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Damascus Notes.

DAMASCUS, Nov. 29.—The weather here is something like we generally have about this time of the year, rain and mud. Those venturing out take the lower road, the upper being impassable and in some places it is quite a distance to the bottom.

The energetic people of Damascus are arranging to have a Christmas tree, and intend to have a good one.

The Rock Creek Union Sunday school have finished paying for the organ that was purchased some years ago, and have moved it to the school house where it seems to have attracted quite a number last Sunday.

A number of the Damascus grangers gathered at the residence of Mr. Feathers, Thanksgiving, and did ample justice to a well prepared dinner which goes to say: the grangers were not doing things by halves.

Mr. Joe Deardorff is quite sick at the present.

A. G. Derry of the car shop was out and spent Thanksgiving with his sister, Mrs. Wm. Buckman.

J. W. Hilleary, our rustling merchant, is having the Grange hall fixed up so as to be able to move his stock of goods in soon.

Mr. A. Paulson has had his large barn painted, which adds greatly to the appearance of the building and surroundings.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Bohna will start soon for an extended visit in Southern California.

A. C. Newell, our energetic book agent, is having good success with the set of Juvenile Holiday books he is handling.

Albert Derry is building an addition to his barn.

M. W. Gardner is very busy chopping grain every day now.

Mr. Yocum is running his sawmill full blast, showing evidence of prosperity.

Aimes Items.

AIMES, Dec. 3.—The officers elected at the Aimes literary society on November 26, were as follows: W. D. Thomas, president; R. L. Hickman, vice president; Bertha Pansky, secretary; Mrs. W. D. Thomas, treasurer; R. L. Hickman, editor; Wm. Bramhall, assistant editor; Mrs. Thomas, Martha Johanneessen, and Charlie Bramhall, reporters. The time of meeting was changed to Wednesday evening of each week.

Mr. White, who has been quite sick for some time, is still improving.

James Pulley is working at the hospital in Portland.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. John Bramhall, on November 30, a fine 8-lb boy.

C. P. Brooks and family have moved to Bridal Veil to spend the winter, but expect to return in the spring with the bluebirds.

Charles Linderman is logging for Joseph Bramhall.

Quite a number of cattle buyers were in this vicinity last week and bought up most of the cattle.

Preparations are being made for a Christmas tree at the Aimes school house and a grand time is anticipated.

Stone News.

STONE, Dec. 6.—The services at the Holcomb school house, conducted by Elder G. F. Rich were well attended Sunday.

Spelling school is held every Tuesday evening at the school house.

Prayer meeting will be held at Mrs. Sprague's next Thursday afternoon.

Mrs. Hubbard is visiting in the East.

School is progressing nicely at the Hatchery with Miss Randall as instructor.

Miss Mumpower, who is attending the state normal at Monmouth, spent Thanksgiving with relatives here.

Miss Alice Williams closed the fall term of school at Stricklin Saturday and is the guest of Mrs. Marie Hattan this week.

There was a very pleasant social gathering at the residence of Grant Mumpower one evening last week. The evening was spent in games and music, after which refreshments were served.

The home of B. Sprague was brightened last Monday by the advent of a 16-pound boy.

Mrs. Mark Hattan, Charley Hattan and Mrs. Sprague made a visit to Molalla recently.

A number of our young people have been attending the revival meetings at Redland, and report much interest shown.

Sunnyside News.

SUNNYSIDE, Nov. 30.—Mr. Editor, welcome! The paper of last issue seems a little better than usual, not that we would cast any reflection on the former one as he is all right; but the old adage has it "A New Broom Sweeps Clean." We hope it may continue to improve.

Three months of our school have just closed. Last Friday, they had quite a programme for the afternoon. Prof. F. M. Darling assisted by Miss Minta Birdsell have charge of the school and are giving good satisfaction. Children are improving well. Not only books are taught but also practical knowledge. There was a large crowd in attendance to witness the exercises, nearly everybody in the neighborhood being present, the crowd being so large that the exercise of marching was crowded out, entirely, which we very much regretted. Following is the program: Song, "America," by the school; recitations by the following: Edith Wiley, Blanche Davis, Walter Hubbard, Wilber Crook, Mary Reed, Emma Cotty, Ethel Moll, Bertha Reed, Maggie Conklin; song, Mable Van Fleet; recitations, Alice Cotty, Lester Moll, Mina Davis, Eddie Wiley; song, Pearl Barrett and Mary Reed; recitations, Ethel Sumner, Nona Heckinger, Della Davis, Blanche Wiley, Della Moll, Nora Barrett, Pearl Birdsell; select reading, Miss Minta Birdsell. Prof. F. M. Darling made some grand remarks on the flag. Lawyer Dimmick, of Oregon City, gave quite an interesting talk

which made it more interesting in stating he had gone to school to their teacher, Prof. F. M. Darling, just 20 years ago. Mrs. M. D. Wheeler, recently from Iowa, an old teacher, gave quite an interesting talk in regard to the improvement of the system of teaching. Hon. Geo. C. Brownell of Oregon City, gave an address to the school which was good and instructive to all present. He is an able speaker and made his talk so plain and simple the least scholar could understand. Song, "Red, White and Blue," by the school. Then the school formed in order and saluted the flag, which was very nice and impressive. This ended the program.

Smyrna News.

SMYRNA, Dec. 6.—The population of our neighborhood is greatly reduced, so many of the young people are away at school.

W. H. Yoder loaded his household effects into a freight car at Barlow and shipped them to Portland. The family went by wagon.

Chas. Ritchie has rented T. P. Soule's farm near Marquam for two years, and finished moving last Saturday. This leaves the little "white house by the mill" vacant.

T. M. Yoder left for St. Louis, Mo., last Thursday, where he expects to spend the winter.

The Christian Endeavor society, after missing three meetings in succession on account of the inclemency of the weather had a very good and profitable meeting last evening.

Joe Schwartz and Sevier Roop are still running their fruit dryers. Dried apples are advancing and Joe and Sevi are correspondingly happy.

Walter Watson has gone on a business trip to Buena Vista, Polk county.

Fred Lantz has gone to Portland where he has struck a job in a livery stable.

Ralph E. Yoder made several desks for the school room at Needy.

Miss Mabel Schwartz who has been taking music lessons in Portland for several months came home again last Friday.

Jas. Hoag was hauling spuds to Aurora last week. It looks as though it were worth the potatoes to haul them over such roads.

Redland Ramblings.

REDLAND, Dec. 7.—Looks as though Viola correspondent would keep on the other side of the fence.

Mrs. M. McGraph is building a neat addition to her already comfortable cottage. We understand that Mr. McGraph, who is at the hospital, is coming home. His case is drossy and the doctors say they can't do anything for him.

We have plenty of mud and water. If any of our neighboring towns need any we can spare a reasonable amount.

Mr. Gale, of the west end of town, is selling off his milk cows and preparing to move to Portland as soon as he can find a renter. Anyone wishing to rent a farm for a very small sum might make a very good bargain there.

The mask ball at Linn's, Thanksgiving eve, was well attended and all present enjoyed a good time.

Mrs. T. Clark, of Union county is visiting her brother, B. E. Courtright, of this place.

Walter Courtright who has spent the summer in Grand Round valley is home to spend the winter.

Mrs. Alice Williams spent Thanksgiving with friends at Stone.

P. Boughlander of Beaver Creek, has been working on F. Sprague's new barn the past week. Frank will have a very fine barn when it is finished.

Wm. Brown has moved to his brother's farm in Logan. He formerly occupied the farm of his brother-in-law, J. Young.

Miss Ida Young is home on a few week's visit. Miss Young has been employed in Portland.

D. Evans had a much needed wagon bed completed a few days ago. It's all right, I'll tell you.

The protracted meeting that has been carried on for the past two weeks by Rev. W. D. Morehouse, assisted by Rev. Lewis, of Rocky Point have been well attended and a good work has been done.

Miss Alice Williams has just closed a very successful term of school in Dist No. 70.

Chas. Rutherford, Mr. Sever and J. M. Haydon, of Viola have been at this place aiding in the revival meetings.

M. Davis and Will O. Connor, of Beaver Creek, spent Sunday at F. W. Sprague's.

Ed Barrot has rented the Benson place near Aims and has moved thither. Ed formerly occupied the Morgan farm.

Wm. Bonney has his sawmill in running order and will saw lumber for the public.

Mr. and Mrs. Kimball are visiting Mrs. Kimball's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. Behymer.

Royal Sprague, of Stone, spent last evening with his grand parents.

Robbed the Grave.

A startling incident of which Mr. John Oliver of Philadelphia, was the subject, is narrated by him as follows: "I was in a most dreadful condition. My skin was almost yellow, eyes sunken, tongue coated, pain continually in back and sides, no appetite—gradually growing weaker day by day. Three physicians had given me up. Fortunately, a friend advised 'Electric Bitters,' and to my great joy and surprise, the first bottle made a decided improvement I continued their use for three weeks and am now a well man. I know they saved my life, and robbed the grave of another victim." No one should fail to try them. Only 50 cents per bottle at Charman & Co's, drug store.

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School Reports.

The following is the report of Union Hill school, Dist. No. 60, for the month ending December 3: Whole No. enrolled 22; average daily attendance, 19; cases of tardiness, 2. Those neither absent nor tardy during the month were: Johnnie and Emma Snider, Ira White, Iva Soules and Amanda Smidt; visitors, David Wagner, Mrs. W. L. White, Mrs. G. White, Miss Meta and Anna Eilers, Otto Knorn and Christ Conplit. Friends and patrons are cordially invited to call and inspect our work.

A. F. KNIGHT, Teacher.

Following is the report of third month of school taught in Falls View, Dist. No. 101: No. of days taught 19; pupils enrolled 21; average number belonging 20; average daily attendance, 19, total No. of days attendance, 389; total No. of days absence 18½. Those regular in attendance, and of excellent deportment were: Louis and William Wallace, George, Thomas and Charles Sagar, Minnie, Katie and Lena Miller, Henrietta Moldenhaur, Charles, Henry, Frank, Johnny and Willie Miller. Patrons of the school and all interested in the cause of education are invited to visit the school and inspect our work.

HARRIETTE GINTHER, Teacher.

Report of school, Dist. No. 73, for the month ending Dec. 3, 1897: No. of days taught, 19; total No. enrolled, 38; average daily attendance, 31; days absence 118, pupils that have neither been absent nor tardy are, William and Abner Thirman; others that deserve mention for good deportment and lessons are, Katie, Laura and Ruby Newbury, Hattie and Amelia Spulak, Olive and Kate Kredrick, Julia and Josie Severck, Tillie and Agnes Rief, Mabel Antony Ella Scheer, Ethel Bradth and Annie Solli.

A. D. LEACH, Teacher.

Report of school, district, No. 90, for month ending Dec. 3: Number days taught, 19; attendance, 261½; absence, 8½; enrolled, 18; average attendance, 14. Those neither absent nor tardy during the month were Bennie Hayhurst, Harry and Ray Kiebyson, Mamie, Sadie, Tom, Dave and Clarence Evans.

GERTRUDE RICE, Teacher.

Report of school district, No. 57, for month ending Nov. 26: Number days taught, 19; total days attendance, 350; total days absence, 70; times tardy, 2; average daily attendance, 20. Pupils neither absent nor tardy were Otto and Helene Paulsen, Willie Ruhl and Carl Simms. Patrons and friends are cordially invited to visit the school and note our progress.

IVA HEDGES, Teacher.

The following is the report of the Needy school, district No. 40, for the month ending December 3: No. of days taught, 19; attendance, 994; average daily attendance, 52; No. enrolled 62. Those neither absent nor tardy were: Ray Fish, Frank Mitts, Julius Spagle, Katie Spagle, Joseph Yoder, Frank Hilton, Gracie Thompson, Freda and Louis Gahlor.

Patrons and others interested in education are cordially invited to visit our school.

A. C. THOMPSON, KATIE THOMPSON, Teachers.

Child Mr. Rockefeller.

A newly engaged clerk in the employ of the Standard Oil company was sent to work in a room that contained a health lift. Every morning at about 10 o'clock, when this clerk was particularly busy with figures, a small, black mustached man, quiet and diffident in manner, entered, said "Good morning," walked on tiptoe to the corner and exercised for a quarter of an hour. It became a bore to the clerk, who at last one day remarked with considerable heat to the stranger:

"How do you expect me to do my work properly while you are fooling with that blasted machine? I'm getting tired of it. Why don't you put it where it won't worry a person to death?" "I am very sorry it annoys you," said the stranger, flushing. "I will have it removed at once."

A porter took it away within an hour. A few days later the clerk was sent for by Mr. Flagler, whom he found in earnest conversation with the small, black mustached man. The latter smiled at seeing him, gave Flagler some instructions and left the room.

"Will you tell me who that gentleman is?" the young man asked, a light beginning to break upon him.

"That was Mr. Rockefeller," was the reply.

It was the clerk's first acquaintance with the head of the great corporation by which he was employed.—Ohio State Journal.

Eating in Mexico.

Mexico is a land where people like to eat and eat a good deal. The dinner table is well spread, and there is an abundance. Food is served in courses and often many of them. A common bill of fare in thousands of houses at noon will be: Soup, called caldo, or broth; rice, or macaroni, known as sopa; baked and stuffed tomatoes and artichokes, a most delicious vegetable; two kinds of meat, often chicken and a roast, or chops and steaks; fried potatoes, salad, beans, which always appear; fruit and several kinds of sweets and then coffee. Everything comes on separately, served by a boy or maid. This is a very usual repast and is frequently varied with fish from Vera Cruz or the fresh water lakes. Red wine and pulque are usual table drinks.—Cor Boston Herald.

Dwarfing From Harsh Environment.

In Limousin there is a barren range of low hills which lies along the dividing line between the departments of Dordogne, Correze and Haute-Vienne, about half way between Perigueux and Limoges. The water courses show the location of these uplands. They extend over an area about 75 miles long and half as wide, wherein average human misery is most profound. Dense ignorance prevails. There is more illiteracy than in any other part of France. The contrast in stature, even with the low average of all the surrounding region, is clearly marked by the dark tint. There are sporadic bits of equal diminutiveness elsewhere to the south and west, but none is so extended or so extreme. Two-thirds of the men are below 5 feet 3 inches in height in some of the communes, and the women are three or more inches shorter even than this. One man in ten is below 4 feet 11 inches in stature.

This is not due to race, for several racial types are equally stunted in this way within the same area. It is primarily due to generations of subjection to a harsh climate, to a soil which is worthless for agriculture, to a steady diet of boiled chestnuts and stagnant water and to insanitary dwellings in the deep, narrow and damp valleys. Still further proof may be found to show that these people are not stunted by any hereditary influence, for it has been shown that children born here, but who migrate and grow up elsewhere, are normal in height, while those born elsewhere, but who are subject to this environment during the growing period of youth, are proportionately dwarfed.—Popular Science Monthly.

Do Clocks Get Tired?

"Do clocks get tired?" said Mr. Billtops. "I imagine they do. I love to hear a clock tick. I suppose everybody does. We had a little clock that I used to keep in my own room. It stopped one day and I shook it up a little and it started on, but it soon stopped again, and after that it kept stopping, and sometimes it would take me ten minutes to shake it up so that it would go on and keep going. I suppose I spent on that clock as much time as would have paid for half a dozen clocks like it, and finally it stopped altogether and I gave it up and the little clock lay idle for months. I supposed that sooner or later we should throw it away, and I thought the only reason that we didn't was because we hate to throw anything away."

"But one day one of the children got hold of the clock and took the back off it to see what was the matter with it. You know what happens when children begin fooling with a clock. I never expected to hear the clock tick again, but I'm blessed if the shaver didn't make it go. What he did to it I don't know—nothing, I guess, except to oil it, and I suppose that was all it needed, or else it had simply tired and had wanted a rest, but it's going again now and ticking away like a good one."—New York Sun.

Two Anecdotes.

Who does not know the "copper horse" at Windsor—that equestrian statue at the end of the long walk, to which (and back again) the local fyman always offers to drive the tourist? The queen was entertaining a great man, who in the afternoon walked from the castle to Cumberland lodge. At dinner her majesty, full, as always, of gracious solicitude for the comfort of her guests, said, "I hope you were not tired by your long walk?" "Oh, not at all, thank you, ma'am. I got a lift as far back as the copper horse." "As far as what?" inquired her majesty, in evident astonishment. "Oh, the copper horse, at the end of the long walk." "That's not a copper horse." "That's my grandfather."

Lord R., preaching at the French exhibition, implored his hearers to come and drink of the can de vie.—Manchester Guardian.

A Woman's Wit.

A western judge was approached by a verdant couple who wanted to be married. The would be groom asked the price of tying the knot and was told it was \$1.

"Can't you take beeswax?" inquired the rustic.

"Yes," said the squire.

The wax was brought in and upon being weighed was found to be worth just 60 cents.

"Well," said the anxious groom, "tie the knot, and I'll fetch more wax next week."

"No, sir. I don't trust. That is against the rules of the office."

Slowly the disappointed youth turned to go out, saying, "Come, Sal, let's go."

"I say, mister," answered Sal, with a woman's wit, "can't you marry us as far as the wax will go?"

"Yes, I can and I will," responded the judge, laughing, and he did.—Exchange.

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