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## EDITORIALS.

Voluntary reading classes of not more than ten students each, are going to be held once in every two weeks under Miss Pardee's direction. As only the best books, selected from the city and high school libraries will be read, it is hoped the members will gain by this a real appreciation of the best authors, and the ability to judge between good and worthless books.

Regular study hours at home are very important in the preparation of the daily lessons. To the average student we would suggest that he study one hour in the afternoon, say from five to six o'clock, two hours in the evening, from seven to nine, and at least half an hour before coming to school in the morning. Following this plan, the student will find it easier to get his lessons than if he studied irregularly, just when he felt like it.

The league our high school is planning to arrange among high schools on the "north shore," for the purpose of having a series of foot-ball, basket-ball, indoor and baseball games for a banner, would greatly encourage our athletics in many ways. The teams will work a great deal harder, the students will not be so apt to skip gymnasium work, as they will all want the honor of being on one of the teams, and the games will be more largely attended than heretofore.

We hope the executive committee of the athletic association will give to those who join, free entrance to the games held in the gymnasium, because by so doing

the students will be more likely to become members, as they see they will get some benefit, and not as heretofore hear the last of the association after paying their dues.

## NOTES.

We are making good progress in the manual training shops and have finished our preliminary work. The hooks, rings, figure eights, etc., are finished, and we are now making iron braces. The class on the machine lathes are working in steel and iron. Others are working at the benches. The best pieces of work are placed on exhibition. Mr. Williams has introduced into the forge class, a book, "Smith's Work," which gives descriptions of different forges and tools, and their uses.

Wednesday morning, Miss Bradshaw resumed her discussion of the paintings of Millet. Mr. Averill and Mr. Pfanstiehl managed the heliopticon for the views.

Carl Pfanstiehl recently lost two hats at school. There is no use in getting "red headed" about it, Carl.

Ask Robert Lutz the difference between "shabby genteel" and "shabby Gentile."

The boys' basket ball team organizes Monday the twenty-sixth. We expect to have a good time this year and shall arrange a schedule.

J. E. C.

Pupil in Geometry— $ab$  equals  $ac$ ,  $ab$  is greater than  $ac$ , and  $ab$  is less than  $ac$ .

Teacher—Then, I suppose John is the same age as Mary, John is older than Mary, and John is younger than Mary.

Latin Pupil—*Gladius* drops the *i* in the genitive.

Teacher—Yes, it puts out one of its eyes.

Don't forget to come to the lecture on "St. Petersburg," next Monday night. After the lecture there will be a discussion for any who wish to stay. The books on the lecture are now in the library for general use to accompany the lectures.

The geometry class which has met heretofore only four times a week, will meet five times for the sophomores, but only four times for the juniors, who are so engaged with other studies that they have no period on Wednesday in which they can meet.

Mr. Sandwick read the scene between Antonio, Shylock and Bassanio, to the second year English class, who are now reading *The Merchant of Venice*. Homogenous, a new synonym for homologous, given in the geometry class this week. H. B.

## ALUMNAE NOTES.

Messrs. Clarence Noerenberg, '03, and Harry Sampson, '01, have entered the State University at Urbana.

Miss Minnetta Millar, '03, is assisting Miss Ward in the Highland Park kindergarten.

Mr. and Mrs. John Osborn are now living in Oakland, California. Mrs. Osborn was Miss. Bertha Bell of the class of 1900, of which Mr. Osborn was also a member.

Mr. Francis Pease, '96, who has for some time held an important position at the Williams Bay Observatory, Wisconsin, is thinking of going to Boston this winter.

Mr. Samuel Pease, '92 is studying at the University of Chicago.

M. M.

## MISS WILLIAMS.

This week in our series of sketches of teachers we shall sketch briefly the career of one of our teachers in English and mathematics.

Miss Williams has held her present position for two years, coming here from Darlington, Wis., where she taught English in the high school of that place.

Her early school work was done in Ohio, her native state, where she attended private schools until she attended Willmington, College. Here she did her college preparatory work, and then entered the University of Chicago, graduating in 1901. While at the latter institution she qualified herself for the position of teacher

of English, by specializing wholly in that study.

Miss Williams has done very satisfactory work and is much liked by the pupils, both old and new.

A. E.

## MULLIGAN OF THE POST.

Mulligan is the type of soldier known as a "coffee cooler," one of the kind who would rather run errands and beat carpets all day for the captain's wife than go to drill for two or three hours in the morning. He has a genial nature and is full of fun, sympathetic and worthless.

As his name suggests he is from the Emerald Isle, and is proud of the fact. The most striking characteristic in Mulligan's make up are his legs. As the saying goes, "he couldn't catch a pig in an alley." His gait is very unsteady, whether from his bow leggedness or his great overpowering thirst for whiskey, or both, I do not know. His face, true to his colors, is an artillery red, probably from the same cause. It fairly shines with fun too, sometimes, though again it may be sympathetic as a woman's. He is just a big hearted Irishman.

No important events ever take place among the boys without his help, or rather, his advice. For instance, he stands sponsor for all of the ships which are launched. One launching I remember particularly was that of a flat-bottomed row boat, to be named the "Bridget Mulligan," in honor of the worthy gentleman himself. The afore mentioned sponsor sat with kingly dignity, smoking his pipe on a pile, giving many directions and valuable suggestions, but not lifting a finger to do a stroke of work. Finally the magnificent vessel slid into the water with a splash, and the momentous time came for the christening. Mulligan took his hands out of his pockets, descended from the pile lazily, and poured a little beer on the bow of the boat. "I christen thee, the Bridget Mooligan," he recited in solemn tones. Then he

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