

THANKSGIVING.

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Thank Thee, Lord,
 for summer's heat,
 for rain, for sunshine sweet,
 these have made complete,
 for these,
 thank Thee, Lord

Thank Thee, Lord
 for nation's peace,
 for friends, for joy's increase,
 for wealth, for talents' grace
 for these,
 thank Thee, Lord

Thank Thee, Lord,
 for stroke and pain
 that have but waded to wane
 for chastening's not in vain,
 for these,
 thank Thee, Lord

Thank Thee, Lord,
 for that Thou rulest night,
 for these, more sure than sight,
 for art, thy love, thy might,
 for these,
 thank Thee, Lord

PUPILS' LOCALS.

Continued by the Pupils of Mr. Coleman's Class.

This is beautiful Autumn weather. There are 10 girls and 10 boys in the high class.

The Dominion elections will take place on Nov. 7th.

The war in South Africa is over and our soldiers will come home soon.

Our lessons in our new classes are fun but we hope you will soon learn them.

School opened very successfully, and we went back to work as if there had been no vacation.

Thanksgiving Day will be on Oct. 15th. We hope that we will have a good time on that day.

The boys in the Sloyd class under Mr. Forrester are doing well, and take a great interest in their work.

One of the girls received a letter from Bertie Holt, saying that she is in good health and happy at home.

Robert Randall heard that Mrs. Lanny Chantler got a job at Woolstock. She likes to work at dressmaking.

The flower beds in front of the Institution are looking lovely, and the grounds are in splendid condition.

H. Randall visited in Simcoe on the 1st of Sept., and he met F. Harris and stayed at his place for three days.

THE CANADIAN MUTE is a good paper and we hope that all the old pupils will subscribe for it and get the news about us.

A Bellefleur soldier, Jack McNaie, returned from South Africa, and he was warmly received at his home in Bellefleur.

Eugene McCarthy worked with a forest last summer. He liked it very much. Raising flowers is a successful business.

Mrs. Moore, her little son and Miss Dady, of Toronto, made us a visit last week, and we were very much pleased to see them.

Nellie Mosoy was pleased to see Marie Leguille and stay with her for a week. She looked well, but she hasn't grown much.

Miss James got a letter from home saying that her father is better. She was much pleased, and she hopes that he will be strong.

All the children seem to have forgotten their homesickness and they look as if they are satisfied to stay here to learn their lessons.

Thanksgiving Day is approaching. We will be glad to have a grand dinner. If we eat too much, we will be sick. We must not be gluttonous.

John Zimmerman got word from home about his mother going to Hamilton to the funeral of Annie Griffin who was murdered by Pearson.

Thomas McKay got a letter from his brother who is working in a saw mill in Minnesota. He has been in Minnesota for three years.

We heard that Gen. Buller, and Lord Roberts will soon go home to England, but Lord Kitchener will remain in command in South Africa.

Our teacher received two newspapers containing a long and interesting report about the convention, by William. He thanks him for them.

Hurray! Hurray! our plucky Canadian soldiers will soon be home again. We hope there will be a grand celebration in their honor throughout Canada.

Teachers' Chapel and Study Duty.

WEEKS	CHAPEL DUTY.	STUDY DUTY.	STUDY DUTY.	STUDY DUTY.
BEGINS	BOYS	BOYS	BOYS	BOYS
1900				
Sept. 23	Mr. Balis,	Mr. Campbell,	Miss Ball,	
30	" Coleman,	" Forrester,	Carlson,	
Oct. 7	" Denys,	" Stewart,	Linn,	
14	" Campbell,	" Campbell,	Ball,	
21	" Forrester,	" Forrester,	Carlson,	
28	" Stewart,	" Stewart,	Linn,	
Nov. 4	" Balis,	" Campbell,	Ball,	
11	" Coleman,	" Forrester,	Carlson,	
18	" Denys,	" Stewart,	Linn,	
25	" Campbell,	" Campbell,	Ball,	
Dec. 2	" Forrester,	" Forrester,	Carlson,	
9	" Stewart,	" Stewart,	Linn,	
16	" Balis,	" Campbell,	Ball,	
23	" Coleman,	" Forrester,	Carlson,	
30	" Denys,	" Stewart,	Linn,	
1901				
Jan. 6	" Campbell,	" Campbell,	Ball,	
13	" Forrester,	" Forrester,	Carlson,	
20	" Stewart,	" Stewart,	Linn,	
27	" Balis,	" Campbell,	Ball,	
Feb. 3	" Coleman,	" Forrester,	Carlson,	
10	" Denys,	" Stewart,	Linn,	
17	" Campbell,	" Campbell,	Ball,	
24	" Forrester,	" Forrester,	Carlson,	
March 3	" Stewart,	" Stewart,	Linn,	
10	" Balis,	" Campbell,	Ball,	
17	" Coleman,	" Forrester,	Carlson,	
24	" Denys,	" Stewart,	Linn,	
31	" Campbell,	" Campbell,	Ball,	
April 7	" Forrester,	" Forrester,	Carlson,	
14	" Stewart,	" Stewart,	Linn,	
21	" Balis,	" Campbell,	Ball,	
28	" Coleman,	" Forrester,	Carlson,	
May 5	" Denys,	" Stewart,	Linn,	
12	" Campbell,	" Campbell,	Ball,	
19	" Forrester,	" Forrester,	Carlson,	
26	" Stewart,	" Stewart,	Linn,	
June 2	" Balis,	" Campbell,	Ball,	
9	" Coleman,	" Forrester,	Carlson,	
16	" Denys,	" Stewart,	Linn,	
23	" Campbell,	" Campbell,	Ball,	

—We were pleased with Mr. Matheson for giving us a half holiday on Tuesday afternoon. We thanked him very much. We must have exercise and we enjoyed it very much.

—Miss Gibson got a letter from her cousin, who is in South Africa. He sent her three Boer cents. She is very lucky to have one as it will be a very rare coin. She will keep it always.

—John Bartley got a letter from our old pupil, John Shilton, about two weeks ago, saying that he sent his best regards to his old friends. We hope that his ankle will get better soon.

—Three players of our foot-ball team went home. Our first team are going to play a foot ball match with the Albert Collegoon Thanksgiving Day. We think they will have a hard battle.

—Last summer when Maggie Eason was at home, she was surprised and delighted to see her eldest brother, Duncan, who came to see her from Warren, Ohio. He only stayed three days.

—Miss Anna Allendorf got a box of chocolate-cocoa candies last week from her cousin, Miss Bertie Holt, who left here last year. She was very much surprised that Bertie made them herself.

—Sarah Brown received a letter from her old friend, Rose Moore, on the 23rd of Sept., and she was delighted to get it. Rose said she was very sorry for not coming back to school, but she had to help her mother.

—When we returned to the Institution on the 19th of September, we noticed some changes, an old verandah at the lodge was torn down and a new porch was built, and a new boiler house was built to put a large boiler in.

—Nellie Mosoy was proud to see her dear sister's wedding on the 14th of June, when she went home. She was married to Mr. Eason Smith, of Mill, Ont. Nellie hopes that their lives may be as happy as their wedding day.

—Ettie O'Connor had a grand time at her sister's wedding on Sept. 11th. There were many guests and she got many handsome presents. Mr. and Mrs. Hurley made a trip to Toronto, Niagara and Buffalo and they had an enjoyable trip.

—Last Summer a deaf-mute old friend, Justus Gould, took Blanche,

Maude Pimble, and Minnie Sager to visit in Odessa, near Kingston and they stayed there for one day. They had a nice time. Their friend, Mrs. and Mr. Vanluse, two sons and one daughter, live in Odessa. Their old friend, Justus, is always kind to them. Hattie went to see her uncle and grandpa in Madoc and stayed there two days.

CHATHAM CHATS.

From our correspondent

We are still enjoying August weather in this section.

Think of it, blooming home-grown peaches still selling at 25 cents per basket here.

All the deaf in this city and surrounding country are well and doing well.

Mr. Dan O'Gorman, who is now employed in the Malleable Iron Works, Detroit, paid us a visit a while ago. He looked well and is getting on first rate in 'The City of the Straits.'

During the summer our beautiful little city was favored with a visit from Mr. M. J. Madden, B. A., of your school. It being so long since the writer met the then curly haired little boy, that he could not really recognize the now fine and portly specimen of manhood that called on us, and the writer was dazed when we came face to face with each other, and immediately his right hand goes up and spells out "Are you Mr. so and so?" Being answered in the affirmative, the question is then hung at him. "Don't you know me?" Your humble scribe gave Mr. M. a closer survey for some moments and then confessed he did not know him and emphatically declared he never saw or met him before—that he must be a total stranger from the neighboring Republic. Then his right hand goes up again, with his face is all in smiles, and spells out "Madden." "Oh! Ah!" says your humble scribe, extending a warm clasp of the hand. "I do remember you well, you were my school mate from 1879 to 1884." Then the writer gets permission from the foreman to quit at 3 p. m. and escort Mr. M. home where, after introducing him to his wife and family, an enjoyable afternoon and evening is spent.

The other visitors who favored our city during the summer were, Miss M. Camp-

bell, Berlin; Miss S. Lafforty, Windsor; the Misses Mabel and Fannie Ball, Windsor; D. Bloom, Tharnewille; Mr. Wm. Terrill, Toronto, and some others whom the writer has forgotten.

The pavement of our principal thoroughfare which has been a long standing disgrace and eyesore to our otherwise beautiful Gato City has at length been replaced by one of the best modern up-to-date pavements known in this country and the neighboring Republic, that is Massillon, Ohio, vitrified brick, with concrete foundation and then a coating of Portland cement as a finishing touch, and now we can boast of our principal street being "as clean as a brick," for it is not only in name but in fact "a street of clean bricks." Massillon, Ohio, brick are about the size of two of our ordinary bricks put together and nearly as heavy as iron.

Mr. Laddy's mother's property was sold by public auction by the High Court in Chancery, not for the benefit of the creditors of the deceased, for there were none, but simply to get William out and give some one else a chance to get it at a bargain. The majority of the proceeds of sale in such a case going to pay High Court and lawyers' fees. Now, from bitter experience, I would urge upon all parents of the deaf, who have their unfortunate children's welfare at heart, and want to bequeath to them anything, be it large or small, to not put it off till the last moment.

Turrill - McKenzie Homestead.

From our own Correspondent

Upon my return from the late convention I was so fortunate to be in nice company, with Miss Georgina Linn, of your teaching staff, as far as Wyoming on her long trip to Chicago, the result of which will no doubt be of much benefit to her.

One day in December, 1870, according to Mr. McCann's instructions, I went to the old reception room, now Supt. Matheson's office, where I found a gentleman with a slate and a pencil, by which means he tested my sphere of knowledge and finally told me that he brought his son to the school, pointing at a small boy standing near the window, now Mr. Philip Fraser, the president of the Ontario Deaf Mute Association.

Seven of the old group taken in Hamilton 35 years ago and exhibited by Mrs. Terrill in your reception room, were present at the late convention, namely, Mrs. Wm. Sutton, of Simcoe; Mrs. Wm. Terrill, of Toronto; Mr. David Hamby, of Nobleton; Mr. Richard Slater, of Toronto; Mr. Chas. McLaren, of Raigan; Mr. David Pringle, of Staffa; and Mr. Wm. Kay, of Oil Springs. It was an interesting fact that Mr. Slater was accompanied by his grown up daughter, Minnie.

I was two days in Petroska hotel, the guest of Miss Ida E. Babcock.

Mr. Duncan Eason, of Rossford, Ohio, oldest brother of Maggie, spent four days at the parental residence.

Master Percy Scott was our guest here occasionally. His mother keeps house for Mr. Mulholland, six miles from here.

While we all were at Mrs. Irwin's place on one Sunday, with the Misses Showers, we were pleased to receive the first visit from Master Herbert Welch, of Bothwell, accompanied by his parents, who reside on a farm ten miles away.

Roderick McKenzie, after having completed building five dwelling houses, including one here, and three barns since April, returned to Glanville to stay with his parents for some time.

During civic holiday in Florence a foot-ball game was played between 14 men of Florence and 11 of Oakdale, the latter winning by three games to nil, among whom were Messrs. Kenneth McKenzie, Duncan Bloom and Master Percy Scott.

Mr. John Irwin, now father of the Misses Showers, now wears the mantle left by the late Michael Showers.

The most welcome visitor we had was Mrs. Kenneth McKenzie, of Glanville, mother of Kenneth, and the other interesting ones were her grandchildren, Misses Annie and Mary Showers.

For the first time in our history we all paid a visit to Mr. Willie Summers, of Wilkesport, who has been here several times and at one time accompanied by his father.

Taking advantage of the short route by means of the electric cars running along the American side, Kenzie went down to Detroit and surprised Mrs. James Roul, a sister of David Turrill, returning the same night.—W. K.