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Gallaudet College at Washington.

The closing exercises of Gallaudet College at Washington are always ovents of more than local interest and importance, and in fact constitute a function which is gladly participated in by people of the highest rank in the Capital City. This year this event was celebrated with more than usual relat. The spacious chapel of the college was crowded to its utmost capacity, and among the dignitaries present were Sir. Julian Pauncefote, British Ambassador, the ministers from China, Brazil, Mexico and other countries, and many others famous in the world of letters, state craft and diplomacy. The exercises themselves were a revelation to all who had nover attended a similar ovent. The discrtations and erations, with three exceptions, were delivered orally with clear connection and correct emphasis. Dr. Gallaudet, in commenting on this fact, said it proved how unfounded was the charge made by some of the pure oralists that there was no officient instruction in articulation given in the college. To further illustrate the character and excellence of the oral teaching he called upon one of the students, who had been at the College three years and had received no provious oral instruction, to recite "The Psaim of Lafo," which he did in a most creditable manner. Mr. Banerji, of Calcutta, was then inti aluced and spoke on the condition of the deaf in It.dia, from all points east of the Mississippi, and his hopes for their future.

No sooner had the sound of the last word died on Baba Bauerji's hips than up jumped Sir Juhan Pauncefoto. Grasping Babu Banerji's hand, he said -

"I enjoyed your speech very much. I wish all success in your work." And facing the audience, he apologized for his action, and in part continued:

"I wish to express to the Executive I ing will be a very successful one.

Committee of the College my thanks for having so kindly extended to me the privilege of being here to witness the results of the admirable system of instruction offered here. I feel a personal gratuication that a British subject has been allowed the opportunity to avail humself of its benefits"

This sudden appearance of Sir Julian as a speaker was a surprise to the audience as it is well known that the British government is extremely particular above her representatives speaking apon almost any occasion.

Addresses were given by other visitors present after which the guests were shown through the building and then entertained with refreshments - the president's residence. In the evening the usual ball was given and was a most successful event. The work being done by this college is a noble me, and the institution should receive the warmest encouragement from the deaf throughout America.

Another Product.

In the New York Institution there is a boy named Benson who buls fair to rival Helen Keller in the produgy line. Benson has been blind, deaf and dumb from his birth. He was ten years old before any efforts were made to instruct him. He was then sent to the New York school where he has been for three yes w past, and already he is reported to have made such rapid progress that "he is beginning to crowd the average boy of his own are in point of education A recent little in the New York Sun gives a long list of his viried accomphyliments which sound like a rehash of some of the state of the len Keller. Every teacher of the deaf will of course annio merciniously when told that after three years tuition Benson is nearly or quite as well educated as the average hearing boy of thirteen. But this is the most credible of the many marvels he has accomplished. He can play balwe are told, very well indeed, and also dominoes. He drives horses in a very satisfactory manner. His favorite amusement, however, is sliding down hill in winter all by himself. He mas tered the type writer in exactly forty minutes and at once wrote thereon a letter of considerable length with but one error. And so on. We are very glad, indeed, to think that a noble work can be done for anyone afflicted as this boy 14, and it is one of the crowning glories of our modern civilization that such as these are enabled to participate to a considerable degree in the pleasures of mental development and in the more practical benefits derived from even a limited knowledge of the varied phenomena of nature. But we de hope that in this case these who have to do with this boy will withere closely to the facts, and not circulate, or permit the circulation, of stories of a blind boy playing ball in the usual meaning of that term, and of other impossible feats. The truth is glorious enough - exaggeration and invention can but dim that glory.

The fifth Summer Meeting of the American Association to Promote the Teaching of Speech to the Deaf will be held at the Mt. Arry Institution July 1st to 10th next. Reduced railway rates of a fare and a third have been secure ! including Ontario. All moinbers of the Association will be entertained at the institution for \$1.00 per day, and all who wish for such entertainment are requested to forward their names and length of probable stay, to Superinten dent Crouter, at the carliest possible date. An interesting programme has been prepared and it is expected that the meet

The Convention,

This will probably be the last time we shall speak of the Convention to our readers until we meet many of them in Brantford on the 18th inst. We are sorry that we cannot give more than a general outline of the programme, but we can promise that it will be interesting and instructive to delegates. Several Papers and Essays have been promised. Mr. R. C. Slater -Relations of the Deaf with Hearing people. Mr. Byrne- The Blood of Jesus, Mr. A. W. Mason: -Industry and Frugality. Mr. Hazelton-How to Succeed in Business, Mr. Nurso Personal Influence, Mr. Campbell, Mr. Fraser, Mr. McKillop and Mr. Bayno will also probably be down on the programme, but we have not their subjects yet. In addition to the above, and not the least interesting part of the programme, will be addresses from old and well tried friends of the deaf. Thursday morning will be spent in the reception and billeting of delegates, the afternoon and ovening and all day on Friday will be taken up with the meetings, Saturday will be spent at Mohawk Park, one of the most beautiful spots in Ontario. The Sports Committee have arranged a lengthy programme and good prizes, mostly in eash, will be offered for competition. For the information of those who wish to take part we give a partial list of the events in order that they may come prepared. 100 yds, dash, sack race married mer's race, 200 yards, throwing base-ball, running hop, step and jump, breyele race- 3 miles, three legged race, standing jump, bicycle raco

I mile-three heats, tub race on the water, tog of war Country : s Lity, wheelbarrow race blindfolded. A num ber of other contests will also be arranged, a share of them for ladies. Saturday evening the election of officers will take place. On Sunday special services will be held and the meetings close. Mr. Smith desires us to say that if those who intend to go to the Convention do not notify him before hand because promise to secure cheap rates for them at the hotels and they may have to pay full rates. Send a card to him at once and let him know whether you are going or

"Home, Sweet Home,"

"It was in the garden of the Tudenes that the words of 'Home Sweet Home' first came to me," said Mr Payno one day to a friend "I had been pretty much all over the world and in time I drifted to Paris. But as I wandered alone and without a penny through the city, I became throughly homesick. I took a great liking to the Teuleries. The song of the birds, the similght or moonlight through the trees, the perfumo of the flowers how they all reminded me of home! "Yes, continued Mr. Payne, "the sentiment had been running in my head a long time. I could not but on the rhythm. One occuring as I was resting in the Tuileries, and the stars were venturing out from their hid. ing places, the strain of a beautiful melody was borno on the air. It was a Sicilian tune. I had heard it years bofore. It was exactly what I had been waiting for With a heart full of home, I hurried back to my lodgings in a re-mote part of Paris. Before the might was over my work was done. The tuno made the poem. I was getting desperate by this time. I had hardly a sou in my pockets, but one or two friends helped me. My passage to America was paid. At last I got back. There were sad changes. A few only were left. After all there is no place like home.

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From the Silent Echan

The final examinations will begin on June 1st, and are expected to the mind the afternoon of June 4th

The closing exercises in connector with the Pharnorth Literary South were held on the 16th alt,, and consisted of special games interspersed with it freshnaents

The Annual Piene and Field Day of Sports will take place on the all of June and an interesting programme has been prepared. Some of the parents and friends of the pupils availed them selves of the opportunity given at our tributing something to the prize as to the children.

Principal McDermid has remarked circulars to parents automous the close of the session on June 8th Lie Lealth of the children during the past term has not been quite up to the mark of the year before. While no school-diseases affected the children versus epidemic of the mumps and a sage of grip in a mild form turned the se heed an to an hospital for a short time and inter fered with the class work to a consider able extent, but on the whole a very successful year's work has been done

Some men are like sundance wherever they go. They make pleasant the warof others, speak a kind word and in courage a smile wherever despair some to have a hold. They do not entered find fault or blackbite any one but an sympathetic in their speech and wanter and become favorites. Good nature is no sign of weakness, for many great men have been so lovable because of their annable dispositions, that that have had large followings of troots who would undergo any privation of danger for them. In contrast with the pleasant, bright faced man, there is the crank or gloomy individual, who has singular faculty for making post-uncomfortable and stirring up sint-The good natured man is strong nonhold on his fellows, because of the an conscious sympathy which he display by interesting himself in the counter and happiness of others. As a single of of sunshing can dispet the darking of a cloudy room, so oven one man whose disposition is bright and cheere as lighten up a room with cheere meanirth and life.

The thunder storm on last Monday night was one of the wildest that his visited this district for many For soveral hours the element uge I spile flercely, and seldom has been wived lightning. Sometimes has instit minutes continuously the whole one blaze of light while the crashed and roared without inter and all the while the wind be 1071 tremendous power. Many of the ren here were badly frighten others rather enjoyed the fee tal sublime spectacle.

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