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Improvement Our Motto

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Perseverance Our Means

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Prospectus

The Busy Bee will be read in "our school" the second Friday of every month.

The paper which was issued last winter under the name of "Our Basket" and of which Miss J. S. Huggins was the editor is now renewed under the name of "The Busy Bee". The editor is also changed it is now under the care of Miss E. W. Huggins.

The contributors are mostly the same although some fewer in number. Two (including the former editors) have been taken from the list and one has been added to the list. The writings of our lost contributors will be very much missed however we hope the readers of "The Busy Bee" will find the perusal of it both pleasant and profitable although it is to be feared that

Editorial

duties will not be as ably conducted as formerly

We are sorry that the editor is no better qualified to perform the responsible duties assigned to her but we hope that her friends and patrons will excuse all deficiency knowing that she will do the best she can and hoping that time, experience, and persevering efforts will improve what talents she has.

To contributors I would say be diligent ~~in~~ be

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zealous in writing for your paper. Let not
little obstacles detain you. Have the courage
to fight against and overcome all obstacles and
untoward circumstances that you meet. Be
not weary in well doing.

May that which you cull from the gardens of
your minds for each succeeding number be rich-
er of more value and more beautiful in
style than the preceding. And for your pains
you shall be richly rewarded. your pay will not
be in silver or gold but in something of more
value your minds which have been thus culti-
vated will no longer be as an uncultivated field
overgrown with weeds and thistles but it will
be as a garden where beautiful flowers and
useful plants are cultivated and weeds kept
down you will no longer live as though your
chief care were what shall I eat and what shall
I put on. your eyes will be opened that you
may see those noble faculties of mind which
the Lord our Creator has placed within you
~~that~~ you will find an inexpressable delight in
cultivating these faculties and in striving
to improve and enrich your minds.

Our Paper

Winter has come and with it the desire to renew our paper and study to improve our minds. If we commence our Paper from mere enthusiasm we need not expect it to live through the hard storms of winter it must be founded on determination we must resolve to sustain it come what will the name we have chosen for our paper is The Busy Bee I think either a very expressive name we must try to make it worthy of its name like a Busy Bee gathering sweets from every flower we must let it have free access to the gardens of our minds. Why is it that we hear so many complaining that they have not improved for years in writing have they had nothing to call forth their latent energies. the publishing of a paper is just the thing for them if this is the difficulty that is if they will do the very best they can take pains and yet not be so particular as to throw away every thing they can make O let us not permit this winter to pass away with out some great improve merit I know we all have a great

many disadvantages to labor under they are not
so great but that they may be overcome
by patience and perseverance we must take
the Bee for our example and perseverance
for our motto "Take care of the minutes
and the hours will take care of themselves"
in writing for this paper we must remember
that we are bearing our mark and time
will only wear it deeper as if it were
stamped in solid rock and word once said
a deed once done and we can not take
it or its influence back how careful
we should be many years from now
we will look at these papers with
pleasure they will bring pleasure to
our recollections the things of the past
than most any thing else
we each have a part to act and must
not depend on others to find material
for our paper I know there will be
many mistakes in our writings but
we must not feel hard if some of them
~~our writings~~ should find their way to
the dark pigeon hole we may be sure they
were fit only to be hurried in oblivion
and I fear to some that are reserved to
the light of day will be more fit to share

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their fate but we must not be discouraged
~~but~~ because we can not write as well
as we wish we can not expect to reach
the end from the beginning only by
patience toil and perseverance can we
improve our paper let us resolve and
endeavor to have every number better
than the last

Writing

Writing is the most useful of arts if it were
not for writing we should know nothing
of past ages the history of the world
would be veiled in obscurity the great
might learn what they could their learning
would die with them if they had no
way ~~but~~ to hand it down to future ages
the creation of the world the fall of
man and the coming of Christ would
soon all be forgotten and we would
be as ignorant as the inhabitants of
Africa as the uncivilized tribes of America
why was it that the Indians of the
new world were so ignorant they did not
even know where their fore fathers
came from and nothing could be known

of their past history except by their ruins
there in Mexico and south America there
appears to have once been splendid castles
cities and temples but when it was discovered by
Columbus in 1492 the inhabitants were in almost
a savage state it was because they had
not learned the art of writing and all
their grand discoveries and great inventions
perished with the inventors they had no
method of imparting their knowledge
to others no books or papers
one only but few of the learned knew
how to write they had no printing presses
they wrote on parchment but this was
of untold value we now know a great
part of ancient history that has been
preserved on parchment but each age brings
new inventions and improvements now there
are hundreds of voluminous printed and
new papers are sent over the world with
out half the labor of preserving old
parchments now every one can have books
to read and now ~~too~~ too railroads and
steamboats travel the world with astonishing
rapidity then the greatest blessing and
pleasure of writing is we can write to
our distant friends as if we were speaking

to them and receive again their answering
thoughts even if they be over the sea
or at the ends of the earth if any
are sick we can hear it as if some friend
is dead we can know it to a certainty
and not be allways in the suspense of
hope and fear then how cheering to
get kind letters from friends to know
we have friends that have not forgotten
us but still remember us with love
though we may not have seen them for years

My Wish

May thy life be crowned with bliss
And thy path be happiness
Richest gifts of Heaven shine
es, ever shine on thee and thine
Eliza

Our School

I hope that we will learn a great deal at our School this winter we must try hard to learn a great deal for we do not know when we can get another as good a chance I am very sorry that we could not commence School sooner but we must study the harder I think that it will be much more ple^{as}ant to study at home than it would be at a large School with a stranger to teach us and we will learn more in the same length of time we ought to be thankful that we have the chance to learn at home while many cannot even know their letters.

I hope that the Scholars of our School will improve their hand writing this winter by writing
For The Busy Bee

Enigma No. 1.

Composed of 22. letters

- My 3. 15. 12. 7. 19. 16. is a king who lived before ^{Christ}
My 14. 19. *21. 7. 4. 11. is the Capital of a powerful ^{Country}
My 1. 2. 6. 11. 22. is one of the United States
My 17. 2. 8. 13. ~~10~~ 16. is the name of a place in ^{Spain}
My 10. 8. 2. 14. 10. 5. ~~2~~ is the name of one of the ^{United} States
My 5. 2. 20. 13. 16. is a river in Austria
My 17. 9. 7. 8. 16. is what Doctors carry
My whole is the name of a man who ruled France for 7. years

Stoves

Stoves are very useful things they are used to cook in and to warm the house they need a good deal of wood to keep them warm there are ~~different~~ different kinds of stoves some stoves are a good deal larger than others some stoves are not as high and as broad as a small table and some stoves are not larger than the body of a large dog a cook stove has a place to put wood in and a place to bake in and some holes near the fire to set a kettle to boil in where we boil or heat water and other

things & a parlor stove is not made to
cook in it only used to heat a room
stones are made of iron the iron is first melted
and then run ~~in~~ into mould the shape of a
stone stove so cost from twelve to forty dollars a
piece. H. J.

Time is flying
Time is flying Time is flying
Winter winds have come again
Now's the time we should be trying
Some true knowledge to obtain

Time is flying Time is flying
Now's the time we have to learn
Wisdom's voice to us is ~~to~~ crying
Now O youth to study turn

Time is flying Time is flying
Study to improve your mind
Study Study reading writing
Study virtues paths to find

Time is flying Time is flying
Haste O youth ere time is past
For within a voice is sighing
Earth is labor Heaven is rest

Time is flying Time flying
Let us now our vocas renew
Pressing forward ever striving
Eternity to keep in view.

Lidie

