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Park School.

A number of written examinations are being given this week to aid the teachers in marking the cards.

The attendance at the Park school is splendid. Very few dropping out to go to work.

Eugene Sigmund is not in school this week. Poison oak is the cause of her being out.

The Jeffersonian club invited Miss Welch's room to their meeting last Friday to listen to a debate on woman suffrage. The girls on the affirmative upheld their side with such earnestness and strong arguments that they succeeded in winning the judges' decision.

On the affirmative were Laura Yantis, Loretta Ford, Mignon Oliver, and Mable Foland; on the negative were Arthur Tasto, Warren Welborn, Ralph Schindler and Clifford Parker.

North School.

On the 29th of this month the North school will celebrate Memorial Day by a program suitable for that occasion. They are expecting a visit from the G. A. R. and are planning quite a nice time.

There is little sickness throughout the school and few absences. There are a few cases of measles reported.

East School.

The teachers at the East school are going to begin a series of tests in the various subjects next week. This is done to satisfy the teachers of the strength of their pupils in their work.

The per cent of attendance at East school is much better than this time last year, in fact, is better than for many years formerly. There are scarcely any absent marks and very few are dropping out.

The teachers are preparing a program for Memorial Day. They have already heard from the Grand Army post and a committee from that order which will visit them on that day will be received by a brief program and in return the old soldiers will respond.

Lincoln School.

Several of the rooms in the Lincoln school have been doing nature work. In Mrs. Weniger's room they have taken the caterpillar as a study. They are watching it in its several stages. They first watched it on bark, when only a moth and then the full grown caterpillar and are now watching every day to see it turn into a butterfly.

The third grade in Miss Pooler's room are studying the crawfish; this is also made a basis for language work as they study their object and

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CHILDREN'S MOVING PICTURES

(Continued from page one.)

The new Richard Fox clock is running once more. Brooklynites are happy once more. The new clock, replacing the one that was destroyed in the fire that burned the Police Gazette building, at the Brooklyn bridge, and which stood out in full view of every passenger who came over the bridge, gave every passenger his first view of New York. For a score of years commuters from the villages across the East river have gone to work and gone home again by this clock. It was on the landmarks of the city, and when it disappeared the commuters felt lost. Long Island went into mourning on the day that the people thereof came over and found that the clock had been reduced to ashes. As soon as a new clock was commenced, thousands began to watch the work, and when the big hands began to move the behest of the \$2000 machinery the crowds cheered as they passed, and went in good humor all the while they spent in the cars on the way homeward.

Much to the disgust of the "beef" and refreshment dispensaries, the prices of beans has been raised 50 per cent in the metropolis. There are rumors of a bean trust, but no one seems to know anything about it. The girl cashier in the bean belt restaurants demands an extra nickel for an erstwhile ten cent order, but she doesn't know why, except that "it is orders." John Meehan, who has met the President at dinner, and whose "beef an'" parlor is world famous, announced that he would not join the general advance in prices. He at least, will defy the bean trust.

New Yorkers are not as dishonest as some people make them out to be. This is illustrated by the little adventures that befell Mrs. Catherine Mace, an elderly woman of Canarsie, who sold a bit of property, and started to bank \$10,000 which she had received for the land in bank bills. As she was crossing the street, which is torn up for a tunnel, she stumbled and fell, and the precious satchel burst open. The rolls of bills chased each other down the embankment. Many of them broke open, and the wind that plays pranks about the Brooklyn Borough caught up the bills and scattered them to the four winds. Laborers, newsboys and passers-by scrambled and fought with each other for the possession of the cash. Mrs. Mace had sprained her ankle, and when she tried to rise she fell back. She called for help, crying to the struggling crowd to give her back her money. Patrolman O'Reilly saved the day. He sprang into the crowd and ordered every person who had any money to deliver it. Strange to say, not a bill was lost. O'Reilly helped the ruffled Mrs. Mace count the money, and not a dollar was missing. She was placed in a cab and driven to her bank, where the teller waited upon her from the sidewalk as she was unable to walk.

New punishment is to be meted out to pickpockets hereafter. This fraternity and small thieves are to be soundly thrashed or kicked at sight and told to clear out. When seen entering cars detectives go for them at once, and if possible grab them before they have had a chance to get in among the passengers. The pickpockets are more afraid of the blow or kick than of being hauled up in court, with which he is familiar, and it has lost its old terrors for him. Captain McCafferty is the officer who discovered the virtue of a sound smack across the face and that it was dreaded punishment for a pickpocket, and that it drove him on a keen run from the field of operations. "It's better," said McCafferty, "for these rogues to get a good beating than to be locked up and let off with a reprimand the next morning. They are afraid of physical pain. I've told men that when they see well-known crooks waiting for a car to grab them and kick them around until they're glad to run. Of course, they could bring some sort of legal action against us for assault, but they don't care to. Since we started this game there's been a decrease in pickpocket cases. There were only nine this week, as against 19 last week, and 32 the week before that.

An automobile runabout, with a body especially designed for hunting trips, containing compartments for the carrying of dogs and guns, has just been completed in this city, and will be driven to Boston this week by its owner, Alvah Crocker. The unique feature of the car is in the

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