

WASCO INDEPENDENT ACADEMY.

Commencement Exercises--The Graduates--A Successful Year.

Commencement exercises of Wasco Independent academy began on Sunday evening with a baccalaureate sermon by Rev. G. R. Burnside, of Buffalo, N. Y. from the text--"Be ye perfect, even as your Father in heaven is perfect" Matt. 5:48. In his impressive way, Mr. Burnside set forth the "One Perfect Life" and exhorted each to do his best to imitate His spirit and follow his example.

The Congregational church choir contributed much to the pleasure and profit of the exercise by their excellent music. Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday were given to examinations.

The alumni gave the graduating class a supper on Monday evening, which was an occasion of much pleasure to the participants. It seldom falls to our lot to report so pleasing an event as that which took place in the auditorium of the Court house last evening, the occasion being the exercises of the graduating class for the year 1891-92. By eight o'clock the large hall was filled to overflowing, while those who came a little late, were unable to obtain admittance. It was with considerable pride we noticed so many representative citizens of our town, while a number of visitors from distant cities in the East, were also happily conspicuous by their presence.

The exercises began promptly at 8 o'clock, and as Rev. Mr. Curtis had not yet arrived, prayer was offered by Rev. George R. Burnside. Then came music by Mrs. Huntington, Miss Slutz, Mr. Crandall and Mr. Burlingame.

Miss Frances Ettie Rowe followed with an excellently written essay entitled "Three Centuries of Education." After a short interval Mr. Geo. Burlingame sang a solo and was warmly applauded.

The essay of Miss Olive Taylor, on "The Life and Times of Homer," is worthy of great praise and cannot fail to excite a deeper interest when we are told that "seven cities now claim Homer dead, in which the living Homer begged for bread."

The instrumental solo of Miss Aimee Newman also deserves a good share of our applause, while the oration of Mr. Albert Patrick O'Leary on "The Acquisition of Oregon," was the great treat of the evening.

This, by the way, is a note-worthy instance of home education in the higher branches of study. Mr. O'Leary will always be more largely indebted to the opportunities and influences of Wasco academy than to any other factor in his education. Besides an excellent standing in his classes as a student, an interest in home, history, and public affairs, has been acquired, and the academy last night gave him the opportunity to take a position before the people of his native city from which he probably will never recede.

The academy has enabled him to choose his standard, and his career as a man must be marked by the same earnest effort that gave to him his achievement as a boy.

We understand the influence of the Wasco academy is to be still further extended by his becoming a student of Brown University, the alma mater of Prof. Ingalls.

In this way, the early training of the child and the boy continues in the youth, and throughout his experience as a man, young O'Leary will, we are sure, claim Wasco academy as the institution which exerted the greatest and best influence upon his life.

Mr. Burlingame gave a second solo on "The Pilgrim Teacher" and was again generously applauded, after which the Rev. O. D. Taylor, president of the board of directors, made a very earnest address. In the course of his remarks, Mr. Taylor said he had sent down to Hood River, for some strawberries a few days ago, having heard that they were larger and sweeter than our own berries here at home; well, the berries came and they were excellent, being both large and sweet, but after they were eaten he went out into his own garden and found berries that were larger and sweeter, and so; by way of illustration, Mr. Taylor urged upon the citizens to investigate the opportunities which our city is the proud possessor of, and that when our young people arrive at an age when they seek for higher education, to give them the benefit of that which can be procured at home, equal to the best.

In addressing the graduating class Mr. Taylor spoke with great earnestness, and in the kind words that reflected a father's love, urged upon them to follow their own better impulses as they journeyed through life, and to all of which it might be aptly said: "Thine own self be true And it must follow, as the night the day Thou canst not not then be false to any man."

In presenting the diplomas Prof. Ingalls was visibly affected, as he has no doubt had for his pupils a feeling akin to that which a father feels for his children. We heartily congratulate the professor upon his work for the past year.

ROBN.

At Pine Hollow June 17th, to the wife of J. A. Wagner, a 9 pound boy.

At Kingsley on the 16th inst., to the wife of Leon Rondeau, an 11 1/2 pound girl. Kingsley against the world!

EDUCATIONAL.

Annual Commencement Exercises at St. Mary's Academy--A Fine Programme.

The annual commencement exercises of St. Mary's Academy were held in the hall of the academy yesterday, commencing at 10 o'clock a. m. The hall was tastefully and appropriately decorated as only the deft fingers of these good sisters could do it. A large attendance of friends of the academy and the pupils was present and heartily enjoyed the interesting programme. The proceedings commenced with the overture, "Happy hours," finely rendered by four young ladies. This was followed by an address by Miss M. O'Leary which gave evidence of much careful culture and marked natural talent. The essay of Miss D. Mosier, "Monuments of Fame," was finely delivered and manifested an extended acquaintance with our best literature. Miss M. O'Leary's essay on "Self-sacrifice the Harbinger of Victory," was a splendid composition and was also well received. The little folks did their part extremely well and, especially so, in their German class song and their "Fairy Drill." The "Christian symbols" were very interesting and instructive. The graduating honors were conferred on Misses D. Mosier and M. O'Leary by Father Brongest, accompanied by a few well chosen words of council and encouragement. Then followed the presentation of a gold medal to Miss Annie White of Kingsley, for the best plain sewing after which came a very beautiful and touching valedictory by Miss D. Mosier. The "Adieu" by a vocal quartet brought to a fitting close an entertainment that could only be appreciated by those who had the pleasure and privilege of being present.

A Great State.

Almost every one on the Pacific coast is familiar with the name of the able and genial editor of the Salt Lake Tribune, Judge C. C. Goodwin. He, speaking of the Columbia River Centennial, expresses this sentiment: "Oregon is a great state, and the Willamette valley is the most productive, we believe, for its size in all the west. Senator Baker was once asked what the chief attractions of Oregon were, and his answer was: 'Oregon is composed of the Willamette valley and two United States senators.' That about covered the case at that time, but while the Willamette valley and the senators still remain, the state itself on both sides of the mountains is advancing to a position among the very foremost in the nation. It has other valleys wonderfully rich; it has splendid mines; as a pasture land it is marvelous; and altogether it is an Imperial state. The state is really what all the people up there were celebrating yesterday more than the river, and they had a right to. In lumber, in fruit, in grain, in fish, in mines, in ranges and the product of the range, Oregon is a tremendous state. There are but few that can compare with her at all."

BUILDING ASSOCIATION.

Benefits Which one Would Confer Upon The Dalles.

Mr. A. A. Brown, after reading a timely article in THE CHRONICLE last week on the need and importance of a local building and loan association in this city, writes as follows upon the subject:

The benefits that would accrue to this place upon the establishment of a strictly conservative local building and loan association, managed by responsible business men of the city, whose management is open to the inspection of every one that has an interest to do so, are many. All legitimate business enterprises should be encouraged, especially one such as this which would directly or indirectly benefit every citizen of the place.

Among the benefits would enumerate: 1. making a safe depository for small or large investments where they would receive all the interest that would be earned. 2. Enabling stockholders (whether intending home builders or otherwise) to secure the funds necessary at a lower rate of interest and on easier terms of payment than they possibly could in any other way. 3. By keeping command at home of all money invested, and obviating the great expense of soliciting subscriptions to the stock of the association by traveling agents, as done by all building and loan associations other than local. 4. By encouraging the growth of the city by enabling present renters, to become home owners. Hoping that your agitation of the question may materialize into action resulting in organization. Yours Truly, A. A. Brown.

Notice.

All persons indebted to the late firm of Mr. Farland and French will please call at the old store now Messrs. Pease & Mays, where Mr. French will be in waiting that they may make immediate settlement of their notes and accounts.

S. FRENCH, For the company.

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KINGSLEY LETTER.

Good Crop Prospects--A Sick Rooster--Minor Topics.

KINGSLEY, June 18.--Since election is a thing of the past everyone around Kingsley has settled down to work, and to consider the part they had played in the game. Some of the republicans that helped to defeat part of the state and county ticket, are disgusted with the crowing of that sickly looking rooster that appeared in the Wasco Sun. Judging from appearance he was looking for a hole to hide in and we certainly would advise him to do so for on the first part of November the grand old party rooster will crow so loud that he can be heard from Maine to Washington, with a hip hip burrah for Harrison.

Frosty nights are over and the grain is growing in good shape. I believe the frost injured the grain more than the hot weather; for we have had no real hot weather and there is considerable moisture in the ground yet, and my opinion is that we will have plenty of grain on Tygh Ridge this fall.

The inhabitants of Kingsley were startled last Wednesday morning by the statement made by John Roth that some one had stolen a horse and saddle from his barn the night before, there he learned that a party with a band of horses had camped at Kingsley the night before, on their way across the mountains. So brave John started off alone to capture the whole band of horse thieves and recover his stolen horse and saddle, but to his surprise when he caught up with them he found neither horse nor saddle, so he turned back disgusted and on arriving home found his horse and saddle in the barn where he had overlooked them in the morning.

The farmers' alliance are about to build a new hall at Kingsley. I do not know the size of the building, but judging from the pile of lumber on the ground, it is to be a large one. TAM O'SHEANTR.

The Souvenir Half.

WASHINGTON, June 20.--Representative Durborow called on Saturday, at the treasury department and had a long talk with Secretary Foster with regard to the minting of the souvenir half dollars for the worlds fair. Secretary Foster said that he would willingly lend any aid in his power to the proposition to make use of the mutilated coin now in the treasury for the purpose of these special pieces. Altogether there is about \$14,000,000 of this mutilated coin, but about half of this is in dollars and quarters and dimes. The \$7,000,000 worth of half dollars is what will be probably used for the purpose. This money while not actually an asset is carried as such on the books of the treasury, and to make use of it in the way indicated will make of it an available asset, while it is unavailable at present.

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