

The garden boys are hoeing the strawberry patch.

The large girls are cleaning all the windows and the wood work in the Small Girls' Home in preparation for commencement.

The girls from McBride Hall decorated the small girls' sitting-room very nicely for the Y. W. and Y. M. C. A. party.

On Arbor Day Anna Jackson dedicated our tree in honor of George Washington.

The pupils in the Fourth A class have just finished studying the Northeastern Section.

Julia Gromoff stood the highest in our oral spelling match.

A VISIT HOME

Last Sunday, Simeon Fratis, Nick Orloff and John Hanson left for their homes, which are 3,745 miles from here, and it will take them at least nineteen days before they reach their destination. They took the revenue cutter, Unalga, from Seattle. They were all glad to go home for when they are here they hear from their parents only twice or three times a year. No ships run in that region during the winter for is ice-bound at that season. The ice is so thick that some times the people walk five miles out on the ocean to hunt. There is all kinds of hunting during the winter. A mail boat runs as far as Unalaska, every month and that is the only way mail from the United States goes up.

Twice a week a revenue cutter from the Island at Bering Sea gets the mail from Unalaska. There is great excitement when the first steamer arrives at the Island at Bering Sea. There is a wireless station on the Island and all through the winter the people up there hear what is going on down here.

When the boys who left here last Sunday arrive home all the people will be glad to hear all the news, for there is hardly anyone from St. Paul's Island who has been in a state or a city. The government has the Island and no one is allowed to leave unless he has permission from the head man up on the Island. There would be no people up there if it were not for the seals.

Many years ago when the Russians had these Islands they lived under the ground, for the whole Island of St. Paul was covered with seals. After the Alaska Commerical Company first obtained the islands they built houses and killed thousands and thousands of seals and after some time the North American Commercial Company got there. They killed more seals, as they were bringing in good money.

Then a few years ago the government got the island and now the seals are getting very scarce for the Japanese and Canadian schooners