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For the admission of the two juniors, both under age, in the foregoing list, very strong reasons existed. The applications of the over-age persons were most carefully scrutinized, and only acceded to after a special case had in every instance been made out in favour of the applicant. In no one of them could admission very well have been refused. While the objection to the reception of adults in such an Institution is never to be lost sight of, some little risk must at times be incurred in order to avoid doing to much afflicted and often very deserving young men and women a lifelong injury. I am bound, moreover, to add that our adult pupils have usually shown a proper sense of their privileges, and have given very little trouble.

Pupils who have Left.

A few explanatory remarks with reference to pupils who have left the Institution during or at the end of last session, may here be in place. The five male pupils who graduated with partial outfits had, with one exception—a pupil of four years' standing—been for many sessions in the Institution, and under industrial instruction. All were diligent in their efforts to learn, but none of them had the mechanical ability necessary for the attainment of the position of full graduates. An exception was, consequently, made in their favour. They left with liberal supplies of tools, models and willow-ware, and are, I believe, all now earning a livelihood by making and vending the less elaborate classes of willow goods. The two pianoforte tuners who graduated are also doing well. One of them is carrying on his business on his own account, the other is in the employment of Messrs. Mason & Risch, the well-known pianoforte manufacturers, of Toronto. Of the pupils the state of whose health led to their removal, two are constitutionally delicate, and are better on that account at home; the third was in the best of health at the close of the session, and any illness in her case must have been of vacation origin. One of the two first mentioned is able to work occasionally at his trade as a basket-maker, the other, a talented lad, is pursuing his studies in music under private tuition.

THE STAFF.

The vacancy caused by the resignation of Mr. W. P. Day, our senior music teacher, who left in order to accept a similar position in the Illinois Female College, conjointly with an appointment in the Illinois Institution for the Blind, has been filled by Mr. Edward H. Knight, who, like Mr. Day, is a graduate of the New England Conservatory. The duties of junior male officer, which include, with the charge of the male pupils out of school hours, the instruction of some of the primary literary classes, and a large class in calisthenics, are now performed by Mr. Francis Flanagan, in the place of Mr. Joseph McCarthy, who resigned in order to enter upon a special course of collegiate studies.

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