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FERRY HALL.

When in 1809 Moses Stuart, then a successful and promising pastor in New Haven was wanted, at the head of the young and struggling seminary at Andover, President Dwight said "No, he can't be spared." That was why Andover wanted him. When Ferry Hall wanted Miss Sabra L. Sargent we said "No, Highland Park can't spare her." Ferry Hall wanted no one who could be spared.

Hence we dropped into the Hall Wednesday afternoon to see what might be the outlook for the ensuing year. Unlike that ancient temple of Israel the sound of the saw and the hammer was heard everywhere. First of all that Chapel, a beautiful and unique building, has lost the old dull, cold interior, and in its place are bright, soft, warm, cheerful, rich colors, and the effect, on us at least, was very pleasant. Then the library, that enlarged room in the southeast corner, with spacious and well filled shelves, a room which invites to books and quiet musing, has been very handsomely and richly decorated. The books, the shelves, the walls, the pictures, the outlook on wide stretching lawn and lake beyond, make it an ideal room for the lover of good literature. Then across the hall are the Principal's suite, newly decorated in the same quiet, but strong rich colors. It is a style which will some way lend itself, as an aid to the work of Miss Sargent. Is there any turbulence in the bosom of the pupil, who calls on her Principal? The tone of those rooms are for quiet and repose.

But there are other things, if not as artistic, fully as essential to the sana mens in sano corpore. One is the plumbing, of the very first importance in such an establishment. It has been all overhauled from basement to above the roof. There are four large bath rooms for pupils on the several floors, with the best porcelain furnishings, impervious walls and floors, with plenty of light and ventilation. Pupils may be ill at Ferry Hall, but such possibilities are reduced to a minimum. The buildings are abundantly supplied by the city water works from Lake Michigan. For drinking and culinary uses an uncontaminable artesian well furnishes the supply. The buildings are heated throughout by hot water the plant being wholly outside and separate from the big dormitory. The dining room is in the basement, that is, on the lower floor, light and cheerful, with easy seating capacity for 144 persons at once. A steam elevator reaching all the floors is in active service all the year, so that no young lady shall injure her health running up and down stairs. As accessories, in the line of sound, vigorous, physical health, may be noted a large, well equipped gymnasium, three croquet grounds, four lawn tennis courts, a golf ground begun and basket ball outfit, all in charge of a special teacher of physical culture. Moreover, let the

weather be as rough or stormy as possible, the pupils need not take a breath of out-of-door cold or damp air, going to and from chapel, recitations, meals, gymnasium or library.

The students' rooms are all sunny, well lighted, in suites for two pupils, a parlor and sleeping room with two beds, two clothes presses and each room opening into the hall. Also, on every floor is an abundance of hose for fire purposes if needed, and large modern iron fire escapes, reaching all the floors. It seemed to us, in short, that every need is practically provided for, and every possible danger adequately guarded against. One word more about that dining room, there were no unkempt corners, and no odors suggestive of the boarding house. It is a home dining room, as all the life there is a home life, and over that culinary department the matron has presided twenty-one years in succession. Also, let me say, turn those buildings around and the present back yard would be fit for a front yard, the grounds are large, well shaded and well kept. The expenses range from \$275 to \$400 per annum, depending on rooms, furnishings, etc; the table is alike for all.

Ferry Hall stands for high ideals of personal character and intellectual culture, hence its diploma means something. Social and general culture, and refinement, are not overlooked; but strength and worth stand first. Its curriculum is broad and comprehensive, and its methods are up-to-date. Flanked, as it is, on the one side by the Academy, a first class fitting school for young men, and on the other by the University, an eminent co-educational college, Ferry Hall could not well be otherwise than first class.

In addition to Miss Sargent, as its head, there are fourteen other instructors, three of whom are new—Miss Covington, who takes Miss Cushman's place in art; Miss Fleming, vocal music, and Miss Jessica McIntyre, a Ph. B. of Ann Arbor, and a year in Paris, who will have the department of history. The teaching force is thus seen to be adequate in number and each thoroughly equipped for her work.

Miss Sargent has been there four years. Last year the school opened with 85 boarding pupils, a large number; it now has enrolled, one week before the opening, 115 boarding pupils. No words of ours could add emphasis to that fact.

We have written thus strongly, for the facts warrant it, of Ferry Hall and its work, so that our Highland Park readers might know what a choice school there is for their daughters at their very doors. It is here in the Providence of God, for the training of your daughters; shall it be permitted to do its heaven appointed work?

Tuesday morning this city was surprised to see four stalwart genuine Indians marching into town. They came from the west; West Deerfield perhaps, looking for the township high school we suppose. They were stalwart and strong and marched with the boldness and alertness of those intent on some great purpose, like the "Rough Riders" did in Cuba.

BENJAMIN L. JONES.

Rarely has the death of a young man come to us as such a sad and almost personal grief, as that of young Ben Jones of Waukegan, son of our highly esteemed County Judge, DeWitt L. Jones. He inlisted last June, went to the front and on his way home died Sunday last in New York, several hours before his father could reach him. He was just past 19 years of age and a young man of rare strength of character, sweetness of disposition, and one of unusual promise. He was a universal favorite, filled with a lofty and fervid patriotism, reminding us so strongly of the same high ideal and purpose of an earlier Waukegan patriot and soldier, Col. Isaac L. Clark, who fell at Chickamauga that September day in 1863. Young Jones died a martyr at his post of duty, and as the years go by the memory of his beautiful life, of his noble zeal and his untimely death will linger with those who knew him and as a shining example, and abiding inspiration. He was, and is not, for God hath taken him.

GOLFING.

The President's Cup contest at our last notice was down to four contestants. Last Saturday those were reduced one half, to Messrs. Cutter and Townner. Monday, being a holiday and the finals demanding a whole day, it was decided to play them off Monday, and so Messrs. Cutter and Townner made a genuine "labor day" of it and played around four times, making 36 holes. Mr. Cutter winning the prize.

Naturally we would congratulate the winner: the world's applause always goes to the "upper dog" in the fight. But we have other reasons for wishing to congratulate Mr. Cutter and Mrs. Cutter. First they were inmates of Ravinook last season and we came to have a very high regard for them. It always helps a stranger in Highland Park to go out with a Ravinook trade mark on him. But far above all that, is the blood in him; it is the old Ethan Allen blood, every corpuscle of which is surcharged with grit and fire and nerve and the poise of victory over all obstacles. In a word it is Vermont. John Morrell Cutter, the winner of the President's Cup, was born in Derry's Vermont. Enough said. Congratulations.

THE OMAHA FAIR.

Whether you did or did not attend the World's Fair, the Omaha Exposition is well worth the effort and expense involved in attending it. You should take a week and visit it systematically not so much to see its wonders, those features which strike and dazzle and overawe you; really they are worth but very little attention, but for real value, you must look elsewhere. Think of how long ago this great Trans-Mississippi valley was a howling wilderness; see, in the light of its products and achievements as shown at that exposition, what it is to-day; and then as a rational being forecast the future. How many millions of people will the Mississippi valley contain and comfortably support.

What will be the commerce of its rivers and lakes and of its railroads. Study the various kinds and forms of industries, institutions of learning of the mighty cities, of the great char-

able institutions, halls of legislation, the prosperity all created during the life time of people now living. Why the McCormick harvesting machine, crude, simple, but effective and wonderfully prophetic was first discovered the year the writer of this article was born and yet Cyrus H. McCormick's one invention has revolutionized the world. It is doing its work to-day in every harvest field of America, Australia, Europe, even to the farthest steppes of the Russian Empire.

Then the problem of irrigation with the mighty possibilities of reclaiming for a high civilization the immense sterile deserts of our west utilizing the immense snow deposits of the Rockies, all these are to be studied there. That Exposition is an immense and invaluable collection of data for such investigations as these and those akin to them.

WOMAN'S CAMPUS IMPROVEMENT SOCIETY.

The Woman's Campus Improvement Society held a very interesting meeting at the Chapel, Lake Forest, Thursday afternoon.

To meet the demand for much desired improvements it was decided to give an entertainment at the Art Institute September 9th. The entertainment will consist of impersonations of Scottish Character by Miss Katherine E. Oliver, one who has gained a wide spread reputation for interpretation of character.

Her repertoire contains selections from "The Little Minister," "Sentimental Tommy," "Drumtacht Folk," "The Play Actress," "The Lilac Sunbonnet" and bits from Robert Burns. She has autograph letters from Mr. Barrie, Dr. Maclaren, Mr. Crockett, President McKinley and others testifying to the excellence of her work.

Press notices too numerous to mention give additional evidence of her remarkable talent.

Beside the character interpretations music will be gratuitously furnished by those interested which will be superintended by a committee consisting of Mrs. M. Bross Thomas and Mrs. Frank Hall.

Refreshments will be served after the exercises in the Hall are over. We hope to have a large attendance as it will be an opportunity no one should miss.

Adults, 50 cents; children under 12, 25 cents. The entertainment will begin at eight in the evening.

EXCURSION TO BOSTON.

The Nickel Plate Road will sell excursion tickets from Chicago to Boston and return for trains of Sept. 16, 17 and 18, inclusive, at rate of \$19. for the round trip. Tickets will be valid returning until September 30, inclusive. On account of heavy travel at this particular time, those desiring sleeping-car accommodations should apply early to J. Y. Calahan, General Agent, 111 Adams Street, Chicago. 58

Meeting Sovereign Grand Lodge, I. O. O. F., Boston, Mass., Sept. 19-25

For this occasion the Nickel Plate Road will sell tickets at rate of one fare for the round trip. Tickets on sale September 16th to 18th, inclusive, good returning until September 30th, inclusive. For particulars, address J. Y. Calahan, General Agent, 111 Adams Street, Chicago. 59

NEWSLETS.

George Elvey is putting a new roof on the Morrison house.

Excavations are made and the brick for foundations hauled for a new house on McGovern street, just south of Mr. Rafferty's.

Cashier R. J. Street has the improvement and enlargement fever. William F. Edwards has moved back the "L" some 25 feet and the addition will be inserted between that and the main body of the house. It will add well nigh, if not quite, fifty per cent to the capacity of his home.

Mrs. James Frisbie was adjudged insane by the county court early in the week and taken to the asylum in Elgin a day or two since. The death of her sister, the late Mrs. Judge Davis, was such a grief to her, that she has gradually grown worse from that time. Her husband and friends have the sympathies of us all.

W. C. McKenzie of Ravinia, the candidate for Superintendent of Schools is out in a note showing that he is an old time Republican. His proof is his letter declining the Democratic nomination in 1894, because he was not a democrat. We note this because others as well as ourselves thought he was a recent convert to the g. o. p.

Rev. S. M. Hauch and Miss Lizzie Frey, both formerly of this place, were united in holy wedlock August 3rd, 1898, at Port Elgin, Ontario. Mr. Hauch, who has served the Evangelical people until a short time ago, is now in Canada, in charge of a larger field. He has the good wishes of a large circle of friends in his new partnership and venture. Miss Frey, who has undertaken the duties of a preacher's wife, will be a great help and comfort to Mr. Hauch in his arduous labors, as she is a young lady of many accomplishments and rare tact. "May their future be happy and crowned with good results is the wish of their many friends."

The good and true are always getting into trouble with the unsanctified saints. Moses was continually in hot water with Israel, and our "Teddy" has stirred up a breeze with our immaculate war department. And here we are in trouble. A few weeks ago President Hogan went up north fishing and soon reports came of his big string of muscalonge, black bass, etc, and the News honestly asked "How much did President Hogan pay for his fish,"—well you guess what happened when we met the aforesaid Hogan on the street Tuesday morning last!

Last spring Charles M. Green spent two or three months enlarging and reconstructing his house on the corner of Dale and Laurel avenues. After he was all done and the premises "slicked up," Mrs. Clara Smith, across the way, set the carpenter and masons at work doing a similar, though not quite as extensive a job of enlarging on her fine home. The fever is contagious, and so next we look to see Madame Small or Major Vail or both, turn the mechanics loose on their elegant homes. The winter will set in and all such work will be suspended. But in the spring the fever will evidently attack Alderman Cobb, and where unto this thing will run we know not. One thing is clear:—the residents about that corner intend to be at the front.

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