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PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM OF INDIANA.

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Good Roads and Free Transportation; Long Terms; Brick Houses; Good Salaries; Compulsory Laws and Truant Officers.

I take great pleasure in giving some information about the public schools of Indiana, since, if I mistake not, the Indiana schools are equal to those of any State in the Union. The people take great pride in them, and support them liberally.

The report of the Superintendent of Public Instruction for 1900 shows that there are enrolled in the schools 564,807, with a daily attendance of 429,566; that is, 75 per cent of the children enrolled are in school.

These are gathered into 10,038 school houses, only four of which are log building, and 4,810 are brick. This number of buildings may be smaller than in some States, with a much smaller population, but this result is brought about by abandoning the small schools and consolidating the schools of the township into one or two schools located as conveniently as possible.

Where transportation is desired or is necessary, it is supplied. It is much cheaper to provide transportation two or three miles than to keep up a school at a cost of from \$25 to \$50 per pupil; besides the pupils are in better school-houses, have better teachers, the attendance is from 50 to 150 per cent greater, and the schools have longer terms. There are some objections to this arrangement. Bad roads in many districts seem to be the worst, but the splendid pike roads, which are being built very fast, together with the Inter-Urban Electric Roads, are making possible and popular the consolidating of many rural schools.

THE TEACHERS.

These children are under the instruction of 15,617 teachers, 7,208 of whom are men. The average salary is two dollars and five cents per day. These teachers are elected to their position by the Trustees of each township. These Trustees being elected by popular vote may, and often do, use their power to strengthen their party, appointing the children or relatives of their constituents. But this evil is checked and in many cases averted by the County Superintendent, who may be, and often is, of a different political party; and he will see to it that every teacher who passes his examination is able to do so. Better than all, the people are jealous for their children and will soon work the ruin of a man who

uses his office for political purposes. Besides a splendid knowledge of the regular common school branches, each teacher must have special knowledge of pedagogy, psychology, and philosophy. To increase their knowledge, they have a regular course of reading, upon which they are examined by the County Superintendent. At least one Saturday in the month during which the school runs is set apart to "County Institute Work." Here one of the teachers, appointed by the Trustees, presides at every meeting and carries out a regular outline of study. This consists of prepared papers on the subject of the day, followed by general discussion. For this work each teacher receives the same per day as for teaching. This Institute work alone costs the State \$208,797,88, or a little more than 3 per cent of the whole amount expended, which was for 1889, \$6,534,298,74. I must not neglect to say that this attendance to "Institute" is obligatory upon trustee and teachers. Every summer the teachers are almost compelled to attend a six weeks' session at the State University or Normal, where they must learn all of the new theories and fads of popular teachers.

We have no rich teachers here either, but I believe that we have a high grade of teachers and our school system is rapidly raising the standard.

(CONTINUED TOMORROW.)

At the Graded School.

Entertainment by Fourth Grade Friday afternoon, March 28th.

PROGRAMME.

- Song—"Come Away, Come Away."
- Welcome—Lucy Brown.
- Recitation—"Careful Scholar"—Mac Buchanan.
- Recitation—"The Cross Old Woman"—Ethel Johnson.
- Recitation—"Like a General"—Mary Porter.
- Song—"Easter Bells."
- Recitation—"Grand Pa's Glasses"—Cooper Miller.
- Recitation—"Long Comes Liza"—Paul Means.
- Song—"Train to Poppy Land"
- Recitation—"Wrongside Out"—Adele Johnson.
- Recitation—"Mult Tables"—Maggie Hendrix.
- Song—"Winken Bynken and Nodden."
- Recitation—"Tin Soldier"—Kay Patterson.
- Concert Recitation—"Daisies"—Ten Girls.
- Song—"Lullaby"—Girls.
- Recitation—"Selling Baby"—Mary Burrage.
- Recitation—"Old Bazamuff"—Herbert Smith.

The Children's Friend.

There is no use trying to persuade American mothers that a substitute exists for Perry Davis' Painkiller. They know how it relieves the troubles of childhood, from sprained arms and legs to stomachache. Other preparations may do good. Painkiller is CERTAIN TO. A big difference, and one that has been recognized for sixty years. There's but one Painkiller, Perry Davis'.

CECIL RHODES DEAD.

The Great Manipulator of South African Affairs Expires of Heart Trouble on the 26th.

The great Cecil Rhodes, so well-known in South African history, expired on the evening of the 26th. He had been ill for several weeks and his death was no surprise. He had disease of the heart. The English government will give him public burial.

He was a man conspicuous for his purpose to bring all South Africa under English dominion and draw to himself a large and ever increasing estate.

They're Putting on Easter Airs.

Our merchant men are putting on Easter airs in an unusual degree.

Mr. R K Black, who always changes the window on the dress goods side at the Cannon & Fetzer store to get something better has a window all draped and flowing with the latest patterns of ladies, dress and ornamental trappings. It is one of his best jobs. The shoe window above suits the eye and the understanding.

The Department store has three windows tastefully arrayed. One window has goods to be seen only before they are purchased. The whole display is charming.

Signor Ritz has Easter eggs in profusion and variety.

The Racket store window is full of reminders of the Easter egg season and is dyeing for the occasion.

Fetzer's drug store is full of the legendary rabbit and his Easter egg as well as many other seasonable emblems, such as "happy-go-luckies" just emerged from the shell.

Dove & Bost can't be beat just now for beets.

The Concord Drug Company has a beauty in the corner window. It is a seedling orange bush well taxed with its three dozen little yellow oranges, suggesting perpetual spring glory.

Mr. J W Poil has a beautiful display of goodies smiling through his large clear window.

The Bell & Harris Furniture Company never had so nice a front display as now. They are delighted anyhow with their new quarters.

Meteors Strike the Earth in Day Light.

A Winchester special of the 24th to the Richmond Times relates the following unparalleled phenomenon:

"The residents of the Millwood neighborhood, Clarke county, saw a shower of meteors in broad daylight yesterday. The first appearance occurred at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, when they fell to the ground with such force that the earth was jarred and windows rattled. A large hole was made in the ground.

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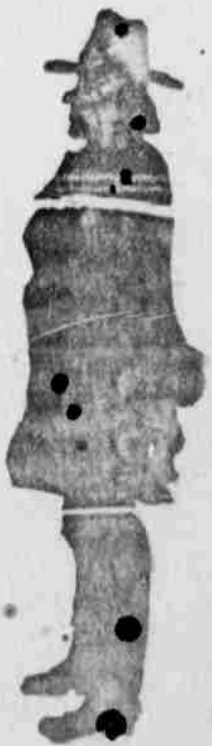
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