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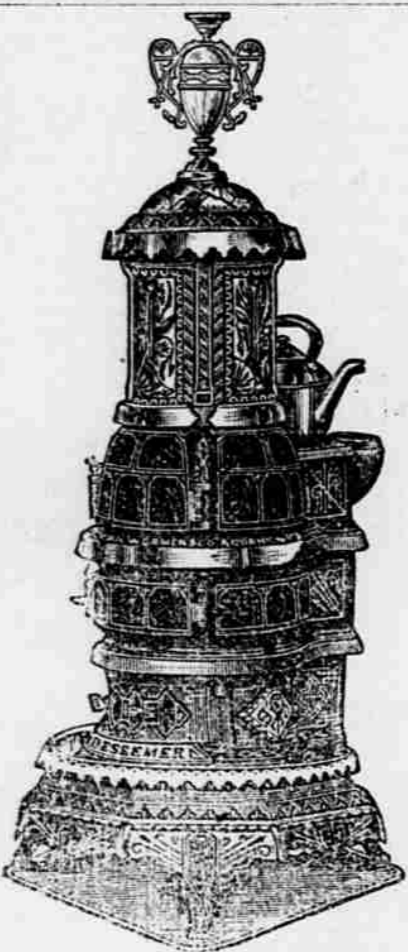
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### EDUCATIONAL COLUMN.

BY THE PRINCIPAL.

The department of public instruction of the State of Michigan has received the following certificates of award: To the State of Michigan, for best collective exhibit of educational system; to the Agricultural College, for display of forestry and grasses; to the State Public School, for best school for destitute children. The certificates are on parchment and very neatly engraved.

Ex-Governor Furnas has just sent out diplomas to the following schools for work presented at the New Orleans Exposition:

- The State of Nebraska—For collection educational exhibits.
- Grand Island public schools—For examination papers and state work.
- Omaha public schools—For written music.
- Nebraska City public schools—For examination papers, maps and drawing.
- West Point public schools—For examination papers from grammar and high school.
- Columbus public school—For examination papers.
- Crete public schools—For history of schools.
- Beatrice public schools—For examination papers, all grades.
- Fairbury public schools—For map drawing and manuscript work.
- Tenth Street Industrial School, Omaha—For industrial work.
- Academy of the Sacred Heart, Omaha—For presentation of course of study.
- Saint Claire Convent, Omaha—For map drawing and manuscript work.
- Nebraska School for the Blind, Nebraska City—For brooms, fancy work, etc.
- State Deaf and Dumb Institute, Omaha—For sewing, embroidery, carpentry, etc.
- State Normal School, Peru—For zoological and botanical specimens, map drawing, examination papers, etc.
- Santee Indian Training School—For class and industrial work.
- W. S. Warden, Holdrege—For penmanship and device for drawing.

Prof. W. H. Payne, of Ann Arbor, is to deliver an address before the Kansas Teacher's Association, at Topeka, December 24th.

The Greek government generously offers a site, if the Americans will build on it a structure for the use of the American school of classical studies.

Senator Stanford, of San Francisco, has endowed the Palo Alto University with \$3,500,000 and intends to make it the foremost seat of learning in the world, in memory of his dead son.

#### OUR CITY SCHOOLS.

In our monthly report given last week, the name of Mable Wilcox, who was neither absent nor tardy during the month of November, was inadvertently overlooked.

We have recently added an engraving of "The Hero of Appomattox" to our list of school room decorations.

Supt. C. L. Nettleton is expected to visit us this week. He informs us that he is about to take steps to form a county teacher's reading circle.

Prof. W. M. R. French, the art lecturer, will deliver the first lecture of the series at Menard's Opera House, on Tuesday evening, December 15th. We bespeak for him a full house. We append the following complimentary notice:

BUFFALO, N. Y., March 12, 1884.  
The entertainment given by Prof. French, last winter, for the benefit of our society, was a most interesting and instructive one, and we esteem it a privilege to have the opportunity of recommending him as a gentleman and a lecturer to those who can insure him success in the future.  
MRS. E. B. SEYMOUR,  
Sec'y Decorative Art Society.

#### A GEOGRAPHICAL PUZZLE.

One day Mr. (a county in Nebraska) Chase invited me to take dinner with his family. I was very cold when I got there, so I warmed myself by the (another county of Nebraska) Furnas. His daughter's name was (a river in Mississippi) Pearl. We had a very (a city in Southern France) Nice time. The dinner was very good and we each had an (a river of Africa) Orange after dinner. Well, after while, we went out into the yard and played croquet; but in a short time it began to get very cold, and we all went into the house and played on the organ. While I was playing, a (one of the Bahama Islands) Cat jumped onto the organ, and we were afraid it would catch the (some islands east of South America) Canary birds. Pretty soon I had to go home. I had to go through some (mountains of Nevada) Snow. When I got home I found company. Her name was Miss (some mountains in Vermont) Green. We had a very nice visit in the house, but when Miss Green wanted to go home she had to get one of the (a city in Idaho) Boise to go home with her. After while my sister (a city in Italy) Florence came home from a visit, and for supper we had potatoes fried in (a country in Europe) Greece.  
BERTHA BOYLE, age 10 years.

#### GEOGRAPHICAL PUZZLE.

About 10 o'clock one night, I came my two cousins (a city in New York and a city in northern New York) Eddy Clyde and (a city in Texas and a lake in New York) Cora Long. They were going to visit my uncle, Mr. (a lake in British America) Frances, and they wished me to join them. After some urging, I consented to go. They were going to start in a week, and that gave me a short time in which to get ready. The next day, I went down town and purchased a (a city in the Dominion of Canada) Newmarket coat, then a (a city in India) Cashmere dress. The week was up and we started. There was a young man on the train with whom I formed an acquaintance. His name was (a city in Texas and a city in Pennsylvania) Jasper Wilcox. A little boy was with him, whose name was (a city in Iowa and a city in New York) Clarence Wilson. They were going to the same place we were. My cousin (a city in Michigan) Florence and uncle met us at the train. We went home with him and stayed about two weeks. One day when we were out walking, I saw something in the grass. I thought it was a bear, but after examination found it to be a (some hills in Texas) Horsehead. Uncle made Cora and I a present of some (a country in North America) Alaska diamond rings, and aunt gave me a [city in Morocco] Morocco autograph album, and also a [region in Colorado and a lake in Minnesota] Silver Knife. We were going to start home the next morning, and aunt asked us what we wanted for a lunch. I told her she might put in a [city in Illinois] Sandwich. Just then my uncle came in and wished to know if we would like to take a horseback ride. We all said yes. He consented to let me ride his little [a river in Europe] Rhone pony. We saw a [land in the Arctic Ocean] Fox and a [city in France] Lyon. We sat on the [a strait north of North America] Banks of the river and watched the pieces of [a lake in the Dominion of Canada] Wood float down the stream. After a pleasant ride we returned home. I rode my pony up to the [a city in South Carolina] Cowpens and let my horse loose. We went into the house and Eddy said he was so tired that his nose was [an Island in the Bahama Isles] Crooked. I have now reached McCook and do not think I will take a trip very soon again.  
MATIE RUSSELL, 7th grade.

Art lecture by W. M. R. French, Tuesday evening, December 15th.

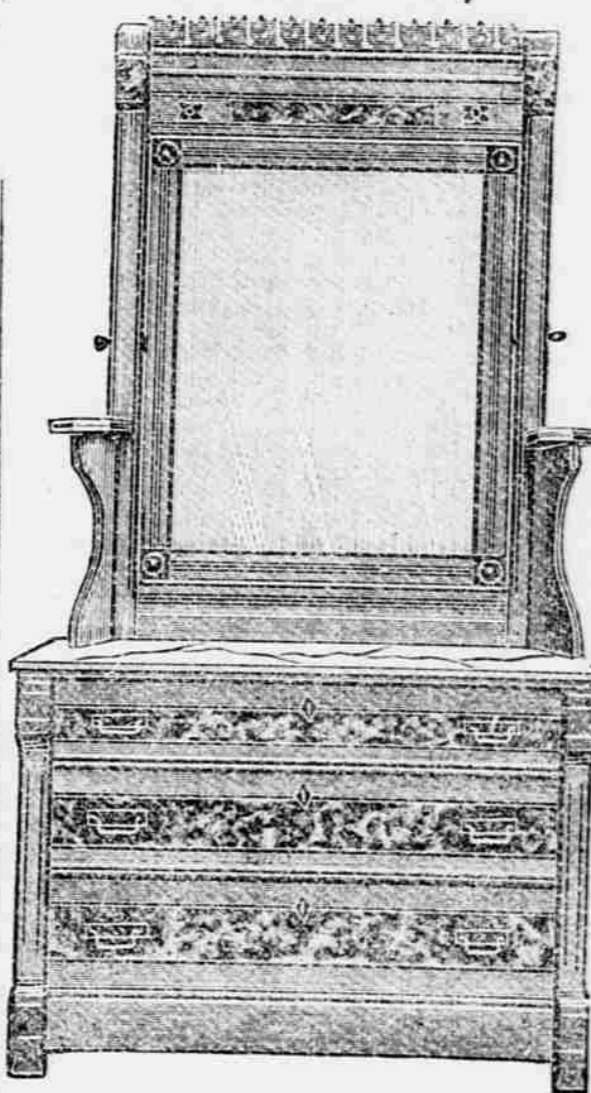
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