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A NATURAL wonder, that surely should not be overlooked by the tourist is Purgatory. This strange place of interest is situated in Newport, Rhode Island, in the vicinity of Second Beach. It is caused by a fissure in a rock which is penetrated by the sonorous Atlantic Ocean. The top of the fissure is a bowl-shape area about fifty feet in diameter. This bowl is about eight feet deep and has a slit-like opening at its bottom, whose length is the same as that of its diameter. The sides and bottom of this bowl are carried with varied vegetation which somewhat hides the opening as well as adds to the natural beauty of the spot. This slit-like opening is the top of a high precipice

whose sloping walls are about forty feet deep and whose width is about eight feet. The walls are covered with moss and other vegetation that thrives in damp rocky places. The bottom is deeper at the end where the ocean penetrates than at the other end. At the farther end one can see the sandy bottom where the ocean has piled up a great quantity of gravel and sea-weed. The water of the ocean dashes into the fissure, splashes against the wall at the height of fifteen feet, and rushes out making a sad groan.

Near by is the tomb of an Indian connected with a story about the precipice. He perished in an attempt to rescue his lady love from the jaws of this hungry monster.



Academy Mysteries

Why the fires have ceased?

Who goes with Esther Shac?

Why Billy F. cannot come back?

Why Margaret B. says Bob is cute?

Why Julia L. does not wear her "H."?

In what year Tack Can. will graduate?

Why Norma C. surrendered her "H. A." for an "H."?

Why Spurgeon B's Miner Hall "H." was recalled?

Why Summer S. B. was banished from German?

Why Luke W. and Bib S. are like the Siamese twins?

Whose "H." is Norvall M. wearing, and who is Powell's girl?

What rules permit Oliver W. to play in Miner Hall line up?

Why Flossie F. likes to have the class journal read after roll call?

THE PERILS OF RUTH J.

English IV. "I have it, I have it not."—Spurgeon.

"I want it, I want it now."—Miss B.

"Search me!" said Spurgeon. Biff! goes the note on the floor. Good night. Poor Ruth J.

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