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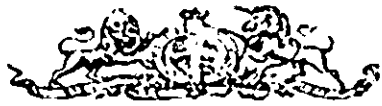
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First. That a number of our pupils may learn to read, and from the knowledge obtained to be able to earn a livelihood after they leave school.

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Third. To be a medium of communication between the school and parents, and friends of pupils, now in the Institution, the hundreds who were pupils at one time or other in the past, and all who are interested in the education and instruction of the deaf of our land.

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### A Longer Term Needed

According to the laws of New York State a deaf child may remain in the kindergarten department of the schools for the deaf until he is twelve years old, and then he may attend the school proper twelve more years. In this province, seven years is the term of attendance, no matter at what age a child enters. That if a child entering the Institution at seven years of age, as some of them do, leaves school when but fourteen years old. In the public schools, a hearing child is allowed by law to attend till he is twenty-one, and in practice is allowed to attend as much longer as he chooses, and after he leaves the public school he may attend a free high school for several years more. We boast, and with good reason, that the Ontario school system is the best in the world. But in our provision for educating the deaf we fall very much in the rear of the more advanced states of the Union. Deaf-mutes, being handicapped by the loss of one of the most important of the senses, should be given even better facilities for acquiring an education and an industrial training, than hearing children, but as a matter of fact they do not enjoy nearly as good educational advantages as do their more fortunate fellows. In this respect, as in others, this province should be in the van of progress.

Friend Moore, of the *Aton Free Press*, says a number of pleasant things about *The Mute* in his paper. They are so complimentary that were we to reproduce them our reputation for modesty would be seriously impaired. We appreciate them all the same, especially as the *Free Press* is not a whit behind any of our Canadian newspapers in ability, appearance and interest.

### New Institution for the Deaf and Dumb, at Halifax, N. S.

The Directors of the Institution for the Deaf and Dumb at Halifax, Nova Scotia, have decided to erect a new building for the education of the deaf of that province. An illustration of the proposed new institution with basement and ground plans will be found on our first page. It will be erected on the site of the old building and it is expected to be ready for occupation by the first of November next. To complete the whole structure, with improvement to the grounds, will involve an outlay of \$50,000, or over. The Principal, Mr Fearon, in his report, says:



MR. JAMES FEARON

Now that we are about to leave the old building which has sheltered so many of the "children of silence," and witnessed so great efforts put forth on their behalf, it will not be out of place to glance back along the line of action of nearly forty years, and mark what progress has been made. Since its establishment in 1826, the Institution has educated and maintained no less than 700 deaf persons belonging to Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island and Newfoundland. These, in nearly every case, have been made useful, self-supporting, and respectable members of the community, who but for the training they received at the Institution would have grown up ignorant alike of the things of this life and the life that is to come, as well as a burden to their friends or the community in which they resided. Forty years ago no provision whatever existed for the education of the deaf of Nova Scotia; and not only was this the case as regards this province, but the same state of affairs existed throughout the length and breadth of Canada. Indeed, to Nova Scotia belongs the credit of being the first province of the Dominion to make at least some legislative provision for the education of her deaf children. Ever since its inception the Institution has been advancing, not by leaps and bounds, but steadily and unobscuredly. The progress as observed from year to year is not so apparent, but if the condition of the Institution in 1826 and subsequent years is compared with what it is to-day, some idea will be got of the great progress that has been made in spite of very great difficulties. Thirty-eight years ago the Institution was represented by a small ill-furnished house in Argyle Street, with four or five pupils, and a single teacher. In the year that has closed there were 77 pupils in attendance under the training of a capable and experienced staff of ten here, and when the work resumes after the summer holidays, it will be in a new brick building large enough to accommodate, if need be, 120 pupils, with large airy class-rooms, play-rooms, and dormitories carefully arranged and constructed in every particular with a view to the health and comfort of its occupants.

The following is a description of the proposed new institution:—

The building will sit north and south, covering part of the present site and part of the newly acquired grounds adjoining. The total length when completed will be 201 feet. This length includes the hospital apartment, which is not covered by the present building contract. The width varies from 52 feet to 75 feet. The building will be two storeys and a half, the roof running up on the central portion sufficiently to admit of two storeys in the mansard, making four storeys in this portion and three storeys at each end. There will also be a high basement the entire length and breadth of the building, and finished throughout.

The basement walls will be constructed of granite, faced on the exterior above the grade line with brick. The two main storeys will also be of brick trimmed all round with olive freestone. There will be six entrances to the basement and five to the ground floor. Four of the latter will be on the west side towards Gillingham Street. The main entrance on this side will be finished with a spacious portico supported on eight polished red granite columns, and the main entrance on the east side with a semi-circular veranda.

The faces of the walls are relieved by several square and octagon projections topped in most cases with high-pointed tower roofs, and surmounted with iron finials, the walls of some of these projections running up through the third storey, those at the main entrance on the west side being carried even through the fourth storey, finished with a curved roof and surmounted with a flag pole. There will be 21 windows in the building.

The basement will contain a spacious dining hall, teacher's dining-room, kitchen, general store room, laundry, serving pantry, scullery, cold store room, drying room, ironing room, cellarage, boiler and fuel rooms and corridors. The main basement partition will be of brick. There will be five stairways from the basement to the ground floor.

On the ground floor will be the Principal's study, parlor, dining-room, kitchen, pantry, corridor and main and back stairway, halls, waiting room, office, two large sitting rooms for girls and boys, assembly room, 15 by 42, with sloping floor. The hospital will be connected with the main building by a covered passage, and will contain four rooms besides a bath room.

The second storey contains, besides four bed rooms and a bath room for the Principal, the

Matron's parlor and best-dress room, teachers' parlor, female teachers' parlor, ten large-sized bed rooms, two spacious dormitories, lavatories and hospital. Similar to that in the ground storey. There are six stairways from the ground to the second storey.

The third storey will have thirteen small bed rooms and five large dormitories—12 sides lavatories, linen rooms and closets.

The fourth storey in the central portion of the building will have two large parlors and two bed rooms.

The basement ceiling will be 10 feet high, the ground and second storey ceilings generally 11 feet, the third storey 11 feet, and the fourth storey 9 feet. The Principal's ceilings will be 11 feet, the hospital 10 feet, and the assembly room 15 feet.

The building is admirably planned, the rooms, corridors and stairways spacious, airy, and well lighted throughout. The boys' apartments are completely separated from the girls' apartments, the latter being north and the former south of the main cross corridor.

The Principal's apartments are at the extreme south end and make a complete residence in themselves, but are connected with the general apartments by a door in the end of the main corridor. In both ground and second storeys. These apartments contain a parlor and dining room, with sliding doors between, a convenient kitchen and pantry, and a study on the ground floor and four bed rooms, bath-rooms and closets on the second floor with main and back stair way. There is a private entrance to the Principal's apartments on the west side. The principal corridor of the main building runs through from the west to the east entrance and is 12 feet wide, and an 8-foot corridor runs from the north end to the south end in each storey. Besides these there are several cross corridors for light, the boys and girls stairway halls are in the east side of this longitudinal corridor and connect with the play rooms, sitting rooms, dormitories and lavatories. With this arrangement the boys and girls can reach the basement play-rooms from the upper story without entering the main corridors.

The building will be finished inside generally with white wood, hard oil filled. The floors will be of best right sawn hard pine.

The basement will be concreted throughout. All doors will have adjustable transoms.

The plumbing will be of the best description. All exposed waste, supply, overflow pipes and faucets will be nickel plated brass.

The Directors, Principal and people of Nova Scotia are to be congratulated upon the erection of a building which will be a credit to all concerned.

There is a man in Pennsylvania who claims to have "telescope eyes." It is said he can tell the time by the town clock at a distance of two miles. Of course we never for a moment doubt stories about prodigies, but there is nothing wonderful about this. We know a hundred men who can tell the time by a clock two miles away if the clock is large enough. If, however, this man really has such wonderful visual powers we would suggest that he be employed by the advocates of the pure oral method of teaching. It is just possible that he might be able to see some of the superior advantages of this system as compared with the combined system. People with ordinary vision are to fail to discover any such advantages.

Although with us it was a case of "I told you so," yet none the less were we genuinely sorry to learn of the demise of the *Educator*. We never thought there was a sufficiently large constituency to support both the *Annals* and the *Educator*, since they covered practically the same field, and as was to be expected, the one first in the field has maintained its position, owing to exceptional circumstances. But while it existed the *Educator* was an excellent journal, and was always full of interesting topics ably discussed. The regret felt by the publishers at the failure of their enterprise is tempered by the knowledge that though their paper was short-lived yet its brief career was a most useful one.

An exchequer tells of so simple and easy a method for getting rich that it is a wonder there are any poor men in the world. No one is so poor that he cannot get hold of a cent to start with. Now on the first day of the month deposit a cent in a bank, and on each succeeding day double the deposit of the previous day. Any one can surely do so simple a thing as this, and at the end of the month your account will show the sum of \$5,368,709.12 to your credit. With this little sum you can retire and live in modest comfort the rest of your days, and even enjoy a few of the luxuries of life.

When an American meets an acquaintance after dark, to matter what the hour is, he says "good evening," and when they separate says "good night." But in Canada one who hears the latter phrase in such a situation will say "good bye." To an American it seems well worth trying a friend the latter adieu with the English "How are you?"

In other words, when it is evening Canadians say "good evening" and when it is night they say "good night," while Americans say "good evening," whether it is evening or night or the wee-sunn' hours of the morning. We like our way better because it is in accord with the facts.

### A Trolley Accident.

One of our old pupils, Isaac Wilson, who left here in 1890, was run over by a trolley car and killed at Fort Worth, Texas, on the evening of the 29th of April. Wilson when here was an exemplary young fellow and his friends will be sorry to hear of his untimely end. The Fort Worth *Gaselle* gives this account of the accident.—Between 10 and 11 o'clock last night Joe Wilson, a deaf mute, was run over by car No. 2 on the Fort Worth street railway at the corner of Main and Tenth streets and instantly killed. The car was run by Motorman Thompson. Wilson in company with W. F. Featherhoff, another deaf mute, was crossing Main street from the east, when, just as they reached the centre of the crossing of Main and Tenth streets, he was struck by the car Featherhoff, seeing his companion's danger, undertook to pull him from the track, but Wilson, not seeming to understand his friend's purpose or his own danger, sprang back on the track and was knocked down. The body lay for about a half hour covered only by a badly torn clothing, before an ambulance arrived and conveyed it to Robertson's Justice Wright was notified and arrived soon after, but the inquest was postponed until 8:30 o'clock this morning. After the accident the car, which was on its way to the sheds on the South Side from its last trip uptown, continued on its way, and no arrest was made of the motorman. He is described as having been almost prostrated by the fatal accident. Wilson was from Ottawa, Can., and was said to be well educated and intelligent, though deaf and dumb. He was about 35 years old, and had no relatives in this city. At the time he was killed he was working as porter in the bar-room of the Spring Palace hotel. He had just left that place when he met his death. It is supposed that being deaf, he did not hear the car or the bell and not seeing it, he allowed himself to be caught on the track.

A strange coincidence is the fact that about a year ago a close friend of the dead man, one Laddell, also a deaf-mute, was run over by the same car at almost the same place, and killed.

### Unsterily Words.

Two little sisters who were very fond of each other, and generally quite happy together, were playing "keep house and go visiting." The elder sister was the housekeeper, and she bustled merrily about, spreading the table and arranging her little tea set upon it, meanwhile chatting with little Anna, who, for the time, was "a very fine lady from the city."

Just as the preparations were completed, and she was about to summon her guest to the miniature repast, Anna quietly climbed into a large easy chair and rocking slowly back and fourth, she said:

"I don't want to play any more."

Not noticing the sudden pallor of the sweet little face, the sister angrily retorted:

"I'll never play with you again as long as I live!"

And she never did. She went to her little bed alone that night and lay with a heavy, aching heart, longing for the morning to come, that she might put her arms around her little sister's neck and tell her she was sorry. The morning came, but Anna was dangerously ill. Her parents had watched over her through the weary night, and were alarmed for her safety. Her sister was allowed just to see her, but she would not speak. The poor child grew worse and worse, and in a few days she died. The last words she ever heard from that loving but petulant sister was that bitter, angry sentence.—Selected.

## Things Yet to Be.

Some say this world is an old, old world  
But it's always been bright to me  
With its boundless range of ceaseless change  
And hope of things to be  
A new friend takes my hand  
When the old ones pass away  
The old days die, but the light in the sky  
Is the dawn of another day

Some say this world is a cold, old world  
But it's always been bright to me  
With its heartstone fires and water dews  
For things that are yet to be  
And I must labor, I wait,  
And trust to the fields I have sown  
For I know there is truth in the promise of youth  
I will come true to my own

Some say this world is a sad, sad world  
But it's always been bright to me  
For the brook never laughs like my soul when it  
quits  
And feasts on the things to be  
The night comes on with its rest  
The morning comes on with its song  
The hours of grief are few and brief,  
But joy is a whole life long

Some say this world is a bad, bad world  
But it's always been bright to me  
With its errors there live dear hearts that for  
give  
And hope for the things to be  
This world is not old or cold  
This world is not sad or bad,  
If you look to the right, forgetting the night  
And say to your soul, "Be glad."

*Chicago Record*

FOR THE CANADIAN MUTE

### Talks with Girls.

BY EDITH CHARLTON, ST. GEORGE, ONT.

TALK I.—*Beauty of Person.*—Where is the girl who does not enjoy a quiet half hour chat in the softly falling twilight and especially if this talk concerns herself and her belongings? So let us settle ourselves comfortably while evening shadows deepen and talk familiarly to each other about some of those things which lie close to a girl's heart. Nearly every one would like to have beauty given her. If she has a plain face and ungraceful figure she would give much to have it different no doubt, for she fancies beauty of face and form a ready passport to every position in life and she would give much to possess the coveted gift, while the girl to whom has been given a beautiful face very often makes the great mistake of thinking she has all that is necessary to make her attractive to her friends. There is a beauty which comes from within, that reflects itself in the face, illuminating plain features and imparting grace and strength to imperfect figures, which is far more to be desired than that which flows only on the surface, which sickens and time so easily efface. It is about this beauty we are going to talk and we shall see that every girl may, if she will be beautiful. A dear quaker lady used to say to her niece who was lamenting her own lack of beauty—"The good Lord gave thee plain features but He left to thee to make thine own expressions." Yes, that is the secret, the attractiveness of our persons lies with ourselves, whether we appear lovely to our friends is as we decide ourselves.

God made all the flowers perfect and beautiful, each petal and leaf complete, each color and tint in perfect harmony, and gave to each its own particular perfume; because as the flower is so must it be, it can add nothing to its own loveliness. The birds which make us glad with their sweet singing and call forth our admiration for their brilliantly colored plumage can do nothing more to add to their beauty; they must ever be as their Creator made them, while the hand which formed us in his own image gave us a heart and mind to cultivate, to develop in them those pure thoughts and kindly feelings which rest like a benediction on the features, lighting up the plainest, until we never want to analyze them, to see whether they are perfect or not, for to us they are beautiful. A guileless life spent in the performance of loving, thoughtful deeds and surrounded by an atmosphere of pure thoughts, imparts a lovelier beauty to a face than ever sculptor chiselled from his marble, while the most perfect features are marred the brightest eyes made dull and expressionless and every charm that once lay in a singularly pleasing countenance have vanished,

one by one, because the life was lived without thought, without action, simply existing for self and its interests. How quickly the frown of displeasure and discontent marks with unsightly lines the smooth forehead. The lips which speak cross, unkind words soon form themselves in that unlovely curve which betokens ill-temper and eyes that frequently flash in anger or look proudly on every one, before very long lose their gentle expression. And just as readily will loving thoughts and unselfish motives imprint themselves on faces, softening harsh lines, lighting up dull eyes and imparting a beauty which nothing can efface.

"But is it right to think about how we look?" perhaps some of you may ask. "Yes, it is right, why not?" This world might serve the purpose for which it was formed just as well if the birds and flowers had been left out of it; but it would not have been the beautiful, pleasant place for us to live in that it is. Look at the leaves of the trees, the petals of the flowers and each blade of grass, each kind differing, yet each symmetrically marked and veined. The flowers might have all been made one color and form and without perfume the birds might all have sung the same song and still have fulfilled their mission, but would they have given us the pleasure they do now? If the Creator of the universe considered our pleasure in even these little things and thought it not beneath His power and glory to outline a flower and leaf, surely we ought to think it not only worth while but our duty to make ourselves as beautiful as we can. Then, girls, bear in mind our face is a mirror, reflecting our thoughts, motives and actions, and if we would be as beautiful as we must live beautiful lives, remembering always that we were created in the likeness of God's own image and strive to do nothing to mar that likeness, but rather to make it more like His.

### HAMILTON HINTS.

*From our own Correspondent*

The writer is in receipt of a letter from Neil Calder, an old graduate of Belleville. I will here take some extracts from it which may be of interest to his many friends scattered broadcast in Ontario. He is farming on his own hook near Bates P. O., about 40 miles south west of Winnipeg. In his letter he wishes it known that he is prospering nicely and that life on the verdant prairie suits him. He reaped in a golden harvest last year, his first crop, and expects to double it this year with the assistance of an hired man. He went out west four years ago and hired out as a farm labourer and by his industry and perseverance he is now boss farmer with a fine team of horses and a yoke of oxen. He is tired of keeping Bachelor's Hall and wants to know where he can find a good looking if not pretty partner for life, to cheer up his lonely hours of solitude on the vast treeless plains of the great west. Neil is a favorite with his neighbor settlers, especially the bachelors, for you know, "Birds of a feather flock together."

Your scribbles, being about to leave this locality for other parts, wishes to make a few farewell remarks to those whom it may concern. It ever has been, and always will be a pleasure to scribble anything of interest to the mutes, for your paper, wherever fate may place me. Heretofore I have managed "Hamilton Hints" without any assistance from local mutes, but now that I am about leaving, I hope to see Hamilton hold the fort in the future as it has done in the past. There are at least three mutes in this locality who are quite capable of keeping Hamilton from falling in the rear again as it was before I came to its help. Now that the old Captain is shot, let some responsible mute catch the falling banner to the honor of the mutes and the Ambitious City. Again farewell.

J. R. BYRNE.

Hamilton, May 6, 1905.

No man is successful and continues so unless he has the basis of hard common sense. Added to that must, of course, be a superior natural intelligence, vigorous health, a strong constitution, good habits and indomitable industry. Success is not accomplished by any magical Aladdin's lamp process. People talk sometimes with wonder, sometimes with envy, and alas, sometimes with malice of the successful man, and forget the long, weary struggle he went through to gain his goal. *Chauncey Depue.*

## TORONTO TOPICS.

*From our own Correspondent*

Your editorial in the last issue of the MTT on the "Responsibility of the Deaf," was very timely and voices a real grievance. It is only one case out of many where the less intelligent deaf-mutes have been defrauded out of their money. One or two such cases have occurred in this city the last few years. It is a warning every deaf-mute should take not to sign their names to anything they do not fully understand the real meaning of.

The West End Y. M. C. A. being in some financial difficulty, the deaf aided it to the extent of about \$25 last month. The mutes having been granted the free use of a room in that building for some time past, it was only thought reasonable they should do something under the circumstances.

Mr. Geo. Broomfield's seventy-third birthday fell on the 30th of April last. He and Mrs. Broomfield celebrated the occasion by having a number of friends at their residence, No. 5 Peel Avenue, in the evening. A very pleasant time was spent. Mr. B received the congratulations of all present. We wish him many happy returns.

Mrs. A. W. Mason gave a very interesting address on Mission work in Patagonia. She gave some amusing experiences missionaries have met with, and the manners and customs of the people of that country. A hearty vote of thanks was tendered her at its close.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Moore have rented a cottage and intend living on the Island during the summer months, for the benefit of their health, and more especially for that of their daughter. We are sure they will extend a hearty welcome to any of their friends who call upon them there while visiting that popular resort.

Mr. Neil McGillivray has been appointed collector at Sunday meetings. Through his sterling honesty the funds are in safe hands. Since Neil, Thos. Bradshaw and H. Gates came to the city, they have become pillars of strength to our society as well as of our Sunday meetings.

Though Sunday, 6th, was Mr. Bridgen's turn at the meeting, Mr. Nasmith came down to bid us all farewell before leaving for England. At the close of the services an address was read to both Mr. Nasmith and Mr. Bridgen, on behalf of the deaf-mutes, thanking them for their services to them during the past, and wishing them a pleasant trip and safe return. Both replied expressing their thanks for the kind wishes. They expect to go and see our old friends Mr. and Mrs. Beale and family while in England, who retain a warm affection in our hearts.

Your Detroit correspondent has our thanks for the good wishes towards friends in this city. The Detroit letters are very spicy indeed and are read with much interest.

When we wrote the item in our last issue regarding our deaf-mute bicyclists, we expected a bright career for them, but already their prospects have been somewhat marred by one of their brightest members dropping out altogether. The reason for this is he one day recently nearly met with a very serious accident, he having been struck by a trolley car and knocked some distance off his bicycle, fortunately on the right side or else he might have been run over and killed. As far as we can learn he escaped with only a few bruises. His bicycle was damaged to some extent. Since then he has decided to keep on the safe side and has disposed of his wheel altogether. While congratulating him on his providential escape we cannot but regret the loss he will be to the racing path the coming season as he was getting up phenomenal speed when this unfortunate accident happened, which will deprive us of all the honors which we had hoped to share with him as brother and sister mutes of Toronto.

Mr. Nasmith called a meeting of a few of the mutes at his residence on Saturday evening, 4th inst., to make arrangements so that the Sunday services would be carried on as usual during his own and Mr. Bridgen's absence in England for the next three months. The meeting was held at five o'clock, and after some informal talk the whole party was invited to tea which was served in Mr. and Mrs. Nasmith's usual happy style. After this the meeting was resumed and a programme drawn out for different persons to take particular turns. Invitations would be given

to Mr. Byrne, of Hamilton, to come now and again as he felt disposed. Mr. Nasmith offered to pay expenses of one trip and Mr. Bridgen another, and the mutes any other trips Mr. Byrne could spare the time to take. Invitations were also extended to any of the teachers at Belleville who may be in the city during vacation. After prayer by Mr. Bridgen the meeting closed.

### BRANTFORD BUDGET.

*From our own Correspondent*

Miss Eva Zingg, Miss Cummings and Miss Mabel Gardiner spent Easter in town, and Mr. Waggoner chanced to come around the same time, so did Mr. Emil Gottlieb.

Mr. Josh. Lloyd and Emil Gottlieb are happy and are wearing smiles. Both are boys.

Robert McPherson, Anival Shepherd and Mr. Henry Gottlieb drove to Preston Saturday night, the 4th inst., remained all night there, and the next day they went to Berlin, where they had the pleasure of seeing Misses Campbell, McKittrick, Zingg and Pringle.

M. L. said in the last issue that some girls ought to move to Denfield, where there are more boys. Well, why don't she tell them they might as well as come to Brantford, as there are more than five single mutes to one lady.

Anival Shepherd has secured a situation in Toronto, and he leaves as soon as he can. He seems glad to get back to the Queen City, and we are the losers but it is Toronto's gain.

The weather is pretty warm here, on May 6th the thermometer registered 88 in the shade.

Nearly all the mutes have plenty of work and are doing well.

Some of the mutes are going to London on the 24th with the "Dufferin Rifles," and if some of those in London would like to see them they can do so by meeting them at the station.

The trees around here have green leaves and the fruit trees are in full bloom. Wonder if they are in bloom in Belleville.

### OTTAWA DISTRICT.

*From our own Correspondent*

Mr. Jas. McClelland has been placed on the night gang in the printing bureau during the session, and Mr. Wigget still remains slinging type during the day in the same place.

Mr. Gray reports a poor run of sap this season. He has sold over thirty gallons of maple syrup at top prices.

Mr. R. O'Brien is going to work with Mr. Gray this summer.

Mr. J. McEwan purchased a black mare at an auction sale lately. He was over at Mr. Bayno's for seed barley.

Miss Jameson is making preparations for removal to Britannia, where her father has a summer residence. Her father is on the Bisley team of Canadian rifle men, but whether he has decided to go yet or no, I have not heard. Miss Jameson is talking of making a visit to the McKay Institute to see her friend Miss Macfarlane.

R. Bayno has barley over one inch high at the time of writing.

Mr. Sutton is at present living on Preston street. He is reported to be one of the best tailors in Ottawa.

We hear that the French deaf-mutes are in the habit of meeting in a fire station in Lower Town and having a social chat, they report the fire men of the said station to be very genial men.

Query at the last meeting of the deaf in Ottawa. Who is the writer of those letters to the deaf ladies near London whom M. L. says lives near Ottawa? Chorus of answers from the mutes present. Not me, not me. Will M. L. kindly give us the post marks on the letters, as some here feel rather sore on the matter and would like to have a talk with the culprit.

—Maria Lumbargh, deaf and dumb and about seventeen years old, yesterday complained to the relief officer that she had been deserted by a man named John Lanthead, who brought her to Canada with his family between two and three months ago. The girl expressed a desire to enter the Deaf and Dumb Institution at Belleville and was given a pass to that town. *Hamilton Correspondence of Toronto Globe* [The girl mentioned is now at the Institution and inquiries are being made by the Superintendent in regard to her case.]



# Report of Pupils' Standing.

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

NAME OF PUPIL.	HEALTH.	CONDUCT.	APPLICATION.	IMPROVEMENT.
Armstrong, Jarvis Earl	10	10	10	10
Annable, Alva H.	10	10	10	10
Arnall, George	7	10	7	7
Allen, Ethel Victoria	10	10	7	7
Allendorf, Anna May	10	10	10	10
Bracken, Sarah Maud	10	7	5	5
Ball, Fanny S.	10	10	10	10
Brazier, Eunice Ann	10	7	7	7
Brown, Jessie McE.	10	10	10	10
Butler, Annie	10	10	10	10
Benolt, Rosa	10	7	10	10
Brown, Wilson	10	10	10	10
Burtch, Francis	10	7	7	7
Bain, William	10	7	10	10
Burke, Edith	10	10	10	10
Beatty, Donella	10	10	10	10
Blackburn, Annie M.	7	10	10	10
Barnett, Elmer L.	10	10	10	10
Blashill, Margaret	7	10	7	5
Brown, Eva Jane	10	10	7	7
Baragar, Martha	7	10	10	10
Bellamy, George	7	10	10	7
Burke, Mabel	7	7	7	7
Bourbeau, Benoni	10	10	10	5
Bartley, John S.	10	10	10	10
Brown, Sarah Maria	5	10	10	10
Babeock, Ida E.	10	10	10	10
Barnard, Fred	10	10	10	10
Pilling, William E.	10	10	7	7
Baragar, George H.	7	10	10	7
Chantler, Fanny	10	10	7	7
Chantler, Thomas	10	7	7	7
Cunningham, May A.	10	10	10	10
Chauvin, Eugenie	7	10	7	7
Chambers, James	10	10	10	10
Corniere, Eli	10	10	10	10
Charbonneau, Leon	7	10	10	10
Carson, Hugh R.	10	7	7	7
Cornish, William	10	10	10	7
Cartier, Melvin	10	10	7	10
Cullen, Arthur E.	10	10	10	10
Crowder, Vasco	10	10	10	7
Coolidge, Herbert L.	10	10	10	10
Crough, John E.	10	10	10	10
Chatten, Elizabeth E.	10	10	10	10
Corrigan, Rose A.	10	10	10	10
Clements, Henry	10	10	10	10
Cole, Amos Bowers	10	10	6	5
Cummings Bert	10	10	10	10
Dowar, Jessie Caroline	10	5	5	5
Dudloy, Elizabeth A.	7	10	10	10
Delaney, James	7	7	10	3
Doyle, Francis E.	7	10	10	7
Douglas, John A.	7	10	10	7
Dool, Thomas Henry	10	10	10	5
Doel, Charles Craig	7	10	10	7
Dubois, Joseph	10	10	10	10
Dixon, Ethel Irene	10	10	10	10
Dand, Wm. T.	10	10	10	10
Derocher, Mary Ellen	10	7	10	10
Elliott, Corn Maud	10	10	10	10
Elliott, Wilbur	10	10	10	10
Edwards, Stephen R.	10	10	7	7
Elliott, Mabel Victoria	10	7	7	7
Esson, Margaret J.	10	10	10	10
Fairbairn, Georgina	10	7	10	7
Forgette, Harmudas	10	10	10	10
Forgette, Joseph	7	10	7	7
Fritz, Beatrice	10	7	7	7
Fennor, Catherine	7	10	10	10
Forgette, Marion	10	10	7	7
Fleming, Eleanor J.	10	10	10	5
Gilleland, Anne M.	7	10	7	7
Gardiner, Florence A.	10	7	10	10
Gardiner, Dalton M.	7	10	7	7
Gregg, William J. S.	10	10	7	7
Gray, William	7	10	10	7
Gray, William E.	10	10	7	10
Grooms, Herbert M.	10	10	7	7
Garden, Elsie	10	10	10	10
Gillam, Christopher	10	10	7	7
Gerow, Daniel	10	10	10	10
Gies, Albert E.	10	10	7	7
Goetz, Sarah	10	10	7	5
Goetz, Eva	10	10	7	5
Grooms, Harry E.	10	10	10	10
Gainer, Mary Malinda	10	10	3	3
Goose, Fidelia	10	10	7	5
Graham, Mary E.	7	10	10	7
Gillam, Walter	10	10	7	7
Green, Thomas	10	10	10	10
Howitt, Felicia	10	10	10	10
Holt, Gertrude M.	10	10	10	7
Holston, Clara Mabel	7	10	10	7
Hutchinson, Margaret	10	10	10	7
Hares, Emily L.	7	10	10	10
Henry, George	10	10	7	7
Hennault, Charles H.	7	10	10	7
Hackbusch, Ernest	10	10	10	7
Harris, Frank E.	10	10	10	10
Hartwick, Olive	10	10	7	7
Henders on, Anne M.	10	10	10	10
Hill, Florence	10	7	10	7
Head, Hartley J.	10	7	7	10
Hunter, Wilhemina	10	10	7	7
Hammell, Henrietta	10	10	10	10
Holton, Charles McK.	10	10	10	10
Hartwick, James H.	7	10	7	7
Hennault, Honore	7	10	10	10
Irvine, Eva G.	10	10	10	7
Jaffray, Arthur H.	10	10	7	7
Justus, Mary Ann	10	10	10	5
Justus, Fla May	7	10	7	7
James, Mary Theresa	10	10	10	10
Kavanagh, Matthew	10	10	10	10
King, Robert M.	10	10	10	7
Keiser, Alfred B.	10	10	7	7
King, Joseph	10	10	10	10
Kirby, Emma E.	10	7	3	3
Kirk, John Albert	10	5	10	10
Kaufmann, Vesta M.	7	10	10	3
Legault, Marie	10	7	7	7
Legault, Gilbert	10	10	7	7
Levadecque, M. L. J.	7	10	10	10
Leigh, Martha	10	10	10	7
Luddy, David S.	10	10	10	10
Lightfoot, William	10	7	7	7
Leshe, Edward A.	10	10	10	10
Lett, Thomas B.H.	10	10	10	10
Loughheed, William J.S.	10	10	10	10
Leggatt, Rachel	7	10	10	7
Lewis, Lovi	10	10	10	7
Lyons, Isatah	10	10	7	5
Labelle, Maxime	10	10	10	10
Lett, Wm. Putnam	10	10	10	10
La. son, Albert E.	7	10	10	7
Lett, Stephen	10	10	10	7
Lowes, George C.	7	10	7	7
Lawson, Frank Herbert	10	10	5	6
Labelle, Noah	10	10	10	10
Major, Edith Ella	10	10	7	7
Muckle, Grace	7	10	10	10
Muckle, Elizabeth	10	10	10	10
Munro, Jessie Maud	10	10	10	10
Moote, Albert E.	10	10	7	7
Munroe, George R.	10	10	10	7
Mitchell, Colin	10	10	10	7
Moore, William H.	10	10	10	7
Mapes, John Michael	10	10	10	7
Morton, Robert M.	7	10	7	5
Mosey, Ellen Loretta	10	10	7	7
Mason, Lucy Erutina	10	10	10	10
Myers, Mary G.	10	10	7	7
Moore, George H.	7	10	7	7
Moore, Rose Ann	10	10	10	7
Murphy, Hortense	10	10	10	10
Miller, Annie	10	10	3	3
Moore, Walter B.	10	10	7	7
McBride, Anne Jane	10	10	10	10
McGregor, Flora	7	10	10	10
McGillivray, Mary A.	10	10	10	7
McDonald, Ronald J.	10	10	10	7
McDonald, Hugh A.	10	7	10	5
McGillivray, Angus A.	10	10	10	7
McKay, William	10	10	10	10
McBride, Hamilton	10	7	7	7
MacMaster, Catherine	10	5	3	5
McKay, Mary Louisa	10	10	7	7
McKay, Thomas J.	10	10	10	10
McLellan, Norman	10	10	10	7
McMill, Flora E.	10	10	10	7
McGregor, Maxwell	10	10	10	10
McComick, Mary P.	10	10	10	10
McKenzie, Angus	10	10	10	10
McKenzie, Margaret	10	10	10	10
McCarthy, Eugene	10	10	10	10
McMaster, Robert	10	10	10	10
McKenzie, Herbert	—	—	—	—
Nahrgang, Allen	10	10	10	10
Nicholls, Bertha	10	10	5	5
Noonan, Michael	10	10	10	7
O'Neil, Mary E.	10	10	10	10
Orser, Orva E.	7	10	7	7
Orth, Elizabeth	10	10	10	7
Orr, James P.	10	10	10	10
O'Neil, Ignatius David	10	10	10	7
Perry, Algo Earl	10	7	7	7
Pierce, Corn May	10	10	7	7
Pepper, George	7	10	10	10
Philmore, Margaret	7	10	10	5
Pinder, Clarence	7	10	7	7
Pilling, Gertrude	10	10	7	7
Perry, Frederic R.	7	10	10	7
Ross, James	10	7	10	7
Riviere, Donald James	7	10	10	10
Rebonhe, William	10	10	10	10
Rooney, Francis Peter	10	7	10	10
Rutherford, Emma	10	10	10	7
Reid, Walter E.	10	10	10	10
Randall, Robert	7	10	10	10
Rutherford, Jessie M.	10	10	10	10
Ronald, Eleanor F.	10	10	5	5
Russell, Mary Bell	10	7	7	5
Rose, George	10	10	10	7
Ross, Ferdinand	10	10	10	7
Smith, Maggo	10	7	10	10
Schwartzentraber, Cath	7	10	7	7
Scott, Elizabeth	7	10	10	10
Swayze, Ethel	7	10	10	10
Skilling, Ellen	10	10	10	10
Smith, Louisa	7	10	10	10
Swanson, Alexander D	10	10	10	10
Siess, Albert	10	7	7	7
Sager, Mabel Maud	7	10	10	10
Sager, Phoebe Ann	10	7	10	10
Sager, Matilda B.	10	10	7	5
Sager, Hattie	5	10	10	7
Sumard, Emil	10	10	10	10
Shilton, John T.	10	10	7	5
Scott, Henry Percival	10	10	10	10
Shannon, Ann Helena	10	10	3	3
Serimshaw, James S.	7	10	7	7
Scott, Fran R.	10	10	10	10
Smith, John	10	7	5	3
Sedore, Alley	10	10	10	10
Sedore, Fred	10	10	7	5
Smutek, Lloyd Leeland	7	10	10	10
Showers, Anne	10	10	10	10
Showers, Christina	10	10	10	10
Smalldon, John W.	10	10	10	10
Thompson, Mabel W.	10	10	10	10
Todd, Richard S.	10	10	10	7
Toulouse, Joseph	10	10	10	5
Thompson, Ethel M.	10	10	7	7
Tracey, John M.	7	10	7	5
Thompson, Beatrice A.	10	10	10	10
Vance, James Henry	10	10	10	7
Vetch, Margaret S.	10	10	10	10
Vetch, James	10	10	10	10
Woods, Alberta May	7	10	10	10
Warwick, Emily F. M.	10	10	10	10
Wilson, Elizabeth	10	10	10	10
Woodward, Edwin V.	10	10	10	7
Wallace, George R.	10	10	10	10
Watt, William R.	10	10	10	10
Wood, Nelson	7	10	10	7
Wilson, Murville P.	10	7	3	5
Watson, Mary L.	10	10	10	10
West, Francis A.	10	10	10	10
Wylie, Edith A.	10	10	10	10
Warner, Henry A.	10	10	7	7
Wickett, George W.	10	7	7	7
Waters, Marich A.	10	10	10	10
Woodley, Elizabeth	10	10	10	10
Watts, David Henry	10	10	3	3
Young, Sarah Ann	10	10	10	5
Young, George S.	10	7	7	7
Zimmerman, John C.	10	10	10	10

## PUPILS' LOCALS.

From the Girls' Side of the Institute.

BY JESSIE MURPHY

Our summer vacation is approaching. Are you glad?

The pupils of the different departments would be pleased if the pupils in the city would come out and play to them a little often.

Our written examinations, which were to have commenced on the 1st inst., have been postponed on account of so many pupils being absent from the classes with grip.

On the 25th inst., one of the pupils, Miss Maggie Hutchinson, got a special photograph from her friends, Miss Maggie and Sarah Coulter. She is very glad to get it.

Miss Ethel Coleman, daughter of Mr. Coleman our head teacher, returned on the morning of May 12th, after a ten month visit of ten months among relatives and friends in North Carolina.

In Miss Templeton's class, Mr. Cunningham had the greatest number of perfect recitations during the last two weeks. Annie Henderson ranked second and William Lightfoot, who headed the boys, third.

Many of the sick girls are returning to their classes again after getting over the prevailing sickness. All the girls have orders to stop skipping for a week or two, as it is dangerous to skip school after being down with grip.

It is reported that the Prince of Wales will visit America to witness the American cup races this summer and will spend two weeks in Newport. If he comes to visit Canada, we all would like to see him at our institution.

Miss Hortense Murphy one of our pupils, received unwelcome intelligence on Monday. Her aunt, Mrs. A. Rapin, died in Montreal on the Saturday previous. Hortense liked her aunt very much and was sorry to hear of her demise.

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An Excellent Entertainment Given by Deaf People

Last evening, in St. Stephen's Hall on Franklin Street, the deaf people of Buffalo gave an entertainment for the benefit of their poor. There are quite a number of deaf people in the city, and when they get together they enjoy themselves fully as much as their more fortunate brothers and sisters. They gave an entertainment which would do credit to the best of amateurs. The audience was a good-sized one and was composed largely of deaf people. Quite a sum of money was realized.

The programme was opened with a short address by the Rev. T. B. Berry, who at one time taught in a deaf institution. The Misses McPhail, Carroll, Weber and Bots gave a sign recitation. Messrs. Conlon, Hallett, Schaab and Watts produced a laughable pantomime. The Misses Carroll, Knorr and Bots gave a tableau. Miss Mary Kiefer recited "Fourteen Years of Silence", and Miss Gertrude E. Maxwell gave an excellent sign recitation of "Barbara Fretche".

The most unique part of the entertainment was a pantomime, "Love in a Bush." Mr. Webster, Mrs. Kowald, Mrs. M. A. Carroll, Mr. Conlon, Mr. Knorr, Mrs. Tillie Bots, Miss R. Marks, Miss M. Weber and Mrs. J. Schaab assumed the different roles in the cast. Every hard conversation was carried on in the sign language and at times it was extremely funny.

The entertainment concluded with the peculiar ceremony of a Japanese wedding, in which all the deaf people took part. The costumes were such as were worn in the production of the "Mikado".

Many of the deaf people present are graduates of the Institute for Deaf Mutes at Rome, N. Y. The others are graduates of institutions in this city. The deaf people live in various parts of the city, but they are great people to get on each other and indulge in social pleasures. Quite frequently they hold an entertainment among themselves at Buffalo Courier.

Miss Annie McPhail mentioned in the foregoing was a pupil here.

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SITUATION WANTED.

A GOOD DEAF-MUTE MAN would like a situation on a farm. Address, FAIRBANKS, 19 Garden Ave., Toronto, May 14th, 1895.

To Parents and Friends:  
General good health again prevails.  
R. MARSHON, Supt,  
May 15th, 1895.

Crouter--Yale.

BURLINGTON, Vt., April 30. Miss June Yale, of this city, was married this morning to Dr. A. L. E. Crouter, Superintendent of the Pennsylvania Institution for the Deaf and Dumb at Mt. Airy, Philadelphia. The ceremony was performed at the residence of the bride's parents, and immediately after the wedding breakfast Dr. and Mrs. Crouter left on an extended tour through the South and West. After May 21 they will be "at home" at the Institution at Mt. Airy.

The bride is a graduate of the University of Vermont, and until a few months ago was assistant principal at the Clark Institute for the Deaf at Northampton, Massachusetts. Dr. Crouter as Superintendent of the Mt. Airy Institution is well known in educational and social circles.

The event was looked forward to, by all connected with this school, with a profound and pleasurable interest, and in honor of the occasion, at the hour the ceremony was performed, the class room work of the school was suspended, the flags hoisted, and a serenade given by the boys, all of which kept fresh in the minds of those in the institution, the thought that a delightful wedding was taking place far away, in which we were all deeply interested.

**Ontario Deaf-Mute Association.**

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**THE CANADIAN MUTE.**

WEDNESDAY, MAY 15, 1895.

They are never alone, who are accompanied with noble thoughts. —Chaucer



HOME, SWEET HOME.

SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE,  
 Belleville, May 15th, 1895.

To Parents and Friends:

The present term will close on Wednesday, June 12th, 1895, and our pupils go to their homes on that day. An officer of the Institution will accompany those who are to travel on the Main Lines of Railway, taking care of them and their baggage, to the points agreed upon.

At the close of this session a number of pupils will have completed their term, but those who can be benefited by one or two extra years will be allowed to come back. If you know of any deaf and dumb children of school age in your neighborhood, kindly send the names of the parents, with their post office addresses to me.

The Grand Trunk, the Canadian Pacific and Central Ontario Railway Companies have liberally arranged to issue return tickets for one first-class fare, good until September 19th, 1895.

The pupils will leave Belleville for home, on Wednesday, June 12th, by early train, under the charge of Officers of the Institution, arriving at the various stations agreed upon, and parents and friends must meet them, and be standing on the platform of the Station when the train arrives. This is important.

Be good enough to remit money for railway fares to Mr. Alex. Matheson, Bursar, by P. O. Order or registered letter, before the 1st of June, in order that final arrangements may be made for Railway Tickets.

The next term will commence on Wednesday, the 18th September.

With kind regards,  
 Yours faithfully,

*R. Mathison*  
 SUPERINTENDENT.

**The Sickness.**

The epidemic of La grippe which visited this Institution a couple of weeks ago, though annoying enough in most respects, yet presented some features that bordered on the ludicrous. On Friday, April 26th, there was not a sick pupil in the school. On Monday there was over twenty ill and the number rapidly increased till the next Friday when there were 110 on the sick list. Some of the classes were reduced to one third. Five of the teachers and several of the employees were afflicted, while one of the two nurses that were engaged was taken ill the day after she arrived here. However the epidemic subsided as rapidly as it came and the Institution now presents almost a clean bill of health.

**Honor to an Old Pupil of this Institution.**

The latest reports from Gallaudet College at Washington give the programme of Presentation Day there. This year it is of double interest to us, as one of our old pupils, who is well known to many of the deaf of Ontario, takes his Degree. We refer to Mr. A. H. Cowan, of London, Ont. We have watched his course with pride and pleasure, he being one of the very few whose circumstances favored his taking the College course, and now he has succeeded so well we know that his old school-mates will join with us in congratulations. The subject Mr. Cowan took for his graduating dissertation was "Common Sense." He was one of mine to receive the Degree of Bachelor of Arts.

**Hints to Parents of Pupils.**

In a few weeks our children will be sent to their homes scattered throughout the province, and our responsibility for them will cease for the time being. During the term our teachers and officers have laboured faithfully to impart knowledge and lay the foundation for an intelligent and useful manhood and womanhood. We would now ask the parents and friends of our pupils to join hands with us and lend their aid in helping them forward during the long summer vacation while they are at home. The following which we have clipped from the *Silent Messenger*, of Belfast, Ireland, will give some useful hints to parents and we commend it to their consideration:—

The parents and friends of the deaf and dumb are advised to learn the manual alphabet and to converse with their children by its means, or by writing on a slate. Parents who can read will soon learn this alphabet by practising it with their children. They will thus also improve themselves both in spelling and in reading, and will in time acquire rapidly as well as correctness of spelling.

In all cases where the parents can spell or write, they should inform their children of their names, trades, places of residence, &c. they should also inform them of the names of their brothers, sisters, and other relatives, as their uncles, aunts, cousins, grandfathers, &c. and of their occupations and residences. It is also very desirable that during the holidays the children should be made to observe the different industrial occupations which are carried forward in the town or district to which they belong, and that they should be taught the names of machinery, tools, implements, &c., used in such trades as they may thus be made familiar with.

If parents will attend to these few directions, they will help forward the progress of their children, and thus the names of many productions of trade and agriculture, and of many operations, will be taught them which cannot be shown to them in school, and which it would be difficult to describe. Signs should only be used when necessary to explain words, and parents are strongly recommended neither to use signing themselves nor to understand the signs made by their children, but to require them to write or spell, even if they are only able to write single words, and always to correct any mistakes made in writing. By parents also, attending signs, the children will be much more anxious when at school to acquire correctness in writing language, which is to them so very important.

Parents are also reminded that the deaf and dumb frequently suffer both in temper and character, from injudicious kindness and overindulgence. They should be neither treated more harshly, nor more indulgently, than others, but their general treatment should manifest to them that they are considered morally and mentally responsible in the same sense as others.

—Mr. Wills, the gardener, commenced working at the Institution 21 years ago or he is of this month and he is hale and hearty still. We hope he will be with us 21 more years.

**HOME NEWS**  
 LOCAL REPORTS

The past week has probably been one of the most lifeless weeks of the session, few of the teachers or pupils were feeling as well as usual, but returning health is infusing new life and energy all around and all are busy now.

Several of the teachers had to succumb to the epidemic and lay off for a few days; very few escaped a slight touch of it. Mr. Stewart also had to give up his class for a time; with him, a plague of boils made locomotion unpleasant.

Our teachers and officers were lately requested to hand in their photos to the office. We shall doubtless soon know the purpose to which they will be put, in the mean time some of the teachers have made a guess that it is a Rogues' Gallery Mr. Mathison is getting up—not quite so bad as that, wait and see.

Mr. Balis has just received the news that his house in Pittsburg has suffered severely from an explosion caused by defective gas mains. Much damage was done but his property was more fortunate than some of the neighbouring houses which were blown out and then burnt. Mr. Balis expects to be fully repaid for his loss.

The boys who do not belong to the shops have been kept pretty busy after school hours lately. Wood sawing, splitting and piling has occupied part of them, while a number of the elder ones have been usefully employed in the garden to assist in getting in the crops, which on account of the late spring are somewhat behind.

Mr. Campbell has pulled up stakes and moved to another home a little nearer to the Institution. He hopes that it will be a long time before he goes through the same experience again. Belleville seems to be filling up; formerly, good houses at a low rental were comparatively easy to get, but they are now hard to find on this side of the city.

On account of there having been so much sickness, the examinations which were to take place about this time have been postponed until June 3rd. The change is an agreeable one to teachers and pupils. Every class had a number of its pupils stricken and their absence from class when close review work was in progress was a great retardment.

A late visitor to the Institution was very favourably struck by the improvements made around the buildings since he was here some years ago. The isolated hospital and its neat surroundings especially took his notice, while the young maples, which were quite small when he was here before, have now grown up into stately trees making delightful shady groves during the warm weather.

The boys have again got out the base-ball outfit which has been laid aside for three years. On commencing play they found themselves sadly out of practise. Of the crack team we used to have, only two members remain at school now. There seems little prospect of matches of any kind this spring as the city folks seem to have the bicycle fever, and will attend to nothing else until after the wheelmen meet on the 21th.

Our boys did not expect to be called upon to defend the Corby Cup this spring, foot ball seemed dead in the city. Perhaps the news that our boys were not at practice and might be caught napping, woke up the League. The officers called a meeting together on the 10th and the preliminary business was arranged for the usual round of games for the cup. The following officers were elected: Hon. Pres., H. Corby; Hon. Vice-Pres., R. Mathison; Pres., E. Shepherd; Vice-Pres., W. Conger; Secretary-Treas., D. Diamond; Referee, J. P. Thomas. Albert College, City, Centrals and our own team were represented at the meeting. A schedule of matches will be arranged in a few days. Our boys have now laid aside their base-ball, and foot-ball practice will be in order until the games are finished and the possession of the cup settled for another six months.

The grounds here now present a most beautiful appearance and it is hard to realize that a month ago the snow had not yet all disappeared. The winter remained long with us, as if loath to depart, and when warm weather came it came with a bound, the mercury rising from freezing point to ninety in the shade in about three weeks.

Vegetation has been very rapid and the leaves and blossoms have developed to maturity with almost unprecedented rapidity. Our spacious grounds are now one mass of bright green, relieved here and there with beds of varietal tulips, with the rippling waters of our beautiful bay for a background. The most disgruntled pessimist on earth could not look upon this scene without confessing that this is a beautiful world and that there is no more charming spot on it than that to be seen from this Institution.

**PERSONALITIES.**

—A good deaf-mute man would like a situation on a farm. Address Farmer, Care of 19 Garden Ave., Toronto.

—Miss Purdy, who formerly conducted a class in physical culture here, has gone to Orillia to take charge of classes there. We wish her success.

—Mr. W. J. Campbell and Miss Mary Boyd were married at Grand Rapids in February last; although a little late we congratulate them and wish them many happy days.

—Mr. I. G. Smith, formerly store-keeper at the Institution, has passed his third year in medicine in the Toronto University. All his friends here congratulate him and hope this time next year to hear of him being a full fledged M. D.

—R. M. Thomas arrived from New York last week, looking well. He spent the winter in the New England states, and the climate and surroundings were so agreeable that he returns to town much the better for his sojourn down by the sea. —*Oakville Star.*

—Mr. Jas. B. McKillop, of London, deputy county crown attorney for Middlesex County, brother of Mr. D. J. McKillop of this Institution, spent a day here last week. Mr. McKillop is a gentleman of fine legal attainments, and feels a warm interest in the Institution and the deaf generally.

—Mrs. Terrill had a happy time on Sunday last and her face has been beaming ever since with pleasure. Her daughter Mrs. (Dr.) Forster, of the Asylum, Kingston, was home for a visit, and to complete her cup of pleasure to running over point, her son, Alfred, City Editor of the *Peterboro Examiner*, came home at the same time.

—Miss D'Pensiere, and Miss McCann, of the Kingston Hospital, who were here for two weeks during the illness of so many pupils, have gone home. They both were attentive and gave us their best services, for which we are all thankful. This was Miss D'Pensiere's second visit and she was heartily welcomed, for her own sake and the good work she did a year or so ago in nursing the scarlet fever patients.

—The school received a visit Thursday last from a deaf mute, who called himself F. G. Jefferson. He said he was better known as the sailor, having been for many years one of those who "go down to the sea in ships." He was born and educated in England and expects to return to that far off land soon. He is at present living in Chicago. Mr. Jefferson looked the school over thoroughly. —*Wisconsin Times.*

The CANADIAN MUTE says: "The combined method of instruction still holds undisputed and undiminished sway. Of the eighty-two schools for the deaf in the States, sixty-one of the largest use the combined system." It might have added that all the important schools in Canada, Ireland and Australia use the combined system as well as the majority of schools in England and Scotland. —*Alabama Messenger.*

**Letters from Former Pupils.**

MR. MATHISON, DEAR FRIEND.—I am working the farm with my brother and have rented my house in the village of New Durham. Robert McKenzie and I live about a mile apart and we often visit each other. D. Sours also lives near us. A mute from New York State passed through here on his way to Woodstock last week; he was selling pictures. I thank you so much for the good time I had last summer at the Convention. Please remember me to my school mates and friends.  
 MARSHALL SIMMONS.

Nine troubles out of ten will run when you look them squarely in the face.

Feeding a Modern Scientist.

Place I am content, serene,
I take my slab of sylvan bread,
And chunks of chamois cheese...

A Converted Puro.

"Certainly I am grateful to you for asking me. Put me down for \$25."
A look of pleased surprise passed over the solicitor's face...

What He Supposed.

The efforts of a certain literary man to turn himself into a successful "hen farmer," on an estate of two acres, afford his agricultural neighbors some excitement...

Who Knows Them?

There were once two little sisters who lived in the same house. One little girl had pleasant things happening to her every day, but the other girl was always in discomfort about something.

An Oriental Story.

An eastern king was once in need of a faithful servant and friend. He gave notice that he wanted a man to do a day's work, and two men came and asked to be employed.

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A gentleman traveling in the northern part of Ireland, heard the voices of children, and stopped to listen. Finding the sound came from a small building used as a school house...

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GENERAL INFORMATION.

Classes: SCHOOL HOURS From 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. DRAWING CLASS from 4:20 to 5 p.m. on Monday and Thursday afternoons. GIBBS' FANCY WORK CLASS of Miss Gibb, Wednesday afternoons of each week.

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

Industrial Departments: PRINTING OFFICE, SHOE AND CANE MACHINERY from 7:30 to 12:30 a.m. and from 5:30 p.m. for pupils who attend school.

Visitors: Persons who are interested, desirous of visiting the Institution, will be made welcome on any school day. No visitors are allowed on Saturdays, Sundays or Holidays except the regular chapel exercises at 2:30 on Sunday afternoons.

Admission of Children: When pupils are admitted and parents are advised not to linger and prolong the taking with their children. It only adds discomfort for all concerned, particularly for the parent.

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

Sickness and Correspondence: In case of the serious illness of pupils letters or telegrams will be sent daily to parents or guardians. IN THE ABSENCE OF LETTERS FROM PUPILS MAY BE QUITE SURE AND ANXIOUS.

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