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The object of the Province in founding and maintaining this Institute is to afford education and advantages to all the youth of the Province who are, on account of deafness, either partial or total, unable to receive instruction in the common schools.

All deaf mutes between the ages of seven and twenty, not being deficient in intellect, and free from contagious diseases, who are bona fide residents of the Province of Ontario will be admitted as pupils. The regular term of instruction is seven years, with a vacation of nearly three months during the summer of each year.

Parents, guardians or friends who are able to pay will be charged the sum of \$50 per year for board, tuition, books and medical attendance will be furnished free.

Deaf mutes whose parents, guardians or friends are unable to pay will be admitted free. Clothing must be furnished by parents or friends.

At the present time the trades of Printing, Carpentry and Shoemaking are taught to boys. The female pupils are instructed in general domestic work, tailoring, Dressmaking, Sewing, Knitting, the use of the sewing machine, and such ornamental and fancy work as may be desirable.

It is hoped that all having charge of deaf mute children will avail themselves of the liberal terms offered by the Government for their education and improvement.

The Regular Annual School Term begins on the second Wednesday in September, and ends on the third Wednesday in June of each year. Any information as to the terms of admission for pupils, etc., will be given upon application to me by letter or otherwise.

R. MATHISON,
Superintendent
Belleville, Ont.

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POETRY

Sweet Christmas Time.

O! Christmas ebbeth—O! Christmas times!
The sweetest and the brightest.
When hearts beat high and pulses fly,
And childhood's steps are lightest;
When ruddy cheeks are roblest
And red lips like a cherry.

O! Christmas heart! O! Christmas here—
So sparkling and so merry!

Old Santa Claus, with ample cause
For children all a-faire him.
While they're asleep, takes many a sleep
At门槛 before him;
And then he laughs, not in his sleeve
For that is full believe it.

Of Christmas toys for girls and boys
And could not well receive it.

The good old man will plot and plan
Like any great commander
Or swim deep seas, the young to please
As did the brave leader
Not only packs of jumping jacks
Adorn his ample shoulders.

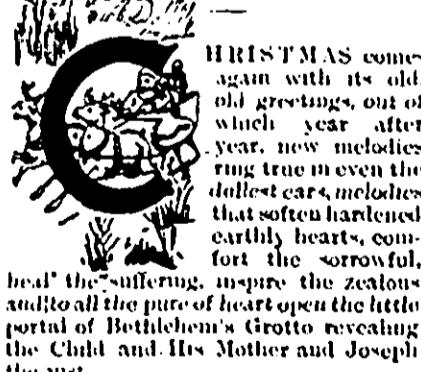
But hats and coats and stylish suits
Astonish all beholders.

O! Christmas bells, your music tells
A tale of joy and gladness
Of fleshly peace of sweet increase
And not a tale of sadness
For even Poverty lifts up
Her thousand, thousand voices
And for this time this one bright time
Of gaudy cheer rejoices.

Mrs. M. J. Kolder

MISCELLANEOUS

Christmas.



CHRISTMAS comes again with its old, old greetings, out of which year after year, new melodies ring true in even the dullest ears, melodies that soften hardened earthly hearts, comfort the sorrowful, heal the suffering, inspire the zealous and to all the pure of heart open the little portal of Bethlehem's Grotto revealing the Child and His Mother and Joseph the just.

Old as Christmas itself is the Christ mass "Gloria" in which angels told the Judean shepherds now they should find, wrapped in swaddling clothes and lying in a manger, the new born Child who had brought to earth abounding joy and immortal gladness and Christmas peace to men of good will.

This great feast of holy mirth is not a human invention. It draws its beauty and its eternal freshness from the great mystery of the Incarnation, the stupendous mystery which is the source of Christmas gladness and the assurance of Christmas peace, the mystery which silences human reason, but proclaimed by faith in the text, "The Word was made Flesh and dwelt amongst us."

The Incarnation equalized man with

man. The Shepherds and the Kings knelt side by side at the Crib. If a distinction were made it was in favor of God's poor. The Angel spoke to the Shepherds. The Kings followed a star and only after doubt and questioning were they led to where the Child lay.

It is the Incarnation—the Christ Child—who teaches us to see Him in His poor, to comfort Him in comforting His afflicted ones, to extend His Kingdom on earth by trying to make Him better known and loved; and He has promised to reward us as if our good deeds were done unto Himself.

The longing of the Christian heart is expressed in the following well known versos which express also the Christian manner of satisfying that longing—

O, to have dwelt in Bethlehem
When the star of the Lord shone bright!
To have sheltered the holy wanderer
On that blessed Christmas night
To have kissed the tender way worn feet
Of the Mother undivided,
With reverent wonder and deep delight,
To have tended the holy Child!

Hush, such a glory was not for thee,
But that care may still be thine
For are there not little ones still to aid
For the sake of the Child divine?
Are there no wandering Pilgrims now,
To thy heart and thy home to take?
And are there no mothers whose weary hearts,
You can comfort for Mary's sake?

The readiest and surest way to get rid of censure is to correct ourselves.—Demosthenes.

The Bible is a window in this prison of hope through which we look into eternity.—Bright.

I find nothing so singular in life as this, that everything opposing appears to lose its substance the moment one actually grapples with it.—Hawthorne.

Doing good is the only certainly happy action of a man's life. —Shanon

An exchange aptly remarks that "somehow the same people who are willing to believe that the ninety ninth year of a century completes the century, would never consent to receive \$99 in full payment of a \$100 debt."