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MEETING OF THE EDUCATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AT MT. PLEASANT, MARCH 28TH AND 29TH.

The Educational Association of Cass county met to-day, March 28th, 1873, at the Mt. Pleasant school house, and at 2 o'clock, P. M., the President, Mr. J. T. Sumny, called the meeting to order, and in a few brief remarks stated the objects of an Educational Association. The Secretary being absent, on motion of S. A. Bear, Prof. Patterson was chosen temporary Secretary.

Mr. Patterson, Chairman of Executive Committee reported a programme of exercises, and remarked, that owing to the absence of a number of persons, to whom parts had been assigned, it would be impossible to follow the programme as agreed upon by the committee.

Prof. Patterson then took up the subject of Primary grammar, and gave a brief lecture upon his method of teaching the same. The discussion of this subject was participated in by nearly all the teachers present, and by Mr. Winslow and the Revs. Folden and Gallagher.

Prof. Patterson reported the following question for discussion during the evening: Should our Legislature pass a law compelling children to attend school?

Under miscellaneous exercises there was a lively discussion on the importance of an Educational Association, and the necessity of teachers and friends of education sustaining it. Nearly every teacher present took part in this discussion, and prominent among those who spoke in favor of building up the educational interests of the county, were Mr. Wm. J. Lynch, and the Revs. Folden and Gallagher. The choir of Mt. Pleasant, led by Miss Frew, favored the Association with some excellent music, after which, on motion of Rev. A. Folden, the Association adjourned to meet at the M. E. church house in the evening, at 7½ o'clock P. M.

EVENING SESSION.

Association met and was called to order by the President.

Rev. A. L. Folden opened the exercises by prayer.

The discussion of the question, "Should our Legislature pass a law compelling children to attend school, was opened by Mr. A. S. Bear.

Messrs. Folden, Martindale, Lynch, Gallagher, Patterson, and others, followed, and upon the wole it was one of the most interesting discussions to which we have listened. The prevailing sentiment seemed to be in favor of a more regular attendance at our schools.

The exercises of the evening were enlived with music by the Mt. Pleasant choir, led by Miss Frew. After a very interesting session the Association adjourned to meet on Saturday at 9 o'clock A. M.

Saturday, March 29.

MORNING SESSION.

Association met and was called to order by the President. Mr. A. S. Bear conducted devotional exercises, which were followed by a musical exercise conducted by Miss Frew.

Minutes of previous meeting were read and approved. At the suggestion of the President, the Secretary read the constitution, after which, Prof. Patterson conducted a class in the elementary sounds. This was one among the most interesting exercises of the occasion.—Mr. Patterson conducted it with a great deal of skill, and reflected rather severely upon our present system of orthography.

A lively discussion among the teachers followed, which was participated in by others, among whom were Professor Wise and Mr. C. H. Winslow.

Mr. Martindale, of Plattsmouth, conducted a class in English grammar.—This gentleman delivered an interesting lecture upon the subject, and also, upon his method of teaching grammar.

A discussion followed this exercise, led by Prof. Wise and Mr. Winslow, and participated in by nearly every teacher present, after which, on motion, the Association adjourned to meet at 1½ o'clock P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Association met and was called to order by the President.

Musical exercises were conducted by Miss Frew, after which Mr. C. H. Otis read an essay on reading.

Remarks were made upon the subject matter of the essay by Prof. Wise, Prof. Patterson and Mr. Bouton.

Mr. Bouton proposed the following: Is, time, well spent, in studying the definitions of words as given in our readers? Mr. Martindale answered in the affirmative. The chairman stated that the discussion of the subject would now be closed, and that there would then be an opportunity to attend to any business that might be brought up.

Prof. Patterson moved that the next meeting be held at Weeping Falls.—Prof. Wise sustained the motion, which was carried.

On motion of Prof. Patterson, the thanks of the Association were tendered to Miss Frew, and other ladies of Mt. Pleasant, who had furnished the Association with vocal and instrumental music during the meeting, and also to the citizens of Mt. Pleasant for the hospitality they had shown to the members of the Association.

Next in order was History, by Mr. Bouton, who stated that there were branches which he thought were more important than that, and requested to be excused; request was granted.

Mr A. S. Bear then conducted a class in Arithmetic, and gave a brief lecture on the use of the mathematical signs.—This was followed with remarks by Prof. Patterson, Mr. Martindale and Mr. Bouton.

On motion of Mr. Bouton, the Association adjourned, to meet at Weeping Water Falls, on Friday, June 27th, at 10 o'clock, A. M.

J. T. SUMNY, President.

B. S. RAMSEY, Secretary.

Curious Incidents of the Smyrna Disaster.

The terrible castrophe which occurred lately at Smyrna, when a cafe and concert hall built on piles runing out into the sea gave way suddenly during an acrobatic performance, and one hundred persons lost their lives, seems to have been one of that numerous class of accidents which never ought to occur.—Everybody in Smyrna, says the *Pall Mall Gazette*, know that the cafe was unsafe, and might topple over into the sea at any moment, yet no steps were taken to prevent two hundred and fifty people assembling in the doomed building, which, with hardly any warning, on the 9th of January leaned forward and disappeared in the sea.

A correspondent of the *Levant Herald*, writing from Smyrna, gives the following account of the tragedy: "On Saturday night at 10 o'clock we heard what sounded like the report of a cannon; it was the kivito giving way. The people living near the scene of the catastrophe say that the sounds were most appalling. First one loud crash like the firing of cannon, one long wail, then a deep silence, soon broken, however, by the screams of those who got their heads above water. Some had clung to the ceiling of the cafe and could not draw themselves up until the hands which held on to their legs gave way.

"It is said that most of the boatmen who volunteered their assistance first rifled the pockets of the sufferers and then drew them into their boats. Sixty-seven corpses have been found, but many more still remain in the deep mud, which the quay stones have forced up in great quantity. The clown of the 'acrobat troupe' was saved and rubbed dry, dressed at Mr. Mirzan's house, and ran back to seek for his wife and daughter, the latter aged 12 years. The former had been got safe into a boat, when, looking round, she screamed out, 'My husband and child cannot have been saved!' and jumped into the sea. She had expired before they brought her up again. Her daughter and the actresses were all to be seen at St. Antoine's Hospital, lying dead in their stage finery.—A Greek who escaped says he was awe-struck at the moment they rocked right to left by the scene which was being acted by the acrobats at the time—namely, 'Death,' running after some one and causing great laughter among the spectators. At that very instant the cafe gave way."

The Freaks of a Married Woman.

[From the Kansas City News, 15th.]

A young man, whom, for the gratification of our readers we will call Smith, doesn't now fondle his wife and call her pet names as he did a few days ago.—He says he is entirely cured of the fondling business, and seems determined in the future to pay strict attention to drinking, and cursing everything enveloped in a petticoat.

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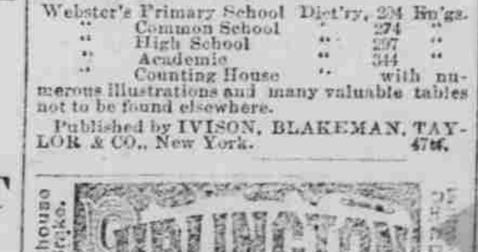

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Pin, Tape, and other Worms, lurking in the system of so many thousands, are effectually destroyed and removed. Says a distinguished physiologist: There is scarcely an individual on the face of the earth whose body is exempt from the presence of worms. It is not upon the healthy elements of the body that worms exist, but upon the diseased humors and slimy deposits that breed these living monsters of disease. No system of medicine, no vermifuges, no anthelmintics, will free the system from worms like these Bitters.

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