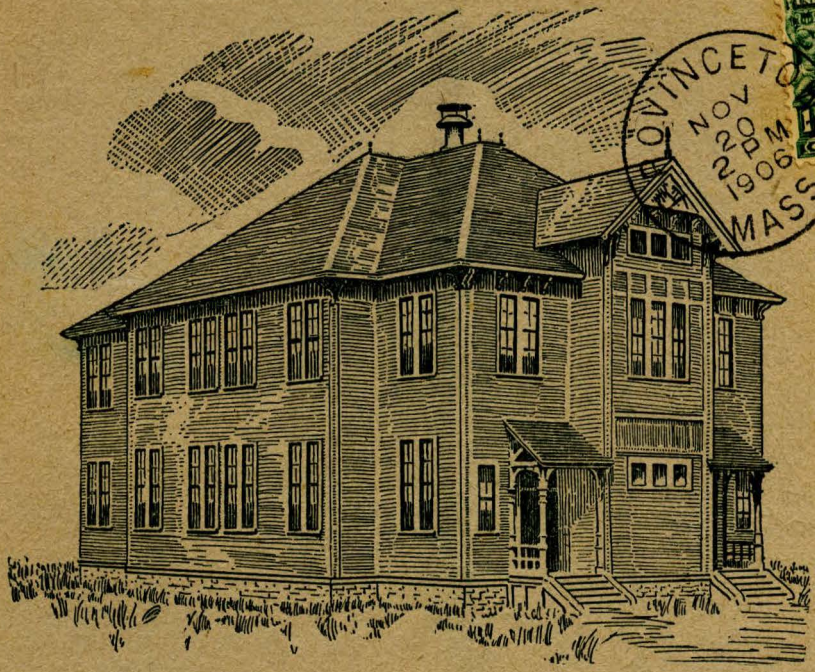


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EDITORIAL.

This, the initial edition of our high school magazine, marks the beginning of an enterprise, which for many years has not been undertaken by the school.

We feel that such a paper will be an aid to us. It will tend to advance the knowledge of the pupils along the literary line and also bring them together in a more compact body by giving them something in common to work for.

Many high schools have papers and make a great success of them. The citizens will have more interest in us by being brought in touch

with our school work and by being informed of just what we and our graduates are accomplishing.

We are in great need of a gymnasium for our high school. During the winter months, when the ground is covered with snow, some means of indoor exercise is necessary and must soon be provided.

The number of pupils is increasing so rapidly each year that it will soon be necessary to enlarge the building. This will be a good time to install a first class gymnasium at a comparatively small expense.

Let us begin the agitation now. Let us talk it over with our parents and try to make them see what a benefit a gymnasium will be. In this way, we will finally induce the voters of the town to provide us with one.

The joy of our return to school this term was marred by the resignation of Miss Jennie Y. Freeman. She was an excellent teacher and was liked by all. Her absence is deeply deplored by teachers and pupils.

The vacancy in our corps of teachers this fall was filled by Miss Gertrude R. Berry of New Hampshire, a graduate of Boston university. We hope she will enjoy her work with us.

THE LIFE OF MENDELSSOHN.

Felix Mendelssohn was born Feb. 3, 1809. He was the son of Abraham Mendelssohn, a man of wealth and education. Felix was the second of four children, of whom his oldest sister Fanny was his favorite. She is always thought of in connection with him.

When Felix was four years old, his parents went to Berlin, where the whole family resided with his grandmother.

When very young, the boy showed a talent for music and was instructed by his mother, an excellent musician. He also studied under Madam Bigot, Zelter and Burgen.

At twelve years of age, Felix's teacher on musical science, Zelter, took him to see the poet Goethe, who was delighted with his music and put him to many tests, in all of which he succeeded. This was the beginning of a great friendship between the aged poet and young Felix.

Besides being so well instructed in music Mendelssohn went through a university course with honor and was always considered a well-instructed person.

His first piece that showed real signs of genius was "The Overture to a Midsummer Night's Dream." Before he was twenty he had also written "The Calm at Sea" and other vocal and instrumental pieces.

When the young man was twenty-two he started out on his travels, visiting England and Scotland. Everywhere, he was greeted with appreciation.

Mendelssohn was delighted with the scenery of Scotland and after he had reached home, his sister Fanny asked him for a description of it. Sitting down at the piano, he began to play, so that his music gave her an idea of the scenery. He afterwards used this music in a symphony, called "The

Hebrides." It may be seen from this incident how very musical he was.

Again he started out on a journey. This time he travelled through Switzerland and Italy and home by way of Paris and London. In all his travels he continued composing. While in London he showed to his teacher, Maschelles, works of the greatest value.

There was no need for Mendelssohn to work for money but music was his art and he also preferred to work rather than to be idle. So, when he was invited to Dusseldorf to direct the performances at a musical festival, he accepted. This was a great success and the people were so pleased with Mendelssohn that they wanted him to remain with them and to be musical director of their city.

Later Mendelssohn went to Leipsic as director of the Conservatory of Music, a position which he filled most satisfactorily. He had now found his vocation and for the rest of his life devoted himself to the direction of concerts.

From this time the life of the famous composer passed smoothly, except for the troubles that a man in public life is sure to have. His marriage was happy and he had the affection and respect of all.

His sister Fanny, who was also a great worker, died suddenly. Mendelssohn was much affected and was never the same afterwards. His death, Nov. 4, 1847, was caused by nervousness and overwork.

Mendelssohn's personal appearance was peculiar. His face was oval with high forehead, Roman nose, and brilliant black eyes. He looked more like an English gentleman than a German.

He was exceedingly nervous and at times severe but he was a Christian, charitable to all, a scholar, and a genius.

Some of his most celebrated works are his oratorios of "St. Paul" and "Elijah," "Songs Without Words" and the opera "Athalie" His works both vocal and instrumental will last for many years to delight thousands of people.

C. T. GIFFORD, '07.

A T H L E T I C S.

During the fall term, athletics has been carried on with much more energy than ever before. At the commencement of the school year, it was brought up before the school and the pupils all manifested much interest in the subject. Meetings were held and it was talked over, captains being elected for the baseball, football and track teams.

In the early part of the term the candidates for the baseball team entered their names, and the team was picked from the best players. They lost no time in getting into practise, and played a number of games which were usually successful for the team.

On the 17th of October an athletic meet was held, and the school was fortunate in receiving permission from Admiral Evans to use Evans's field. Those who took part in it, showed good interest, and it was a great success. Later a special meeting was called by the association and Coffin was elected captain of the football team in place of Emery, who resigned. We hope that athletics in our high school will receive the hearty support of the public.

L O C A L S.

The class of 1907 is remarkably represented in athletics this year. Keep it up, boys.

Wanted:—Girls who will push the freshman baby-carriages at recess.

A few days before the Hallowe'en ball we felt sad to hear that Miss Crawley's widower did not intend to attend the ball; but he must have changed his mind, for his familiar face was not missed.

F I E L D D A Y .

The second athletic meet of the P. H. S. was held Wednesday, Oct. 17, 1906, on Evans's field. School was dismissed at 10.45. As early as 11.40 the seniors' tent was pitched in one corner of the field. The freshmen pitched theirs nearby. The sophomores were invited to use the seniors' tent which they willingly did.

The field was in fine shape. Despite the fact that the sky threatened rain, about two hundred attended. We regret to say that most all the flags were of blue and gold, the class colors of '07; also the yells for all the classes, except '07, were few and faint.

The meet was conducted in a very orderly manner. An alarm of fire took a few spectators away, but they soon returned in larger numbers.

No accidents occurred of any importance. The judges were Mr. Frank Potter and Mr. Lewis. The starter was Mr. James Burke, and the timekeeper Mr. Jenkins.

The seniors won, scoring 39 points to the freshmen 35, and the sophomores 24. Following is a list of the sports with winners:

One-hundred yard dash, won by Richard Lewis, time 13 seconds; Herbert Adams, second; George Whorf, third.

Running broad jump, won by Manuel Silva, 15 ft. 5 in.; Emery, second; Burch, third.

Standing broad jump, won by Emery, 8 ft. 4½ in.; M. Silva, second; Burch third.

High jump, won by Adams, 4 ft. 4 in.; M. Silva, second; Emery, third.

Pole vault, won by Ventura, 6 ft. 6 in.; M. Silva, second; Roy Cook, third.

Fifty yard dash, won by Lewis, time 7 seconds; Adams, second; Martin, third.

Shot put, won by William Dutra, 23 ft. 11 in.; Emery, second; Adams, third.

Two hundred and twenty yard dash, won by Lewis, time 29 seconds; Adams, second; Burch, third.

Obstacle race, won by Hollis D. Mayo; Cook, second; John Ventura, third.

One-quarter mile run, won by Adams, time 1 m. 4 s.; Burch, second; Dutra, third.

Sack race, won by Mayo; Worth second.

Relay race, won by sophomores; seniors, second; freshmen, third.

Hammer throw, won by Dutra, 53 ft. 11 in.; Silva, second; Emery, third.

Hurdle race, won by Adams; Cook, second; M. Silva, third.

Three-legged race, won by M. Silva and Cook.

Mile run, won by Burch, time 6 m. 4 s.; W. Silva, second; Martins, third.

Twenty-five yard dash, won by Lewis, time 4 s.; Adams, second; Silva, third.

Many thanks are tendered Messrs. Burke, Potter, Lewis and Jenkins.

What would have happened if Adams hadn't stumbled in the 100 yard dash?

M. Silva was in it from start to finish.

"Good stuff in small packages." Adams proved it.

Truro milk is better than town-water. Dutra showed this to good advantage in the shot put and hammer throw.

The iron rust rested heavily on Emery's stomach.

W. Silva made Burch hustle in the mile run.

It was mean of Mayo to pick out the middle barrel in the obstacle race. Cook wanted it.

Adams gave us a surprise in the high jump.

We feel bad for Ventura. Lucky for him the pole vault came before the sack race.

Brown did excellent work with the megaphone. He will doubtless apply for a position at one of the hotels next summer.

Where were the juniors?

"Time is money." Don't waste your money running against Lewis.

Miss M. M. has been studying cook books (Cook's book.)

A favorite expression of one of the senior girls, "It belongs to me."

Conundrum:—Why do P. H. S. boys differ from fruit?
Answer:—Because unlike fruit they grow fresher with age.

Bickers, '08, translating in Cicero,—“The senators arose leaving their seats bare and naked.”

Brown, '07, translating in French,—“Growing more and more excited they proposed to kill a sea-cow, which by chance blocked their way.” Quite a wonderful sea-cow we think.

The boys will find Le Page's liquid glue excellent to keep their hats on if at any time they should be tempted to take them off to a lady.

Miss Kemp has been out of town. She was much missed in the lyceum.

The seniors are much surprised to see that none of the freshmen are playing with blocks or dolls.

We wonder if Miss Baker, '07, is running a matrimonial agency? Ask Brown, '07.

Get wise, Nickerson. It will take a larger back shop than that to accommodate you.

We do not like to ask for money, but we would like to ask the scholars to kindly contribute a few cents to have Paine, '07, shaved daily.

ALUMNI DEPARTMENT.

This department will, doubtless, prove of greater interest to members of the alumni than any other in the paper, as it will bring them into closer touch with one another and with the school which they once attended. Therefore, we ought to endeavor to make it as interesting, comprehensive and instructive as possible.

In these columns will appear articles written by prominent alumni, personal items, and, in fact, anything of interest connected with the alumni of the school. All such items will be gratefully received by the editor.

Articles from the alumni will inspire the student to better work, and, when the graduate reads in this paper what the present students are doing, he will, we are sure, feel a deepened interest in the old school for which he cherishes such kindly feelings.

By the hearty co-operation of the alumni let us strive to make this department one of the most interesting in the paper.

COMMUNICATION.

There were twenty-four in the largest class that has been graduated from our high school. Eleven of the number were boys. Five of the class became teachers; sixteen entered matrimony; one is a fireman; one, a provision dealer; one, a lawyer; two, book-keepers; one, a manufacturer; one, a post-office clerk; one, a business agent; another, a clerk in a clothing store. All have met with success in the various lines of work. Seven still make their homes in this town. Three of "the boys" have closed their earthly labors.

As vacation seasons come, one after another of those who live "away" hurry back to town to meet their former friends and

classmates to whom they are bound by strong ties of friendship. Then the present scribe is often accosted with, "Still holding forth at the old stand?" "Yes, carrying out the old class prophecy almost to the letter, 'teaching,' though not 'in the schoolhouse below the hill.'" P. E. F. '84.

PERSONALS.

Miss Annie McKennon, class of '84, has secured a position as teacher in Everett, Mass.

Mr. Leon West, class of '99, is spending a month's vacation here, after which he returns to Jamaica for the winter.

Of the nine graduates of the class of '06, three are this year attending the Hyannis normal school; three, the normal school at Bridgewater; one intends to go to Hyannis next year; one is studying music; and the other is a pharmacist's clerk in Cambridge, Mass.

The officers of the P. H. S. alumni association, elected last June, are the following: Miss Jennie Y. Freeman, '96, president; Collen Campbell, '02, vice president; Miss Reba Matheson, '05, secretary; Walter Welsh, '84, treasurer. The executive committee are: Dr. E. A. DeWager, '98; Mrs. T. J. Lewis, '91; Miss Mary E. Days, '98; Mrs. J. D. Adams, '84; Miss Sara Cavanagh, '77; Miss Susie E. Whitcomb, '94; and Miss Margaret DeWolff, '04.



Paine informs us that he is going to raise a beard. This is impossible, Paine; you have one now.

Beware, Corea. Do not scuff thy feet over the oily surface of the floor. Thou art not in a meat market now.

The girls of the senior and sophomore classes have taken a fancy to wearing their hair done up.

Miss Coffin in English, "Whom should I meet but my dear friend, Mr. Brown."

Miss Madelon Fisher and Miss De Wolff are in danger of front seats.

We are always glad to see a person prepared for the future, but we are sad to relate that Brown, '07, has been preparing for a very sad occurrence. He was seen recently walking up with a Coffin, '10.

Nickerson, '08, has been taken sick with beri-beri. We would like to add that it has a strong hold on his heart.

North Truro is well represented in the school, having four students here. If two or three more come, we will have the whole Truro township.

We are told that Emery, '07, is thinking of hiring a bicycle of our local tinsmith and machinist to use in making his nightly visits. What will he do when cold weather comes?

Why does n't Corea, '08, continue his close friendship with Miss Pershake, '09?

Dates to be remembered:

Sept. 18.—Paine, '07, and Mayo, '07, came to school with their French lesson prepared.

Sept. 30.—Miss Rogers, '08, received the title of "Little Quickstep" today.

Oct. 23.—Baker, '08, came to school with his hair cut.

Oct. 24.—Cashman, '09, recited in geometry.

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