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## Local Jottings.

—Elder Wetzel of Mound City was a welcome visitor to the SENTINEL sanctum last Monday.

—Next Fourth of July will come on a Sunday and next Christmas on a Saturday.

—Rev. George A. McKinlay will preach next Sabbath at Forbes in the forenoon; at the White school house in the afternoon; and at Highland school house at night.

—Prof. W. R. Burton, the accomplished Principal of the Mound City public schools, came down to Oregon to attend the Text Book Convention last Tuesday.

—The following are the present prices being paid for grain and hogs at Forest City: hogs \$3.75 to \$4.00; wheat \$1.00 to \$1.10; corn, 23 cents; rye, 60 cents; barley, 30 cents to 40 cents, according to grade.

—Squire W. D. Callaway of Whig Valley passed through Oregon last Saturday on his way to Petersburg, Ill., where he will spend a month or six weeks visiting old friends. The SENTINEL wishes him a pleasant journey and a safe return.

—There was a brilliant wedding at Mound City on New Year's eve, the interested parties being Mr. Andrew J. Olin and Miss Cynthia Gillis, daughter of George Gillis of that place. The ceremony was performed at the Presbyterian church, Rev. Duncan Brown officiating. The attendants were Dr. Allen and Miss Della Gillis, and J. Foster Marshall and Miss Jennie Hoblitzell. The presents were very numerous and costly. The groom will be remembered as the Democratic candidate for Recorder in 1878. He was at that time a resident of Mound City, but has since removed to Nishnabotna, Atchison county, where he is now engaged in business. The bride is one of the most charming young ladies of the geographical center. The SENTINEL extends congratulations.

—A change took place on the first of this month in the store of A. E. McKinney, the well known St. Joseph merchant, who has a host of Holt county patrons. For the purpose of enlarging his business by investing more capital, Mr. McKinney has taken two partners, and the firm is now McKinney, Hundley & Walker. The new partners are experienced business men who have well earned reputations for reliability. Mr. John B. Hundley is the late senior partner in the dissolved firm of Hundley, Judd & Smith of St. Joseph; is vice-president of the Merchant's Bank, and is one of the most substantial citizens of that city. Mr. H. G. Walker has been for the past eleven years a superintendent of one of the departments in the mammoth dry goods establishment of Field, Leiter & Co. of Chicago, and brings the highest recommendations from that city. The new firm is certainly a strong one and has the SENTINEL'S best wishes for success.

—Every person engaged in growing Fruits or Flowers, should take a paper exclusively devoted to these subjects, as is Purdy's Fruit Recorder and Cotton Gardener—a monthly of 16 pages, at only \$1.00 per year, published in that great Flower City and fruit section, Rochester, N. Y., but controlled and edited by A. M. Purdy, of Palmyra, N. Y., a life-long fruit grower and florist, now having over one hundred acres in fruit, flowers, etc., and editing his paper from a practical daily experience, and years of close observation and study. Seed to him, at Palmyra, N. Y., for a specimen copy. It will speak for itself. Or by sending on the subscription price, \$1.00, now, you get the full volume for 1880, and either of the following premiums, postpaid, now or next Spring, as you may choose: The last numbers for 1879, or Purdy's 64-page Small Fruit work, or either of his beautiful Fruit or choice flower seed, or one strong root of the most beautiful, hardy and fragrant Honey-suckle grown—the Haled, or 25 assorted strawberry plants of the best sorts grown for this latitude, or 6 assorted hardy raspberry plants, and the best hardy gooseberries.

—The SENTINEL does not intend to "weary in well doing" in warning farmers against the sharpers who travel through the country, pretending to be agents for sale of agricultural implements, bee hives, etc. Their manner of operations has been exposed repeatedly, and yet so rarely a day passes that we do not hear of some farmer being swindled by them. A gang of the rascals is now operating through this section of country, and we warn our rural friends to be on the look-out for them. Only last week two scamps, calling themselves agents for a hay-fork and carrier manufactured at Indianapolis, entrapped a respectable Buchanan county farmer into a contract to act as their agent, they to send the machines to him and he to sell them and account to them for one-half the profits, which were represented to be large. In pursuance of this arrangement they persuaded him to sign what he supposed was a conditional obligation to pay them \$250 out of the proceeds of the sales, but which turned out to be a plain note of hand for \$250. They never shipped the implements to him and never intended to, their only object being to get his promissory note and sell it. A farmer of Clinton county named Fagen was similarly imposed on, and his notes offered for discount at the bank of St. Joseph; but the trick was discovered by the officers of the bank and the transfer of the note enjoined. Farmers unaccustomed to the methods of doing business cannot be too cautious of traveling agents who ask them to sign their names to papers.

—"Tebbs'" communication on school matters will appear next week.

—C. A. Swope of Whig Valley raised seventy-five acres of corn that averaged seventy-one bushels to the acre.

—Rev. Mr. Miller will preach at New Point on next Sabbath, morning and evening.

—Married, December 25th at the residence of the bride's parents, by Rev. B. S. Wagoner, Mr. James Cardrey of Phelps City, Mo., and Miss Barbara Taylor, of Holt County.

—Circuit and county courts are both in session this week. We give the proceedings of each up to the hour of going to press. The remainder will be given next week.

—The full report of the proceedings of the County Convention of the Christian church, held in this city last Friday and Saturday, will be published in our next issue. On account of their great length we are unable to find room for them this week.

—We have a Stewart-Singer sewing machine—new and warranted first class—which we will sell at a bargain and take a large portion of the payment in good cord wood. Call at this office and see the machine and get particulars.

—The following letters remain uncalled for in the Oregon postoffice: Faller Frank; Fausket Hester; Franklin B.; Gresh J.; Kiel Matilda; Lohm Frank; Mason Cynthia; Willson J. S.; Williams H.; Strong Lucie; Thompson Jennie; Wiley W. M.

—Some of our neighboring villages have been as unfortunate as Oregon in receiving burglars' visits lately. The safe of Palmer & Orton in White Cloud, Kansas, was broken open last week, but as it did not contain a cent of money the fellows had their trouble for nothing.

—The meetings being held at the Christian church every evening, conducted by Elder Maupin, are largely attended and great interest is manifested. Elder Maupin is an eloquent and earnest speaker, and has created a decidedly favorable impression on our community.

—We have received the first number of the Stanberry Sentinel, published at the new town of Stanberry in Gentry county. S. D. Wilson is the editor and he makes a bright, new paper. Typographically it is a model of neatness. We place it on our exchange list and wish it all measure of success.

—In fulfilling its mission as the Great Religious Weekly, the SENTINEL to-day opens its columns to a Spiritualist, who gives reasons for his peculiar belief. All sects and religions can have a bearing in the SENTINEL. We only stipulate that correspondents who write on religious topics shall not abuse each other under the name of the "wicked" and "worldly minded," but shall keep within the bounds of gentlemanly discussion.

—The new-year bells have rung a welcome to 1880; the swelled heads of those who during the holidays looked upon the wine when it was red have been reduced to their normal size; the kindly husband has paid for the Christmas present his wife gave him; the average young man has made his good resolutions and broken them; the young ladies have looked about and singled out their leap-year victims; the insurance man has tucked up his calendars for 1880, but letters continue to be dated 1879 all the same. "So runs the world away."

—The following are Tice's weather predictions for the remainder of this month: 8th to 11th, clouding and threatening weather, with heavy rain or snow storms in places; 12th to 14th, fair and cold; 15th to 18th, clouding with snow or rain storms; 18th to 20th, clear or fair, and very cold; 21st to 23d, clouding, threatening weather, with severe storms in places; 24th to 29th, clouding weather, with snow or rain; 30th to 31st, clear or fair. The comparatively warmer days will occur about the 10th, 17th, 23d and 28th. The colder days will occur about the 12th, 20th, 25th and 30th.

—As scarlet fever and diphtheria are now raging in some portions of the county, the time is opportune to call attention to the fact that they are highly infectious diseases, and communicable from the clothing of those who come in contact with patients suffering from their effects. To show how readily these diseases are communicated from one person to another a recent number of the Chicago News relates the following: A few weeks since an employee of one of our principal hotels went to his home suffering from an apparently slight attack of diphtheria, from him the disease was communicated to three children in the family, all of whom had it in most aggravated form, and two of whom died. While the children lay sick a very estimable lady friend of the family called to see them. She, too, on returning to her home, was taken down with the disease in its worst type, and in a few days succumbed to its virulence. In the meantime, a nurse who had attended the children from whom the lady took the disease, communicated it to another family of children, in which it is now doing its deadly work. These facts warn us that the utmost precaution should be taken, by fumigation or otherwise, to prevent the spread of this fatal disorder. It is now understood by the medical profession generally that diphtheria is a species of blood-poisoning which is itself the result of the action of gases caused by organic matter, both animal and vegetable, but, principally the former, in a state of decay. Every householder should see to it that the premises which he occupies are perfectly free from all decaying vegetable and animal matter.

## GARCELONIZED.

Schulte Brothers' Store Entered by Burglars.

The Safe Broken Open with Powder and Robbed of its Contents.

Early last Saturday morning our citizens were startled by the report that the store of Schulte Brothers in this city had been broken into the previous night and an extensive burglary committed.

A SENTINEL emissary was promptly dispatched to investigate the matter, who, upon arrival at the store, found abundant evidence of the recent presence of unwelcome visitors. The safe door was torn from its hinges and shattered; clothing and dry goods were scattered over the floor; and the room presented an appearance of great confusion.

From the facts then and subsequently gathered we are able to make the following statement of how the burglary was probably committed.

The front door of the store had been pried open with a large framing chisel, which was left on the floor and which was identified by Mr. Lit. Edwards as his property. A large brace belonging to Mr. Edwards was also found in the store, near the safe. Upon examination, Mr. Edwards found that his wagon shop had been entered by breaking a pane of glass and unfastening the window, and that the parties had left a small trace in place of the large one which they took.

After effecting an entrance into the store the burglars went to the safe and drilled seven holes, each about five-eighths of an inch in diameter, through the outer iron plate, which is about one-fourth of an inch in thickness. The holes were around, and close to, the lock. Powder was then poured into them; a slow match applied; a terrific explosion followed, and the door was torn from its hinges and thrown several feet across the room.

The money the burglars were after was contained in a small cash drawer in the safe, and as this was also locked, they tore out the inner works and carried them out into the back yard, where the drawer was broken into and rifled of its contents.

Having thus captured the swag, the parties returned to the store and proceeded to dispose of their booty. They took from the shelves, and which they evidently relished, as they left little else in the cans except the smell.

After appeasing their appetite they took a look through the store in search of whatever might strike their fancies. Clothing and other goods were thrown on the floor and tramped under foot, but what goods were carried away the proprietors are unable to say. All that they have missed are some girls' kid gloves and some ladies' neckties.

The money taken from the safe amounted to something over two hundred dollars, and this added to the goods taken from the store will make the loss of the Schultes about three hundred and fifty dollars.

Two young gentlemen—Messrs. Daneker and Schatz—sleep up-stairs in the store and Wm. Torpy sleeps in the adjoining saloon building. Neither of these heard any noise during the night. But Mr. Jonas Watson who was sitting up with a sick child, and Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Zook, whose rest had been disturbed by stealth footsteps around their house, heard a loud report about half-past two o'clock in the morning, which is supposed to have been caused by the blowing open of the safe.

The tracks of a buggy or light spring wagon were found in front of the store and these were traced to near the northern limits of the city, where they were lost among other tracks.

In the back shed of Foster's livery stable a card was found, on which were some figures added up. Close by was a dollar bill which had been dropped, and several pairs of gloves, and also a large silver hammer which had been taken from Cook's blacksmith shop.

Appearances indicate that three persons were engaged in the burglary, but with they were or where they came from is a profound mystery. No suspicious strangers had been seen about town for some time past. It may be here, however, that the store of W. H. Williams in Forest City was broken into about ten o'clock the same night and six revolvers and cartridges carried off. Also that N. M. Kyger had only the day before withdrawn three hundred dollars which he had been keeping in the safe, and that the Gardner Brothers took from the safe eighty dollars which they had there and sent the same to St. Joseph only a day or two before.

These facts seem to warrant the supposition that the burglars were aware of the fact that considerable sums of money were usually kept in the safe.

The loss falls heavily upon the Messrs. Schulte, who are young men just getting fairly started in business, and who have the sympathy of the community in their misfortune. It is to be hoped the guilty parties may yet be brought to justice.

—A. H. Jamison and E. J. Kellogg, attorneys, respectively of Mound City and Craig, were among the welcome visitors to the SENTINEL sanctum this week.

## Mound City.

Where is the Pomological census that regularly each year about this time, predicts that the fruit is killed? Why don't he get in his work? Haven't we had a sufficient variety of weather to form a basis for every kind of prophecy?

Do you know of any man with a few surplus thousands? Mound City just now offers an opportunity for a first class investment. It's the opinion of well informed men here, that a few thousand dollars put in cottage homes would yield a return annually from 15 to 20 per cent on the investment. This item is worthy the attention of those having idle capital.

Don't you have for suitable epithets to apply to this universal looseness in the bowels of the weather? We don't mean to grumble, but remark that this mud subject is so broad and deep that it covers the whole ground—of the weather topic.

Sheriff Frame was on our streets Friday. So far, he is pronounced a gentleman and a faithful, efficient officer. We interviewed the president of the Teachers' Institute, to be held at your city on the last Saturday in this month, who permits me to say that an interesting practical program is nearly completed. A sufficient number of teachers have responded to the call to almost fill the program. Let those who have made no selection of subject, do so at once and report same.

Quite a delegation from this vicinity will be in attendance at court this term, lawyers, litigants, witnesses and spectators.

Owing to the present bottomless condition of the roads, the grain and stock trade is almost suspended. Give us a polar wave!

Carl Schurz secured the surrender of the Uta Indians, just like he carried the German vote in his pants pocket in the Greeley campaign. The why Tinton up to the present writing, has been thoroughly beaten by the untutored. The Indian has made, "Lo" "Jack", and the game to Mr. Schurz high (conclusion). The next hand the red man went out. They'll be apt to stay out.

Mr. J. F. Marshall of your city was among last week. He came over to "loan" his assistance in the Olin-Gillis nuptials.

The New Year's dinner at the Ripton House was a gratifying success. More than a hundred guests, with victuals to the right of them, victuals to the left of them, victuals in front of them, upon which voraciously gawped the one hundred.

Supper and festival at Methodist church not patronized as liberally as it should have been. Too many entertainments of the same kind had preceded it. Gross receipts about forty-seven dollars.

Owing to the prevalence of diphtheria and bad colds all round, the vacation of the public schools has been extended another week.

Grant that he won't be toasted in the other world as he has been in this. See? No charges.

Mr. Durham intends to run a public hack to a farm in Oregon during the present session of the circuit court. All concerned take notice.

FINIS.

The Masquerade.

The Masquerade Ball given by the Oregon Cornet Band at Collins Hall on New Year's eve was an occasion of great enjoyment to all present.

About fifty couples participated in the various dances during the evening, beside whom were a large number who came merely to look on.

Dance music was furnished by Zook's orchestra, and Messrs. Schatz & Moore, the restaurateurs, spread a splendid supper.

Miss Jennie Haffner of St. Joseph was the customer, and among those en masse our reporter noticed the following:

African, Wm. Dennecker; Turk, Charles Zook; Hungarian Lady, Emma Curry; Page, Wm. Torpy; Waitress, Ella Polk; Full Deck, F. S. Rostock; Highland Lassie, Mrs. Mary Nies; Normandy Bride, Lida Wilson; Spanish Lady, Flora Chesbro; Clown, Leo Polk; Humpty Dumpty, Joe Hoblitzell; Black Crook, Ed. Pinkston; Captain Jack, George Schatz;

Nothing occurred to mar the enjoyment of the occasion and all present united in pronouncing the affair a perfect success.

We are glad to learn that the Band netted about twenty-five dollars, which will be used in paying for their instruments.

From expressions we have heard we judge that another ball during the winter, under the same auspices, would be largely attended.

—Sickness in the family of Judge McCoy prevents his attendance on county court this week.

—The correspondent from Richville, who signs himself "Lynn," should have sent us his name if he expected his communication to be published.

—The following attorneys from abroad are attending circuit court this week: C. A. Morsmann, J. W. Boyd and T. W. Collins, of St. Joseph; G. L. Bryson and Charles Booher, of Savannah; A. H. Jamison, William Wilburn and C. E. Barnes, of Mound City; and E. J. Kellogg and J. W. Stokes of Craig.

## THE TEXT BOOK CONVENTION.

The Old Series of Books Generally Adopted.

The Text Book Convention of presidents of school boards of the various districts of the county met pursuant to law, January 6th, 1880, in the office of Dr. Goslin in the city of Oregon. Organization resulted in the election of Edmund Anibal, president, with Irving Blair, secretary.

Upon the roll forty-seven members responded out of seventy-eight, the total number of the county.

At this point a question arose as to whether presidents of school boards could be represented by proxy. Commissioner Anderson promptly decided that proxies under the law were not admissible, but the convention by a large majority decided to the contrary and the proxies for Oregon, Mound City and one or two other districts were received.

At this juncture it was ordered by the convention that all parties except members of the convention and members of the press be excluded: before the exit of the book agents, however, they were permitted to state prices, terms, furnish bonds and guarantees of faithful performance of the several propositions in case of adoption of any or all of their books.

At this point the agent for Appleton's Readers offered to exchange his series of books without a cent, of cost for first introduction to patrons. Why this proposition was not accepted is a question that may be discussed hereafter and made highly interesting to certain parties.

After lengthy statements from the several book agents that were present, Commissioner Anderson moved that the text books be adopted *seriatim*, beginning with spellers. The proposition was carried, and upon further motion of Commissioner Anderson, Swinton's series of spellers were adopted for the use of our public schools during the next five years.

At this point an adjournment of one hour for dinner was had.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Convention reassembled promptly at one o'clock and continued the balloting with the following results:

Cornell's, 2 books, \$1.85, 2 votes. Montiel's, 2 books, \$1.90, 38 votes. Maury's, 2 books, \$2.08, 2 votes. Giving Montiel's thirty-four votes overall and was therefore adopted.

READERS.

Appleton's, \$2.19 set, received five votes. McGuffey's, \$2.20 set, received thirty-nine votes.

GRAMMARS.

Clark's received thirty-one votes. Reed & Kellogg received nine votes. Clark's was declared the choice of the convention.

ARITHMETICS.

Ray's received twenty-three votes. Venable's received five votes.

HISTORIES.

Swinton, thirty-four votes. Quackenbush, none. Holmes, one.

CIVIL GOVERNMENT.

Townsend upon National Government and Shannon upon Missouri, were both presented and adopted.

On penmanship the Spencerian System was adopted by acclamation.

ALGEBRA (one to be adopted).

Ray's received five votes. Venable received twenty-eight votes.

PHYSIOLOGIES.

Steele's received four votes. Huxley's & Youmans' received twenty-five votes.

White's School Register was selected by acclamation.

And the same with Webster's Dictionaries.

Christmas has come, New Year gone and it is Leap Year again. Make good use of your time, girls, for you only have one year in four.

The party at Mr. E. Weber's, was well attended in spite of the disagreeable evening. Several of the "land boys" were present and helped pass a delightful evening, with music Mr. and Mrs. Weber know exactly how to put every one at ease.

The largest party given this season was at Dr. Wilson's, there being about sixty persons present. Quite a number were in from the country, among which were Mr. and Mrs. May and niece, Will Hershberger, and J. W. Elinger.

Invitations are being issued for a party to be given at Mr. May's 7th.

Mr. and Mrs. Morley have returned to their home in Blue Hills, Neb.

Chas. Graves and George Meyer left for Columbia, Sunday night.

Mr. L. Farin started back to Colorado, Monday, where he has been for several months.

In the midst of our holiday joys death called another victim. Edward Poindester died Friday morning at 4:15. Though his death has been long expected it surprised many. His mother and brothers have the warm sympathy of many friends.

James Poindester spent Saturday in Forest. He came to attend the funeral of his brother.

There was to have been a social gathering at Mr. Teat's Saturday evening but owing to the rain it was postponed.

W. E. Minton spent Sunday at his father's. Will has decided to stay with us a while longer. This will be glad news to many.

The E. F. mills are running night and day to fill the demands made upon them.

Miss Bettie Burgess is quite well again.

Mrs. Clara Wunder is recovering from a short but severe spell of sickness.

We know of one young lady who has received a "No." Had beginning, that Mr. Curtis, our county clerk, paid us another flying visit Saturday.

The boys think it is time the girls were writing "may I have the pleasure of your company." That's business.

Our town is somewhat agitated over a bold robbery committed last Friday. Some person or persons entered the hardware store and took several revolvers and boxes of cartridges. The robbery was committed, it is supposed, between ten and half past ten. The P. O. door was found unfastened the next morning but nothing lost.

A Birthday Party.

was given on New Year's eve at the residence of Mr. Andrew Brady, three and a half miles north of Oregon, in honor of Miss Emma Dibble of Oregon, Mo., by the young men of the Union neighborhood.

At the appointed hour there were quite a number gathered, among whom we noticed Misses Lizzie and Emma Cottier, Nellie Lewis, Miss Brown, Ella Jones, Ella Evans, Lizzie and Edna Lukens, Emma Dibble, Mary Thomas, Alice Duff, and among the guests were Messrs George, Robert and Jefferson Lewis; Thomas Riggle, James C. Myers, C. W. Lukens, Edward Evans and James Menefee.

After having a jolly good time engaging in the different popular plays of the day, supper was announced and, this being leap year, the ladies had the pleasure of selecting their company for the supper; and I am free to admit that language failed to depict what one could have beheld on that homely table.

It was presided over by Mr. George Thomas and Miss Alice Duff. After a late hour, the party dispersed to their several homes.

OCCASIONAL.

Bluff City.

EDITOR SENTINEL.—It has been some time since we have seen any thing from this city in the columns of the SENTINEL; so I concluded I would drop you a few lines.

A great deal of shipping is done at the switch of this place—such as wood, corn, lumber, etc.

George Quirk has been badly engaged the past week filling a car with corn. Parties shipping are allowed to put from 400 to 450 bushels of corn in a car. Mr. Quirk's corn goes to Rollington, Iowa, where it will be shelled and weighed.

J. R. Wilson also shipped a car load a few weeks ago and Jacob Quirk intends shipping two car loads and James Quirk one. Prices paid 25 cents.

The health of Bluff City is very good and the farmers don't look quite as blue as they did a week ago. They begin to think now that the fall wheat is not quite all froze out yet.

The citizens of Bluff City were agreeably surprised on Wednesday evening of last week by a serenade from the Kunkel string band. This band, under the management of Prof. Cornelius Kunkel, is an old hand at the "biz," made the welkin ring with sweet strains until a late hour, and we cordially invite them to call again soon.

T. J. Peters & Son, 825-millers, are now busily engaged getting out logs. The heavy rains of last fall filled the sloughs and low places in the bottom with water which is all a solid sheet of ice, and Mr. Peters being aware of the condition the roads would be in in the spring, took advantage of the opportunity, employed a large number of hands and teams, and had them snaked on dry land so they would not be delayed in the spring for want of logs. Peters & Son ship a great deal of lumber.

J. R. Payne & Co. are now erecting a saw mill at the stove factory. This will give Bluff City two saw mills. Success to them.

## THE WOMAN'S UNION.

Its Eighth Anniversary Appropriately Celebrated.

On Tuesday evening, at the Christian church in this city, the Woman's Union—a society well and favorably known not only in Holt county but throughout Northwest Missouri—celebrated, with appropriate exercises, the eighth anniversary of its organization.

A large and appreciative audience was present—the church being filled to its full capacity—and the best of order prevailed throughout the evening.

The program was opened by a song, "All Together," after which the Anniversary Address, written by Mrs. Nancy Hershberger, was then read by her daughter, Miss Elma Hershberger. It was as follows:

MRS. HERSHBARGER'S ADDRESS.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We, the members of the Woman's Union, this evening celebrate the 8th anniversary of our society.

On the 6th of January, 1872, this society organized with ten or a dozen members, having for its object the mental, moral, and physical culture of woman.

The question now arises: why is it necessary for woman to strive for culture? There are numerous reasons for this and our time is limited we can give but few.

First, the mother has the entire charge of her helpless infant. Its physical form is to be cared for, according to her judgment.

Second, its morals are to be carefully guarded.

And now a wide field opens to our view, where we take into consideration the thousands who suffer from their infancy all through life, simply because the mother, through her ignorance of the laws of health, has not cared for them properly in their childhood.

Again, when we contemplate the moral condition of our country, the number of jails and prisons, all of them filled, and some filled to overflowing, we are inclined to ask: why is this the case?

We cannot, with justice, blame the mothers of these unhappy and suffering beings for all their misery.

But I do think if the women of our country had a thorough moral training, they would, at least to a certain extent, impart the same moral teaching to the rising generation.

Again, when we consider the means do much good and avoid much evil.

And where are the good results obtained from intellectual culture without moral culture? Let the children of to-day receive a good education without moral culture and their education will only serve as a lever by which more harm can be done, and on the other hand, let them receive the proper care in regard to their physical structure and also a good moral training implanted in their unlearned minds.

Then it is important that their intellectual powers should be cultivated, and who should be first to give instruction if not the mother?

But how can the mother give instruction when she has not received the benefit of such instruction?

It is a self-evident truth that we cannot convey knowledge to others which we do not ourselves possess.

If the prosperity, liberty, and happiness of our country depend upon our physical development, our moral training and our intellectual attainments, how necessary it is that the women, as well as the men, should possess these qualities.

And to this purpose our society has been formed. How much good we have accomplished, and how much evil we have overcome, cannot be given fully here, as we can give but few facts.

We have on this 8th anniversary of our Union one hundred names on roll. Eight of our members have been removed by death. We have had at our weekly meetings numerous essays and discussions pertaining to the original object of our society, good reasoning, moral and physical culture of woman.

We have brought before the people of this town and neighboring towns some of the most popular lectures of our country, and by this means have given both entertainment and instruction. As to our financial condition no longer remains a question. We have paid our debts, rent, and running expenses.

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