

round the pond, which was filled with very pretty foreign ducks, geese and others, in the middle of which there is a rock on which the design of an elephant with a car on its back, all formed in stone, standing under the shade of the trees. But the two large white swans approached the boats several times, in search of food, as we passed along. When we held some crumbs out with our hands, the swans began to catch them, but we struck their heads with our hands, full of pleasure, so as to prevent them from eating; however, the swans did not appear to be frightened, and they still followed us and tried to get food from us. All this was very funny.

Not many days before we went to the exchange, and there we went to visit the Exhibition of Paintings, and admired them very much, for they were beautiful to look upon. They were, I was informed, of great value, having been brought from various noblemen's castles; some of them were worth from £500 to £1,200 sterling; some of them were very old and painted by the old masters, others were by living Artists. The Exhibition is held every year.

On the visit of the Queen to Manchester during the summer, we walked on foot before the gardener, who held the flag, which was marked "Deaf and Dumb," and came in sight of Mrs. Bateman's house, a long distance from the Institution. There were a great crowd and concourse of citizens who stood together on the road. We showed our faces and looked happy, and took our seats on high forms outside the house, under the great flag, "Deaf and Dumb, Manchester," with two posts planted on the forms. In front opposite the Peel Park, there was a triumphal arch, made of evergreens, flags, wreaths of flowers, the word "Welcome" on the top of the gate of that Park. After waiting a long time, we beheld the Queen, the Prince Albert, the Princess Royal, and the Prince of Wales, who rode in a fine carriage drawn by six horses, with silver glittering harness, in company with the Duke of Wellington, Lord Raglan and other Government Officers on horseback, and the Representatives in the coaches, under the protection of a large detachment of the gallant and beautifully uniformed lancers on horseback, who were drawn up be-