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**THE CANADIAN MUTE.**

THURSDAY, JUNE 1, 1893.

With a view to borrow of men, men  
 who take the work.  
**TIMON OF ATHENS III &.**

**CLOSING OF SCHOOL.**



**SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE,**  
 Belleville, May 30th, 1893.

*To Parents and Guardians.*

The present term will close on Wednesday, June 21st, 1893, and our pupils go to their homes on that day. An officer of the Institution will accompany those who are to travel on the Main Lines of Railway, taking care of them and their baggage, to the points agreed upon.

At the close of this session a number of pupils will have completed their term but those who can be benefited by one or two extra years will be allowed to come back. If you know of any deaf and dumb children of school age in your neighborhood, kindly send the names of the parents, with their post office addresses, to me.

The Grand Trunk, the Canadian Pacific and Central Ontario Railway Companies have liberally arranged to return tickets for one first-class fare good until September 25th 1893.

The pupils will leave Belleville Belleville on Wednesday, June 21st, by early train, under the charge of Officers of the Institution, arriving at the various stations named in circulars and parents and friends must meet them, and be standing on the platform of the Station when the train arrives. This is important. The officer in charge cannot leave the pupils on the car to hunt up careless or careless parents on the platform of stations.

Is he good enough to remit the money tickets to the Bursar without delay.

The next term will commence on Wednesday the 27th September, and I hope the pupils will be sent back in plenty.

With kind regards,  
 Yours faithfully,

*R. Mathison*  
 SUPERINTENDENT.

**Annual Written Examination**

**A LONG PULL, A STRONG PULL, AND A PULL ALTOGETHER.**

The annual written examination of the literary classes began on the 8th ult., and continued a week or longer. As usual, this was the great test of the work of the session, as the questions prepared covered the whole course of study, and the answers were written on paper, no corrections or erasures by the pupils being permitted. In nearly all the senior classes an average of not less than twenty sheets of foolscap were used by each pupil, and as there are twenty or more pupils in each class the aggregate sheets of paper used can be estimated. The junior classes did not require so much, as they had fewer subjects for examination. The work of each class was carefully corrected by the teacher, the errors being marked with red ink, and the results, duly recorded, were handed to the Superintendent with the examination questions and answers. By this means a correct report of the standing of each pupil is prepared for ensuing classification purposes, and the Superintendent is ready when school opens in September to place the pupils where their previous records entitled them to go. All the classes did very well, the teachers expressing themselves satisfied with the results obtained, although expectations were not always fully realized. The regular departmental examination will soon follow. Mr. A. Brown, Public School Inspector of Dundas County, again being the examiner. These tests, involving as they do an unusual mental effort on the part of the pupils, fittingly close the work of the session, and the relief from study and discipline is welcomed with zest that only those similarly circumstanced can appreciate.

**The Champions.**

**AND WINNERS OF THE TROPHY.**

We congratulate the Senior Foot ball Team of this school on the splendid work done on the field during the continuance of the League games. An unbroken series of victories has given them the championship of this section, and also the beautiful trophy donated by H. Corby, Esq., M. P. This coveted prize they will hold until school opens in September next, when, according to regulations, they must again contest its possession in a second series of League games. As several of the best players do not expect to return to school next autumn, the other clubs will have a chance to retrieve their fortunes on the field. The boys who will return however, express themselves as being quite confident of sustaining the reputation of the school. They can recruit their ranks with good players from the junior clubs, and are determined to maintain the proud position they hold as the champion foot ball players of the Bay of Quinte district. We believe they will succeed.

Each of the boys working all day in the industrial departments has received an order on the shoe shop for a pair of new boots. The baker might have been given a loaf of his own bread, the carpenter something that he might fashion with his hammer and saw, or the printer a few copies of the "C. M.," but all recognize that there's nothing like leather, so our crispies will fit them out with a long lived pair of boots each.

We have received a copy of the Astoria Trade Journal, published at Astoria, Oregon, by Messrs. J. J. Peake and A. R. Carruthers. Mr. Peake is a deaf-mute, a graduate of this school, and learned the printing trade in the office of the Belleville Ontario, when Mr. Ashloy, one of our teachers, was editor of that paper. He is a good workman, and a young man of steady habits. The Trade Journal is a good specimen of "the art preservative." We wish him and his partner success in their journalistic venture.



**SPORTING NEWS.**

**CONCLUSION OF THE SERIES OF LEAGUE FOOT BALL MATCHES.**

On the 13th ult., the Albert College team met the Belleville Business College players. All expected that the latter would prove a soft snap for the Alberts, but the Business College boys showed unexpected grit and fight. They stubbornly contested the match, giving the Alberts quite a pull to down them. During the first half the honors were about even, but after that the Alberts' forwards drew up and made it warm for their opponents, but the B. B. C. men stuck to their work and kept them well at bay. The Alberts ultimately got the ball through, Mr. Ward being the scorer. Mr. Douglas was referee.

Tuesday the 16th ult., was the day set for the match between our boys and the City Team, but a steady down-pour of rain all day caused a postponement, and it was not till the Thursday following that the weather cleared sufficiently to allow a meeting. It is always a matter of difficulty for the city players to get their men together for a match as some find it hard to leave business on certain days, so they have to do the best they can. If they are able to gather the men they want they would prove dangerous opponents. This our boys know, and they could scarcely feel safe for first place in the League until after a meeting. The city sent a strong team but they showed a want of practice, and were no match for our litho and well trained "forwards."

Our defence stood firm giving very few chances on our goal, but we had two or three very close calls. John Chantler scored the first goal from a free kick, Henderson the second, John Chantler, by a run down centre and passing two men, again scored. Chambers scored the last goal, making four for us, none for our opponents. All our players except Gillam put up a capital game, Gillam was evidently out of condition and should not have played at all. Good feelings existed throughout the match between the two teams, which all were glad to see. With the close of this match our boys thought they clinched their hold on the cup and could now turn their attention to base-ball practice.

**VENI, VIDI, VICI.**

The concluding games in the scheduled League foot-ball matches were played on Saturday, 20th ult., on our grounds. We should have said they were to have been played, as only one of them was called, and it proved a half-hearted affair on the part of Belleville Business College Club. The Institution Club were in the usual form, and entered into the match with a vim that soon disheartened their opponents who, after losing three goals in a short time, throw up the sponge and good naturedly retired from the field. This match gave the mutes the championship, and entitled them to the trophy presented for competition. The other scheduled games did not materialize, the competing clubs defaulting. A friendly match was subsequently played between the mutes and Ontario Business College, which went the usual way, our boys easily scoring three goals before the rain put an end to further sport.

**SWEEPING THE GREEN.**

As a solace to the wounded feelings of their vanquished opponents, the deaf boys offered to play a picked team from all the other clubs, on Queen's birthday. The offer was readily accepted, and the best players from Albert College, the City, High School, Ontario Business College, and Belleville Business College were brought on the field. They were all young men of superior physique and muscular powers, and began the game with hopes at a high pressure. The result was a crowning victory for our noble boys, the score at the close being two to nil.

Following is the standing of the clubs.

	GAMES		GOALS	
	WON	LOST	WON	LOST
D. A. D. Institute	1	0	15	0
Albert College	4	1	5	1
O. B. College	1	2	1	6
City	2	1	2	5
B. B. College	1	4	1	5
High School	0	5	0	4

**HOME NEWS**

Mrs. Terrill was unable to attend to her duties here for several days, being confined to her room with something like "grippe."

Mr. Nurse, foreman of the shoe shop, was taken seriously ill on the 21st ult., with heart trouble, and was confined to his bed for several days. We are glad to know that he is now able to be out again.

The most of the visitors we have had lately were those who come to see the foot-ball matches. As the examinations have been going on, nobody misses them. With advent of fine weather we may expect a rush.

Mr. Balis went home through the rain last Tuesday afternoon, feeling quite ill. The additional wetting and chilly wind increased his indisposition, and as a consequence he was confined to his room for a few days.

An unbroken record of triumphs on the foot-ball field this spring has made the members of our senior club somewhat vain. They can be pardoned for showing a little vanity, as they are, indeed, "monarchs of all they survey" in that capacity.

Mr. Douglas, our boys' supervisor, was called home to Brantford on the 20th ult., as his mother was dangerously ill. At the time of writing his mother had not improved. We hope to hear better news soon. All here sympathize with Mr. Douglas.

Farm and garden work must go with a rush now. Nothing but a most favourable growing season will retrieve the delay and save the harvest. Mr. Green has been employed to assist Mr. Willis in the garden, and the work will be pushed on with vigor.

John Earl, a former pupil of this school, and an average graduate of the shoe-shop, paid us a flying visit on the Queen's birthday. He is now a successful shoemaker in Brockville, and enjoys life as well as most people. Those who knew him were glad to see him.

Mr. Douglas has resumed the duties of boys' supervisor, which he relinquished for a few months to take charge of the books in the store. The boys know he is "on deck" again, and that there can be no attempt to trifle with rules governing their conduct. Firmness and kindness ensure good order with little friction.

The attendants have moved into their new sleeping apartments. The rooms are nicely fitted up with steam heating, lavatory with hot and cold water on tap, &c., a comfortable and nicely furnished sitting room also forms a part, which all can use in common. The girls are highly pleased with their rooms, and the extra convenience they enjoy now.

When school closed on Tuesday afternoon, 23rd ult., it was raining heavily, the wind was blowing "great guns", and the dark clouds rolled from the southwest in threatening form. The outlook was somewhat gloomy, but nearly everybody had faith in the usual "Queen's weather" for 24th. They were not disappointed. The day was fine and cool.

Mr. R. O'Meara does not purpose being idle. As soon as his time was up at the Institution, he at once enrolled at the Ontario Business College for a course in penmanship. The world is wide and has a niche waiting for him some where. At present that little place is at home with pa and ma, as he is the only one whom fortune and ambition have not coaxed away.

We have received the first volume of THE CANADIAN MUTE neatly and substantially bound, which makes a fine appearance. The Superintendent thought the merits of the paper justified its preservation in this form, and recommended the binding of a few numbers. Mr. C. J. Howe, a deaf mute of Toronto, did the work, and it is well done, as Mr. Howe is an expert workman.

Some time ago a prominent magazine published in Quebec solicited contributions on the Columbian Exposition, the conditions being that the one considered the best by a committee of competent literary persons would be published. We are pleased to state that our co-laborer, Mr. P. Denys, had the honor of securing his contribution published, with a highly eulogistic editorial reference thereto. He wields the pen of a ready writer.