

School Notes.

Junior rhetoricals a grand success: No examinations this month; great...

The attendance of non-residents is remarkably regular, when we consider the difficulty they have in traversing all kinds of roads and leaving all kinds of work...

The debate last Friday was on the question: "Resolved, that Mexico retained Texas, New Mexico and California, say would now be a formidable rival to the United States..."

College Freshman (reading Vergil): "Three times I would go to Mars around her neck, and that is as far as I get, professor..."

"Don't leave the table," said the landlady as her new boarder rose from his seat at breakfast...

From the Weather Chart in the 24 report kept by the pupils, we find the average temperature for the last week of January is 31. This is the average of 20 observations taken at 9.30 a. m. and 2 p. m. respectively...

We must bustle around and find a few more girls, as there are enrolled at present 180 boys and 186 girls...

In the 11th grammar room the 6th grade are drawing a map of United States showing the matter of standard time and continental railroads...

OUR NEIGHBORS: A Orion there is a new house, and the eighth grade detected the question: "How was it that the South was won by the abolition of slavery?"

From Rochester we learn that the names of all those who stand 80 or above in the population are published in the paper this time the last being with the No. 10,000, 80 and 8000 with John Watkins 100.

At Farmington the high school is invited to debate at Northville; the Senior class are carpet and rag social; the school favored with a visit from W. C. Clibbe; and the 7th grade debated, "Resolved that city life is preferable to country life."

In Detroit the schools have just passed by the January 1st promotions and graduations. Each grammar school class has its motto and its graduation exercises. A few of the mottoes are as follows: Casa—'Onward and upward'; Park—'The motto of the harbor into life's sea'; Webster—'Who trusts his strength, will with the burden grow'; Williams—'Honest work for the day, honest hope for the morrow'...

Dr. Clark, of the Detroit Board of Education, is of the opinion that the walls of every school room should be decorated with pictures and statuary. He suggests that each class, as it leaves a room, collect a little fund and present a picture; this fund especially to a graduating class. Another thing he suggests is that each class, in memory of a lost child, dedicate something of the kind to its memory. He says the plan is being carried out in Boston and some other of our large cities.

CHANGE IN THE AIR IN BREATHING: The air which we inhale during respiration differs in several important particulars from the air which we exhale. Both contain chiefly three gases, the most important quantities, as the following table shows: Inspired air contains of oxygen 20.81 per cent, nitrogen 78.15 per cent, and carbon dioxide .04 per cent. Expired air contains respectively 16.06, 79.08 and 4.86. In expired air, therefore, about five per cent less oxygen and five per cent more carbon dioxide than inspired air.

Teacher—"Who was the first man?" Little boy (at the rear of the class)—"George Washington, my mamma!" "Why do you think he was the first man?" "Because he was 'firs in war, first in peace and first in the hearts of his countrymen!" Another boy raises his hand. Teacher—"Well, Johnny, who do you think was the first?" "Johnny—'don't know his name, but I know George Washington was not the first man!" "What makes you so positive?" "Well, my history says he married a widow, so there must have been a man ahead of him!"—Epworth Herald.

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ONE OF TWO WAYS

It was "la belle Smailson," who, writing to a friend, remarked: "I have just received a letter of warning from an acquaintance and am sending my compliments in return. Some of them are over a foot long!"

Many remember hearing the late Sir Augustus Harris say that every man should be possessed of a bucket of manna from an acquaintance and am sending my compliments in return. Some of them are over a foot long!

James Anderson, speaking of an empty-headed, happy-go-lucky fellow, the audience was conspicuous by its absence. That phrase has now passed into general use, and so have such metaphors as "handy with the hammer" and "laded in hot water on the horns of a dilemma"—all of which were first uttered by actors of more or less renown.

Mereday once remarked, in the course of an after-dinner address, that he congratulated himself most upon having torn the mask of the traitor's face and revealed his cloven foot; whereupon the play rose to second time and warmly agreed that it was "the time the eddies, hydra-headed faction, of which the pentameter referred to formed the tail, should be soundly rapped over the knuckles!"

Of living actors and playwrights, perhaps Mr. Beerbohm Tree, Mr. Ceil Raleigh, Mr. Arthur Roberts, Mr. Penley and Mr. Toole have uttered more spontaneous mixed metaphors than most men. Patriotic Mr. Beerbohm Tree is said to have observed upon a famous occasion that "the British lion will never draw in its horns or retire into its shell, whether roaming the deserts of India, exploring the poles of Australia or scaling the mount of Sinai."

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