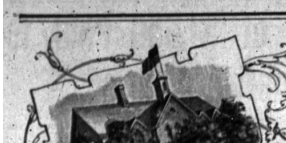

SCHOOL NOTES.

Last Friday afternoon Ray and Fleole Hutton, Grace and Belle Streeter and Russell Robinson were able to spell all the words the first grade have had during the month.

Estella Reid spelled the 3d grade down last Friday

Last Saturday afternoon, A. H. Miller took 17 of the 3d and 4th grade for a sleigh ride to Franklin and back.

Glenn Schlack re-entered school after an absence of three months.

Myrtle McKay's standing in the Arithmetic examination last Friday was 100. Martha Dewey, Mary Howland and Charlie Miller stood in 100 Geography.

No tardy marks for the 3d, 5th, 7th and 8th grades during the month of February.

Harry Johnson was absent from school last week on account of illness.

Rev. Mr. Allen spent a short time in each department on Wednesday of last week.

Miss Hall has been absent this week on account of illness. Mrs. Julia Benedict was secured Monday morning to fill the vacancy.

Willie Anderson left school on Friday last.

May Blackmon, of the Sophomore class, has been absent some time on account of sickness. Her classmates remembered her with a bunch of carnations a few days since.

Master Willie Deer visited the 9th grade Friday.

A number of 8th grade pupils visited friends in 9th grade Friday.

Visitors at the Junior rhetoricals Friday were Mary Benedict, Nellie Randall and Florence Blumberg.

We are glad to chronicle the record that Miss Zilla Campbell is making in the University especially in the subject of German. It is seldom that a pupil is excused from examination at the University, Miss Campbell has the proud distinction of being excused from examination at the close of the first half year. And not only this, but she has received the special commendation of her teacher, who complimented highly the training Miss Campbell had received in her high school work, especially in German. It is a fact that our relation with the State University will be favorably effected if the pupils we send from our high school take a good standing there.

Mamma—"Willie, where are those apples that were in the storeroom?

Willie—"They are with the gingerbread that was in the cupboard."

A 3-year-old boy seeing, the other day, a cow which had brass knobs on the ends of her horns, chirped this conclusion: "Oh, looky there, that bossie's got handle bars on."

JUNIOR RHETORICALS.

At the Junior rhetoricals last Friday, the subject of the program was the Three Great Orators, Demosthenes of Greece, Cicero of Rome, and Webster of America. Selections from each of these men were declaimed. Five papers were prepared on the following subjects: "Early Life and Training," "The Political situation," "The Three Great Speeches" "For What Each Stood," and "The Last Days and Death." The program closed with a contest, "Which was the Greatest?" The three "Charles" who took part in this contest defended their orator with earnestness, but of course only one could win. Chas. Toms and Webster carried off the palm.

A few novel features were introduced to render "spicy" a lively program. The charade Cicero was acted, and in this Tommy quite "extinguished" nimself in two roles. Then the original poem by a member of the class was uproariously received by the pupils.

The master of ceremonies at this point interposed objections to noisy applause. Later he learned that the two lady teachers took part in the applause. It has not yet been decided on whom the joke fell heaviest. But we must not forget the poem which began as follows:

While standing near the bookcase, I heard a feeble moan,
Which, rapidly increasing, became a full-fledged groan.
I looked about in wonderment and sought the seat of trouble,
And beheld the poor old dictionary bent up almost double.

Remembering that long years ago I once had the colic,
I thot the grim old dictionary was having such a frolic.

The poet went on to tell what had caused all this trouble with the dictionary, but it would be telling tales out of school to divulge this matter.

Our rhetoricals are exciting interest among the pupils. It is remarkable with what enthusiasm they enter into this work. Or rather it would be remarkable were it not for the fact that our pupils are noted for the zeal with which they help to carry out every plan proposed by the management of the school for its benefit and advancement.

OUR NEIGHBORS.

Romeo—The weekly spelling exercises of the high school is enjoyed every much by the pupils. The school board has procured an oil for the high school room floor which will practically do away with all dust. They have also purchased rubber matting for the stairs. Eighth grade has organized, electing full corps of officers.

Farmington—A "tree contest" was held in 3d grade last week, each one seeing how many kinds of trees they could name. Tracey Bloomer was the victor, naming 109. The Senior class are to have a clothes pin" social."

Detroit—"I wish the city or some public spirited citizen would give us some pictures or statuary for the central high school," said Prin. Bliss. Some of the school inspectors think it would be a good idea to fix up photographic groups of all the inspectors who have set on the board, to be hung on the walls of the headquarter's corridor. The board does not feel that teachers must live within city limits.

Owosso—The superintendent of schools says that the social entertainments which keep the attendants out at a late hour at night are seriously affecting the pupils in the high school and interfering with their work. He is desirous of having a halt called at once.

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STATE OF MICHIGAN, } ss. At a session
COUNTY OF OAKLAND } of the Probate Court for said county of Oakland held at the Probate Office, in the city of Pontiac, on the 10th 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 12th 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,
Judge of Probate.
Febl8-Mar11

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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Dated Pontiac, Feb. 16, 1898.
JOHN H. PATTERSON,
Solicitor for Complainant.
GEORGE HOGLE,
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 Eunice 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.
THOMAS L. PATTERSON,
[A TRUE COPY.] Judge of Probate.
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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 29th 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.
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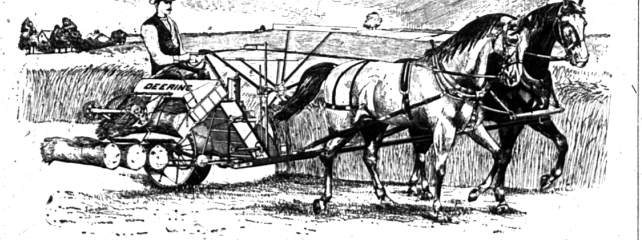

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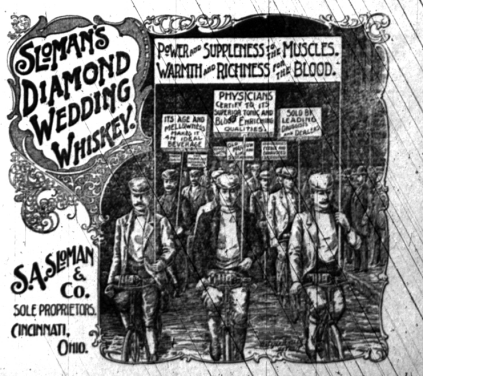
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