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CANADA.



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The object of the Province in founding and maintaining this Institute is to afford education and training to all the youth of the Province who are afflicted with deafness, either partial or total, and to receive instruction in the common occupations of life.

At all times between the ages of seven and twenty, and when deficient in intellect, and free from contagious diseases, who are born in 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 the sum of \$50 per year for board, tuition, books and medical attendance will be furnished free.

For those whose parents, guardians or friends are unable to pay the amount charged for board, tuition and medical care, clothing must be provided by parents or friends.

At the same time the trades of Printing, Bookbinding and Shoemaking are taught to the pupils. Female pupils are instructed in general domestic work, Tailoring, Dressmaking, Sewing, Knitting, the use of the Sewing Machine and ornamental and fancy work as may be required.

It is the duty of all having charge of deaf mute pupils to avail themselves of the liberal provisions of the Government for their education and improvement.

The Regular Annual School Term begins on the first Monday in September, and ends on the first Wednesday in June of each year. For information as to the terms of admission, and the regulations, will be given upon application to the Superintendent.

R. MATHISON,
Superintendent

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IF MOTHER WOULD LISTEN.

If mother would listen to me, dears
She would freshen the faded gown
She would sometimes take an hour's rest,
And sometimes a trip to town
And it shouldn't be all for the children
The fun and the cheer and the play,
With the patient droop on the tired mouth,
And the "Mother has had her day."

True, mother has had her day, dears
When you were her babies three,
And she stumped about the farm and the house
As busy as ever a bee,
When she rocked you all to sleep, dears
And sent you off to school,
And wore herself out and did without
And lived by the golden rule.

And so your turn has come, dears,
Her hair is growing white,
And here you are gaining the far away look
That peers beyond the night
One of these days in the morning
Mother will not be here
She will fade away into silence
The mother so true and dear.

Then what will you do in the day light
And what in the gleaming day
And father, tired lone some then
Pray, what will you do for him?
If you want to keep your mother,
You must make her rest to-day
Must give her a share in the frolic,
And draw her into the play.

And, if mother would listen to me, dears
She'd buy her a gown of silk
With buttons of royal velvet,
And ruffles as white as milk
And she'd let you do the trotting
While she sat still in her chair
That mother should have it hard all through
It strikes us in a fair.



Tim's Kit.

Warm hearts are sometimes found under ragged jackets, as shown by the following incident. A kit is a box of tools or whatever outfit is needed in a particular branch of business.

It surprised the shiners and newsboys around the post-office, the other day, to see "Lumpy Tim" coming among them in a quiet way, and hear him say "Boys, I want to sell my kit. Here's two brushes, a hull box of blacking, a good stout box, and the outfit goes for two shillin's."

"Goin' away, Tim?" queried one.
"Not ractly, boys, but I want a quarter the awfulest kind just now."
"Goin' on skurion?" asked another.
"Not to-day, but I must have a quarter," he answered.

One of the lads passed over the change, and took the kit, and Tim walked straight to the counting room of a daily paper, put down his money and said "I guess I kin write if you give me a pencil."

With slow moving fingers he wrote a death notice. It went into the paper almost as he wrote it, but you might not have seen it. He wrote:
"Died—Latal Ted of scarlet fever aged three yere. Funeral to-morrow, gone up to Heaven, left won brother."

"Was it your brother?" asked the cashier. Tim tried to brace up, but he couldn't. The big tears came up, his chin quivered and he pointed to the counter and gasped "I—I had to sell my kit to do it, b— but he had his arms around my neck when he d—died."

He hurried away home, but the news went to the boys, and they gathered in a group and talked. Tim had not been home an hour before a barefooted boy left the kit on the doorstep, and in the box was a bouquet of flowers which had been purchased in the market by pennies contributed by the crowd of ragged but high-hearted boys. Did God ever make a heart which would not respond if the right chord was touched?

The gas used for lighting the Ohio Institution is penitentiary-manufactured and of such a poor quality that frequently study has to be suspended.

WORLD'S FAIR VISITORS.

SENSIBLE HINTS FROM A CHICAGO WOMAN WHICH SHOULD BE REMEMBERED.

Mrs. Emory A. Smith of Chicago sends the following common sense hints to people who are contemplating a visit to the World's Fair. It is so full of good points that we would suggest to our friends that they read it carefully. Mrs. Smith writes:
To whom it concerns, our friends in particular—The World's Fair opens May 1st and closes October, 1893.

It will be the grandest affair ever seen by mortal man except the star decked canopy over head at night. One will be able to see at this great gathering the handwork, etc., of all the principal nations of the earth. In one week we can see what would cost thousands of dollars and take years of travelling to otherwise see. He who misses the golden opportunity misses the finest object lesson school ever presented to man. Such a show may never be presented again. At least such come only in a life time.

All who can afford to, and those who can by any sacrifice that will not cripple them financially, such as selling a horse or a cow which can be replaced in a year's time, should by all means do so and come right along, and stay from one to four weeks.

Having made up your mind to come, providence permitting, then the first thing to do is to shape or arrange your affairs to that end.

Do not come loaded down with luggage; at least with no trunk, unless you are a woman and going to stay a whole month or longer. Depot rules require 25c after twenty-four hours arrival and 25c a day thereafter on all baggage checked. Hence, call for your baggage as soon after arriving as you can.

Direct all your enquiries to Conductors, Depot Marshals and Policemen, and not to Tom, Dick and Harry. On the street car tell conductor what number and street you want to reach, and he will let you off at the right place. If baggage is heavy leave it checked uncalled for till you can find a place. When you ask for a street or number ask also how far it is. Ten blocks is about one mile. We go by blocks not miles.

Keep out of saloons, and away from crowds where there is an accident or something attracting a crowd, if you do not want your pocket picked, or other wise robbed. Look to your pocket when jostled or crowded. Don't show the bulk of your money anywhere.

Am to land in Chicago in the forenoon so as to have time to find a safe place before night, and thus be less annoyed, fooled and imposed upon by "runners" and rascals whose best opportunities are at night when everybody is in a hurry and strangers bawled and tins more easily misled, fooled, etc.

If you aim to stay only a week, then get here Monday morning, so as to start back home Saturday night and save the expense of laying over on Sunday.

On arriving at the depot keep cool and speak and act as though you were not in a strange place. Above all avoid getting excited and thus keep your head, sense, judgment and wit.

If you happen to arrive late at night, and do not care to go to a hotel, nor to your friend's house at an unreasonable hour then stay in the depot sitting room till morning. If you feel sleepy, then put your watch in your pants pocket and doze with your hands in your pockets on your watch and money and your satchel between your feet, then no one can get your watch or money without waking you. See?

Before you arrive in the city study out a good plan of action and follow it if you can. Don't be a hog in pushing and crowding others aside in getting in and out of the cars, it does you no good and is apt to cause you to lose your wits. Pay no attention to the yelling of hackmen, hotel runners, and above all allow

no one to take your satchel from you on any pretense. Hold on to it with an iron grip.

If you find you must take a hack or cab, then be sure to ask driver for, and insist on his card of rates, and when he starts look at your watch, and be sure to note the time he starts, and the time he gets to your destination and then note his rates per hour. This is the law of the city!

If you land at the fair grounds, and do not see just which way to go then go to the "Bureau of Information" or to the Woman's Headquarters and then you will be told free of charge all you want to know.

Indians Outwitted.

In the early part of the revolutionary war a sergeant and twelve armed men were crossing New Hampshire through the wilderness. Their route led them away from any settlement, and they camped at night in the woods. On the second afternoon of their journey they were met by a party of Indians, who made friendly overtures, and feigned to be much pleased at meeting the sergeant and his men, whom they obsequiously declared to be their protectors. But, as often happens when persons are practicing deception, the Indians overdid the matter, and suspicions of their sincerity were aroused in the sergeant's mind.

After leaving the Indians and proceeding a mile or more the sergeant stopped his comrades and said:

"Those redskins mean mischief. I haven't lived among the Indians twenty years for nothing. I know them and their headish tricks. And unless we are prepared for them to-night there won't be a man of us alive to tell the story when the morning comes."

The soldiers were surprised. Not one of them had distrusted the Indians. Feeling confidence in the sergeant, however, they agreed to follow instructions, and the following plan was adopted and executed.

The spot chosen for the night's encampment was near a stream of water which served as a protection in the rear. A large oak tree was felled, and each man cut a log from this about the size of himself. The logs of wood were wrapped in blankets, men's hats were put on the extremities and they were laid before the camp fire so artfully arranged that anyone would have taken them for outstretched sleeping soldiers.

The sergeant and his men concealed themselves behind a pile of brush to await any movement on the part of their enemies. The fire, which had been kept bright during the evening, was suffered to die down, and an air of quietness reigned about the camp.

Two hours passed and the men began to grow impatient, and hints were thrown out that the sergeant had been more scared than hurt.

At length a tall Indian was discovered, by the glimmer of the firelight, cautiously moving toward them. Very stealthily he drew near enough to see the figures of the supposed men. Then he withdrew and another Indian appeared, who seemed carefully to count the sleeping figures.

Soon the whole party of redskins, sixteen in number, was discovered cautiously advancing. The witnesses of the preparation for a massacre were now so excited that they could hardly be restrained. The sergeant's plan was for his men to remain quiet until the muskets of the savages were discharged.

They had not long to wait. The Indians advanced within a few feet, then took good aim, discharged their pieces, gave their characteristic war whoop and rushed forward to complete their dastardly work by scalping their helpless victims.

Now was the sergeant's time, and at a given signal a deadly fire was poured upon the treacherous savages. Not one of them escaped.



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- First--That a number of our pupils may learn type-setting, and from the knowledge obtained be able to earn a livelihood after they leave school.
- Second--To furnish interesting matter for and encourage a habit of reading among our pupils and deaf-mute subscribers.
- Third--To be a medium of communication between the school and parents, and friends of pupils, now in the Institution, the hundreds who were pupils at one time or other in the past, and all who are interested in the education and instruction of the deaf or our land.

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MONDAY, MAY 16, 1893.

PERTINENT REMARKS.

Dr. J. H. Brown, head teacher in the Kansas School, lately discussed "Class Room Methods," at a teachers' meeting there, and some of his remarks were pertinent to persons and places that we have known. He started with the moral axiom that, in all departments of life, as well as in the school room, work characterized by method has a greater value than that which is not so characterized. Some teachers attempt too much,—try to cover more ground during a session than the nature of their work will permit. The result is seen in the harvest gathered. There is more straw and chaff than grain. "Method," says Dr. Brown, "is the diplomacy that knows how to deal with subjects and individuals, the tact that wins bloodless victories, the compass and rudder that guide the ship to the desired harbor." It is necessary for a teacher to make each pupil in his or her class a special study; to endeavor to know the temperament, habits, character, home influences, and other peculiarities the child may have. With this knowledge the teacher is in a position to work methodically and successfully. There must be system as well as discipline. It is not necessary "to rule with a rod of iron," but it is necessary to have a well defined order of procedure. The teacher who can best interest his or her pupils, is sure of the best results with the least friction.

The *Hawkeye* regrets the return of spring for one reason. It calls away some of the pupils from the school to do farm work at home. Our contemporary asks, "Can't it be stopped?" It can, and should be, stopped. We have stopped it here. The return of spring brings no requests from parents for their sons or daughters to come home. They know such requests are unreasonable, and will not be granted. Children are permitted to go home from this school, before the close of the term, in cases of emergency only. This rule is well understood, and duly respected.

A SURFET OF GOOD THINGS.

Some time ago the programme for the "Congress of Teachers of the Deaf," to be held here next July, was published. It contained a long list of important subjects to be discussed,—enough to occupy nearly a week with daily sessions, even if each participant be limited to time. More recently the "Congress of the Deaf," which is to meet in the same place, and at the same time, issued its programme, and another lengthy list of interesting and comprehensive subjects was before us. By arrangements previously announced, those two "Congresses" are to hold separate meetings in the same rooms on alternate days. If teachers of the deaf, and others interested, who will attend these meetings, are expected to participate in all the sessions, they will have no time for even a brief recreation. But, the main object of their journey to Chicago at that time will be to view the wonders of the World's Fair, and the almost equal wonders of the "Windy City." With such irresistible attractions to engage their attention and consume the time at their disposal, the demands of the "Congresses" will either be slightly honored or ignored entirely. Few of those who will go to Chicago then can afford a heavy draft on a not over-plethoric purse, and most of them will find the big show and big city more interesting objects for the recompense of a necessary outlay than formal discussions of papers, however important in a professional sense. We fear the expectations of those who have promoted the cause and prepared the programmes will not be fully realized. In view of what has been done, and the results so reasonably anticipated from such a meeting of able and experienced teachers and exponents of deaf-mute education, a probable failure is a matter of concern. Better things may be realized than circumstances seem to make possible, and we will rejoice if, at the close of the meetings, it can truthfully be said that success crowned the effort of those who labored so faithfully for a noble purpose.

There is a languor in the air up where the Colorado *Index* is created. The able editor of that lively paper announces that he has purchased a new paste pot "with a dainty sponge on the top," and has sharpened his jack-knife "to a keen razor edge." Hereafter he intends to write less, but "go for exchanges" in a lively manner. We have a good pair of editorial scissors and a big paste pot. Both are in constant demand.

The Kentucky School for the deaf has been in existence for seventy years. We doff our hat with due respect for so venerable an institution. Sometimes we feel like assuming airs, but when we see such an ancient claim for consideration, and remember that we have not yet reached the quarter century mark, our conceit vanishes, and we become an humble admirer of superior worth.

This is too good for ephemerical glory only. The *Silent Hooster* thinks it should pass into the classics of deaf-mutism. "If there is such a thing." It was quoted by Dr. Latham in a recent lecture. "A boy was describing a wood chuck hunt, and said, 'The boy chopped the ground with his dig, and the dog hurried with his wag.'"

The Nebraska *Mute Journal*, of recent date said: "The *Canadian Mute* does us proud. It says pleasant things of our Superintendent and his wife. The Scripture has a few words on this line about 'Pleasant words are as honey comb, sweet to the soul, and health to the bones.'"

"Impressions of Canada."

In a recent issue of *Buff and Blue*, the National College journal, Mr. J. C. Balis, one of our teachers, had an article giving his impressions of Canada, from a residence of three years in this section of the Dominion. Mr. Balis is a native of New York State, and has also resided in Wisconsin, Ohio, Pennsylvania and Maryland. He is over forty years of age, and therefore writes with mature judgment, and as a patriotic American. We commend his remarks to the "latocditor" of the *Washingtonian*, who appears to have been resurrected for a purpose. The term "late," to which he objects, was applied to his editorial capacity and not to himself as an individual, and in that respect it was a correct application. We only quote part of Mr. Balis' article.

To the average American the name "Canada," is synonymous with ice and snow, dreary landscape and a land with existence for its inhabitants. Such was about my own notion of this beautiful land until actual residence, a careful scrutiny of the Canadian press and ocular evidence opened my eyes to the great mistake we have labored under regarding it. The greater part of Canada, I do not say British America, is as fair a land and as rich in natural productions and mineral wealth as the fairest of noble man's domains. The winters are not so severe as those of New York and New England, or along the lakes and the West. The degree of cold falls as low but the absence of the "blizzards" and the delightful dress of the climate and general calm during the winter season render its effects less noticeable. Besides this there is generally a continuous covering of protecting snow.

So much for Mr. Balis' impressions of our climate. He has been favorably impressed in other respects, as the following will show.

Here in Ontario, the farmers are a well fed, well-lad, and prosperous class of people. Fine stock and plenty of it is the rule while their crops are bountiful, and the harvest of fruits among the finest in the Temperate Zone. Their honey industry and the products of the dairy are unsurpassed by any country.

Mineral wealth, inexhaustible as it seems, develops while others are producing more and more largely every day. As the capitalists begin to realize their value, gold, silver, copper, iron, and the largest deposits of nickel yet discovered are among the chief sources of mineral wealth to the future Canadian.

Settlers from the Western States are pouring into her great Northwest by caravans, while the stream of immigration from the British Isles, and Europe has received new impetus, and the cities thus acquired are of the sort that make cities as who could say. The Canadian is as free as the winds on the south in all a freeman's essentials. The strictness of his laws is prompt and crime discovered, receives a sure retributive. When a new government is elected it enters at once upon its duties and the old steps out. There is no long fevers' interval between the nomination and inauguration. Fitness rather than political pulls, determines an official's tenure of office under successful governments.

Sabbath sanctity is a prominent feature of the Canadian life and affects railway and tramway traffic in a manner very aggravating to travelers whose luck has stranded them there over Sunday. But the law that protects the Sabbath has also eliminated the tramp and his kindred, and in many sections the householder might as well go lose his keys for all the need there is for them.

The schools of Canada hold a deservedly high place in the public estimation, and so far as I have seen there is no better system in vogue.

An Interesting Lecture.

Principal McDermid, of the Mantola School, can make himself useful in more ways than one. Recently he delivered an interesting lecture in the Central Congregational Church, Winnipeg, under the auspices of the Literary Society, on "The American Civil War, its Causes and History." The subject is somewhat familiar, but Mr. McDermid made it instructive, as well as interesting and evinced a thorough knowledge of that important part of American history. With the aid of well drawn maps he illustrated the progress of the conflict, and showed how the series of union victories led to the surrender of the Confederate forces and the termination of one of the greatest wars of ancient or modern times. The lecturer was highly complimented for his effort.

Isolated Hospital.

We think all institutions should have a separate building for those taken down with contagious diseases, such as the cottage hospital of the New York Institution. Several times during the past fifteen years conditions that might have resulted in epidemics have been averted by prompt removal of the first case of sickness to a separate hospital. It requires money to build a separate hospital, but it is in the end, not only in a pecuniary sense but in protecting the lives of children that under other conditions would be endangered. *N. Y. Journal*

The Ontario Government, on the recommendation of Inspector Chamberlain, has placed \$4,000 in the Estimates now before the Legislature for an Isolated Hospital on our grounds. We expect to have the building completed ready for any emergency before school begins in September next.

A High Compliment.

SUPERINTENDENT MATHISON, OF THE DEAF AND DUMB INSTITUTE, BELLEVILLE, ONT.

To any one familiar with the Institution for the Deaf & Dumb at Belleville, which has been obtained, the news to-day will be no cause for surprise. In which year Mr. Mathison took the school has stamped itself upon the continent. The world to believe, is quoted by statesmen throughout America. The school is not far to seek; it is contained in duty—first last, and always. The school well comprehended by himself, by his staff, and hence the victory of the school through every examination, and test of all kinds, repeated. It is but a short time since we saw his name added to the standing Committee, which counts the ablest professors, for the active part in matters affecting the welfare of these children, and today the National College of Washington, has through distinguished President, E. M. Gallaudet, been pleased to confer upon him the degree of M. A. as a further recognition of his services to the cause, as well as of which has attended his management of the school, and congratulations. May the recipient long live to enjoy the honor. *Belleville Intelligencer, May 11, 1893.*

The *Times* tenders its congratulations to Mr. Mathison, Superintendent of the Institution for the Deaf and Dumb at Belleville, who has had the honor of degree of M. A. conferred upon him by the National College at Washington, of which President E. M. Gallaudet is the patron. Mr. Mathison is not only a teacher but also a skillful business manager, and has done good service for every public body with which he has been connected. He was on the staff of the *Times*, and was editor and manager of the *Times* for his first government situation as Director of the London Asylum for the Deaf. Mr. Mathison's career is a contradiction of fact that there is no chance for promotion in the case of a civil servant. *Transition*

Mr. H. Mathison, Superintendent of the Institution for the Deaf and Dumb at Belleville, has had the honorary degree of M. A. conferred on him by the National College at Washington, of which President E. M. Gallaudet is the patron. The distinction was given on Saturday, April 24, and the formal ceremony was held at the National College, where Mr. Mathison stated that the degree conferred "in recognition of your administration of the affairs of your institution for your general attainments." The degree was thoroughly well deserved. Mr. Mathison is an enthusiastic in his work, and one of the best officers in the provincial service. *Belleville Ontario*

Mr. H. Mathison, the efficient Superintendent of the Provincial Institution for the Deaf and Dumb at Belleville, has had the degree of Master of Arts conferred upon him by the National College at Washington, D. C. Mr. Mathison is the worthy recipient of this high honor, and he may long be spared to continue to do as well. *Belleville Ontario*

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National College for the Deaf

WASHINGTON, D. C. April 24, 1893.

The annual Presentation Day of the National College for the Deaf, which has been expected to attend the presentation of the degrees, but owing to the great pressure of business the president found it impossible to come. The Naval Review at Hampton demanded their presence there. Many distinguished people present, including Dr. Fay and Mr. Barrett, of the Apostolic Delegation to the United States, Bishop Corrigan, of the Catholic Church, J. C. Weiling of the Columbian University, Dr. Rankin, of the Howard University, Mrs. Greely, Prof. Alexander Graham Bell, A. Melville Bell (Gen. Brockbridge), Dr. Newcomb, Prof. Eaton, Dr. Joseph Allen, of the Weather Bureau, Messrs. Thomas Gallaudet, D. D., of New York, and the graduating class is the largest in the history of the college, all of the 12 members will receive the degree of M. A. and Mr. H. K. Miss Thiel will be the first to receive from the College the full honor of a M. A. degree. Mr. DeLong the honor first in their class. The oration was given by Prof. Fay Chickering, followed by Prof. J. C. Weiling, followed by Mr. H. K. Miss Thiel, who gave the oration orally. Dr. Gallaudet gave the six normal students. Messrs. H. K. Miss Thiel and Mr. H. K. Miss Thiel, the diplomas from the normal class, Mr. H. K. Miss Thiel, having earned American will return to Ireland to teach the deaf there. The degree of M. A. was conferred upon Mr. Mathison, of the Belleville, Ontario, Canada. After the presentation of the degrees, the president of the National College, delivered the address of the day. The exercises closed with a dinner given by Rev. Thomas Gallaudet. After the guests visited the College and gymnasium and the normal school, a reception at their house. Mrs. H. K. Miss Thiel, and Miss Lulu Chickering, with them distinguished visitors, professors and their wives, and the class were present. A very elegant dinner was served. *The Completion*

SHOW US WHAT YOU ARE.

Don't say "Begin! Begin! You
Mean it. That won't take you far!"
If it takes you there and in you,
Show us what you are!

Don't state your preacher, poet,
Famous leader of the bar—
You may, but we do not, know it
Show us what you are!

Don't let an awning, "if" and "and"-ing,
Or a coat of constant star,
If you're not waiting while you're standing,
Show us what you are!

Set your little genius working
Take a task, to make or mar,
For your wealth are won by thinking,
Show us what you are!

Don't be a better, nobler, stronger
Than the rest of us by far,
If you don't think so any longer
Show us what you are!

DETROIT DOINGS.

Have just read CANADIAN MUTE, and
seeing in Detroit news in it have taken
up my pen to try and do something. In
a recent issue I read a letter from
Pansy, and she wondered why I did
not write oftener. She ought to know
the reason why, without wondering, and
I think it is I who should wonder why
Pansy don't write oftener, when she
has nothing else to do.

The writer meets quite a number of
old friends here. Miss Marion Campbell
is staying in Detroit now, and we quite
often see each other, but expect to
dinner when it gets warmer. Marion
likes Detroit very much, but is loyal to
Canada and her Canadian friends.

I had the pleasure of meeting Miss
Lalbert at Thursday. She is looking
quite well and often comes over to Do-
trot.

Mr. Mann came to Detroit last
Thursday to marry a deaf and dumb
boy and gentleman. As the writer was
not present at the wedding, who can give
you an account of it, but was told it
was a very pretty wedding though very
private. In the evening Mr. M. held
service for the D. & D. in their chapel.
There were quite a number present.
The writer, Miss M. Campbell and Miss
M. Lafferty were among the number, also
Messrs Larkins and Stephens. Both
of the latter are looking well and getting
along splendidly. After church three
ladies whose names I will not mention,
insisted on seeing the writer home, and
after doing so started to go back. On
reaching a street they should have went
down they turned up instead, and after
walking quite a distance began to wonder
why they were so long in reaching
the street they were to take the cars at,
and noticed the street had private resi-
dences instead of stores. After watch-
ing the number on the houses they found
out their mistake and turned back.
They arrived home about eleven o'clock,
slept but rather tired, which is not at all
surprising when they must have walked
a little over 2 1/2 miles.

Lucretia and Mrs. Sutherland recent-
ly. Both are looking well, and their
little boy is quite a bright, lively child
for its age.

Now the World's Fair has opened, and
many of your readers will be going. I
would like to say to all those who go, see
and learn all you can while there; be
sure you take plenty of paper and pencils
to take down all you see and all that
happens that you think would be inter-
esting and keep it for the CANADIAN
MUTE next term. There will be a good
many unable to go, so if those who go
will write a little about it, I am sure it
would be a great pleasure to those who
can't go.

I noticed in the last issue that a great
many deaf mutes have been out of work
this winter. I am very sorry, but trust
you will not think me unkind when I
say I am afraid none have no one but
themselves to blame. I know some
cannot help it. I am proud to say I am
a working girl, depending on no one but
my Heavenly Father. I have all the
work I can do and sometimes more than
I can do. My advice is, when you get a
place, try and keep it. No matter what
your work is, try and do it as well as you
can. If asked to work a few minutes
do it so willingly. Always be
pleasant and obliging. Don't ask more
pay than your work is worth because
another gets more, the longer you are
in a place the more pay you get and
the more privileges you are allowed.
I have had a great deal of experience,
and think a great many deaf-mutes would
do more work than they have if they
would only try to become first-class
workers and be obliging, industrious,
and when you are in work, try and
do all you can. Don't buy a thing if

you don't need it, unless you can afford
it.

Now I am sure many of your readers
will think this letter not at all interest-
ing, so had better put my pen away for
a time with a promise to try and do
better next time.—L. M. M.

CHICAGO CHIPS.

From an Occasional Correspondent
In a blaze of glory amid the booming
of cannon, the pulsation of mighty
machinery, the waving of countless
banners and the tumultuous shouts of a
vast and enthusiastic multitude the
World's Columbian Exposition was for-
mally opened at Chicago on May 1st.

Mr. H. M. Thomas was a lucky sight
saw, and saw the fly wheel go when
President Cleveland pressed the button
to start the machinery, and he happened
to see a trained bear—a dumb animal,
waved his handkerchief at the President
as the latter was passing him. Mr.
Thomas walked about fifteen miles with-
in the exposition grounds. Indeed a
poor man can see the whole fair for fifty
cents.

Mr. Thomas is arranging for a Ho-
mion of the Thomas tribe, which is to be
held at the great fair next August.

A large reception given to Dr. Gillett,
Superintendent of the D. & D. Institution
at Jacksonville, Ill., was held at the
First Methodist church on 5th of May,
in honor of the fourth anniversary of the
Mission for the Deaf Mutes in Chicago,
which he established in the year 1888.
Dr. Gillett made a very interesting speech
in signs, after which some ladies and
gentlemen made addresses and remarks.
Refreshments were served and a very
enjoyable time had by about 200 deaf
mutes present. On the 7th, Dr. Gillett
invited Prof. Ray, of the Colorado Insti-
tution to conduct the services. It was
very interesting, the subject—"Love."
Your correspondent will leave for Canada
this week.

Institution Reports.

We beg to acknowledge the receipt of
a copy of the Columbian report of the
Institute for Female Deaf-Mutes, situat-
ed at Montreal. This school is under the
management of the Sisters of Providence
and in, we are pleased to learn, doing
good work. Not only is the literary de-
partment in a flourishing condition, but
various handicrafts are taught the in-
mates that means of self-support may
be possessed at the end of scholastic
term. This Institution has, since its
opening in 1851, imparted instruction to
some 789 children and reports a present
attendance of 175 pupils. Two distinct
methods are pursued, the pure Oral and
the Manual, scholars remaining under
training 8 years. A variety of paintings,
drawings and articles of needle work
and knitting have been forwarded to the
World's Fair, which will not only re-
flect creditably on the silent ones, but
also on their devoted staff. We wish
the Institute continued success and
prosperity.

What Makes a Teacher.

We found this in the Nebraska Mute
Journal, where good things are generally
found. On the vexed question of what
a teacher should be, it is *multum in
parvo*:—"There are teachers and teach-
ers. Comparisons are odious. There is
no sense in discussing whether a deaf
teacher or speaking teacher is better.
Is a black haired teacher better than a
red headed one? Is a man better than a
woman? In our deaf schools, as in
all others, it takes the party possessing
brain and heart culture to be a teacher.
A person having "bay horse sense, no
difference as to the color of his eye, or
cut of his hair. Other things, being
equal a fine-looking person possessed of
all his senses is preferable to an ugly,
one legged man. But we've known a
one armed soldier with thick red hair to
teach better than a lady, sweet as an
angel and beautiful as an Hour. Don't
compare bodies. 'Tis the soul and brain
and heart and whatever is born in a man
or woman, that makes the teacher we
all want for our schools for the deaf

The Educator for April has been re-
ceived, and well sustains the reputation
the first issue under the present man-
agement was accorded. The editorial
department, especially, is full of valuable
thoughts, suggestions, and observations.
The Educator takes high rank among
the best publications of the kind emanat-
ing from any source.



SPORTING NEWS.

THE SERIES OF MATCHES IN THE FOOT-
BALL LEAGUE.

Three foot ball matches in one day on
the same grounds are not often witnessed,
but these took place on our field on the
29th ult. In the morning at 10 o'clock
Albert College appeared in the arena for
the first time this season, their opponents
being the Ontario Business College team.
Our boys evinced a great interest in this
match, being anxious to measure their
presumably strongest rivals for first
place. The Alberts forward line was
decidedly stronger than when we last
played with them, of the merit of the
defence we had no chance to judge as it
was scarcely ever called on to put forth
an effort. The "Ontarios" were very
unfortunate, five from amongst their
best players, having left the city since
the week before when they played with
us, and their places had to be filled
with "green" men, yet they played a
strong defence game, but were ultimately
defeated by a score of 4 to 0. Mr Douglas
was referee.

The second match commenced at
2:30 p. m. Mutes vs. High School—
Our lads were so confident that they
took little pains to prepare for this game,
and tired themselves before they began
to play, they expected to get at least
six goals, but the High School defence
put on a much firmer front than ever
before, and our team had to work hard
for every advantage gained. The goal
keeper and back of the High School
deserve all praise for the way they kept
our slick forwards from scoring. Cham-
bers, O'Meara and Jno. Chantler scored
the goals won—3 to 0. Mr Marsh of
the O. B. C. was referee.

The last match of the day was between
the City team and Belleville Business
College. The City was the first to score,
soon after made even by the College
boys, the City then scored again, the
game ending 2 to 1 in favor of the latter.
The B. B. C. are improving, their great
lack in more combination among the
forwards. Mr Ward, of Albert College,
was referee.

On the 3rd inst. Albert and the City
were scheduled to play. The Alberts
arrived and waited for their opponents,
but they did not come, so the Collegians
had to drive home without playing.
The Executive Committee gave the
match to Albert in default, and the City
were fined. It would have been much
more satisfactory if the game had been
played out.

WE MET, WE PLAYED, WE CONQUERED.

On the 6th, the scheduled match be-
tween D. & D. Institute and Albert
College took place. All the citizens of
Belleville, who are interested in sporting
matters, were anxious to know the
result of a meeting between these two
teams, as the match would probably
decide which should take first place in
the Belleville League. If reports speak
truly the College boys had been very
confident of victory and spoke of the
match as already theirs. Our team, on
the other hand, were by no means sure,
they intended to do their best by the
results what they might. They looked
for one of the hardest struggles that
they have had for a long time and pre-
pared accordingly. The match took place
before between the "Alberts" and
"Ontarios" enabled us to measure our
opponents. Mr Walker on the right
wing and Mr Ward on the left were
spotted as dangerous, and our team was
slightly shifted to suit the occasion.
Big Smart was sent to pay his compli-
ments to Mr Ward while Noonan re-
ceived strict orders to hunt the slick
Mr. Walker like a shadow. Mike carried
out his orders so well that Mr. Walker
slung down his cap in disgust and looked
around for some one to kick him, which
little exhibition greatly amused the
spectators. Our boys kicked town field
and at once began to press their
opponents. In a few minutes the Alberts
fouled the ball twenty five yards out,
and John Chantler was put to take the
kick. This he did neatly by lifting up
the ball and dropping it in goal, just
under the bar. The Alberts goal keeper
should have let it go through, but he

attempted to stop it and grazed it with
his fingers, making the necessary second
play to score. After this the Alberts
made several calls at our goal, but our
defence successfully staved them off.
Our forwards were not playing well
during the rest of the half time, either
they were resting on their laurels or
were holding in for the last half. After
ends were changed the ground was very
slippery from rain, but our forwards
began to show up and pushed hard, very
seldom failing to steal the ball when
they went for it, and pretty effectually
keeping it until they got a kick on goal.
In the next half hour our forwards
got the ball through five times more but
three were disallowed, two from fouls
claimed and one from being sent through
at one play. Hence scored the second
goal and again the same player drove
the ball in, it struck the bars and bound-
ed back when Ibbister dropped on it and
chucked it through.

The best good feeling existed between
the teams, our boys were jubilant and
deserved to be. The "Alberts" were
dejected, but acknowledged the defeat
gracefully. They do not seem satisfied,
they think that the weather and condi-
tion of the grounds favored our team,
but we can scarcely credit the success
we gained to that cause, better play
must have been a factor. All our lads
played well and all deserve the credit we
would gladly give to each if space per-
mitted. The ladies from Albert were
out in full force, and cheered on their
champions to little purpose, for the
"dummies" got there with both feet.

We must not forget our little juniors.
They also played a match with a team
of their own size from the city and
defeated them by a score of 2 to 0.
They played on their own play-ground
and were just as interested as the seniors.
The following lads were on the team.—
A McGillivray, goal, W. McKay, J.
Delaney, backs, G. Wallace, N. Labelle,
half backs, R. King, Thomas Chantler,
right wing, E. Corbiere, J. Dubois, left
wing, W. Gould, W. Watt, centre.

The standing of the league teams is
as follows:—

	GAMES		GOALS	
	WON	LOST	WON	LOST
D. & D. Institute.	3	0	2	0
Albert College.	2	1	2	3
City.	1	1	2	1
B. B. College.	0	2	0	3
High School.	0	1	0	3
O. B. College.	1	2	2	2

Forfeited match to Albert College.

NOTES.

Ibbister and Chambers fairly earned
their titles to being the best forwards in
the league.

We hope to be able to publish the
photograph of our club in the CANADIAN
MUTE before close of school.

When we meet our Albert friends
again in a friendly contest, we hope they
will not be so dead sure of victory.

Mr. Mathison and his family, as well
as all teachers and officers were very
much interested in the match with
Albert, and are proud of our boys.

Mr. Beaton predicted disaster, and
promised the boys a lively gnying if they
failed, but the boys turned the tables on
him, and he took his dose like a little
man.

Alberts fair ladies cheered when, as
they thought, Mr Ward holed the ball
through our goal. It was neatly done
but an inch or two too high to score.

The outside back of the Alberts' team
deserves commendation. He kept cool,
and his kicking was strong and sure till
the very last.

Mr. Douglas, of our Athletic Associa-
tion, is President of the Foot-ball
League, he also watches our club's
interests with the Executive Committee.

The "Hotel Epworth" in Chicago, is
at the corner of Monroe Avenue and
Midway Place. It is a large four
story building under the management of
a brother of Mrs. Angus Fuller Fischer,
the deaf-mute poetess, of Omaha, Neb.

Mr. J. Edam, of Cleveland, Ohio, is
reported as having invented an attach-
ment to an alarm clock that will wake
deaf persons up at any desired hour. It
is described as follows. It is a box about
2 inches deep by 4 inches wide and 4 feet
long. Inside are a series of steps or
shelves, each alternate shelf facing the
other way. On the top is a groove with
a spring. When the alarm moves the
spring, which is about 1/2 of an inch in
diameter, it rolls down the groove into the
box, bounds from step to step backwards
and forwards till it reaches the bottom.
It is hung up on the back of the bed and
makes enough noise to wake the dead.

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Chantler was universally greeted and a plate of goodies accompanied by a note was sent up. Short notices were made by M. Lynch, G. Rogers, and J. Patrick, to all of which the hostess, Miss Lulu Robinson, replied in a most becoming manner. The party broke up at 10 p. m., after a most enjoyable evening. Letters of thanks were sent Mr. Mathison and Miss Walker. The invited guests were Miss Lulu Robinson, Hayward, Lynch, Ball, Hoggan, Ethel Irene Henry, F. Ball, McPhail, and Messrs. Revs. Chantler, Patrick, J. Henderson, John Chantler, Heathwaite, Eddie Ball and Labelle.

HOME NEWS

Miss Moore has been engaged as typewriter in Mr. Mathison's office. She can finger the keys with dexterity.

The aqueous precipitation has been something immense this spring, and hence outdoor amusements have been interfered with.

Squads of small boys, marshalled by a senior, have been employed for brief periods in gathering sticks, paper, etc. from the grounds. Cleanliness is next to godliness.

On the 5th inst., Mr. Ashley was away for a day. He went on a sad errand. It was to see his late mother's remains removed from the winter vault at Kingston and transferred to the cemetery grounds. Miss Herrington taught his class during his absence.

Every fine day Mr. Douglas and his staff of boys are busy removing the debris from the ruins of the old skating rink. No one misses the old place, all think it an improvement. The place would make a good lumber yard for the carpenter's shop timber if it was fenced in.

The pupils have been too busy with athletic to think of fishing yet. When the League matches are decided, on what wharf will probably be lined every fine Saturday afternoon with little fishers and their lines. The pupils are always very carefully watched at such times.

Miss L. M. Hodgins, who had been acting as clerk in Mr. Mathison's office during Mr. Smith's absence, had us good bye on the 29th ult. She has been a capable and obliging assistant, and has many friends at the Institution who wish her health and prosperity in the future.

Mr. R. O. Meera, who has been acting as assistant supervisor of the boys during Mr. Smith's absence at college, quitted from our community on the 10th ult. He made an efficient officer, and was popular with everybody. We heartily wish him success wherever he may go, or whatever he may engage in.

Spring is late and our tillers of the soil are looking blank over the prospects for a successful year. On our farm and garden very little has been done yet, for no sooner has the ground got a little dry and mellow, and the farmer lays his plans to begin operations, than the clouds open again with copious showers, and another vexatious delay has to be endured.

Mrs. Coleman, wife of our senior teacher, left on the 7th inst. per steamer "North King" for Charlotte, N. Y., en route for Washington, D. C., to visit her aged and infirm mother. Though tinged with sadness, we hope her trip to the picturesque and interesting capital of the great republic will be an enjoyable one, and that she will return to her pleasant Canadian home with improved health and spirits.

The Deseronto Tribune of May 1st has this compliment for us: THE CANADIAN MUTE of this week is an excellent number. It contains a large number of interesting articles and has an illustrated supplement giving a history of the Institution for the Deaf and Dumb. This interesting journal is one of our most welcome exchanges, and we are glad to see that it is constantly improving under the editorial supervision of Prof. J. B. Ashley.

The Critic favors us with this friendly notice, for which we tender sincere thanks: "The Canadian Mute" published semi-monthly at the Institution for the Deaf and Dumb, Belleville, Ont., is in excellent style. We welcome it to our office. The contents are varied, interesting and instructive. The paper is well worth the hearty support of all interested in the welfare of the deaf, and we predict for it plenty of patronage. We quote some of its articles elsewhere found in this issue.

We sometimes hear of our former pupils through visitors to the Institution who come down near their homes or places where they are employed. It pleases us to hear good reports of them and that they are leading steady and industrious lives and are a credit to their friends and an honor to the Institution which trained them.

Mr. R. M. Thomas, who is living in Chicago writes to one of the teachers here that he enjoyed a day of sight seeing on the 1st inst. He witnessed the opening of the great fair and walked fully fifteen miles viewing the wonderful sights. He advises all his friends here to see the big show during the coming vacation, and informed Mr. McKillop that he had reserved a ticket for him to see Prof. Jones' lecture in July. Mr. Thomas is a fortunate man in many respects.

At the Presentation Day exercises of the National College, on 20th ult., the degree of Bachelor of Science was conferred upon Michael Madden. This young man was formerly a pupil of this school, passing as far as the fourth class, when he went to Texas with his parents. After attending the Texas School for some time he was sent to college, and, as the above announcement shows, has distinguished himself there. We take some interest in his success as a student.

Mr. W. D. Mace of Tawaworth, accompanied by Mr. J. C. Jamieson, of the Intelligencer, visited the Institution on the 1st inst. Mr. Mace was much interested in what he saw in the classes and other departments, as it was his first visit to the school. Mr. Jamieson's genial face is familiar to nearly everybody here. We embrace this opportunity to congratulate him and his amiable consort on having enjoyed twenty-five years of conjugal bliss, their silver wedding being duly celebrated on the 29th ult.

Mr. I. G. Smith, our genial Clerk and Storekeeper, who has been an earnest student of medicine at Toronto University for two sessions, returned to his duties here on the 1st inst. We were all glad to see him again, and to know that he resumes his work among us in excellent health and spirits. He is now half way through his course of study, and will soon add another honorable, though familiar name to the roll of Esculapius' disciples. We believe he will make as efficient a physician as he is a clerk and storekeeper.

Miss Gertrude Maxwell, of Detroit, a valued correspondent of THE CANADIAN MUTE, will have the sympathy of many in her great bereavement. Her father, Albert Maxwell, who for many years was proprietor of the Goswold House in that city, died on the 4th inst. of heart trouble. Mr. Maxwell was born near Hamilton, Ont., and was 58 years old. The body was brought to Hamilton for interment on the 6th, the funeral being conducted by the Masons, of which society the deceased was a prominent member.

Never in the history of the Institution has our foot ball field been trampled by so many feet. For weeks past, every Saturday has witnessed some forty expert exponents of the game from the city struggle to the mastery. Our grounds are well measured and the lines clearly marked with saw dust, while the goal posts are made of solid wood. The city teams are becoming as familiar with our grounds as we are ourselves. They cheerfully pay the ten-cent bus fare out for the superior advantages that our grounds afford, and our pupils enjoy the pleasure of viewing the games. Nearly every match has so far been played here.

The home going time is coming in apace. Our little ones of the first year, are full of blissful anticipations in being again soon enfolded in mamma's arms, and leaving the rim of the home cupboards. Even the old pupils, who have been back and forth for years, are not indifferent to the change. In youth more than at other times, variety is the spice of life. Those who are this year terminating their course and are about to sever their connection with the Institution will do so with many regrets, for where will they find the same pleasant companionship and congenial spirits. They will also miss the rousing athletic contests on the foot ball field or the diamond. For many of them we fear that the battle for daily bread will be too stern a reality to permit more than an occasional relaxation for such things. They will find that "Life is real, life is earnest," and to succeed will demand all their powers for work and self-denial.

PERSONALITIES.

Col. C. P. Wallbridge, the newly elected mayor of St. Louis, is a staunch friend of the deaf.

Allan Wautenberg of New Hamburg, has secured a situation at shoe making in Woodstock, with Mr. Murray.

Supt. Rothert, of the Iowa School, who met with a serious accident some time ago, is progressing steadily towards recovery.

Rev. Dr. Gallaudet has written an interesting article for The Ladies Home Journal, entitled "The Children of Silence."

The late Susan Mason, of Philadelphia, left \$10,000 for the school for the deaf there. That school is fortunate in many respects.

"Prof." Jacob Edam, of Cleveland, Ohio, is happy. He has received four orders for his "mute's alarm clock." One of the orders came from Canada.

Cecil Myers, aged 22 years, a pupil of the Ohio School, died on the 19th ult., of scarlet fever. He was a fine young man, and his death was much regretted.

Bro. J. L. Smith, the versatile and genial editor of the Companion, will be president of the editors' convention at Chicago next July. The right man in the right place.

Mr. Van Allen, editor of the Silent World, has been appointed a lay-reader in the Episcopalian Church. That church is becoming well equipped for missionary work among the deaf.

Miss G. E. Maxwell, of Detroit, so well and favorably known to many of our readers, will spend some time this summer visiting friends in Canada, Buffalo, and other places. We hope she will have a pleasant and profitable vacation.

Extracts from Letters

Our old pupil and good friend, John T. Taylor, Singhampton, Ont., writes the Superintendent that he feels a little ashamed he did not write before, but he was very busily engaged and could not find time, although he often had the inclination. He says: "I am doing well on the farm during the Summer season, and work in a shoe shop during the cold weather. The welcome sound of the roost, gray-owl and black-bird break on our ears now, and every person feels happy to come in after being snowed in for six months. Sugar making is a luxury that nearly every farmer is indulging in around here. The bountiful sap flows from the maple cow. We had 360 trees tapped a few days before April Fool's Day, and we made 50 gallons of syrup. The good weather prevented us making more. There was a heavy snow-storm in this vicinity accompanied with a very high wind, on the 20th April, and a cousin of mine had a new house blown down. His friends rallied around him and in a few days raised it again, and it is now all right. I purpose visiting Thomas Middleton, at Horning's Mills, as I feel lonely without the companionship of those afflicted like myself. Whenever I get word from Belleville my heart recalls the happiest days of my life. I feel I owe a debt of gratitude to all who assisted me in obtaining an education. I would like to go to school again, as I want to study about many things of which I am not well posted, but as I have commenced life's duties, I must make the best use of the opportunities that I have had, and try to improve myself by careful reading and study at home."

The institutions for the deaf in the States of North and South Dakota have superintendents who are deaf mutes. The principal of the Ohio Institution, one of the largest schools of the kind in the country, is a deaf mute.

Arrangements have been made with the city ministers of all denominations to hold a short service once a week for the benefit of the Protestant children at the Deaf and Dumb Institute. As only a short time will elapse before the school closes for the summer holidays, the principal will notify ministers by postcard when their turn comes, but next session a circular will be issued for the term, giving the dates when each minister is expected to visit the institute. Mr. J. A. Brindamour still continues giving religious instruction to the Catholic children. The various religious denominations are represented as follows: Episcopalians 10, Presbyterians 9, Methodists 7, Roman Catholics 3, Lutherans 3, Jews 2, Congregationalists 1, Salvationists 1. Emptying Dry Pans

THE CANADIAN MUTE.

MONDAY, MAY 15, 1893.

Do not a leetle for each itself and friend, thus the edge of humanity.

A Good Suggestion.

THE QUESTION OF OPENING OUR SCHOOL.

The Superintendent, in his annual report, Inspector, refers to the present conditions and actual danger, that is encountered at the Union School, Toronto, when gathering the pupils for the opening of the school in September. Those who assist Mr. Mathison in his arduous work know what serious reasons exist for asking that the opening date be deferred until the 1st of September. Children are crowded at a point from nearly all sections of the province, north, west, and south of the metropolis. They crowd the city with a crowd, and meet at the station, as the great Fair season, and thousands of people are daily rushing to and fro. It is a great responsibility to have the arrival of these generally helpless children, and properly to care for them, and they can be forwarded to their destination. Baggage, too, must be gathered from mountainous piles, and the risk of incurring the displeasure of over-worked railway officials. The presence of so many children in the hands in charge somewhat increases the station agents and conductors responsible for the accommodation of the travelling community. We trust Mr. Mathison's very reasonable proposals will receive prompt attention and favorable consideration.

A Surprise Party.

The 1st inst., being Mabel's birthday, the girls thought they would surprise her. Lulu Robinson, to whom the day is largely due, received the party with a surprise party in the evening next to the chapel. The girls went on all the afternoon. Various dishes were smuggled in, and the girls being the wiser. The girls had a club and pay for the party. But our kind Matron and Superintendent put their heads together and there was a goodly array of refreshments and oranges. These were served in most notes after the party, and seven o'clock found the girls in a room, which had been reserved for the occasion. Miss Walker's party had been robbed of its contents, and the girls and flowers. The girls were lovely. When all was over, Miss Lulu Robinson, who had been the party of hostess, ushered the girls to the ball, who was much enjoyed. There was a little speech given by the girls in the evening, which was followed by supper in which the girls were joined by Messrs. Gallagher and Douglas. Mr. Mathison and Miss Walker received a share of the party, and we were all sorry that the party could not be prevented upon the 1st inst. The absence of Jas.

A Teacher's Letter.

DEAR TEACHER:- I thought that I'd write you a line I'm Joe, you remember, of school Number Nine in Quaint town...

Comiskey's Great Joke.

When the Browns were on their Eastern trip they furnished quite a show for the benefit of the hotel guests. It was a silence-in fun act, and Hoy, the still center-helder played the star part...

A Little Boy's Prayer.

Some years ago the beautiful town of Milton, Pa., was visited by a very destructive fire. In twenty minutes after the fire was first seen, the town was ablaze in a dozen places and beyond the control of the firemen...

A Brown County, Kan., woman sued her husband for a divorce in the last court. She is hard of hearing and on the witness stand swore that her husband would make her hold her ear trumpet to her ear while he swore at her through it.

For the "Wise" Girls.

Girls, when you go home I would like for you to be as helpful as you can, to your mothers. All the time you have been away, the sweet mother at home has worked hard, and saved in every way possible...

Mr Childs to Girls.

My advice to the girls and women with whose educational progress I have in any respect been identified has been to keep out of debt, to dress plainly, to be careful in their behavior toward men...

"Sit" or "Set."

A writer in The Christian World sends up this little rocket to shed light upon the confusion existing in many minds in regard to the use of the two words "sit or set"...

A Serious Problem.

Here is a problem for some of our wise teachers to figure out:—"If our pupils use the English language two or three hours a day, and the sign language twelve hours, how long will it take them, at the same rate, to master the English language?"

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SCHOOL HOURS: From 9 A. M. to 12 noon, and from 1.30 to 3 p. m. Drawing Class from 2.30 to 3 p. m. on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons of each week...

Articulation Classes :-

From 9 A. M. to 12 noon and from 1.30 to 3 p. m.

Religious Exercises :-

EVERY SUNDAY - Primary pupils 9 a. m.; senior pupils at 11 a. m.; General Lecture at 2.30 p. m. Immediately after which the Bible Class will assemble.

Clergymen of all Denominations are cordially invited to visit us at any time.

Industrial Departments :-

PRINTING OFFICE, SHOE AND CARPENTER Shops from 7.30 to 8.30 a. m. and from 3.30 to 5.30 p. m. for pupils who attend school...

Visitors :-

Persons who are interested, desirous of visiting the Institution, will be made welcome on any school day. No visitors are allowed on Saturdays, Sundays or Holidays...

Admission of Children :-

When pupils are admitted and parents come with them to the Institution, they are kindly advised not to linger and prolong leaving-taking with their children...

Visitation :-

It is not beneficial to the pupils for friends to visit them frequently. If parents must come, however, they will be made welcome to the class-rooms and allowed every opportunity of seeing the general work of the school...

Clothing and Management :-

Parents will be good enough to give all directions concerning clothing and management of their children to the Superintendent. No correspondence will be allowed between parents and employees under any circumstances without special permission upon each occasion.

Sickness and Correspondence :-

In case of the serious illness of pupils letters or telegrams will be sent daily to parents or guardians. In the absence of letters or telegrams of pupils may be quite sure they are well.

R. MATHISON, Superintendent.

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