

Ontario Deaf-Mute Association.

OFFICERS
 Wm. Nurse, Belleville
 R. C. Satter, Toronto
 A. W. Mason, Toronto
 A. J. Smith, Brantford
 D. J. McMillan, Belleville
 D. R. Coffman, Belleville

INSTITUTION ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION
 R. Mathison
 Wm. Nurse
 Wm. Douglas
 D. J. McKillop

FOOT-BALL AND BASKET-BALL CLUBS
 J. A. Ishister
 Eddie Ball
 Willie McKay
 Jas. Chantler

DEAF LITERARY SOCIETY
 R. Mathison
 Wm. Nurse
 D. J. McKillop
 Ada Johnson
 J. A. Ishister

The Canadian Mute.

THURSDAY, JUNE 16, 1893.

Will you not sit and wait their loss,
 Perseveringly seek how to redress their harms.
 J. HENRY VII. v. 1

School is Out.

THE SUCCESSFUL SESSION CLOSED.

It does not seem long since we began the work of the session now closing. Time passes by with winged feet when the days are devoted to labor. This year of the THE CANADIAN MUTE anticipates the close of school by a few days only. Trunks are being packed and every thing put in order for the home going. The children know what all the bustle and excitement mean. They smile in an atmosphere of perpetual sunshine. There are no clouds to cast a shadow over their young hearts now. The onerous tasks are all finished, and the usual school discipline has been relaxed in sympathy with the prevailing feeling. Although the time may seem short to those of mature years, nine months have passed since the children left home, and all the dear associations that they are anxious to return to that dearest spot on earth, and greet loved ones again. We fervently hope that nothing may occur to mar their pleasure nor disappoint their hearts.

The session now closing has been successful in most respects. The usual routine of school life has not been much disturbed. There has been some sickness among the children, and once the grim messenger of death came calling away a bright life of tender years, and lifting hearts with sad losses. In a community of three hundred persons, so many of whom are children subject to prevailing diseases, this is a satisfactory health record. The general conduct of the pupils has been commendable. The rules and regulations governing the work in the departments of learning, as well as on the play ground and in the study room, have been cheerfully observed and willingly obeyed, with very few and trivial exceptions. There is a well regulated system of discipline which is justly honored by officers and teachers, and the children soon recognize the necessity of acting in accordance with its provisions. Its enforcement entails no hardships, but rather ensures health, happiness, and the cultivation of moral and religious precepts. The examinations which were thorough and impartial have shown that good work has been done and good results realized. The school retains an honorable position in the state of proficiency with improved accommodations and facilities. We congratulate all concerned on so successful a closing of another session, and we express the wish that officers, teachers and pupils may enjoy a pleasant and profitable vacation.



FOOT-BALL

THE I. D. AND D. DEFEATS KINGSTON BY A SCORE OF 1 GOALS TO 0

Friday morning, June 2, our "kickers," accompanied by Messrs. W. Douglas, G. C. Mathison and H. McIlhew of the Institution, and Mr. J. W. Ward, of Albert College, took the steamer Hero for Kingston, the object in view being a foot-ball match with the team of that city. After a pleasant sail down the beautiful Bay of Quinte they reached Kingston about 1.30 p. m., where they were met by Mr. R. W. McInao, a former pupil of this Institution, and his family. Miss Inape, another of our former pupils, and our own Howard Davidson, who had taken the early train that morning for Kingston. Mr. Allen, of the K. A. A., was also in waiting to receive and convey the Institution party to the Park. On account of a heavy rain about 1 o'clock that afternoon the grounds were not in very good condition and the attendance was small. At 3.15 the game was called. The following team lined up to uphold the honor of the Institution and of Belleville:—J. Patrick goal, Jas. Chantler, R. A. O'Meara, backs, E. Synard, M. Noonan, half-backs, J. Ishister, W. Smallton, right wing, J. Chambers, Jno. Chantler, centro, H. Henee, J. Henderson, left wing. Kingston took the kick off and their whole line of forwards made a rush for our goal. They did not reach it, however, and the ball was sent to the other end of the field. The game now equalized, but our lads soon began to show their superiority. Kingston's goal was frequently hard pressed and their forwards found it impossible to pass our defence. Shortly before half-time was called a Kingston player fouled the ball near his own goal. Ishister rolled it and John Chantler kicked. The ball struck the bar and went under. Score, I. D. & D. 1, Kingston 0.

In a few minutes the whistle blow for half-time and goals were changed. From this time until the end the game was entirely in favor of our team. Three more goals were scored during this half. Goal No 2 was headed through by John Chantler. No 3 was shot through by Jno. Ishister and No 4 was presented to us by a Kingston player who headed the ball in the wrong direction. It was towards the end that the grimmest feature of the game took place. Kingston determined by a mighty rally to retrieve in part the honor of the day. It was a grand rush, their forwards coming on all in a line, well backed by their halves. They struck our "Barrier Giants" and it was all over, as far as Kingston was concerned. The ball went to the other end of the field and in a few minutes, time was called. In the words of the Kingston News "Kingston retired from the field defeated by 4 goals to 0, by one of the best Association Foot ball teams in Canada. Mr. W. R. McInao had hoped to entertain the party at his home in the evening, but as the steamer was waiting they could not, much to their sorrow, accept his hospitality. He was not to be entirely outdone, however. Before their departure he was on hand with a large sack of oranges, for which he received the hearty thanks of all. At an early hour Saturday morning they arrived home, a little tired and sleepy but, nevertheless, rather pleased with themselves, and carrying with them pleasant recollections of their trip to Kingston.

Legislative Grants.

The following sums have been allowed by the Legislature of Ontario for this Institution for the year 1893

Maintenance appropriation	46,000
SPECIAL GRANTS	
To complete sewage disposal works	4,000
Isolated Hospital and furnishings	4,000
Barn for stock, new piggery, etc.	1,500
Completion of steam heating, etc.	500
Furniture and furnishings	200
Books for library, etc.	100
Lumber for floors, paints, oils, etc.	1,000
Re-arranging rooms over kitchen	500
Fire hose, fire tools, etc.	200
Fencing, gravel, etc.	200
	15,000

HOME NEWS

"Home, home, sweet, sweet home"
 Only a few more days, and then, home. Mother will be waiting at the railway station for somebody on the 21st inst.

How Nellie, and Daisy, and Willie and Charlie have changed since they left home last September!
 They have increased in stature, and greatly improved in mental capacity. They are littoladies and gentlemen now.

Just a few more days, then off for home. Lessons, work and play are all over here for the next three months. We expect to read this issue of the MUTE at home with our parents.

Each of the three boys graduating this year from the shoeshop received a present of a full kit of tools. Few shoemakers are as well set-up. We hope that they will put them to a good use.

There will be many open eyes and anxious hearts all through the night of the 20th inst. and it will not require much of an effort to arouse the inmates of the Institution, even at an early hour, next morning.

The Matron thoughtfully sent pots and bouquets of flowers to the class rooms for additional ornamentation during the examination. They were fragrant and beautiful, and the teachers expressed thanks for the favor.

Our little boys and girls are carefully preserving their best clothes, hats, and boots for the home going. They want to look as well as possible when this auspicious occasion arrives, and they speed away to mamma's arms.

The members of the foot ball team and their friends, who went to Kingston recently, have no fault to find with the cuisine of the steamer Hero. The steward of that popular boat asserts that the boys have an excellent appetite.

Mr. H. Moore, of Toronto, and his wife are visiting friends in Belleville, and will remain here for several days. They are both well, and should enjoy themselves, as they can take life easy, having enough of the "needful" to make them indifferent of the frowns of fortune.

The trophy won by our senior foot-ball team during the league games has been on exhibition in the library during the last week, and was admired by many. It is of elegant design, and valued at \$50. The boys will work hard to retain possession of so valuable a prize.

The Third Class, with the teacher, was photographed on the 3rd inst. We have seen a proof of the negative, and consider all the pupils well taken. The teacher was not so fortunate in his impression on the camera, but this was no fault of the instrument nor the artist.

Miss Brown, daughter of our examiner, accompanied her father to the Institution on the 6th inst., and was a visitor at the residence of Supt. Mathison. She was an interested witness of the process of teaching the deaf, as she has had some experience in the school room as a teacher.

The following officers and teachers from this school will probably visit the Chicago Exhibition, and attend the conferences of the deaf. Supt. Mathison, Messrs. Denys and Balis, Mrs. Balis, Miss Ostrom, and Miss Maybee. There may be others who decide to join the crowd for the Windy City.

The senior pupils have been placed under many obligations to the Superintendent, Matron, and other officers, for kind acts and thoughtful concessions that have greatly added to the pleasure of their experience during the session now closing. They appreciate and will remember such courtesies.

Not only the teachers in the literary classes, but each head of the industrial departments, has made a full report in writing to the Superintendent of each pupil's progress and conduct during the term. This is entered on the books and carefully preserved. To have a good record each year opposite their names should be a strong incentive for all pupils to do well.

We are glad that the veteran employees of the Institution, men and women whose faces have been familiar for many years, are still with us, and see the beginning of another summer vacation in the enjoyment of good health and spirits. We hope the re-opening of school next September will find them all at their accustomed posts and as well and happy as we leave them at present.

The fields and woods are radiant in summer bloom, and nature smiles benignly to welcome the children home.

The following good news is clipped from the *Silent Echo* of 1st inst.—Mr. and Mrs. McDermond are planning a trip to the World's Fair and Ontario, visiting London, Hamilton, Toronto, Lindsay and Belleville. They will remain in Chicago about two weeks, and expect to be there about the time convention meets. Howard and Ruth go with them.

We have seen the photograph of our Champion Foot-ball Team, recently taken by Mr. H. K. Smith, photographer of Belleville. It is an excellent production, and presents the manly, muscular fellows in good shape. Supervisor Douglas, president of the local league, and the coveted trophy (a solid silver cup of appropriate design), are also conspicuous figures in the group.

Mr. Wm. Nurse, our master shoemaker, with his wife and child, purposes sailing from Montreal, per steamer *Parianan*, on 21st inst., for England. They will remain there until near the end of August, visiting friends and viewing the attractive scenes of "the right little, tight little isle," returning before the opening of school. We wish them *bon voyage*, much enjoyment, and safe return with invigorated health.

The flag waved triumphantly from the tall staff on Friday, 9th inst., as the last examination for the session was near an end, and everybody was jubilant. The fountain, too, in sympathy with the prevailing sentiment, throw its crystal jets high into the hot air, adding to the general attractiveness of the scene. The work of nine long months was closing, and a rest at home was near. This was enough to account for the jubilation.

At no previous time in the history of this Institution has school closed with such a luxuriant foliage adorning the lawn and surrounding grounds. The trees and shrubs seem to be making a special effort to cover themselves with leaves and blossoms, and the flowers and grass show an unusual vigor in growth. The wet spring followed by genial warmth, has given life to the vegetable creation. Our school is a place of beauty just now.

Miss E. Terrill visited us on the 9th inst., bringing her "kodak" with her. After dinner the officers and teachers were grouped in a shady nook near Mr. Mathison's residence, and she took a couple of snaps at them. They were a dandy lot, and no doubt the picture will be "a thing of beauty and a joy forever." If it is not, the fault must be attributed to a multiplicity of straw-hats that adorned the heads of men and women, and counteracted the shade of the foliage.

The departmental examinations of the literary classes were held last week, beginning on the 6th and ending on the 9th. They were conducted by Mr. A. Brown, P. S. I., of Dundas Co., assisted as usual by the Superintendent. Though thorough and impartial, the questions were fair and reasonable. The teachers may not have been entirely satisfied, but they had no fault to find. Mr. Brown has won the confidence and esteem of all here, and he will always be a welcome visitor to the Institution. The results will be made known later.

All the teachers and officers were summoned to the chapel at the close of school on the 9th. The Examiner had finished his task, and wished to express his appreciation of the whole proceedings, and his thanks for kind treatment from all at the school. His remarks were received with demonstrations of approval by those present, the children, especially giving them a rousing cheer. Mr. Brown is a courteous, and considerate gentleman making himself and his work agreeable to all with whom he comes in contact. We hope to see him here again.

Mrs. Balis has ornamented the library and teachers' sitting-room with specimens of work from the drawing class. This is the only way of meeting the requirements of an examination in this branch of study, and it is a satisfactory way. There are some highly meritorious efforts with the pencil and brush, and teacher and pupils are to be congratulated. Drawing is preeminently a cultivation of care and precision, as the eye and hand must observe carefully and copy precisely in order to show a correct figure. This fact makes it an important aid in the education of the deaf, even if it does not reach perfection. There are some embryo artists in this school, who may develop powers that will command attention in the future.