

Absolutely Pure and
of Fine Quality

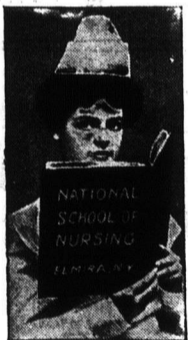
Baker's Breakfast Cocoa



is a delicious
and wholesome
drink

Made by a perfect mechanical process, without the use of chemicals, thus preserving the delicate natural flavor, aroma and color characteristic of high-grade cocoa beans.

WALTER BAKER & CO. Limited
Established 1780
Montreal, Canada Dorchester, Mass.



LEARN NURSING AT HOME

Women taking the **National Training Course** are furnished uniforms and assisted to **Earn Money While Learning**. "National Nurses" are earning \$15 to \$25 a week. Write for free trial lesson giving valuable information for care of the sick and book containing statements from hundreds of women who have successfully trained at home.

National School of Nursing
216 Lake St. Elmira, N.Y.

Especially Good—

as a flavoring is

Mapleine

A pure vegetable product that makes a perfect table syrup by adding it to white sugar syrup.

Also a dainty flavoring for cakes, candies, desserts, ice creams and puddings.

Grocers sell it. If not, write

Crescent Manufacturing Company, Seattle, Wash.

THE WESTERN HOME MONTHLY

Vol. XIV.

Published Monthly

No. 9.

By the Home Publishing Co., McDermot and Arthur Sts., Winnipeg, Canada.

THE SUBSCRIPTION PRICE of The Western Home Monthly is \$1 a year or three years for \$2 to any address in Canada, or British Isles. The subscription price to foreign countries is \$1.50 a year, and within the City of Winnipeg limits and in the United States \$1.25 a year.

REMITTANCES of small sums may be made with safety in ordinary letters. Sums of one dollar or more it would be well to send by registered letter or Money Order.

POSTAGE STAMPS will be received the same as cash or the fractional parts of a dollar, and in any amount when is impossible for patrons to procure bills. We prefer those of the one-cent or two-cent denomination.

WE ALWAYS STOP THE PAPER at the expiration of the time paid for unless a renewal of subscription is received. Those whose subscriptions have expired must not expect to continue to receive the paper unless they send the money to pay for it another year.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS.—Subscribers wishing their addresses changed must state their former as well as new address. All communications relative to change of address must be received by us not later than the 20th of the preceding month.

WHEN YOU RENEW be sure to sign your name exactly the same as it appears on the label of your paper. If this is not done it leads to confusion. If you have recently changed your address at 1 the paper has been forwarded to you, be sure to let us know the address on your label.

A Chat with our Readers

Our Annual Day of Play

Saturday, August 2nd, found the big printing establishment on McDermot Avenue, Winnipeg, where The Western Home Monthly is produced, completely deserted. Principals and the army of employees had bade adieu to toil and care, and at an early hour were speeding merrily to Winnipeg Beach, where the excursionists, numbering about 700, gave themselves up, with splendid abandon, to sport and the many pleasure-giving attractions of the Beach. The photo group reproduced on this page will perhaps interest our readers, inasmuch as almost every one represented has some part in compiling the magazine as it passes through its many stages in course of preparation. Each year sees the staff greatly increased, men and women who are experts in the various branches of the printing art being constantly added. To give an idea of the variety of talent necessary to the proper equipment of a large magazine owning its own plant, it may be added that in the illustration will be found editors, writers, proof readers, advertising solicitors and writers, compositors, engravers, binders, lithographers, electrotypers, rulers, map makers, pressmen, artists, bookkeepers, stenographers, mailers, etc.

Promptly at 9 o'clock the long string of coaches pulled out of the station and before very long "everybody was friends with everybody." The excursionists included many children and their excitement and joyous anticipation was impossible to curb. The kiddies always seem to have a good time with us at the Beach but this year they seemed to enjoy themselves even more than usual. On arrival a game of football was played between two picked teams for the Toronto Type Foundry Cup. While this was going on, the ladies—God bless 'em—were busy unpacking hampers of large dimensions, and very soon the many long tables under the trees were laden with dainties which would have tickled the palates of the most finicky epicure.

Despite the fact that some of the picnickers seemed to have been doing nothing else but eat all morning, the call for dinner was hailed with delight and half an hour later the depleted tables gave ample evidence of the fact that no one was on a hunger strike. Then, of course, came that popular diversion—washing up—and the men, fearing they might be in the way, very considerably withdrew a short distance and had a quiet smoke, so that their wives and sweethearts could work undisturbed.

At one o'clock a group was taken by our staff photographer and then the company repaired to the athletic field where the following programme of sports was pulled off:

1. 50 yards tots race, under 6 years.
2. 50 yards girls race, under 12 years.
3. 75 yards boys race, under 12 years.
4. Tie race.
5. 75 yards girls race, under 16 years.
6. 100 yards boys race, under 16 years.
7. 100 yards mens race.
8. 75 yards young ladies race.
9. Elephant race.
10. Potato race, ladies.
11. Thread and needle race.
12. 50 yards, married ladies race.
13. Pie race.
14. Kicking football, three kicks.
15. Throwing baseball for distance. Men to throw with the wrong hand, ladies with the right hand.
16. Special handicap for sports over 40 years. Handicapped according to weight and age, 100 yards dash.
17. Tug-of-war for Toronto Type Foundry Cup. Team of six.

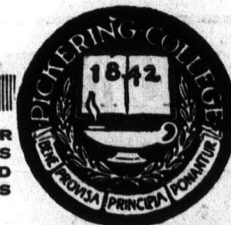
These events were all very keenly contested and the large crowd of onlookers made the welkin ring by the cheers of encouragement for their favorites.

The elephant race, potato race, thread-the-needle race and pie race, were all excruciatingly funny and the curious predicaments in which the contestants constantly found themselves created roars of laughter.

Later on, the aquatic events were held, and these too, were responsible for heavy entries, while a fashion parade by mutual entertainers on the pier, kept everyone in rare good humor.

After tea a very exciting baseball game was played between the ladies and the gentlemen, the latter receiving a severe trouncing at the hands of their fair opponents.

By this time the official programme being concluded, the excursionists were left to provide their own amusement, which did not seem to cause them much difficulty. Right up to nine o'clock in the evening the sounds of innocent revelry were heard on all sides, and it was a tired but happy crowd which eventually bade a reluctant au revoir to the scene of their day's enjoyments. The members of the firm were all present and heartily entered into the spirit of the day. To them and the committee in charge are due the thanks of all for a day which will long be remembered for its delightful associations.



PICKERING COLLEGE
PREPARATORY COMMERCIAL
AND COLLEGIATE COURSES.
Music, Art. A resident school. Newly
built and equipped, ideal site, easy
access from Toronto. Full information
in new illustrated year book. Write to
W. P. FIRTH, M.A., D.Sc., Principal
Newmarket, Ont.

O.L.C.

Ottawa Ladies College

In the Capital

COURSES:

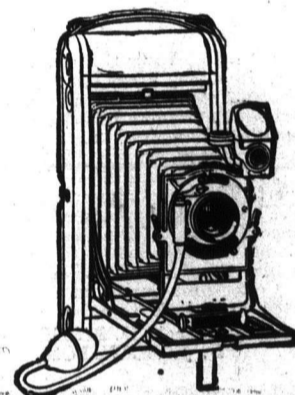
Academic, Matriculation, Selective.

SPECIAL DEPARTMENTS:

Art; Elocution; Household Science;
Physical Culture; Stenography; Type-
writing; Music (in Canadian Conservatory).

Calendar and particulars promptly sent on application.

Rev. W. D. ARMSTRONG, M.A., Ph.D., D.D.
PRESIDENT.



DUFFIN & CO., LTD.

Importers and Dealers in Photo Supplies
both Professional and Amateur

472 Main St., Winnipeg

Enclose 5c. for illustrated catalogue and prices

WINNIPEG BUSINESS COLLEGE

(Established 1882.)

Canada's Greatest School of Business
Training. Awarded First Prize at the
World's Fair. Open day and evening
the entire year. Over 1,000 Students
annually. Visitors welcome. Catalogues
free.

Address: WINNIPEG BUSINESS COLLEGE
Corner PORTAGE AVE. and FORT ST.

MUSIC TAUGHT FREE

By the Oldest and Most Reliable School of
Music in America—Established 1896

Piano, Organ, Violin, Mandolin, Guitar, Banjo, Etc.
Beginners or advanced players. One lesson
Weekly. Illustrations make everything plain.
Only expense about 2c. per day to cover cost of
postage and music used. Write for FREE booklet
which explains very thing in full.

American School of Music, 2 Lakeside Bldg., Chicago.



The Publishers of The Western Home Monthly and staff holidaying at Winnipeg Beach, August 2nd.