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INTERESTING LETTER FROM AFRICA.

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wegian and other nationalities, but English predominates. English train system and stiffness in more ways than one; English slowness too, but it might be worse, we love the mother country even if she is a bit slow.

Sunday evening we attended a church for the white people only. It was a pretty structure, beautifully situated in a garden of various tropical plants with seats artistically placed, reminding one of a park. The service was conducted by an English Government chaplain.

It was indeed strange after seeing nothing but pagans to walk, while black ladies rolled by, not in Fords but in fine cars, and to meet well educated people. A dentist who fixed my teeth was mulatto educated in Washington, D.C., and did as good work as I could have got at home.

A motor trip to the beach was a treat, to see the old ocean that we lived on two months on the way to Africa and to look over the horizon in the direction of home made it seem farther away than when in the bush. Another two years or less and I will be again at the coast, to go home.

After a week's absence I returned to Minna, where Miss Wallis waited my return to go on to our station. We started the same day, but a hard rain made the rivers so high we could not cross, but spent the night in a rest house near. Returning home the following day, we got such a warm welcome from our people and were so glad to see them, had you been along you would understand a little of the joys of a missionary. The boys helped us clear out the house without asking for a gift in return, a most unusual thing.

So we are back at work and glad to be, too. To-day we went to see a dance called Maddowa, supposed to be done for health. It is not a yearly affair like most. This year we are having a lot of it. A number of rude instruments form an orchestra. The drums are pounded by the hand with great vigor. Women do the dancing, some of which is slow of movement, but the real kind is very strenuous, the women jumping up and down till they fall exhausted. We saw two fall in the soft mud, roll over on their faces and like panting pigs in a trough, then drawing themselves along on the ground begin dancing while on their knees, gradually regaining their feet and going on as before. I think much of it is not fatigue but pure acting. It is all most disgusting. One could not imagine any animal but a pig acting so. We turn away sick at heart and wonder how long before we have one woman won for the truth in this difficult tribe, which we have learned to love. Pray as you have never prayed for missions. Nothing but pentecostal power from on high will break down these high walls of darkness. We have the hearts of many of the women, but are no nearer to getting them to desire the truth than if they only just met us. But God is able, so trusting we go forward, glad to be in the fight.

F. W. PARKER.

A.H.S. Field Day

(Continued from last issue.)

The events remaining over from field day were finished after school hours last week. Two boys' events, which were originally intended to be open but later were made class events, were run off since field day. The winners are:

Helping contest—Class I, C. Bender; class II, W. Slack; class III, C. McFadden; class IV, J. Heffernan.

Indian club dance—Class I, C. Yates; class II, R. Taylor; class III, C. McFadden; class IV, H. Rabb.

While this raises the number of points of some of the contestants, it makes only one change in the prize list, giving H. Rabb a lead of five points over J. Bates for the prize in form III.

The prize-winners among the girls are:

Form I, A—H. Morris, junior medal, 19 points; S. Howard, term prize, 6 points.

Form I, B—B. Leeder, form prize, 5 points.

Form II, A—W. Morris, form prize, 7 points.

Form II, B—G. Conlon, form prize, 4 points.

Form III—E. Tett, senior medal, 19 points, E. Kilborn and V. Topping, tie for form prize, 11 points each.

The winners in the girls' events were as follows:

50 yards dash—Jun., 1 H. Morris, 2 W. Morris; Sen., 1 E. Tett, 2 L. Guttridge.

Baseball throw (distance)—Jun., 1

S. Howard, 2 H. Morris; Sen., 1 E. Kilborn, 2 M. Kenny.

Basketball throw (distance)—Jun., 1 E. Whitmore, 2 B. Breese; Sen., 1 E. Tett, 2 E. Kilborn.

Basketball throw (net)—Jun., 1 H. Avery, 2 H. Morris; Sen., 1 L. Steacy, 2 M. Kenny.

Potato race—Jun., 1 N. Davis, 2 B. Roddick, Sen., 1 V. Dancy, 2 E. Tett.

Sack race—Jun., 1 H. Morris, 2 W. Morris, Sen., 1 V. Topping, 2 G. Conlon.

Needle and thread race—Jun., 1 K. Beale, 2 H. Bulger; Sen., 1 G. Yates, 2 F. Leggett.

Potato and spoon race (open)—1 L. Steacy, 2 G. Hawitt.

Wheelbarrow race—Jun., 1 E. Eaton, 2 H. Morris; Sen., 1 E. Tett, 2 E. Kilborn.

Indian club race (open)—1 V. Topping, 2 H. Avery.

Hammer and nail contest—1 B. Leeder, 2 C. Miller.

Balancing contest—1 B. Bates, 2 M. Howe.

Relay race—1 form III, 2 form I, A.

The competition between the forms for the form championship shield was won by form III, who were winners last year. The prizes will be presented in the near future at a meeting of the Literary Society. The medals will be presented at the commencement exercises in November.

QUESTIONS FOR THE BOYS AND GIRLS.

God tells us in His word that "time is short and the days are evil," and exhorts us to "redeem the time."

Are we redeeming the time when we break God's commands?

Are we honoring God when we dishonor our parents and our home training by Sabbath breaking, by profanity, by using street slang, by using cigar, cigarette, or intoxicating liquor?

Do those habits indulged in add dignity or self-respect to the young women and grown up boys. Is their example worthy of imitation by the small girl and boy?

Does the small boy who groups with others on the street corner and calls out in a jeering way to the passers-by know that he is disgracing himself and dishonoring his home training?

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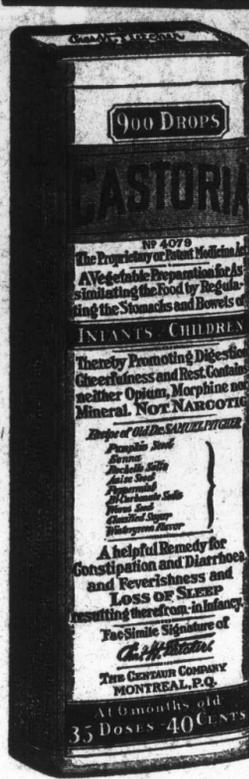
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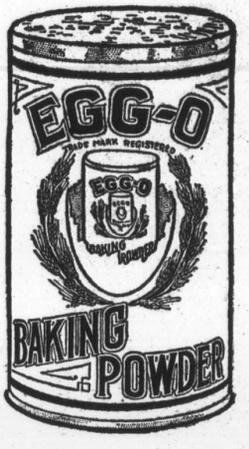
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