

this act stamps him great, if nothing else does—when he saw the nest with its tiny eggs and the anxious little mother fluttering near, ordered the men to stop working, and for six weeks or until the birds were ready to leave the nest, the great engines stood idle, and the men waited patiently until the little bird led her family to other homes. Mr. Corliss did not allow his men to suffer during the period of their enforced idleness, but found them other employment or paid them regularly while they waited for the “flitting of the birds.”

Mr. Henry Longfellow, who loved everything that had life, tells a pretty story of the Emperor Charles of Spain. During one of his campaigns a bird built her nest on his tent; when the time came for the Emperor to return from the battlefield, the eggs were not hatched, so the Emperor ordered his soldiers to leave his tent—

“So it stood there all alone,
Loosely flapping, torn and tattered,
Till the brood was fledged and flown,
Singing o’er those walls of stone
Which the cannon shot had shattered.”

In another poem Mr. Longfellow tells of the benefit the birds were to the farmers in destroying all the insects that despoiled the crops, but the farmers only realized that the birds stole the corn, and had them all killed; the next summer, however, they saw their mistake, for—

“In the orchards fed myriads of caterpillars, and around
The cultivated fields and garden beds
Hosts of devouring insects crawled, and found
No foe to check their march, till they had made
The land a desert without tree or shade.

“But the next spring a stranger sight was seen,
A sight that never yet by bard was sung,
As great a wonder as it would have been
If some dumb animal had found a tongue!
A wagon, overarched with evergreen,
Upon whose boughs were wicker cages hung,
All full of singing birds, came down the street,
Filling the air with music wild and sweet.”

They had been brought from the neighboring country by the anxious farmers, who at last saw that the stolen corn was more than amply repaid by the birds they had so harshly condemned.

Let us all, when we repeat the words of the Band of Mercy pledge, agreeing “to be kind to animals,” remember that it means something more than merely plenty to eat and drink, and that—

“He prayeth best, who loveth best
All things both great and small,
For the dear God that loveth us
He made and loveth all.”

St. John.

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Educational Institute of New Brunswick.

To the N. B. Editor of the Educational Review:

Allow me to correct an error which was unfortunately made in the programme of the Educational Institute as published in your last issue. The days should be Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, instead of Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.

Of the gentlemen invited to open or take part in discussions upon the subjects of the papers to be read, the following have expressed their consent: John March, Esq., M. A., J. R. Dunn, Henry Town, W. M. McLean, A. B., Inspector Smith, C. H. Cowperthwaite, A. B., R. P. Steeves, A. M., G. R. Inch, Sc. B., N. W. Brown.

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For the REVIEW].

Volapuk.

How is Volapuk progressing in Canada? This is a question which there is at present no means of answering satisfactorily. As it is desirable that some one should be able to report on the subject the writer respectfully requests that

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will at once send him their names and addresses, with a brief statement of their attainments in the language, and the number of Volapukans in their localities. Also, if there are any Volapuk clubs let them be reported.

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are respectfully requested to publish the above request, with this one appended:

The writer has had correspondence in Volapuk with France (St. Maurice), Italy (Venice and Vicenza), Russia (St. Petersburg), Hanover (Hildesheim), Prussia (Breslau), England (Hull), the United States (New York, Boston and Worcester), and Nova Scotia. At present there are before him recent letters and post cards addressed to a friend in Volapuk, from Strasburg, Buda-Pesth, Hildesheim, St. Gallen, and Salzburg.

(Address),

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QUESTION DEPARTMENT.

SUBSCRIBER.—Can you inform me through the REVIEW, if there is in Canada or the United States a school for preparing students to teach English in a foreign country by the Berlitz method? Where can I write for catalogue of such institution?