co. D of St. Johnsbury. The game was one of the most interesting ever played in this city despite the great lead which the Barre boys held over their opponents, in fact, the rooting became so hot at one time, that the referee for Co. D declared he would forfeit the game to his team unless the spectators preserved better order. It was evident from the start that the St. Johnsbury team expected to meet defeat, for Gunn, their referee, took the floor and stated that they had not been able to bring their regular team, and that this should not be counted as a regular game. Will of the Y. M. C. however, answered in a few well chosen words that explained the attitude of the Barre team, saying that Co. D might play McGovern their professional, providing they would consent to allow the game to be classified as regular, with the first team of Co. D. The game started without the services of the touted McGovern, and judging from the wonderful team play exhibited by the Y. M. C. backed as it was by the skillful exhibition given by Will and Summers, it would have made little difference if Co. D had brought five such men along. The line up: BARRE Y. M. C. Co. D 2nd. Sheff, r. f. Allsopp, l. f. Summers, r. f. Paige, c. Smith, c. Follenberg, l. f. Will, r. g. H. Hale, r. g. Buchanan, l. g. Summary. Score, Barre 22, Co. D 2nd 4. Goals from floor, Summers 6, Smith 3, Hale, Follenberg, Referee, Gunn, Umpire, Gunther. Score, Annis, Timer, Mariana. Time, 15 minute periods. Attendance 500.

Victory for St. J. A. St. J. A. defeated Rockland Military Academy Basketball Team Friday evening by the score of 36 to 22. St. J. A. easily excelled at passing and blocking while the shooting baskets of Rockland was weak. The visitors seemed to devote more time to talking and kicking about decisions than playing the game, and it was easily seen that they did not understand many of the rules. During the scrimmage Yale of the visiting team had his nose broken.

The line up: St. J. A. Calderwood, r. f. Moore, l. f. Thomason, c. Peck, r. g. Elker, l. g. Summary. Score, St. J. A. 36, Rockland 22. Goals from floor, Thompson 6, Peck 5, Schroer, Mich. Monte, Moore 2, Bicker, Rockland 3. Goals on fouls, Getman 8, Ref. Colledge, Umpire, Pickering, Referee. Time, 15 minute periods.

Scale Team Lost. The Fairbanks office basket ball team played the Barton team at Barton last week Tuesday evening and were defeated by the score of 20 to 16. Fouls were so frequent that the game was practically spoiled and made good playing impossible. The visiting team were given a dance after the game.

The line up: Barton: Heath, Meers, r. f. Webster, Gaidif, r. g. Perry, Thompson, Rin, c. C. Follenberg, Turner, Follenberg, Cloutier, l. g. Fairbanks: Ig. Bailey, r. g. Polinsky, Turner, Follenberg, H. P. Beck. Summary. Score, Barton 20, Fairbanks 16. Goals from floor, R. Webster 2, Heath 2, Thompson 2, Rines, Feals, Fairbanks 27, Barton 25. Goals on fouls, Follenberg 10, Rines 10. Referee, Wilkenon. Umpire, Pearl. Time, three 15 minute periods.

'07 Class Won. The 1907 class basket ball team of the Academy played the Concord team at Concord, Friday evening, and won by a score of 20 to 13. The game was not exciting for the hall was not large enough to allow good passing and team work. There was a dance after the game.

The line up: 1907. Concord. Reed, r. f. Barrett, l. f. Buswell, c. Hooker, r. g. Cummings, l. g. Ig. Brewer, r. g. Bonett, c. Southworth, H. Webster, r. f. Harvey. Summary. Score, 1907, 20, Concord 13. Goals from floor, Cummings 2, Reed 2, Southworth 2, Barrett 2, Harvey, Webster, Fools, 1907, 13, Concord 14. Goals on fouls, 1907 8, Concord 5. Referee, Moore. Time, 15 minute periods.

Notes. The Brattleboro Reformer has this to say, in part, of the Norwich game at St. Johnsbury recently: "In a game characterized by many injuries and considerable rough playing, Norwich university defeated Company D of St. Johnsbury on the latter's floor Friday evening, thus spoiling any claim the military team might have to the state championship."

Say Mr. Reformer, don't you think that Brattleboro Independents chances were somewhat damaged last Wednesday evening? Friday evening Company D plays the Ashland, N. H., basket ball team. Company D played this team last season and won by a small score and Ashland has a much faster team this year having defeated nearly all the last teams in New Hampshire.

In the junior series of games in the Y. M. C. A. last week the Reds defeated the Whites by the score of 19 to 11 and the Blacks by the score of 16 to 13.

Y. M. C. A. Notes. The class in penmanship has been resumed after two weeks, when the classes were not held on account of the illness of the teacher.

The Junior Bible class meets every Sunday afternoon from 2:30 to 3:15 o'clock. All boys who are interested are invited. Some experiments are tried every session. The first of the practical talks will be given on Wednesday evening, March 8. Admission by ticket only. These tickets can be secured at the Association office on and after Saturday, March 4.

The members of the Junior department had a very pleasant time last Friday evening. The evening was spent in playing games and at the close light refreshment were served. Last week Tuesday after the basket ball games, coffee and doughnuts were served to the pleasure of all.

East St. Johnsbury. Perley Severance is at work for W. H. Carr in Sumnerville. Mrs. Jennie Clough of Bloomfield was the guest of Mrs. H. F. Griswold last week.

Mrs. Oscar Wallace is slowly recovering from her recent illness. L. W. Fisher has sold the "Brown house" to George McGinnis. It is now occupied by Mr. Noyes of Concord, who has recently moved in. The cantata "Queen Esther" will be presented to the public Saturday evening at the church. Refreshments will be served and all are cordially invited. Admission 25 cents.

He Followed the Advice. [H. Webb Chamberlain.] The very icy condition of the sidewalks was the cause of a very humorous incident the other day. A rather portly gentleman of uncertain age was coming down Eastern Avenue, just as he reached Pearl street a little boy of about ten or twelve came running up the hill on his way to school, suddenly he slipped falling rather hard. The aforesaid gentleman smiled and exclaimed, "Look out, you've dropped something!" The little fellow backed and set down. "As though in reply to the youngster's suggestion, the man's feet flew out from under him and he came down with a dull, sickening thud." He turned to the boy and replied, "Thanks, I did." The little fellow looked wise for a moment then his face brightened with a beaming smile as he said, "Yep, I see you did; and say Master, I guess you dropped a blamed sight more than I did. Didn't you?"

ST. JOHNSBURY CENTER. Mrs. Dennie Trombly of St. Johnsbury has been visiting at Mrs. Grace Simpson's.

Mr. Franklin conducted the service at the Congregational church Sunday morning. Willie Pierce went to Brightlook Hospital last week to have an operation for appendicitis. At this writing he is quite comfortable.

Mrs. Charlie Bennett, who has been visiting her sister, M. S. Sadie Drew, at Barre, has returned home. Steve Lovoy has gone to St. Johnsbury to board and Miss Clara Peak has gone to Robert Corliss' to board, also at St. Johnsbury.

The social held Friday evening at Rev. Mr. McLaughlin's was well attended and a good time enjoyed by all. Refreshments of cake coffee and sandwiches were served.

The monthly business meeting of the Christian Endeavor society

will be held Wednesday evening at seven o'clock. Mrs. Ike Flint and daughter of St. Johnsbury were the guests of Mrs. Martha Flint last week.

Miss Pierce of St. Johnsbury has been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Hall. During the week several have lost their water supply. Mr. Brewer and Mr. Farnham get their water from the Sticks spring, while others carry it from the river.

Miss Shorten one of the nurses who was caring for Willie Forsythe, has returned to Brightlook Hospital. Mr. Forsythe is gaining slowly.

Mrs. A. N. Page was the guest of Mrs. U. G. Goss last week. Mr. Park, who has been quite sick, is able to be in the store again.

Mrs. Maude Ryder and son of St. Johnsbury have been visiting at M. D. Parks. The marriage of Miss Winona Jenness and Arthur Noblock of Lawrence, Mass., will take place today. Miss Jenness was formerly from this place and she has the congratulations of many friends here.

Lester Berry of Dartmouth has been spending a few days with his parents returning to his school Tuesday. Mrs. Jace Hill was in Sutton last week.

Mrs. John Weeks of Danville was the guest of Mrs. Franklin last week. Monocles in the English Army. About a century ago a British army order was issued forbidding officers to wear eyeglasses or spectacles. But a shortsighted officer belonging to a crack cavalry regiment had no mind to resign his commission or stumble blindly, and he invented the single eyeglass. When called to account by the authorities he claimed that the monocle, being of the singular number, did not contravene the order against spectacles and glasses in the plural. Red tape accepted this literal rendering of the law, and, becoming popular in the British army, the monocle was adopted by civilian beans.

Take Cancer In Time. An English specialist declares that "too late" has yet to be said in one-half or three-fourths of the cancer cases when seen by the operating surgeon. A general acceptance of the view that cancer has usually a precancerous stage and that this stage is the one in which an operation ought to be performed would be the means of saving many lives.

The Amateur Farmer's Success. "There goes a 'book farmer' that refutes the stock joke about what failures they are."

"How is that?" "His favorite text book is 'Success With Small Fruits,' and he has succeeded in growing the smallest fruit I ever saw."—Brooklyn Life.

Improved Rapidly. Singing Master—Why, you have no voice at all! Singer—Well, but I always pay for my lessons double the amount usually paid by others. Singing Master—Say that again; your voice sounded much better, I thought.

Never Had a Chance. "What is the greatest speech that congress ever developed?" "The greatest speech," said the statesman with the disappointed look, "was never delivered. I wrote it myself."—Washington Star.

Wild Licorice. A bundle of licorice root—slim, rough sticks of tobacco brown wood—lay on the counter, and the sailor took one up and began to chew its end.

"I have seen the place where this stuff grows wild," he said. "Do you know where that is?" "Can't say I do," replied the druggist.

"It is along the banks," said the sailor, "of the Tigris and the Euphrates. The licorice is a wild plant in those parts. It stands three feet high, and its roots reach the water. For miles and miles the licorice patches spread, and the smell of them fills the air. It is a sweet, heavy smell."

"In those parts they cut the licorice plants regularly, and they use the poor, crooked, imperfect sticks for firewood. The good, clean, straight sticks they bundle up—just like this bundle here—and ship to the states and America. Some of the sticks go to druggists, to be sold cheap or given away, but most of them, nearly all of them, go to the snuff and tobacco manufacturers. What for? Why, to be used in adulterating in favoring tobacco and snuff."—Baltimore Herald.

Once Was Enough For Him. A piano tuner in an uptown apartment had just settled down to his work when the woman of the house came into the room, dressed for the street.

"Are you going out?" he asked. "Yes," she answered, with some surprise. "Why do you ask?" "I heard you tell the maid when she went out a few minutes ago to be sure and be home by 10 o'clock."

"I did. It is her evening out." "And there is nobody else in the apartment?" "Certainly not," replied the woman, showing some irritation. "Are you afraid to stay here alone?"

"Sure, I am," answered the piano tuner, gathering up his tools, "and I don't mean to either. The firm does not ask us to unless we wish. I had my lesson two years ago. After I had worked in an apartment alone a man called to polish the furniture. He worked alone too. Next day several valuable articles were reported missing, and I was visited by the police. I knew I hadn't taken them. The furniture man swore he hadn't, and I believed him. It was a week of suspicion and misery for me and my family that I'll never forget. I take no more chances. I'll come back tomorrow when the maid is here."—New York Press.

AN EXPERT IN HIS FIELD.

James R. Garfield, Commissioner of Corporations, and His Career. James Rudolph Garfield, whose report as commissioner of corporations in the department of commerce and labor has received much attention, was not chosen for his important post simply because he is a son of the "martyr president," James A. Garfield. He was selected because he had shown special fitness for it. Shortly after Mr. Roosevelt became president he had to fill a vacancy in the national civil service commission and called in several members of the commission to take dinner and discuss the matter. During the meal Mrs. Roosevelt remarked: "I know just the man for civil service commissioner."

"Who?" said the president. Mrs. Roosevelt named young Garfield. "Just the person," said her husband after a moment's thought. "He is the right man for the right place. I will appoint him."

Mr. Garfield while a member of the Ohio senate had been somewhat of a thorn in the side of the politicians, having introduced and pressed to passage measures which were not welcome to them. Mr. Roosevelt knew that his appointment would not especially please either Senator Hanna or Senator Foraker. So he broke it to Uncle Mark

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JAMES RUDOLPH GARFIELD.

In this way: "Senator, I have decided to appoint James R. Garfield a civil service commissioner."

"You say you have decided to appoint him?" questioned Mr. Hanna. The president nodded. "Well, then, I guess it's too late for me to object," replied Mr. Hanna, with a smile.

Mr. Garfield's duties as civil service commissioner brought him in touch with Mr. Knox, then attorney general, who recognized his ability in problems pertaining to corporations. Mr. Knox told the president he wanted him as one of his assistants in antitrust legislation. Mr. Roosevelt replied that if Garfield were such a good man as that he would make him commissioner of corporations.

Commissioner Garfield is thirty-nine years of age. His hair is tinged with gray, and he has a frank smile and a sturdy frame. In physique and temperament he is said to resemble his father strongly.

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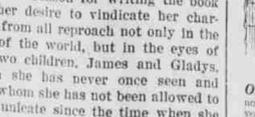
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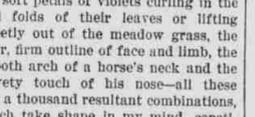
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