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The object of the Province in founding and maintaining this Institute is to afford education 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 the amount charged for board will be admitted free. Clothing must be furnished by parents or friends.

At the present time the trades of Printing, Carpentering 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 closes 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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Wishing and Doing.

Do you wish the world were better?
Let me tell you what to do,
Let a watch upon your actions,
Keep them always straight and true,
Bid your mind of selfish motives,
And the rule of love apply,
You can make a little Eden
Of the sphere you occupy.

Do you wish the world were wiser?
Well, suppose you make a start,
By accumulating wisdom
In the scrap-book of your heart,
Do not waste one page on folly,
Live to learn, and learn to live,
If you want to give men knowledge
You must get it, ere you give.

Do you wish the world were happier?
Then remember day by day
Just to scatter seeds of kindness
As you pass along the way,
For the pleasures of many
May be oft times traced to one,
As the hand that plants an acorn
Shelters smiles from the sun.



Their First Patient.

BY SUSAN HUBBARD MARTIN.

When Elizabeth and Sarah came into a handsome fortune through the death of an eccentric uncle who had not helped them during life, there was more solemnity than exultation in their joy. For seven years they had watched together at the bedside of a sick mother who had only lately passed to her reward. They had been poor, very poor, and this beloved mother had, of necessity, been deprived of the comforts that ease and relieve such long invalidism. These two girls, strong, auburn-haired, and beautiful, gave no thought as to what might now be possible for them in the shape of lovely gowns, jewels and servants. All these formed no part or lot in their plans or aspirations.

Elizabeth was dusting the sitting-room one morning as she had always done, when the old family doctor called to congratulate them. Sarah had been busy with her flowers in the garden, and had brought him in to Elizabeth just as she was. Both girls wore gingham gowns and plain white aprons. Their rich auburn hair was drawn into simple knots behind. Elizabeth came quickly forward, and the doctor grasped both her hands in his.

"My dear girl," he cried in his genial, kindly tones, "this is good news—great news! I couldn't stay away another minute when I heard of it. How glad I am! How I do rejoice for you!"

Elizabeth pushed an easy-chair forward with a smile. What obligations were she and Sarah not under to this kindly, generous friend who had stood by them through all those years of sickness?

"Yes," she answered quickly, "Sarah and I know you would be. We are glad too. Not so much for ourselves, for our wants are few. Poverty has taught us many lessons, and we have learned the discipline she enforces, but, doctor—"

"Yes, my girl."

"We have decided, Sarah and I, to set aside a tenth of our annual income for the sick poor. You are to be the judge and dispenser, and in every case where the necessary comforts are lacking, you are to draw on this fund. This is our memorial to mother."

The doctor looked at the fair young face incredulously. He had daughters of his own, and he thought he understood girls, but he was puzzled now. Not one word of themselves or what was possible now for them!

"Do you mean it?" he asked.

"Yes," Elizabeth answered gravely.

"One tenth of our income is to be set

aside for you to use among your sick poor."

Her gray eyes suddenly filled with tears. "Doctor," she cried impulsively, "you know our past poverty better than anyone else. You know the comforts, the necessities, our own dear mother lacked. We are anxious to spare other sick and weary ones the suffering she endured. She often needed things, and we were too poor to give them to her. Now 'though dead, she yet speaketh.' We have quite decided upon this, Sarah and I. We only ask the privilege of visiting these patients."

The doctor dashed his hand against his eyes, for they were full of tears. How much this would mean to him, tried and troubled as he was by the suffering of the needy!

"You are good girls," he said huskily. "God bless you both. And I accept the trust, Elizabeth."

He came to see them a few days later. "I've found your first patient, girls," he said gravely. "A young man far from home and dying. They sent for me yesterday. Oh," he cried in a moved voice, "I wish you could have seen his room; so miserable and lacking all comforts. No one to even hand him a drink of water. The poor fellow is quite conscious, and knows he is nearing the end. What will you do?"

Elizabeth went up to the doctor and took his hand.

"Have him moved to a comfortable room," she answered earnestly, "at once. Get him a nurse and see that he lacks for nothing."

"Very well," replied the doctor briefly, "I will see that it is done."

Elizabeth made her first visit two days later. It was a large, cool, airy room she entered, and there, stretched before her upon a white bed, lay a young man, not much over twenty; a boy in fact. A vase of flowers stood on a little draped table, some fruit was near it, and a white gowned nurse hovered near, alert and attentive.

He looked up at her and smiled. Such a pitiful, touching smile! "My benefactress," he whispered slowly. "Oh, you are so good, so kind! I want to thank you but I cannot."

Elizabeth went up to him and took his hand. "Do not try," she said gently. "We love to do this for you, my sister and I. Are you sure you have everything you want?" she added earnestly.

"Everything," the boy cried. "Oh, it seems like heaven lying here in this cool sweet bed. I've been so sick, and it has all been so miserable."

Large tears rolled down his wasted cheeks. Elizabeth saw them and wiped them gently away, then after a few more comforting words, she left him.

She went again in a day or two. This time Sarah accompanied her. That evening she looked across at Sarah. They were sitting on the porch and it was very still and sweet.

"Sarah," she began suddenly, "tomorrow I am going to ask that young man if he is a Christian. I can't see him do without knowing. I can't, indeed, Sarah."

She took her Bible with her the next time. The youth was gradually growing weaker and weaker. Elizabeth took his hand, kneeling down suddenly by his bed.

"I've come to ask you," she said bravely. "if you are a Christian?"

The boy looked at her with almost fear.

"A Christian? No," he whispered feebly. "I haven't been good. I ran away from home. I met temptation and it conquered me. But now—" He grasped Elizabeth's hand imploringly. "You are good," he gasped; "you tell me you teach me—you lead me."

So sitting there, with the white-gowned nurse in the background, Elizabeth told the old, old story. How Jesus died for all; how he was able and willing to forgive sin. "Only believe in his love and accept him," she pleaded, her eyes

filling with tears. "His arms are out stretched to receive you—take him as your Saviour. He died that you might live."

The lad gazed at her, drinking in every word, then he turned his face to the wall and wept.

After a short silence he looked up at Elizabeth. "Pray for me. Pray that I may see the way."

When next Elizabeth visited her patient a wonderful calm seemed to have taken possession of him. He lay among his pillows faintly smiling. The doctor coming in, the boy looked up at him and his face was beautiful to behold.

"Doctor, it's all right. You've done your best for me—but it's all right—Miss Elizabeth will tell you." And he turned his face to the wall, evidently weary beyond expression. But there was a look of great gladness in his eyes.

The day wore on. Night fell, and still the sufferer lay upon his pillows gasping for breath, but with a glad light in his eyes. "It's all right," he would murmur.

Ten, eleven o'clock passed, then midnight came. At three minutes past twelve the nurse went to him. He was lying back upon his pillows, his hands folded over his breast. There was a smile on his lips. Indeed, indeed it was all right. The smile still wreathing the face told that, although Death had laid his impress there.

"That's What I'm Here For."

It was the uniformed young porter who said it, as he smiled pleasantly on the woman whose bundles he had started to carry for her. The station was full of travelers, hurrying to and from their trains, but the porter was not in the least hurried. He was quiet, ready, helpful, and he found a seat for the woman in the right car, and repeated, as she thanked him for his trouble, "That's what I'm here for, madam, all day long; just to see that people get aboard all right." Then he went back to the gate, and promptly helped somebody else to another train. Choery and pleasant, he carried babies, lifted heavy bags, reassured nervous people who were afraid the train would start without them, and made himself generally helpful, hour after hour.

"That's what I'm here for." The cheerful words carried an unconscious message. The porter's lot was not a very pleasant one. Perhaps he, too, longed to travel away from the hot city to the sea or the woods, yet all the year round he was shut within the crowded station, with its tracks and platforms. Few thanked him for helping them, and he could hardly have been blamed if he had been a trifling cross over his work. But he had no such thought; he was there to be helpful, and his heart was in his work.

The woman who had been helped to her seat by him thought it over as the train rolled away. She was one who had carried many burdens for other people, and had had few thanks. She scolded to herself to have spent her life in starting other people off where they wanted to go, and staying behind herself, and lately, she had felt rebellious about it. But the young porter's words started a new line of thought. "That's what I'm here for," she said to herself, "and it isn't my business to complain or to question. If he can do his day's work in that hearty spirit, I guess I can, too," and she felt her heart lighter than for many a day. The porter did not know it, but he had preached a whole sermon in five words that afternoon.—*Wellspring.*

The wasted mental forces would do all the work of the world.—*Itan's Horn.*

It is the crushed grape that gives out the blood-red wine. It is the suffering soul that breathes out the sweetest melodies.



TUESDAY, OCTOBER 1, 1901.

THE CANADIAN PRESS ASSOCIATION.

Excursion to the Maritime Provinces.

The press of Canada, and of many other countries, has won for itself a well-merited recognition as one of the most important factors in the educational and political movements of the day; and the Canadian Press Association, realizing that if its members are to be qualified to mould public opinion in right directions, to discuss intelligently all questions of national import and to furnish reliable information relative to the extent, resources and the varied local conditions of the Dominion, they must obtain their knowledge at first hand and form their own unbiased impressions, arranges annual excursions to different parts of the country. Two years ago a trip was taken to the Pacific Coast, while this year the Maritime Provinces were chosen as the objective point, so that those who took in both excursions have enjoyed the opportunity of seeing, under the most favorable conditions, every section of our vast Dominion. The party on this occasion comprised ninety-six persons; of whom one-third were ladies, and Superintendent Mathison, of the CANADIAN MINE, and Miss Mathison, were two of the participants in this delightful tour.

The itinerants left Montreal on August 15th., on a special Intercolonial train said to have been the handsomest and best appointed train that ever pulled out of Montreal. Crossing first the splendid Victoria Jubilee Bridge the road passes through the beautiful country south of the St. Lawrence and takes the shortest and most direct route to Quebec. It then makes its way among picturesque French-Canadian villages and reaches such well known summer resorts as Riviere du Loup, Cacouna and Little Metis, with other places very attractive to tourists. Beyond these it traverses the Metapedia Valley and enters upon the great salmon and trout fishing region, including the Cascapedia in Gaspé and the Restigonche, Nepisquit and Miramichi in New Brunswick, and then passing through Campbellton, Dalhousie, Bathurst, Newcastle and Chatham to Moncton, where the General Offices of the Intercolonial are situated. Here a few hours' stop had been arranged to give the excursionists an opportunity to see the famous "Bore," which is produced by the rise in the tide in the Bay of Fundy and reaches Moncton in the shape of an impetuous, rushing, roaring wall of water from four to ten feet high. However, owing to an accident to a preceding train, the pleasure of seeing this sublime spectacle had to be dispensed with to the great regret of the tourists. After less than an hour's run Point

du Chene was reached where the handsome S. S. Northumberland was taken to Summerside, P. E. I., which was reached on the evening of Friday, the 16th., and Saturday and Sunday were spent on the "right little, tight little Island." Several optional trips were arranged for from this point, which enabled the tourists to view some of the beautiful aspects of the Island, and one and all were surprised and delighted with all they saw. Prince Edward Island, aptly called "the Garden of the St. Lawrence," may be said to have just been discovered by tourists. It was almost unknown to this class till a few years ago, but when once its manifold attractions became known it was not long before it became a popular resort and hundreds of Americans and Canadians now spend the summer there. Nor could a better place be chosen, for the air is delightfully cool and invigorating and the climatic conditions very salubrious. The soil is remarkably fertile, the farm houses are indicative of prosperity and refinement and the fields are fenced off by beautiful hedges which give a most pleasing aspect to the country.

Sunday was spent at Charlottetown and on Monday the party left that place by steamer for Pictou, thence to Mulgrave, stopping a short time at Westville—the centre of the coal mining industry of Pictou County, with an output of 500,000 tons a year—Stellarton and Antigonish. On Tuesday morning the boat was taken for a trip through the Bras D'Or Lakes and St. Peter's Canal. These are well named the Golden Arm Lakes and the trip through them, which lasted all day, was a most delightful one. The channel winds in and out among the beautiful islets, past innumerable coves and bays and pretty little white-washed villages and popular summer resorts. Cape Breton has been called the Paradise of Canada, and hundreds of Americans spend their summers there. At Baddeck, Prof. Bell, inventor of the telephone, has a mansion on a pretty piece of land shooting out into the lake, and he considers that in all America there is no place offering equal facilities for delightful rest and recreation. Mr. George Kennan, whose book on "Siberia and the Exile System" has won him the enmity of the Czar and the acclamations of the rest of the world, also has a summer cottage here. Sydney was reached in the evening and the following day was spent in viewing the sights there. All intelligent Canadians know something about the developments in the iron industry at Sydney, but not even the best-informed of the tourists had formed any adequate conception of the reality. The plant is a magnificent one and the whole enterprise is conducted on a scale that is simply gigantic. The coal, of the best quality, is obtained in the vicinity, while the ore, equal to the best to be found on the continent, is brought from Newfoundland, where it is obtained almost on the surface and can be laid down at

the Sydney works for \$1.20 a ton. These fortunate combinations of materials enable this plant to turn out the best quality of iron and steel at a less cost than is possible in the United States, so the abundant success of this splendid enterprise is assured. The daily yield is now about 450 tons and is constantly increasing, being now more than double what it was two months ago. With this enormous industry and with the numerous related industries that are certain to follow, Sydney seems destined to become one of the greatest cities in America and the source of much wealth and prosperity to the Maritime Provinces, and, indirectly, to the whole Dominion. The Dominion Coal Company owns 150 square miles of coal leases, which contain at least 3,000,000,000 tons of coal and, as this is but a small part of the total coal area of the Province, and as the iron ore in sight in Nova Scotia and Newfoundland is practically unlimited in quantity, there is no danger of the materials giving out. Mr. Henry M. Whitney, president of the Dominion Coal Company and one of the chief promoters of the steel and iron works, gave the pressmen a royal welcome and extended to them every courtesy and every possible facility for inspecting the plant and the mines. The trip to Louisburg was over the Coal Company's railway and was made at a great speed, at one section the rate of 72 miles an hour being attained. Of Louisburg, with its stirring memories of heroic deeds and memorable exploits, it is needless to speak, since everyone is or should be familiar with the great events that there took place. Suffice it to say that Canada has been deplorably negligent in properly caring for the historic place—where so much of her history was made and where her destinies were decided. These faults have been remedied along the Niagara frontier, and the Plains of Abraham have also passed into the hands of the Government; and it is to be hoped that Louisburg also will be created into a place of national resort and steps taken to erect suitable memorials to the heroes who there fought and died. Sydney was left on Thursday morning and a couple of hours spent at New Glasgow, which also is the centre of vast iron industries. Near it are several iron and coal mines and it produces over 200 tons of iron and steel per day. At Truro, where a couple of hours were spent, the tourists were most hospitably entertained. A large number of residents were at the station with handsome turnouts and the party was driven around the city and then treated to a dainty cold collation. At Halifax, also, a splendid reception was accorded the visitors and the stay here was one of the most enjoyable and interesting parts of the trip. On Friday they were taken for a sail on the magnificent harbor and visited the Admiral's warship, the Crescent, and in the afternoon a drive around the city and through the beautiful parks was provided. A visit to the fortifications and the

barracks was of course one of the most interesting features of the visit. As our readers are aware, last year the regular British troops were withdrawn for service in South Africa and were replaced by militia from the various parts of the Dominion and are now known as Canadian regulars. The experiment was viewed with some misgivings in many quarters, but the results have amply justified the wisdom of the change. The force is composed of as fine a lot of officers and men as can be found in any garrison in the world and Canadians have reason to be proud of their force of regulars at Halifax. The following day was devoted to a trip through the Annapolis Valley per Dominion Atlantic Railway. Of course everyone wants to see the land of Evangeline, which in all its pastoral beauty is familiar to all lovers of Longfellow; yet this great poem is a beautifully worded slander of the British and its falseness to the historic facts has been amply demonstrated by Parkman. The whole country thereabouts is highly cultivated and many beautiful views were obtained. One of the finest views anywhere seen was from Look-Off Mountain, fourteen miles from Kentville, from which is to be viewed a magnificent panorama over the Minas Basin and the Annapolis and Gaspereau Valley. Sunday was spent in Halifax, and St. John was reached on Monday morning and the day was spent there. Situated at the mouth of one of the largest rivers on the continent, beautiful for situation, and sitting like a queen on her rocky home, St. John commands a prospect of rarely equalled magnificence and loveliness. The huge wharves, rendered necessary by the high tides, and the vessels left stranded in the mud at the ebb, are a novel spectacle to the inlander. From St. John the Star Line steamer was taken to Fredericton. The St. John is a lordly river, almost as fine in scenic effect as the Hudson and is navigable for steamers of large size for eighty-five miles, and with its branches furnishes 1300 miles of navigable waters. The afternoon and evening were spent at Fredericton and Marysville and on Wednesday morning the Canada Eastern Railway was taken to Chatham Junction where the I. C. R. train was waiting for the return trip. A day was spent viewing the beautiful scenery and historic sites in and about Quebec and on Friday morning, Aug. 30th., the itinerants reached Montreal after one of the most delightful and instructive tours ever enjoyed by the Association.

Nearly all the journey was made by the Intercolonial railway and we cannot refrain from expressing our admiration for this road and its management. Within the last few years the road has been almost rebuilt and new rolling stock provided, and now our national railway is one of the best on the continent. The road-bed is of the most substantial character, the trains are simply luxurious, the dining room and Pullman service of the best, the



officials from the highest to the lowest are most courteous and this is fast becoming one of the most popular roads on the continent and is being used more and more by the travelling public.

The pressmen and their lady friends owe a great debt of gratitude to Mr. E. Tiffin, the traffic manager of the Intercolonial, who accompanied them throughout the trip and did everything in his power to secure the comfort and enjoyment of every member of the party, in which he was ably assisted by his charming wife. Mr. Tiffin began at the lowest round of the ladder and has risen step by step, by virtue of his genuine worth and ability, until he has attained his present responsible position; and that he is eminently qualified therefor is amply demonstrated by the splendid results that have been attained under his management so far. To Mr. Lyons, General Passenger Agent, and to Mr. Lambkin, Assistant General Passenger Agent, and Mr. Archibald, of the Dining Service, the tourists are also indebted for many courtesies and favors.

Among those who joined the excursionists at various points and conducted not a little to the pleasure and interest of the trip were Mr. Sharp, Superintendent of the Prince Edward Island Railway, Dr. Kendall, M. P., and Mr. Johnson, M. P., of Cape Breton, Mr. Coyne, Manager of the Dominion Coal Company's Railway, Mr. McIsaac, M. P., Antigonish, and his wife and daughter, Miss Sewell, the clever authoress of that popular book "Black Beauty," and Hon. Mr. Fielding, who was especially solicitous for the welfare of the excursionists while in Halifax. Mr. Brennan, of Summerside, Mr. Stewart, of Chatham, and Mr. Fulton, of Truro, were simply indispensable to the entertainment of the party, and contributed in no small measure to the pleasure of everyone.

NOTES.

If the Maritime Provinces were all joined together under one local government it would be a good thing for them and an advantage to the people in the saving of expense.

The Legislative Assembly room in Halifax was one of the most interesting places visited there. The old portraits hanging on the walls testified to by-gone times and reminded us that our country was not a new one by any means.

Mr. D. McGillivuddy and Mr. D. F. Burk kept everyone in good humor and proved they had kind true hearts for all mankind.

Everyone was delighted with their visit to Halifax and regretted more time could not have been spent in that old historic city.

The drive to the Cliff was one of the most pleasant side-outings the party had. It is a seaside resort at Mount Pleasant, Stanhope, about fifteen miles from Charlottetown. It is a good place for a prolonged summer stay.

President Macdonald and Secretary Law made everything run

smoothly and pleasantly during the entire trip. We could not have arranged matters better had we had it in charge ourselves.

The ladies of the party, especially the young ones, enjoyed the trip immensely and will not need very much urging to accept an invitation for future excursions.

Rev. Dr. Dewar and Colonel Matheson we believe were the only ones connected with the present party who visited the Maritime Provinces on a similar excursion of the Press Association fifteen years ago.

The trip was a revelation to nearly all of us; we want to go again as the limited time at our disposal precluded us from seeing many places of interest.

Friend Young, of Cornwall, was the only disappointed man in the lot as he had no opportunity of engaging in deep sea fishing.

Mr. "Smeaton" White, of the Montreal Gazette writes so badly that when he registered at hotels he was taken for "Senator" White and treated with all the consideration due to a member of that distinguished body. He had the best room usually and a bed all to himself while other fellows whose names were easily read had to turn in two in a bed. He is a good fellow anyway and deserved the attention he received.

We were pleased to meet our old friend, Mr. Hawke, of Moncton, who favored us with his company for several days, only regretting that business engagements prevented his coming all the way. His many friends in Ontario will learn with pleasure that he is prospering and is held in high esteem in the city where he now resides.

While in Halifax Mr. Mathison visited the Institution for the Deaf and Dumb and was kindly shown through the building by Miss O'Brien, the courteous matron. Nova Scotians should be proud of their Institution and from all we could learn they are undoubtedly so. Mr. Fearon, the Principal, is doing a splendid work there for the deaf of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island. He spent most of his vacation in Belfast, his old home. Mr. Mathison regretted he did not see him.

On behalf of the Canadian Press Association, Mr. D. McGillivuddy, of Goderich, and Mr. D. F. Burk, Port Arthur, have presented three handsome gold rings to gentlemen who assisted in making their jaunt through the Eastern Provinces a pleasant one. The rings bear the letters "C. P. A." on the outside, and inside is engraved the name of recipient. Those receiving them are J. B. Lambkin, A. G. P. A., I. C. R., Halifax, N. S.; J. M. Lyons, G. P. and T. A., I. C. R., Moncton, N. B.; L. B. Archibald, Superintendent P. S. and D. cars, I. C. R., Halifax, N. S.—*Toronto Star*.

At a meeting held on the tram, from Quebec to Montreal, the following resolutions were adopted—

That the thanks of the members of the Canadian Press Association are due to Mr. Alexander Gibson, President of the Canada Eastern Railway, for having so kindly placed at the disposal of its members a special train while journeying between Fredericton and Chatham, N. B., also for the entertainment provided by himself and members of his family during the all too short sojourn at Miramichi, on the occasion of the inspection of its several important industries.

That the hearty appreciation of the Canadian Press Association be expressed to Mr. E. Tiffin, General Traffic Manager of the Intercolonial Railway, for the kind attention and thoughtful consideration, on the occasion of their trip, and the efforts put forward to contribute to their comfort and pleasure in which, he was assisted by the gracious courtesy of Mrs. Tiffin. They desire to express their hearty thanks to Mr. E. Lyons and Mr. L. B. Archibald for their many acts of kindness and thoughtful care.

TORONTO TOPICS.

From our own Correspondent

It is our painful duty this time to chronicle the death of one of our young men in the person of



JONATHAN ADOLPHUS GATES.

who departed this life on the 22nd of August. The deceased had been in poor health for about two years, and although he was receiving the best of attention and care from the physicians in attendance he never rallied. His death was not unexpected as he was suffering from an attack of hemorrhage of the lungs. A month before his death he was up to our Sunday afternoon service greeting old friends, looking in better spirits than he had been for a long time. On Saturday, August 10th, he had to take to his bed, not leaving his room again till death removed him. The funeral took place on August 24th to St. James' Cemetery, and was largely attended. The pall bearers were Messrs. McMillivray, Labelle, Reeves, Croug, Elliott and O'Rourke. At the Bible Conference held in Toronto last winter when the deaf ther in attendance were asked to come forward and confess their sins and make up their minds to lead a better life, the late Mr. Gates was among the first to respond to the call. We extend our heartfelt sympathy to Mrs. Gates and family in their sad bereavement.

Our friend, Mr. Bryden, has returned from the Old Country, where he spent the past two months renewing old acquaintances, looking the picture of health.

Mr. C. Gillam, who was sent to the Gravenhurst Sanitarium for Consumption, has left that institution and returned to the city, feeling much improved, but it will be some time yet before he will be in his usual good health.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Moore, who have been summering on Centre Island, have returned to the city and taken up residence in their new house on Howland Avenue.

Mr. Samuel Pugsley spent a few days at his home near Jarvis recently. Something must be attracting Sam's attention out west, as he says he won't be a "bach" long.

During the summer some of us had the pleasure of meeting Messrs. Burns and Douglas from your Institute while in the city. Sorry they could not stay over to attend the Sunday service.

Mr. A. A. McIntosh spent his holidays in Muskoka. As usual he had no fish yards to tell.

Miss Jessie Munro spent her vacation in Bobcaygeon, the guest of Miss M. Justice.

Mr. N. Labelle took in the Pan-American exposition in Buffalo. Noah reports having a good time and that the fair is well worth a visit.

We are all glad to have Mr. Nasenth back in our midst. He returned on August 31st from China, where he went as companion to Mr. Frost, director of the China Inland Mission. He has been around the world, and while away met many former residents of Toronto. Hope he will give us a lecture on China at some convenient date.

During the summer we had quite a number of visitors from outside points. As far as your scribe can recollect the following were those who spent their holidays in the city:—Miss Bessie Ball, Detroit; Mabel Ball, Windsor; N. Cunningham, Mrs. R. M. Thomas, Oakville; Miss A. James, Miss Templeton, Miss Bull, Miss Dempsey, Belleville; Miss May McGillivray, Richmond Hill; Mrs. F. Wheeler and daughter, St. Catharines; M. Wilson, Mr. Barley, Niagara Falls; R. McPherson, W. Watt, Mr. and Mrs. Waggoner, J. Ishister, Mrs. Gottlieb, Mr. E. Gottlieb, Hamilton; J. A. Braithwaite, Carleton Place; Swanson, Alberta, N. W. T.; Wm McKay,

Woodstock; Chas. Mellentz, Midland; Mr. and Mrs. Pettiford, Quehly; Mr. and Mrs. Balis, Belleville; Miss Huddleston, West Virginia; Mr. Wm Nurse, Belleville.

Our annual picnic was held at Niagara Falls on July 17th. Owing to the weather being stormy the trip was far from enjoyable. All were glad to get back home.

Mrs. M. Zugg and daughter, Mrs. Marris, of Berlin, took a trip to the Pacific Coast via Chicago during the summer. On the return trip they stopped off at Winnipeg, and visited the school for the Deaf there.

What about playing a game of football with some senior team in the city before winter sets in. We have the material for a first class team, now that Mr. Wallace has removed to the city.

Our population has been increased lately. Mr. Geo. Dickson, of Parbrook, Muskoka, has secured a position with the Firstbrook Box Co. Mr. Geo. Wallace, who has been employed by Mr. Bloom of Thamesville, during the summer, has decided to become a resident of our fair city, he having secured employment in the Boeckh Brush factory.

During the summer, picnics were the order of the day, no less than ten being held in the different parks of the city. In June the lady friends of Miss M. Hutchinson got up a picnic to celebrate her home coming from Gallaudet College, to which some ten couples were invited. Games of various kinds were indulged in till a late hour, when all returned home tired but much pleased with the day's outing. The other one worthy of mention is the one given in honor of Mr. A. D. Swanson, who has just graduated from Gallaudet College, receiving the degree of Bachelor of Arts. On one Saturday afternoon some twenty couples wended their way to Mount Park, the place selected for the picnic. It would take up too much space to mention everything. Suffice to say it was one of the best and most successful of the kind held in the city. During the evening Mr. Swanson was made the recipient of the following address:—

Toronto, July 26th, 1901.

To Alexander D. Swanson, B. A.

On behalf of your many friends in Toronto we desire to extend to you their sincere congratulations upon the success which has attended the steady patient and persistent endeavor, throughout the successive steps of your school and college life.

Your friends look with pride upon you for the honor you have gained, feeling that your brilliant success in passing the final examination and obtaining the much-coveted degree of Bachelor of Arts, reflects credit, not only upon your native town and county, but more especially upon yourself and the Belleville Institute for the Deaf, which has so thoroughly prepared the ground and well and truly laid the foundation upon which you have built such a successful college career.

Realizing that with the commencement of the new century you are entering into the arena of the practical duties of life under such promising conditions, and feeling that your past is, in a very practical way, an augury of your future, we shall be interested in watching your progress, and anticipate for you great achievements in whatever life-work you choose to pursue, and to this end we all join in wishing you a hearty God-speed.

Signed,

Geo. W. Reeves, A. C. Shepherd,
W. Lightfoot, E. C. Pickard,
A. A. McIntosh, Noah Labelle.

Mr. Swanson was taken completely by surprise, and in a few well chosen words thanked those present for their kind wishes.

Mr. Darnoy, of Brooklyn, N. Y., spent a portion of his vacation in the city, looking up old friends.

Mr. Brown of New York, has been spending a few weeks in the city. He is no stranger to Toronto, he having lived here years ago. He was in charge of our Sunday services on several occasions and his lectures were much appreciated.

On August 17th, our friends of Hamilton held a picnic in Oakville, to which they invited their Toronto friends. During the afternoon a game of baseball took place between the two teams, and after a hard struggle the Torontonians came out victorious by the score of 18 to 12.

Messrs. Powers and Prince, teachers of the deaf in the Maritime Provinces, were interested visitors in the city for a few weeks lately.

Mr. C. Pickard spent his vacation with his parents in Mount Forest.

The Messrs. J. Munroe M. Hutchinson, M. O'Neil and J. Burk took in the Pan-American Exposition.

The books that help a young man, or anybody else for that matter, are the books that interest him. Therefore a young man must select his own reading, if he is to read with any profit to himself.—September Ladies Home Journal.

Just Common Folks.

If only sweetest bells were rung,
How we would nuzzle the minor chimes.

Not tho' the warriors who shall win
Upon the battlefields name
To sound afar the awful din,

Fate has not lifted them above
The level of the human plane;
They share with men a fellow-love

BRANTFORD BRIEFS.

From an occasional Correspondent.

We have not had the usual number of visitors this summer, while the peddling gentry has passed us by entirely.

Bamber Brown has been hiring here since his father died, working at various jobs.

David S. Mrs. who a few years ago moved to Clinton from Northfield, has moved his family to Brantford, and is employed in the Cortland Carriage Works.

Mr. and Mrs. McKenzie, of New Durham, were in the city for a day or two.

We miss our old friend Archie Smith very much, but we are glad to hear he has a good situation in Toledo, Ohio, and is doing well.

James Goodbrand lives up on the hill quite a distance from the rest of us. His sister-in-law, Miss Sophia Lafferty, spent part of the summer with them and Mrs. Lafferty will be here about the end of September to spend a month or so with them.

During the last year three of Brantford's mutes have bought property in the city. Mr. Lloyd bought a house and lot on Superior street, and A. E. Smith a vacant lot on Buffalo street.

Miss Sarah Foulds has been visiting at Simcoe for some time past. We expect to see her home again soon.

Mrs. A. E. Feast and two children, of Baltimore, Md., have been here for six weeks visiting Alfred's mother and sisters. We expect him up before this appears in THE CANADIAN MUTE to take his family back to Uncle Sam's domains.

Little Francis Smith, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Smith, has been dangerously ill lately with inflammation and abscess. An operation has been performed and he is now getting better.

We now have the pleasure of reporting the marriage of Mr. Robert Sutton, of our city, to Miss Martha Leigh, of Port Albert on June 19th., at the English Church, of the latter place. About 60 relatives and friends of the happy couple were present.

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The best way for a man to get out of a lowly position is to be conspicuously effective in it.—Rev. Dr. John Hall.

LONDON NOTES.

From our own Correspondent

Among those of our community who visited the Pan American were Mr. H. Cowan and Miss Mab. Steel.

The latest to join our deaf circle in London is Miss L. Cummings of Clinton. She has obtained a steady position here and is engaged with Miss McIntyre by the same firm.

We noticed Chief of Police Newton, of Belleville, in the city during August. We had often seen him while at school and know him at once.

Mr. Green and wife, of Toronto, were lately in the city visiting friends and attended the Travellers' Annual Picnic while here.

Miss Lilly Bryce has returned home after a visit to friends in Toronto during the exhibition there.

Mr. Leathorn lately visited Poplar Hill and called on Messrs. John and Richard Pincombe. We had received poor reports of Mrs. J. Pincombe's health and are pleased to hear she is much improved.

Martin Scholowski, a foreign deaf-mute, was charged in the police court here with catching black bass out of season. He was carrying the fish home when the inspector caught him.

Foreign deaf-mute tramps are brought up sharp some times, one of them was causing annoyance to the residents of Park Hill recently and was promptly sent to jail for four months.

Mrs. Jno. Smallton and little baby daughter, of Cranbrook, and Mrs. Mary McKay, of Moneriff spent a few hours the guests of Mr. Gould. They were returning home after a week's visit to friends in St. Thomas and Talbotville.

There is an added joy in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Cowan now, a blue bouncing baby boy arrived recently.

Miss Lizzie Scott and her sister, of Park Hill, were in town during fair week and visited friends here.

Mount Pleasant is one of the finest cemeteries in Middlesex. Mr. Cowan and his hearing brothers have lately erected a fine monument there to the memory of their late father.

Mr. W. H. Gould took a wheeling trip during the Labor Day holidays, in the course of which he visited Ridgetown and Thanesville. At the latter place, in company with Geo. Wallace and Wm. Thompson, he helped the Thanesville foot-ball team to defeat a team of opponents from Northwood. The score was 1 to 0.

This summer we have had many deaf visitors to our pretty city, among them were: Elber Thomas, of Ohio; George Patterson, of Montreal; August Lloyd, of Detroit; Mr. and Mrs. Green, of Toronto; Jay Gould, of Duluth; Mr. and Mrs. J. Noyes, of Denfield; Mr. McGee and wife, of Ivan; Miss A. Matheson, of Kowoka; Mr. Thos. Noyes and wife, Wm. Bryce, of Poplar Hill; Mr. and Miss Henderson, of Talbotville; and Mr. N. McCallum, of Belmont.

Mr. Wm. Bryce has been working for Mr. Jno. Pincombe on the farm during the summer. He has now returned to London and hopes to get steady employment here.

HAMILTON ITEMS.

From our own Correspondent.

The class for Bible study opened on Wednesday evening, 11th ult. and will continue weekly through the winter. They are held on McNab street north.

Miss F. Warwick, Evans street, visited Toronto during the exhibition accompanied by her father. Messrs. E. Gottlieb, Watt, Isbister and McPherson also attended the Toronto Fair on Labor Day.

The Hamilton mutes arranged to hold their annual picnic at Oakville on Aug. 17th last, and there met the Toronto friends. The occasion passed off as pleasantly and happily as such gatherings always do and the deaf from both cities heartily enjoyed themselves.

Messrs. Melbaac of Delhi and Bamber Brown of Brantford were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. Gottlieb lately.

PUPILS' LOCALS.

—Well begun
—Is half done.
—Happy to return.
—Industry is the best policy.
—Beginners bright and many.
—It's a long lane that has no turn.
—How did your vaccination come out?
—Sweet remembrance of the folks at home.

—Is the man with the forceps still living?
—The end of the world is not yet. Look at our procession.

—John A. Kirk says his father is very busy building a big new mill now.

—Mr. Mathison always classifies the pupils. He wants them to improve.

—One parent said our boys make the best boots, and so it is from head to foot.

—Eva Brown says her sister Florence is working at Josias Pogue's and doing very well.

—We were pleased to see Mr. Mathison, Miss Walker and all the teachers and officers again.

—Some of the large boys and girls have not returned. We hope that they will get on in life.

—We are very sorry to part with our dear parents but we must come here to get an education.

—We never before saw the Institution grounds look as green and beautiful at the opening of school.

—Mr. Forrester has returned from a trip to Auld Scotia. All are glad to see him back and looking so well.

—There are about thirty four new pupils here. We are surprised that this year there are more than last year.

—We are sorry for Gerlie Pilling, as she is very sick. We hope she will get better soon and return to school again.

—Our Institution has undergone a number of repairs during the vacatic and looks as nice and comfortable as possible.

—Algo Perry got a letter from home which said Maggie and Ralph, his sister and brother, went to Calgary two months ago.

—Last summer Nellie Derocher visited Mrs. O'Brien, whose son is deaf. His father brought him here last Monday. He is 8 years old.

—The teachers have all returned from their vacation and are looking well. We hope we will all keep well and make good progress this season.

—Dalton Gardiner says that his father was pleased with his progress last session. He says that he will try to make more progress this session.

—R. McMaster received a letter from J. Vance last week. His parents were burned out. We were very sorry. They will get a new house we hope.

—Yes, my friend, begin young. Because Swift was sixty when he produced Gulliver, is no excuse. Byron, Burns, Pope, and Dickens, all made an early start.

—Fifteen pupils of the high class finished their education last session and will not return. The four of us who have returned will miss their familiar faces.

—Last summer when Rose Moore was at home, she had many friends come to see her, and among them was her friend, Mabel Elliott, who stayed there for one month.

—Mr. J. Dubois and Miss Lamadelaine were married in Ottawa this summer. They have a nice little home and their many friends wish them long life, prosperity and happiness.

—Magno Eason went to visit her relations in Michigan on the 31st of August and returned on the 4th of September. Her father went with her and she had a very good time.

—The pupils all arrived here safely, and all went back to work quietly and orderly as if they had not been home for three months. We should be thankful to God for His goodness to us.

—King Edward receives 3,000 newspapers daily and 1,000 letters, of which he takes cognizance. This work, however, does not seem to affect his embonpoint, he still weighing 240 pounds.

—We would all be delighted to see the Duke and Duchess of Cornwall and York as they pass through this Province, but we are sorry that we cannot. We wish them much pleasure on their visit to loyal Canada.

—We wish our friends at home would subscribe for the CANADIAN MUTE, which is printed at the Institution every two weeks. They would be pleased to read all the news about us and how all are getting along.

—Wilbur J. Elliott visited his uncle Will Toull, Woodstock. He stayed three days. He rode on a bicycle around the city. He met Willie McKay and Mary Ryan. He was very much pleased to talk with them.

—The deaf-mutes as well as hearing people in Ontario were shocked to hear of the terrible assassination of President McKinley. He was a friend of the deaf and has addressed them at Gallaudet College. He loved God, and when he was dying he said: "Thy will, not ours, be done."

—How often time in its rapid course brings together conflicting scenes of joy and sorrow. It is but the other week one could see the gay colors of the nation waving a glad welcome to a royal couple whilst at half past six places also hung the ensign of mourning in respect to our bereaved neighbors.

—President McKinley is dead! An assassin's bullet did the work. The life of one of nature's masterful men is snatched away that a blood-thirsty gang be appeased. But hold! Murderer, thine own hour is coming. A gibbet, raised by outraged justice shall end thy schemes of wrong and bury thy name in everlasting infamy.

—Did you see Mrs. Carrie Nation in Ottawa? We should say we did. Spectacled, stout and stern and in khaki attire she made her appearance in the rotunda of the Russell House at 4.30 p. m. on Tuesday, the 17th ult., and registered her name in full, giving "Kansas" as her residence and "Home Defender" as her profession. We did not see the little hatchet but asked no questions. Carrie's specialty wherever she goes seems to be to create a demand for plate glass. It were difficult even for the Duke to draw a larger crowd in a minute.

OTTAWA NOTES.

From our own Correspondent.

Many changes have taken place since June. Mr. and Mrs. Waggoner called at Ottawa on their bridal trip and visited most of the mutes here. It was found in conversation that the bride's family was connected by marriage with Mr. Hayne; David now says that he has no many cousins he will run for parliament if they will all stand by him.

We understand that Mr. Holland has gone to Montreal and taken his trade with graphing.

The deaf printers in the government printing bureau are in clover this week. Two holidays with full pay, the occasions being to allow them a chance to see the Exhibition and the reception to their Royal Highness the Duke and Duchess of Cornwall and York.

Miss Burns of Coblen and Mrs. Waters of North Nation Mills, Que., and Messrs. Hodgins, Patrick, O'Boyle, Sutton, La Bello and the Lett Bros. were in the city to welcome their Royal Highnesses, and to see the sights. The illuminations were magnificent, rivaling those of the Pan American Exposition.

We were told that Miss Jessie Macfarlane will accompany her sister, Mrs. Macfarlane on a visit to the Pan American Exposition in Buffalo.

Universal regret was expressed by the deaf of Ottawa at the death of President McKinley and our American cousins have our sincere sympathy in the national bereavement.

Mr. McClelland went up to pay Mr. Hodgins a call on civic holiday and had an enjoyable time. Messrs. Patrick and Armstrong are working for Mr. Hodgins this year.

Mr. Wilson spent his holiday with his father near Montreal, and our general friend Shouldice made frequent trips to Wakefield, Que., to see his mother. Mr. Haldano spent two weeks yachting on the Rideau.

John Brethour has returned to Orms-ton, Que. John cannot stand the absence of ladies from the house and their culinary usefulness.

Congratulations to our genial friend A. Gray. It is a bouncing fine boy Geo. McFareu was in the city to take in the sights. We understand he intends to return to Toronto in October.

When thou prayest, rather let thy heart be without words than thy words without heart.—Dunyan.



INSTITUTION MOTTO: "The greatest happiness is found in making others happy."

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 1, 1901.

President Gallaudet.

The election of Dr. Gallaudet for the third time as President of the Convention of American Instructors of the Deaf will meet with the hearty approval of all the deaf on the continent, by whom no man in the profession is held in higher esteem. Dr. Gallaudet is an ideal presiding officer, and, by virtue of his splendid ability and long experience as an educator of the deaf, and of the uniform success that has characterized his career, his opinions are always received with deference and respect. The Convention honored itself in honoring one whose eminent ability and distinguished services both marked him as pre-eminently qualified for the honors which he so worthily bears.

The Grand Trunk and Canadian Pacific Railways.

We wish to express once again our indebtedness to the officials of the Grand Trunk and Canadian Pacific Railways for their many courtesies to the Institution. It is no small task to bring all these children to the Institution and to get them safely home again; but it is always safely effected, thanks in considerable measure to the railway officials. Mr. Davis, Passenger Traffic Manager, and Mr. Bell, General Passenger Agent, have especially been most kind, generous and obliging, and have readily consented to all our proposed arrangements for the safe and expeditious conveyance of the pupils to and from the Grand Trunk, and we have also found every employee—conductors, brakemen and station agents—invariably kind and attentive, and anxious to make the boys and girls as happy and comfortable as possible. These remarks apply as well to the Canadian Pacific, from the officials of which road, and especially from Mr. Ussler, General Passenger Agent, we have received many favors and courtesies. The reduced fares kindly granted to deaf children have enabled many of their parents to give them an education at our Institution.

The Late President McKinley.

All Canadians deeply sympathized with the Americans in the untimely death of their noble President, and shared fully with them in horror and detestation of the brutal and cowardly act by which his useful career was brought to so sudden and lamentable an end. Throughout the whole Dominion the manifestations of sorrow and regret were as sincere and the emblems of mourning almost as universal as in the United States, and the afternoon of the funeral was, by proclamation of the Governor-General, observed as a holiday, when all business was suspended and memorial services were held in every town and city. All this afforded a striking and gratifying evidence of the unity and fraternity that exists among Anglo-Saxons everywhere. Despite the accidents of political divisions we are one in blood, in speech and in sentiment; and it is meet that we be one in sorrow, for what is the loss of one is the loss of both; and the death in one year of our gracious Queen and their noble President has strikingly exemplified the truth that though two nations we are yet in all essentials one people.

The Akoulation.

Since the invention of the Akoulation was first announced a year or two ago, there has been considerable curiosity to see the instrument and upon the part of some of the deaf, a strong desire to try it. Frequent enquiries have been made about it and only distance has prevented a gratification of the desire. Last spring an instrument was brought to the city by a citizen of Beloitville who has been gradually losing his hearing for years past. Mr. and Mrs. Bais called to test it. The instrument in question consists of a head band and two ear pieces attached by a cord to a large electric battery encased in a strong wooden case. The batteries weigh many pounds and would require a boy with a hand cart to carry it about. This instrument was for use as an ear massage. Beyond an unpleasant ticklish sensation in the ears, produced by the electricity and a humming and buzzing which was felt—not heard—no other effect was noticeable, even when words were spoken no voice was distinguishable, the sensation was as if some one was blowing in the ears. The cost of this instrument, including duties, amounted to \$95.00. Being assured there were other instruments, some of which might suit their individual needs, Mr. and Mrs. Bais made a point of testing such instruments as were upon exhibition in the electrical building at the Pan American at Buffalo, N. Y., where they were in August. With these other instruments they heard not a sound. When they asked the party in charge of the exhibits if he ever encountered people quite so deaf as themselves, he remarked there were others. They were assured that in many cases only by long and persistent use of the instruments would any results be achieved. Two of the instruments tried were of the pocket battery variety and their prices were given respectively as \$50.00 and \$75.00. In conversation with parties who have tried the instruments very little enthusiasm was evidenced and less faith in the results. For the partially deaf, they may be of some benefit, but in the great majority of cases they would appear to be of doubtful permanent use. Though beyond question the greatest invention of the kind yet known, it will, they fear, prove of little practical use to the larger number of the deaf—and to the totally deaf, none whatever.

The Grand Jury favored us with a visit on the 24th ult and spent a couple of hours with us. Mr. Mathison showed them through several of the class-rooms and shops, as well as through the dormitories, and living rooms of the Institution, and, although the classes had scarcely got under way yet, they manifested a great interest in all they saw and expressed themselves as well pleased with the condition of the Institution and the work that is being done here. The following constituted the Jury:—Mr. W. B. Aylsworth, Beloitville, foreman; Messrs. W. P. Hudson and W. F. Denike, Beloitville, G. A. Brentnall, Corbyville, Daniel Neal, Malone, Ed. Caverly, Clive; Simeon Hombough, Glen Miller; John Rupert, Empey; Geo. E. Clement, and F. J. Cockburn, Deseronto; David Russell Sidney Crossing; Wm. Greatrix, Actinolite; Chas. Ross, Canuifton, Norman Crowe, Trenton.

Religious Denominations.

The pupils attending the Institution now are divided religiously as follows:—English Church, 38, Methodist, 90, Presbyterian, 63, Baptist, 17, Roman Catholic, 47; Lutheran, 7, Christian, 1, Jewish, 1, Disciples of Christ, 1, Evangelical Church, 1, Deaf and Dumb Association, 1, Congregational, 1, Mennonite, 1.—Total, 249.

Opening of the Institution.

Wednesday, Sept. 18th, was the day fixed for the opening of the Institution this year, and on the evening of that day all the pupils had arrived safe except a few who were delayed by illness or from other causes. The past two years all of the pupils were able to get to the Institution before dark, but this year, owing to changes in the G. T. R. time table, it was impossible for the pupils between Windsor and London to arrive till nine o'clock. To them it was a long, wearisome journey, as it was to many others, and after they had partaken of the excellent supper provided for them by Miss Walker, they were all glad to seek their beds where they enjoyed a good night's rest. Next morning all assembled in the chapel, there being present also a considerable number of parents who had accompanied their children here. After extending to all a hearty welcome back Superintendent Mathison addressed his remarks especially to the parents. He was glad to have parents come to the Institution to see for themselves what kind of a place it was and how their children were likely to be cared for. This was the place for them and any sacrifices parents made was for their children's good. They may rest assured that their children will be well looked after here. They will be well fed, all the rooms are comfortable and all will be done for them that possibly can be done. Children get sick at home, and sometimes they get sick here, but they are not so likely to get sick here as at home, for the regular habits, proper food and long hours of sleep conduce to health. But if they do get sick they are better cared for here than they can be at home. There was a good doctor in regular attendance, there was a trained nurse and every appliance for their proper treatment, and no expense or trouble would be spared to promote their recovery. If a child becomes sick the parents are at once notified and told just how it is. They never minimized the danger as they wanted the parents to share the full responsibility. While the child is ill a note is sent to the parents every day or every second day, and they could rely implicitly on the information given. Every child is required to write home every three weeks and may write as much oftener as it wishes, and if any parent is uneasy and will write to the superintendent he will get a prompt reply, no matter how often he may write. He again assured all parents that their children will receive the best of care, will be most kindly treated, and everything possible done to promote their happiness and welfare.

The formal opening of the Institution took place on Monday afternoon, the 23rd. When all were assembled in the chapel, Superintendent Mathison again welcomed all back to the Institution. He was glad to see them all again and was sure that everyone was ready for work in class room and shop. He was sure they had all been good children during the vacation. He had been much gratified to get letters from some of the parents telling how well their children had worked and that they had been surprised to find how industrious, helpful and obedient they were. But he was not surprised to hear this, for he knew how industrious they had been at school and how little trouble they had given; and of course he expected they would be the same at home. He trusted as they grow up they would always manifest their gratitude to their parents by being obedient and helpful. Their parents had made many sacrifices to allow them to come here in order that

they might get an education and grow up to be good men and women. Since the close of last session quite a number of last year's pupils had entered on life's duties and had secured good situations and he was glad to know that they were giving good satisfaction. A few had not yet obtained employment but he hoped they would soon succeed in doing so. He noticed that those who had been the most industrious here are doing the best now. One boy who had always been careless in the class-room and in the shop, got a job but could not keep it, as he was not thorough enough in his work. This was a lesson to the rest of the pupils. They should always do their work thoroughly and well. If they formed proper habits of industry and thoroughness here they would be sure to succeed hereafter. They all wished those who had left every success in life and would follow them with kind remembrances and good wishes, and he wished above all things they would be good men and women and a credit to themselves and the Institution. During the summer he had met many of the old pupils and they all seemed glad to see him and he was very glad to see them and to find that most of them were doing so well. He hoped this would be a very pleasant and successful session and that all of them would make the most of their opportunities. Everything possible would be done to enable them to have a good time. Monthly parties would be given and Miss Walker was making every preparation for their comfort and happiness. He hoped all the pupils would be good and obedient to the officers and teachers and that the older pupils would be kind to the new ones who had just left home for the first time. It was hard for them to be separated from their parents but the others could do a good deal to make them feel contented and at home. He hoped this would be the best term in the history of the Institution, and he was sure it would be if all worked together towards this end. He again wished to impress upon their minds the motto of the Institution—"The greatest happiness is found in making others happy." If each one would act according to this motto great happiness would permeate the whole Institution. He tried to make someone happy every day, and nothing brought such a glow of joy to his heart as the consciousness that he had conduced to someone else's happiness.

At the close of the address a number of the officers and teachers spoke a few words of welcome to the pupils, after which Mr. W. O'Brien, of Peterborough, one of the Provincial Separate School Inspectors, who had accompanied his little deaf son to the Institution, made a short but solicitous address. The rules and regulations were then read after which the classification was made and without a moment's delay the work of the session was earnestly begun.

In this issue we give a good deal of space to the Akoulation and to various tests of the instrument which were made during the summer. We make no apology for this in view of the great importance of the subject to the deaf. The device has been widely advertised and many extravagant claims have been made of its powers and merits, and we are informed that quite a number of the deaf in Ontario are thinking of buying one. We very strongly advise anyone who may be tempted to invest to give the matter very careful consideration before doing so, and to keep his money in his pocket unless he is quite sure that he is the one possible individual in a hundred who may receive some slight benefit from the instrument.



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TUESDAY, OCTOBER 1, 1901.

Opening of School.

It affords us a great deal of pleasure to again greet our readers at the beginning of the new session upon which we have just entered, and which has opened under most favorable auspices. The long vacation has glided by with almost incredible celerity, and was spent, we are glad to know, in a very pleasant manner by all the officers and teachers, and, we trust, by all the pupils also. And now, recuperated in mind and body, we all gladly resume our work again, and, we doubt not, each one is actuated by a sincere desire to make this a most pleasant and successful session in every regard. The attendance this term promises to be larger than last year, every class room will be filled to its full capacity and only faithful and strenuous effort will accomplish the results that are hoped for. Our staff, as it was at the close of last session, is unbroken, and knowing what successful work they have individually and collectively done in the past, and that 'excelsior' and over 'excelsior', is their aim and purpose, we feel no doubts as to what this year's results will be. Perhaps these inspiring and purposeful words, uttered by the immortal Dickens, will best express what should be, and doubtless is, the aspiration and the actuating motive of every officer and teacher of our Institution: "Whatever I have tried to do in my life I have tried with all my heart to do it well. What I have devoted myself to, I have devoted myself to completely. Never to put my hand to anything on which I would not throw my whole self, and never to affect depreciation of my work, whatever it was, I find now to have been golden rules."

The Akouphon.

Readers of THE CANADIAN MUTE have during the past year or two heard a great deal about an instrument called at first the Akouphon, and renamed the Akouphono, which, like hundreds of more or less similar inventions, was claimed to enable the deaf to hear, and many and earnest have been the enquiries—can it do even approximately what is claimed for it? Does it hold out hope of relief to even a considerable minority of the deaf? In view of the very wide interest aroused in this instrument, it was decided to set aside one session of the Convention of Instructors of the deaf at Buffalo for a thorough test of the Akouphono, in order that those present who were familiar with the deaf, and could not be easily deceived, should be able to judge of its merits for themselves, and to pronounce authoritatively upon it. The Convention of Instructors of the Deaf comprises Superintendents, Principals and Teachers of Institutions and Schools for the Deaf in the United States and Canada, and there were enrolled at Buffalo nearly four hundred members. So great was the interest taken in the Akouphono that on the evening devoted to it the attendance was larger than at any other session held except when the officers were elected. In view of the strong claims made for the instrument and the confident assertions of its success made by its inventors, it was to have been expected that a thorough test of its capabilities and a complete exemplification of its merits would have been the chief feature of the evening. Instead of this, however, the main object seemed to be to kill as much time as possible and to make the practical test a very subordinate incident at the close of a long and wearisome session. The meeting did not begin till 8:30, the evening was excessively hot and everyone wished to get away as soon as possible. It was found, however, that there were to be papers read first dealing with subjects which would consume at least an hour and a half, and the prospects seemed remote of there being any satisfactory test of the device. However, at the end of the first paper Superintendent Mathison insisted that the test be at once proceeded with, as that was what they were there for. The Convention endorsed his view and the other papers were dropped. But even then further delay was deemed advisable, and a gentleman, a friend and advocate of the instrument, took the platform and managed to consume another half hour of time in an address entirely irrelevant to the matter in hand. Finally, when everyone was tired, sleepy and exasperated, and many had left, the test was begun with some deaf subjects. The words chosen were "pa" and "mamma" and it seemed successful at first till Mr. Mathison suggested as the one word had one syllable and the other two, the subjects could distinguish between them by the number of vibrations, and also by the facial expression and motions of the speaker. So the operator was asked to place the deaf persons so that they could not see him, and also add "man" to the other words. He reluctantly did so and then the test was a total and admitted failure, for the subjects were quite unable to distinguish one word from the other. This was what most of those present expected for those who have to do with the deaf believe it is quite impossible to invent any instrument which will overcome their disability except in rare cases. We are sorry that this is so, no one would rejoice more than we, were an instrument to be devised which would enable all the deaf to hear, but such a device has never yet been made and we

fear that it never will be. We do not say that the Akouphono is of no use whatever, no doubt in some cases it has been beneficial, as is true of dozens of other devices, but we do believe it will be helpful in only rare cases. A gentleman in Belleville, who lost his hearing a few years ago, bought an Akouphono and now finds himself out of pocket to the extent of over \$90 besides the cost of a trip to New York, and he derives no benefit from it whatsoever. One of these instruments was exhibited at the Toronto fair, where the operator claimed that it would enable ninety-five per cent. of deaf people to hear. This is simply preposterous; if it enabled five per cent. to hear it would be a wonderful invention. From the time we first heard of the Akouphon we advised our readers to be careful and not invest in it until its merits were tested, and our advice was sound. A mere catalogue of the instruments devised during the past fifty years to enable the deaf to hear, each of which was heralded with loud acclamations, would fill columns of our space, and all have been failures except in rare cases; and on these the deaf have wasted millions of dollars. It is to be expected that similar devices will be invented in the future, and we advise the deaf to have nothing to do with them till those best able to judge of their merits have tested them and pronounced upon them. If an instrument ever should be invented that will enable all or even a large minority of the deaf to hear, the whole world will soon know of it and the inventor will not have to resort to the expensive and often questionable advertising methods that have been resorted to so often in the past.

A Trial of the Akouphono in Toronto.

Mr. W. J. Clarke, of New York, lectured in Massey Hall, Toronto, on the evening of the 19th ult. His subject was on electrical science, and he advertised that in the course of his lecture he would introduce the Akouphono and invited any deaf person to attend, try it and "hear for the first time." Our Superintendent, Mr. Mathison, ever on the alert for any thing that will aid the deaf and ready to test anything that is likely to be of practical use, delegated Mr. Nurse to attend the meeting, test the instrument on himself, and in conjunction with Miss Fraser, of Toronto, note down and report on the results. About forty connected with a Toronto Deaf Mute Association, went through the test. A number of them could not hear a sound, others could at varying degrees, but as far as we could learn not one could hear spoken words plainly. The most hopeful cases were Mrs. R. M. Thomas, of Oakville, and Mrs. Wm. Terrell. The former is a seamstress and was able to hear with the Dantaphone, a fan like instrument held between the teeth and loaned to her by a gentleman in the audience, Mrs. Terrell has a fair degree of hearing and can hear the door bell fifteen yards away in her own home. A number of ladies and gentlemen unknown to the Toronto deaf mutes, who are simply dull of hearing, tested the instrument with varying results. At the close of the tests Mr. Nurse introduced himself to Mr. Clarke and handed him the following letter from Mr. Mathison:

Institution for the Deaf and Dumb, Belleville, Sept. 19th, 1901.

W. J. Clarke, Esq., (Of New York, Massey Hall, Toronto)

Dear Sir: The Toronto papers say that you will give an exhibition of an Electrical Instrument, the Akouphono T. A., on Thursday evening, and to make 25 per cent. of the deaf hear.

I was present at a test of the Akouphon, a similar device, I understand, at a meeting, in July, at Buffalo, in connection with the Ameri-

can (including Canada) Association of Superintendents, Principals and Teachers of the Deaf. The consensus of opinion there was that the Akouphon was not sufficiently perfected to be of any practical use for alleviating the disability of deaf persons. Perhaps your instrument may be one of more merit. It would be a great satisfaction to thousands of deaf persons and the parents of deaf children throughout the Province, could you give an exhibition at the Institution for the Deaf and Dumb, at Belleville, at some time in the near future.

After closing of this week we shall have over 200 deaf children here, of all ages and conditions, with minute particulars as to whether they were born deaf, or if they lost their hearing, and from what cause.

We have electric power and every convenience for a practical and thorough test of your device and will give you cheerful and willing assistance in any way you can suggest.

If you will kindly favor us with a visit, we shall be glad to entertain you and make your stay pleasant. Any time convenient to you will suit us.

This letter will be handed to you by one of our officers, Mr. Nurse, a very intelligent deaf gentleman, whom I have specially deputed to attend your meeting in Massey Hall.

Please advise me when we may expect you at our Institution.

Yours faithfully,

R. MATHISON,

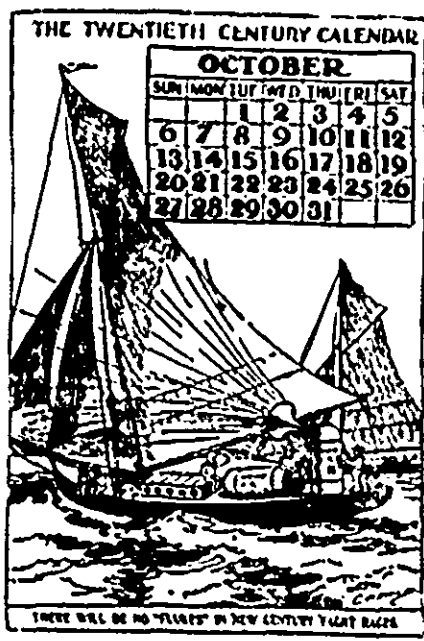
Superintendent

Mr. Nurse asked permission to say a few words to the audience, which being given, he thanked Mr. Clarke for allowing the deaf to test the instrument. They had come to the Hall with high expectations but had been disappointed. A number of their party could not hear a sound, others slightly, but to hear sounds is quite common among the deaf to hear the sound of the voice, the clang of wind instruments, or the bang of a piano as thrown out by the phonograph is quite different from hearing and understanding spoken words. He had handed Mr. Clarke a letter of invitation from the Superintendent of the Institution at Belleville to go there and make a test on the 250 deaf pupils of all degrees of hearing and hoped that Mr. Clarke would accept. Mr. Clarke in reply said that he would try and arrange dates if he possibly could and call at the Institution. He made no extravagant claims for the instrument and was quite willing to have a thorough test made. Mr. Clarke has since been in communication with Mr. Mathison and declines to come without his expenses being paid and a big fee added. As we know from the tests at Buffalo and Toronto almost exactly what the results would be it is not likely that his offer will be accepted. If the instrument is what it is claimed to be in advertisements it will pay the inventors well to have it tested here free. Summing up the tests in Toronto as reported the resulting use of the Akouphono would be as follows:

1. For those simply dull of hearing but can still hear what is said to them in a loud voice, the Akouphono may be a help. Those who intend to purchase it must understand the liability to get out of order, and that it takes in and delivers to the ear only what is brought close to the mouth-piece, and that it is no good at church, public meetings or to hear conversation at a distance.
2. For those whose hearing is too much impaired to hear spoken words but who can still hear sounds distinctly, it will only be a help after the ear has had long training in its use perhaps for years.
3. For those with a slight degree of hearing and the totally deaf, the instrument is valueless.

We believe in each of the cases tested that the same result would have been gained with one of the latest improved ear tubes.

Prof. Samuel Porter, Dean of the Faculty of Gallaudet College, died at Farmington, Ct., on the night of Monday, September 2nd, at the age of ninety-one years. Prof. Porter was the oldest living graduate of Yale College, having graduated in 1829. A few years after leaving college he took up the instruction of the Deaf in Hartford, Ct., and continued teaching there until 1836. Then he became the editor of the *American Annals of the Deaf*. In 1846 he went to New York and resumed his work of instructing deaf mutes, and in 1866 he was made Professor of Mental Science and English Philology of Gallaudet College. In 1881 he was made Professor Emeritus of the College and enjoyed that distinction at the time of his death.—*New York Journal*.



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TUESDAY, OCTOBER 1, 1901

In heard, because our ears are dull
 Unseen, because our eyes are dim
 He walks on earth the wonderful
 And all good deeds are done to Him
 Whittier

Welcome Back.

THE CANADIAN MUTE heartily welcomes the boys and girls back again to the Institution. We hope all of them had a very enjoyable vacation, and that they feel anxious to get down to hard work again. A session seems like a long time when we look forward to it, but the weeks glide by with wonderful swiftness, and almost before we can realize it, and always before we are quite ready for it, the examinations are upon us and school is done and the farewells of June seem almost like an echo of the greetings of September. And of this we may rest assured, the time will pass most quickly and the session will seem the shortest to those pupils who are the most industrious and earnest. And not only this, but to these it will also be the most pleasant and profitable, for few things produce as real happiness as the consciousness of duty well done and tasks faithfully performed. We hope this session will surpass all others in the application, conduct and progress of the pupils. We want all of them to remember that they come here for only one purpose—to enrich their minds, to develop their characters, to promote their highest mental, moral and spiritual welfare. Unless these results are attained the session will be for them worse than a failure. It is not a mere passive obedience and conformity to the rules and a perfunctory coming of lessons that is desired, but an earnest,

whole hearted devotion to duty and a steadfast application to the work of the class room or the shop. Be not only good—that is a merely negative virtue—but good for something, and good for as much as in you lies.

Summer Weddings.

During the summer vacation there has been several weddings among our former pupils and we sincerely hope that each linked life will be a source of love, joy, companionship and comfort to the other. Each one of them will have the best wishes of the officers and teachers of the Institution. On June 18th Mr. A. S. Waggoner, of Hamilton, and Miss Ethel Hume, of Belleville, were united together. It was a quiet but very happy wedding, only the close relatives and friends of the bride and groom being present. Rev. F. J. Thompson officiated, Prof. Coleman interpreting. The service was a very impressive one and those present will never forget the occasion. After the usual congratulations and feasting the newly married pair left on a tour of visits to Ottawa and other points. The scene at the station when the party left must have been a revelation to their fellow travellers to whom a deaf mute bridal send off was probably something new. At Ottawa the young couple were warmly welcomed by a large circle of friends and relatives and received many beautiful presents. They afterwards left for Toronto, where another kind reception awaited them from their many friends. Arriving at their home in Hamilt. a still another reception awaited them, and at the residence of Mr. E. Gottlieb about twenty-five of their deaf friends assembled to welcome them home to the city. Apart from individual presents, they were the recipients of a nice carving set from the mutes as a whole.

From Ottawa comes the following. Another who has taken to himself a partner to share his joys and sorrows—may the joys predominate—was R. O'Brien, the happy lady being a resident of Hull. Now, Dick, try and make matrimony a success. The next to follow in the road to domestic bliss was our genial friend, Joseph Dubois, who led to the altar Miss Lamadelaine. I believe both of them are well known to the majority of our readers, who will join with us in wishing them a happy and prosperous life. Miss Culligan, not to be out-done, next stood forward by the side of Mr. Code, of Appleton, as a candidate for matrimonial honors, and was confirmed in her choice by the Rev. G. Bayne, of Ashton. Miss M. Borthwick was a guest at the wedding. We are sorry there was a cloud cast over the first days of their married life by the death of the groom's sister, which sad event happened three days after her brother's wedding.

—It gratifies us to know that our young shoemakers are giving general satisfaction wherever they go to work when leaving school. George Wallace, who left us last June, has been steadily employed and very busy for the past three months with Duncan Bloom, of Thamesville, and was fitting himself by experience to take a shop of his own. We are sorry to learn that owing to overwork he has so injured one eye that he has been compelled to give up shoemaking for a time. Colin Mitchell, another of our last year's graduates, has been employed in Alvinston, but has now gone to take Wallace's place in Thamesville. C. Lamell reports that he is doing excellently in his shoe and barber shop at Alfred, where he has a companion in Mr. D. O'Boyle, another of our old boys who is employed there. Messrs. Winn and Co., of Milton, have some of our boys employed in their shoe factory. They are evidently pleased with them as during the summer they wrote saying they would like to be directed how to get two or three more.

PERSONALITIES.

—Miss Lafferty, of Windsor, visited Brantford during the summer and was the guest of her sister, Mrs. Goodbrand.

—During the Toronto Exhibition Messrs. Brown and Carscadden, of Lindsay, were the guests of their sister Mrs. Jno. Flynn, for a few days.

—Messrs. McPherson and Watt, of Hamilton, were in Belleville in June to attend Mr. Waggoner's wedding. The former supported the groom on the occasion.

—James Ross, one of our old pupils, has gone to the North West and is working for Mr. Walter Little, on his farm. James will likely settle there and grow up with the country.

—We are glad to learn that Miss Cora Pierce, who left us in June last after an extended term at the Institution, has secured remunerative employment at the Robo Factory at Delhi.

—Our good friend, Canon Burke, and the Rev. G. L. Starr, of Toronto favored us with a visit on Monday last. Canon Burke, as usual, is the first clergyman of the city to visit us this session.

—Mrs. C. Barlow left on the 17th ult., to join her husband in Calgary, where Mr. Barlow has prepared a new home. He formerly worked for our Institution and we all wish him every success.

—Many old friends were glad to welcome Mr. A. Feast back to Ontario on a visit. He is now living in Baltimore, Md. During his stay in Brantford he was the guest of his sister, Mrs. A. E. Smith.

—Mr. W. Bateman, an old pupil of the Ontario Institution, is doing a fine business as a photographer in Halifax. His sister, Miss Bateman, is one of the most valued teachers in the Halifax school.

—Mr. E. O. Robbins has been employed during the summer at the Rathbun Mills, in Deseronto, but will probably return to his old employment and start another shoe-shop somewhere this winter.

—The hospitable home of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Sutton, of Simcoe, was lately visited by Mr. and Mrs. J. Lloyd and family, and Mr. B. Brown, of Ancaster. The party there met Miss S. Foulds, who was also the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Sutton.

—Miss Helen Keller, Miss Sullivan, her teacher, with the Hon. John Hitz, of the Volta Bureau, Washington, were in Halifax for several months during the summer. They also visited Professor Bell at his summer residence near Baddeck, C. B.

—Mrs. C. A. W. Gustin and her daughter, Miss Alice Gustin, of Forest, and M. J. Madden visited friends in Detroit during the summer. From there they went to Buffalo via Cleveland, Ohio, by boat and took in the Exposition and Niagara Falls.

—Mr. and Mrs. Robt. McKenzie have welcomed many old friends to their home in New Durham during the summer. Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Sutton, of Brantford, the newly married couple, and Mr. and Mrs. D. Sours and daughter lately drove over to visit them.

—The mother of one of our boys wrote a very grateful letter to Mr. Mathison shortly after her boy arrived home in June. She saw such a great improvement in him. He was able to start work at good wages at once, much to his mother's gratification and help. We hope Willie will keep it up.

—Mr. Burns went to Orillia with the pupils in June. While there he called in the Express office and was pleased to meet one of his old pupils, J. T. Fisher, who is employed there. We need not say that the meeting between instructor and pupil was mutually very pleasant. In the office where he works, John is so expert that they do not notice his deafness.

—Superintendent Mathison was pleased to meet Mr. Weeks, one of the veteran teachers of the Hartford School, also his daughter in law, Mrs. Weeks, at Truro, where they were summering. To both of them he was indebted for kindly attentions. He was also surprised going up the Bras D'Or lakes on the boat to see Miss Fysh of Gallaudet College, Washington. The pleasure was mutual.

—Mrs. Dool and family, who have resided for some years in Belleville, have moved to Rockford, Ill., and her two deaf sons—Charles and Thomas—have gone with her. Charles was a graduate of our carpenter shop and a good work-

man, he had been employed by contractor Hanley of our city on buildings he is erecting in Brockville and has been giving good satisfaction. He gave up his position to go with his family.

—Mrs. Tudhope, of Orillia, and her son John, spent a day or two at the Institution last week, and were interested and welcome visitors. Mrs. Tudhope's daughter, Laura, is one of our best and brightest pupils.

—Miss Turriff, of the Winnipeg Institution, was a guest of Miss Mathison, in July, after the Buffalo Convention. Her visit was altogether too brief, but then she was en route to Little Metis for sea bathing. We want her to make a longer visit next time and in the near future.

—Our old friend, Mr. George Begg, formerly of this Institution, and now a teacher in the School for the Deaf, at Austin, Texas, came to see us in August. He cannot forget his old friends and hosts of them are always glad to see him. Belleville will always hold a front place in his heart as he met and wedded his wife here. Mrs. Begg and daughter spent the summer with relatives in the neighborhood.

—Miss Mathison had an experience during her trip home from Nova Scotia which few have ever had and none would ever care to have. A few miles this side of Montreal the train on which she was a passenger struck some freight cars left standing on the track, and part of the train, including the car in which she was riding, was derailed. Fortunately, however no one was severely injured, though the shock was a considerable one.

—Mr. D. W. McDermid, Principal of the School for the Deaf at Winnipeg, was with us for a few days during the vacation. He enjoyed three good solid weeks of rest at Old Orchard Beach and went home a new man. Mr. McDermid was a valued teacher here twenty years ago and the deaf of Manitoba and the western provinces owe him a debt of gratitude for his untiring efforts on their behalf. The Institution at Winnipeg is all right.

—At St. Thomas on the evening of the 18th ult., Miss Ada James, of our staff, assisted at a concert given by the young Women's Association in aid of the infirmary. The people of St. Thomas have had the past pleasure of seeing the late Prof. Greeno sign and called on Miss James for assistance in the same line. She gave four pieces which were most impressive. "Lead Kindly Light," "Safe in the Arms of Jesus," "Near to my God," were each rendered in sign, winding up with the National Anthem, the whole audience joining. While Miss Ada was signing her sister, Miss Mabel, accompanied her singing vocally and the most perfect time was kept which is not easy when the person signing is deaf.

—It is our sad duty to record the death during the vacation of one of our pupils, Willie Harper. His death took place at his home in Warwick on Sept. 9th. For a long time Willie had been in poor health and much of the time while at school he was on the sick list, and at times only the most unremitting attention of our doctor and nurse prolonged his life. His last sickness at home was borne with the same patience that he always displayed and as the end came he apparently realized it and felt that he was going home to God. Mr. and Mrs. Harper conveyed to Mr. Mathison their very cordial thanks for his sympathy and attention and their warm appreciation of the care he had received in the Institution. Two of Willie's school mates, H. P. Scott and Geo. Moore, were two of the pall bearers at the funeral.

—Nearly all our old pupils know and remember Mr. Cunningham, our portly baker, for so many years and will feel a share in his joys. On the 16th ult., only two days before school opened, his third daughter, Miss Grace, was united in marriage to Mr. H. J. Luscombe, formerly of Belleville but now of Hamilton. It was a pretty, quiet home wedding, only the near relatives and friends of the bride and groom being present, but no occasion of the kind has ever passed more happily. After the usual ceremony and feasting the happy pair left for the station, a small host of the little brothers, sisters and young friends of the bride and groom accompanied the bridal pair, the unusual attraction drawing much attention from our townspeople and testified to the popularity of the bride and groom and the warm place they hold in the affection of their friends.

The Convention at Buffalo.

(From a Buffalo paper.)

Below we give extracts, concerning the Convention at Buffalo, and with which we fully agree and endorse:—

"With the greatest reluctance and after the most successful convention in their history, the American Instructors of Deaf-Mutes take leave of Buffalo today. Their convention was in session for a week at La Couteulx St. Mary's Institution for the Deaf in this city, where the instructors were most hospitably entertained by the Sisters of St. Joseph, who are in charge of this famous institution. Their appreciation of the splendid manner in which the Sisters had cared for them during their stay in Buffalo was expressed in a resolution offered by J. W. Jones, of Ohio, at the closing session on Monday, which is as follows:

Resolved.—That the broad spirit manifested by the management of the institution in opening it to the convention of American Instructors of the Deaf is praiseworthy and heartily commended.

Resolved.—That we fully appreciate the labor and anxiety connected with the entertainment of so large a number of people and our thanks are hereby tendered to Sister Mary Ann Burke, Sister M. Isidore and Sister M. Imogene and their associates for the cordial reception and excellent service given and for uniform kindness shown, making us at home from the first, rendering our visit most pleasant and delightful.

"The resolution passed the convention by a unanimous vote and amidst the greatest applause, much to the gratification of the Sisters of St. Joseph, who had labored zealously to make the convention a success and the stay in Buffalo of the Instructors as pleasant as possible."

In the *Annals*, a magazine published by the Superintendents, Principals and Teachers of the Deaf, in reference to the test of the Akoulalion at the meeting in Buffalo, recently, we find the following:—

"Experiments with the akoulalion were made by several of the deaf persons present. They were not especially successful, but Mr. Carrier explained that in order to accomplish valuable results the teacher must be behind the instrument and must be behind it for a long time. (The italics are ours.—C. M.) Dr. Max Kaiser, of Buffalo, (one of the most thoughtful and successful specialists in America.—C. M.) expressed the opinion that in most cases just as good results can be produced with the human voice alone as with the akoulalion or other instruments."

Signs in Educating the Deaf.

Signs are of use—are in fact indispensable—when the deaf child first enters school, since there is no other way of communicating with him if he has never heard.

Signs are of use (with lessening importance as the pupil advances from grade to grade) for enabling him to express thoughts that his meager command of English prevents him from giving in that way. Here is where the "anti-signals" make their chief objection, claiming that English, written, spoken or spelled, can be made to supply every want. That it does not do this, that it is impossible to give the deaf child English as fast as he (naturally and without conscious effort) acquires signs seems to me too plain to admit of debate.

Signs are of incalculable advantage in interpreting lectures or in delivering original addresses to the school as a whole. Within a certain range, as for instance when dealing with purely descriptive matter, signs are infinitely more expressive than English, even to those who are masters of both.

While maintaining all this, it still must be conceded that the free use of signs tends to interfere with the acquisition of English, chiefly by reason of the fact that the pupil is inclined to employ the easiest means of communication within his reach. On this account the use of signs should be curtailed so far as may be done without checking an absolutely free interchange of thought.—*W. A. Caldwell in California News.*

—Two hundred and forty nine pupils in attendance and a few more to come.

—Our apple orchard is not so attractive to the boys this year as usual, there is an almost total failure of the crop which seems to be general all around us.

—The pupils are buying up the photos of their old friend, the late Mr. McKillop, as fast as the photographer can turn them out and we know there will be a great demand for them at the convention next summer.

—Since classification, on the 23rd ult., every department has settled down to steady work, the carpenter shop, through the absence of Mr. Dowrie, excepted. We hope shortly to see him quite recovered and at his post again.

PHOTOGRAPHS.—A number of our old pupils wish to get photos of the late Mr. McKillop, mementos of their old friend and teacher. We have got the negative of the last photo he had taken and will send a first class copy to any address for twenty five cents in silver. Address Wm. Nurse, Belleville.

—Our boys were much interested in the great yacht race. They had great confidence in the Shamrock and were pretty certain that she would carry off every contest, so when news came that the Columbia had out-done her opponent and won the first race, disappointment and sympathy for Sir Thomas was quite general.

—During the session the usual needed repairs were made in and around the buildings. The chief work done was the renewing of the plumbing system, which was very defective. A granolithic walk has also been built in front of the main building. Paint and varnish have been freely used and every room in the Institution looks fresh and neat.

PERSONALITIES.

—John Crough is back in Toronto.

—W. Watts, of Hamilton, is a frequent visitor in Toronto, and is always welcome there.

—Francis Doyle is working at cabinet making at Chesley, as an apprentice. We hope he will succeed.

—Noah Labelle, of Toronto, is contemplating a tour through the United States during the month of October.

—Mr. Dowrie has been confined to the house for a few days by illness, but we are glad to say he is recovering rapidly.

—On the 28th of Sept. Frederick Baker received the sad news from home that his cousin, Dr. Jack Ferguson, died at St. Louis, Mo., on Sept. 27th. He felt very badly.

—Miss Jack, Miss Templeton, Miss Bull and Miss James went into the country for a drive last Thursday with one of Sine's best and fastest nags. They managed to get back all right.

—W. O'Rourke, of Toronto, attended the Empire State Deaf Mute Association in Buffalo lately. While there he took in the Pan-American and Niagara Falls. William enjoys himself wherever he goes.

—Mr. M. O'Brien, separate school inspector of Peterborough, was in the city yesterday. He paid a visit to the D. and D. Institution and expressed himself as very highly pleased with the work done there.—*Belleville Ontario.*

—Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Thomas, of Oakville, celebrated the first anniversary of their wedding day on the 12th ult. Their home the "Georgia Cottage," was prettily decorated with golden rods, the emblem of Chicago, where Mr. and Mrs. Thomas were married, and maple leaves, the emblem of Canada. Quite a number of guests congratulated Mr. and Mrs. Thomas and each without exception left a handsome and useful present.

—We have just had a visit from Mr. Thos. Hill. He is such a traveller, bobbing up at the most unexpected times, so we were not so very much surprised. He has been away from Ontario nearly three years and has evidently prospered. During that time he has visited British Columbia and passed on to Australia and New Zealand, travelling during the past three years about 84,000 miles. When in Ontario he does a little missionary work for the Institution, getting the parents of all the deaf children he meets to send their children to school.

Opening of the Institution.

"We have read somewhere that the pious Moslem is allowed a certain number of days to drink of the pond of the prophet before entering upon earnest life. This pond is supplied from the rivers of paradise and produces rejuvenation and invincibility. We are not prepared to say that the longest and best enjoyed summer holidays can procure to ordinary mortals such comforts and blessings as are claimed for Mohammed's aspiring saints, yet of this we are sure that in all spheres of action an occasional period of relaxation is indispensable to the proper recruiting of spirit and energy, and that when this has been had then indeed can "earnest life" be faced courageously, if not with the positive assurance of undying success, at least with the strength and hope that renewed vigor is wont to impart. A new term has just opened at the above institution with a full attendance and an enthusiasm well worthy of a fresh and valiant host. In every department there seems to be a determination that this session shall eclipse all others in achievement, and if willing, concerted action be a fair augury then must our prediction prove justifiable.

The Koran makes the day of judgment last fifty thousand years, after which the righteous are admitted to their reward. We are glad for the sake of our institution friends that the length of their trials is not quite so protracted, still all concede that a work bristling with difficulties has to be done, and in their endeavors we cannot but wish them a hearty God speed.

NOTES.

240 pupils.

Now or never.

Everything bright and fresh after summer's repairs.

Pupils all seemingly pleased to meet Mr. Mathison, Miss Walker and all the teachers and officers again.

Mr. Forrester, who has just returned from a trip to Auld Scotia, looks well and was cordially welcomed back.

Mr. Mathison, in his address, gave many practical hints, which, if carried out, will be of much benefit to teachers and taught.

Classification took place yesterday afternoon, and every department is now in full working order. Labor conquers all. Let the human mission long continue to bear rich fruits of progress and advancement.—*Belleville Intelligencer.*

Almost as soon as one session of the institution has closed preparations are begun for the following session, and these continue off and on throughout the vacation. Superintendent Mathison makes it a point only to keep in touch with all the pupils and ex-pupils of the Institution, but also, by various means and methods, he endeavors to ascertain the name and address of every deaf child of school age in the Province. Early in the summer circulars of information and blank forms of application for admission are sent to the parents of these and efforts made to induce them to send their children to the Institution; and Mr. Mathison often finds it necessary to visit parents at their homes in various parts of the Province in order to impress upon them their duty and responsibility relative to the education of their children and to convince them that those will be safe in his hands. And it is but just to say that, hard though it is for parents to thus send their children from home and entrust them to strangers for so long a time, yet nearly all of them view the matter in the right light and, despite the pain of separation, send them to school at the proper age. At the time for opening approaches preparations must be made for getting all the pupils to the Institution. Circulars are sent to all the parents giving full information as to when school opens and the train on which they must send their children and every pains taken to prevent any possibility of mistake. Officers from the Institution are sent to Ottawa, Windsor and Sarnia and gather in the pupils along these lines; and from all the branch lines the children are brought by parents or in care of the conductors to connect with these trains. Parents of new pupils generally accompany them to Belleville or at least to Toronto, where they can consult with Mr. Mathison relative to them. This year school opened on the 18th inst., and on the evening of that day nearly all of the pupils had arrived safe at the Institution, and to judge from their happy, smiling

faces, they were all delighted to get back again to school; and nothing could justify more eloquently to the kindness with which they are treated than their willingness to return. The first two or three days were occupied in the old class-rooms in a hasty review of last session's work, or as much of it as possible, and meantime all the trunks were inspected, every article therein marked and an accurate and detailed record made of each pupil's belongings. Yesterday afternoon the formal opening took place. When all were assembled in the chapel Superintendent Mathison extended to them a hearty welcome back to the Institution and expressed his pleasure that every one looked so well and happy. During the vacation he had received letters from a number of parents in which they expressed their gratification and surprise at the obedience, helpfulness and exemplary conduct of their children, but this was no surprise to him but only what he had expected of them. Quite a number of those who left last June have already secured good situations and all the rest have good prospects. He hoped this session would be a most pleasant and successful one. The classification was then made and the pupils promptly got down to their work.

The number of new pupils is unusually large and the attendance will be about the same as last year. There are no changes in the staff of officers and teachers.

Quite a number of minor repairs were made during the summer, the chief work done being a renewal of the plumbing system, which was very defective. Paint and varnish have been freely used and, under Miss Walker's efficient supervision, everything looks bright and clean and every room is pleasant and attractive. Mr. O'Brien, of Peterborough, one of the Provincial Separate School Inspectors, was present at the opening and made a short address. His little son is one of the new pupils.

The *Ontario* expresses the wish, in which all its readers will share, that this may be the best session in the history of the Institution.—*Belleville Ontario.*

Hot Water Cures.

Headache almost always yields to the simultaneous application of hot water to the feet and back of the neck.

A towel folded, dipped in hot water, wrung out quickly, and applied over the stomach acts like magic in cases of colic.

A towel folded several times and dipped in hot water, quickly wrung out, and applied quickly over the seat of pain will in most cases promptly relieve tooth-ache and neuralgia.

A strip of flannel or towel folded several times lengthwise and dipped in hot water, then slightly wrung out and applied about the neck of a child suffering from an acute attack of croup will usually relieve the sufferer in the course of ten minutes if the flannel is kept hot.

Hot water, if taken freely a half hour before bedtime, is one of the best possible cathartics in severe cases of constipation, while it has a soothing effect on the stomach and bowels.

There is no domestic remedy that so promptly cuts short congestion of the lungs, sore throat or rheumatism as will hot water when applied promptly and thoroughly.—*Kachange.*

Foot Baths.

Foot bath of cool water, into which a considerable amount of histerine, half a cupful at least, is put, will be found to be a great relief to tender feet in this season. A chiropodist who gave this advice says, further, that the nails should always be cut straight across to the level of the top of the toe, as a preventive of ingrowing nails. They will never grow in if the corners are left untouched, unless the shoe is worn entirely too short. "Darned stockings, too," he said, contentiously, "keep me in business. Walking, at its best, is hard upon the city dwellers, who must trample these unyielding pavements. The finest darn frots and rubs the skin, and is likely to create an inflammation which it will take professional treatment to relieve. Almost as bad as the darned stocking is the stocking with a hole in it. Few persons think of the comfort of their feet until the discomfort rouses them to desperate measures. In point of fact, no part of the human anatomy repays care so well as the feet, and no part more promptly and painfully resents abuse."

Report of Pupils' Standing.

Excellent, 10; Medium, 5; Good, 7; Poor, 3.

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CHILDREN'S STORY COLUMN.

BY MRS. SYLVIA C. BULLIS.

The Boy and The Wolf.

There was a boy who took care of a flock of sheep near a village. He was a mischievous boy. One day he thought it would be good fun to fool the people in the village. He ran and shouted: "Wolf! wolf!"

Angry Bees.

It was a warm summer day. A gentleman went to an old cemetery. He walked around reading the inscriptions on the grave stones. He had an umbrella. He poked in the grass with the umbrella.

India-rubber.

You have a pair of rubbers. Have you a rubber ball? Do you use a lead-pencil eraser? They are all made of India-rubber. The rubber comes from a tree. Men cut gashes in the rubber trees.

Cotton.

Cotton is a plant. It grows in warm countries. Most of the cotton is raised in the United States. Cotton seed is sown in March and April. In June the plant begins to bloom.

Rover.

Stella has a dog at home. Its name is Rover. It is a wise dog. Every morning it will go for the cows. It drives the cows to the barn. Stella's father and brother milk them.

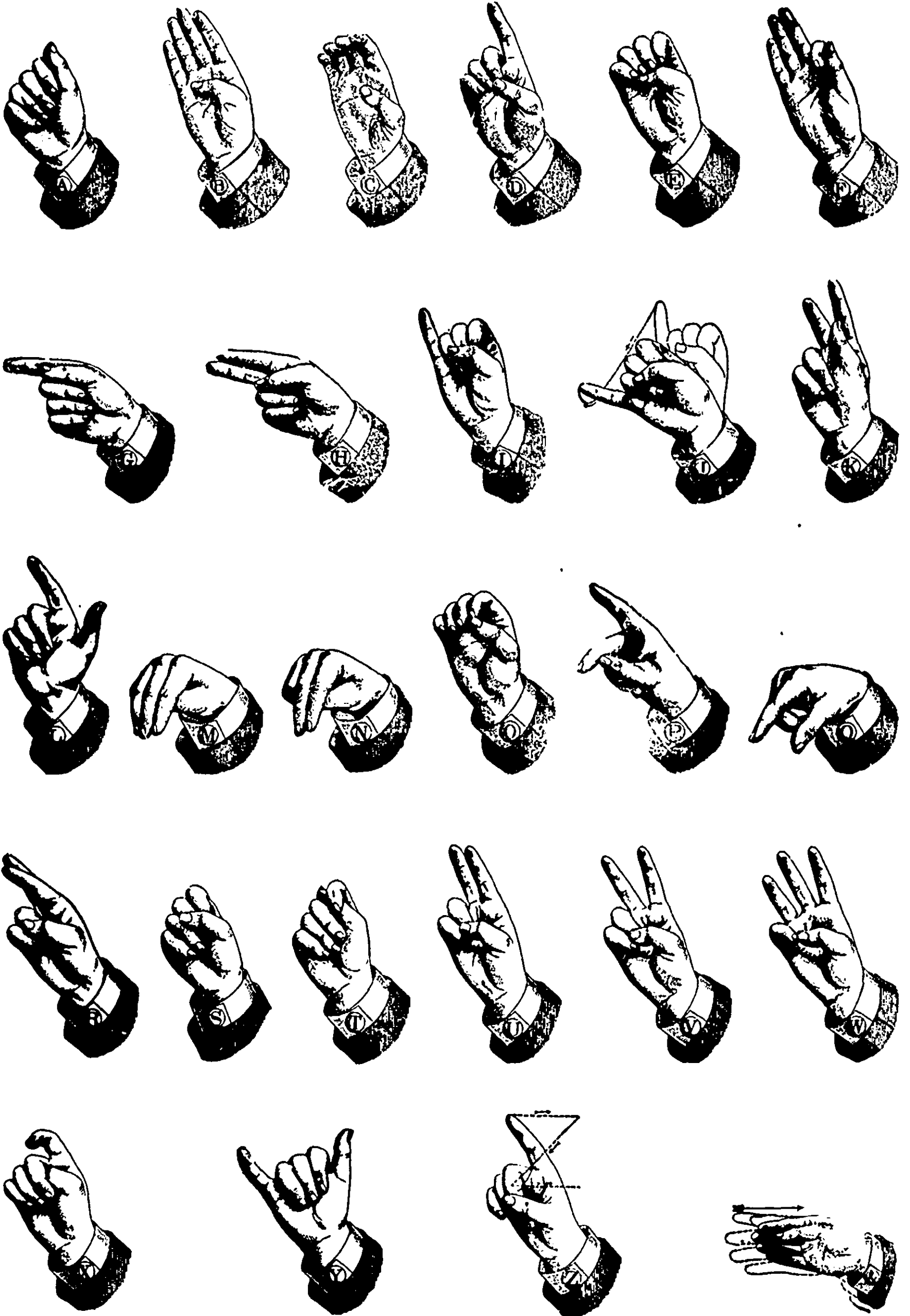
All of the new pupils are well and without exception they all seem very happy and contented, and are making themselves quite at home.

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THE CANADIAN MUTE.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 1, 1901.

Association of Instructors of the Deaf.

The last days of June found a large number of the teachers of the deaf preparing for a trip to Buffalo, N. Y., where the meeting of the American (including Canada) Association of Instructors of the Deaf was to be held from July 2nd until July 9th. The school for the deaf located there in charge of the Sisters of St. Joseph, was the meeting place. It is a beautiful new building with modern conveniences and was responsible for a frequent breaking of the commandment, "Thou Shalt not Covet," on the part of officers and teachers of schools where such things are grievously lacking though greatly needed. The Sisters, lovely and lovable women, individually and collectively, spared no pains to make the occasion in every way delightful. More than a hundred and fifty of the ladies had rooms in the main building, and there were scores of places of accommodation in the neighborhood for all who could not secure quarters in the Institution; and meals were served to all who desired them in the Institution dining hall. The Assembly Hall was commodious and most comfortable. The weather was all that could be desired during the entire time of the convention. The spacious lawn with its fresh green grass furnished sufficient stamping ground for disgruntled mankind, who were debarred the privileges of rooms in the main building. Lights were cut early and doors were locked, so the luckless individuals who were caught on the wrong side of the door, had to get in as best they could. It would require columns to chronicle all the amusing things and the happy hours spent together in Buffalo, and we have not the space. The first meeting on the evening of July 2nd, was called to order by President Gallaudet. There was a large attendance and the Assembly room was filled with an interested and appreciative audience. The usual addresses of welcome and responses were made. Then followed the President's address, a well written and gracefully delivered oration. The forenoon of July 3rd found the Convention buckled down to business. Knowing that all wished to attend the Pan-American Exposition, whose buildings were in plain sight and the nightly illumination of which lent light and brilliancy to the sky, it was announced that the Fourth would be a holiday, so that day the Institution and its grounds were almost entirely deserted by the members of the convention, but Friday and Saturday were busy days. A number of good papers were read and much business was transacted. The evenings were given over to social amusements. There was dancing and music for those who enjoyed them, and a very fine concert was given one evening by professionals from the city. The Gallaudet College Alumni held their banquet at Staller's Hotel. There was a most fearful thunderstorm that evening and many persons had thrilling adventures. The most of the guests reached the Hotel just as the storm burst, but others were caught in all sorts of positions and some were compelled to forego the pleasure of attendance at the banquet. Mr. and Mrs. Ballis, Mr. Madden and Miss James of our faculty were in attendance. Mr. Mathison was prevented by a prior engagement. Mrs. Ballis responded to the toast "The Associated Co-Eds," she being the only lady upon the toast list. Sunday offered many ways of passing the day, there being

many fine churches in the city. The Convention was especially invited to attend services at Rev. Helm's church and those who accepted the invitation heard one of the most beautiful sermons it had ever been their lot to enjoy. There was an afternoon session of the Convention, the topics being of a religious nature, and dealing with matters of interest to the profession. The election of officers resulted as all had anticipated in the re-election of Dr. E. M. Gallaudet, President for the third term. Mr. Mathison not desiring to continue in office, Mr. John W. Swiller was elected Vice-President. Mr. Dobyas was retained as Secretary and Mr. Smith as Treasurer. The vacancies in the Executive Board were filled by the election of Mr. W. Argo, Mrs. J. C. Ballis and Mr. J. W. Blatter. The sessions of the Convention came to a close at noon of the ninth of July. There were three hundred and seventy-seven persons, actively engaged in educating the deaf, in attendance. Some two hundred and seventy-five or more became active members of the Association. Many familiar faces were missing and many strange faces were to be seen. The list of those who had died since the former meeting of the Convention seemed unusually long. Some of the people present had travelled very long distances, the far south and west having quite a number of representatives. Canada also sent a number, Manitoba, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Ontario were all represented. Those who made the trip and were present at meetings of the Convention were Dr. Chamberlain, Inspector, Supt. Mathison, Miss Walker, Mr. and Mrs. Ballis, Miss Bull, Miss Templeton, Mr. Madden and Miss James. Mrs. A. H. Chapin, of Belleville, and Mrs. Wm. Templeton, of Vancouver, B. C., were present as honorary members. Mr. Campbell and his wife were also present for a short time but Mrs. Campbell's illness cut their stay short. Friday evening was the time set for an exhibition of the Akoulalion. Unfortunately it was also the evening of the banquet and many who would have been glad to test it were attending the banquet. Yet, from what was said of it both by witnesses and by those who had tried it, it appears to be of little if any practicable use to the deaf at large. Those merely hard of hearing may benefit by its use. While it is perhaps a wonderful invention, it has not yet reached that perfection that would make it advisable to spend time and money necessary to secure any satisfactory results. We must not forget to mention the remarkable blind deaf, who were in attendance at Buffalo. There were nine such afflicted children there with their teachers, and one young man with his mother, among them being Tommy Stringer, Orris Bouson, Leslie Oron, Elizabeth Robin, Edith Thomas and Lillian Hagnewood. They were certainly about the happiest people in Buffalo, and they enjoyed the Pan-American very nearly as much as those blessed with all their faculties. They were met in the Streets of Carlo one afternoon riding donkeys, camels and the elephant, and everywhere they went their sensitive fingers wandered lightly over the exhibits. All these delights, the long journeys and the happy week at Buffalo they owe to the kind heart and generous hand of Mr. William Wado, of Oakmont, Penn., whose greatest happiness and interest appears to centre upon these terribly afflicted people. To him, Helen Keller also owes much. Not content with giving pleasure alone to his charges and their teachers, he kept the ladies of the Convention beautifully supplied with beautiful flowers, and some had the

daily delight of receiving a box of lovely long stemmed roses from him. We are glad to be able to say, that steps were taken looking to the preservation of the numerous children's stories being published in the various Institution papers. It is hoped a large number may, in time, be collected and bound in book form. Besides the attractions of the Pan-American Exposition, there were delightful trips made to places in the vicinity, notably Niagara Falls, to which place, on the Fourth of July, adjourned about thirty persons. Olcott Beach attracted others and though seasickness claimed its victims those who escaped enjoyed it thoroughly. The exhibits of Art and Industrial Work were good. Gallaudet College sent some particularly fine specimens of Art work. The fine exhibit from Delavan, Wisconsin, never arrived, owing to some delay in transportation, but the Olathe, Kansas, Institution had a very fine exhibit. All things come to an end and the time soon came to say good-bye. Yet before adjournment it was announced the next place of meeting would be at the beautiful School for the Deaf in Morgantown, North Carolina, three years hence. We were made most happy by the presence of many old time friends, among whom we may mention Mr. Connor, of Georgia, who is so enamored of Canadians he spent some time after the Convention at Muskoka. Then there was Mr. McDermid, of Winnipeg, Mrs. Irish, of Nollsville, Wis., Mr. Swiler, of Delavan, Wis., Mr. Gordon, of Illinois, and—well there were others. Their names will all appear later in the official proceedings, but we regret space forbids our giving the entire list here and now. To sum up—it was a fortnight of profit and pleasure and we all hope to live to enjoy another. And in behalf of all the delegates from Belleville, we wish to express our thanks and appreciation of the many favors and kindnesses shown us by all connected with the Le Couteux St. Mary's Institution for the Deaf.

How and Where Vacation was spent.

Mr. Madden spent a pleasant vacation at Forest.
Mr. Keith spent his vacation at his home in Toronto.
Miss Linn passed her vacation very quietly but pleasantly at Bronson and Belleville.
Miss McNinch spent her holidays at her home in Gananoque. She also visited Morrisburg.
Mr. Denys' Mokka is his old home, like which he avers with the old song there is no place.
Miss Jack visited friends in Toronto and Kingston for a few weeks, and spent the rest of the vacation at home.
Miss Mathison accompanied the Superintendent on the Press Association trip to the Maritime Province.
Miss M. Bull spent her holidays very pleasantly with friends at Niagara Falls, Buffalo, Bloomington and Toronto.
Miss Metcalfe took in the delightful trip down the St. Lawrence to Quebec. She also spent a couple of weeks at Rice Lake.
Mr. Colonsu spent the summer in Belleville and vicinity. He was acting Superintendent during Mr. Mathison's absence.
Miss Dempsey accompanied Miss Metcalfe on the beautiful St. Lawrence trip to Quebec. She spent a couple of weeks in Toronto.
Mr. W. Cochrane remained at home during the summer his only outings being a few excursions to various points on the Bay.
Messrs. Dowie, Cunningham, Poppin, Langmuir and Moore remained at the Institution during the summer in the discharge of their duties.
Miss James spent a few weeks among the beautiful Muskoka lakes. She also visited in Toronto, and Buffalo, where she saw the Pan American.
Mr. Stewart and family spent a week at Niagara Falls and the Pan-American. They afterwards spent a few weeks at Hamilton, Brantford and Palmerston.
Mr. Burns visited the Pan-American, and spent a few days at Niagara, Toronto

and Port Hope. At the latter place he attended the gathering of the Port Hope old boys.

Mr. and Mrs. Douglas spent ten days camping out at a delightful place on Lake Erie, below Dunnville. They afterwards visited Brantford, Niagara Falls and Toronto and also spent a few days at the Pan-American.

Mr. and Mrs. Campbell attended the Convention at Buffalo and visited the Pan. They afterwards spent a few weeks at Peterborough, Lakefield and other places in that vicinity and a few days in Toronto and Hamilton.

Miss Walker spent most of her vacation at her home in Hamilton. She attended the convention at Buffalo and was much interested in the proceedings and also visited the Pan-American.

Miss Belle Mathison has spent the summer at Winnipeg, Vancouver, Victoria, Greenwood and Nelson, and has been so greatly enjoying herself that she may not return till the end of the year.

Mr. Nurse spent his holidays at Newmarket and among his deaf friends in Toronto and afterwards with Mr. Nurse and family spent a time amid the beautiful scenery and quiet of the 1,000 Islands.

Miss Gibson visited friends in Brockville and enjoyed a delightful trip down the St. Lawrence to Quebec. She spent a few days at the Pan-American and spent the rest of the holidays at her home in Hamilton.

Mrs. Mathison, who had not been very well since she had the grip a year ago, spent some time among the Muskoka lakes. She also made short visits at Hamilton and Toronto and returned home much improved in health.

Mrs. Terrill had a delightful vacation, every day of it full of enjoyment. In company with her sister, Mrs. Ashcroft, she spent some weeks among the White Mountains at South Harswell, on the coast of Maine. She also visited at Kingston, Peterborough, Toronto and Oakville. At Toronto she attended the meeting of the Provincial Historical Society.

Superintendent Mathison attended the Convention at Buffalo and incidentally visited the Pan-American. He then took in the Press Association excursion to the Maritime Provinces and on his return attended the High Court of Foresters at Cornwall. He also enjoyed a week's fishing at the Gattineau Fish and Game Club's preserve at Thirty-one mile Lake, back of Ottawa. He also took business trips to Toronto, Hamilton, Dundas, Brantford, Kingston and Ottawa.

At the beginning of the vacation Miss Templeton was agreeably surprised by a visit from her sister-in-law, Mrs. Wm. Templeton, of Vancouver, B. C. Together they went to Buffalo, attended the Convention of the Teachers of the Deaf and revelled in the beauties of the Pan-American, after which several weeks were spent in Toronto and vicinity. Friends in Napauoc, Madoc and Prince Edward Co. were also visited for a short time, where a quiet delightful rest was much enjoyed.

Mr. Forrester hied him away to the Land of the Heather as soon as school closed, where of course he had a delightful time renewing old acquaintances. Haggis, tripe, parritch and other Scotch dainties seem to have agreed with him and we suspect that some bonnie Scotch lassie had something to do with cultivating the look of unalloyed bliss that beams upon his countenance. In our next issue Mr. Forrester will favor our readers with some interesting observations on his trip.

Mr. and Mrs. Ballis attended the Convention of Instructors of the Deaf in Buffalo as a holiday after and remained until July 12th to rest, prior to a trip westward. From Buffalo they went to Norwalk, Ohio, and trolleyed about the country, then to Chicago and Milwaukee, visiting friends and relatives for five weeks, spending most of their time out of doors, on trolley lines and drives about Chicago's magnificent parks. On their return they stopped over in Buffalo and spent four days at the Pan, and on the various electric lines radiating from that city. Three days were devoted to Niagara Falls and the lines as far north as St. Catharines, Ont. Two days trolleying in Toronto wound up their trip by rail and three days at the Sand Bank, P. E. Co., completed a very healthful and pleasant vacation tour.

Better Than Gold.

Better than grandeur, better than gold,
This rank and title a thousand fold.

Better than gold is a conscience clear,
Though toiling for bread in an humble sphere.

Better than gold is the sweet repose
Of the soul of toil when their labors close.

Better than gold is the thinking mind,
That in the realm of Isaks can find

Better than gold is the peaceful home,
Where all the friendly charities come.

Unseen Fruit.

We must have faith for much that we
cannot see. He who is conscious of
doing God's will may be certain that the
world is better for his efforts.

"I can't keep that class any longer,"
said a discouraged teacher one day to a
friend. "I don't believe I am doing
those girls one bit of good."

All the time Jessie Caswell was talk-
ing, there was a low tremor in the voice
as if a mighty conflict were raging and
a long pent-up fountain were being sup-
pressed.

"But I have the other end of that
line. Listen! Last Monday afternoon,
Mamie Harvey was sent to my office for
misbehavior."

By this time, Jessie Caswell was
alternating between smiles (real ones)
and tears.

Helping at Home.

While depending upon parents for
care and support, do children always
think how much they can themselves
do, in many cases, towards lifting home
burdens and removing anxieties that
trouble those who love them?

The hope of more rapid gains led
Henry Stowe to seek a Western mining
country with his family some dozen
years since. He was like many of his
neighbors in this respect, but was less
successful than the more fortunate
among them.

"Mother will be sick only a few weeks,"
the doctor says, "and I can stay from school
and take care of her as well as not."

Without discussing their plans with
their father a great deal, the children
plowed, planted and cared faithfully for
their bit of garden.

Reading is one of the best habits for
deaf pupils who find language a difficult
study.

It was out of the cloud that the
deluge came, yet it was upon it that the
bow was set. The cloud is a thing of
darkness, yet God chooses it for the
place where He bends the arch of light.

Excusing one's self for the neglect of
duty simply because somebody else has
been faithless, is a great piece of folly.

Education.

"Education!" exclaimed Dr. Samuel
Cox, an eminent Presbyterian minister,
"education! What an ideal general-
ized, it covers all time, affects all etern-
ity!"

Education works wonders. It spans
the continent with hands of steel; it
drives floating palaces across the sea;

Education seizes the pencil, and the
world stands in admiration before the
Last Supper and the Sistine Madonna,

Education takes the chisel, and from
the marble block appears the glorious
Jupiter of Phidias and the majestic Moses

Education lifts the lyre, and heavenly
harmony fills the soul of the Messiah of
Harlel, in the souata of Beethoven.

Moses and St. Paul, Plato and Demos-
thues, Luther and St. Augustine, New-
ton and Shakespeare, Goethe and Mou-
delasohr, Edwards and Emerson.

The man who seeks to secure popular-
ity by compromising his principles is
doomed to disappointment.

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pupils and from 7 to 8 for Junior pupils.

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From 9 a. m. to 12 noon, and from 1:30 to 3 p. m.

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EVERY MONDAY. Primary pupils at 9 a. m. and
senior pupils at 11 a. m. General Lecture at
2:30 p. m., immediately after which the
Class will assemble.
Each SCHOOL DAY the pupils are to assemble
in the Chapel at 8:45 a. m., and the Teacher
in-charge for the week, will open by prayer
and afterwards dismiss them so that they
may reach their respective school rooms at
least ten minutes earlier. In the afternoon,
at 2 o'clock the pupils will again assemble
after prayer will be dismissed in a quiet and
orderly manner.
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Mondays, Sundays or Holidays except to
the regular chapel exercises at 2:30 on Sun-
day afternoons. The best time for visitors
on ordinary school days is as soon after 1:30
in the afternoon as possible, as the classes
are dismissed at 3:00 o'clock.

Admission of Children :
When pupils are admitted and parents come
with them to the Institution, they are kindly
advised not to linger and prolong leave-
taking with their children. It only makes
discomfort for all concerned, particularly for
the parent. The child will be tenderly cared
for and if left in our charge without delay
will be quite happy with the others in a few
days, in some cases in a few hours.

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 oppor-
tunity of seeing the general work of the
school. We cannot furnish lodging or meals,
or entertain guests at the Institution. Good
accommodation may be had in the city at the
Quinto Hotel, Hoffman House, Queen's, Anglo-
American and Hamilton Hotels at moderate
rates.

Clothing and Management :
Parents will be good enough to give all direc-
tions concerning clothing and management
of their children to the Superintendent. No
correspondence will be allowed between
parents and employees under any circum-
stances 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 EITHER OF
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All pupils who are capable of doing so, will
be required to write home every three weeks.
Letters will be written by the teachers for the
little ones who cannot write, stating, as nearly
as possible, their wishes.

No medical preparations that have been
used at home, or prescribed by family physi-
cians will be allowed to be taken by pupils
except with the consent and direction of the
Physician of the Institution.
Parents and friends of deaf children are warned
against Quack Doctors who advertise medi-
cines and appliances for the cure of deaf-
ness. In 999 cases out of 1000 they are frauds
and only want money for which they give
no return. Consult well known medical
practitioners in cases of adventurous deaf-
ness and be guided by their counsel and
advice.
M. MATHISON,
Superintendent.