SCHOOL NOTES.

County Teachers' Association—Boys' Debate—Freshmen Rhetoricals—High School Library.

The following were in attendance at the Association at Pontiac last Saturday: Mrs. Randall, Misses Hay, Hall, Baker, Ennis, Lizzie and Jennie Hanna, Messrs. Waldo, Cummings, John Starr, Coud Hanna, Watkins, Leet and Scfanitte and Misses Hunt, Young, Erb, Blanche Hagerman. We have tried to call to mind all those who are connected with our school, who were in attendance at the County Association.

All agree that we had a very good meeting. But the highest praise is reserved for the noon banquet, and the humorous inspiring program thereat. One hundred and thirty-eight teachers sat down to the banquet at one o'clock. Supt. Hugh Brown was introduced as toastmaster by the president, Supt. Waldo. The responses were varied, witty, wise and unique.

"Our Schools—Michigan's Klondike" was the toast to which Comm. Snowdon responded. His manly and inspiring words went to every heart. Miss Anna Mulvey, of Oxford, responded to the sentiment, "Ties that Bind." This was made very humorous by toastmaster and speaker and was very heartily applauded. Then Robert Barbour, of Wayne Co., responded to the sentiment "Old Glory," and you could almost hear the "eagle screech" as the speaker depicted so boldly the glory of Old Glory. The next speaker was Miss. Fullam, of Orchard Lake, who spoke on the subject, "The Battle is not to the strong; nor the race to the swift." This sentiment was made full of meaning by the earnest words of the graceful speaker. Then Miss Green, of Holly, made the wittiest speech of the occasion on the prosy subject of "Ideals." The last sentiment was "The School Ma'am; long may she wave." Mr. Morrison, of Milford, who was to respond to this toast, "not having come, was not present." Possibly the schoolma'am was unwilling "to wave" at Mr. Morrison because their flagstaffs have three times been struck by lightning. The toastmaster, Supt. Brown, deserves the thanks of all for the admirable manner in which he discharged his functions, while the music was much to be commended.

The forenoon and afternoon sessions were both largely attended and the program carried out without a single omission. Mr. Barbour, the invited guest from "down in Wayne," added much to the occasion, taking part in program both at banquet and in afternoon session. He was accompanied by another Wayne Co. teacher, Mr. Dabney.

Last week Tuesday evening the high school room was well filled with an enthusiastic audience to hear the "boys' debate" on "Resolved, that city life develops manhood better than does life in the country." The affirmative carried the day, the judges giving them the decision on a score of 14 to 10. The affirmative consisted of Watkins, Newton, Lawson; the negative of Campbell, Jansen, Lowe. The proceeds $5.06, go to the piano fund. We are really getting to think that we are "some" at debate.

The Roll of Honor must be deferred to next week.

On Friday last the day before the anniversary of Lincoln, the Freshmen gave a Lincoln program. The debate as to the comparative merits of Lincoln and Washington was decided in favor of Lincoln; we presume because it was Lincoln Day. The speakers for Lincoln were Maude Campbell and Belle Ward; for Washington were Rennie Bell and Thos. Ewing. The upper classmen will have to look to their laurels if the Freshmen can give so good a program. The exercises opened with a song in which the 44 voices of the Freshmen sang the glories of our Nation's great. Then followed a series of essays on Lincoln as A Boy, as A Rail-splitter, as A Legislator, as A Politician, as A Lawyer, as A President and one on Anecdotes of Lincoln, with a recitation, Lincoln's favorite poem, "O why should the Spirit of Mortal be Proud?"

A nice addition has been made to our high school library. Eighty-one books pretty evenly divided among Literature, History and Science. Rather the larger share go to History.

Our school enrollment has now come up to the school census, viz., 402. The school enrollment throughout the state is about two-thirds the school census.

Examinations at high school on Thursday and Friday of this week.

The high school enjoyed a visit from the following at the rhetoricals last Friday: Misses Patterson, Leet, Florence Blumberg, Nellie Randall and Will VanEvery and Claire Aldrich.

Fifteen of the 6th grade pupils were given a jolly sleighride one evening last week.

On Tuesday a. m. both grades of the 1st grammar department will take a final written review of books Nos. 4 and 5 in arithmetic, after which they will begin books Nos. 5 and 6.

Fifth grade has just finished reading "The Stories Mother Nature told her Children" by Jane Andrews, and will now begin their second volume of "New England Stories" by Nathaniel Hawthorne.

The 4th grade are beginning grammar this term.

Two pupils withdrew from 4th grade last week on account of leaving town.

Jessie Reid and Arthur Faint have entered the 1st grade.

Henry Horn has been absent for two weeks, owing to a severe attack of mimps.

The lower grades enjoyed their valentine boxes Monday.

The rhetorical work of the 1st and 2d grades has been of a patriotic nature during the week.

From Franklin we hear that the lyceum is constantly increasing in interest and in attendance. Last Monday evening the room was filled and many had to stand. The subject for the next debate will be: "Resolved, that an electric road to Farmington would be a detriment to the place." They publish the highest standing in written review in each subject.

The Romeo high school athletic association's stock company was organized recently with a capital of $30. The shares were 50c each and 40 in number. The Senior class, 16 in number, chose president and other officers and appointed a committee of five to change the class motto and colors. They say that they are about the only high school in the state of so large numbers, which has two session a day. They advocate one session, from 8:30 to 1:30 which would give the same amount of time for recitations and study. We do not know the number in their high school, but will venture to say that it is less than Pontiac, where they still have two sessions.

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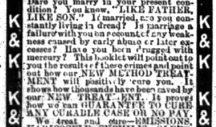

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STATE OF MICHIGAN, } ss. At a session
COUNTY OF OAKLAND, }
of the Probate Court for the county of Oakland held at the Probate Office, in the city of Pontiac on the 16th day of February, in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight.

Present: Thomas L. Patterson, Judge of Probate.

In the Matter of the Estate of POLLY ROBINSON, deceased.

On reading and filing the petition of Eugene Brooks, the administrator de bonis non, with the will annexed praying for license to sell the real estate of said deceased for the purpose of reinvestment and for distribution.

It is ordered that Saturday the 26th day of March next, at 9 o'clock in the forenoon, at said Probate Office, be appointed for hearing said petition, and that all persons interested in said estate appear at the time and place aforesaid, and show cause, if any exists, why such petition should not be granted, and it is further ordered that a copy of this order be published three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing, in the BIRMINGHAM ECCENTRIC, a newspaper printed and circulating in said county of Oakland.

THOMAS L. PATTERSON,
Feb18-Mar11 Judge of Probate.

STATE OF MICHIGAN, } ss. At a session
COUNTY OF OAKLAND, }
of the Probate Court for the county of Oakland held at the Probate Office in the city of Pontiac on the 14th day of February, in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight.

Present: Thomas L. Patterson, Judge of Probate.

In the matter of the estate of STEPHEN CONGAR, deceased.

On application of Almeron Whitehead, executor, for the allowance of his final account in said estate, and on reading and filing the petition of Horace N. Congar and Florence Congar for the assignment to them of the residue of said estate.

It is ordered that Monday, the 21st day of February next, at one o'clock in the forenoon, at said Probate office, be appointed for hearing said application and petition. And it is further ordered that a copy of this order be published three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing, in the BIRMINGHAM ECCENTRIC, a newspaper printed and circulating in said county of Oakland.

THOMAS L. PATTERSON,
Jan28-Feb18 Judge of Probate.

STATE OF MICHIGAN, } ss. Notice is
COUNTY OF OAKLAND, }
hereby given, that by an order of the Probate Court for the county of Oakland, made on the 26th day of January, A. D. 1898, six months from that date were allowed, for creditors to present their claims against the estate of WILLIAM YOUNG, late of said county, deceased, and that all creditors of said deceased are required, to present their claims to said Probate Court, at the Probate office, in the city of Pontiac, for examination and allowance, on or before the 29th day of July next, and that such claims will be heard before said Court, on Friday, the 29th day of July next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon of that day.

Dated January 29, A. D. 1898.

THOMAS L. PATTERSON,
Feb4-Mar4 Judge of Probate.

COMMISSIONERS' NOTICE—In the matter of the estate of WILLIAM BASSETT, deceased. The undersigned, having been appointed by the Honorable Thomas L. Patterson, Judge of Probate in and for the county of Oakland state of Michigan, commissioners to receive, examine and adjust all claims against said estate, and six months from the 8th day of February, A. D. 1898, having been allowed by said Judge of Probate to all persons holding claims against said estate, in which to present them to us for examination and adjustment, notice is hereby given that we will meet on the 14th day of March, 1898, and on the 8th day of August, 1898, at 10 o'clock a. m. of each day at residence of W. H. Bassett, in the town of Bloomfield, in said county, for the purpose of receiving and adjusting such claims.

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STATE OF MICHIGAN, } ss. At a session of the
COUNTY OF OAKLAND, }
Probate Court for the county of Oakland held at the Probate Office in the city of Pontiac on the 24th day of January, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight.

Present: Thomas L. Patterson, Judge of Probate.

In the matter of the estate of STEPHEN CONGAR, deceased.

On application of Almeron Whitehead, executor, for the allowance of his final account in said estate, and on reading and filing the petition of Horace N. Congar and Florence Congar for the assignment to them of the residue of said estate.

It is ordered that Monday, the 21st day of February next, at one o'clock in the forenoon, at said Probate office, be appointed for hearing said application and petition. And it is further ordered that a copy of this order be published three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing, in the BIRMINGHAM ECCENTRIC, a newspaper printed and circulating in said county of Oakland.

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Circuit Court Commissioner, Oakland County, Michigan.

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STATE OF MICHIGAN, } ss. At a session of
COUNTY OF OAKLAND, }
the Probate Court for said county of Oakland, held at the Probate Office in the city of Pontiac on the 11th day of February, in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight.

Present, Thomas L. Patterson Probate Judge.

In the Matter of the Estate of HORACE HALL, deceased.

On reading and filing the petition of Estelle Hall praying that administration of said estate may be granted to some suitable person.

It is ordered that Thursday, the 17th day of March next at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, at said Probate office, be appointed for hearing said petition, and it is further ordered, that a copy of this order be published three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing, in the BIRMINGHAM ECCENTRIC, a newspaper printed and circulating in said county of Oakland.

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