

MACHINATIONS OF FATHER ARE FOILED

Mrs. Rachel Pierce at Last Is Given Children After Pitable Trials.

CHASE FROM SEA TO SEA

Legal Battles Fought at Both Ends of Country, Father Kidnaps Little One, Mother Follows, Supreme Court Gives Her Custody.

OLYMPIA, Wash., April 28.—(Special.)—Rachel I. Pierce has again and finally been awarded the custody of her two children after trials that fall to the lot of few men at both ends of the continent have given her the children. A Spokane court took them away from her and gave them back as did the State Supreme Court, and the father has abducted the little ones. In this latest case, he was asking to be given their custody.

In 1905 Mrs. Pierce secured a divorce from R. J. Pierce in Whitman County and was awarded custody of her two little children. That same night the husband secured possession of the youngest child and disappeared. For weeks the mother sought all over the country to locate them and finally discovered them in New York. There the court granted her a writ of habeas corpus, but she was refused, the husband had fled with the child.

Father Steals Second Child.

The mother and other child went to Canada with relatives, the husband followed, stole the second child and took both children to Spokane, where he placed them in charge of his sister. A few months later the sister induced the Spokane court to make her guardian of the children, although they had been abandoned by their mother. Months later, the distracted mother, who had been searching everywhere, learned these facts and brought her habeas corpus proceedings at Spokane, the court there set aside the adoption order because of the fraud and the guardian appealed. While the appeal was pending the child was left with the Spokane police warden. Then the Spokane court gave the mother custody, then on the guardian order, the Supreme Court ordered the father to take charge pending appeal. Later the Supreme Court sustained the decision setting aside the adoption and giving the mother both children.

Father at Last Baffled.

The father recently applied to the Whitman court to amend the original decree to give him the children, charging the mother was not a fit person to have them. The Whitman court denied and the Supreme Court affirmed this judgment today. The father had also complained because he had not been allowed to visit the children. The Supreme Court says, in view of his abduction of the children, it is not surprising that Whitman court denied him that privilege.

Mrs. Pierce has spent hundreds of dollars and has traveled thousands of miles seeking the children whose custody is now finally awarded to her.

PACIFIC'S JUNIORS WIN

INTERCLASS MEET RESULT IS SURPRISE TO COLLEGE.

Track Fast, but Cold Wind Makes Results Slow—Discus Record Broken by Mayfield.

FOREST GROVE, Or., April 28.—(Special.)—The junior class sprung a surprise this afternoon by winning the annual inter-class track meet and securing control of the Mills' cup. Discus records were compiled by the students, but the poor condition of several of their athletes lost them the meet. The track was fast, but a cold breeze was blowing, which is responsible for slow results. Ben Mayfield raised the school record for the discus, previously held by Phillip Mayfield, to 99 feet 9 inches. Alex Robinson, captain of the junior team, made the largest individual score with 27 points.

The final result was:
 Juniors, 37; Seniors, 36; Second Year Academy, 17.

Following is the summary of events:
 50-yard dash—First, A. Robinson; second, R. Robinson; third, Humphreys. Time, 8 1/2 seconds.
 100-yard dash—First, A. Robinson; second, Humphreys; third, R. Robinson. Time, 10 2/5 seconds.
 200-yard dash—First, A. Robinson; second, Humphreys; third, R. Robinson. Time, 23 1/2 seconds.
 400-yard dash—First, A. Robinson; second, Humphreys; third, R. Robinson. Time, 52 3/5 seconds.
 800-yard dash—First, A. Robinson; second, Humphreys; third, R. Robinson. Time, 1:12 3/5.
 1,600-yard dash—First, A. Robinson; second, Humphreys; third, R. Robinson. Time, 2:30 3/5.
 3,200-yard dash—First, A. Robinson; second, Humphreys; third, R. Robinson. Time, 5:15 3/5.
 6,400-yard dash—First, A. Robinson; second, Humphreys; third, R. Robinson. Time, 10:30 3/5.
 12,800-yard dash—First, A. Robinson; second, Humphreys; third, R. Robinson. Time, 21:30 3/5.
 25,600-yard dash—First, A. Robinson; second, Humphreys; third, R. Robinson. Time, 42:30 3/5.
 51,200-yard dash—First, A. Robinson; second, Humphreys; third, R. Robinson. Time, 84:30 3/5.
 102,400-yard dash—First, A. Robinson; second, Humphreys; third, R. Robinson. Time, 168:30 3/5.
 204,800-yard dash—First, A. Robinson; second, Humphreys; third, R. Robinson. Time, 336:30 3/5.
 409,600-yard dash—First, A. Robinson; second, Humphreys; third, R. Robinson. Time, 672:30 3/5.
 819,200-yard dash—First, A. Robinson; second, Humphreys; third, R. Robinson. Time, 1344:30 3/5.
 1638,400-yard dash—First, A. Robinson; second, Humphreys; third, R. Robinson. Time, 2688:30 3/5.
 3276,800-yard dash—First, A. Robinson; second, Humphreys; third, R. Robinson. Time, 5376:30 3/5.
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