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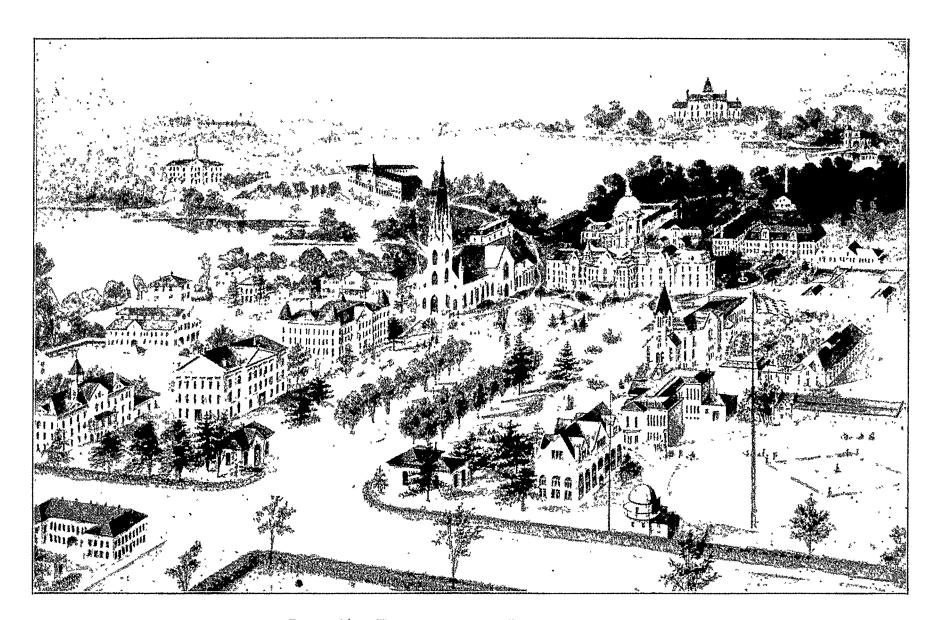
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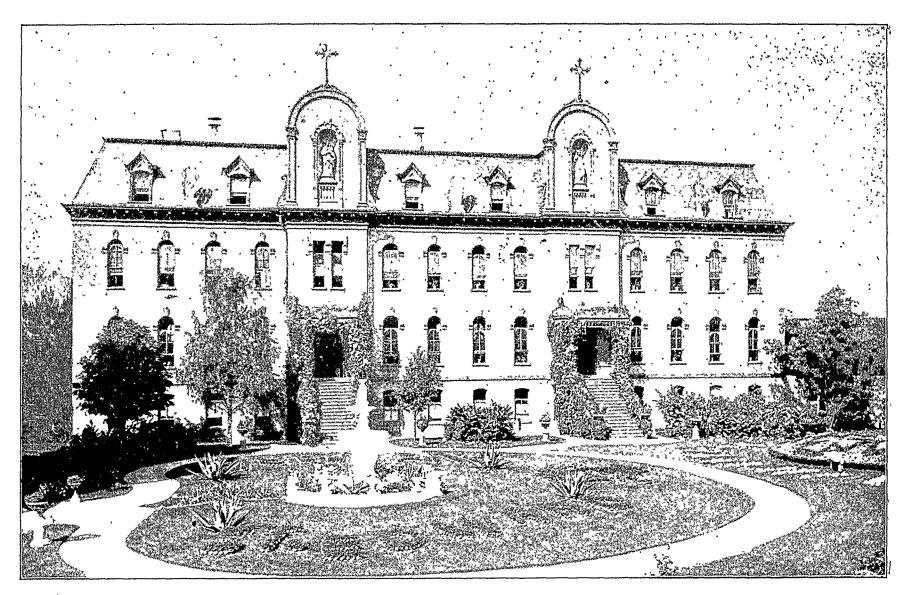
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BIRDS EYE VIEW OF NOTRE DAME UNIVERSITY.





ST. EDWARD'S HALL.

#### HISTORICAL.

In building the University of Notre Dame, the founders sought to make it a home from which the benefits of Christian education might be spread to the youth of the land. Realizing, however, that, to enter the university proper, a certain standard of excellence must first be reached, it was decided that such a degree of excellence as was required, could be attained better here, if a preparatory school were maintained in connection with the university, than it could be if the boys were forced to acquire it in the public school. From the very opening of the university's doors therefore, they have been free for students desiring preparatory education as well as for those that desire to pursue more advanced studies. In fact the first pupil was a Minim. This unique distinction belonged to the late Alexis Coquillard, of South Bend.

From this combined preparatory and academic school grew the separate schools, and eventually St. Edward's Hall was erected as the junior part of the preparatory department. The first move toward making this branch of the school a separate department in itself, was made in 1854, twelve years after the founding of the institution. During the first years of its existence the Minim department was in charge of lay teachers, principally women, of whom Miss McCambray was the first. She was succeeded by Miss Birch, a lady from Kentucky. Next came Miss

Blake, and after her Mrs. Stace, mother of Professor A. W. Stace, who was so prominent in the early history of Notre Dame. After Mrs. Stace left, the care of the younger boys was entrusted to Miss Moss and Mrs. Williams who watched over the department until 1863. At that time Father Sorin, decided that it would be more advantageous to have the Minims in charge of Sisters than to have them governed by lay teachers. Hence Mother M. Angela, the famous foundress of the Order of the Sisters of the Holy Cross in America, was entrusted with the organization of the Minim department as we have it today. She nominated different sisters to preside over the work of the department until Sister M. Aloysius, the present superioress was appointed to that position in 1874.

At that time the little fellows were still domiciled in a part of the ground floor of the present infirmary building, as it existed before the fire of '79. Under her guidance however, such progress was made that it was found necessary to erect a separate building for the boys under her charge and to enlarge the campus in order to make room for them. This led to the erection of the present spacious building known as St. Edward's Hall, which received its name from the founder of Notre Dame, Father Edward Sorin. moving into the new building in 1882 so great was the advancement made by the department and so many were the new pupils added to its register that it was found necessary to augment very materially its staff of teachers. At the present time the Hall has more than a hundred pupils with a staff of thirteen Sisters as teachers. over, this regular staff of teachers is assisted by seven of the university professors in such branches as music, composition, languages, drawing and painting, elocution and

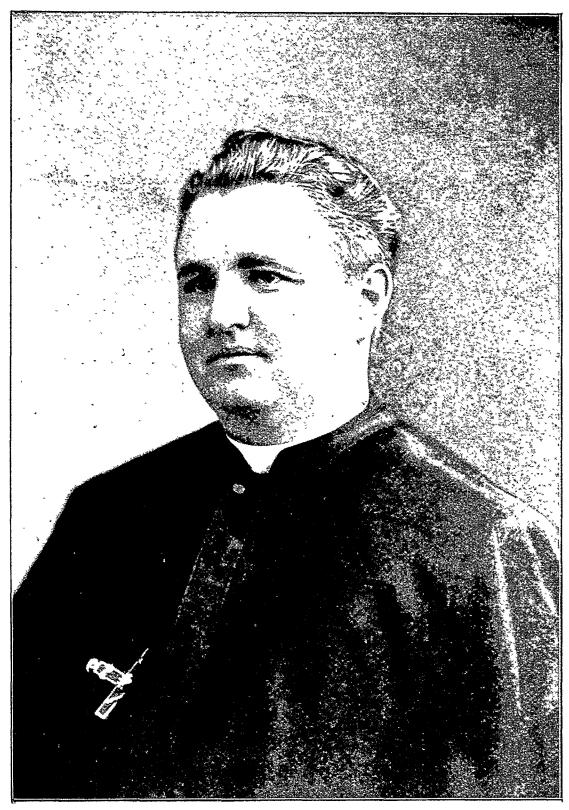


VERY REV. EDWARD SORIN, C. S. C, Founder and First President of Notre Dame University.

physical culture. In addition to this there are three brothers of the Holy Cross who look after the Minims during their recreation hours and watch over them in the dormitories.

It is a matter of pride to those that are in charge of St. Edward's Hall, and perhaps it should be mentioned in closing its history, that during the life of Very Rev. Father Sorin, this was the department in which he took particular pride. Nothing pleased him so much as to be present occasionally at some of the Minim recitations or to be out among the boys while they were at play. So great was his attachment for them that the pupils of St. Edward's Hall, in order to show their appreciation of his attention to them, organized a military company which was known as the "Sorin" cadets, and still exists under that name.

This brief historical outline will give one a notion of the origin and the development of the separate department at Notre Dame, designed for the training and schooling of small boys. It must not be thought, however, that because St. Edward's Hall is separate by itself, it is an independent institution, apart from the rest of Notre Dame, for such is not the case. Its separation from the university proper is only in so far as the care and special provisions for the young boys may require: so far as the general administration is concerned it is a part of the institution and is under the control of the President and the Board of Trustees of the university itself.



VERY REV ANDREW MORRISSEY, C. S. C., Pres dent Notre Dame University.

#### DESCRIPTION.

St. Edward's Hall is located in the north-eastern corner of the university group of buildings, a little to the north of the Academy of Music and east of the Main Building. It is a large, four story, brick building, one-hundred-and-fifty feet long and sixty-five feet wide. As shown in the cut presented in the opening pages of this catalogue, the exterior of the building is plain and is approached by two main entrances. Interiorly the building is well laid out to suit the convenience of the purpose for which it was erected, and is artistically decorated throughout the corridors, the parlors, the chapel and many of the class rooms.

On the lowest floor of the building are located the lavatories, toilet rooms, one or two of the clothes rooms, bath rooms, etc. The second floor is divided into the St. Edward's chapel, parlor, reception room, class rooms, study and society hall. A large corridor leads through the center from east to west and two others cross this at right angles. On the walls of these corridors are some frescoes by the famous artist, Signor Gregori, numerous group pictures taken of Minims of other years, and the names of pupils who were in the hall at the celebration of the Golden Jubilee of Notre Dame or who were leaders among their companions. On the third floor of the building are more class and recitation rooms, the music hall and the principal

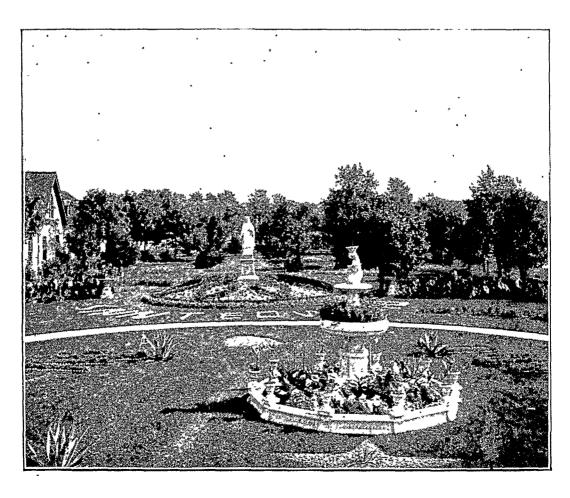
dormitories. On the fourth flat are the remaining dormitories.

The various rooms in St. Edward's Hall are all large, well lighted and well ventilated. The building is heated throughout by steam and is lighted by electricity so that there is absolutely no danger of fire. The equipment is, in every respect, as thorough and as up to date as carefulness and a judicious expenditure of money can make it. One of the things that most readily appears to the eye of an observer is the order and scrupulous cleanliness that is to be noticed on all sides. Even in the play rooms where it might be expected that such young boys might leave things in a careless condition, everything is as neat and orderly as one would find it in a well conducted home.

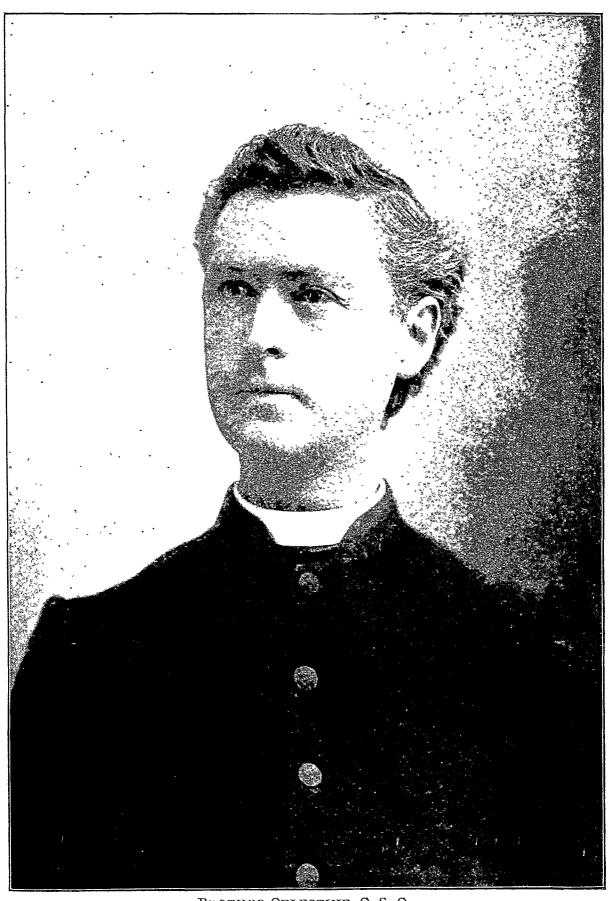
On the eastern end of the building is an annex more than two hundred feet long, which is divided into a library, game rooms, play hall, gymnasium, athletic club rooms, clothes rooms, etc. This annex does not show in the cut of the hall which appears in the first pages, but later on we shall give a close description of its various apartments and present some views of their interior. These will go to show that the facilities offered to the young boys for spending recreation hours in a manner most suitable to their age and tastes are as complete as could well be expected. At the same time we will give descriptions of the campus and the various places where the Minims conduct their outdoor games.

An important thing in connection with the description of St. Edward's Hall is to make mention of the park in front of the building. This park, named for the hall before which it stands, is considered the most beautiful part of the university grounds, which have attracted attention as the finest college grounds in the west. We give a view of only a small corner of St. Edward's Park, as it has been impos-

sible for us to get a photograph of the whole grounds. The Hall, with its annex, has a frontage on this park of four hundred and three feet.



CORNER OF ST. EDWARD'S PARK.



BROTHER CELESTINE, C. S. C., First Prefect of St. Edward's Hall.

#### THE ADVANTAGES OF ST. EDWARD'S HALL.

The advantages of having a separate department at the university for boys under thirteen years of age are so many and so evident that it would seem almost unnecessary to mention them. In the first place if parents are desirous of having their sons sent away to school when they are still of such tender age, they must fully realize that special care and attention should be given to these young boys. However, it would be a difficult matter to make special provisions for them, unless they be kept alone and be under the supervision of prefects and instructors that can devote their whole time to caring particularly for them. It would be practically impossible to make any deviation from the ordinary curriculum in order to benefit them, if they were permitted to be among the other boys, for discriminations in any department, as among men in the world, always work unsatisfactorily.

Again the intimate association of such young boys with older ones does not always lead to the best results. Whatever they notice in their elders they will strive to imitate, but it too often happens that they notice only the rougher side of their companions' actions. Children, below the age of thirteen years, it must be remembered, can not be expected to use either discretion or judgment in shaping their actions, and the evil influence of one thoughtless person would leave a bad impression on their youthful

minds that could not be easily removed.

Still another advantage in having the Minims by themselves is this: their studies, their manner of spending recreation and their tastes in general are very much different from those of the more advanced boys. Hence they can do better in class-work if they follow such lines as are specially planned for them, and they will enjoy their games much better if they are where they can play them without interference from older boys. Life in St. Edward's Hall is thus made more home-like for them since the rules and regulations are especially fitted to suit their best interests. There are a hundred and one little things that go to make up their comfort and happiness, that could not be taken into account if they were not in a separate department. It must be noted here too, that the principal care of looking after these little fellows is entrusted chiefly to the sisters of the Holy Cross. And none better than these same sisters know how to take the place of the absent mother in looking after the training, the progress, the welfare and happiness of those left in their care.

#### SPECIAL ADVANTAGES.

The advantages enumerated above have all been general in their nature, and refer to the benefits that are derived from making the daily routine followed by the little boys, something separate and distinct from that of the advanced students. These advantages are merely temporary and exist only while the student is a member of St. Edward's Hall.

There is, however, another advantage and this is the most important of all, inasmuch as it benefits the student through the remaining years of his college course. The advantage here mentioned is this: that of making the initial and preparatory courses at an institution, in which the

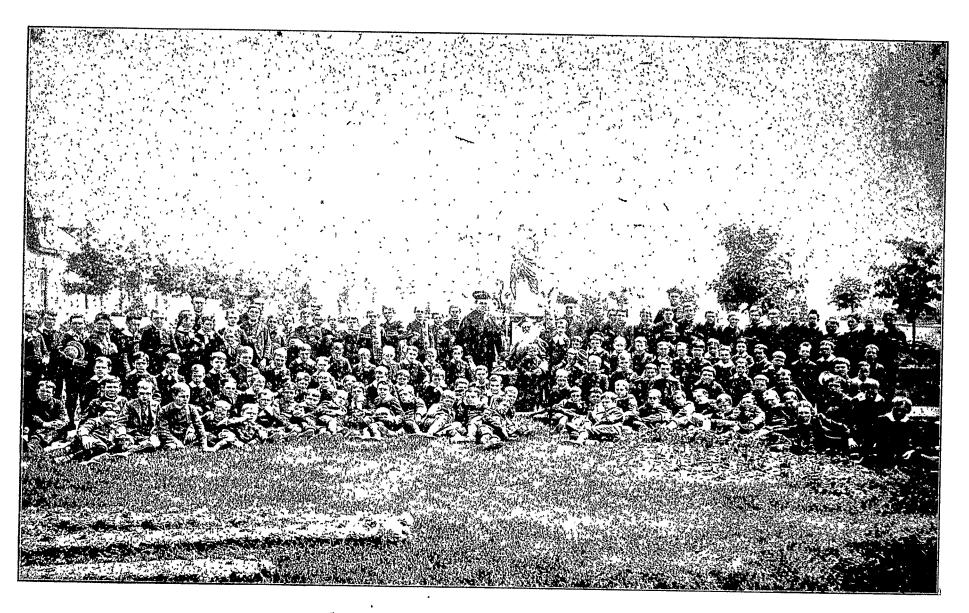
student can follow right along to graduation in one of the collegiate courses. This saves very much trouble and gives a pupil a better foundation for his work. It has been found when students come here after making their preparatory course in High schools or, perhaps, in some academies, they would be qualified thoroughly enough in some lines of studies, whereas other lines were totally neglected. Hence a student that might enter as a Freshman in some studies might be two or three years behind in others, and he would be held back to make these up.

Again the system of teaching in the other schools which he had attended might be so much different from ours that the change might be a great draw-back to him on the start, and thus operate against him all through his course. these disadvantages are overcome by starting in as a pupil in The course of studies followed there St. Edward's Hall. is arranged to lead up gradually through the higher preparatory studies in Carroll Hall and from these into the collegiate courses, with the same evenly balanced progress as, in the graded school for example, the primer leads to the first reader, the first to the second, the second to the third, etc. The system is planned in such a way that the young mind can readily accommodate itself to it, and, this done, the making of a successful college course thereafter is only a matter of time and of giving an amount of labor proportionate to the advance made in studies. That this has been a successful scheme has been repeatedly proved in the examinations held at the end of the preparatory course, to determine the eligibility of students for entrance into the academic department. In these examinations it has almost invariably been the case that those boys who came from St. Edward's Hall were easily superior to the young men who had prepared themselves in other

schools. Being thoroughly trained for every line which they are to follow in the next years of their college life, these ex-Minims take the lead at the entrance examinations, hold it all through their course, and are frequently the ones on whom class honors fall.



A CLASS ROOM IN ST. EDWARD'S HALL.



GROUP OF MINIMS IN ST. EDWARD'S PARK.

#### DISCIPLINE

Continued and varying experience in the care and handling of young boys has brought about the system of discipline now enforced in St. Edward's Hall. Certain restrictions must necessarily be laid upon pupils of their age, and rules of conduct must be formulated which they must strictly obey. Yet every liberty that is compatible with careful training, and every privilege conformable to their proper development are granted to the Minims. Those in charge of the department realize that childhood is the most impressionable time of man's life, and that the effects of early training are lasting. Hence it is sought to influence the Minims by such methods only as will develop in their youthful minds a love for order and rightful conduct, a proper respect for superiors and a taste for such habits as will bring them honor in after life. Every care is given to see that they are kept from everything that would in the least taint their morals, that, if Catholic, they be instructed in the principles of religion, and that they be taught to strive after such virtues and manly habits of character as will make them estimable young men. As in a well regulated home, recourse is had to kindness rather than austerity. The Sisters feel that they fill the place of the absent mother and try to make their instructions lead the boys along such lines as their parents would most desire them to follow. The discipline is thus more like the regulation of an orderly

liome than like the strict mandates of a boarding school. In order to keep the little fellows impressed with the love and respect which they owe their parents, they are required to write to them at least once a week.

As an incentive toward encouraging the boys to keeping the rules, an honor system has been established. At a conspicuous place in the hall is placed a black-board containing the "Roll of Honor" on which are placed the names of all those whose conduct has been conformable to all regulations and whose work has been satisfactory to their teachers. There is great rivalry among the boys to have their names appear on this board, and when for any act or omission one's name is removed it is considered a great punishment. Then, too, there is a gold medal awarded at the end of two fu'l years to those whose deportment has been exceptionably good. As this fact is made known to the Minim immediately after his entrance, he generally endeavors to shape his conduct with a view to receiving an "Honor." It has been found that such incentives as these have been far more effectual toward the development of good character than would be an application of the strap or the rule. latter method finds no place in St. Edward's Hall, for seldom, if ever, is it employed.

The order of the day in St. Edward's Hall is as follows: Rising at 6:40 a. m., toilet etc.; breakfast at seven, after which a short time is allowed for recreation and exercise; at half past seven studies and classes are begun and continued without intermission until half past nine; from half past nine until ten recreation is given and a luncheon is served for those that desire to partake of it. At ten classes are again taken up and followed until 11:45; 11:45, toilet; twelve, dinner, followed by recreation; from one until three study and class; three recreation and luncheon; half past four

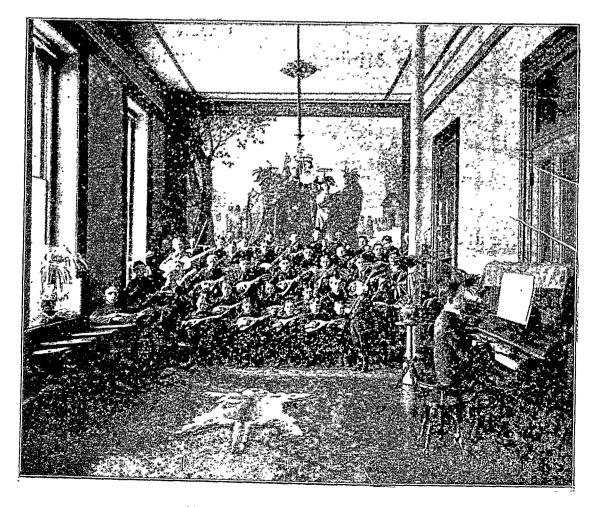
until half past six study and classes; half past six supper followed by recreation. Eight o'clock retiring.

From this it may be seen that the work has been arranged as judiciously as possible toward furthering mental and physical development at the same time. Out of the thirteen hours and a half that constitute the Minim's work day, they spend barely eight hours in class work and study, and are never at work more than two hours at a time. This gives them ample opportunity to take such recreation as boys of their age require, and perhaps to this, more than to any thing else, is due the fact that they are so healthy and rugged. The recreation and exercise in the fresh air between each two hours of study, unbind the mind and prepare the boys to return to their work with a freshness and vigor that does very much toward hastening their progress. During recreation hours as well as in the class and study-room the Minims are always under the supervision of prefects. The presence of these prefects is not intended as a means of keeping order so much as it is to help the little fellows along and administer to any of their needs.

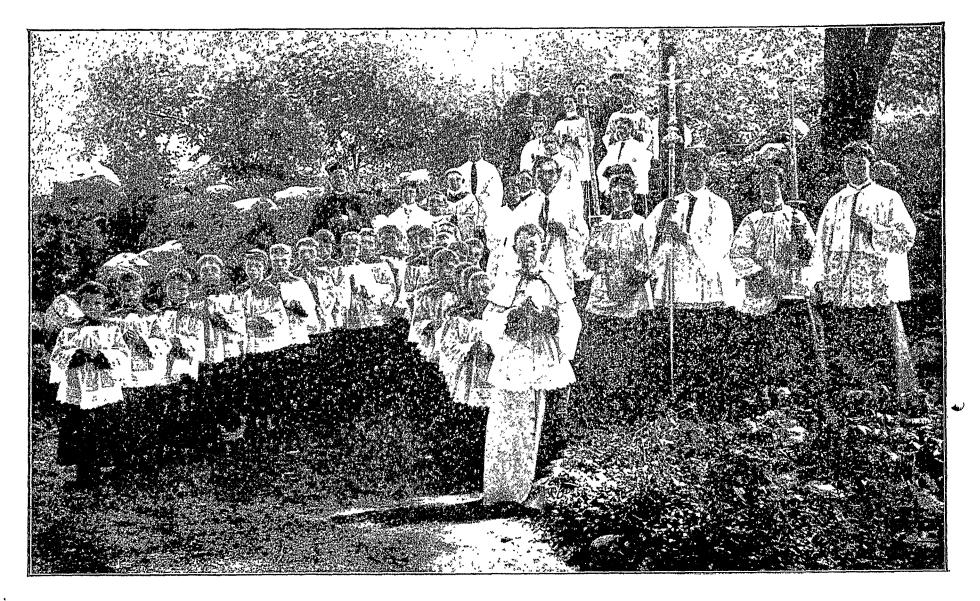
#### SOCIETIES.

There are two societies in the Minim department, that of the Guardian Angels of the Sanctuary, which has for its object to supply servers for the Church offices; and the Sorin Association which has been established with a view to give the pupils a start in elocution as early as possible. This society is presided over by one of the professors who finds it a pleasant duty to train these interesting young talkers. Meetings are held once a week after school hours. These meetings are a source of pleasure as well as of profit to the young enthusiasts. Not infrequently are they honored at these meetings by the presence of some

of the university officials who take pleasure in attending in order to encourage them and watch the development they are making. The members prepare original compositions, deliver declamations, are trained to debate, etc. Only the best behaved and more advanced are admitted to membership. As a further encouragement for this young literary society a gold medal is annually awarded at commencement time to the one who has done the best work, and who shows his merit in open contest. In conclusion it may be said of this society that it has the honor of furnishing the representative who delivers the greetings from St. Edward's Hall to the President of the University on President's day.



THE MANDOLIN ORCHESTRA.



SOCIETY OF THE GUARDIAN ANGELS.

#### THE MINIM'S CAMPUS.

The campus set aside for the exclusive use of the Minims is an eight acre, level field, directly north of their play hall. It is located on the brow of St. Joseph's lake thus commanding one of the finest views of any of the many splendid scenes at Notre Dame. This field is a place of great activity during those seasons in which outdoor games may be played. There are several base ball diamonds on which, during the warm weather in spring and summer, organized teams battle for championship honors in the national game and for the medals awarded to the champion nine.

Then there are three or four gridirons where enthusiastic football players develop brawn and muscle in the great college game, Rugby. Around the outside of the field a track is laid where the track athletes and bicycle riders do their work. It may be said here too, that in proportion to the number of pupils it contains, St. Edward's Hall has more athletes and bicycle riders than any other department at the university. It is a pleasing sight to notice these youngsters playing their various games, in which they put their whole spirit and in which they labor as intensely as if the whole world were waiting for the result. Great is the honor of those that come out victorious, while for the vanquished, their dejection is almost immeasurable.

In addition to the things already mentioned the campus

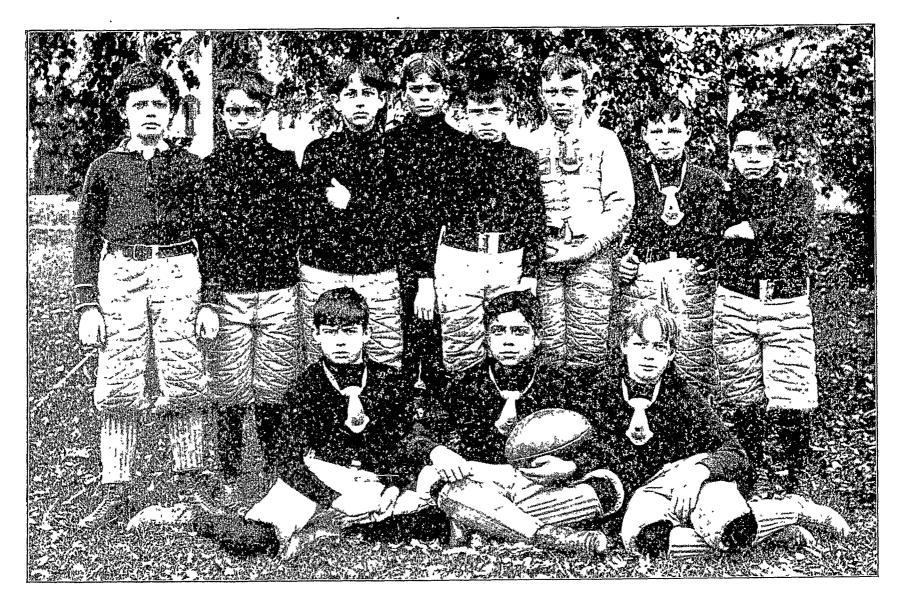
is well supplied with swings, May-poles, turning poles, a tennis court, a large toboggan slide for the winter days, and many other apparatus with which the Minims may spend their recreation hours in an enjoyable manner. That they take advantage of the opportunities afforded, can readily be seen if one makes a visit to their campus on any day when the weather permits them to be out doors.



THE\_BASE BALL TEAM.

#### ATHLETICS.

Young boys need a great amount of vigorous and wholesome exercise, when they are required to do much mental work. Study is wearing enough on any person. but for the youth who does not directly see the benefit of it, application to books is doubly tiresome. He measures greatness more by the standard of sports than by any such qualities as broadmindedness and culture. Hence to satisfy his longing for games, his desire to match his skill and strength with his fellows, he must be given ample opportunity to engage in such contests. Thus will his mind be relieved of the strain that study would naturally put upon And if there is any truth in the old saying that "all work and no play makes Jack a dull boy," it must necessarily follow that a suitable amount of play will sharpen the intellect and render its possessor much more competent to work in a beneficial manner. Besides this, play developes a strong constitution, a sound physical strength, agility of body and a confidence in one's own ability. This is particularly true of young boys, who are most susceptible of training. Bearing these facts in mind, the authorities of St. Edward's Hall have made every possible provision in order to give the little fellows a plenty of opportunity for athletics. It must not be inferred however, that they permit all play and no work. Only during regular recreation times can there be any attention given to the subject

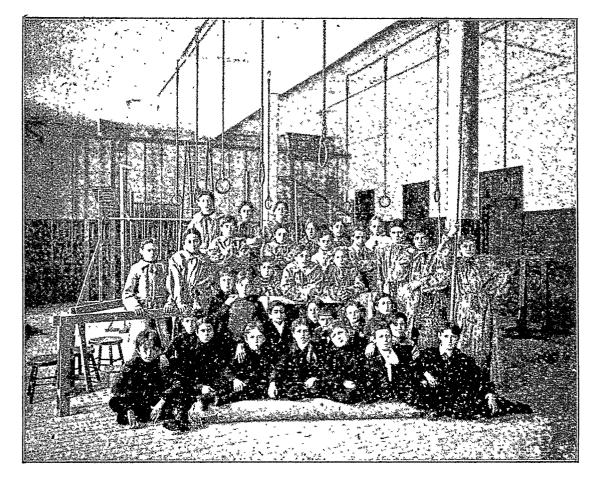


THE FOOTBALL TEAM.

of games and athletics, and these are never allowed to interfere in any way with class work. Every game is encouraged at its proper time, but when the hour for study comes, they must all be stopped.

Base ball and football are the two chief sports among the Minims. In spring there are as many as eight or nine different nines competing for the championship of the hall. The rivalry among these various teams is something intense. Toward the close of the season the two teams with the best record play a series of five games and to the winners of this series go all the honors. Each member of the team is presented with a gold medal. In football the rivalry is about the same, except for the fact that the strongest team usually plays most of its games with men from Carrol Hall, and sometimes with junior teams from South Bend. No medals are awarded to the members of the championship eleven. Track athletics are being rapidly developed, and for the spring of 1900 there are no less than five teams in St. Edward's Hall. Among these are some clever little athletes who may be winners on the university team if they remain until they complete a collegiate course.

In warm weather the Minims are allowed to go swimming nearly every evening in St. Joseph's lake. Of all sports, this is the one the young boys particularly enjoy. When the Brother announces the hour for going to the lake everyone is sure to be on hand with his bathing suit. Whenever the boys go swimming they are always accompanied by Brothers and are not allowed to go beyond certain stakes in the water so that there is absolutely no danger of any one's being drowned. The Brothers teach them how to swim and see to it that none of them are left to remain in the water too long. Whenever it is found that one's health is not in proper condition to permit of his going into the lake he is never allowed to do so.



THE TRACK TEAM.

## THE DIFFERENT APARTMENT'S IN THE ANNEX TO ST. EDWARD'S HALL.

In describing St. Edward's Hall mention was made of an annex two hundred feet long built on the eastern end of the building. The principal object the builders had in adding this annex was to furnish places for the Minims to spend their recreation hours when the weather is too

inclement to permit them to be outdoors. On this account much attention was given to the furnishing of the

#### GYMNASIUM,

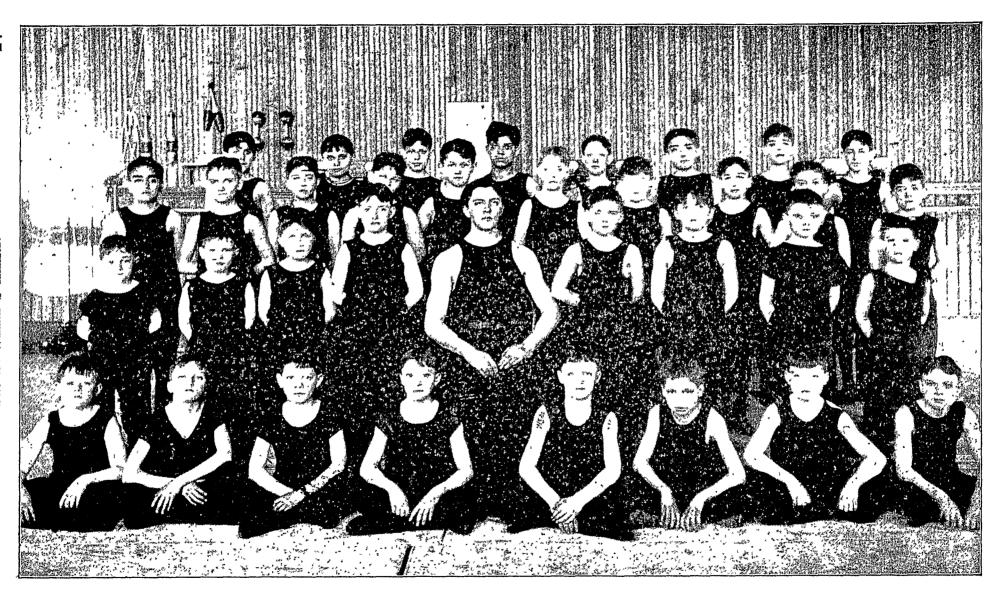
a room forty-eight feet long and twenty-eight feet wide, thoroughly equipped with every apparatus which might be used to advantage by the little fellows. In it are to be found running ladders, rings, punching bag, horizontal and parallel bars, turning pole, climbing poles and ladders, Swiss ladders, dumb-bells, clubs, weights, springboards, mats, horses, pyramid frames, etc., etc. This apartment is now used merely as a practice room since the building of the large university gymnasium, as the boys are taken to that for gymnastic instruction. Next in importance to the gynasium is the

#### PLAY HALL,

a large room one hundred and ten feet long and thirty feet wide. Here all such games as basket ball, indoor base-ball, hand ball, etc., are played, and here in fact is where the Minims spend the greater part of their recreation hours during the season of rough weather. This room is also used for drilling the Sorin cadets. The

#### READING ROOM,

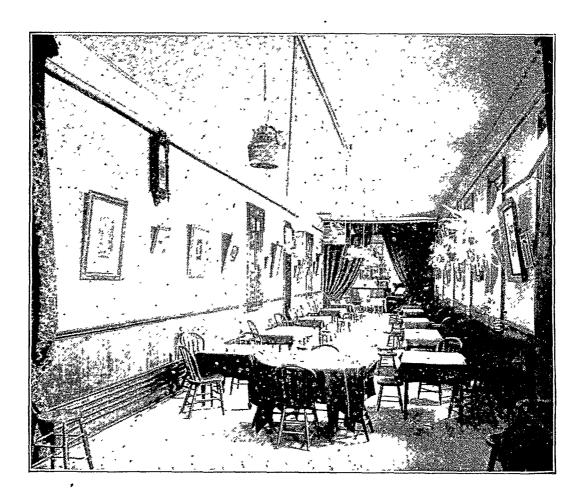
is thirty feet long and twenty feet wide. This, like the game room, is tastefully decorated with potted plants and pictures and furnished with comfortable chairs and couches, while in one end is a small library. The works in the library are chiefly such as would be attractive to young boys, for example books like "The Boy Trapper," "Four Young Explorers," Tom Brown's School Days," "Father Finn's Stories," "The Little Sailor Boy," "Adventures of Tom Sawyer," "Robinson Crusoe," "Midshipman Bob," "Jet the War Mule," "Stories for Stormy Sundays," Youth's Companion, etc., or any magazine or paper they may wish from home.



CLASS IN GYMNASTICS.

#### THE GAME ROOM

immediately adjoining the play hall is eighty feet long and twenty feet wide. The furniture in this room consists of a piano, couches, rocking chairs, tables, trophies won by past athletic teams, gifts made to the Minims in the way of ornaments, etc. The window shelves are all covered with potted plants and the walls are 11 decorated with pictures. In this room are played all such games as cards, checkers, porchesi, parlor base ball, Kings and Queens and such games for young folks as "Jackstraws," "Battle of "Manilla," "Fireman," "Uncle Sam's Mail," etc., etc.



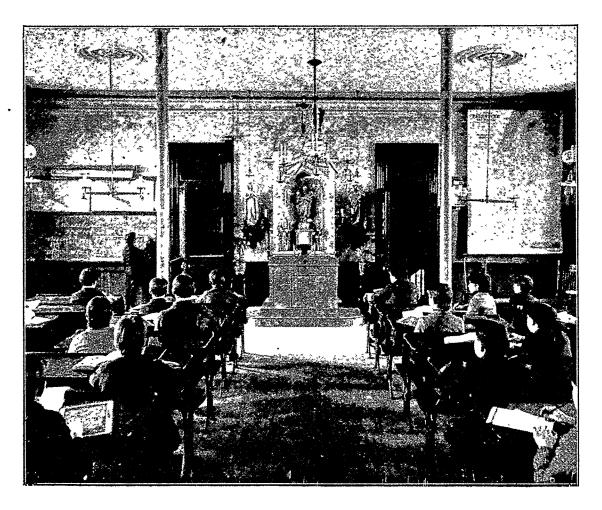
THE GAME ROOM.

#### THE MAIN STUDY HALL.

The main study Hall for the more advanced pupils in St. Edward's is located on the second floor at about the center of the building. It is a large well ventilated room with four windows on each side and two doors in each end. Thus in warm weather it can be turned into one of the most comfortable apartments at Notre Dame. It is 40 feet wide and forty-five feet long. There is a large corridor at each end of the Hall leading to the main entrances of the building. The study room is always kept scrupulously clean and is made as attractive looking as possible. In each of the eight windows are kept potted plants or ferns, and the walls are all tastefully ornamented with pictures. In one end of the Hall are placed three statues, representing St. Joseph, the Blessed Virgin and our Lord. In the same end of the Hall are large maps and under these are the blackboards where the "Tablet of Honor" is kept. There are fortyeight desks in this study room, and a few extra seats placed along the sides.

In addition to this main study hall there are other smaller ones where the youngest boys are kept and given special instruction. The Sisters in charge of these smaller halls make it a point to visit at the different desks and help the little fellows along in case they should meet with any diffi-

culties in the preparing of their lessons. Then too these boys who are the youngest are not required to spend eight hours a day at work; the time of study is shortened to suit their years and regulated to suit their capacity. These very young boys also have special refectories, in which specially prepared food is served for them, and special dormitories in which to sleep.



CENTRE VIEW OF STUDY HALL.

### RECEPTION ROOM.

The reception room in which the Sorin Association holds its meetings is on the second floor across the corridor from the parlor. It contains a beautiful Everett Piano, and all the furniture necessary to make of it a convenient and comfortable place for society meetings. In one end is a platform which serves the purpose of a stage. Back of this is a large frescoe by the famous Gregori. It is a historical picture showing the founding of the University of Notre Dame.

#### THE LAVATORIES

are all located on the lower floor near the clothes room so that they can be conveniently reached at all times either from the campus, from the clothes rooms, or from the athletic dressing rooms. The Minims are obliged to make their toilet here before every meal, and Sisters are at hand to see that it is properly done. The boys are required to brush their teeth carefully. Baths are taken once a week or oftener as parents may require.

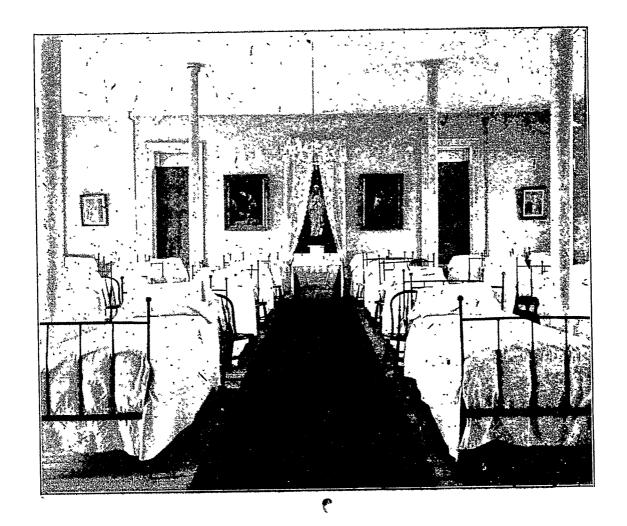
#### THE CLOTHES ROOM.

The clothes room is a very important department in St. Edward's Hall. In this each pupil has his wardrobe in which to keep his clothes. Sisters are constantly in charge of this room and they see to it that the boys clothing is not carelessly thrown around. All necessary mending and repairing is done by them. Each boy's clothes are folded carefully and placed in his locker in orderly condition. Clothing is changed to suit the seasons and it is the duty of one of the prefects to see that the boys follow this rule. Often when the temperature suddenly changes in one day, they may be made to change heavy clothes for light, or light for heavy clothes. Underclothing is changed once a week.



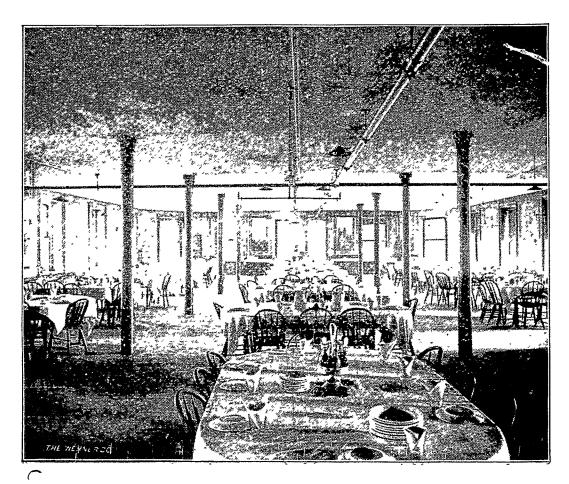
### THE DORMITORIES.

The dormitories are all commodious and well ventilated. Each one is presided over by a Brother. The most noticeable thing in connection with these dormitories is the immaculate cleanliness that prevails all through. The floors, the bedding and everything is kept scrupulously clean. The beds have springs with the ordinary mattress and over this is placed a hair mattress. Bedding is provided in abundance so that during cold weather there need be nothing lacking to keep the boys comfortable.



### THE REFECTORY.

At present the majority of the Minims take their meals in the Carroll Hall dining room, which was originally intended for only the Junior department. Next summer, however, a special refectory is to be added to St. Edward's Hall for the exclusive use of the Minims, who will then enjoy the privilege of dining at their own building. What the dimensions of the St. Edward's dining hall will be, have not been given out as yet, but it will be sufficiently large to accommodate all.





#### THE CHAPEL.

Just across the corridor at the east end of the study-hall is the chapel, forty feet long and twenty-five feet wide. The altars are in the east end of the room. The seats are all made of white-oak. There is a fine, moderately large size pipe organ in the rear. As the chapel touches only one side of the building, there are stained glass windows on only one side of it. Three of these four windows are the gifts of Mr. John Cudahy, Mr. Thomas D. Sexton and Mr. Augustus Meehan, respectively. Opposite the windows are four blind windows. The first, with representation of Saint Ann, is the gift of Mr. George Moxley; the second, with

representation of Saint Theresa is the gift of Mr. Leo Kelly; the third, with representation of Saint Augustine, was given by Mr. Thomas J. Noonan; the fourth, with representation of St. Peter, is the gift of Mr. John P. Fortune. All these donors were at one time pupils in St. Edward's Hall. The boys assemble in this chapel for morning and evening prayers which last only a few minutes. Occasionally they have Mass celebrated there especially for them. On such occasions they have their own choir, directed by a Sister, and occasionally one of their members presides at the organ.

#### THE INFIRMARY.

So seldom is it that any of the boys in St. Edward's Hall are sick that no special infirmary has been found necessary for them. When occasionally it happens that one of them is complaining of any illness he is put in charge of the nurses at the university infirmary and is visited regularly by the house physician. In case of sickness the boy's parents are immediately notified. All that trained skill and medical science can do is at once done for the patient, hence when a Minim does go to the infirmary, he seldom remains there more than a few days. In order to encourage the boys to guard against catching cold etc., a premium is given to those whose health has been the best during the year.

### THE COURSES OF INSTRUCTION.

The courses of instruction in St. Edward's Hall embrace all the studies commonly taught to boys under thirteen years of age. They were planned with a view to giving pupils a broad foundation for preparatory school work and ultimately for university education. There are many special branches such as music, painting, elocution, etc., which are taught at the option of parents sending their children here. Since boys as young as six years of age are received into St. Edward's Hall the courses necessarily start with the primary studies and in some cases even with the alphabet. From this they go through all the readers and, supposing the boy to have started his course in St. Edward's Hall, by the time he is ready to leave there and enter the Junior Department he has finished his course and passed through the sixth reader. United States History is taught to the pupil as soon as he is far enough advanced for it. Geography, descriptive, political and physical, is all taken up and gone through in its turn. All studies in orthography are finished. English grammar is also completed through parsing, analysis and diagramming. Harvey's text book is used. A good start in English composition is given the boys at the close of their grammar studies. Special attention is given to teaching arithmetic as this is deemed one of the most important studies. When a boy has finished the course of arithmetic in St. Edward's Hall he has passed

through mental arithmetic, through all the common branches of addition, subtraction, multiplication, division, fractions, common and decimal, mensuration, percentage and everything given in Brook's Higher Arithmetic. this is completed, those that are advanced far enough are put in the algebra classes and given a start for higher mathematics. Penmanship, of course, is included in the regular course of studies and in this line the pupils are drilled thoroughly so that the course may be finished as quickly as possible. Thus Reading, Spelling, History. Grammar, Geography, Arithmetic and Penmanship, all are thoroughly covered by the boys that make the course in St. Edward's Hall. It is found too, that when they reach their thirteenth year they are usually as far advanced as other boys of sixteen years who come from other schools.

These are the principal studies taught. Catechism and Bible History are added only for Catholic boys. Others do not study them. One can see at a glance that these studies include nearly every branch ordinarily taught to young boys. They are well adapted to fit young fellows either for a further course of collegiate education or for a course in commercial studies, which both may be followed here at Notre Dame. The President of the university visits St. Edward's Hall once a month to examine the boys and see what progress they are making with their work.

The above studies as well as instrumental music and vocal culture are all taught by Sisters of the Holy Cross who are famous for their efficiency as teachers, and who form the regular staff of instructors in St. Edward's Hall. In addition to these there are many special branches taken up and these for the most part are taught by regular professors and instructors from the university. These special courses include, painting and

drawing, elocution, physical culture, and the languages. In painting of course only a moderate amount of work can be done because the students are so young that advanced work is impossible for them. In drawing they are given the elementary principles, such as drawing, outlines, drawing from examples and making rough sketches. In the languages they do very well. In Latin, for example, they go through all the declensions and conjugations thus acquiring a good foundation for further work. In German and Spanish they go far enough to be able to read and write these languages quite readily and the same may be said of their work in French.



ONE OF THE CLASS ROOMS.

### THE COURSES IN MUSIC.

The department of music in St. Edward's Hall is carefully looked after. Parents who bring their children here with a desire of having them trained in the musical line may rest assured that they will be thoroughly instructed. There are several large piano rooms on the second floor where those boys who take instructions on the pianoforte do their daily practice. It should be mentioned here too, that these boys are not permitted to waste their time at the piano as most boys are inclined to do when the tiresome finger exercises begin to grow wearisome. A Sister is on duty all the time to see that they practice conscientiously.

The course of instruction in piano playing begins with the most rudimentary work and goes as far along as the student desires to follow those studies. Many of the young fellows, that have a taste for music and have sufficient talent to master its difficulties, have become quite proficient performers in a short time. Some of them have even been able to handle the pipe organ with a moderate degree of skill. Violin and mandolin are the next most popular instruments. There are many of these in use in St. Edward's Hall and among the boys is formed a mandolin club which has made some creditable appearances in the past year or two. Pupils are taught to play other instruments such as banjo, guitar, the reed and brass instruments, etc., if their parents so desire. However these have not been

taken up very widely as yet. The piano, violin and mandolin are the instruments most used. During Commencement week at the university, a concert is given by the pupils in the Minim department, and the musical numbers on their program are such as to win the approbation of visitors.

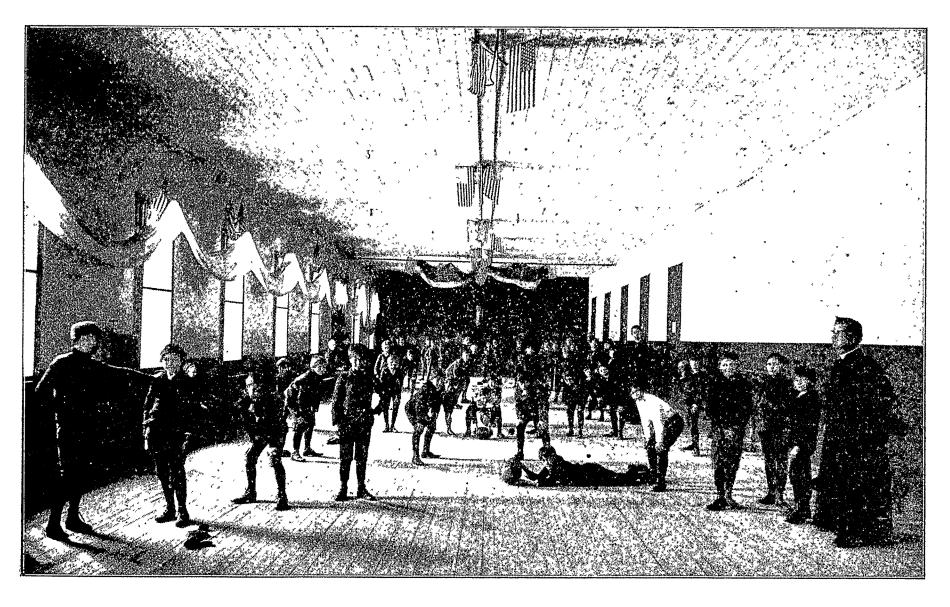
### GENERAL REMARKS.

All that has been said in the foregoing pages of this prospectus is intended merely as a matter of information to parents who may be desirous of sending their sons to the Minim department at Notre Dame. Naturally enough before leaving their boys here they would have many questions to ask concerning the care they receive, the studies they take, the privileges they have, the discipline that governs them, the attention given in case of sickness, etc., etc. We have intended to make this little pamphlet answer all such questions and thus save the trouble of In the first an almost endless amount of correspondence. place a close description is given of the Hall and its various apartments. Then the discipline is outlined, the work set apart for the Minims is discussed, and some pages are devoted to explaining how the little fellows spend their recreation hours. The accompanying cuts, such as those of dormitories, class rooms, chapel, etc., are given to show the accommodations provided to insure every comfort for the pupils.

The advantages of making a course in St. Edward's Hall are touched upon merely to show parents that the sacrifice they make by depriving themselves of their children's company, will be repaid by the facilities offered for

moulding these children into cultered and estimable young men. We have tried to make plain the fact that as many comforts as possible are supplied to the boys and that they receive every attention that care can give them.

The pupils of St. Edward's Hall are the priviledged persons at Notre Dame. The older student and the members of the Faculty take great interest in them and they are usually referred to as the "Princes." Every one has a pet among the Minims; and the attention of five hundred, good natured young college students goes to make their days as happy as boyhood days should be.



THE PLAY HALL.

### THE SORIN CADETS.

Light military drill is compulsory in the Minim department. However the boys are never required to do more than two hours drilling in a week. They are supplied with Remington rifles and put in charge of an experienced man. There are three companies in the department and each of them reaches a commendable degree of profficiency in the art of drilling during the course of a year. We give here a cut showing the cadets and their commander as they appear for regular drill every Wednesday. The simpler foot movements and the more common moves of shifting the gun have been quite readily learned by them and on some occasions they are called upon to march with the companies of Carroll Hall. The uniform used by the Sorin cadets is of dark navy blue with red broadcloth stripes on the legs of the trousers and around the wrist of the coat sleeve. Brass buttons are used all through. When thus attired the companies present a very fine appearance.

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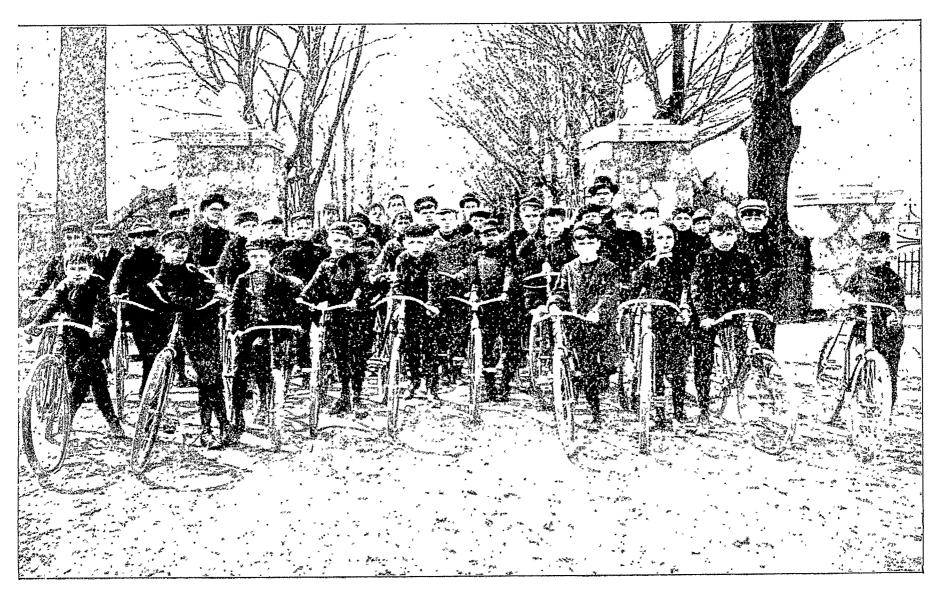
### EXTRAS OPTIONAL.

The charge per session of ten months for piano lessons, and the use of instrument in this department is \$35.00; for violin, guitar or Mandolin, \$25.00.

Pupils who remain during the two summer vacation months are charged \$40.00.

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Each pupil, upon entering this department, should have six shirts, four pairs of drawers, three night shirts, twelve pocket handkerchiefs, six pairs of stockings, six towels, two hats or caps, two pairs of shoes, two suits of clothes for winter, two suits for summer, one overcoat, toilet articles, etc. This direction concerning clothing is a suggestion, not a regulation.



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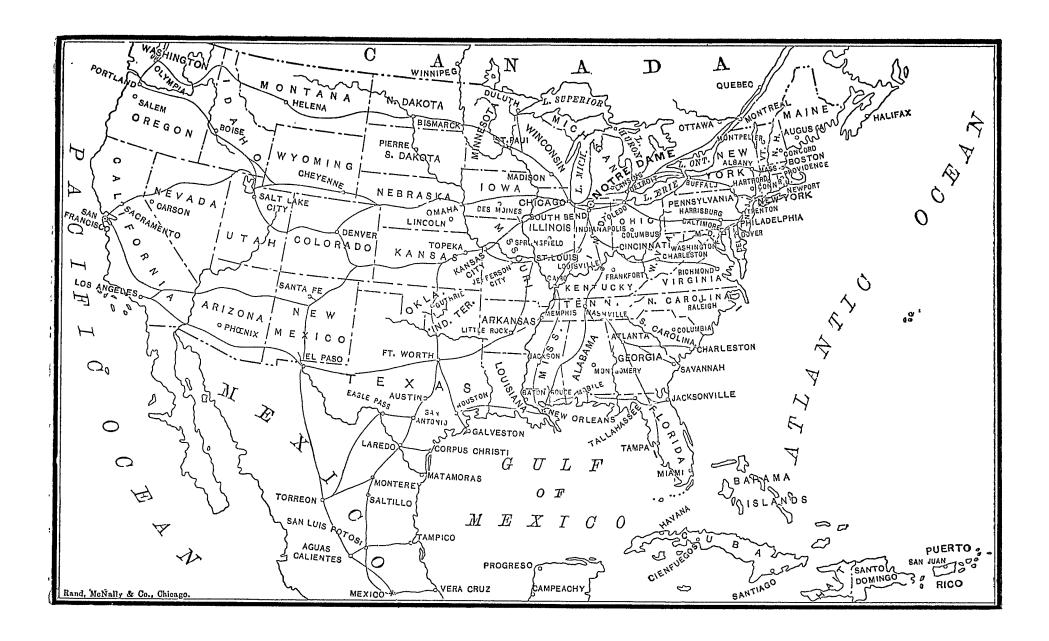
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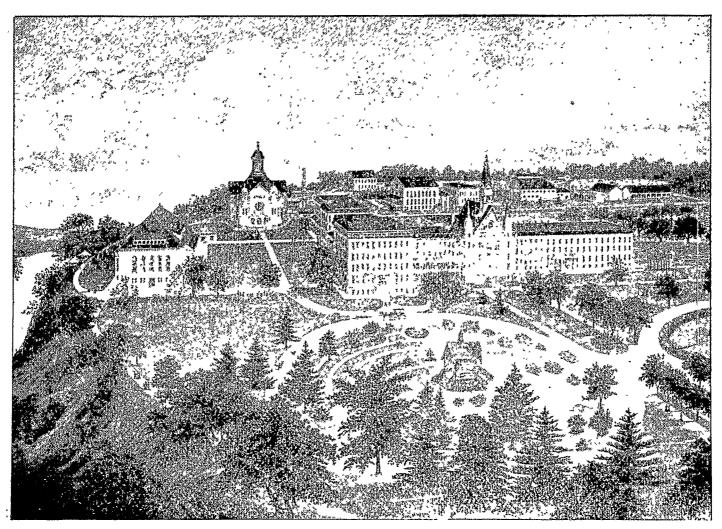
Pupils who need primary education and those of tender age, are here carefully prepared for the academic and advanced courses. For the care and training of these younger pupils there has been established a separate department to which the most scrupulous attention has always been paid by the sisters in charge of the institution. Great care is taken to see that these Minims have every privilege and every comfort that is compatible with proper training.

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