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THE CANADIAN MUTE.

FRIDAY, JUNE 1, 1900.

Comfort one another
 In ways often dreary
 For feet are often weary
 And the heart is very sad,
 In a heavy burden bearing
 And we half forget that ever we were glad.

The Queen's Birthday.

...in the history of the Institution
 the day so loyally kept. The pupils,
 especially, were on the go from
 morning till late at night. To begin
 there was a holiday of course, and
 pupils could enjoy it knowing that
 they had just completed the yearly
 written examinations and could release
 their minds freely from their studies for
 the day. At 10 a. m. all the boys and girls
 who were old enough marched to the
 park. The girls lined up on the grass
 in front of the Quete, while about
 100 of the boys proudly marched in the
 procession of soldiers, sailors, societies
 of schools. Each of our pupils was
 dressed with a Union Jack and as the
 procession marched past where the girls stood
 they were greeted by the waving flags
 and banners of their school mates, a
 pleasing spectacle. Our boys,
 though very tired, gallantly saw the
 Queen through, not one dropped out of
 the procession from the start
 the final honors had been paid the
 Queen at the park that bears her honored
 name. Messrs. Forrester and Burns led
 a group of the boys in the procession
 and the spectators declared that our
 boys looked trim and neat, and march
 beautifully, not one being out of step
 in the rear guard. Messrs. Cunningham
 and Nurse, one an old soldier the
 other the son of a soldier, should have
 a better. They are to drill up for
 the next procession. In the afternoon
 a group of the boys were admitted free to
 the grounds to view the sports.
 Two of our boys, Gray and Lett,
 of the soldiers' foot-ball team against

Deseronto, and won honors in the
 game. In the evening there was a bit-
 ting wind up to the day's festivities, one
 of the best exhibitions of fireworks we
 ever had was shown off on our front
 lawn and kept up to a late hour, some
 new features being introduced. Under
 Mr. Douglas efficient direction every-
 thing was sent up without a hitch and
 the exhibition was much admired by all
 present. So ended the 81st birthday of
 Her Majesty, and many more may we
 have an opportunity to celebrate. It
 was a very first troop of boys and girls
 that climbed the 20 m. to bed long after
 their usual hour. Pupils were not fit
 for much the next day and teachers and
 pupils felt glad the written examinations
 were over before the day of harmless
 dissipation was born.

NOTES.

Mr. McKillop and Mr. Madden being
 ladies men did not take part in the
 procession. They were appointed escorts
 to the girls and made themselves gener-
 ally useful.

Little Harley Douglas started out with
 our boys to march through, but it was
 too much for the little fellow and a place
 was found for him in the "Sun's" deco-
 rated float.

The Convention.

The time for the Convention is com-
 ing on and preparations are going well.
 Good responses are coming in to the
 circular letters sent out, and the pros-
 pects are good for a large gathering.
 We have still to hear from many who
 we know intend to come. We want to
 know about how many to look for, we
 can then make better preparations for
 their reception, so I hope that all who
 propose coming will drop a card and let
 me know. We hope to make the
 Sunday services of a specially interest-
 ing and profitable character and those
 who live in the country with few
 opportunities for religious services in
 the sign language should make every
 effort to be present even at the cost of
 some sacrifice. Some have written me
 about the Railway certificates as we
 said on the circular these will be
 obtained from the ticket agent at the
 starting point. Messrs. McKillop and
 Madden will as far as possible meet all
 trains on the 16th and conveyances will
 be ready to convey all wishing to ride
 to the Institute. Return fare 25 cents.
 Wm. Nurse, Secretary

On Friday afternoon the 18th ult.
 our foot ball team lined up to try con-
 clusions with our valiant friends from
 Albert College. Both teams had evi-
 dently put in some useful practice since
 the last match, the play being improved
 on both sides. The game did not begin
 until nearly 5 p. m. the choice of goals
 going to Albert. From the kick off the
 Alberts showed they were full of go and
 with the wind and hill in their favor
 they rushed our stone wall defence
 threatening to carry all by storm and
 had there been a weak spot in our rear
 division they would have succeeded.
 Our redoubtable defence, McCarthy,
 Grey, Lett and Wallace, put in their
 strongest kicking, but the friends of the
 Institution put in an anxious half an
 hour and right glad were they when the
 whistle blew for half time with the score
 nil. When the ball started again the
 Alberts made a determined rush up hill
 and nearly succeeded in scoring, and
 then the tide turned Institutionwards.
 With clever dribbling and passing our
 lads worked the ball down hill and Ran-
 dall scored No. 1, then how our small boys
 did yell and the older ones smile. With
 the face off the Alberts made another
 determined rush but were again checked
 and the ball again sent down field where
 goal No. 2 was scored, little Armstrong's
 foot being the propelling power. But
 why tell it all, Armstrong scored again
 before time was up making the game 3
 to 0 for our boys. Our boys missed
 Dubois, the crack leader of our left wing,
 who has gone home, but there is plenty
 of life in the team yet. Of course our
 boys were pleased with their victory and
 there was no happier person on the field
 than Mr. McMillan, who congratulated
 the boys all around.

HOME NEWS
 LOCAL REPORTER

Mr. Coleman and his class got their
 photos taken together on Tuesday morn-
 ing.

The usual stream of trunks is flow-
 ing into the carpenter shop for repairs
 ready for the home going.

Only a few of our elder boys and
 girls are interested in the coming conven-
 tion. The minds of the rest of them are
 centred in home and home friends.

Our barber shop will be in operation
 to accommodate members of the conven-
 tion. Two or three of our young barbers
 will remain over to attend to it and get
 practice.

Geo. Wallace has just completed his
 sixth year with our foot ball team and
 is the only one remaining of the gallant
 eleven that fought and held the Corby
 cup for three years, which was then
 given up, our club leaving the league.

Mr. Bryant, photographer, of the
 city, took a splendid picture of our boys
 as they marched down front street on
 Queen's Birthday. Mrs. Balis purchased
 a copy and showed it to the pupils here.
 The pictures can be ordered by any of
 our readers at 50 cents each.

All our officers, teachers and pupils,
 like everyone else in North America,
 were greatly interested in the eclipse of
 the sun on the 28th ult. Every bit of
 glass that could be found had been
 brought into requisition and this most
 wonderful and impressive phenomenon
 in the physical universe was duly observ-
 ed and admired.

During a recent half holiday Misses
 Dempsey and James took a trip to the
 woods for wild flowers and the like.
 During their walk they came across a
 poor wounded bird which they tenderly
 brought home and cared for. We don't
 know what afterwards became of it but
 this shows that the young ladies have
 very tender hearts. Young men need
 not take this as a hint.

Last week was examination week
 and of course it was a very busy one for
 teachers and pupils. The boys and girls
 all seemed animated by a desire to make
 as good a record as possible and the final
 result was very satisfactory to all con-
 cerned. The official examiner, Mr. J. C.
 Brown, of Peterborough arrived on the
 28th and began his examination, which
 is still in progress as we go to press.

Last Friday, the 25th ult., was Field
 Day at Albert College and a foot ball
 match was one of the contents of the
 programme, our team being invited to
 compete with the Alberts. Only the
 members of our team was allowed to go
 as it would probably be late before the
 contests were over and having too many
 away upsets the arrangements for tea.
 The foot ball field at the College is a
 very small one and our boys often get
 the worst of it up there and we feared
 they would come home beaten. Our
 team took a new formation to suit the
 size of the field, eight boys instead of
 six forming our defence, leaving three
 of our slickest forwards to dodge the
 ball through if they could, our boys try-
 ing for a tie or victory. The plan seems
 to have worked well for our team scored
 a victory of 2 to 0, and they came
 home proud. They were most kindly
 received and treated well by all at the
 college. The lady students and specta-
 tors gave them an ovation at every
 success. Armstrong and Loughheed scored
 the goals, being ably assisted by the
 other forward, Charbonneau. In the
 polo vaulting contest, after the students
 had done their best, our boys were in-
 vited to try. Wallace accepted and
 vaulted with ease over the best the
 students could do. He was highly com-
 plimented but not being a student was
 barred from the prize. It being late
 when the foot ball match was over our
 team were invited to remain at the
 college for tea and then returned home.
 We desire to thank our Albert College
 friends for their kindness to our boys.

PERSONALITIES.

A little baby girl arrived at the
 home of Mr and Mrs. J. H. Luck, of
 Mount Salem, on April 28th.

Both Mr F. Wheeler and Mr. Wm.
 Wallace were thrown out of employ-
 ment by the burning of the bicycle works in
 St. Catharines lately. They are now
 seeking work in other places.

The Last Wild Flower.

Companionless, amidst the dense decay
 Of all its mates, the flower of sturdy strength,
 Hath long and proudly stood till now at length,
 Reluctantly it stoops and bends away,
 Before the fitful north wind's blighting sway.
 No want to be so rickety wood, it strains,
 And trembles in each fibre, yet lifts its head,
 In proud defiance of the north's embrace
 But a cold current creeps thro' all its veins,
 And now, surveying all its old mates dead,
 With something of its summer pride and grace,
 This solitary nursling of the plains,
 Branches before the blast, and to the skies
 Breathes forth one fragrant sigh, its last, its only,
 — J. C. M. DUNCAN.

Mackay Institute Report.

The examiners at the Mackay Insti-
 tution for Protestant Deaf Mutes and
 the Blind have made a report on the
 annual examinations held on May 8th.
 They state that the institution is con-
 ducted in the most satisfactory manner,
 due to the efficiency of the superin-
 tendent, officers and teachers. The
 deaf mutes, about sixty in all, are divided
 into nine classes, so that each receives
 special and personal attention from the
 teacher. With each grade satisfactory
 work was found, and in the highest grade
 the scholars could answer questions
 readily, as difficult as those given to
 children of the same age in ordinary
 schools. There are only six blind pupils
 in the institution, and their work was
 found to be most satisfactory.

The examiners emphasized the im-
 portance of the work done in articulation
 teaching, the opportunity given stu-
 dents to become proficient in other car-
 pentry, cabinet making, printing or chair
 caning, the healthful condition of the
 whole institution, the home like sur-
 roundings of the students, their perfectly
 happy and contented appearance, and
 the high moral and Christian tone of
 the whole institution. The report was
 signed by Rev. Principal George, of the
 Congregational College, and by Rev. A. J.
 Doull.—*Montreal Star, 3rd.*

Poor Dog.

A new kind of parrot story is printed
 by the *Chicago News*—a parrot story
 that will make the reader sorry for the
 dog.

A gentleman left his dog at his sister's
 house, while he went on a journey. On
 his return, Rover manifested so much
 excitement that no great surprise was
 felt when he was heard barking in the
 night. The barking became so persis-
 tent, however, that Mr. — put on his
 dressing-gown and went down stairs to
 pat Rover on the head and bid him be
 quiet.

He was no sooner in bed again than
 the noise began afresh, so he made
 another expedition below, to point out
 to the dog with a percity, that a repiti-
 tion of the offence would be attended by
 serious consequences. He had returned
 to his bed and was just falling into a
 doze when the barking began again.
 This time it was more furious than ever,
 and continued till the man made a third
 journey down stairs, accompanied by a
 walking-stick.

Even this did not end the disturbance,
 but the gentleman was too sleepy to get
 up again, and at last he went off to
 sleep, vowing to sell the dog next day.

When morning came, however, his
 sister met him with the remark that she
 hoped he had not been disturbed by her
 new parrot. It was always imitating
 the dog at night, she said.

The Queen's Donkey.

Our little readers have doubtless seen
 pictures of Queen Victoria in her favorite
 equipage, the little low donkey carriage,
 in which she rides around the grounds of
 Windsor Castle, and outside, too, some-
 times, to visit the sick and poor. Per-
 haps they will be interested to hear that
 Her Majesty has received from Lord
 Kitchener, in Egypt, the present of a
 new donkey, a large Arabian, very kind
 and gentle. When he was coming over
 the children on the ship took great
 light in him. He in turn seemed to
 enjoy their society and to be on the look-
 out for his little friends when his keeper
 brought him out of his stall and walked
 him around the ship for exercise. They
 all took rides on his back, and Mr. Dou-
 koy appeared to like giving them that
 pleasure. There was rivalry among the
 children to see who would be allowed
 to give Mr. Donkey some tubs or per-
 form other courtesies for him. The
 caressing paw he received could not be
 counted, and it is doubtful if he can be
 made much happier at Windsor Castle.
 —*Christian Herald.*