

Cure for an enfeebled reason,—The making of programmes for the Training School Critic teachers.

Mother: "Bobby, what made you eat all that angel cake?" Bobby: "Cause you told me to be a better boy."

A Junior B young lady emphatically declares that the cone is not the type of solid upon which she would base her affections.

To those wishing a chance to get a good knowledge of Greece, an excellent opportunity will be presented at the next reception.

"Bill, you young scamp, if you had your due, you'd get a good whipping." I know it, daddy, but *bills* are not always paid when *due*."

Pupil Geography Teacher—What is a cape? 1st pupil—Something you wear around your shoulders. 2d pupil—A body of water surrounded by land.

Teacher (to pupil about to read) "Now, Stuart, how do you feel?" (meaning how he should feel in order to read the piece correctly.) Stuart—"Kinder shaky."

I know a boy with a massive head;
As a tenor, he has no peer;
But some are apt to be misled,
So unto me give ear.

He goes on Sunday to the church,
And sits among the choir;
But they're going to leave him in the lurch,
Such singing they will not hire.

Teacher to pupil: "What is the meaning of 'Activity is the law of childhood.'" Pupil: It means that a teacher should be active, if she would have her pupils active."

There is a tree on Fourth street near the station, which the Botany Class would be wise to study, as a *Cone*, about 5½ feet high was known to spring from it one night.

"What would you say, Bobby," remarked the minister, "if I should ask your mamma to let you have another piece of pie?" "I should say, 'Amen,'" replied Bobby, devoutly.

The Senior B's are supposed to read music at sight; yet a certain young lady of that class, after stumbling over a few bars, made the necessary apology that she didn't know the time.

Teacher: "How would you teach a child to make the sound of *h*?" Pupil: "Shut off his breath." Teacher: "How would you teach a pupil to make the sound of *m*?" Pupil: "Tell him to feel it in his nose."

They were sitting side by side,
And she sighed and he sighed.
"Your hand I ask, so bold I've grown,"
And she groaned and he groaned.
"Thou shalt have a private gig,"
Then she giggled and he giggled.
"I will have thee if thou wilt,"
And she wilted and he wilted.

An anxious inquirer, wishing to get at the bottom of the matter, asks if it is the young men or the young ladies of the school who are constantly objecting to the outsiders acting as escorts to the frequent receptions.

Ed.—"The Lieutenant-General had a very narrow escape from the Indians." Joe.—"How?" Ed.—"By climbing up a tree." Ed. "Couldn't the Indians climb the tree?" Ed.—"No." Joe.—"Why?" Ed.—"Because he pulled the tree up after him."

Teacher in Drawing: "Do you remember having seen anything else that looked like a spiral?" Observant Pupil: "Yes, a pig's tail." Disappointed teacher, holding up a small rough cylinder: "What have I in my hand?" Pupil: "A part of a broom-handle."

"What a nuisance," exclaimed an old gentleman at an entertainment the other evening, as a young dude kept up a continual talking to a young lady at his side. "Do you mean me?" demanded the dude. "No, I mean the musicians; they make such a noise I can't hear you talking," was the stinging reply.

Minister to small boy—"Well sonny, what are you doing?" "Drawing. Do you want me to draw you?" "Yes, draw me." Small boy draws and when finished, shows result to minister, who immediately falls to studying likeness. "It don't look much like you, does it?" "W-e-l-l, no." "Oh, well! I guess I'll just put two more legs on it and call it a pig."

ALUMNI NOTES.

Miss Della Vandervost, Dec. '88, is teaching in Fresno County.

Miss Cornelia Woodard, June, '90, has not taught since graduation.

Miss Kate C. Devine, Dec. '88, has been substituting in the city schools of San Jose.

Miss Mattie A. Powell, June '89, has just finished her first term at Esparto, Yolo County.

Miss Kate R. Smith, June, '90, is teaching in the Stokes Valley District, Tulare County.

Since July, Miss Theresa V. Gargan, June '89, has been teaching in Tunis District, San Mateo County.

Miss Clara M. Evans has been teaching the Waterford School, White Oak District, Stanislaus County.

Mr. George M. Steele, June, '89, has closed his third term in Purisima District, Santa Barbara County.

Miss Hattie E. Isbister, Dec. '87, has been teaching in the Birchville District, Sweetland, Nevada County.

Miss Helen M. Sprague, June '90, has finished her first term of teaching near Hollister, San Benito County.

Miss Mary J. Stewart, May '86, has been a successful teacher of Stanislaus County for the last nine months.

Mr. John G. Jury, June '89, has had charge of the Milford School, Lassen County, since September 1, 1890.

Miss Edith Kinsey, Jan. '90, is teaching an eight-months school in McHenry District, Stanislaus County.

Miss Keziah T. Williams, June, '90, has closed a very successful term in Clover Creek District, near Upper Lake, Lake County. The school is an ungraded one of eighteen pupils. She writes that she teaches everything from the first reader to philosophy.