

to Dr. Douglas Corsan to whom are due our sincere thanks for the prompt and hearty way our calls were responded to. Towards the end of the year Dr. E. Williams was associated with Dr. Corsan, and has already evinced his interest by several visits, professional and otherwise.

We are glad to learn that Dr. Birkett has consented to be Oculist and Aurist to the Institution. These gentlemen who give us their valuable services without remuneration merit our gratitude

On October 17th, 1890 we were honored by a visit from the Hon. Honore Mercier, Prime Minister of this Province, who was accompanied by a number of prominent citizens of Montreal. He evinced the deepest interest in all that he saw, congratulated the Managers and the Staff upon the proficiency observable in all departments and offered a gold medal for competition as "First General Proficiency Prize." The Hon. James McShane who was also present, offered a gold medal as "Second General Proficiency Prize."

Our annual picnic was held prior to the close of the school session in June, and was thoroughly enjoyed by all who participated therein.

Entertainments of various kinds served to enliven and make pleasant many of the winter evenings, while our splendid facilities for out-door sports contributed much to the health and happiness of the pupils.

We attended the Convention of Instructors of the Deaf and Dumb, held in New York in August, 1890, and had the pleasure of meeting 400 or more teachers and principals assembled there from all the States and Provinces of this continent. That the interchange of ideas on various subjects was beneficial and interesting goes without saying, while the opportunity it gave us of comparing our methods and results with other schools enabled us to know our comparative standing. As we remarked in another part of our report, our methods are similar to those adopted by the majority of schools with perhaps, more prominence given by us to articulation. The results of our methods as shown by the success and intelligence of our graduates indicate that we are in the front rank and while our school, as regards numbers, is small, we have the satisfaction of knowing that its usefulness in this Province is as extensive as its com-