DURHAM CHRONICLE

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THE TORONTO EXHIBITION.

The Exhibition, which came this year earlier than usual, has absorbed almost the entire attention of the citizens of Toronto. The influx of country relatives has given the city an appearance, which contrasts very characteristically with the appearance presented by its depopulated and forlorn streets and thorough-fares of twenty or thirty days ago, when all Toronto was at the seaside, the camping grounds, the summer resort of the island.

These country relatives and their annual visit, which is awaited for months with anxiety by the rural inhabitants, are looked forward to with mingled expectation and regret by the great multitude of householders and residents of Toronto. To accommodate ten or fifteen relatives in a house, that, under ordinary circumstances, conveniently accomodates but three or four, is not always an undertaking, which moves the Conservative citizens of an industrious metropolis to feelings of delight and exultation. And it is therefore not universally a subject of censure when some of the rather embarrassed Torontonians meditate the desperate remedy of affixing to their habitations the tragic legend "Dephtheria here" in order to escape the pleasant companionship of their omniverous country friends, and retain their rather contracted residences for the very necessaav accomodation of themselves and of their families.

Rural relations infrequently forget that their visits in such overwhelming multitudes to the city are not always acceptable to their city friends and that many of their city friends consider themselves often, but ill repaid for the labour they expend on them and the time they devote to their pleasure during their unwelcome sojourn in the city by the vague and uncertain and generally rather distant invitation to come and spend a few days at an uncertain future with them in the country, usually at a time when not a horse can be conveniently spared to carry a passenger around the concession. And then there is always found for a leisure hour and for a visitor from the city some stray and wayward cow to be driven from the distant pasture to the barn, or some grindstone to turn indefinitely to sharpen everything that is dull.

The exhibition this year has proved, notwithstanding its defects, as popular an institution as ever. This popularity is to be attributed principally to the extensive advertising done for it by its management. The defects however, are lamentably, and, it seems, incurably apparent. Sideshows, of a grotesquely contemptible character greet one from end to end of the grounds. These sideshows are almost entirely worthless and degrading—exhibiting nothing, have capacity of financial failures to discover some new method as a last resort of deriving a precarious and temporary livelihood. These all should be rigidly excluded from the exhibition grounds and what remains should be open free to everyone who pays for an admission at the entrance gates. The latest extortion—that of compelling the payment of ten cents to witness the exhibit and judging of the horses—should not for one instant be tolerated. The farmers however, on whom principally this imposition is being practised, have a large and abundant remedy in their own hands. C. E. TOYE.

EXCHANGE ECHOES.

The Lakefield Portland Cement Company, Limited has been incorporated with a capital of $500,000, and head office at Owen Sound. The provisional directors are Messrs. John M. Kilbourn, Robt. P. Butchart, W. H. E. Brevender, F. H. Kilbourn and H. B. Smith. The works will be situated at Lakefield, near Peterborough.—Wiarton Canadian.

A daring attempt at horse stealing was tried on Sunday night about half-past nine o'clock. While a couple of Mrs. Robt. Green's children were going to the stable to attend to their horse for the night, they noticed a man leading it by the halter out of the gate but upon seeing the children with a lantern coming towards him, he withdrew his hold and fled, before he could be identified. It would be well if people would keep a lock on their stables, take in their cloths, etc., before retiring.—Chatsworth News.

Mr. Frank Hall of the 3rd con. of Derby is in possession of a curiosity in the form of a lamb, which has six legs. Unlike the usual freaks of a similar kind in nature, Mr. Hall's lamb is a good thriving animal and full of life and activity. When lambed it was a delicate, awkward little thing which Mr. Hall had no hope of raising, but it soon began to thrive and is now one of the largest lambs in his flock. Mr. Hall should exhibit it at the fall fairs, as we understand it is a curiosity well worth seeing.—Chatsworth News

One day this week a party of Durham young people drove out to Bell's lake for a picnic but the weather being unfavorable they drove on to Flesherton and called at the house of a certain resident, who chanced to be absent. Nothing daunted they managed by some means to gain entrance and the ladies of the party fell to and got supper. A member of the family returned and found the party in full possession and just ready to sit down to tea. No charge for house breaking has been laid as yet, but there is no telling what will happen when the owner of the residence, who is in England, returns home.—Flesherton Advance.

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LATONA

Miss Jessie McDougal left for a visit to her sister in Malton last week. Before returning she will visit the exhibition in Toronto.

Rev. Mr. Graham, who has been holidaying for the past month visiting friends in Bayfield, Muskoka, and the Shelburne vicinity, occupied his own pulpit on Sunday last. During his vacation his place was taken by the Rev. Mr. Mullen of Toronto.

The following from around here attended the exhibition when it was in progress, Mr. and Mrs. John Morrison, Mrs. Cummings, Miss Mary McArthur and Arch. McDonald.

We wish to offer our congratulations to Mr. Arch. McDougal, an old Latona boy, on the important step he has just taken. On August 29th he was united in marriage to Miss Alice Pearce, of Virginia, Minnesota. We wish Mr. and Mrs. McDougall much happiness.

The Dornoch scribe was visiting on the gravel one evening last week.

Several from around here attended the Liberal Convention in Durham last Monday.

The shrill whistle of the steam thresher is heard on all sides, while the slower, but just as effective horse-power is humming away also.

Mr. Arch. Ledinghaia visited at home on Sunday.

Mr. Alex. Skene, who has been visiting in this vicinity for the past month, left for his home in Wiarton last week.

Mr. Thos. Bell parted with one of his horses to Wm. Allan, of Dornoch, last week. Price $85.

Master Alister Saunders, of your town, is visiting his cousin, Mrs. Wm. Smith.

Mrs. Hugh Henry with her three children left for their home in Toronto on Saturday last.

Miss Mary Ann Wilkes, of Rocky Saugeen, visited on Wednesday with the Loughead family.

The trustees have re-engaged our teacher, Mr. F. Grant, for the coming year.

A pearing bee was held at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Loughead, which was attended by several of the young folk. All who were there report an enjoyable evening.

Mr. Mark McClement is at present engaged with Wellington Dormer. Batch Hall appears to agree with them both.

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SPENSERIAN VS. VERTICAL WRITING.

A Letter in Answer to Omega, Upholding the Spencerian System of Penmanship, by Mr. Chas. G. Robson, Commercial Teacher in Duluth Business University.

MR. EDITOR,—In your issue of Aug. 16th I noticed a vehement and in my estimation a very sharp editorial by which Omega apparently silenced Beta in such a conclusive manner that the latter has evidently lain down the cudgel once and forever. I should like to have seen those statements of views so strongly endorsed by Beta and so mercilessly condemned by Omega.

Now I do not know either the parties in question nor do I wish to enter into any controversy out of which no good may arise, but since these persons have taken the trouble to introduce the subject I, and I hope others will take the liberty to express views which may be sustained by hard facts and figures in order to get a consensus of opinion on the subject, and if Omega wishes to champion the cause of vertical writing I am very anxious to hear what he can put forth. Remember I purpose arguing the question from a practical standpoint and not from a Departmental point of view.

Business writing has three essentials viz:—speed, legibility, and neatness (the Spencerian system is an excellent type); the former of these cannot be omitted even though Omega (unwittingly or purposely I cannot tell which) forgot to mention it in his article, of above date.

The average boy or girl is confronted by the "bread and butter" question immediately on leaving school. Let him or her go to any large commercial centre and apply, in that vertical style, so strongly upheld by principals and inspectors according to Omega's testimony, to any extensive and reliable business firm for a situation and he or she will learn with amazement that the application has been consigned to the waste paper basket. Invariably the reply comes "We have no doubt as to your ability but you lack speed in writing." This is the prevailing opinion regarding vertical writing in business circles no matter what theorists may say to the contrary. Other business men flatly refuse to have it on their books no matter how neatly and swiftly or dexteriously it appears to have them executed.

The P. S. Board of New York have given it a fair trial and it has been turned aside as a complete failure. Chicago P. S. Board are discussing its merits and demerits and are likely to throw it overboard.

I understand that the Vertical system is in vogue in the British army correspondence and yet the great Field-Marshall, Lord Roberts, V. c., G. C. B., hero of Kandahar and S. Africa writes it so illegibly that only his aide-de-camp can decipher his messages.

I have talked with business men by hundreds and also have had the privilege of ascertaining the views of many ratepayers in N. Minn. as well as in Canada and they all without any compunction pronounce it a miserable failure.

Right here readers will say "Then you failed as a teacher of writing." I frankly admit I never sent out any pupils who were in my opinion expert penmen and yet I received credit from examiners in a measure equal to that of any of my fellow-teachers.

To speak more personally I always admired Vertical writing when well executed but I never saw a man myself included, and I practised it about six years, who could execute it to my liking. There always appeared to be too much finger movement in it, and when I learned to use the muscle entirely in writing I found that the position the arm would have to assume to make vertical characters is not a natural one. Others have testified similarly. I have spent one and one-half years practising the Spencerian hand and I find my ideal of first-class penmanship more nearly realized each week. It is my aspiration to become one of America's best penmen, and I think I am on the right track and proceeding fairly well. My pupils seem to be grasping the same spirit and I can safely infer from results already ascertained that there will be no failure in teaching the Spencerian style of penmanship.

I can furnish the names of those, who before they could be accepted as book-keepers, had to agree to a stipulation in the contract that only the Spencerian style of writing or penmanship should be used in making entries on the books, and in all correspondence in relation to the company or firm eg. Mr. McWhinney, of the Oliver Mining Co., Biwabik, Minn., will testify to this effect as it was a matter of fact with him when in Detroit a few years ago.

Omega spoke of the former system as being antiquated, i.e., the system authorized previous to the present Vertical method. Now many of us are aware that that was the Spencerian system. Mr. Spencer, its champion, and author, or originator, still lives though in his sixties. Surely this is modern enough. The Vertical system has been taught in Germany for years, in fact if we believe modern historians, it must have been taught while Mr. Spencer was yet quite a little boy. Who knows but what Confucius used it in Chinese chirography many years before the Christian era?

I hope no one will think I am trying to expose my poor wits vauntingly, but I would give much assistance to that body of noble benefactors who fearlessly and courageously might give this Vertical writing fad a last long resting-place. Would it were consigned to eternal oblivion with R. I. P. respectfully and indelibly inscribed over its tomb. With the Spencerian system again introduced and carefully taught, the N. American school children would again come to the front and many a youth and maiden would be saved much disappointment and hard labor simply by finding their reception into business circles facilitated by the teachings in P. Schools of a system required and demanded by business men.

Public School Inspectors and Principals ought to confirm more to the requirements of the age. They ought to endeavor to be more practical. A double gold medallist of Toronto University told me he could not endorse a note when graduated. He is an I. P. S. to-day. The demand for office help was never greater, and an Entrance candidate with a good knowledge of commercial rules and branches, if diligent and progressive, in a few years can command as much remuneration as that paid honor graduates of any University. Let the youths of our land and parents also know that teachers are generally narrow and often very shallow, dealing in fads and hobbies, while Inspectors in many instances are easily out of date, or busied with avocations whereby they can draw double salaries, and then they will understand why it is the brilliant prospects and strong ambitions of many a bright boy and girl are blighted so early in life.

Business men will not conform to nor compromise with Principals and Inspectors of either High or Public Schools, so if the matter is to be speedily and finally settled the school fraternity will have to settle on some system of writing more practical and rational.

In conclusion let me deal one more blow and I'm done, Teachers and Inspectors, as a rule, are very poor business men. They consequently do not see the needs of the latter, but the sooner they waken out of this stupor and lethargy the sooner they will be successful in that profession so dear to their hearts.

Yours truly,
CHAS. G. ROBSON.

GLENELG COUNCIL.

The Council met August 13th, pursuant to adjournment, all the members present. The Reeve in the chair, minutes of last meeting read and confirmed. Communications read as follows: From Jas. McFadden, asking change in his assessment, too late. From Timothy McKenna and 15 others, praying for the opening of sideline between lots 7 and 8, con 3, E. G. R. From Wm. Irwin, on account. From W. J. Bellamy, notice of a resolution of Artemesia Council. From John Ellison and George Turneux, asking to be appointed Collector for ward 4. From J. H. Talbutt, Peter Morrison, Archie Ector, Mrs. Whitmore, John Bell and Jas. Malone, accounts for gravel.

McInnis—Firth—That the following accounts be paid, viz.:—Angus Black, bridge at lot 50, con. 2, N. D. R., $20; Commissioner for ward 2, gravelling Townline G. and A, one half cost, $19.40; D. Gillies, grading and stoneing townline G. and A., $1.50; S. Laurence, work at lots 1, cons. 3 and 4, S. D. R., $10.50; Thos. McGirr, gravel for Lambton street, $21; P. Haley, filling at lot 17, con. 6, $40; Wm. Bartley, gravelling at lot 6, con. 10, $15.25; Jas. McNally, gravelling at lot 7, con. 10, $14.75; Angus Black, repair of bridge at lot 47, con. 2, $90; Thos. Davis, bridge at lot 39, con. 2, E. G. R., $60.—Carried.

Arrowsmith—McCannel—That the account of Wm. Irwin, of the Chronicle, be paid.

Bylaws 396 and 397, striking rates and appointing collectors was introduced and read a first and second time.

The Trustees of the English church burying ground made application to be allowed to erect tying posts in front of grave yard.

Firth—McCannell—That the trustees of English church burying ground be granted the privilege to erect posts as desired.—Carried.

McInnes—McCannell—That a checque on the treasurer issue in favor of McMillan & McLellan for the sum of $360, being moneys paid them on contract of fill at Glencross Bridge at lot 5, Con 9, and that the reeve advance money to said contractors as work progresses, using his own judgement, and not to exceed 75 per cent. of work done—Carried.

McInnis—Arrowsmith—That the following accounts for gravel be paid, viz.,—J. H. Talbutt, 2.00; Peter Morrison, 90c; Archie Ector, 5.60; Mrs. Whitmore, 3,18; John Bell, 2.50; James Malone, 1.55.—Carried.

Firth—McInnis—That checques issue as follows:—Com. for ward 2, letting and inspecting, 12.00; Com. for ward 3, letting and inspecting, 20.00; Com. for ward 4, letting and inspecting, 8.00; the Reeve letting and inspecting bridges, 13.60.—Carried.

Arrowsmith—Firth—Bylaw No. 397 was read a third time and passed.

The Clerk was paid $3.75 for postage.

The Council adjourned till Sept. 17, at 10 a. m.
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