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THE CANADIAN MUTE

TUESDAY, MAY 16, 1900.

"With my wheel" All life is brief  
 and will soon be dead  
 now is leaf will soon decay  
 and blow east the wind blows west  
 in case in the robin's nest  
 you have wings and look and breast  
 and flutter and fly away



Foot-ball.

THE FIRST GAME OF THE SEASON

with the Albert College boys we had a little tussle on Saturday noon the 5th inst. Our boys hoped our little game and although they did not say so they expected pretty badly to secure a victory. They spoiled the hope of a nice game, the expectation of victory was dashed by the Alberts who declined determinedly to be downed, so our boys had to be content with a tie, no side scoring. The prevailing west winds made it very unpleasant to expect most of the attempts at team play nearly every high ball that was kicked being swept over the fence and into the fields beyond. Neither side put up a very good game, and honors gained were about even, if among our boys had slightly the best in the first half, but the Alberts went through with the most dash of them. Both goals were equally well kicked, but we saw some individual play by one or two of our forward line which was not duplicated by our College boys. It being the first match of the season we expect that the goal points with teams will be brought out when we meet again which will be shortly. Last Thursday afternoon the footballers of the XV. Battalion came up for

a game with our team. It was just a little game for practice, the said, but both sides went into it as heartily as were as keen for victory as if it were a struggle for supremacy. For the first half from the soldier boys kicked down the hill with the wind partly in their favor and succeeded in securing one goal. Then our boys took the down grade, but when the whistle blew they had not succeeded in getting even although they came near it several times. On consulting watches it was found the referee had cut the downward play short about ten minutes, which our boys did not like, they worked hard against wind and hill for over half an hour and they thought that the soldiers should put in their full spell, so they went at it again and before the ten minutes were up our boys had succeeded in scoring thus making the game a tie. They then went off to tea, hungry and happy. The soldiers had a good team and a match between them and our old boys who attend the Convention would be most long. We hope to arrange for a game with them about the 18th of June.

A Picnicking Party.

Miss Gibson originated the idea of having a picnicking party on some Saturday afternoon and some of the officers and pupils were invited to participate. Those who were not bicyclists hired a rig while the rest rented wheels. They started for Bob's woods Saturday, the 28th ult. Some of the novices had to exert themselves to keep up with the experts. The riders in the rig had a justification over the reverses of the bicyclists till they got their turn a break-down in the rig. Arriving at the rendezvous, the picnickers spent their first and most enjoyable outing in the woods, playing "Hide and Seek" and "Tag." They ate Miss Walker's very choice lunch, after which Miss Mathison took two snap shots of the party. As it was getting dark they started for home very happy people. The picnickers were Misses Gibson, Mathison, Dempsey, James, Lavin, Thomas, Elliott, Scott, Holt, Alendorff and Blackburn and Messrs Forrester, Burrell, Dougall, Madden, Gray, Shilton, Jaffray, Loughheed, Leet and Dubois.



The annual examination of the pupils will commence on Monday, May 28th. Mr. J. Coyle Brown Public School Inspector, Peterboro, will be Government Inspector this year.

Quite a number of our senior pupils have written home to get permission to remain over to the Convention. A few will probably be allowed, time expired pupils having the preference.

A thirteen foot wide plank walk has been laid along the front of the Wood Hall, where seats are placed and the boys congregate more than any where else on fine days when they are not at play.

Preparations are being made for a Field Day to be held soon. A programme of sports will be arranged and prizes given. The boys would like it to come off on the 21st and possibly so it may be arranged.

Mr. Campbell is the next of our teachers to get a wheel and we hope before long to see every one equipped with these useful machines. Messrs. Denys, Bales and Stewart have still to get them. We have hopes of the latter but very little of the two former gentlemen.

Even expert cyclists should exercise care while riding on rutty roads in the dark. The man that "takes notes" himself came to grief one night. Whether his horse balked at the light or at the gate at Mr. Moore's house no one knows. But our friend came to the ground and great was the fall thereof.

The sewing class, under Miss Dempsey, is busy as usual. The weekly grind of repairs to boys' and girls' clothing never ceases. Just now the girls working all day are busy making new dresses for themselves. The Institution provides the materials, giving them the choice of many patterns, so they like the boys in the shops will go home with excellent samples of their handwork.

Last week Mr. Burns made his first household move since he came to Belleville and now resides in the same house as Mr. Brown and the late Mr. Green and couple. Mr. B. is now a few minutes walk near the Institution.

Death has again been busy among the relatives of those connected with our Institution. Since our last issue Mr. Moore received a message from Philadelphia saying that his brother was no more. A few days after Mr. Cunningham was called in haste to Deseronto where his son in law, Mr. Borden, was cut down suddenly and unexpectedly. The grim reaper is busy these days.

The other day an order arrived at the shoe shop for a pair of boots each to the six boys working all day. The boys will make these entirely themselves and will be allowed the best stock the shop has. They have worked steadily all the season and deserve the gift. They will be samples of their work to take home with them and the boys will put some of their best handwork into them. Willie Gray, of the printing office, also gets a pair.

The great fire at Ottawa made Honore Henault a very sad little boy. His home was in the fire swept zone and the house and contents were completely destroyed. His father who is an engineer on the C. P. Ry. was away at the time and his mother, brothers and sisters had a narrow escape for their lives, being unable to save even spare clothing. They will begin rebuilding at once and Mr. Henault hopes to have another home ready to welcome his boy when school closes next month. There may have been other sufferers among the parents of pupils here, but so far we have not heard of them.

PERSONALITIES.

Eddie Ball has steady employment at the salt works in Windsor.

George Munroe is a core maker in Walkerville, Ont. and is doing very well.

Mr. R. M. Thomas, of Oakville, returned recently from an extended visit to Chicago. He is quite Americanized and will be a full fledged Yankee when he attends the Convention.

Dr. Forster, of Kingston Asylum, son in law of Mrs. Terrill while bicycling lately received a nasty fall and suffered a painful wound of the face. The Doctor's many friends will be pleased to learn that he is quite recovered from the effects of the injury.

William Nelson Brown died on Easter Sunday night at his residence, fifth concession township of Ancaster, near Hamilton. Deceased was born on July 28th 1808, in Stewartstown, Tyrone, Ireland and came to Canada in 1805, settling in the township of Ancaster where he resided until his death. His funeral was very largely attended as he was universally esteemed and respected. His son Bamber Brown, of Trinity, was a pupil hero in the 70's.

Our two young friends, D. S. Luddy and John Crough will not, to their regret, be able to gather with the others at the coming convention, they have wandered too far away to get back for a while. Mr. Luddy has been quite a rambler since he left school and has visited and worked in so many places we often lose track of him. He is evidently bound to see as much of the country as he can while he is young and untrammelled, but we must say, to his credit, he has always been able to get work and a living wherever he goes. He has now moved again and this time has taken a long jump of several thousand miles and has pulled up at Nelson, B. C., where he and his companion John Crough, have got work in the powder and dynamite factory there. They both seem thoroughly pleased with their change and have steady work and good wages, but we think that they might have found safer work and we will be feeling anxious about them until they get out of that place. On the way out they stopped over at Winnipeg, where they met Dr. G. Mathison and also Miss A. Mathison, by whom they were most cordially welcomed, the Institution was also visited. They send glowing accounts of the hunting and shooting capacities of the country where they are and we sincerely hope that our young friends will be happy and prosperous at there although we are sorry to lose them from Ontario. We beg of them to get out of those powder works as soon as ever they can or some day something will bust and they will never know what it was.



HOME, SWEET HOME.

Home, home, sweet, sweet home,  
 be it ever so humble, there's no place like home.

SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE,  
 Belleville, May 12th, 1900.

To Parents and Friends:

The present term will close on Wednesday, June 13th, 1900, 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 issue return tickets at reduced fares, good until September 19th, 1900.

The pupils will leave Belleville for home on Wednesday, June 13th, by early trains, under the charge of Officers of the Institution, arriving at the various stations at the times specified in time tables by Grand Trunk, Canadian Pacific and Central Ontario Railways, and parents or friends must meet them, and be standing on platform of the station when the train arrives. This is important.

Money for fares must be remitted to Mr. Wm. Cochrane, Bursar, by P. O. Order, Postal Note, or Registered Letter, before the 1st of June, in order that final arrangements may be made for Railway tickets.

The next term will commence on Wednesday, the 19th of September, and I hope the pupils will be sent back promptly.

With kind regards,  
 Yours faithfully,

R. Mathison

SUPERINTENDENT.

Some time ago a deaf-mute about 17 years of age arrived at our Institution saying that he was from Albany, N. Y. We could get but little out of him except that his friends had given him a ticket to Canada. We concluded that this was to get rid of him. He was quite penniless, scantily clothed and suffered from the cold, so was allowed to stay here until arrangements could be made for his return whence he came. One of the first boats crossing the lake took him back to the U. S. again fixed up comfortably with clothes and provender, and we hoped we had heard the last of him, but from news received the other day we find his friends have again sent him back to Canada and that he is imposing himself on the parents of some of our pupils whose addresses he got while here. We would advise all concerned to get rid of him as soon as possible as we found him an idle worthless lad, and one who had a bad influence on the boys here. New York State ought to provide for him.