## ARMY FENCERS BEST.

West Pointers Win 26 Bouts Against Cornell, Yale, and Harvard.

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WEST POINT, March 23.—Intercollegiate fencing preliminary bouts were contested to-day before a number visitors and nearly the entire corps cadets on the main floor of the Never perhaps has gymnasium. any meet at West Point been more enjoyed. The Army's prospect of winning the Intercollegiate championship became very bright to-day by winning twenty-six bouts and only losing one

in the preliminaries.
Yale will probably be eliminated from participation in the finals by winning only six out of twenty-seven bouts. Ranson of Yale had the distinction of being the only man to win a bout from the Army. Willsur and Heinman on the Army team showed not only splendid training, but great natural skill. Heinman participated in the greatest number of bouts without a single loss. Loomis of Harvard was also a star, while James, of Cornell, was perhaps the best fencer on the team.

The teams which participated were as follows:

Army-Heinman, Rayner and Willsur.

Cornell—James, O'Connor and Sibert. Harvard—Boyd, Wilbur and Loomis. Yale—Ranson, Chalmers and Reese. The directors were Dr. Hammond M. Bowman and Mr. Reittle. Judges-Mr. Moylan, Mr. Hall, Mr. Allaire and Gegnoux.

The bouts won were as follows: Army, 9; Cornell, 0. Army, 9; Harvard, 0. Army, 8; Yale, 1. Cornell, 7; Yale, 2. Cornell, 6; Harvard, 3. Harvard, Yale, 3.

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