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### A Willing Worker.

The dow lay glistening on the grass, The sunbeams stanted through the trees, And early dawn with mellow light Crejit over dates and shadowed leas

And from the words a hundred notes Came triling on the morning sir. While in the cot the turtle dove Coced to his mate a happy pair

But soon a voice of discord rose, And sorrow select on every one For in the barnyard—worful tale! Alsa, the speckled hen was gone

And five small chicks were motherless. Two white, two speckles and one brown And how to help the little dears. Was just the talk in poultry town,

They called a meeting to decide How heat to act for their support. And shook their heads and rubbed their bills O'er motion dull and stale report

"At length an aged rooster rose, And sald—I'm wiser than the rest, The yellow hen has just one chick— Of course shell take them to her nest"

They rau and found the reliow hen, Joyous to think all trouble done. She raised her feathers in a huff— "I ve scarcely time to scratch for one.

"I'm busy, too, from morn till night.
I scarce can keep myself alive
It seems a very likely thing.
That I could undertake for five."

The hens turned backward in dismay,
Twas clear no help rould there be gained,
And for the chirping little jets
Each pullets tender heart was pained

The inorning seemed to lose its light,
The dewdrops were but trembling tears.
And to the old brown her they went
To raise their hearts and tell their fears.

Hhe listened to their tale of woe
A tear stood in her bright round eve
Them—"Oh; my dears," she softly said,
"We must not let the darlings die."

"I've only got fifteen myself, My wings are very wide, you see I'm sure to find enough for all Just bring the little chicks to me."

MORAL

My moral is not hard to read.
I think it must be plain to you
If you want help in any work,
Ask those who have some work to do. -MINNIK P., 5t. Elmo.



#### Sadie's Presents.

BY MYRA PERCY.

"Next week-that is, on next Wednesday-will be my birthday," said Sadio Moreland, reflectively. "You will be fifteen," replied Auut Alice, looking up from her knitting, "almost a young womau.'

"Father and mother don't seem to

think so," suffed Sadie.

"Don't they treat you with sufficient consideration?" asked Aunt Alice, turn-

ing her head to concoat a smile.

No, they don't," answered Sadic, decidedly. "They treat no like a child, decidedly. "They treat mo like a child, and when I sak for anything I am told that I am too young, or they laugh at me. I think it a shame.

"So you want to be a young woman Well, now, what would you do if you had

your own way?" "I would get anything I wanted," replied Sadie, quickly, "and I'm going

to begin now. "Dear me!" ojsculated her aunt.

went on Sadie, coufiden-"You know." tially, "Uncle Houry sent me ten dollars on my last birthday, and I feel sure he will repeat the suft. That's twenty, and have nearly two dollars saved up. Now only this morning, I asked pape what I should do with my savings, and he said I might do anything I pleased. So I am going to spend it on myself."

"For something useful, I hope," ven tured Aunt Alice.

"For something I want," rejoined self, and nover was Sadie, half defiantly. "First, I'm going worthily bestowed."

to get a red silk umbrella, with a Droaden ball handle. Then I'll get a morocco-pocket-book..."

"You have a mice one now."

"I want a stylish one Thon I want a receive tie and a hairpin, and—and—oh, I have quite a list of things I am going "Will you spend all your money?"

"Every cent Nobody will give noo the presents I want, so I'll buy them for inveolf.

"It is a great deal of money to spend on frivolity in these hard times," said her aunt, quittly

But Sadio affected not to hear, and,

sitting down at hor father's deak, began to write with some estentation, and Aunt Alice whely said no more.

That night at supper Mrs. Moreiand came in late. "I am completely fagged out," she remarked, as Mary, the eldest daughter, pour dout the tea. "I have visited twelve samilies this afternoon, and I am sure I had no idea such des-titution existed."

"I encounter instances of distress overy day," said Mr. Moreland, "and it pains me to think that I cannot relievo all the descrying cases.

"If every one would do their share," observed gentle Aunt Alice, "it would not be so hard for the few."

"It would not be so hard for any one to give assistance," assured Mrs. More land, carnestly, "if we could force ourselves to do without luxurios while our ucigliliars are starring.

Sadio thought her mother looked at her particularly, and it made her uneasy. This feeling was increased when her father continued, with emphasis:

"I can't see how any one can be so heartless as to squander money when it unglit be used in actually saving lives."

As the conversation ran on this strain. Sadic spont a very unhappy half-hour. But it rather aroused her resentment than otherwise.

"I just believe Aunt Alice told," she said angrily; " but I don't care! Its my money, and I can do what I please with it! Nobody thinks I ought to have anything nice!

So, when Uncle Houry's present of a ten dollar note came the next day, she put it in her purse and went down town

to shop.
"I'll not take all my money," she decided. "Teu dollars will be enough for oue day."

But somehow Sadie did not see any thing that exactly suited her. Everything seemed outrageously high priced and Sadie came home with nothing but

a twenty-cent hair-ribbon.

The next day Sadie asked Aunt Alice

to accompany her.
"To morrow is my birthday," she explained, "and I haven't get my presents yet."
Aunt Alice willingly consented, and

the two set forth after school-hours. The first thing they looked at was an

ounbrella, price four dollars.
"This is just what you want," said
Aunt Alice. Sailie was looking at a glass globe in the ande, that bore a sign-

"Remember the Poor."

and Aunt Alice followed her out of the store.

This experience was duplicated in several other stores. Sadic either bought nothing or contented herself with some economical trinket; so that, when they returned home, the total purchases amounted to only two dollars.

After suppor that night Sadie drew her mother saids and put something in her

" For the poor," she said. " It is my birthday prosent."
Mrs. Moreland took five dollars from

the little roll.

"Give according to your means, daughter," she said, kissing her fondly. "I have watched your struggle against self, and nover was a present more

#### A Wonderful Escape.

Alexander III. of Russia, though inconsently haunted by the fear of assassination, died a natural and not a violent death. He had good cause to feel anxious. On several occasions his life was saved by what seemed the direct interwaved by what seemed the direct intervention of a supernatural power. Once his life was preserved by the "second thought." itself an inspiration, of an officer of the Tear's body guard. A writer in Kate Field's Washington Star tells the story. Shortly after General Gourko had been called from Odessa to act as multiple generator of Gt. Baternament. liad been called from Odessa to act as inilitary governor of St. Petersburg, a policeman, posted at the top of the Nevsky Prospect, caught sight early one morning of an equipage coming up the thoroughfare at a trot. It bore armorial devices familiar to everybody.

It was driven by a coachman recognized as the servant of Prefect Gourko, who persisted in being wigged in defiance of his master's orders, to the great merri-ment of the other St. Petersburg Jehus; and on each side rode the regular eccort of aix mounted Cossacks, each holding his lance in rest and wearing his ball of forage slung over his shoulder, more as if he were campaigning on the Don than engaged in service in the streets of the capital.

General Gourko and his escort-for the guardian of the peace had: easily recognized and hastily saluted his chief, the new Prefect of Police—made their way to the massive Winter Palace, and the general alighted and rang. To the doorkeeper—an officer of the body guard—he briefly stated the object of his visit; he desired an immediate conference with the Tear. The hour was early, but his business brooked no delay, for it concern-ed the eafety of Alexander himself.

The janitor was at first inexorable, expostulating that his imperial master had been in bed only an hour; but at last he yielded. Up the broad stair-case they went together, pausing in their ascent only when they had reached a landing giving access to one of the capa-cious salcons. At this point General Gourko was instructed to wait. At this

point, too, the Tear's guardian seems to have repented of his decision. Closely accutinising the Prefect of Police, and proceeding in the direction of the emperor's sleeping spartments, he did not arouse the Tear at all. What he did was to descend to the guard-room and despatch a messenger. During his absence the Tsar calmiy slept on.

A quarter of an hour later the measenger returned. He had been sent to Gen. Gourko's residence, and he brought back the information that the Prefect of Police was at that moment in bed. The early visitor, therefore, was an impostor.

He was something more; for from his pockets, after he had been seized and pinioned, was drawn forth a six-barrelled revoler and a two-edged hunting knife. The Tsar's life had been saved, yet it had hung for a few minutes in the bal-

ance.
The made-up Gourko—the Prefect of
Police imitated down to the minutest details of hair, complexion and wig-might "I don't believe I really meant an have deceived even the Taar himself. umbrella," she replied, in a low voice. Not a whit less perfect was the art which had reproduced the Gourko coach and escort.

Only the sham prefect was secured, however; his confederates escaped. Simultaneously with the arrest, guards had rushed from the place to seize them, but their equipage had gone. No sign of them was ever found.

As for the chief actor in the plot, his personality has never been disclosed. He is the one mysetry which the Nihilista themselves have never been able to penetrate. His secret remains with him, and he keeps it to the present moment, for he is still—or was at-last accounts—a prisoner in the island fortress of Peter and Paul.

The man who is smitten with a widow must beware of the widov's smite.



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#### The Duty of Parents.

Our Superintendent recently received the following letter, which we take the liberty of publishing in full-for the impressive lesson it convoys .-

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"I am going to write to you regarding my brother who is deaf and durnh, but never got any schooling when he was young He was very delicate and we couldn't cersuale mother to let him go to achool as shethought it would kill him, and now as he is grown up to be a young man he is nearly crear because we hadn't sent him to school, and 'often feel as bad for him, to think he wasn't a ut before this late day, for the older he gets the more he taisees it. He is alyears old What do you think about him going now? If he could only learn to write and read we would be quite satisfied, for he is very clever and can write his own name very nicely. He is a very smart boy if he only had schooling. Will you kindly answer this at once and tell me what you think of him going and what it will cost a week or a month or whatever your terms are."

Here surrely is a taxt for an marnost

Here surely is a text for an earnest exhortation and a solemn warning to delinqueut parents, of whom there are not a few. Who that reads this protest of a neglected soul, this pathetic plea for at least a little ray of light amidst the oncircling darkness, can repress a feeling of strong indignation against those who have been so sailly derolict in their duties, and of deep sympathy with one who realizes so keenly the negligence of his parents and his own irreparable loss.

Of course we will take the young man in and do what we can for him, but all n nover tomore to him the full vigor of an intellect which has become dulled by long disuse. A third or more of his life has, through no fault of his own, been passed in rayless dark ness, and nover can his montal powers recover their full buoyancy and strength, never can he be half the man he might have been had his education been begun at the proper age. We have repeatedly endeavored to impress on parents what a sad and trremediable unstake they are malnug in neglecting to wond their children here during early childhood, when the mind is most receptive and every sense is alert. But there are some telegently conducted, and we give it our who have rejected our admonitions and suppressed the dictates of their better long continued usefulness.

carelessindifference. For infortunately the instance cited above is by no means an isolated case. We have had scoresand still have several -pupils who did anot enter the Institution fill they were grown to manhood physically, though still more infants intellectually. Fine fellows many of these are, with good natural abilities, and most eager to make the most of their belated opportunities but few of them can make satisfactors progress and none can do even approxi mately as well as if he had begun sooner. (And they fully realize these adverse conditions, and it is really pathetic to see their strenuous efforts to in keep for lost time and to witness their bright ating sense of partial impotence and failure. They feel most keenly then in feriority in both acquirements and mental activity to many of the younger pupils, and realize how seriously they are hand) capped, not only here, but in all then fu-

judgment , yielding rather to the prompt

ings of selfish affection or the apathy sol

ture careers, and many of them feel bit terly the mjust cound neglect with which thoy have been treated by their parents and resent it with not unnatural velicmence. Wo know of sov ral deaf-mutes in the Province who are fast approaching maturity, but whose parents have refus ed to allow there to come to the Institu tion, and we hope these parents will take to heart the lessen can eyed in the above letter and act recordingly. We can assure them that when they neglect this all important parental duty-the mental and moral training of their children-they are not only doing these children a great and irretrovable injury, but are also laying up for themselves a bitter harvest of film distrust and

The Colorado Index of Dec. 21st devotes considerable apace to tributes paid by other papers to Mr. David C Dudley, formerly superintendent of that fustitution, who ited on Nov. 27th, and no man could be more worthy of the warm encommus of his fellow laborers. The deceased was one of the ablest instructors of the deaf in America and has done much: to place this important work on a sound and substantial foun dation. Despite the fatal disease which had preyod upon him for so many years, his cuergy was unremitting and his zeal-never flagged. His was a noble character; and his kindly, helpful disposition, his loyalty to duty, his quick intelligence, his over ready fact and his eminent ability as teacher and superm tendeut endeared him to the whole profession and gave him aubounded in fluence for good over his pupils. But me the early age of fifty five years he was called away and of him it may be said in its best sense that the rested from his labors and his works do follow him

With the new year the Dear Yate Journal, of New York, began its twenty ninth volume. The Journal is one of the best of all papers published su the interest of the deaf on this contineut. Most papers published in connection with schools for the deaf are chiefly local in character. The Journal, however, aspires to a wider field of usefulness. It mains to be—and very successfully—a paper of general interest to the deaf everywhere, and especially throughout the eastern part of the Union. It has a large corps of able correspondents, its news is well selected and cosmopolitan in scope and character, its editorials are apt and well written and the general character of the paper is such as to commend it to the confi dence and to ment the support of the deaf overywhere.

The Kentucky Standard, one of our most valued exchanges, has just completed its twenty-fifth volume, and we tender it our felicitations on having completed a quarter of a century of use fulnoss and over increasing excellence It deservedly occupies a place in the front rank of institution papers. Its pages are crowded with good things, its object being to be practically helpful to teachers and pupils rather than simply best wishes for its future prosperity and

#### The Abuse of Offi Glying.

the state of the body

Now that the bob base are over and the rush and worry of preparation for them are things of the past, we can prase and contemplate our spoils and our despendation also. It ppy is the victim of the Christmas gift craze, whose debit and credit sheets will balance There have been immunerable changes rung nem the topic of the beauty of giving and its attendant joys. I venturo here to speak of the evils and the consequent miseries. From far and from near, wails of distress have reached me. they have quite drowned the more pleasurable sounds of the Christmas

Wrate one, three weeks before Christmas, "I am driven nearly to death with my school work and trying to make gifts for all those whom I know expect them."

Dear me' why did she not, like Col. fellers, allow them to continue to have their great expectations?

Another busy, hard working girl wroto: "I get up early and rettro late. I am-Spending every spare moment trying to finish my Christmas gifts . A few days after Christmas another writer said, "I am so tired I feel as if I nover would get rested again."

Still another wail reached us. " It cost me \$31.00 to remember the people in this hallding, consider what it has cost mo when you add my immedate family. Later we visited the writer, and saw her display of presents received, and to use her own words, "The only decent thing here, is that dish and if eso kid gloves. "There, said a other, waving unito her private sparts, ent, "is the stuff I have fixed up for Ch intmes gith, and many thanks I'll get for them."

"In the name of common sense, why do you do it then?" we asked.
"Thank madness! Christians, comes

Thank goodness' Christmas comes but once a year " was the fervent exclamation of another sufferer

The wife of an officer, resident in a public institution wrote, "I had to make twenty six presents to as many persons in this Institution, no wonder my own family suffered. It has become a burden that increases yearly

The foregoing quotations are all the actual extrussions of homona who reside in public institutions in different localities. The unhappy experience of one seems to be very nearly the counterpart of others, so let that be considered

composito article.

The extent to which the questionable custom of exchange of gifts has grown in public institutions as in other places is surprising. What should be a carefree and happy season has become a dread and a burden, its advent is met with imagivings and its departure joyfully auticipated The accumulated conglomoration of trash gathered by some nets is truly surprising. sympathies were strongly attracted to the young woman who specialized only two articles in her collection as decont while our risibles were called into play by her dramatic disgust. I regret to say it is mostly women and girls who are so foolish as to blindly follow the senseless custom such as this annual exchange of gifts has become. And it is they who get most hopelessly entangled in their attempts to give a logical explanation of ally they do such a thing. The larger number of the other sex have less sentiment and more foresight, and when they begin to find themsolves being imposed upon, they are inclined to become emphatic of language and the whole foolish business stops at once. If all this gift making is burdensome to the people with the lower subaries it cannot be otherwise to those with larger sims at their disposal, as they must feel that it is encumbert upon them to give in proportion to their means. The evil appears to have origin ated among a few thoughtless, generous persons, who made trifing gifts, to a number for whom they had some regard. The following year each recipient felt it necessary to return the compliment with something of rather more value, and others with an eye more to the main chance and possible favors, began bestowing gifts also, with a great lack of sentiment and happy disregard for future consequences.

course of time, there comes... izes the length to which the 🦠 custom has grown, and it is a then stand against its for person is bound to be my will suffer accordingly | Vi person who has the strength resist under such circum; suffer Leenly. It requires allow season after season to not be drawn into the york.

The amount of time, stmoney spent in the effort small token to two or three doz. for whom you care little, i. much more profitably spens ways. Yet when such a custon abolished, if the enstwinte bec ers were asked to contribute in they would otherwise have a trilling things to some more cause, it would be rather annuhow far short of the real sum : tributions would fall the ... denied that hope of returns to strong influence in some quarter

In a few localities officerand employees are forbidden to gifts from their charges or the a of the same. It is a very was Such is the rule here. Some per apparently think that to will be considerations for themselves members of their families, gifts and it that are necessary. It is not a kindle of nor is it accepted as such by the m fortunate objects of their uncale is not attentions. It is a species of brits of offer a public servant an expense on and is usually resented as sucthere are honorable people is in who fully realize their responsibilities. and who will not with justice rate of attentions and gifts tunimeraplaces the innocent recipients a uncomfortable positions. greatly averse to accepting the garyet are often so cornered they refuse Alarma seriously offending donote, which man her they are not to ly most reluc at to commit.

If parents and grardinus would realize that the bestowing of answers wifts and favors upon the authoris our institutions makes no non- m whatever in the treatment accuracy their charges, they would soon cease ? trouble them with the unwelcome on quite unappreciated attentions. True feel they must show their appreciation of what is being done for the alliest ones of the family, let the gelf be the nature of a donation to the functhe school, for the library, for an 🤝 ments or for the use of some less taxone i child.

-It is to be wished that some it is togarding the exchange of gifts and me, the residents of some of our Institute in could be formulated, if not emails abolishing the custom at least curtains. it. Such a rule would be an unment relief to some persons who liave not courage to act independently and ich-

at the whole affair. Here in Bolleville it was propesome time ago that hereafter, instead of spending time and money in mann's turing things for one another, the ii dents of the Institution would sew is the poor. So each year now the W sions, Orphans' Hospital and works charities receive substantial remeabrances from our Institution family Let other gift-burdened households for

low this example. If Christman is a dread to some in sight of a wolding card gives cold chat to others. Both, oncommocent, custon have become elaborated and abused materrible extent. A wolding card now i days reads between the lines, " You may come to our wolding if you choose that bring some gift as the price of admission Your presence is not necessary to the occasion but a gift would be acceptable Maybe the recipient of the invitation takes the hint and goes gift laden. The young people with a small moone whenter upon woulded life with a later wedding and its attendant long list of contly gifts, are being handicapped at the very start with a burden that might as well be a mortgage on their income with a 6% interest attached. One well ding leads to another. If there were only two or three gifts to be repaid then would be no need of complaint, but n more likely to amount to several doze in the course of time.

Happy are the young people who start hio with a quiet hillo wedding, and blossed are they if they receive no gift-They may then stand some chance of having what they want, when they want it. Besides the souse of freedom from obligations and the independence cannot year by year the evil has grown. If, in | be otherwise than most welcome.

PUPILS' LOCALS.

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and an our country

In Boers originally came from Boor' means "tarmer," and 1. 1 tarm house." BL C.

count said to the farmer, Mr. What do you ask for the colt?"

This others whom you can, but mer give what you cannot afford an elecanse it's fashionable.

to the pupils are greatly pleased are mir improvement, and are interused a the progress of the school.

time of the teachers selected seven gains all skaters to play bockey, but we

W mover have seen an idea too big is intences, but we have read thouand sol sentences too big for an idea.

tast week Miss Mary Ensuinger aphoto from her dear sister Lotta has she was very much pleased with it. threemas Day and New Year's Day and passed away. After dissipation a most go shead in school this now

Some large bays-uccided not to play boot ball last fail, but overvilay they play hockey. Nobedy has been burt vet

We girls want to extend to the be a pour best thanks for fixing the rink mery meety. We think the rink is the has we coer had.

Some kay that the new century begins with the new year 1900, others often that it begins with the new year Which is right?

We all think that Miss Annio Blackwho is the most graceful girl skater. We are sorry that she can't skate long of them on account of weakness

On the 5th of Jan a boy in our the walked heavily and shook the should learn to walk lightly, and easily.

We were sorry to hear that Rev. Mr. I manpson spramed his nukla two weeks age and he could not come here. We hope that in anklo will get better soon.

On the 6th ult., a gentleman of formute sent 50 stereopticon views to us institution. We had a magic lanto in entertainment ou Saturday ovening and it was good."

We are very glad to see that Gertie that is learning to skate. She got many tumbles when she first began, but in does not now. We hope she will be a graceful akater.

We were gladly surprised to have dd carved turkey for tea one night last wick. It was very kind of Miss Walker. ··· carve, but we think it was hard work to her as well

Last Sunday Mr. Coleman loctured us in the chapel. His subject was beech and his Brothren." We were on rested, and we must try and remember what he told: us.

I got a lotter from is people are engaged working on the officer of tunning through Bancroft from its nion to Cee Hill, and I am glad to " or that it will soon be finished.

The 9th inst. was Mr. Mathison's thiday Some girls gave him au threes. We wish him many happy turns of the anniversary of his birth and hope that he will have a joyful life.

A couple of weeks ago. Georgina. orbairn got a letter from home saying sat young and old people in Windsor of been vaccinated for the prevention 1 small pox. There were many sere HIMS

are glad to help the British to will here of six weeks. · tory in South Africa. Gen Buller is ! place.

On the 15th ult. Lizzie Scott got a by the Pupils of Mr Coleman's Ernest Luther She opened it, and it contained a lovely ring for her birtheas She looks prood The girls congratu lated her,

-About two weeks ago Ethel Thompson got a small idol toy in a popoorn bag and so she planned to induce Luzzie Scott to cat it as if it was choclate, Lizzio did so, but she made a wry face and we all laughed.

—On the 1st inst a new girl, named Mary Boyle, of Orillia, came to school with her mother. The next day her mother left her to go home. We hope she will improve fast in school

On the 8th uist, some of the girls hat cannot culist as soldiers, asked the boys if the rink was good, and if us hig hove would like to go they said no. it was very wet. In the afternoon we were allowed to skate on the rink as the ice was good. We think that it was a sudden change.

-Miss Mary Numb. formerly our nurse, has offered her services as a trained nurse to the Dominion Govern ment for the South African War, to go with the second noted Canadian contingent, but she has not been accepted yet

-One of Mr. T. C. Forrester's Christ may gifts was a splendid Scotch cake, and it came from an Aunt of his in Scotland. Those who had the pleasure of getting a piece of it said that it was the best Scotch cake they over tasted. We suspect Mr. Forrester is his Aunt's favorite nephew. All here like him. Ho is an agrecable gentleman.

-Our secoting at Christmas time is. Merry Christmas - The little Russian children say to each other "God with us." Our Santa Claus is a man the Santa Claus of Russia is a woman, and sho is called Babonshka. The children there receive their presents on the sixth day of January, instead of on December twenty fifth. They say that it was on January with that the wise men brought their gifts to the Christ child.

#### \*\*\* Great Newspaper for the Deaf.

An independent nowspaper for the deaf and their friends will be issued at Evansville, Indiana, during the middle of February Its name is Once A Week. a magnificent illustrated weekly. It is of the six column size, of eight pages; sixteen pages within a year. It is of national character. It has a field and mission of its own, as a family weekly-No pains or expense will be spared to make the variety of news in attractive and fascinating as a first class hotel till of fare, where each guest selects what suits his taste, so that it will become a

Practical necessity in every home.

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## HAMILTON TERMS:

From our own Correspondent.

Mr. Robert McPherson.was in Brant ford for Christmas and New Year's holi

Mr. Willio R. Watt went to Guelph for Christmas.

Mr. A. C. Sliepherd, of Toronto, was

in the city ou Xinas.
Mr. and Mrs. Famil Gottlieb and children, of Brautford, were the guests of Mr and Mrs. Henry Gottlieb on New

Year's day. Mr an i Mrs. A E Smith and children. of Brantford, spent a happy New Year's

day in the city.
Mr. George Bridgeford, of Dundas, was

in the city on New Year's day
Mr. and Mrs. Charles Golds and
children, of Milton; were in the city on the 23rd alt., on their way to Paris, where thoy stayed for a week. While on the train, they met Mr. and Mrs. Wheeler, of St. Catherines, who went to Brantford.

We are proud to be Canadians, and | Oottlieb, returned to Berlin after a visit

that a big battle will soon take Day, also Mr. E. Hackbusch had a lowing to the recent death of an uncle lace.

TurriH-McKenzle Homestead. !

From entouch Correspon lant

Since my last writing, Mr. Willio Summers was here twice and one time we all talked away till midnight in our efforts to study the Transvaal war in detail.

During the first week in December, Mosers, David Turrill and Kenneth McKenzie, who had been to Petrolesi and Shetland, 12 and 16 miles away respectively, reported heavy snow and good sleighing, lasting a few days, Strange toway it was entirely the reverse

A new well for drinking purposes has been drilled on Mrs. Nutter's farm, by Mr Jas. W Jackson, father of Elroy of your school Mr Jackson has been the agent for the Pumping Company in Petrolea for months part, travelling over this district

Mr Roderick McKenzie, brother of Kenneth, was six days here and then left for Glammis, Bruco Co., to spend the winter with his parents, as he is bothered with a badly sprained back, from an accidental fall. We sincerely hope he will be in his usual condition in the spring as he purposes returning to Elm River where he was doing very well at carpentering; and it is the same with his brother John D. On his way he stopped at Bay City, Mich., where he met Mr. Wm. Freeman, your former pupil, and reported him a carpenter and married to an American mute girl, also at Flint he visited the Institution for the Deaf, and accompanying a pupil from there he called on Mr. Watter Wark, in the harness factory

The next day we all were greatly surprised to see Miss Christiana Showers, landly driven over by her friend, Mr. John Vince. Then I accompanied her to her mother's place in Shetland for my holdays.

THE SHOWERS HOMESTELD.

Mr John Vince rents Mrs. Michael Showers other farm, adjoining, and stays with the family here. On Sunday before Christias Mr. Albert Wright came here and stayed over night, when the next day he and myself went with the Showers family to spend Christmas with Mrs. Showers' sister-in-law, Mrs. Kenneth Munroe, and her family four mites away. Mr. Munroo was that day away to his aged mother's funeral, in Bluevale, near Wingham, at the residence of her son, Mr. Jas. Showers. The deceased was 85 years old and was mother in law of Mrs. Michael Showers and grandmother of the Misses Showers of your school she was also a sister of Mr hemeth McKenzie, of Glammis, and aunt of Reserick, John D. and Kenneth, Jr

That same day Miss Lena Showers and Mr Vinco went to Thamesville. where Lena will spend one week's hell days with the Vince family. She will see Mr Daucan-Bloom-overy-overing during her walking exercises down town

Mr. David Turrill came over to spend Christmas happily with his parents in Florence, as he had not been there for

a long winte.
On the 0th inst., your superintendent,
Mr. Matinson, will be one year older, so we, the mutos, as well as our friends really wish-lam many happy roturns and fervently hope he will be spared long in his good 'abors.-W. K.

#### OTTAWA NOTES.

From our own Correspondent

As the helplay season is past and we are all settled down once more to the trund steady grand, I will now try to give you a short account of what happened in Ottawa during Xinas and New Year's weeks. Of course the prevailing topic is the war. Three of my near neighbours are going with D Battery and are taking their horses with them. At present we have quite a large party bronacked at the exhibition grounds, and report says they will be inspected by then Hutton on Wesinesday, and also leave for Halifax the same day. I trust it will not be a final leave taking and that we will in a few months have the pleasure of welcoming them back again.

Miss Borthwick was absent from the city for a few days attending the weddung of her sister, in the capacity of bridesmand. As the Borthwick family was one of the first to settle in this vicinity, and comes of good Scotoli stock, it is scarcely necessary for me to say that the young couple received the best wishes of a host of relatives and tory in South Africa. Gen Buller is Mr. James Mosher had a week's best wishes of a host of relatives and command at Torcla river and we holidays from Xmas till after Now Year's friends for their future welfare, but if that a his battle will result with a his battle with a his battle will result with a his battle with a his battl owing to the recent death of an uncle deaf pupils in Canadian Institutions the marriage was private, only the im- say, "England will be successful."

mediato friends of the bride and groom laing present.

The first of January being the fifth anniversary of the marriage of Mr. and Mrs McClelland, they colebrated the occasion by entertaining all their deaf friends in Ottawa and the vicinity who, it is needless to say, were overjoyed at this opportunity of showing their regard for them, as the numerous presents suitable to the occasion can testify very pleasant evening was spent, and before the party dispersed, Mr. Bayne, at the request of these present, addressed them wishing that all present might be spared to liely them to celebrate their golden and diamond wedding, and thus ended one of the most pleasant evenings the deaf of Ottawa enjoyed for many a day.

Messrs. Haldane and Shouldice reports

having spent quito a pleasant time visit-

ing old friends in Montreal.

We are sorry to say our estcomed friend, Mr. Gray, of Metcalle, has been senously indisposed and confined to the house for a couple of weeks. This will be hard on him as he is naturally of an industrious disposition, and speaking from personal experience as a farmer, we can say it is hard to be so long without seeing our nags and other stock.

Mrs. Wigget spent the heliday, season in Montreal with her parents.

#### LONDON NOTES.

From our own Correspondent

Miss A: Mathieson, of Komoka, has been visiting her sister in Niagara Falls all summer. On her way back slie remained in London for a brief visit and then returned to her home in Kamoka.

Mr. Win. Thompson, who has been working for Mr. Noyes, of Denfield, during the summer, returned to his home in Thamesville for Christmas. He expects to return to Donfied next Spring Mr. Goe of Duncrief has moved with

his family to Poplar Hill where e will

reside in the future.

On the 31st ult., Mr. W. H. Gould drove with Mr. Leathorn to Talbotville to visit Mr Henderson. The sleighing was splendid and they enjoyed their visit to their old school mates Jonathan and his MHEEF.

Mr. Win. Bryce, of Poplar Hill was lately a visitor to our city. Ho was the guest of Mr. Wood.
We understand that Mr. McKay, of

Woodstock, and Mr. Byrno of Stratford liave some intentions of going to Manitoba next Spring. Mrs. Eliza Smith's mother of Chatham

came here to see Eliza on Dec. 28rd, and stayed hero for several days. Miss Lily Bryce spent Christmas at

her parent's home in Byron.

Miss Lily McIntyro spent Christmas holidays with her relatives in Dorchester.

Gladstone and Avon.

Mr. Nelson Wood had an enjoyable time, sponding his Christmas holidays at his home at Exeter.

During Christmas holidays Mr. Richard Leathorn and Mr. W. H. Gould, Jr., went to Stratford where they met Miss Magne Fuller of Mitchell and Miss Claudia Moore of Sebringville and Mr. J.

R. Bryne, of Stratford. Mr. Harper Cowan went to Woodstock to attend Mr. Charlie Ryan's Christmas party on Dec. 25th. About twelve deaf friends were present with them.

Some deaf mutes of this city drove to Hyde Park, 7 miles west, and spent New Year's Day at Miss Ada Mason's home.

Mr. Vocual Morse of Finnal came here on New Year's Day and has started to work at Geo. White's threshing machine factory.

Quito a number of our deaf friends withersed the departure of the mounted ritles and artillerymon for South Africa. Thousands of citizens turned out to wish them "God Speed."

-The second Canadian troops will leave Canada for South Africa on the 25th of January.

-We like to read the war news every day and to hear of the stirring events iu South Africa.

-Many Russians, Germans, and French troops aid the Boers in South Africa, as they want to beat the English troops.

-The world has had but for teachers: a score of men have furnished us all the wisdom and philosophy we ровновы.

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### Dr. Eakins.

Dr Eakins our physician, is seriously and dangerously ill What the outcome may be it is difficult to conjecture, but white there is life there is hope, and we are all hoping and praying for a favorable change.

Dr Geo C Mathison, of Winnipeg, was recently elected a Director and Examiner of the Manitoba Deutal As-

dr Geo Mathison's visit home for Christmas was a very pleasant one and all were glad to see him, but it came to an end on the 3rd met, when, bidding all good live he left for Winnipeg to resume inspractice. His old friends among our former pupils, and they are many, will be glad to near that he has succeeded well in the west and has built up a good practice. Any of them passing through Wimmieg and giving him a call will be condually welcomed

Mr Wuld, formely Principal of the Mackay Institution, Montreal, is doing a good work among the deaf people in the Diocese of Los Angeles California.

-The largest locomotive in the world has just been built for the librors Central Hailroad. It is of the tweeze wheel type, and is about a ton heavier than the heaviest engine ever before

The Czar has an income of \$1000 the Emperor of Austria, \$500, the Kaiser, \$150, the King of Italy, \$300, Queen Victoria, the same, the French President, \$250, the Rug of Belgium, \$85, and the President of the United 7 States nearly \$6.00.

CHILDREN'S STORY COLUMN BY MER, STEFFE I I'V

An Intolligent Don

One hot, summer afternman sat in his gruebair oc 1 reading his newspaper 1 three years old played on me A big black Newfoundland in 10 her Soon the old man 1ch his chair. His nowspaper is floor and his head nodded

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The little girl looked at a was a mi-chievous little gal he was asleep. She thought .. run away. She ran out of The big dog followed her Sa in the road. She crawled uniinto an orchard. The dog crasher She ran around picking a and sticks. The dog played a The grass was tall and she come where she was going. All at ... fell down, down on the hara-It hurt her . It was dark So She had fallen into an oft " water was in the well. She in. bottom of the well and cried a few h stood at the edge of the well and a real down at her He barket > up and saw his head. He has barked. Soon he ran away | 11. the house. The old man was still a on the plazza. The dog barket is He did not wake up. The doc i leg and barked. The man open eyes and said "Go away 1. barked again, then he took the trouser leg in his teeth and since hard. The old man opened in again Ho was angry the o the dog was mad and scotded his on tried to drive him away. The i-to the gate and barked. Then is back to the man and tried to purto the gate. The man stood of the looked all around, he remember t little girl. The dog ran to the max or barked. The man understood in .... followed him. He climbed the bas the orchard. The dog ran ahead well. Ho stood at the well and back and barked. The old man him the well. He looked down into a heard the baby girl crying. He comes got a long ladder. He put it down the well. Then he chimbed down ladder and picked up the baby brought her up out of the well dog was delighted. He leaped lick the baby's face, he danced barked and wagged his tail for a petted him and told him he was a dog and a wise dog.

## Arthur's Horse,

Arthur has a large deg at home . " pets it and plays with it. It does is bite. His brother helped him man small harness for it. His father beethem a little wagon. Arthur and brother put the harness on the Then they hitched him to the wine Arthur got into the wagon He the baby in front of him, his brother sat behind him. Arthur in the dog. He ran along like a hotpulled the wagen. Arthur and brothers and sisters have many a The dog likes to play horse. Can a dog draw a wagon 🤧

### The Swings.

Anna and Elsicaro chums. They always together. One day they w out to swing. Anna sat in the sw and Elsio pushed her. Then Elsiin the swing and Anna pushed to They both stood up on the swing " They worked it lack and forth swung high.



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## patteria Literary Society.

. ... eting of the Literary Society was or in the chapel on Saturday evolung, and alt, when all the members present and the President in the The minutes of last meeting approved of. Mr. McKillop, Mr. is and Mr Sinlton were appointed The first subject for debate Resolved, that summer sports one popular than winter sports." of a automican supported the affirmaand Mr Wallace the negative. The the was a hot and interesting one. signs gave their decision in favor mgattre. A second debate follow in subject being "Resolved, that ... an n are more a cful than firemen." Unchell supported the affirmative. M. Dubors the negative The a gave their decision in favor of the Mr Nur-o Savo an e-" disting V more His soldiers was short but . using Then a come dialogue aven, which made much amuse The meeting adjourned at 8.25. SHILTON, Secretary.

1 Fraser, whose short story, "The 11 m Coning of the Nakannica," is bedied in the January Ladice, Home ord is known as "the Rudyard Kips of Canada." The parallel is found in vigor of his style and the scenes as stories, the American wilds- & of lidls jungle. At a dinner og kipling a visit to America a few mbs ago. Mr Fraser told the story of In Home Coming of the Nakamies, h so impressed the creator of ominy Atkins" that he maisted upon beaser a writing the story just as it told "And don't forget what the mer said, he wilded, emphasizing ternated that so good a story of or life and tribal customs be given ne public.

## LOCAL REPORTER I'M NUMER.

Misses. Butler and Morrison, with a lady friend, were visitors to the classes and shops last week

-Mr. Dowrie has lately been fram ing quite a number of mee pictures, those will be used to further brighten up the pupils dermitories and other rooms.

-Miss Make went home for a few days last week The accidental death fately of her only brother makes neces eary many changes in her old home near Kingston.

-We have not a single ice boat this winter, the boys found that it seldom repaid them for the trouble and expense of fitting them up. The running acason was often short as the first show fail spoiled the sport.

-One of our small boys dropped into the engine room with a bottle the other day, and asked Mr. Melliaw for some oil. Inquiries cherted that his watch had stopped and the oil was to set it going It was young Torsell of course

-Our nockey team is in fine condition for matches and would like to arrange with any local club for a geme Aux one that would be willing to come out and play with us may depend on good ico as our rink was never so good before

-Mr. Peppin has been a lonely man lately. Mrs. Peppin and her two young est little ones have been down at Brock villo sinco before Christinas on a visit to her mother who lives there. We hope that she will have a pleasant visit and return in unproved health

There is no tack of work in our barbers shop, a couple of boys are kept busy nearly every atternoon after school and at present titteen in rotation are given work. Since school opened 650 jobs have been done in the shop and several of our teachers who patrouze it express themselves well pleased with

the linys, work -Though the holiday season is over set the pupils are indulged as often as work will permit. They have frequent releases from the shops after school to go skating and have had fine sport as the face of the same and have the story of the same and have the same than the same t on the bay several times, where there is no crowding. These outings do much to keep the pupils in health and benefit the girls especially who are kept indoors by tuclement weather more than the

posie -A number of our semor boys were allowed to attend the bockey match between Peterboro and Relloville last week The boys are always interested in these matches but especially so on this oc Caston as Jos. Dubois, one of our buys was chosen to play with the Bellevilles. He played a splendid game receiving an ovation for one particularly brilliant piece of play which is not often seen Ho carried the puck the whole length of the rink, passing all opponents and see

-Residents of the Institution were rather surprised last Saturday to see a dandy horse and cutter drive of to the door and still more so to see Mosers. Forrestir, McKillop and Madden en sconce themselves snugly in the robes and drive off. They evidently wished the party to be very select as they note fiel no one of their intention. They picked up Charles Holton and the party crossing the ice bridge skirted the south shore to Trenton, where after a rest and in onslaught on the oysters they return ed back to the lustitution along the road on this side of the bay. Of course they had a pleasant trip but the sleighing was not as pood as a few days provious.

-Ou Saturday ovening, the 6th inst Mr. Douglas gave the pupils a second series of magic lantern views. They included about fifty kindly loaned us by Mr. Bridgen, of Toronto. Four of the views were of a religious character, being scours of Jerusalem, Bethany, the Cructivion and the decent from the cross, the others were mostly of a country east, just the kind to please the young people, and Mr Bridgen has our since a thanks for the kind loan of the pictures It has been somewhat difficult this winter to get now your As we are able now to light the lantern by elec-

## PERSONALITIES.

M. J. M. Wickens, inspector of tenters was her last no k and inspected. and tested those in our engine-room, tinding all right

- Mr William Wade, of Oakmont, Pennsylvania, has placed as under fur ther obligations to him by subscribing for us for the Sports theid for the year

-No regret to learn that Mus M. Fleto er, wan left as last month after a long period of service in the fastitut in, has met a great additional trouble. Her brother nearly lost his life from a dy namite explosion as he was preparing to than our some of the explosive. Ho was soverely injuried, but we are glad to learn that the prospects for his complete recovers in thin are good

R M Thomas left last week for Chie izo, to visit with his mices thiring the winter. In his own peculiar man ner of talking. Mairry says he has been making great improvements on the Murray Hall farm, drawing stumps, leveling the billy places, directing the water courses, planting orchards and otherwise beautifying and increasing the value of his already valuable farm.—Dakrille Star Dec 28th 1899

A party was given on the evening of Pee 25th, at Woodstock, by Mrs. Ryan and her daughter, when there nore theire deat persons present. It has very enjoyable, all kinds of games were maniged in, some of them were original Between the games some funny and interesting stories were given. The credit is due to Mr. Chas, Lyan for making the party so successful, and Mr McKsy also assisted him The names of the guests are. Misses Hender son, Hodgen, M. Nahrgang, J. Nahrgang and F. Chautler, Messrs, McKay, Kochler Isatah Nahrgang, J. Henderson, R. McRerson, R. McKenzio and Cowan

## Dr. Brown Rettres

Dr Brown began the teaching of the deaf in the Belleville Institution, Canada, in the year 1879 under Dr Palmer. In the following fall Dr. Palmer resigned the following fall Dr. Palmer resigned and Mr. R. Mathison was appointed superintendent. In reports of the Ontario Institution about that time, Mr. Mathison speaks in very high terms of the work done by Dr. Brown He taught in Canada six and a half years when an offer was made hun from the Western Penu Institution at an ad vanced salary In the latter place the rancel salary. In the latter place the Doctor remained nearly three years, resigning to complete his medical studies at Jefferson Medical College. He practiced medicine in Michigan two years the midst but give it up on account of the night work About this time Mr. Walker, who was superintendent of the Kansas School, wanted a man to take charge of his high class, and hearing about Dr. Brown offered the place to him. He spent two years in Kansas, and when the Illinois Board were on a jaunting tour in search of a superintendent they were so much improved with Dr. Brown and his manner of work that he was engaged to come to Illinois under Mr. Walker Some four years ago Dr. Brown received a cablegram offering him the position of principal of the Belfast In antution, Ireland, at a salary of \$2000, which was declined Dr. Brown has been with us nearly seven years. Both Ex Supt. Walker and Supt. Gordon speak in the highest terms of him both as a teacher and as a gentleman

That ill health-has forced him to reagn his position is regretted by the entire corps of teachers. We trust that a change of chinate and occupation will restore him to his usual vigor Brown will leave soon for Canada where he will go to his brother's farm to recuperate - New Era, Jackionville.

## General Lee's Modesty.

I month or so after his surrender General Lee went one day to the store near his home in Powhatau County, Virginia, which served also as the post office Everybody in tho town was in tensely eager to see him, and in a few moments the store was crowded General was talking with the proprietor about crops and other matters, and appetral atterly unconscious of the fact that the gathering of the residents was desired.

Where is the ideal wife exclaimed by a lecturer and a wreet roise was heard to reply a She is engaged in a fruitless surech for an ideal anaband.

That the gathering of the residents was dine solely to his presence. Suddenly dine solely to his presence.

## A Fow Swift Yours.

They are sliching away, these sweet, swift years, files a leaf on the current cast.
With never a break in the rapid flow.
We watch them, as one by one they co into the beautiful past.

the after suother we see them has have the dim lighted stair. We hear the sound of their heavy tree!, in the stem of the centuries long since dead, ha beautiful and fair

There are only a few years left to love . Mindl we waste them in olde strice? Shall we trample under our ruthless feet Traces beautiful blossoms, rare and sweet, lift the dushy way of life?

There are only a few swift years and let No currous taunts he heard. Make lifes feir justiern of rare design. This hip the measure with love's sweet wine lift never on angry word.

## TORONTO TOPICS.

Prum an accasional Porrespondent.

Mr A. E. Sheppard was in Ottawa for a few days during the New Years'

holidays.

Mr. Georgo Clothier spent his New Years' holidays in Detroit. Ho was in the wirek on the C. P. R. near Galt, but only get his head hurt, it being but only get his head hurt, it being harmy argument the back of a seat.

thrown against the back of a seat.

Mr. Wilson Brown was home in
Orangeville for Christmas.

Orangoville for Christmas.

Mr. M. P. Wilson spent the Xmaz and
Now Years' holidays in Orillia. He
reports having had a fine time.

Mr. Tums, of Hamilton was in Toronto

during Christman. We are sorry to lose Mr. Ed. Pickard from among our midst. Owing to the failure of the W. S. Johnson Printing Co., of which he was an employee, he was thrown out of a job. He went home in Mant French his folks having moved as thrown out of a job. He went honed in Mount Forest, his folks having moved there from Paisioy. We recently learned that he has secured a situation in

Collingwood. Mr. George W. Reeves spent the Xmas holidays under the parental roof at

Mr. D. S. Luddy returned to Toronto from Fort William on the 20th of Dec. Owing to business he gave up his prohosed trip further west. After spending to couple of weeks holidays among rolatives and friends in the city during chiralinas and New Years, he started to work at his old job in the York Leader & Recorder Printing Co. Limited, head office on Adelaido St. cast, near the general post office. He was also offered a position with Dudley & Burns, one of the oldest printing firms in the city, but declined to take it. His present address

is 53 Beverley St. Quite a lot of the city mutes spent Now Year's Day skating on the Bay.

Mr. Percy Allou, who has been working in the C. P. R. freight sheds at Owen Sound for some time during the fall, came back to the city when pariga tion was about to close and then went to Syracuse, N. Y., to visit a relative of his, who resides in a small place near there and in the hope of accuring work. He returned to Toronto and after spend-ing the Christmas and New Year's holidays here, he went back east in Porth.
The first shot has been fired from

Ottawa Wake up! Hamilton, London, Windsor, &c. Is Detroit sleeping? What about the coming convention?

The Maple Leaf club had its-last meeting at Mr A. W. Mason's house, I Carden Ave. on Jan. 4th. Your writer was expected to be introduced to it, but his blanced him left too. He was children his blamed big telt toe. Ho was obliged to be absent and had to bandage it up that evening, the result of it having been hurt out in the Ramy River District. You understand it is no easy task having to go around with one in such a big

only as Toronto.

Mr. Edwin Speers has been in the city, back from Manitoba. He was accompanied by Mr. J. T. Courval, who was on his way to Montreal. He has been working in Ford's studio but went away about Christman time to Tara to visit his cld homestead and has not yet returned. We learn that he is in Owen Sound now and will return to Toronto when sent for. He intends to return to Manitoba some time.

Mr. Henry Whaley's sister was mar-

ried recently. If it had snowed on New Year's Day

If it had snowed on New Year's Day
Mr. Neil McGillivray would have gone
to Oakville, but as it was "nit" Neil
went skating on the bay.
Mr. Luddy had the honor of taking
Christman dinner with Mr. and Mrs.
Thos. Bradshaw and Mr. Bradshaw's mother and maters. There were about 15 m all at the table, including Mass M. Campbell, who stays with them. Mr. Luddy is a distant relative of Mrs. T. Bradshaw, some of his relatives in the city are also relatives of hers. D. S. L.

## The Absent Minded Beggar.

DI BUDIARD KIPLING.

When you've shouted Rule Britannia—when you've song that raise the Queen.—When you've futched killing bruger with your mouth, .
Will you kindly drop a shilling in my fittle fatchourine.

tendourine, For a gentleman in khaki ordered bouth? How an absent minded beggar and his weak

nesses are great. But we said I' of must take him as we find blin. He is out on active service wiping something off A slate. And he's left a lot of little things behind blin

CHORUS: -

Pake's son Cook's son son of a hundred kings, Fifty thousand horse and foot going to Table

Pakes son

Fifty thousand horse and foot going

Estimation doing his country's work that who's

to look after the things?

Pass the hat for your credit's sake and Pay, Pay,

Pay.

There are gifts he married secret, asking no periodeston to.

For he knew he wouldn't get it if he did.

There is gas and coal and vittles, and the house rent failing due.

And it s more than rather likely there's a kid.

There are girls be walked with casual, they'll be sorry now he's gone.

For an absent minded begans they will find him. But it aim the time for sermons with the winter comin on.

comin' on. We must help the girl that Tommy's left behind hint

Спокея .

Conk's son 'Duke's son os a beltel l'arl,— son of a Lambeth Publican—it's sit the same to-day.

Fach of 'em doing his country's work thut who's to look after the girl?;

l'ass the hat for your credit's sake and—l'ay, l'ay, l'ay.

There are families by thousands, far too proud to beg or steak.—
And they'll just their sticks and bedding up the spout.

apout,
And they'll live on half o' nothing, paid 'empurctual once a week,
'Cause the man who carned the wage is ordered

out.

He's an absent minded locgar, but he heard his country's call.

And his regiment dein't need to send to find him; lie chucked his job and joined it—so the job before us all.

Is to help the bome that Tommy left behind him.

CHORUS:-

Duke's Job-cook's job-gardener, baronet groom, Mews or judger or judger shop-there's some one gene away.

Lich of 'en doing his country's work, thut who's to look after the room?

l'ass the hat for your credit's sake and -l'ay, l'ay l'ay.

Let us manage so as later, we can look him in the face,
And tell him—what he'd very much prefer,—
That while he saved the Empire, his employer,
save, his place,
And his marce (that's you and me)fooked out for

her. He's an ab-ent minded i-sgar and he may forget

it all,
list we do not want his kiddies to remind him,
That we sent 'em to the work house, while their
daily hammered l'aul,
lowell help the house our Tommy's left behind
him

CHORUS:-

Cook's home-linke's home-home of a-mil-

ltonaire.—
lifty finusand horse and foot going to Table Hay.
lifty finusand horse and foot going to Table Hay.
lisch of 'em doing his country's work (and what
have you got to spare?)
l'arsthe hat for your crodit's sake and—Pay, l'ay,
l'av

## Our Silent Friends.

"Into all lives some rain must fall "Into all lives some rain must fall,
into all eyes some tear drops start.
Whether they fall as a genite allower,
Or fall like fire from an aching heart.
Into all hearts some sorrow must creep,
into all souls some doubting come.
Lashing the waves of life's great deep,
From dimpling waves to seething foam,"

I have certain friends, so perhaps have you, who are strong and healthy, without defect of form. Their minds are active, their hearts are true, their eyes sparkle with as bright a lustre as yours or mine, and yet they are silent;

they cannot speak.
The early history of these children of silence is one shrouded in gloom and burdened with sadness. So deep the gloom, so heavy the burden, that living man he sitates now to lift the vail of obscurity and expose to view their treatment and their station in the ages of long ago.

Although there is no doubt but what deafness and its attending unpleasant. ness, the loss of speech, has existed cooval with humanity, no systematic efforts seem to have been made to help this part of the great human family until within the memory of living man-They were looked down upon, despined and classed with idiots and lunatics, fit for no station in life, denied all rights, and the general opinion maintained oven by philosophers and sages was:

"To instruct the deaf no art could reach No care improve them and no wisdom teach."

Parents allowed their children to grow up without education. They were abandoned to themselves, excluded from all society to such an extent that, in some countries the little innecent babes whose lips could not lisp the dear word, mother," even while his eyes shone with love, was put to death. Even the

heralded and respected Roman Code denied them all civil rights. In our own mother country, England, for agethey were considered as idiots, incapable of holding property, or entering into any contract whatever. How dark the picture, how dismal the past! In isolated cases their condition awoke within the heart of man a voice of sympathy and efforts more or less successful were attempted to arouse the sleeping mind within the mute. Gradually the understanding and knowledge of man widenest and deepened and he began to appreciato his responsibility to his less favored brother.

Schools for the Deaf were started in the last half of the eighteenth and first half of the nmeteenth century, and today schools for the mental advancement of the deaf are co extensive with the boundaries of the world.

Man, that crowning glory of God's creation, was undoubtedly endowed with the sense of hearing that he might enjoy the pleasure of society, might appreciate the soothing charms of sweet music and train himself by imitating the sounds he heard, to speak and thus communicate his wants and desires to his fellow men. Yet if by accident, sickness, or birth he is deprived of this God given sense, is he less a man or less a human being? Does his misfortune deprive him of any rights or benefits which you and I, more fortunate and more wealthy in the gifts of Providence, have and enjoy?

The deaf are not dumb, neither are they mentally deficient. In the deaf child the germ of intelligence and knowledge exists as it does in all human beings. But the methods of developing beings. But the methods of developing are different and even new the art of educating the deaf is yet in its infancy. Speech is so natural, so easy to us that we forget that it is an acquired faculty. True we were born with voices and heralded our own cutranco upon this stage of life in no uncertain sounds. But the deaf cry and they can laugh as well. Even the babe can tell its wants, he stretches out his arms in mute appeal to be level and caressed. The natural avenue of communicating the rudiments of thought, which begin to bud in his tiny brain, is in gesture.

Deprived of one means of communi-cating to the deaf we find other methods of instruction and by patience and kind ness, step by siep we combine objects and ideas, motion and thought, until the first hard steps so difficult to take are accomplished and we lead on to higher paths of knowledge.

There are three methods of instruction used in educating the deaf, the Maurial, or that of signs and finger alphabet, the Oral, or that of hip reading and articulate sounds in response, and the Combinel, which is a use of both, as the capability of the pupil may suggest. Wons speak. ing people learn by associating objects or motions with ideas, the method of communication, or information is speech.

The deaf learn as we do, the means of communication alone is different. All the schools do not have the same

But the hands as well as the mind of the deaf are trained and you may meet them in all trades and professions not absolutely requiring the use of the voico.

In all walks of life-to-day we find them, true and law abiding citizens, with a smile for all who greet them, attending to their work and duty, respected and admired by those who know

them and thus learn to love them. As children they perhaps often err through ignorance where others gifted with speech and knewledge would err through wickedness. They are quick to respond to kindness and seem to appreciate even travial attention more than we do. When their lives are not dark-

wo do. When their lives are not dark-ened with enelty or neglect they are as happy and as lively as any one. They are not objects of charity, but persons deserving sympathy and assistance. They pay their proportion of the taxes and to the best of their ability carry the burdens of citizenship. They are as dear to their parents, they are es true friends as our speaking brother, They are entitled equally with him to

maintenance, protection and education.
While to them is lost "the concord of sweet sounds," the beauties of flowers and woods appeal to them as to us. Naturo speaks as kindly and as sincerely. They too are children of our Father above, they too are part of the brotherhood of man,

Each successive age has had some great advancement, and the crowning glory of this nineteenth century is that we oducate to the lest of our ability our

#### Like a Cradie,

Like a radie, rocking, acching, when t poses fol, to opd fro like a mother wavest body dropping. On the little face falow flat, a the green earth awmening, turning, Jarless, noiseless, safe and slow, talls the light of that a face bending Down, and watching us—slow.

And as feeble bales that suffer,
Too and cry, and will not rest,
tre the ones the teader mether
Holds the closes, loves the last,
so when we are west and weary.
By our sins weigheddown, distressed,
Then it is that foll's greated patience
Holds in closest, loves us best

- BAKE HOLM

#### Gestlenlating Talkors

The further south one goes in Europe the more do the people gesticulate in conversation, asserts a traveler who is at present "doing" Italy.

A Neapolitan, he says, goes through an entire course of calisthenics before he has talked five minutes. Give a Neapolitan a pair of domb bells and ask him what he thinks of the weather, and before he finishes his answer he will have taken enough healthful exercise to

last him all day.

This traveler spent many an interesting hour in watching the Neapolitan talk. One day in a case he sat next to a couple of Italians, who were engaged in a most spirited conversation. The younger of the two men grow very excited. With las hands he made reaching and clinging motions, as if climbing. Then he reached right and left above his head, as one would do in picking cherries. Then, without slackening his remarkable flow of conversation, he put the thumb and first finger of his left hand together and held a few inches before his eyes and went through the careful movements of cuo threading a execut movements or cue threating a small needle. And all the time he talked. Next he made overland motions as of throwing. Then he gave an initation of some one swimming. After that described several rapid circles with health health had a thick gave the impression his left hand, which gave the impression of a revolving wheel. Then he leaned forward and, with his right hand lifted, acted as a person would act in trying to put a key into a keylole. The writer asked his friends, who understood Italian, what all the fuss was about.

"They're talking chiefly about the weather," was the reply. -London Mail.

"Fellow slaves," began an orator at a public meeting, and then stopped. "Go aliead!" cried a voice in the audience. Most of us are married.

What is the difference between the outer wall of a bridge and two mee young ladics? The one is a parapet, and the other is a pair-o'pets-of course.

### Grand Trunk Railway.

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TO PATENT Good Ideas toay be secured by our aid. Address. THE PATENT RECORD

## Uneducated Deaf Children.

WOULD BE GLAD TO HAVE EVERY person who recedure this paper send me the names, and too-toffice addresses of the larents of deaf children not attending action, who are known to them, so that I may forward them particulars concerning this institution and inform them where and by what means their children can be instructed and furnished, with ar education.

R. MATHINON,
Superintendent.

## TURUNTU DEAF-MUTE ASSOCIATION.

PELIGIOUS SERVICES are held as follows.

West End Y. M. C. A., Corner Queen Street and Dovercourt Read, at 11 a.m.
And Y. M. C. A. Hall, cor. Yongo and McGill Streets, at 10a.m.
Heberal Central, up stairs at Broadway Hall. Spadina Ave. 10 or 12 doors south of College Street, at 3 p. m. Leaders—Mesars. Nasmith. Brighen and others.
Histay Class—Every Wolnesday evening at 8 oclock, corner Spadina Ave. and College Street, and cor. Queen Street and Dovercourt Road.
Lectures, etc., may be arranged if desirable.
Miss A. Fraser, Missionary to the Reaf in Toronto, 1 Major Street.

## Institution for the Blind.

THE PROVINCIAL INSTITUTION FOR THE Education and Instruction of Dind children is located at Brantford, Ontario. For particular address

A. H. DYMOND, Principal,

## GENERAL INFORMATION

Classes :--

School Hottes From Facin to 1. from Lao to John Dakelou for p. in. on Tuesday and Thur week.

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## Articulation Classes:

From 2 a. m. to 12 noon, and from t

## Religious Exercises :

EVERY SUNDAY.—Primary pupils at it is in: General action pupils at it is in: General action with assumble.

Class will assemble.

Extit School Day the pupils are to in the Chapel at a 15 a m, and the incharge for the work, will open a and afterwards dismiss them are and afterwards dismiss them are inter than 9 o'clock. In the after 3 o'clock the pupils will again a catter prayer with bodiemissed in a gorderly manner.

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cordially invited to visit usat any time.

## Industrial Departments:

Printing Office, Shok and famours Shore from 7.20 to 8.30 and and from 7.00 to 8.30 and and from 7.00 5.30 pm. for pupils who attend a limit of those who do not from 7.20 and from 1.30 to 3.30 pm each works and from 1.30 to 3.00 pm will be closed at moon.

First Shawing Class Hours are from the mean 12 o'clock, neon, and from 1.30 to 7 pm for those who do No wells on Saturday afternoons.

Let The Printing Office, Shope and benefit door to be left each day when work cased in a clean and tidy condition.

i.s. Pupils are not to be excused for the various Classes or industrial Department except on account of sickness, without per mission of the Superintendent

As Teachers Officers and others are uset allow matters foreign to the work in hand to interfere, with the performance of the several luties.

## Visitors:

l'ersons who are interested, desirous of sissing the Institution, will be made welcon co any school day. No sisitors are allowed on naturalays, Bundays or Hollings except the regular chaptel exercises at 2.5 m has fay afternoons. The best time for sister on ordinary school days is an assourance to in the afternoon as possible, as the classe are dismissed at 3.00 o'clock.

## Admission of Children:

When pupils are admitted and perceit some with them to the institution, they are holly advised not to linger and prolong leave taking with their children. It only unkeed of comfort for all concerned, perticularly for the parent. The child will be tenderly caref for, and if left in our charge without sidery 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 sust come, however, they will be made welcome to the class rooms and allowed every operaturity of seeing the general work of the school. We cannot furnish folding or meals, or entertain guests at the institution. Good accommodation may be had in the city at the Quinte flotel, Huffman House, Queen's, the lower cannot and Dominion Hotels at nesterate rates.

## Clothing and Management:

Parenta will be good enough to give all directions concerning clothing and management of their children to the Superintendent to the Superintendent to correspondence will be allowed between parenta and employees under any circumstances without special permission upon each occasion.

### Sickness und-Correspondence: !

In case of the serious illness of pupils, letters if or tolograms will imsent, daily to parent or guardista. IN THE ABSENCE OF LETTERS FINANCE TO THE MAY BE QUITE SURE THAT ARE WELL.

All jupils who are capable of doing so, will be required to write home avery three weeks, lotters will be written by the feathers for the sittle ones who cannot write, stating, anneally as possible, their wishes.

As No melical preparations that have feed used at home, or prescribed by family physicians will be allowed to be taken by populs except with the coment and direction of the Physician of the Institution.

l'arenta sud frienda of foat children are warred. against Quack bectors who advertise medicine and appliances for the cure of l'admess. In 99 cases out of 1000 they are frache and only want money for which they are no return. Consult well known to chief iractitioners in cases of alventitious dealmoss and be guided by their counsel and advice.

R. MATHISON,

Superintendent.