# Home Teaching for the Blind

One of the greatest problems which lished in Halifax, Winnipeg and Vansonfronted the Canadian National In- couver. stitute for the Blind in its early stages was that of reaching the blind people in their homes with necessary instruction. It was found that many blind people could not be concentrated for critical examination of the conditions instruction, hence the decision to existing prior to 1918 and at the presreach out to all comers and render de- ent time. Before the Institute was finite services with the least incon- organized and home teaching started, venience to the blind people receiving children and adults were losing their such. The Institute has been build- sight every year, in many cases needing up this home teaching department lessly. The provinces were prepared and staff in various sections of the to furnish education for juveniles in country during the past six years, organized schools, but in many cases There are now eighteen of these children were not reported and so did teachers scattered across Canada giv- not receive education. For the adult, ing instruction to approximately two however, there was practically nohundred and twenty-five blind people thing. He blundered his way about and giving on the average ten thousand individual lessons per year.

HOME TEACHING DISTRICTS. Home teachers are usually station-

dge. These blind teachers were in- and is in many cases able to provide "With the Cross of Jesus going on bestructed to some extent in the psy- for his family as well. What does this fore." the Institute was prepared to render; his sight, has felt that further plea- the words through incense-laden air. in the reporting of new cases found sure or interest in this life is lost and as they marched up the vaulted aisles in their districts and in short, render- then finds that a new field is open of churches and cathedrals; at Methoed capable of dealing with the varied for him where he may be useful and dist revivals it has brought thousands situations to be met with in their self respecting, not dependent? At to the altar rail in repentance and con-

provided by the Institute wherever tions and pleasures. Have you ever Covenanter and dissenter; the Knights necessary, makes her round of calls, been lost in a prairie blizzard and of Columbus, a Roman Catholic frainstructing here, encouraging there, felt that hopeless despair that comes, ternity, sing it at their public gatherand everywhere bringing a cheery at to one whose strength is spent, then ings, and, at the conclaves of the mosphere and optimistic viewpoint to the joy of seeing a light twinkling Knights Templars, the watching bear. No one can estimate the value through the darkness? What hope thousands on the streets feel an explaced by the blind in general on this springs up! It is for this very rea- quisite thrill as the plumed Masons service.

# WHAT SUBJECTS ARE TAUGHT:

Blind people are naturally limited in the variety of occupations in which they may engage. For the most of us, "Seeing is believing," however, and it is astounding even to those engaged in work for the blind to see the variety of excellent articles produced and can make what you want, and referin many cases the almost incredible Ingenuity shown by individual workers. The actual subjects on the home teacher's list are as follows: For men, is our watchword and our motto is instruction in Braille reading and writing, and Moon's Type (embossed). typewriting or pencil writing, and such handicrafts as basketry, chair caning, string work, etc. For girls and women; Braille reading and writing, Moon Type reading, typewrit- speaker said recently, addressing a ing or pencil writing, and such lines gathering of young men. "Many of us as light basketry, hand sewing, domestic machine sewing, knitting, crocheting, rug weaving.

the various embossed systems of read- young men, or to men or women of ing mentioned above, is designed to any age. enable blind people scattered throughout the country to receive free loan all of us to be one hundred per cent. of books from the Institute's library more efficient, more successful, better and publishing department, also the developed all round than we are to-day. monthly magazine published by the But as long as we hold the idea that Institute. The instruction in handi- we can't be anything out of common, crafts makes possible the production we can't. of saleable articles which can be disposed of either locally or forwarded star will shoot higher than he who to the salesroom department of the only aims at a tree. As long as we Institute in return for cash. Included think that we, with multitudes of in this series of articles will be a de- others, must be very ordinary men scription of the salesroom department and women we will be ordinary. which was originally established in A sculptor cannot exceed his model. Toronto. There will also be a de- The model of ourselves that we hold in scription of the salesroom branches mind determine the height to which which have more recently been estab- we will rise.

WHAT DOES THE INSTITUTE AND ITS SERVICES MEAN TO BLIND PEOPLE? This may be best answered by a

his own home steeped in idleness and in most cases knew little or nothing of the accomplishments of other blind people or the possibilities in his own case and certainly was given little or ed at a city or large town and give no opportunity to learn or become prolessons to pupils of that centre, as ductive in any definite way. Possibwell as to those in the surrounding ly the greatest handicap he felt was district. These home teaching centres the lack of ability to read and to are located as follows: Halifax, N.S.; enjoy the contents of books on which Vancouver, B.C.; Edmonton, Alta; we all depend so much for entertain-Calgary, Alta; Saskatoon, Sask; Re-ment. In some instances blind people gina, Sask.; Winnipeg, Man. (two were found who did not know that teachers); and in Ontario at the fol- there was another blind person in the lowing points: Ottawa, Kingston, Pet- world and felt that they had been unerborough, Barrie, Stratford, London, duly afflicted. Cases have also been Hamilton, and Toronto (three teach- discovered where a blind person was, owing to ignorance of relatives and WHO AND WHAT ARE THESE TEACHERS? friends, looked on as being mentally In selecting prospective teachers it impaired as well, with the result that was found that there was a definite treatment was intolerable. Scarcely advantages to be gained through using any community in Canada can now blind people as instructors of the truthfully say that it doesn't know of blind. When a blind person is con- the Canadian National Institute for vinced through ignorance that blind the Blind and its widespread interests people are incapable of working with and work. It is very simple then to their hands it is extremely difficult refer the case to the Institute, which

for a sighted person to prove other- in most cases can furnish with little wise. The invariable answer to a or no delay, home teaching to adults would-be sighted instructor is, "You or refer children to provincial authoran do that with sight, but it is im- ities for school education. This enables possible for me without sight." With the newly blinded adult to learn to blind instructor, however, their read embossed print which takes the ry presence gives confidence to the place of the ordinary printed page, to his reward. ind people. For this reason, the and to secure one or other of the sevstort capable blind people have been eral thousand books ready for loan by chosen in nearly every instance to the Institute. Usually it enables the merry on this home teaching work. | individual to regain confidence in get-The Institute first of all carefully ting about, to make saleable articles in poetry and prose, the Christian dected blind people who possessed in basketry or re-cane chairs for the church will keep immortal, through ore than ordinary ability, then ar- community and as a result of this anged special normal classes from production, be enabled to contribute stirring, martial, devotional song, and me to time to improve their knowl- partly or wholly to his own support his name will live as millions sing chology of teaching, the services that all mean to the person who, losing

the same time he hears of other blind version; in Presbyterian and other The blind teacher using a guide people enjoying all sorts of recrea- houses of worship it has thrilled the on products of the blind.

> In thinking of this work, just remember our home teachers and their tireless rounds and the blind people that are being faithfully served. You can assist in your own community by taking a helpful interest in your blind neighbor, buying his products if he ring his case to the Institute if he needs help and has not already received it, or by assisting our home

"Help Them to Help Themselves."

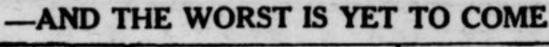
# High Ideals.

"We can't all be extraordinary," a must be common, ordinary men." This may be a level-headed, com-

mon-sense statement, but it is a very The instruction which is given in uninspiring doctrine to preach to

The truth is that it is possible for

As Emerson says, he who aims at a





STORIES OF WELL KNOWN PEOPLE

Author of Battle Hymn.

Baring-Gould, the author of "On ward, Christian Soldiers," has passed

When, at the age of almost ninety the Rev. Sabine Baring-Gould died at his home in England, his prolific pen was stilled, but, of his many works countless generations yet unborn, that

son that we use the symbol "HOPE" march, twenty abreast, singing the great battle hymn of the thurch.

ideals. In the world war bands played ring nations rushed to the colors, and in the camps of armed men there rose

So great and universal is its appeal characters the word "Chiropodist." it has become the heritage of civiliza- them perplexedly, "What's that?" ing cry of the Christian church.

express its spirit in music.

song for a band of school children and from freezing again. has told the story himself:

was written in great haste, and I am afraid that some of the lines are faulty. Certainly nothing has surprised me more than its great popu-

words to swing his marching children along, they sang them to the tune of "Brightly Gleams Our Banner." Sevwith the thrill in it.

Occ n Too Small.

East, invited her to spend a month at told it before.

showed her the boundless ocean, with dian Pacific Railway. It is 28 feet be lighted separately. If a visitor have it replaced by a tower of another its white foam and crashing breakers long and 10 feet high, and is illumin- wants to know where gold is found in design. The opinion of the great and fresh, salt-laden winds.

Written in 1865, it never has lost its Hannah, is the Atlantic. What do you and is in eight sections for transporta- every place where gold is found will However, Dinant will not wait for

thought it was larger."

What is a Chiropodist?

tion, rather than exclusively the rally- "Why," replied his companion, "a But the unique feature of the map is connected with any particular product. to demonstrate the prodigious effort chirrupodist is a chap what teaches that every spot where a certain na- If a prospective settler asks where flax that has been made in the last five The hymn was fortunate in finding a canaries to whistle."

course, on the outside. The space to

STEAMING COLD.

weather is a paradox many car own- the car and on the weather. In very ers have met. All parts of the car are cold weather only a little of the radiapparently in good working order, ator need be open. The open space The owner starts on a trip on a cold should go all the way across the radiday, and after running a while finds ator at the top. But a square hole in that the radiator is steaming. He the centre of the cover may allow a knows that the radiator is full of few tubes to freeze while the rest are water and by lifting up the hood finds hot. then the steaming?

circulate either by the thermo-siphon the engine warm at all times. system, such as the flivvers use, or by the pump system. With the supply

Gould was then curate, as a marching the bottom of the radiator to stop it over everything.

solved to write something myself. It on the bottom of the radiator and, of electric system.

A steaming radiator in bitter cold be left open to the air depends upon

the fan belt working all right. Why Alcohol and other antifreeze solutions are used to prevent the radiator It seems unreasonable that the boil- from freezing, but they do not do ing in the radiator is due to the cold away with the need of a radiator covweather. But it is a fact. The water er. Modern automobile engines are in the radiator moves downward. The made to run with hot water in the hot water is on top and as the water cooling system. If it is cold the moves toward the bottom it is cooled. temperature of the engine is too low, In extremely cold weather it is cooled the gasoline will not vaporize as it so much that by the time it reaches should, and some of the unburned fuel the bottom of the radiator it has turn- will work down into the crank case. ed into a sort of slush. This will not Cover up the radiator enough to keep

BATTERY EFFICIENCY.

of water cut off from the engine cyl- It is a good practice occasionally inders the water in the jackets be- to clean up the terminals of a car' comes hotter and hotter and finally storage battery with a solution made starts to boil. The condition can be of a teaspoonful of baking soda distold by putting the hand on the radi- solved in a cupful of water. This will ator. At the top it is hot and at the wash off the acid and cut the corrosion, making the terminals last long-Quite soon the slush will freeze solid er. However, use extreme care that and then the radiator will be damag- none of the soda gets inside of the ed. The quickest way to stop the battery. After carefully tightening composer like Sir Arthur Sullivan to steaming, when it is first noticed, is the terminals smear them with a small to cover the radiator with a blanket amount of petrolatum, which wards "Onward, Christian Soldiers" was and let the engine run idle until the off the corrosive effects of the acid written on Whit Monday, in a York- bottom of the radiator thaws out. that seems to work out of all storage shire village where young Baring. Then some covering must be put on batteries, spreading in a sort of film

The efficiency of a storage battery with no thought of publication. He Many forms of radiator covers are depends much on how easily the curused for this purpose. A very effec- rent can flow in or out, and if we al-"I wanted the children to sing when tive one can be made out of a piece of low dirty or corroded terminals to marching from one village to the cardboard, which is fastened to the obstruct this flow it naturally follows other, but could not think of anything radiator by fine copper wires run that it will greatly reduce the effi quit suitable, so I sat up at night re- through it. The cardboard should be ciency of both the battery and of the

ENORMOUS MAP FOR EMPIRE EXHIBITION

#### When the young curate wrote the Remarkable and Comprehensive Plan to Show Resources of Dominion.

When the British Empire Exhibition is in existence, is illuminated with eral musical settings have been given opens in London next April Canada electric lights, of distinctve colors. funds have been collected with which them at various times, but Sulivan's is will indeed be "put on the map." There For example, where copper is found, a to reconstruct the 400-year-old clock the one everybody knows - the one has just been completed in Ottawa purple light, conspicuous and brilliant, tower, which the Germans fired in one of the largest and most illuminat will mark the place. Where water 1914. The dedication will take place ing maps of this Dominion ever made. power is present, it will be shown by a at Easter, 1925. It will tell in a flash everything there white light, with pulp in green, timber The bulbous-shaped tower was con-Aunt Hannah hailed from the West, is about the natural resources and in brown, and so on. Each city is structed in the sixteenth century. Vicand had never seen the sea. Her physical features of this country, and shown with a larger light, and each tor Hugo compared it to a gigantic nephew, who was doing well in the tell it in a way that no map has ever railway line is shown through a series watering pot and spoke of how much

his Halifax home. She accepted the This huge map is being prepared by C.P.R. in red, the Canadian National in it appeared in its frame of gigantic the Natural Resources Intelligence green, and others in yellow. house, whereon was inscribed in bold marked in the locality where they are which the key color of each resource been reconstructed and the bridge and found. Everything there is to know or industry will be given. On the op- City Hall are in process of restoration. teachers in their rounds. "HOPE" that it belongs to no sect, or no race— "Chirrupodist!" remarked one of about the wealth of Canada is record- posite side of the map will be an indi-

tural product is found or an industry is produced, the lights will go on the years to raise the picturesque old Bel-

Well, as soon as she arrived, her Service of the department of the In- These are illuminated by an intri- When the plans for its reconstrucnephew took her down to the dock and terior in co-operation with the Cana- cate system of wiring. But they can tion were announced many sought to ated by more than eleven hundred Canada, the official in charge of the writer was successfully used as an ar-"There," he said. "There, Aunt electric lamps. It is made of steel, map will simply press a button and gument against this scheme, tion purposes. The actual map is be illuminated, and none others. Simi- the completion of the tower to cele-"Humph," said Aunt Hanah. "I painted on to the steel in permanent larly if he wants to see where wheat brate its rebirth. This will take place colors, with all the rivers, lakes, cities, is raised, where textiles are manufac. August 29, the tenth anniversary of transportation lines, boundaries and tured, or where timber is found, the the massacres, pillage and incendiarterritories marked in the usual way. distinguishing lights will be switched ism indulged in by the German troops Two small boys halted before a In addition, every natural resource on. At each side of the map an il- following the battle of Dinant. Most "We are not divided, all one body brass plate fixed on the front of a and product of the Dominion is clearly luminated index will be placed, on of the 1200 houses destroyed have

immediately available on the indicator. Teutons. This wonderful map will undoubtedly be one of the sights of the Empire Exhibition, but it will also be used in other parts of the world, for it is built

on permanent lines. ----He Might Have Guessed Caesar.

Why do people name dogs of which they are fond for such a desperate creature as Nero? We don't know, but like the boy of whom the Los Angeles Times tells we must accept the fact. asked the school teacher.

"Hector, sir." "No," said the school teacher

"Towser," sir.' "Towser!" exclaimed the teacher What do you mean? It was Nero."

"Well, sir," was the reply, "I knew it was somebody with a dog's name." The noblest motive is the public

Natural Resources Bulletin.

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The history of the fur trade is closely associated with the early history of Canada. It was the quest for fur that led the early explorers over a large portion of Ontario, and particularly that portion which is now known as Northern Ontario. While the wild life is gradually being driven further back with the advance of settlement, there is still considerable trapping done in the forests and on the rivers, lakes and streams of older Ontario.

Beaver and muskrat represent the highest total value of the pelts now taken, a report by the Bureau of Statistics for 1921-22 giving the former as \$1,-861,479 for the 111,165 beaver pelts and \$1,088,539 for the 616,890 muskrat skins market-

There was a total of 1,101,556 pelts of wild animals taken in Ontario in the season 1921-22, valued at \$4,959,492. The total for Canada in the same year was 4,366,790, valued at \$17,-438,867. A great danger exists that the intensive trapping of wild life may seriously deplete many species, as apart from the inroads made by man, each animal class has its own enemies, which naturally keep its inferiors within a safe range of multiplication. The takings of furbearers, therefore, must be kept within reasonable limits, by the observance of game laws based upon accurate information of the rate of increase. The Hudson's Bay Co. has kept records of their fur trade since 1821, and these show very wide fluetuations in the number of different species taken, the increase and decrease occurring in regular cycles.

### Famous Bells of Dinent to be Restored by Belgians.

The bells of Dinant will ring again. After a long and arducus campaign

of perforations in different colors—the character it possessed and how well rocks surrounding it.

map, and if he wants to know the an- gian town from the mass of ruins to nual production and other things, it is which it was reduced by the invading

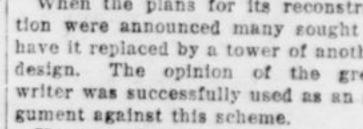
The Kingdom of Jewels.

The present position of the emerald in the realm of jewellery, apart from "Who fiddled while Rome burned?" its favoritism with Princess Mary and the fact that green has recently been so fashionable, is due to its great

In its large sizes the emerald is more for its enthronement.

pre-eminence to any precious stone. They regard each stone as a piece of incomplete beauty, and find their highest attainment in perfecting, suppleas much weight as a passing fashion. diamonds and sapphires.

highly esteemed as now. When Lucullus landed at Alexandria, Ptolemy presented him with a magnificent goldset emerald engraven with his portrait, and the short-sighted Nero, it is said, used an emerald through which to gaze on the fighting gladiators of the Colosseum. -



cator which will reveal the statistics in August with exhibits so arranged

The emerald still reigns supreme over the kingdom of jewels, and there is no reason to fear it will soon be dethroned. The emerald possesses a wondrous limpid beauty, a sheen as of soft velvety moss and a depth and richness which lure and enchant.

costly than the diamond, and more difficult to obtain, and when these conditions exist there is reason enough Yet the experts are louth to ascribe

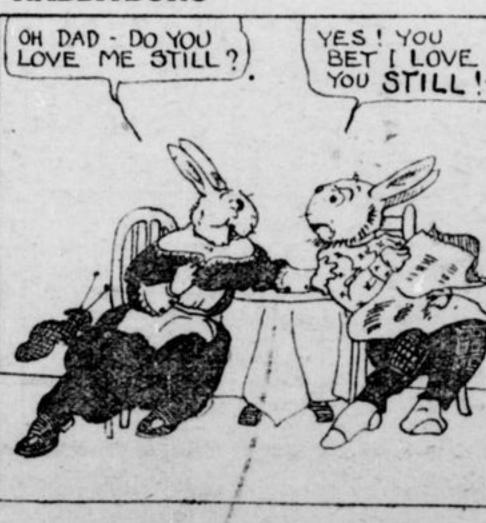
menting, and combining them. Personal taste, some contend, still carries Emeralds and sapphires attract mostly blondes; the bruneites prefer In ancient days the emerald was as

Ruskin says, "For every one hundred men who can hear but one can see; for every one hundred men who can speak but one can think; for every one hundred who can think but one can both look and see." This is the way he describes the promise person's mental blindness.





funeral procession.



Braving the cold at thirty-five degrees below zero, men, women and children from all parts of Russia paid

their last respects to Nicolai Lenin, as his body was laid to rest in Moscow. Photograph shows part of the

