

NESIKA MINSTRELS.

On last Friday night, the 9th, the Nesika Club appeared and gave the entire school a very classy minstrel. The first was a play showing the 1910 forming of the club, representing a great improvement, and also where other school organizations were asked to participate with the Nesikas in giving a show, but ambition appeared only in the Nesika Club, the others refusing to take part. This was very amusing and well planned and rendered.

At the next curtain the minstrel began. The stage was well arranged and elaborate. At the sound of the piano the uniformed men and center man marched in to the tune of and singing the up-to-date march song entitled "Good Bye, Betty Brown." They were closely followed by the six end men clad in minstrel togs, with derbys and a rag-time grin. After having taken their places and seated at the center man's orders, business began.

No dull moments passed by. The crowd was in a continuous uproar caused by the jokes passed by the end men, who, despite their inexperience, performed like veterans at that important branch of a minstrel performance. The entire company consisted of fifteen men, four, uniformed and three end men on either side of the center man.

All of the jokes and songs delivered were of the latest and certainly made a "hit" with the crowd.

Mr. Larsen held the center man's position down and filled it splendidly.

Lee Evans, Luther Clements, Buford Spencer, Bernie Wilson, Thomas Williams and Frank Patrovitch acted as end men and the class they put on was nothing slow. Lups was there with all his

splendor and his song, "Call me up Some Rainy Afternoon," is now being hummed by every rag-time boy on the grounds, including the reporter.

The other end men sang as follows: Lee Evans, "Casey Jones;" Luther Clements, "Under the Chicken Tree;" Thomas Williams, "How do you do Miss Mandy;" Bernie Wilson, "Tennessee;" Buford Spencer, "Down Among the Sugar Cane." Evans and Clements also sang a duet entitled "Jasper Johnson Shame on You," and Clements sang an additional one entitled "I Got to See The Minstrel Show." The manager of this show was Mr. Larsen and although he had a bunch of inexperienced young men to perform with the result was loud praise by the entire school and a wish for another show before the close of the school year.

Miss Ruth Swaboda performed at the piano and her smooth playing had much to do with the success of the club.

ACADEMIC ITEMS.

Willie Pratt is the best ditch digger we have had on the plumber's detail.

The juniors are glad to have their classmate, Henry Olsen, with them again.

Lela Wilson is teaching a few of the girls to do some very pretty embroidery work.

Nettie Feliz is now working in the laundry and she says she likes her work very well.

Luther Clements was a very amusing end man at the minstrel show on Friday night.

Martha Alfaro presented Amanda Lilygreen with a nice birthday present.

Myrtle Wilson is one of Miss Troutman's best floor girls and she likes to work there.