

PUPILS' ITEMS

The pupils were given recess on Thursday.

James Wilcox is a new addition to the woodshed force.

The electricians put the lights up in Mitchell Hall this week.

Patsie Loftus is now practicing on the trombone for the second band.

The pupils were glad to get their pictures of the different groups, shops, etc., which they had ordered some time ago of Mr. Lowenfeld, the Salem photographer.

John Stankus made the button-holes in a fly for a pair of trousers being made by Willie Bains and it is by this means that John Stankus is progressing step by step. This fly making is the first step and makes it easier to take the next step and it would be impossible for any boy to make a pair of trousers unless he first learns to make the fly with its button-holes.

Excelsior.

The Excelsior Literary Club held their regular session Thursday evening in the usual place of meeting, and after roll was called and minutes read and approved, the club was ready for business. It was decided to give a public entertainment in the near future. After the reports of committees were read we proceeded with the mock trial which had been referred to a higher court from the last meeting. Quite an interesting time was spent in trying to confuse witnesses and to prove the defendant guilty or not guilty. Harry Jones, of the Reliance Society,

was engaged by the prosecuting attorney to help with the case, and from the interest shown by those in attendance we think that this form of debate is interesting to all who attend. Manuel Swanson was counsel for the defendant. Members of the Reliance Society were interested visitors at the trial.

BASKETBALL.

Standing of Inter-School League:	P	W	L	PC
Blacksmiths.....	6	0	0	1000
Gardeners.....	5	4	1	800
Brewer Hall.....	4	3	1	750
Harnessmakers.....	6	4	2	666
Printers.....	5	3	2	600
Engineers.....	5	3	2	600
Tailors.....	5	2	3	400
Carpenters.....	4	1	3	250
Dairy Boys.....	5	1	4	200
Cooks.....	3	0	3	000
Farmers.....	4	0	4	000

THE SONG AND THE SINGER.

The world loves eternally—
 His honey, not the bee,
 Its fruit, and not the tree,
 The blossom, not the ground,
 The truth, not him who found,
 The light, and not the bringer,
 The song, and not the singer.
 We are but instruments,
 The strings attuned and tense,
 Whereon the hand of time
 Strikes some few notes sublime;
 And so the music prove
 A thing for men to love,
 What matter whence it came
 Or what the singer's name?

—Selected.

The oldest inhabited dwelling in the western hemisphere is said to be La Fuerza, in Havana, built about 1538. Other forts and some buildings in Santo Domingo antedate it but they are all broken ruins now, while La Fuerza is of service still as a storehouse and barracks for the rural guards.—Baltimore News.