Your House.

In true to yourself at the start, young man
Be true to yours lf and God
Lest you build your house, dark with the spot
Lest all the ground, and half hewn
On the sand or the shaking sod

Dig deep for foundation deep, young man
Hold firmly the corner well
Lest the props be strong, and the roof be high
With an open window to view the sky
Through which heaven's dews may fall

Set there is the power of the soul, young man
Wherever it shows shall be right
A character will never a fund of wealth
To hinder the blight or decay or death
To shake in the spirit's power

But let it be true, as I say, young man,
A life that outlives the breath
For who shall answer the Lord's word?
Their works do follow them, saith the Lord
Thereon there is no death

Build deep and high and broad, young man,
As the moral case demands
Let your life dwell be clear and bright,
Till you enter your claim to the Lord of light
For the house is not made with hands

TORONTO TOPICS.

From our own Correspondent

The Toronto mutes held a picnic at Island park on Saturday afternoon, Sept. 2nd. Quite a lot of deaf mute visitors from Hamilton, London, St. Thomas, etc., were present, they having taken in the excursions to Toronto to see the fair. The purpose of getting up the picnic was to have a gathering of the deaf mutes, as two visiting mutes from across the border, Mrs. Dunlap, of Brooklyn and Miss Carroll, of Buffalo, were in the city. It was a most enjoyable afternoon for the mutes, which they spent in games, chats, etc.

Nearly all the Toronto mutes, as well as the visiting mutes took in the great Toronto exposition on Labor day, which was Citizens' day at the fair. The attendance on that day was about 95,000. All the mutes report having a big time and enjoying themselves most immensely.

Mr. A. S. Waggoner, of Hamilton, accompanied by Mr. A. E. Sheppard, of Toronto, went to Ottawa on a visit on Sept 2nd. It is eight years since Mr. Waggoner last saw his home in Ottawa, and he noticed many changes there on his recent visit. He says Ottawa is a fine city.

Miss Maggie Hutchinson, of Gallaudet college, Washington, has been home in Toronto during the summer. Her folks and she has been spending most of the summer out at Sand Bar, which is on Lake Ontario and not very far from Munroe and Victoria parks.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Moore have been putting up at South View Cottage, along the lake shore at the island during the summer. Miss Ethel Irvine, of Belleville, has been spending her summer holidays with them.

Messrs. Darney and Elliott spent two weeks in Muskoka during the summer and returned to the city in the best of spirits and health.

Miss Marion Campbell went to Oshawa during the summer to spend a couple of weeks holidays with Miss Eliza James.

Mr. Alex. Swanson, of Gallaudet college, Washington, spent his summer vacation in Toronto. He was a valuable member of the deaf mute circle here during his stay in the city. He intends to go to Alberta, Northwest Territories, after the close of college next summer to see his folks, they having moved out there from near Belleville. They now live eighty miles from Calgary, the principal town in Alberta.

Miss Weidman, of New York city, Mr. Noah Labelle, of St. Alberts, Russell Co., Mr. Wilson Brown, from near Orangeville, Mr. George W. Reeves, of Lindsay, Mr. Hugh Carson, of Meaford and Mr. M. P. Wilson, of Niagara Falls have been added to the deaf mute circle of Toronto during the summer. Who next?

Mr. Jonathan Gates spent a week's vacation at Massassaga park, near Belleville, during the summer.

Your correspondent has learned that Mr. John E. Crough, of Peterboro', is working in the C. P. R. shops at Perth, and Mr. Michael E. Noonan, who used to work at the shops in Perth, is now employed by the Canada Atlantic Railway in their new car works at Ottawa.

On the 11th of August, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Moore, Misses Ethel Irvine and Eva Elliott and Messrs. McIntosh and Darney went to Niagara Falls to see the mutes who were delegates to the Empire State Deaf Mute Convention at Buffalo, and who ran an excursion to the Falls on that date. Among them was Miss Annie McPhail, formerly of Hamilton, and who was an old pupil at the Belleville school, but now of Buffalo, and at present attending Gallaudet college at Washington.

Mr. R. C. Slater spent a week at Galt during his summer vacation. Mr. Wm Nurse, of Belleville, accompanied him.

Miss Minnie Slater went to Muskoka, where she spent a two week's summer vacation.

There are six deaf mute printers who have employment in the city at present. They are as follows: Messrs. R. C. Slater, R. G. McLean Printing Co., Lombard street; A. A. McIntosh, Rose, Hunter & Co., I.O.F., Temple Building; Milward, Bryant Press, Richmond street west; Wm. O'Rourke, *Catholic Register*, Lombard street; Ed. Picard, W. S. Johnson Printing Co., Adelaide street west, and D. S. Luddy, Head Office of York county's leading weekly, the *Leader and Recorder*, Adelaide street east, near the post office.

There are five deaf mutes employed in Boeckh's brush factory, and one in the broom factory of the same company.

A picnic was gotten up on Saturday afternoon in High park during the summer in honor of Mr. Charlie Elliott who taught at the deaf mutes Gospel meetings at the west end Y.M.C.A., and who was on the eve of leaving to take charge of the meetings held in the east end, in a room at the Carlton street Methodist church. The following Saturday afternoon another picnic was held at Munroe park, in Mr. P. Fraser's honor, who was leaving the east end for the west end as teacher at the Gospel meetings. These changes were made as Mr. Fraser lives in the west end and Mr. Elliott now in the east end. A pleasing feature of both events was the good will and harmony existing between the mutes of both ends. It is needless to say that they enjoyed themselves on both occasions.

Some of the friends called on Mrs. Wm. Sutton while in the General Hospital and were pleased she was progressing favorably. Mrs. Sutton was hurt in a runaway accident and an operation was necessary.

Mr. Wm. Nurse conducted service at the meeting in the west end Y.M.C.A. in the forenoon and at the general meeting at Broadway hall in the afternoon when he stopped over Sunday.

Mr. Woodbridge, son of Principal Woodbridge, of the New Brunswick Institution for the Deaf, and Mr Powers, teacher in the same school, favored us with a visit at our Gospel meeting on Sunday, the 3rd of Sept. Mr. Powers gave us a brief address. They are on a tour collecting funds to rebuild the N. B. school, which was destroyed by fire, as they have not the advantage that the Ontario deaf have, of being entirely supported by the Government.

Summer has come and gone, with some pleasant recollections of the past with the Toronto mutes. Deaf mute picnics have been more numerous than usual. The majority of the deaf remained at home during the holidays, as Toronto is not a dull place in summer.

Mr. Ed. Picks I had his wheel stolen during the summer. One evening he left it standing in front of the Tremont house and went up Yonge street for a walk and on returning could find no trace of his wheel, which was missing. The following day he reported to the detective department of the city police. His wheel was a "Red Bird," and in less than a week from the time it was stolen, Mr. Pickard received a message from the "Red Bird" agency in the city that his wheel was returned to them. The thief, after stealing the wheel, must have had no peace as he left it standing in front of a cigar store on King street west. The proprietor, after noticing it there so long took it in the store, as he thought it must have belonged to one of his customers, but as no one came to claim it he sent it to the agency from which it was bought.

We have been favored with visits from several mutes across the border, namely Mrs. Dunlap, Brooklyn, Misses Carrol, Buffalo and Miller, Chicago, and Messrs. William Lowell Washington, Wm. Toegel, Cincinnati, Weil, Haenzel and Schwayler, Buffalo. The other visitors were as follows: Mrs. McDermid and little daughter, Winnipeg; Mrs. Terrill, Belleville, Mr and Mrs. Pettiford, Guelph, Mr. and Mrs. Bowen, , Misses Ethel Irvine and Mary Ball, Belleville, Mary McGillivray, Parkdale, Bertha M. Mitchell, Owen Sound, Flossie Gardiner, Guelph, Nellie Cunningham and May A. Cunningham, Oakville, Eva Zingg, Hanover, Francis, Berlin, A. Mathieson, Kenoka, Ada James, St. Thomas, Spaight, Winnipeg; Eliza James, Oshawa and Messrs. H. Cowan, London, J. A. Braithwaite, Carluke, Murdock McRae, Beaverton, A. S. Waggoner, R. McPherson, John A. Isbister, Thomas Tuttes, E. Gottlieb and Ernest Hackbush, Hamilton, J. Cook and Clarence Winnipeg, Wm. Nurse, J. D. McKillop and Madden, Belleville, Thos. Bradshaw, Walkerton, Percy Allen, Mountain Grove, Arch Campbell, Fernhill, Bernard Curley, Weston, George Cull, Bradford, F. Wheeler, St. Catharines, Bandler Brown, Ancaster, Geo. Spinks, .

The Home Society will resume work again on the 1st of October. The first meeting will be held at the residence of Mrs. C. Wilson, 278 Delaware Avenue.

We are sorry to learn that D. Luddy is leaving us again. He being out of a job has decided to go and work on the new Rainy River Railway. He left for Fort William on Tuesday, the 19th Sept. We can ill afford to lose him from our midst.

Mr. Nurse, of Belleville, with Mr. and Mrs. Slater, Toronto, while visiting Galt and surrounding country took in the famous Preston mineral baths and springs, but neither of them took a dip, a taste was sufficient. They also attended a picnic at Idylwild Park, between Preston and Hespeler. Their time was short but pleasant.

Mr. A. Ogilvie, of Toronto, late of Balcurvie, Windygates, Fifeshire, Scotland, died on 14th of May, 1899, of pneumonia. Buried at Mount Royal, Montreal. He was a loving father, but ill health and lack of employment compelled him to leave his family and go elsewhere.

WINDSOR NOTES.

From our own Correspondent

A raffle for a shawl takes place at Matilda Lafferty's house either this week or next. Over three hundred tickets have been sold. A neat sum will be realized.

Ed Ball has left home and moved over the river where he has a good job in the Malleable Iron Works. His sister Miss Mabel is still at Parke-Davis & Co's. laboratory with steady employment and wages above the average.

James Goodbrand spent a week in town, returning to Brantford on his wheel.

Messrs. McKillop and A. Mathieson were in town, but never deigned to give us a call so we feel quite affronted.

Among the visitors to our pretty city this summer were Messrs. Nelson Wood and Mrs. Gould, of London, Jas. Goodbrand and Ariel Sutherland, of Brantford, Misses Ina Eames and Miss Ada James, of St. Thomas.

Georgina Fairbairn spent nearly a week with Mrs. S. Sepner. She had a good opportunity of seeing all the mutes as there were quite a crowd in town just then.

Miss Ada James paid us a short call in company with her parents, and sister Mabel. She promised to come back and spend a week with Aramanta Jones, but school opening being so near we understand she couldn't manage it.

A well known deaf lady of Detroit was lately killed by being thrown from a car. Deaf mutes cannot be too careful while travelling alone, as this is the fifth or sixth accident to deaf mutes in a year here. Misses Ball and Mrs. Sepner attended the services at her home, which were conducted by Rev. Mr Mann.

Mr and Mrs. A. E. Sepner spent several days visiting friends in Chatham. While there they called on our old friends Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Laddy. They have three bright bonny boys, the youngest being at the time of their visit about one week old. They own a fine big house, left Mr. Laddy by his mother.

Nearly all the Windsor mutes seem to have good situations and are doing well. There are about twenty five deaf mutes in and around Windsor within a radius of seven miles.

Daniel Gorman, of Chatham, has been working all summer on Duck Island. He got $5.00 a month and board. He called on us on his way home and with the air of a millionaire treated us to mushmelons.

Aramanta Jones thinks it was very pretty of Mr. Nurse to say such nice things to her, as if he wasn't aware of her identity, and by the way she hopes that "little shoemaker" will be as wise as his papa.

Well, I guess, this is enough. Wishing Mr Mathison, teachers and all a prosperous session this year.

The Child and the [illegible]

Roses out child and [illegible]
Well are ye pencil in your eyes
Thus should the pure and lovely
Stainless with stainless and [illegible]

White as those leaves just blown
Are the folds of thy own young [illegible]
Guilty passion and canker-worm
Never have left their trace [illegible]

Artless one! though thou [illegible]
Over the white flowers with [illegible]
Soon will it fire thy childish [illegible]
Fair as it is, thou will throw it by

Throw it aside in thy weary hour
Throw to the ground the fair [illegible]
Yet, as thy tender years depart
Keep that white and innocent [illegible]

Turrill - McKenzie Home[illegible]

BY WM. RAY

The Canadian Mute [illegible] months slumber, will have [illegible] this time, with my sincere [illegible] it will continue its usefulness [illegible]

Duncan Bloom, of Thame[illegible] here for the night early last [illegible] the next day went with us [illegible] Springs for Dominion day [illegible] The three boys helped the [illegible] team from here, against the [illegible] team, and defeated them by [illegible] 2 to 0. A few days previous [illegible] Summers, of Wilkesport, joined [illegible] Turrill and McKenzie with the [illegible] play against the Bradshaw [illegible] whom they succeeded in winning [illegible] out of three games.

Mr. Summers enjoys the [illegible] of his good and helpful mother [illegible] here once, and whose husband [illegible] in Sarnia working for the oil company. Affectionate visits are [illegible] made between them unmindful [illegible] drive of nine hours, covering [illegible] intervening.

Mr. Summers cut our first [illegible] his binder, after which Mr. Good[illegible] son, grandfather of Elroy [illegible] school, helped Mr. Turrill [illegible] first stacks.

Master Elroy Jackson made [illegible] pleasant trips abroad, visiting [illegible] lations and friends.

Early last August we [illegible] preciated the brief visit made [illegible] M. J. Madden, B.A., of [illegible] kindly driven over by Mr. W[illegible] accompanied by his daughter [illegible] the first mute girl who graduated [illegible] Mr. Madden spent his holidays [illegible] sister in Forest, where he was [illegible] quent visitor at Mr. Gustus [illegible] enjoy the company of Harper [illegible] B.A. I may as well say that [illegible] good and fatherly benefactor [illegible] Father Japer, brought him [illegible] school to have him admitted [illegible] to the strong attachment [illegible] tween them the good pro[illegible] several days, making himself [illegible] home. Upon his return to [illegible] the *Irish Canadian*, published [illegible] onto, with an interesting and [illegible] fully written letter, descriptive [illegible] school. He was then the pastor [illegible] churches in Forest, Wyoming [illegible] being Mr. Madden's birth place [illegible] Oil Springs respectively, and [illegible] Nashville, Tennessee.

Willie Wark, of Wyoming [illegible] with his wheel one Sunday [illegible] much to our pleasure. His friends [illegible] be glad to hear that he is doing [illegible] on his farm. For a time he [illegible] Walter was thrown out of [illegible] by the fire at the harness [illegible] Flint, Mich., and was home [illegible] in the meantime. Their fa[illegible] been twenty years the principal [illegible] Sarnia public school and forty [illegible] teacher. Their cousin, Mr. F[illegible] chant, the principal of the Ont[illegible] stitute, London, has been app[illegible] the Ontario Government princi[illegible] now Normal school in that city.

Miss Jessie Duncan, a sister [illegible] Duncan, now of Winnipeg. M[illegible] was seven years a missionary [illegible] is now home in Stratford on [illegible] months' furlough.

Mrs. Michael Showers' place [illegible] land was as usual resorted [illegible] mute boys during the summer [illegible] chats with so many good-lookin[illegible] girls there.

Mr. McKenzie was two months [illegible] ing for Mr. Debbyn, of Shetla[illegible] here again. Meanwhile, one [illegible] brought here Albert Wright, and [illegible] Sunday he visited Mr. and M[illegible] Fleming and found them well [illegible] in their cosy rooms, the wo[illegible] smart housewife.

Mr. Bloom, not content with [illegible] in Thamesville, made occasion[illegible] around with his wheel to see [illegible] jobs. He was around this vicin[illegible]