

From the Christian Guardian, Jan. 2nd, 1884.

The closing entertainment of this institution, held before the holidays, always of great local interest, was more than ordinarily so this year. The programme, including a choice selection of music, vocal and instrumental, readings and recitations, interesting and entertaining, was exceedingly well rendered, and reflected credit upon the training received from the faculty. A song by Miss Katie Carswell was deserving of mention. The readings were commendable for the entire absence of all attempt at the dramatic or theatrical, such a common fault in these recitations. At the conclusion of the programme, Mayor Francis Rae, M.D., took occasion to speak of the gratifying progress the Demill Ladies' College has made, its present satisfactory condition, the ability and efficiency of its faculty and the number of its pupils. He spoke in very complimentary terms of Rev. Mr. Demill's energy, ability and perseverance, and expressed the obligation the people of Oshawa felt toward him. He was followed by Edward Carswell, Esq., the temperance orator, in one of his inimitable and happy efforts. Revs. Messrs. Shorey and Webber also expressed great gratification at the success of the College in appropriate addresses, and Rev. Mr. Demill replied in a felicitous manner.

From Col. Wm. M. Button, Markham.

BELFORD, June 20th, 1881.

REV. A. B. DEMILL.

DEAR SIR.—After over four years' experience with your Ladies' College which time my grand-daughter has been in attendance, I wish to express to you my entire satisfaction as to the thoroughness of the staff of teachers you employ, the table supplies, the careful oversight especially taken by Mrs. Demill, of the young ladies, which gives to those attending your Institution such uniform good health, and especially the moral and religious interest that teachers and officers manifest in the welfare of those under their care. One feature in the management of your Institution I particularly admire for several reasons, that is the exclusion of day pupils. I can and will cheerfully recommend your school to all who are desirous of placing their daughters in a good Christian home, and especially motherless girls, where their mental and moral culture will be conscientiously attended to. I am glad that we have such a school in our land, where, for a reasonable price, such advantages and surroundings may be had. I think, as a general thing that parents and guardians do not leave those under their care long enough with you to be sufficiently beneficial to either pupil or school, but expect too much of both in a short time. I, joined by my daughter, sincerely thank you and Mrs. Demill, with the teachers, for your kindness, and wish your College every success.

Yours sincerely,

W. M. BUTTON.

From Prof. A. Croft, of Toronto University.

Prof. A. Croft, of Toronto University, writing to the Rev. Mr. Demill, amongst other things, says of the plan:—"I confess to my belief that you are entirely in the right. . . . I wish I had daughters to take advantage of your College. I and my wife have always looked upon the present style of education of young ladies as wrong, and have endeavored to teach our daughters such requirements as may render them not only ornamental but also useful members of society."