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THE CANADIAN MUTE.

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THE MEMBERS

OUR FRIENDS We are sure to give all much pleasure to the Ontario Government. We have secured permission for the next annual meeting to be held at the Institution. The gathering will take place in the middle of June next. The date will be announced later. The program will shortly be issued giving full information. We look for a most pleasant and profitable meeting. Your friends and the former pupils of the Institution, who we hope will be present, and all make every effort to attend.

Faithfully yours,
Wm. Nurse, Secy.

The Dufferin Literary Society.

The Society held one of the best and most successful meetings this term on Saturday evening last. After the preliminary business had been disposed of a debate on the Utility of Army Service in Warfare was debated on by J. S. Milton and Willie Loughheed. The resolution supported the army was defeated. Then followed a short debate between two of the new junior members who took the platform for the first time. The question discussed was Outdoor vs. Indoor Sports. Harry Jones who supported outdoor amusement found so much material to work upon that his opponent, A. Nahrang, had a very poor chance and Harry got the decision. After the critic had got in a few slashing corrections, came the closing of the evening, a laughable farce, the object being to exemplify the results of industry against idleness. The scene was a shoe shop, Mr. Nurse being the proprietor, M. Madden the worthless customer, a green loading peddler, and J. Dobbins the customer. Everything went off about a lurch and for over an hour the pupils were kept in convulsions of laughter and at the same time received a lesson they will remember.

J. T. SULLIVAN, Secretary.

of the Superintendent of an Institution treated each of the a five cent package of chewing her birthday. This might suit her all right but if the teachers duty the gum would all have confiscated next day. Whether gum is injurious or not is an question, but there is no doubt of very disagreeable practice and should be sedulously dis-

The Carnival.

AN EVENING ON THE ICE

Our Annual fancy dress Carnival was held on the 16th ult. It was a healthy, exhilarating amusement and a pleasure all around. In an affair of this kind good ice and light are the main things and the temperature too is important for it would have been quite unsafe for our young ladies to risk their health out on the rink in the airy costumes some of them assumed if the weather had been extreme, but on this auspicious evening everything was just mes and a better evening could not have been chosen. When the merry party assembled on the rink several most appropriate costumes were seen among the girls which must have taken much time and care in their preparation. The get ups were mostly of the rough and ready kind, but they were original and many most ludicrous. For inventing a grotesque costume out of almost nothing we think that our boys can beat anything living and the way they did it was a surprise to the officers most intimate with them. As soon as supper was over an air of mystery settled over everything and a visitor going around stumbled over queer figures in every dark corner lying up and when they appeared masked on the ice were quite unrecognizable for the best part of the fun at these carnivals is the puzzling of their friends. Around and around the rink the masked figures glided, boys and girls swinging round together each being a stranger to the other except in one or two cases when well known peculiarities revealed the secret. Nearly all our boys and girls are graceful skaters and the scene on the rink as the masked figures glided around in varied costumes was a most interesting one, all seeming to fully enjoy the occasion. One of the most amusing parts of the show, was trying to find out who was who, the maskers nearly all had such faith in their disguises that they were quite willing to be drawn to the light and be examined and seldom were they discovered. Even Mr. Mathison, sharp as he is and knowing every one of them so well, after several failures gave up the attempt while "ve writer" got so badly fooled he was the laughing stock of the school the next day and vows that if he lives to see another carnival he will never try again. The masks were removed at 9 p. m. and surprises, but that did not end the affair, the boys and girls sported themselves just as long as they were permitted to do, which was until nearly 10 p. m. then tired and happy they retired to bed. Many of the small boys had been making a liberal use of coloured crayons, etc., and had to scrub their faces sore to get them clean. It would be invidious to mention any special costumes when so many were good but we know those present will agree with us that two were specially nice and deserving of mention. Miss Allendrol, as Fairy Queen and Miss G. Watts as Evening Star. It will perhaps interest parents if we give the names of the maskers. Here they are:

- George Fairbairn, Goddess of Liberty
Anna Allendrol, Fairy Queen
Violet Gray, Page
Lizzie Scott, Martha Washington
Annie Blackburn, Fairy
Marion Water, Queen of Hearts
Mabel Elliot, Assassin and Mask
Nellie Mosey, Nurse
Martha Hargreaves, Nurse
Rose Moore, Summer Girl
Lizzie Giffen, Summer Girl
Oliver Hartwick, Summer Girl
Mary Emswiler, Dukeess
Grace Watts, Evening Star
Ethel Allen, Quaker
Maggie Eason, Snow Girl
Ethel Dixon, Sailor Girl
Hessie Woolley, Young Girl
Hattie Sager, Ghost
Cora Pierce, Snow Flake
Beatrice Thompson, Sailor Girl
Jessie Dewar, Traveller
Eleanor Boniak, Traveller
Sarah McDonald, Quaker
Mabel Cratchley, Hoop
Beatrice Fretz, Tourist
Mary Brown, Bride
Eva Brown, Canadian
Miss Metcalfe, Dowry
Miss Dempsey, Lady of the Press
I. Charbonneau, Stranger
C. Doss, Professor
L. McCarthy, Chicago Girl
T. Green, Frenchman
John Zimmerman, Indian Rider
Larvis Armstrong, Negro Duke
Thos. Lett, Spectator
M. Isabelle, Hospital Attendant
G. Hamilton, Hospital Attendant
C. Lanell, Boy
S. Campbell, Hussar
Wm. Loughheed, Green Coat
J. Dobbins, Refugee
J. Milton, Crack Plamston
A. Jeffrey, Traveller
H. McEneaney, Indian Chief

- E. Baker, Jew
T. Doss, Clown
E. Barnett, Trump
H. H. Hall, Soldier
G. Wathow, Duke
M. Madden, Italian Brigand
F. Ferris, Duke
A. Jones, King of Misery
E. Doyle, Bad Boy
H. M. Master, Gentleman
C. Popper, Traveller
H. Brown, Skating Racer
John Bradley, Squaw
Thos. Green, Hussar
Thos. McKay, Nobleman
C. Skunk, Guest
A. Nahrang, Hoop
H. Cardner, Detective
C. L. Stanger, Thief
N. M. Duncie
W. D. N. Native of Buenos
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A. Jones, Indian
H. Clements, Officer
A. Smith, Englishman
Hartley Head, Indian
Mr. Corrosey, Arab
Mr. Campbell, Leisurely Skater
M. McGregor, Crack Skater
D. Watts, Hussar
I. Linscott, Bishop
I. Smith, Jockey
G. Jones, Livery Boy
A. Burns, Newbery
A. Jones, Negro Servant
G. Young, Monkey
Miss Perry, Nilsson
A. Walton, Gilpy
Joseph Henry, French Boy
Edwin Both, Silly Boy
H. Lane, Racer
H. Cunningham, Indian
C. Lewis, Moor Thief
E. Barford, Negro Boatlark
I. Kirk, Prox Kruger
I. King, Drunkard
G. Bellis, Policeman
G. Green, Highlander
John Munroe, Beggar Woman
Wm. Dault, Thief
Bert Cummings, Indian
W. Lett, Negro Servant
G. Moore and G. Baragar, Trump
James O. Farmer
W. Billing, Hoop
W. Otto, Punch
A. Quick and T. Law, Indian

HOME NEWS

That was a warm snap? Sunday and Monday only 18 below zero.

Mr. Barlow was all smiles on the 16th ult. cause a little baby girl took up its residence with them on that day. Congratulations.

Something went wrong with the gas connections last week and we had to depend on lamps and tallow dips for light in the early morning. Our electric light power only runs at night.

Last Saturday our junior hockey team played with the Junior Victorias, on the city rink. After an exciting match on slushy ice the game ended in a tie, both sides scoring one goal.

The South African War keeps every one here on the eve of expectation and the arrival of news is eagerly awaited. Two Belleville boys were wounded in one of the late battles at the front.

The news of the relief of Kimberley, after its long siege and gallant defence, was received here with joy. Our flag went right up to the top of the mast, cheers were given and the bell in the tower that had been silent for years, found tongue in a merry peal and every one was glad.

Joseph Dubois, of our hockey team, was allowed to take part in the final match of the intermediate O. H. A. series. The eastern and western rivals being Belleville and London. The match was played in Toronto. The Toronto papers credit Dubois with putting up a swift, neat game and playing his position admirably, but on account of slushy ice he was not so effective as usual. Several deaf friends in Toronto were present to see him play.

A few days ago Mr. Cunningham met with a very painful accident, which might have had serious consequences. A ladder on which he was standing slipped and he was thrown with great force against the wall. His left eyebrow was so deeply cut it had to be sewn up by the doctor and he was also badly bruised in the limbs. His injuries were very painful but Mr. C. like the old soldier he is stoic to his guns, for the pupils would not let up the surge on his bread, they devoured just as much as usual.

If our genial friend "Aranunta Jones" will file her plea re the Convention again in about two years time, we are sure the Executive Committee will be happy to consider it. The thing is settled now for this time. Our old pupils one and all think that there is no place like the old Institution for a gathering place and the best thing Aranunta can do now is to persuade Mr. Albert Edward to bring her down with the crowd in June, of course bringing the baby along also, having such a mamma it cannot be anything but amusing and we all want to see it.

PERSONALITIES.

John Earl, of Brockville, was a caller last Sunday and Monday.

We regret to learn of the death of Mrs. Ball, of Windsor, mother of Misses Bessie and Fannie Ball, formerly of this Institution, who have our warmest sympathy.

Mr. Crandall, of Rodney, a friend of Mr. McKillop, called on him last week. His visit through the buildings, classrooms and work shops was a revelation to him and he enjoyed his visit very much.

Mr. A. E. South, of Brantford, has lately been passing through much trouble. After just recovering from a long illness himself his little boy was stricken with an almost fatal sickness from which we are glad to report he also is recovering.

We regret to learn that one of our former pupils, Wilson Brown, is laying dangerously ill in the Western Hospital in Toronto, with pneumonia and paralysis. His home is not in the city, but he has been working there for some time past. We later heard more favorable reports of him.

Mrs. Sarah E. Balis, who resides at 710 Island Avenue, is celebrating her eightieth birthday to day. She spent many years as a teacher and in later years conducted a kindergarten on the west side, where many a boy and girl, now married, received their first tuition from her. She is highly honored and respected by all for her excellent qualities and noble character. Milwaukee Evening Wisconsin of Feb. 15th. We extend our congratulations to the venerable octogenarian mother of our esteemed confrere, Prof. Balis.

Mr. Roddy O'Meara, B. A., son of Mr. Michael O'Meara, formerly of this Institution, died at St. Joseph's Hospital in London on Friday, the 10th ult. The news of his decease was not unexpected since it was known that he was afflicted with lung trouble, from which recovery was impossible. Roddy was for a short time on the staff here as a teacher and was most highly esteemed by the officers, teachers and pupils. He was a young man of culture and fine educational acquirements, with the promise and potency of a bright future; and his demise on the very threshold of life is deeply regretted.

If the distinguished apostle of "sweetness and light" had been fortunate enough to have been at this Institution on the 16th ult. he would have had his soul's longings fully satisfied when some forty or fifty specimens of sweet and joyous young womanhood from Albert College filled our halls and class-rooms with their welcome presence. The visitors were a little late in arriving so they did not have as long a time as could have been wished in the school rooms, but what they did see there and in the shops filled them with surprise and pleasure. Miss Gardner, B. A., the talented lady principal and that sweet songstress, Miss DeGuerre, of the College, chaperoned the party. Before their departure they were treated to a light lunch in the library. These annual visits from the students of the College are pleasant and interesting events and we hope they will stay longer next time. Perhaps our Superintendent will some day allow us to reciprocate the favor and spend an afternoon at the College.

On the 19th ult. the Institution was honored with a visit from Sir Mackenzie Bowell and the Hon. Senator Reid, of Cariboo, B. C., accompanied by Mrs. Reid and Mrs. McCarthy. Sir Mackenzie's daughter, and her bright little daughter, Evelyn. The distinguished visitors spent the afternoon in the class rooms and shops and evinced a warm interest in all that they saw. When the pupils were assembled in the chapel, Sup't Mathison extended to the visitors a hearty welcome. In response Sir Mackenzie made a few felicitous remarks. He had frequently visited the Institution in the past and always felt a great interest in its welfare. He was always glad to see the bright, happy faces of the pupils, and to witness the progress they were making in their studies, and he was especially pleased to see how neat and tidy the pupils always were, thus demonstrating how thorough and conscientious was the care exercised over them by the staff. These were golden opportunities which they were enjoying, and he hoped each one of the pupils would make the fullest use of them, and that they all fully realized their obligation to this and the former governments which had made such ample provision for their mental training and physical comfort.