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PUBLIC SCHOOL ITEMS.

GRANDMA'S STORY.

As the children came in from school, one evening, Grandma heard them talking. May said, "Well I just don't like that desk of mine at all. It's all scratched up, the varnish is all off and some one has spilled ink on it."

"Oh! well, that isn't half as bad as mine, and the seat is so high my feet don't touch the floor," said Tom. "And," wailed Johnny, "down in my room things aren't half so nice as they were in Boston."

Mr. and Mrs. Jones, with the three children and Grandma, had moved from Boston to a country town.

"Well, children, if you had gone to—" "To school where I did," interrupted May and Tom. "Oh! tell us about it, do, I always like to hear about when you were a little girl."

"Well," said Grandma, and after wiping her glasses and getting settled back in her chair, she began: "When I, with my father, mother and brother, moved west, in the neighborhood where we settled, there was no school. Father thought we and the other children in the district needed school, so talked about it to the neighbors, trying to get a school house and have school near home. After two or three years he persuaded them to have school in a vacant house for three months, and for three years we had school in vacant houses; but the term that stands out plainest in my memory is the one we had in a little frame shanty 12x14 that we called "College Hall."

Each scholar furnished his own desk and seat and we sat on chairs and benches at tables and boxes. There were eight or nine of us and we all enjoyed ourselves and learned a great deal. There was scarcely room for the teacher to turn around after we were all in the room.

I sometimes wonder if the children now-a-days are not ungrateful. The little ones then never complained if their feet did not touch the floor or if they could hardly reach to the table for their books and slates or if their desks did not look nice. We girls covered ours with newspapers.

I shall never forget the first day that three little German boys came to school. They had never been inside of a school room and not often been away from home, so were awfully bashful and afraid. Their father brought them and came inside and talked to the teacher a few minutes and then started to go. But when he started they started too. As he could not get away he came inside, shut the door and locked it and went out through the window. One of the boys grabbed his leg and was going too, but the teacher and my brother caught him and set him back on the bench.

As it was school time we tried to go on with our studies. The little German boys were very much frightened and sat on the bench awhile, then slid off of it, down under the table screaming and crying with all of their might.

We older scholars were sent to the black-board to work arithmetic and we could scarcely hear ourselves think. Our black-boards were a couple of boards nailed together and painted black.

By noon time they were quiet and we unlocked the door. As they cried every time the teacher went near them no attempt was made to teach them for about a week, then they were placed in a row, and the teacher would say, "Dog, Joe, spell dog, d-o-g." Joe and all the rest would stare blankly at the teacher and say never a word. This went on for about two weeks; the teacher would call on one boy, then another, but not a word was spoken. We were all scared when one of the boys repeated "dog" after the teacher; it was so unexpected. Then they began talking and learned rapidly.

That was the third term of three months each we had had in vacant houses and the next year we had a sod school house, but it was not floored, plastered or seated; each one still furnished his own seat and desk.

"The next year what happy children we were, for our school house was plastered, floored and had nice new factory-made seats and desks. The room could hardly hold us, we were so happy and proud. This house was named "Prairie Star", for when one of the scholars said, "College Hall" the teacher said, "No, don't take the name away from that little building as there would be nothing left." So this was given a new name, but listen! why, mother is calling us to tea, we must go."

"Well," said May thoughtfully, "I guess I'll not complain any more about my desk not looking nice." "Or I, because my feet don't touch the floor," said Tom.

"Tell us some more about your school after supper," said Johnny. "Well, I'll see," said Grandma, and they went to tea.

EDNA AUSTIN.

February 24, 1899.

FOR FEBRUARY.

The following report has been made to the board of education for the month of February:
No. of boys enrolled..... 332
No. of girls enrolled..... 314
Average daily attendance..... 528
Per cent of attendance on No. enrolled 82
Neither absent nor tardy..... 184
Entered school during month..... 11
Withdrawn during month..... 33
Visits by patrons and others..... 62

No. of non-residents..... 22
It may be added that the attendance during the month was considerably reduced by the fact that there were a few cases of diphtheria in the city.

The spring vacation will begin on March 24th and end on April 3d.

The interest in "Macbeth" increases with each meeting of the High School Shakespeare club.

The proposed entertainment for the benefit of the school library fund will not take place until after Lent.

One hundred and thirty-four books have been added to the library as a result of the late minstrel entertainments.

A consignment of about 60 volumes for the school library, arrived the close of last week, and will soon be labeled and ready for use. More will follow soon.

Steel engravings of Shakespeare, Longfellow, Scott and Emerson have been framed and now decorate the walls of different rooms in the East ward building. A few little pictures have also been arranged in the South McCook building, this week.

While the proceeds from the Dr. Swift entertainments will purchase one microscope, the board of education has decided to buy a second instrument at the expense of the district. The two instruments will greatly facilitate the work of the science department.

On Tuesday evening, March 14th, the High School Shakespeare club will listen to a talk by Rev. W. J. Turner on "Shakespeare and His Country." The talk will be illustrated by lantern slides and all lovers of the "Bard of Avon" are cordially invited to attend. A small admission fee will be charged to defray expense of slides.

The high school has received from the state university a loan collection of 80 mineral specimens and 35 zoological specimens. The loans are only made to duly accredited high schools on condition that they shall be properly cared for and used in connection with the science work of the schools. Other loans are promised as soon as certain conditions are complied with by the school.

The following books have been donated to the school library, recently: By F. H. Strout of McCook—John Godfrey's Fortunes—Taylor; Plutarch's Lives—Langhorne; Life of Robert Dick—Smiles; Life of Daniel Webster. By Howard Pyle of New York city—Men of Iron, Wonder Clock, Robin Hood and Garden Behind the Moon. By Kate Douglass Wiggin—Polly Oliver's Problem, Ellen Olney Kirk, Story of Margaret Kent, Walford, Dorothy Deane and Sons and Daughters.

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

In County Court, within and for Red Willow County, Nebraska, February 15th, 1899, in the matter of the estate of Mathilda Berndt, deceased. To the creditors of said estate: You are hereby notified that I will sit at the county court room in McCook, in said county, on the 16th day of August, 1899, at 10 o'clock a.m., to receive and examine all claims against said estate, with a view to their adjustment and allowance. A time limited for the presentation of claims against said estate is six months from the 15th day of February A. D. 1899, and the time limited for payment of debts is one year from said 15th day of February, 1899.
Witness my hand and the seal of said county court, this 15th day of February, 1899.
[SEAL] G. S. BISHOP, County Judge.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

Land Office at McCook, Nebraska, February 27, 1899. Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the register or receiver of the U. S. Land Office at McCook, Neb., on Monday, April 10th, 1899, viz: Mack Tiller, H. E. No. 10,874, for the northeast quarter of section 12, township 5 N., range 29 W., 6th P. M. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Frank Garlick of Quick, Nebraska, Charles Hoffman, Myron Travelpiece and Fred Garlick of Fandon, Nebraska. 3-3-01.
F. M. RATHBUN, Register.



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