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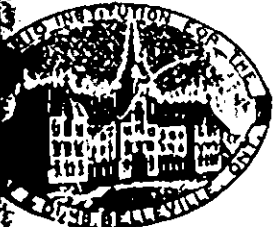
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BELLEVILLE, ONTARIO
CANADA.



Government in Charge:
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WALKER, EL, Matron.

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METCALFE, JOHN T. HUNNA, Typewriter Instructor of Printing.

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KEITH, JOHN DOWDIE, Master Carpenter.

DUNPHY, D. CUNNINGHAM, Master Baker.

NURAY, THOMAS WILLS, Gardener.

MICHAEL O'SIKANA, Farmer.

Object of the Province in founding and maintaining this Institute is to afford education to all the youth of the Province on account of deafness, either partial or total, who are unable to receive instruction in the common schools.

Minutes between the ages of seven and ten being deficient in intellect, and free from contagious diseases, who are born in the Province of Ontario, will be admitted as pupils. The regular term of instruction is seven years, with a vacation of nearly two months during the summer of each year.

The guardians or friends who are able to be charged the sum of \$20 per year for tuition, books and medical attendance furnished free.

For those whose parents, guardians or friends are unable to pay the amount charged for tuition, admission is free. Clothing must be provided by parents or friends.

At present time the trades of Printing, Bookbinding and Shoemaking are taught to the pupils. Pupils are instructed in general work, Tailoring, Dressmaking, Knitting, the use of the sewing machine, Ornamental and fancy work, as may be required.

It is the policy of the Government to provide that all having charge of deaf mute pupils will avail themselves of the liberal facilities afforded by the Government for their educational improvement.

The regular Annual School Term begins on Wednesday in September, and ends on Wednesday in June of each year. Admission as to the terms of admission, etc., will be given upon application to the Superintendent or otherwise.

R. MATHISON, Superintendent, BELLEVILLE, ONT.

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My Ain Country.

I am far from my home, an' I'm weary attendin' while.
For the land for home-bringing, an' my Father a welcome smiles.
An' I'll ne'er be so content until my eyes do see
The golden gates of heav'n, an' my ain country.
The earth is deck'd w' flowers, many tinted,
fresh, an' gay,
The birds warble blithely for my Father made
them see;
But these sights an' these sounds will an' nee-
thing be to me,
When I hear the angels singin' in my ain
country.

I've a gale word of promise, that some glad
some day the King
To his ain royal palace, his banished home, will
bring.
We're an' w' heart runnin' ower we shall see
"The King in his beauty," an' our ain country.
My sins has been many, an' my sorrows has
been sair,
But there they'll never vex me, nor be remem-
bered mair.
For his hand has made me white an' his hand
shall dry my ee
When he brings me home at last to my ain
country.

He is faithfu' that hath promised an' he'll
surely come again,
He'll keep his trust w' me, at what hour I dinna
ken.
But he bids me still to wait, an' ready aye to be.
To gang at any moment to my ain country.
So I'm watchin' aye, an' singin' o' my home as
I wait.
For the soundin' o' his foot-fa' this side the
golden gate,
God gie his grace to likene who listens noo to
me,
That we a' may gang in gladness to our ain
country.



A Valentine Story.

BY ONE WHO KNEW THE FACTS.

"I do not wish to sit next to that poor little girl in the Sunday-school class," said Gladys Hudson, as she came into the parlor and threw her lesson paper on the table. Miss Rutledge always seats her between Dora Watkins and me. I think it is a shame!"

"Why, Gladys, what makes you speak so unkindly?" said her mother, in a sad tone of voice. "I should think you would be glad to sit next to a poor little girl and make her just as happy as you could. You have forgotten who has given you your nice clothes and good home, with all its comforts, I am sure, or you would not talk as you do."

"Well, mamma, Dora thinks just the same as I do about it, that girl does not belong to our class any way, she does not belong to our set. She is a girl Miss Rutledge has picked up in some tenement-house district. Whenever she speaks to her she calls her "dear," so the girls all know that she must be a pet of hers. I should think she would give her a seat next to herself."

"I hope you and Dora did not let the poor child know how you felt about sitting next to her."

Gladys did not make any reply. She went to her room and took off her nice warm coat trimmed with fur, and the handsome hat with feathers on it, and put them away in their respective places. But somehow she did not feel happy, although she had on her new cashmere dress which had been finished the day before. She knew in her heart that she had been very unkind, and had entirely forgotten the Golden Rule. If she had been in that poor girl's place, would she have liked to have had the girls who had better clothes on draw their nice dresses tightly about them, so they would not come in contact with hers? She acknowledged to herself that if she had been treated as that poor scholar had been that she would never go into Sunday-school again. She did not feel happy all that week.

The next Sunday afternoon, three blocks from where Gladys lived, the

poor little girl, who was an object of disdain to some members of the Sunday-school class, was debating in her mind whether she had better go to Sunday-school or not. She sat in a chair, with the old ulster thrown across her lap. She had turned it over and over to see if she could make it look better. She had brushed it time and time again, had sewed the torn out button-holes together so that the buttons would stay in them; she had taken a pair of scissors and cut off the frayed edges; and yet she did not think it looked presentable. But she loved that Sunday-school, and she loved Miss Rutledge, and she wanted to get her Sunday-school paper and her pretty ticket, so she put the ulster on. She had worn it three Winters, and as little girls will grow considerably in that time, it was too short by six inches, and the cuff of her dress sleeve came down below her coat sleeve.

All the other girls had such nice new coats to wear! But Annie Hanley did not allow herself to think about this at all, she knew it would take away all the pleasure of the Sunday-school. She made herself as neat as possible with the clothes she had, and went to her class. But it was too much for human nature to bear, and when she came home, she said to herself, "I won't go any more. Miss Rutledge is very sweet and good, but these girls in the class do not want me to sit with them, because I am poor and my clothes are not like theirs."

The next Sunday the new scholar was absent. Miss Rutledge divined the reason, and when she had finished the lesson, which she did not explain and talk over as much as she usually did, she said "Girls, I wonder why Annie Hanley is not here to-day? I must go and see her to-morrow. I do hope the dear child is not ill. I think if you know Annie's sad story you would all feel sorry for her. Four months ago her mother died; she had a long illness, and you know it costs a great deal for medicine and to pay doctors and get extra things for the sick. Annie's father is a hard working man, but his wages would not keep his family and pay all the bills that came in during his wife's illness, and so he has been paying them little by little, as he can spare the money each week. Annie is such a brave little girl, and is helping him do it. She is so glad that she can help pay for the comforts her dear mamma had before she went away to heaven. Annie keeps house for her father, and you know she must often be very tired with all the work and the care of her two little brothers, and now she has no mother to talk over her trials and troubles with. How she must miss her! Her mother was such a sweet, good, loving mother!"

By this time the tears were gathering in those girl's eyes as they sat in a circle around their teacher. They were wondering in their hearts how they could have been so unkind. The first bell was ringing for closing the school, and Miss Rutledge only added one more sentence to her story. "That is the reason, girls, that Annie has not better clothes to wear."

When Gladys got home, she put her head in her mother's lap and burst into tears. "I am the wickedest, meanest, horriest girl in the world!" she exclaimed, and then she told her mother the whole story.

"Cannot you do something for Annie, mamma? I would give her anything I have."

"I think from your story that you might be a help and comfort to the dear little girl. But we have to help such people in the right way and in a delicate manner. I think the first thing you girls ought to do is to go and see Annie and ask her to come to Sunday-school again. Tell her you missed her, and let her see that you are all interested in her and that you are her friends."

And thus the little girls did. But Gladys and Dora felt that they would

like to do something more than this for the poor girl whose heart they had hurt in such an unkind way.

It was Valentine week, and the shops were full of valentines. The girls and boys were looking at them and planning what ones they would buy and to whom they would send them, when a sudden thought came to Gladys. "Oh, Dora," she said, "wouldn't it be splendid if the girls would all join together and buy Annie a nice, warm coat and send it to her as a valentine? We could make an envelope out of large sheets of wrapping paper, and fold the coat up in it, and write on a pretty card, 'From your loving Valentine,' and she would never guess who it came from."

"Just splendid!" said Dora.

And so these two girls went right about getting up Annie's valentine. They had no trouble in collecting the money, and Gladys' mother had a brother who was in the wholesale department of a large dry-goods store, and she got him to let her have a coat at wholesale price, so they got a much better one than they expected to. A large envelope was made out of heavy wrapping paper and paste, so the coat would slip in easily, and a large, handsome valentine card was put in one of the pockets. A boy was sent to deliver it at Annie's door.

The girls were not there to see Annie's surprise and happiness when she received it, but the next Sunday she wore it to Sunday-school, and her whole face was beaming with joy. But she is still wondering who sent that valentine.—*The Evangelist.*

Yes and No.

Some people never say them. "They aren't built that way!" "I believe so." "I shouldn't wonder," and "perhaps" are their yes. While, "I don't know," "may be not," or "not much" are their no. We conclude they mean an affirmative or a negative, after some intuitive gymnastics of our own, but their idioms don't say so. Some people are naturally timid and nothing scares them worse than those two little words. They are so brave, so irrevocable, so easy and yet so hard to utter. I can't bear to say no to the trembling beggar at my door, who asks: "Have you anything to day?" I falter: "I am sorry, but—" while he rings the next door bell.

Miss Golden-spoon longs to breathe one sibilant "yes" to the question beaming from the handsome eyes of young Epicure, but it is a word so stupendous, so fraught with awful possibilities in the way of parental wrath that she dares not, though she would! Mr. Hailfellow, who doesn't want to drink more than is good for him, would fain strengthen his tongue to the utterance of that pregnant No—but it is every time too much for him. One so seldom meets a square, outspoken "yes" or "no" that they come like a surprise when they do come. They are the realities of language, as pitiless as judgment day, as grand as eternity. Long ago the Lord of Truth condemned all our verbal squirming and pleaded for the simple yes or no. Looking into the hearts of us, he saw what trouble we would miss and what shame escape through clinging to these grand little words. But we were wiser, we thought of the slippery charm of "perhaps" and the squirming beauty of "probably" and the clear-cut cameo of speech were thrown aside for these bedizened and many colored provocations. I love yes and no. When I go for aid to the man who can aid me, if he will, I want him not to hesitate until his favor is an insult, or to buoy me with false hopes when he intends to refuse. Square "yes," until my heart is full of gratitude, or grave "no" that is quickly destructive and not cruelly lingering—these are the words that don't suffice for a liar; they bear in their brevity the swift, sharp touch of truth.

At the Door.

Light myself indeed, as I
 so fast the door, so firm the lock
 he rattling comes to lure
 the parent ear with flourish and
 were stone could it withstand
 the sweetness of my baby's plea
 the innocent, baby knocking and
 please let me in. It's only me"
 now aside the unfastened lock,
 regardless of its tempting charms
 opening while the door, I took
 laughing darling in my arms
 she knew but in Eternity,
 like a transient child, shall wait
 vicarious of a life to be,
 to meet the heavenly Father a gate—
 I wait that Heavenly Father best
 to grant a supplicating cry,
 at the outer door I plead,
 O Father! only I—
 —EUGENE FIELD

PUPILS' LOCALS.

From the Girls' Side of the Institution.

By JESSIE MUNRO.]

Mrs. Major, Edith's mother, came to see her on account of being sick lately, but when she came she found that Edith was much better.

Miss Martha Baragar's two sisters came on Friday, 24th, to see her, bringing with them her little niece. Her niece is very lively and cheerful.

Last Monday week Miss Belle Morrison left home for London, and she may stay away till Easter. We all wish her a joyous visit, but will miss her.

On the 21st we had delicious fried cakes with which we were delighted. Miss Walker, please give us some more of them as we like them very much.

Miss Etirel Irvine graduating here a few years ago, paid us an afternoon call today. She reported having a grand time when in Toronto. She says she will visit there again next summer with her sister Miss Eva.

On Saturday at dinner, Miss Emily Hares wanted to put some pepper in her soup. Unfortunately the cover came off, and of course all the pepper went into her cup. She found it so hot that she gave it up in disgust.

On the 20th we were rather disappointed that there was no skating, but we were surprised contrary to the usual custom, we had a lovely time skating for two hours and a half the next day. Of course we go out skating on the pond nearly every day.

Six little girls, who had an attack of scarlet fever, came out of the Gibson Hospital. They were looking rather fat, and said they were tired of staying in the hospital so long, but while there, they had good meals every day when they were out of danger. No wonder they got fat.

Mr. Stewart, one of our teachers, has been absent for a week on account of having an attack of Quinzy. During his absence Miss Maggie Hutchinson took his place in class. You all must have mercy on her as she had to teach Mr. Stewart's little boy pupils, no girls at all, but perhaps she had a good time after all.

On Jan. 21st Miss Donella Beatty got a pleasant and surprising visit from her lady cousin of Toronto, who had been visiting her relations and friends in the east, accompanying her three cousins. On the following Saturday her cousin went back home. They had been taken all through our school, and seemed to take great interest in us.

FOREST NOTES.

From our Correspondent.

Aggie Farland's many friends will be glad to learn that she is in good health.

Mr. and Mrs. Gustin's children, Misses Lucreia and Master Willie, were the recipients of many valuable Christmas gifts from parents, relatives and friends, and should keep in good humor when Christmas comes around again.

Wm. Wark, of Wyoming, has built a new house on his farm and is successful in business. A good wife he now seems to need.

Mr. and Mrs. Gustin had a large number of their relatives and friends to Christmas with them, and another party assembled on New Year's Eve, but the old year good bye and to the new, all being determined to start a new leaf. The night passed joyously with games of various kinds and all were happy. The whole day passed over and took New Year's with Mr. and Mrs. Gustin.

Character Sketches of Prominent Deaf Persons.



SYLVIA CHAPIN BAIS.

Unlike Napoleon, who said, "I have no ancestry," the subject of this sketch has been more favored in that respect. Like the child of whom Emerson declared, "education should begin a hundred years before its birth," both parents were of Puritan stock, and both sides claim to men and women prominent at the bar, in the pulpit, in literature, medicine, science and statesmanship. Organizers and leaders, some of them, and it is not so long ago that Springfield, Mass., testified to the prominence and worth of one of them, Sam'l Chapin, by erecting, to perpetuate that sentiment, a statue in his honor in her public park.

Born in Maltoon, Ill., amid war's alarms, early familiarized with the shriek of bugles and roll of drums, at a time when party feelings ran high, opinions were strongly and fearlessly expressed and decisions made and acted upon quickly, the second child of Leonidas and Amanda Chapin inherited much of the spirit of the times as well as many of the characteristics of her ancestors. Her parents' social position and wealth and her father's prominence in public affairs gave many unusual advantages.

At the age of five years Sylvia L. Chapin entered the public school where she remained until eight years old, when, with terrible suddenness cerebro-spinal meningitis claimed her as one of its victims, and deprived her of hearing. Her recovery was very slow, and a return to the public school being impracticable, governesses were procured and she studied for a time under their supervision.

Upon the advice of Dr. Aaron L. Chapin, President of Beloit, Wis., College, she was sent to the Illinois School for the Deaf, at Jacksonville, where she entered the academic department, and graduated with the first honors of her class in 1880, although the youngest member. Appointed to teach in the St. Louis Day School that fall, she held the position two years, then resigned to remove with her parents to Berlin Heights, to reside in the ancestral home recently inherited by her father. In this vicinity she organized and successfully maintained and instructed large classes in drawing, painting and designing, having studios in five different towns, spending one day of every week in each place, having pupils of all ages ranging from 10 to 50 years in her classes. She relied entirely upon speech and lip reading in communicating with every one with whom she came in contact.

This continued until called to teach in the Western Pennsylvania Institution, by the late Dr. Thos. MacIntire, in 1885. June 26th, 1886, she was married to James C. Bais, a teacher in the same school. In the summer of 1890 they were offered positions in the Ontario Institution for the Deaf at Belleville, Ont., and after due consideration of the superior advantages held out to them, accepted and removed to Canada where they at present reside.

Mrs. Bais for three years taught the art classes in addition to her regular school-room work, but it being a too great demand on her strength she very reluctantly resigned. She was a member of the Pittsburg School of Design for several years. She is naturally much interested in art, and makes many pilgrimages to the art galleries to be found in the various cities which she and her husband annually visit.

An omnivorous reader she was early encouraged and assisted in that direction by her parents and teachers, two of whom have exerted a greater influence over her than they dreamed of at the time, namely Prof. John H. Woods of Jacksonville and Dr. Harvey W. Milligan now president of the Illinois College at that place, as also has Dr. P. G. Gillett.

She is said to have been the first deaf

person to orally address the convention of instructors for the deaf. Since 1890 she has read papers before many conventions, and acted as orator at the last meeting of the alumni association of the Illinois Institution held at the capitol in Springfield, Ill. A steady contributor to the public press, she is a member and entitled to wear the reporter's badge of the Press Association. She has recently been re-elected treasurer of the Association of the "Kings Daughters and Sons" of St. Thomas Church, a society composed entirely of ladies and gentlemen who are blessed with all their faculties.

Mrs. Bais is fond of society and mingles as freely in and gets as much enjoyment out of social gatherings as her more fortunate sisters. She is frequently mistaken for a foreigner owing to a French accent.

Here let us quote from Browning who says

Throw old along with thee!
 The best is yet to be.
 The last of life for which the first was made
 Our times are in his hand!
 Who saith, "A whole I planned,"
 Youth is but half; trust God, see all, nor be afraid!"

Mrs. Bais does credit to her ancestry in a sturdy stand for her own and others' rights. She is just such a leader as the deaf have need of. To say with her, is almost to see the avowed accomplished. Wherever she goes or whatever she says she becomes at once prominent. With all her intellectual and social qualities, she is a model housekeeper and a homemaker, and to this may be added the sum, any contained in verses 10 to 31, Proverbs xxxi—which thank God, is true of so many among our sisters of the silent life as well as those who dwell in the world of sound.

Unceasing, purposeful activity is her leading characteristic in the world of workers. As for personal charms we give her portrait to speak for itself.

OIL SPRINGS.

From our own Correspondent.

All the friends in this district who received the Christmas number of the CANADIAN MITE greatly appreciated it.

In the issue of Dec. 16th, was an item concerning the brief history of the Brantford *Expositor*. Mr. R. Mathison next wielded the pen on that paper after he shook off the dust here on account of the collapse of the great boom.

The Oil Springs *Chronicle* office was gutted by fire on the day after New Year, so badly that the paper ceased its publication for a while. Mr. Kertch is the present publisher.

On New Year's Day Mr. Wm. Essoy and family drove out to Lawa, and spent the day, with the Brown family. Mr. John Brown is uncle of Maggie, at the Institution, and lives beside Mr. Michael Showers, father of the four Misses Showers, also at the same school.

Leavington, Essex Co., will have a \$10,000 income per annum from its natural gas. The three Thompson brothers were employed in drilling the wells, and still continue the work. They frequently meet Joe. Robson, an ex-pupil and a farmer, who relates to them some of his school days' experience. They are brothers-in-law of Messrs. John A. and James E. Robertson, of this place, cousin of Willie Kay, who lives with the latter and who will now hereafter find a lively companion at the former's place in the shape of a monster mastiff, now a pup, a present from Leamington.

The writer now takes this opportunity to relate some incidents during the first cold snap after the opening of the Institution. The weather was all that could be desired when the first Christmas holidays passed away, but hardly had the teachers and pupils settled down to their school work again, when something turned up unexpectedly which upset them for a time. The cold snap and an unfortunate accident in the engine room rendered the work of steam-heating utterly impracticable, thus causing considerable inconvenience and discomfort within the walls. The large box stoves were hurriedly sent for, one of which was put up in the boys' dormitory, with the pipes going into the hole in the wall next to the supervisor's room. All the occupied beds were crowded in there and some large boys appointed in turn to keep on the fire at night. One night when the writer happened to wake up, he quietly witnessed a little scene. The room was dimly lighted by a single lamp on a table, and Wm. Rutherford, a strong built, but beautiful lad, sat by the stove nodding. The kind and thought

ful teacher, Mr. Coleman, came in with his big overcoat on, a fine fur cap, and a long pretty scarf on and around his head, with a lantern in his gloved hand. He stirred the fire, put on two or three fresh sticks and, after speaking kindly to the sleepy lad, he went out. During the day the boys were at liberty to sit around the stove in the dining room, the little ones playing around or in the main hall, keeping on their warm articles of clothing. It was amusing to look at the poor shivering girls coming in at meal times, with every kind of wraps on, but of course they were not forgotten in their own quarters. Dear, Mr. Coleman, won't you forgive the writer for saying that you could scarcely stand the cold without your warm articles on when you sat down to your breakfast? Indeed the large boys, including Mr. McKillop, were kept busy carrying wood and coal, which also went into the grates that still adorn the walls in the main quarters. Duacan Morrison, the first pupil who entered the Institution, got his ears frozen and so swollen that he was doctored. It was several weeks before the heating apparatus could be put into good working order and then the order of the day once more prevailed. The stoves and grates were done away with and were never used again.

TORONTO TOPICS.

From our own Correspondent.

The weather of last month brought lots of sleighing and skating. Charitable citizens cleared a space on the bay for poor children.

We hear that Mr. Terrell has a little pug dog in store for his son Freddy.

Miss Edith Ogilvie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alex. Ogilvie, is a clerk in T. Eaton & Co's store.

Mrs. Wm. J. Terrell has been poorly but is recovering.

Mrs. Elliott, mother of Charlie and Eva, is very feeble in health.

The writer was shown a letter received by a deaf gentleman from little Ruth McDermid, of Winnipeg. It was astonishing to see such a neat and plainly written letter from such a wee girl as Ruth.

We hear there is another little deaf boy in our Western suburb, but have not been able to locate his home.

Messrs. Grant and Byrno presented several of their friends here with calendars and books.

Mrs. Howa continues to reside in the house willed to her by her late son, at 178 Dovercourt Road. She suffers much from paralysis in the limbs, but can converse to the deaf a little at times on her hands.

Mr. Gardiner, of Winnipeg, husband of the late Mary Morrison, passed through this city lately on his way to Newfoundland.

Miss Mary Leeson, only daughter of Arnold Leeson, is being adopted by her uncle, David Hamby.

Mr. and Mrs. David Hamby are spending a couple of weeks with Mrs. Stevens, the latter's mother, in Bronte. They were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Slater.

A correspondent here recollects an incident two or three years ago, of meeting with a young tea agent at the door. The agent was not at all surprised at his summons being answered by a deaf person, for he said he had a little deaf sister. He seemed pleased to receive a copy of the MITE and got information of a school for the deaf. Her name may be Ferrier or Fretz, but I am not sure. We believe there are plenty who have deaf children in the wide, wide world who never hear there is a school to educate the deaf free.
 Jan. 20th, 1890.

SIMCOE NOTES.

From our own Correspondent.

Miss Edith Steele, of Delaware, is visiting Mrs. William Sutton, of Simcoe. Miss Steele is a universal favorite and is warmly welcomed wherever she goes.

Mr. and Mrs. Sours, of Northfield, who were in Simcoe for a couple of months, have returned to Northfield, their old home.

Mrs. William Sutton, of Simcoe, recently entertained Mr. and Mrs. Sours and Mr. Culver Howlby at a very pleasant evening party.

Mrs. Thomas Crozier, of Springvale, has a daughter which was born on the 7th of January; mother and child doing well.

Report of Pupils' Standing.

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

NAME OF PUPIL.	HEALTH.	CONDUCT.	APPLICATION.	IMPROVEMENT.
Armstrong, Jarvis Earl	10	10	7	7
Annable, Alva H.	10	10	10	10
Arnall, George	10	10	10	10
Allen, Ethel Victoria	10	10	10	10
Allendorf, Anna May	10	10	10	10
Bracken, Sarah Maud	10	10	7	5
Ball, Fanny S.	10	10	7	7
Brazier, Eunice Ann	10	7	7	7
Brown, Jessie McE.	10	10	10	10
Butler, Annie	10	10	10	10
Benoit, Rosa	10	10	10	10
Brown, Wilson	10	10	10	10
Burch, Francis	10	10	10	10
Bain, William	10	10	7	7
Burke, Edith	10	10	10	10
Beatty, Donella	10	10	10	10
Blackburn, Annie M.	10	10	10	10
Barrett, Elmer L.	10	10	10	10
Blaschke, Margaret	10	10	7	7
Brown, Eva Jane	10	7	7	7
Baragar, Martha	7	10	10	10
Bellamy, George	10	10	10	10
Burke, Mabel	7	7	7	7
Rourdeau, Benoni	10	10	10	10
Bartley, John S.	10	10	7	7
Brown, Sarah Maria	7	10	7	7
Babcock, Ida E.	10	10	10	10
Barnard, Fred	10	10	10	10
Billing, William E.	10	5	10	10
Baragar, George H.	10	10	10	10
Buckaupt, Maria	10	10	10	7
Brown, Mary Louisa	10	10	10	7
Boomer, Duncan	10	10	7	7
Chantler, Fauny	10	10	7	7
Chantler, Thomas	10	10	10	10
Cunningham, May A.	10	10	10	10
Chambers, James	10	10	7	7
Corbier, Eli	10	10	10	7
Charbonneau, Leon	5	—	—	—
Carson, Hugh R.	10	10	10	7
Cornish, William	10	7	10	10
Carter, Melvin	10	10	10	10
Cullen, Arthur E.	10	10	10	7
Crowder, Vasco	10	7	7	10
Coolidge, Herbert L.	10	10	10	10
Crough, John E.	10	10	10	7
Chatou, Elizabeth E.	10	5	5	7
Corriean, Rose A.	10	10	10	10
Clements, Henry	10	10	10	10
Cole, Amos Bowers	10	10	10	7
Cummings Bert	7	10	7	7
Cunningham, Martha	10	10	3	3
Clemenger, Ida	10	10	7	7
Dewar, Jessie Caroline	7	10	7	5
Delaney, James	10	10	7	7
Doyle, Francis E.	10	10	10	10
Douglas, John A.	7	10	10	10
Dool, Thomas Henry	10	10	10	7
Dool, Charles Craig	10	10	10	10
Dubois, Joseph	10	10	10	7
Dixon, Ethel Irene	10	7	5	5
Daud, Wm. T.	7	10	10	10
Derocher, Mary Ellen	10	10	10	7
DeBellefueille, Alino	10	10	10	10
Duke, Ette	10	7	5	5
Duncan, Walter F.	7	10	7	7
Elliott, Cora Maud	7	10	7	7
Elliott, Wilbur	10	10	7	7
Edwards, Stephen R.	10	7	10	7
Elliott, Mabel Victoria	10	10	10	10
Eason, Margaret J.	10	10	10	10
Enaminger, Robert	10	10	6	5
Fairbairn, Georgina	10	10	7	7
Forgette, Harmudas	10	10	10	10
Forgette, Joseph	10	7	10	10
Fretz, Beatrice	7	—	—	—
Fenner, Catherine	10	10	7	5
Forgette, Marion	10	10	10	7
Fleming, Eleanor J.	7	10	10	7
Farnham, Leona	10	7	5	3
Frech, Charles	10	10	3	3
Gilleland, Annie M.	7	7	10	10
Gardiner, Dalton M.	10	10	10	10
Gray, William	10	7	7	7
Gray, William E.	10	10	10	10
Grooms, Herbert M.	10	10	10	10
Gerow, Daniel	10	10	10	10
Gies, Albert E.	10	10	10	7
Goets, Sarah	10	10	10	7
Goets, Eva	7	10	7	5
Grooms, Harry E.	10	10	10	7
Gainer, Mary Malinda	7	10	3	3
Goose, Fidelia	10	7	5	5
Graham, Mary E.	7	10	10	7
Gillan, Walter	10	7	10	7
Green, Thomas	7	10	10	10
Gladiator, Isabelle	7	10	10	5
Grey, Violet	7	5	10	7
Gelineau, Arthur	10	10	5	5

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Howatt, Felicia	10	10	10	10
Holt, Gertrude M.	10	10	10	10
Hodgson, Clara Mabel	10	10	10	10
Hutchinson, Margaret	10	10	10	10
Hares, Emily J.	7	10	10	10
Henry, George	10	7	10	10
Hennault, Charles H.	10	10	10	10
Hackbusch, Ernest	10	10	10	10
Harris, Frank E.	10	10	10	10
Hartwick, Olive	10	10	7	10
Henderson, Annie M.	10	7	10	10
Hill, Florence	7	10	10	10
Head, Hartley J.	10	10	7	7
Hunter, Wilhemina	10	10	10	10
Hammell, Henrietta	10	10	10	10
Holton, Charles McK.	5	7	7	5
Hartwick, James H.	5	—	—	—
Hennault, Honore	10	10	10	10
Harper, William	10	10	5	5
Irvine, Eva G.	10	10	10	7
Jaffray, Arthur H.	10	10	10	10
Justus, Mary Ann	7	10	10	10
Justus, Ida May	7	10	10	10
James, Mary Theresa	10	10	10	10
Jones, Samuel	10	10	10	10
King, Robert M.	10	10	19	7
Keiser, Alfred B.	10	7	10	7
King, Joseph	10	10	5	5
Kirk, John Albert	10	10	7	7
Kaufmann, Vesta M.	10	10	10	5
Kelly, James	10	10	7	7
Kirby, Emma E.	10	10	10	5
Legault, Marie	10	10	7	5
Legault, Gilbert	10	10	10	10
Lemadecine, M. L. J.	10	10	10	7
Ligh, Martha	10	10	10	5
Luddy, David S.	10	10	10	10
Lightfoot, William	—	—	—	—
Leslie, Edward A.	10	10	10	7
Lett, Thomas B.H.	10	7	10	10
Loughheed, William J.S.	7	10	10	10
Lewis, Levi	—	—	—	—
Lyon, Isarah	5	—	—	—
Labelle, Maximo	10	10	10	7
Lett, Wm. Putnam	10	10	10	7
Lawson, Albert E.	10	10	10	10
Lett, Stephen	10	10	10	3
Lowes, George C.	10	10	7	7
Lawson, Frank Herbert	10	10	5	5
Little, Grace	10	10	10	10
Lobsinger, Jacobino	10	10	10	10
Lowry, Charles	10	10	5	5
Laporte, Leon	10	10	7	7
Larabic, Albert	10	10	5	5
Laniell, Cleophas	10	10	10	7
Major, Edith Ella	7	—	—	—
Muckle, Grace	10	10	10	7
Muckle, Elizabeth	7	10	10	10
Munro, Jessie Maud	10	10	10	10
Munroe, George R.	10	7	7	7
Mitchell, Colum	10	10	7	7
Moore, William H.	10	10	7	5
Mapes, John Michael	10	10	10	7
Morton, Robert M.	10	10	7	5
Mosoy, Ellen Loretta	7	10	10	7
Mason, Lucy Ermina	10	10	10	10
Myers, Mary G.	10	10	7	5
Moore, George H.	7	10	7	7
Moore, Rose Ann	10	10	7	5
Murphy, Hortense	10	10	10	7
Miller, Annie	10	10	3	3
Moore, Walter B.	10	10	10	10
Miller, Jane	7	10	10	7
Munroe, Mary	10	10	5	5
Munroe, John	10	10	5	3
McBride, Annie Jane	10	10	10	7
McGregor, Flora	10	10	10	10
McDonald, Ronald J.	10	10	7	7
McDonald, Hugh A.	7	10	7	5
McGillivray, Angus A.	10	10	10	10
McBride, Hamilton	10	7	10	10
McKay, Mary Louisa	10	7	7	7
McKay, Thomas J.	10	10	10	7
McLellan, Norman	10	10	7	7
McMillan, Flora E.	—	—	—	—
McGregor, Maxwell	10	10	5	5
McCormick, May P.	10	7	10	7
McKenzie, Angus	10	7	10	10
McKenzie, Margaret	10	10	10	7
McCarthy, Eugene	10	10	10	7
McMaster, Robert	10	10	10	10
McKenzie, Herbert	10	10	10	7
Nahrgang, Allen	10	10	10	7
Nicholls, Bertha	10	10	5	5
Noonan, Michael	10	10	10	7
Noonan, Maggie	10	10	10	10
Orser, Orval E.	10	10	10	5
Orth, Elizabeth	10	10	5	5
Orr, James P.	10	10	10	10
O'Neil, Ignatius David	10	10	10	10
O'Connor, Mary B.	10	5	7	7
Perry, Algo Earl	10	10	7	7
Pierce, Cora May	10	7	10	7
Pepper, George	10	10	10	10
Pinder, Clarence	10	10	7	7
Pilling, Oertio	10	10	10	10

NAME OF PUPIL.	HEALTH.	CONDUCT.	APPLICATION.	IMPROVEMENT.
Perry, Frederic R.	10	10	10	10
Pilon, Athanese	10	10	10	10
Quick, Angus R.	10	10	10	10
Ross, James	10	5	7	3
Riviere, Donald James	—	—	—	—
Reboulle, William	10	10	10	10
Rooney, Francis Peter	10	10	7	7
Rutherford, Emma	7	10	10	10
Reid, Walter E.	10	10	10	7
Randall, Robert	10	10	10	7
Rutherford, Jessie M.	10	10	5	5
Ronald, Eleanor F.	10	10	7	7
Russell, Mary Bell	10	10	10	7
Rowe, George	10	10	5	5
Ross, Ferdinand	10	7	5	3
Rhelly, Mary	10	7	5	5
Roth, Edwin	10	10	7	7
Smith, Maggie	10	10	7	7
Schwartzentruber, Cath	7	10	5	5
Scott, Elizabeth	10	7	10	10
Swayze, Ethel	10	10	10	10
Skilling, Ellen	10	10	10	7
Smith, Louisa	10	10	10	10
Sices, Albert	10	10	10	10
Sager, Mabel Maud	10	10	10	7
Sager, Phoebe Ann	10	10	10	7
Sager, Matilda B.	10	10	7	7
Sager, Hattie	10	7	10	10
Shilton, John T.	10	10	10	10
Scott, Henry Percival	10	10	7	7
Shannon, Ann Helena	10	10	10	5
Sermishaw, James S.	10	10	10	10
Scott, Evan R.	10	7	10	10
Smith, John	10	10	10	7
Sedore, Alley	10	10	5	5
Sedore, Fred	10	10	5	5
Smuck, Lloyd Leeland	10	10	7	7
Snowers, Annie	10	10	10	10
Showers, Christina	10	10	10	10
Showers, Mary	10	10	5	5
Showers, Catherine	10	10	5	5
St. Pierre, Georgina	10	10	3	3
Simpson, Alexander	7	10	5	5
Thompson, Mabel W.	10	10	10	7
Todd, Richard S.	5	—	—	—
Thompson, Ethel M.	10	10	10	10
Tracey, John M.	7	10	7	7
Thompson, Beatrice A.	19	7	5	5
Thomas, Maud	7	10	10	10
Terrell, Frederick	7	7	10	10
Vance, James Henry	10	10	7	7
Ventch, Margaret S.	10	10	10	7
Vetch, James	10	10	7	7
Woods, Alberta May	7	10	10	7
Warwick, Emily F. M.	7	10	10	10
Wilson, Elizabeth	10	10	10	7
Wallace, George R.	5	—	—	—
Watt, William R.	10	10	7	7
Wood, Nelson	10	10	10	7
Wilson, Murville P.	10	7	7	7
Watson, Mary L.	10	10	10	7
West, Francis A.	10	10	7	7
Wyhe, Edith A.	10	10	7	7
Warner, Henry A.	10	7	10	10
Wickett, George W.	10	10	5	5
Waters, Marion A.	7	10	10	10
Woodley, Elizabeth	10	10	7	7
Watts, David Henry	10	10	3	3
Webb, Rosy Ann	10	10	10	5
Walton, Allan	10	10	7	7
Young, Sarah Ann	10	10	7	7
Young, George S.	10	10	10	7
Young, Iseta	10	10	5	3
Zimmerman, John C.	10	10	10	7

PUPILS' LOCALS
From the Boys' Side of the Institution
[BY DAVID LUDBY]

—February.
—Leap Year
—Mr. Douglas' birthday on the 28th.
—Green Xmas and green New Year's Day have both passed by. Will we have a green or white Easter?
—Metcalf boys have been organized. Noah Labelle, of our last term, is the team, to form a team there and be the Captain.
—Willie McKay will join the A.M.A. hockey team of Woodstock this winter when it is organized. He is expected to our team last term.
—Joseph Dubois is the star hockey player here this winter. He plays better than he did last winter and wears hockey skates. Quite a number of other boys have skates of that kind.
—Four of the senior boys have been continued to their beds by severe illness during the past few weeks, namely Louis Charbonneau, George Wallace, Richard Todd and Isarah Lyons. We hope they will soon recover.
—The first heavy snow fall this winter occurred on the 24th ult. it was welcome and made it look lovely. We wonder what kind of faces our patient fellows had when they looked at their snowed-under rinks.
—The owners of the two ice boats that floated away to the bridge last December, when the ice on the bay broke up, and which were taken away to that little village across the bay by sea-sparking persons living there, have recovered them.
—We noticed by the Ottawa Free Press that Joseph Dubois' brother belongs to the National Hockey Club of that city. It recently played a match with the Hull team and defeated it 6 to 1. Joseph's brother's first name is Napoleon and he is one of the forwards.
—Noah Labelle, in sending us word says he quit working for William Groy, brother of Alfred Groy, last December and has since been working for the latter

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HOME NEWS

—We are glad that the days are lengthening out. Gas can now be dispensed with in the work-shops.

—We have not had so many visitors lately, perhaps fears of fever infection has something to do with it, but there really is no danger.

—The attendants enjoy the use of the skating-rinks when they have done work in the evening, and get good exercise without a long plod to the city.

—Quite a number of our boys and girls are "under the weather" with slight coughs and colds, but we must not complain as it is general all over the city.

—Our shoe-shop sent off a case of women's boots to the Mercer Reformatory, Toronto, last week, and have still eighty pairs more to make for the same institution.

—The sleighing is primo just now and our resident young lady teachers take every advantage of it to get out, even the humble hand sled is not despised when the chance for a ride offers, as we witnessed the other evening.

—There have lately been enquiries about the next Convention to be held. Pres. Smith and the Executive Committee are making a move in the arrangements. It will be held in Brantford as previously arranged. More anon.

—Farmers are busy hauling and stacking about sixty cords of hardwood for our use. When it is all in, the circular saw will be set to work and the boys who do not belong to the shops will have the job of sawing it up and splitting it.

—The storm, which worked such havoc in the west, was tempered with kindness to our lambs, and we were able to dispose of its leavings without difficulty. Our snow-plow has kept the sidewalk to the city open without trouble and walking is still good.

—A large number of the Wilson Chemical Fire Extinguishers have been placed at convenient points throughout the buildings ready for emergencies. Our fire fighting appliances may fully be considered first-class, and any expert is quite welcome to measure our risk. We don't fear the verdict.

—On Saturday evening last, Mr. Douglas gave us the fourth series of magic lantern views, which will probably be the last for some time. At Christmas we got two tubes of hydrogenic gas from Toronto, which has supplied us with a light leaving nothing to be desired, and the views were given full play.

—Our gardener, Mr. Willis, has the heaviest beard and bushiest locks of any one of his age around here, so when a fine razor strap was taken by mistake from our shoe-shop to his house he took it as a hint to spruce up and waited for some one to send him a razor but none came. We would advise him to borrow the hedge shears.

—Never have our pupils enjoyed such fine opportunities for skating and other sports on the ice as lately. We have two fine large rinks and the boys have kept them in the best condition. One rink being given up exclusively for skaters, on the other the boys enjoy the rougher but more exhilarating sport of hockey, or, as they too often play it, the old fashioned game of shinny. Plenty of liberty has been given the pupils to enjoy the exercise, almost every fine afternoon the work-rooms have been closed an hour earlier and a merry crowd assembled on the ice and glide around until the call for supper. We feel sure that the pupils' health will be benefited by it the girls especially.

—Our ice-boats are again gathered at the Institution wharf little the worse for their trip across the bay amid the ice-floes during the Christmas thaw. For their safe return we are indebted to Messrs. A. Bourbunnias and Henry Duke, of Rosemore, who seeing that the boats would go to sure wreck and be lost if not rescued, put in several hours of dangerous work on the ice-floes and with their axes chopped them free and drew them ashore. They asked nothing in return for their work and were quite willing to give up the boats. We make a small return for their labor and, in addition, they deserve and will please accept the thanks of our boys, to whom the loss of the boats would have been a disappointment as many of them had invested considerable pocket money in the skates and fittings.

PERSONALITIES.

—Miss Cole, of Brockville, was the guest of Miss and Belle Mathison for a few days last week.

—Mr. Arthur J. E. Clarke, of Aurora, a deaf-mute, spent a few days of last week in Lindsay.

—We notice that our friend, R. M. Thomas, of Oakville, is making a few months' sojourn in Chicago.

—Right Rev. Monsignor Farrelly, and Rev. Father Carson, honored us with a visit on Wednesday last.

—Miss Belle Mathison has gone on a visit to London. Will take in Brantford and Hamilton before she returns.

—Rev. Canon Burko continues his regular visits at the Institution. He is always on hand and always on time.

—Mr. Balis has been fighting a cold for some time. Under Mrs. Balis' good care he is getting to be himself again.

—George Samuel Cull, of Bradford, Simcoe, is one of our latest subscribers. He came to this country from England in 1857.

—Rev. Mr. Thompson, Mrs. Thompson Mrs. McGinnis and Mr. Stafford were interested visitors on Wednesday afternoon.

—A pleasing letter has been received from Miss A. Calvert, Primrose P. O., in which she sends greetings to all her old friends.

—Miss Martha Baragar lately received a brief visit from her two sisters, who were accompanied by a bright little girl, Martha's niece.

—Mr. Stewart, one of our teachers, has been laid up for the past week with the quinsy. We hope soon to see him at his post again.

—We regret to hear that Howard Green, son of the late Prof. Green, is seriously ill at his mother's residence in the city. We hope for his speedy recovery.

—Rev. E. N. Baker came to see the Methodist children last Thursday, and while here visited the sick room, speaking a kind word here and there to those who were ailing.

—J. A. Isbister is engaged at shoemaking at his home in Lakeside and is slowly building up a trade, which is hard for a young man fresh from school to do in the face of old established opposition.

—Maternal anxiety over her daughter Edith's illness drew Mrs. Major, of Hamilton, to take the long journey to Belleville. She was glad on her arrival to find that the danger was past and her child much better.

—A. E. Mercier, a Canadian by birth and once a pupil of the Hartford school, is now living in Northbrookfield, Mass., where he is employed in a shoe factory, but for several weeks past work in his line has been very dull.

—Dr. T. F. Chamberlain was in the city last week inspecting the goal, but was in a hurry to get to Picton, so did not favor us with a visit. It is likely he will drop in and see us when we are not expecting him in the near future.

—Doctor and Mrs. Forster were guests of Mrs. Terrill, mother of Mrs. Forster, for several days during this week. The Doctor came from Kingston to do a little curling. Mr. and Mrs. Forster favored the Institution with a short visit; we hope they will stay longer next time.

—Miss Ostrom's birthday occurred last week and the scholars in her class did not forget it. On one of the blackboards in her school-room was written a number of good wishes, and the pupils presented her with a nicely written address expressive of their love and esteem.

—One of our teachers the other day received a letter from Mrs. Tyler, of Housey's Rapids. Her maiden name was Elizabeth Brooks, and she attended the Hamilton school for the deaf some 28 years ago. She lives near William Fletcher's—also a mute—and she has a deaf-mute brother aged 32 who never went to school.

—Notwithstanding the hard times throughout the country, we are glad to hear that Mr. Hazelton, of Delta, who runs a shoe business on his own account, is doing very well. He only deals in a few special lines of factory made boots and shoes, rubbers and moccasins, and by careful ordering supplemented by his hand working department, he is able to report a good seasons business where others less careful have failed. One for Thomas.

—Mr. Cummings of Berlin, Mr. McVicar of Owen Sound and Mr. Osborne of Belleville, were pleased visitors to our school last week. The two gentlemen from a distance were so much interested that they let a train go by without them rather than cut short their visit. Mr. Cummings is an uncle of our old pupil, Robert McPherson, of Brantford, and an intimate friend of Mr. Gardiner of Berlin, who has a little boy at school here now.

—Mr. J. L. Holland, who, although not educated in Canada, is becoming well known to the deaf throughout Ontario, stopped over to see us as he passed through Belleville to make a series of visits to points in the east. He was heartily welcomed and tasted our hospitality. Since coming from Ireland about three and a half years ago, he has given much of his time to religious work among the deaf and has travelled on his wheel during the summer over much of western Ontario. His visits to many of the isolated deaf in country parts have doubtless been a boon and blessing. We wish him "God speed" on his way and that many will be led heavenward through his means.

—The Governor of Mississippi, in his message to the Legislature, speaks of Superintendent Dobyns in the most complimentary terms. Mr. Dobyns deserves all the good words that can be uttered in his favor. The message says:—"The Institution for the deaf and dumb in its management and results, continues to challenge the admiration and commendation of all who are familiar with its workings. No institution in the State is more deservedly popular, and none has given more general satisfaction to all concerned than that for the education of the deaf and dumb. The present efficient, amiable and accomplished Superintendent, Professor J. R. Dobyns, has been in charge for sixteen years, and each succeeding year secures to have added to his proficiency in the conduct of the school, and to have drawn him nearer and nearer to pupils and patrons in his relations with them."

—Our genial friend, Clarke, of the Michigan School, does not want war any more than we do, and in the last *Mirror* holds out the olive branch in this way:—"The *Nebraska Journal* is out with an editorial asking Bro. Mathison, the same one who acted the peace-maker at Flint, and induced the two great Doctors to shake hands, to take up the Venezuelan question and get Brother Jonathan and John Bull to shake hands. For our own part we would be perfectly willing to have the accomplished head of the Ontario School for chief arbitrator. As we understand the matter, though, arbitration was all that Brother Jonathan asked for. This is bringing matters right home to us. Just think of our meeting our genial Canadian friend just the other side of Port Huron, and trying to poke a bayonet into him. Verily we want peace on this side of the world, and, like Brother Jonathan, we intend to have peace if we have to fight for it."

Donations to Calcutta, India, School Fund.

CANADA.		
John J. 27	.....	\$2 00
George W. Reeves	.....	1 00
Cash	.....	50
UNITED STATES.		
R. Dow Elwood, Detroit	.....	5 00
Teachers Rochester School for the Deaf	.....	3 00
Miss Hamilton, Rochester	.....	2 00
A friend	.....	50
A friend	.....	10
A friend	.....	10
A friend	.....	10
Cash	.....	10
A friend	.....	05
Total to date	.....	\$16 35
Jan 25th, 1895.		

Through the advice of Mr. S. Dow Elwood, President of the Wayne County Savings Bank, Detroit, Mich., I have deposited the above sum in the Erie County Savings Bank of Buffalo, where it will draw interest until such a time as I can make a sufficient remittance, and then it will be handed to Dr. E. M. Gallaudet. To those who have so far donated towards the fund, I desire to express my thanks and sincerely hope others will follow suit and donate a little towards helping those sorely in need of an education in far away India.
 G. E. MAXWELL, Collector.
 1198 West Ave., Buffalo, N. Y.

The law of the harvest is to reap more than you sow. Sow an act and you reap a habit; sow a habit and you reap a character; sow a character and you reap a destiny.

THE CANADIAN MUTE.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 1895.

When a noble deed is wrought,
 When a noble thought,
 Our hearts, in glad surprise,
 To higher levels rise—*Longfellow*

Half the Session Over.

Only a few days ago—scarcely—the pupils and teachers here all assembled in the chapel at the beginning of the school year, and already one half of the session has passed. This issue marks the half way point between the opening and the closing of the term. The diversions of the Christmas season broke into and somewhat retarded the work during that period but the classes have now settled down to the steady faithful work that marks the long unbroken space between New Year's day and Easter. This is the best working season of the whole year. The foundation was well laid before Christmas and now the more definite result of the faithful efforts of teachers and pupils becomes increasingly manifest every day. The result so far accomplished in all the classes are very satisfactory, the pace has been set at a rate that assures success, and should an unforeseen diversion occur, the result of the session's work will be all that could possibly be expected. We would urge both teachers and pupils not to let their zeal flag nor their earnest labors slack for one moment. Before we realize the end of the session—which always marks the end of school life and the cessation of all educational advantages for many pupils—will beat hand, and not the golden opportunity should be lost or the moment idly spent.

A letter from "A Graduate," dealing with the pending question, will appear in our next issue.

The *Maryland Bulletin* always says the right thing at the right time and in the most pleasant possible manner. We gratefully praise the kindly praise of our friends number.

On Thursday evening, the 30th ult., the pupils enjoyed their annual carnival. It took place too late to give particulars in this issue as the paper is ready for the press, suffice to say that the boys and girls enjoyed themselves immensely, and the get-up of the whole was of them credit.

According to our boys comes to us from the Missouri School: John H. [Name], a pupil, was drowned while swimming in a pond near the Institution. The violation of regulations against the regulations of the Institution, not many hours before. He went to go through the ice and in his efforts were being made to get him but they were too late, as mentioned when they got the body from the water. The reckless spirit that animates our boys and draws them out on the ice before it is safe to venture on it. So far with a little help of deep water close at our heels have escaped any serious consequences thanks to the most stringent and the care of the officers.

A Valentine.

Go, Cupid, and lay sweet heart tell
I love her well
Yes, though she stamps on my heart
And sends that bleeding thing apart;

And further say I have a shod,
Cushioned in blue and painted red
The grocery man has promised I
Can "hitch" whenever I give by;

For the Day.

Love is like a rose-bud
hid behind a thorn;
Love is like a moon flower
frightened at the morn.

Tricks but make it sweeter,
Warms but makes it grow;
Quarrels make but fester
Love's returning glow.

Not despite shall sever
My fond heart and thine!
Believe me, Love, forever,
Thy true Valentine.

Love Runs Riot on St. Valentine's Day.

SOME TIME-HONORED CUSTOMS.

Hail, Bishop Valentine, whose day is near.
Since the whole civilized world is engaged
in the pleasing task of sending or receiving
the favors of love—and according to the universal sentiment
all the world loves a lover—we will welcome
the annual festival of the saint, and his chief assistant, Cupid.

Each little bird this time,
Both choose her loved peer,
Which constantly abide
In wedlock all the year.

A custom that stamps itself upon the nations,
and continues to exist even under unfavorable circumstances,
is worthy of careful investigation if only to establish its antiquity.
We find on referring back to the earliest Christian era
that St. Valentine's Day did not originate with the good St. Valentine,
who was a priest of Rome, martyred in the third century.
That name was bestowed upon the heathen feast of Pan and Juno,
known as the Lupericalia, celebrated in ancient Rome during the month of February,
and attended by scenes of disgraceful revelry.
By giving the pagan festival a saint's name,
it was sanctioned to the use of people, and became a simple and harmless occasion of popular amusement.

The young people of England and Scotland kept St. Valentine's Day for many centuries by an ancient lottery custom,
which was very entertaining and seldom abused in its usage.
On the eve of that day all the lads and lasses gathered in their best attire,
and prepared a number of slips of paper on which each one wrote his or her name in a real or disguised hand,
which was then rolled up and deposited in a hat, to be drawn from in the way of lots.
Each person drew two valentines, but the maid who drew could not choose,
one of the two valentines being privileged to choose her,
her second valentine drawing another maid.
In this way all were provided with partners for the dancing and festivities which followed.

The customs of St. Valentine's day are alluded to by Chaucer, Shakespeare and an earlier writer, Lydgate, who sung its praise in 1400.
In the Pepys diary, written during the reign of Charles II., that cranky historian of social frivolities wrote:

"My wife did show me with great pleasure her stock of jewels increased by the ring she had made lately as my valentine gift,
this year a turkey-stone with diamonds."

Sir Walter Scott deals with the custom in his "Fair Maid of Perth," where Catherine leaves her chamber on St. Valentine's morning and finding Henry asleep gives him a kiss.
Whereupon, the glover, one of the characters of the story, says: "Come into the booth with me, my son, and I will furnish thee a fitting theme.
Thou knowest the maiden who ventures to kiss a sleeping man wins of him a pair of gloves."
This pretty concession to the custom Catherine accepts.

Charles Lamb wrote a flowery invoca-

tion to Bishop Valentine, whom he thus quaintly and merrily apostrophizes:—"Thou comest attended with thousands and tens of thousands of little loves, and the air is brushed with the hiss of rustling wings."
Singing cupids are the choristers, and instead of the crossier, the mystical arrow is borne before thee.
In other words, this is a day on which the charming little missives called valentines cross and intercross each other at every street and turning.
The weary postman sinks beneath a load of delicate embarrassments not his own.
In these little visual interpretations no emblem is so common as the heart—that little three-cornered exponent of all our hopes and fears; the bestuck and bleeding heart; it is twisted into more shapes than an opera hat.
What authority we have in history or mythology for placing the headquarters and metropolis of Cupid in this anatomical seat, rather than any other, is not clear.
We might easily imagine upon some other system which might have prevailed, a lover addressing his mistress thus: "My liver and heart are entirely at your disposal."
But custom has awarded the seat of sentiment to the afore-said triangle, while its less fortunate neighbors wait at anatomical distance."

The valentines of to day are very much like the valentines of the past, for they express the same idea to which Josh Billings referred in his inimitable way: "Luv is the same divine sentiment, no matter how you spell it."
It is neither the spelling nor the poetry that captivates the youthful imagination, but the daring expression of affection which can be announced in a valentine, but in no other way.
No breach of promise can have ever resulted from the sending of a valentine.
Such a proposition as this would never be considered in a court of law, although it may count for much in the court of love:

My valentine wilt thou be,
Accept this heart so true;
I lay bestow a thought on me,
For I love only you.

There are years when the custom of sending valentines falls almost into disuse.
The year 1896 is not one of these.
The valentines in the shop windows are prettier and more enticing than ever, and the mails are overflowing with tributes sent to a distance by loving friends as tokens of remembrance for the occasion.
The bashful lover buys one that will fully express his sentiments, gets a chum to direct it, hires a small boy to ring the doorbell of "her" home, and give it into her own hands, and is radiantly happy next day when he sees it admired, and hears her overdone comments as to who could possibly have sent it.
Sometimes a flask of choice perfume, or a dainty lace handkerchief, a pair of evening gloves, or a fan—gifts quite permissible under the chaperonage of St. Valentine—is sent with the valentine.
A box of flowers with a valentine card is a pretty reminder of the day.

The valentine party, which is a revival of olden times, is well observed in late years, and valentine luncheons and dinners among the young people are frequent even in Lent, for a feast that has for its patrons a bishop cannot be regarded as exactly a secular affair.
The card of invitation and menus for these occasions are in the forms of hearts, and answer the double purpose of a favor and a valentine.

There is a superstition to the effect that the first person met on St. Valentine's morning is the true valentine, and stories are told of fair ladies of the olden days who walked abroad with an attendant and kept their eyes securely closed until an eligible gallant appeared.

A modern poet has recorded the custom in rhyme:

There is a legend golden—
Clear in my thought it shined—
That she who's first beholden
On sweet St. Valentine's

Shall be to him who chances
Her features to divine
The fond one of his fancies—
His bonny valentine.

One evening as Mohammed, after a weary march through the desert, was camping with his followers, he overheard one of them saying, "I will loose my camel and commit it to God."
The prophet then immediately exclaimed, "Friend, tie thy camel and commit it to God."
We cannot expect an indulgent Providence to make up for our neglect of proper effort.
No amount of faith is an excuse for laziness.

A Boy who Could and Would.

I know a boy who was preparing to enter the junior class of the New York University.
How was studying trigonometry, and I gave him three examples for his next lesson.
The following day he came into my room to demonstrate his problems.
Two of them he understood, but the third—a very difficult one—he had not performed.
I said to him, "Shall I help you?"

"No, sir; I can and will do it if you give me time."

I said: "I will give you all the time you wish."

The next day he came into my room to recite another lesson in the same study.

"Well, Simon, have you worked that example?"

"No, sir," he answered; "but I will do it if you will give me a little more time."

"Certainly; you shall have all the time you desire."

I always like those boys who are determined to do their own work, for they make our best scholars and men, too.

The third morning you should have seen Simon enter my room.
I knew he had it, for his whole face told the story of his success.

Shadows Needed.

"Wrong, wrong!" cried a child, tearfully.
"My copy lies before me; mountain, meadow, lake, and forest are faithfully drawn, line by line.
Why is my sketch a failure?"

The elder sister glanced over the child's shoulder.
"True," she said, "mountain, meadow, lake and forest are skillfully imitated, yet the picture is not complete.
Look again; have you forgotten nothing?"

The child examined her work more closely.
Her face suddenly brightened; the tears dried on her cheek.
"Ah!" she said with joy, "I have discovered my mistake; I forget the shadows! Now," she continued, adding a few dark lines—"now my picture is perfect."

Even thus, no life, however beautiful, is complete without its shadows.
We would, if we could, have naught but sunshine; but Christ, the great and loving Master, fills in the shadows, and makes the picture perfect in the Father's eyes.
—The Good Way.

Magistrate (to witness):—"I understand that you overheard the quarrel between the defendant and his wife?"
Witness:—"Yes, sir."
Magistrate:—"Tell the Court, if you can, what he seemed to be doing."
Witness:—"He seemed to be doin' the listenin'."

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Visitors:—

Persons who are interested, desirous of visiting the Institution, will be made welcome any school day. No visitors are allowed on Saturdays, Sundays or Holidays except the regular chapel exercises at 2.30 on school days. The best time for visits on ordinary school days is as soon after 12 in the afternoon as possible, as the classes are dismissed at 3.30 o'clock.

Admission of Children:—

When pupils are admitted and parents are advised not to linger, and prolong their taking with their children. It only makes discomfort for all concerned, particularly the parent. The child will be tenderly cared for, and if left in our charge without doubt will be quite happy with the other inmates, in some cases in a few hours.

Visitation:—

It is not beneficial to the pupils for friends to visit them frequently. If parents do come, however, they will be made welcome to the class-rooms and allowed every opportunity of seeing the general work of the school. We cannot furnish lodging for our entertain guests at the Institution, the accommodation may be had in the city at the Quinze Hotel, Huffman House, Queen's, and American and Dominion Hotels at moderate rates.

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Parents will be good enough to give all directions concerning clothing and management of their children to the Superintendent. Correspondence will be allowed between parents and employees under any circumstances without special permission on each occasion.

Sickness and Correspondence

In case of the serious illness of pupils letters or telegrams will be sent daily to parents and guardians. IN THE ABSENCE OF LETTERS FROM PARENTS OR GUARDIANS THE SUPERINTENDENT WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE CARE OF THE CHILDREN.

All pupils who are capable of doing so will be required to write home every three weeks. Letters will be written by the teachers for little ones who cannot write, teaching, as far as possible, their wishes.

No medical preparations that have to be used at home, or prescribed by family physicians will be allowed to be taken by pupils except with the consent and direction of the Physician of the Institution.

Parents and friends of deaf children are warned against Quack doctors who advertise their claims and appliances for the cure of deafness. In 999 cases out of 1000 they are swindlers and only want money for which they give no return. Consult well known medical practitioners in cases of deafness and be guided by their counsel and advice.

R. MATHISON, Superintendent