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## School Notes

ENTERTAINED BY THE PUBLIC.

Examinations last week.  
Frank Walker is sick again.  
The Juniors have decided not to hold the Junior Ex.  
The Senior Latin class take up the study of Ovid, soon.  
The report cards for the third quarter were issued this week.

Miss Anna Hancock is back in school again after a short absence.  
The General History Class are now studying Modern History.  
Rev. M. H. Bartram conducted the morning exercises Monday.  
Harry Nichols has returned to school after an absence of eight weeks.  
The Literature class expect to begin American Literature in the near future.  
Mr. Clare Cummings gave an essay on "Canada" last week Thursday morning.  
Prof. Field has prepared a set of blocks to illustrate measurements in the class of arithmetic.  
The Arithmetic Class have commenced the study of practical measurements by the laboratory method.  
On account of inadequate seating, two dozen chairs have been bought to accommodate the pupils of Miss Craft's class.  
Prof. Field is reading "Perseus" to the school. The book is very amusing and the scholars are very much interested in it.  
Prof. Ira Beddow, Principal of West Bay City High School, visited the B. H. S. one day recently and made a few remarks on school work.  
Walter Hamm has returned to school.  
The young gentlemen suffered no serious injury from the ice record on Friday evening while playing duck on the rock.  
All the rooms except the primary assembled in the high room for chapel one day last week. Nearly 250 were present. Prof. Field gave a general talk on school affairs.  
The lecture given by Prof. Lang on "The Earth and her Neighbors," illustrated by means of his Planetarium, was very interesting and instructive, but only a few were in attendance.  
The pictures purchased with the proceeds of the art exhibit, together with several others to be donated by generous friends of the school, are expected from Chicago soon. A dedicatory program is being prepared.  
The pupils of Misses Koon's and Pepper's rooms will give an entertainment at the Library Hall, Friday evening, May 1. A good program is being prepared, consisting of recitations, dialogues and singing.  
The standings of the "probable graduates" for their entire course. Six have averaged between 92 and 96. Vina Purdy, No. 19, is declared valedictorian. Minnie Ford, 93.319, will be salutatorian. The average of the entire class is 87.13-22.  
Through the courtesy of several business firms from outside cities advertising business not carried on here, with the exception of Whitehead & Mitchell, book dealers, the B. H. S. has been presented with 75 copies of a 50 cent song-book, "Happy Moments and Woodland Echoes."

## THE EDITOR'S OUTING

Report of the Committee on Resolutions  
—E. M. P. Club.

To the Eastern Michigan Press Club:  
Gentlemen—Your committee to whom was entrusted the duty of this club and fittingly giving the feelings of the party for the manner in which its second quarterly meeting and outing has been consummated, desire:

FIRST—To thank the officers of the association for their untiring efforts and efficient services in our interest, and for our comfort at this and the preceding meeting at Lansing.

SECOND—To convey to Mr. C. S. Crane, general passenger agent of the Wabash, and to his able assistant, Mr. Taylor of St. Louis, and Mr. Palmer of Chicago, as also to Mr. R. S. Greenwood Michigan district passenger agent, and to his co-worker, Mr. A. F. Wolfenbarger, city ticket and passenger agent of Detroit, our acknowledgement of the uniform courtesy and generous treatment that has endeared their names to us in connection with this most enjoyable outing now completed. And we desire also to record the fact that this is but in keeping with the general policy of the management of the Wabash in its dealings with the newspaper men of every section.

THIRD—As our objective point has been to view the ground and to examine the plans of the now partially completed building of the Louisiana purchase exposition, to which the enterprising people of St. Louis are going so freely of their time and means, it seems but proper that this association acknowledge the debt of gratitude we owe the president, Dr. R. Francis, and to his able assistants, Secretary Walter B. Stevens, Director of Works Isaac S. Taylor, and to Messrs. Bennett, Crawford, Capron and others who gave of their valuable time so as to study both the practical, as well as the perspective of the beautiful in art and nature while on the grounds, and also to the Anheuser-Busch association for many courtesies extended, and to the St. Louis street railway company for the use of special cars and free transportation to the many points of interest in and about the city.

Respectfully submitted,  
T. M. SHIFFRIG,  
Geo. H. MITCHELL,  
O. T. HOOVER,  
Committee

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## A CELESTIAL VISITOR

Reporter E. P. Jarvis of Birmingham a Tale Unfolded.

From the Detroit Free Press.

Birmingham possesses a meteoric stone or a arolite, somewhat of a curiosity. The stone is used as a hitching post and horse block, and though passing pedestrians regard it as an odd-looking stone, very few know what it really is.

The stone fell a number of years ago on a farm two miles south of this place, belonging to the late John Hall. Two people, Mrs. Alpha Simonson and her son, Jay Simonson, well known in this place, saw the wonderer fall, the Simonson family at that time living only a short distance from the Hall farm.

It was in September on a bright moonlight night, and those who saw the meteor fall say it had the appearance of a ball of fire as large as a wash tub, and that it was falling from the northwest to the southeast. A loud, hissing noise was plainly heard.

Mr. Simonson immediately looked for the meteor and when he reached the field in which it fell he smelled what seemed to be burning sulphur. The stone had imbedded itself in the earth to quite a depth, and it lay there undisturbed until 18 years ago when Thomas Moore, a brother-in-law of Miss Anna Hall, while working in the field, struck the meteorite with a plow and afterward dug it out. Four years later he moved it to the place where it now stands. He states that when he first excavated it could handle it easily alone, but that it took four men to load it on a wagon when the stone was moved four years later.

The stone measures as follows: Greatest circumference, 97 inches; length, 40 inches, small girth, 25 inches in circumference, and the large girth, 51 inches. The estimated weight is 700 pounds.

The stone is of a light gray color and the surface is full of little indentures and furrows caused, no doubt, by the great heat to which it was subjected, due to friction in flying through the air. It resembles bone to some extent, and it would not require a great stretch of imagination to see in this meteor a veritable bone of some huge animal unknown to the men of earth.

Advertised Letters.

The following is a list of letters, remaining in the Birmingham postoffice April 18, 1903:

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