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greater courtesy in the ordinary daily life. Always treated as equals, we are also treated as friends.

The fact is, we will not be any longer hoodwinked by the description, "deaf and dumb." We stand four-square and defy it. For if the new movement against our deaf's liberty is not crushed at the outset, it will gather strength until it is irresistible.

For, I am given exceptional ability, anything may happen to-day with our deaf. Here and there we find some of us stand above our hearing fellows and obtain the reward of our pre-eminence. Even twenty years ago (with the practice of literature as almost the only exception) such an educated deaf, despite his physical difference, was almost certainly born to blush unseen.

To-day there is no "class barrier," or very little, against such an exceptional making the most of his talents. If a deaf genius of industry arose who could show how to solve the unemployment problem, nobody would stop him. The way is free to the deaf talent, if there is enough of it in a particular case. But only if these talents are really outstanding, when it comes to the prizes worth having, not "class jealousy," but class favoritism must be ruled out. It is somewhat thrilling even still for a deaf to become a big employer. But he can only expect to become a Sir if the real stuff is there.

The hearing world has "no time" for us because of the boredom of our deaf language. It shows pure selfishness. Co-operation with us is most essential, and by it, it opens our road to "language," thus helping to gain the right understanding of each other. Constant association and friendship mean mutual appreciation. It involves sharing together a community of things, ideas, activities, pleasures and sorrows, alike. Friends becoming our very best interpreters to our deaf inspire us to believe in them and to believe in ourselves. They broaden the mind, widen the outlook. They develop the habit of giving a thought to another of considering the pleasure of others.

There is room for one more amenity of existence which has been strangely overlooked by all whose mission it is to make the social-being of our deaf more and more modern.

PERSONAL.

Mr. W. H. Crush recently relinquished the position of Country Representative for the Victorian School for Deaf Children after collecting on its behalf successfully for some years. Now, as a traveller for a firm of wholesale agents, he is engaged in booking orders to supply retailers and doing well. We wish him success in his new venture.

Mr. Thomas Williamson, of New Plymouth, New Zealand, has just written us a welcome letter wishing "The Victorian Deaf" every success. He has been away from home for eight months, and is at present back at home resting before continuing his travels. He carries our best wishes, and we welcome further news of his progress.

PERSONAL (continued).

Our late Hon. Editor, Mr. Alex. Hull. The Deaf of Victoria have sustained a great loss by the death of Mr. Alex. Hull, of Edithvale, who was killed on 13th June last in a road accident. He freely placed his services at any meeting that was open to him, and was a consistent member and a zealous supporter. Through unemployment he passed through many vicissitudes, and his end was tragic. Had he not been unemployed, he might have been spared for many a year to continue his best service at the editorial desk of "The Victorian Deaf," a position he was well fitted for, and his removal has left a great blank in our ranks. We are indeed very grateful to those contributing to a fund towards Mrs. Hull and her children, which was formed by a kindly spirit of one among the hearing community in the suburb where Mr. Hull lived.

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The older Melbourne deaf will recall in the pre-war days having an occasional visit to Australia from Mrs. E. F. Carmichael, of Edinburgh, Scotland, one of the oldest church members. She passed peacefully away on December 21 last. A member of the Ladies' Work Party, she took an active interest in all branches of the church work, and was always a generous subscriber to any effort made on behalf of the poor.

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It may be of interest to know that Mr. E. F. Carmichael, a well-known gentleman, who survived but a short time after the death of his beloved wife, left £6,755 in his will. He gave £500 to the Edinburgh Deaf and Dumb Benevolent Society for the purposes of the home founded at Castleview, Hawthornden, Edinburgh, for aged deaf; a further sum of £500 for the General Benevolent Fund of the Society, and also directed that the whole residue and remainder of his means and estate, after private bequests had been fulfilled, should be made over to the Edinburgh Deaf and Dumb Benevolent Society for its General Benevolent Fund.

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Miss A. Graham contributed about £100 to cover the expenses of the rostrum for our Church, and the Graham family gave donations towards the expenses of the pews.

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The individual deaf contributed about £120 to furnish the Church. This is an evidence of the appreciation of the deaf towards our hearing friends who made possible the erection of the Church.

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Mr. C. A. Buck, late of Blackburn Farm, writes expressing his appreciation for his copy of "The Victorian Deaf." He anticipates spending a pleasant birthday at Benambra on the 26th of this month. The news of the sudden death of the late Mr. Alex. Hull came as a great shock to him, as they had been happily associated in their work at Blackburn. Mr. Buck compliments Messrs. H. Ashby, H. Puddy and J. O'Gorman on their success with the Lacrosse Club.

PERSONAL (continued).

Mr. H. Puddy writes the following paragraph on his Queensland tour:—With the Victorian Lacrosse Team I left Spencer Street on June 21. On arrival in Sydney I was met by our "Thelma," who showed me around the city. On return to station, to my dismay the Brisbane Express was cancelled owing to the floods at Newcastle. After a forced night we caught the special train, which arrived in Brisbane after two night's travelling. We were hurried to the hotel, and after a spell went over to the Oval, where we defeated Queensland after an exciting match, and were victorious at the second match. I paid a visit to the Queensland Deaf Society, and was made very welcome by the deaf. After some visits to the popular beauty places, such as Tree Hill, Bribie Island, Redman Bay, where pineapples, sugar and bananas grow. After four days in Brisbane we returned to Sydney via Tweeds Head by bus, where the scenery was appreciated by us. In Sydney, after a victorious match against the New South Wales, I paid a visit to the N.S.W. Society and Deaf Citizens' Association, being well received by them. I paid a visit to Mr. and Mrs. Nicholson's place, where I spent an enjoyable time before returning to Melbourne.

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Presentation to Mr. Ben Hall, Junr., late of Goorambat.—One of the largest crowds ever seen in the Goorambat Hall assembled last Wednesday, 17th July, for the purpose of saying farewell to Mr. Ben Hall, Junr., who for many years has been a popular resident of the district. The gathering was representative of all parts of the district, and included among 200 persons present were a number of visitors from Benalla and outlying places. The function, which was one of the happiest of its kind that has been held for a considerable time, took the form of a concert and dance. The making of the presentation was entrusted to Mr. E. R. Cleary, M.L.A., who stated that they were all aware that Mr. Ben Hall, their worthy friend, has sold his farm and was going away from the district. Everybody would wish him the best of luck for the future. The name of Hall had been known throughout the district ever since Goorambat was Goorambat. Mr. Hall always had a pleasant smile and a hearty shake for every one he met. They would be exceedingly sorry to lose him from among them. A few years ago Mr. Hall had belonged to the Goorambat Cricket Club, and had played an excellent game, always upholding the high traditions of the sport. He would be remembered as having been one of the best sports on the field. A beautiful travelling rug was then presented to Mr. Hall as a token of the esteem in which he was held by the large circle of friends he had made at Goorambat, and who wished him the best of health, wealth and happiness in his new sphere. Mr. Ben Hall handed a note to the chairman in which he expressed his sincerest thanks for the gift, and stating how greatly he would miss the many friends he had made in Goorambat. We tender our best wishes to Mr. Hall, wherever he may roam.

PERSONAL (continued).

Mr. William Newton, of Duncan's Road, Werribee, writes as follows:—I desire to issue a challenge in the columns of your valuable paper; to any deaf wrestler in Victoria provided he is an amateur and weighs under twelve stone. The contest to take place at a place to be fixed and over any number of rounds. Gate takings (if any) to be given to the Sports Fund. My natural weight is 11.6. In the event of this challenge not being accepted, I am willing to raise the weight limit to thirteen stone.

THE YOUNG LADIES' GUILD.

On Tuesday evening, 24th June, the Young Ladies' Guild entertained the members with an exciting cross-word puzzle, arranged by Mrs. T. Peters, the president. Misses Emily and Elsie Stephens tied for first prize, but Miss Emily was declared the winner by ballot.

On the following Tuesday, 8th July, Miss D. Hickey gave the members a most interesting narrative on her travel-holidays to West Australia, which will be continued at next meeting.

The Guild wish to announce that the proposed Concert and Social, in aid of the forthcoming Christmas Carnival Funds, was eventually cancelled on account of the deaf-unemployment crisis.

THE YOUNG MEN'S GUILD.

At a bi-weekly meeting of the Young Men's Guild, Mr. R. H. Lambert gave a very comprehensive demonstration of "Art Engraving," and created a very lasting impression by the skilful manner in which he handled a difficult subject.

Prior to the business of the meeting, held on the evening of 8th July, Mr. F. E. Frewin, in the chair, paid a tribute to our departed member, Mr. A. F. Hull, who was killed recently in a road accident. It was resolved that a letter of sympathy be forwarded to Mrs. Hull in her sad bereavement of our much esteemed member.

An unusual serio-comic debate on "That Ned Kelly was a scoundrel and thief," was opened by the affirmative party, led by Mr. E. Noble, against Mr. W. Wood and his party. The chairman gave no decision for either the yes or no on account of the fact that law in the time of Ned Kelly was not what it is to-day.

A Smoke Night, followed by a "mysterious" novelty supper, arranged by Mr. Abraham, who entertained all members present to a most enjoyable evening, was held on Tuesday, 29th July.

WEEKLY EVENTS.

- Sunday: Services at 7 p.m.
- Thursday: Scripture Class and Lecture at 8 p.m.
- Saturday: Recreation.

COMING EVENTS.

- Men's Guild Meeting: Tuesday, 26th August.
- Deaf Cricket Club's Annual Meeting: Tuesday, 2nd September.
- Women's and Men's Guild Meeting: Tuesday, 9th September.
- Deaf Committee Meeting: Tuesday, 23rd September.
- Hockey Club's Social: Thursday, 25th September.
- Anniversary Rally: Thursday, 9th October.

SOCIAL EVENTS.

The "Quarterly" Social, in aid of the forthcoming Carnival Funds, arranged by the Deaf Workers' Club, took place on the evening of 3rd June, when there was a fair company present, who appreciated the Games Competitions provided for their evening's amusement. Prizes kindly donated by Mr. and Mrs. Ashby, Miss E. O'Gorman, and Mr. Mortimer for the Competitions were presented to the winners:— Mr. and Mrs. Ashby, Mrs. Boortz, Messrs. J. O'Gorman, L. Sutton, and A. Collins. A light supper terminated a pleasant evening.

A very successful social, in aid of Carnival Funds, was held on Thursday, July 24. The Rotarians were our guests for the evening. The competition games between the Hockey Club and Lacross Club were the chief attraction during the evening. Attendance, 100.—W. Ashby, Hon. Sec.

TENNIS CLUB.

Mr. H. Puddy, the Hon. Secretary of the Tennis Club, wishes to announce through the press that our Tennis Club has entered a team in the St. Kilda Tennis Association. The first match will be played early in September. The Hon. Secretary will be very pleased to receive the names of players willing to participate in the competition.

INDIVIDUALITY.

Every deaf is bound to develop his individuality, to endeavor to find the right way of public life, and to walk in it. He has the will to do, he has the power to be himself, and not the echo of somebody else.

Cream always rises to the top. It rises simply because it is the nature of cream to rise.

There are many of us who are living far below their possibilities because we are continually lending ourselves to others for charity's objects. Why not then be yourself? Do not class yourself, do not allow yourself to be classed among the secondhand, among they-say people.

Be true to yourself, and then allow yourself to be governed by no customs or conventionalities, or arbitrary of charity's clique, that are not founded upon principle. Those things that are founded upon principle will be observed by the right-minded, the right-hearted man or woman in any case.

If you preserve your individuality, then you become a master, and if wise and discreet, your influence and power will be an aid in bringing about a higher, a better, and a more healthy set of conditions in our deaf world. All people, moreover, will think more of you.

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THE FINGERS PLUS VOICE OF THE DEAF WORLD.

In most of the leading magazines devoted to the interests of the deaf there is clear indication of the progress being made by the deaf throughout the United Kingdom. In the larger cities their spiritual needs are attended to by Ministers who have graduated in the Universities. Headmasters of several schools for deaf children have their degrees on their nameplates in proof of their fitness for the work of educating deaf children.

It is very pleasing to record that quite a number of the overseas deaf have successfully passed through their University day and evening classes in various branches of sculpture, photography (portraiture and landscape, etc.), and quite a number are teaching in the schools for deaf children.

The value of the services of any of our educated deaf with experience abroad would be inestimable in introducing the methods used in equalising the standards of the hearing and the deaf in their various associations, and help to remove the ever-present muddle of understanding.

THE DEAF AS WORKERS.

Should the following paragraph meet the eyes of employers of labor, we feel sure they will agree that no better testimony could be offered as to the value of deaf workers. There are several cases in our records of deaf workers covering periods of almost forty years with one employer.

Two deaf workers—one retired after fifty years' service with Messrs. P. J. Coats, the famous Paisley thread mills, was the recipient of many gifts. Replying to the toast of his health, he related the many wonderful changes that had taken place during his service in the mills. The other retired after fifty-nine years' service with a big printing firm, was given a life pension as a mark of appreciation of his services, a most broad-minded action, clearly demonstrating the value of his services and a great triumph over his handicap against his hearing companions.

"THE VICTORIAN DEAF."

We are pleased to note that the influence of "The Victorian Deaf" is unquestionably growing. We desire to express our sincere thanks to all who have in any way assisted us in the work of production. "The Victorian Deaf" is already proving itself of value in intensifying the unity so necessary among the deaf.

But we regret our doubt on the finance of "The Victorian Deaf," so it will at once be seen that increased subscriptions are urgently required if "The Victorian Deaf" is to continue in existence. May we appeal to all our friends and well-wishers for immediate and increased support? We have received many kind expressions of appreciation of "The Victorian Deaf," but we require something more substantial wherewith to "carry on" in these hard times.

"THE VICTORIAN DEAF" (continued).

In this age of print a magazine for our deaf seems to us to be an absolute necessity. Without it we cannot hope to keep the doings of our deaf before the public or to unify our efforts on behalf of our deaf. We would express the hope that all our deaf themselves will realise their responsibility and give their magazine loyal support.

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We learn that the Deaf Society of Tasmania have just published the first copy of their news-letter. Wishing every success to the ambitious deaf who are working with the publication.

CORRESPONDENCE.

To the Editor of "The Victorian Deaf."

Dear Sir,—My attention was directed to Mr. A. C. Muir's letter which appeared in your issue of May-June with regard to the first religious services for the deaf of Melbourne. The tone of the letter conveys an impression that he is an egotist, and his statements are unauthentic. If Mr. Samuel Johnson and his deceased contemporaries saw them, what would they have said? I corroborate Mrs. C. E. Frewin's statements with the exception of Messrs. G. Hesketh and A. Wilson, who were not the members of the Committee of the Adult Deaf Association. I need not reiterate what she stated, but I point out that the Y.M.C.A. Room in Russell Street, of which Mr. G. Hesketh took the responsibility, was closed because he went to San Francisco and the Association discontinued because Mr. Andrew Clark went to Montreal. Mr. A. C. Muir did not state the reason why the Sunday services were suspended. He connived at it. Had he first conducted a religious service, he would have continued it sometimes, but he never rendered it till Mr. Samuel Johnson came out from Ireland. He made inquiries about meetings for the Adult Deaf, and told me that Mr. E. Newbiggin said there was no necessity for a society for the Adult Deaf, but Mr. S. Johnson prevailed on him, and Rev. W. Moss, with the result that the Adult Deaf and Dumb Mission was established. Mr. Peter Holt was appointed the first missionary, and held services in Baptist Church Lecture Hall, in Little Collins Street, not at the Y.M.C.A., as stated by Mr. A. C. Muir. There is no proof that he was of the Provisional Committee of the Mission, otherwise he might have been a regular member of the Board of Management. As regards the British "Times," he was not a correspondent. He regularly attended week-evening meetings, and yet he said he had not time for correspondence, which I disclaim his handing to me. His name and publication of what he has said anent himself in papers, etc., will pass into oblivion in perpetuity. I have not uttered what I have done.—Yours, etc.,

D. REPYP.

To our Country Deaf Subscribers.

We greatly welcome further letters of the what-abouts and the where-abouts of our country deaf friends purposely for insertion in the "Personal" column in our publication. Write now direct to the Hon. Editor.

ROMANTIC CAREER OF AN ADVENTUROUS DEAF.

Mr. W. D. Pepper.—At the close of the year the death was recorded of Mr. Walter Dennis Pepper, aged 70, at Paisley, late of Rothesay, Scotland and King Island, Tasmania. Behind that intimation lay a romantic career which we now publish. Though completely deaf, our hero had amazing pluck, and his adventures are of a sort seldom heard of outside books of fiction.

Many Adventures.

Walter Dennis Pepper, a great grandson of Baron McConechy, of Ambrisbeg, contracted scarlet fever at the age of seven and was ever after completely deaf. For about ten years he was educated in the Deaf and Dumb Institute, Langside, Glasgow, and took many prizes in his classes there. He was a good oarsman, and swam and dived like a seal. His "first adventure" was in camp on the big island at the Narrows of the Kyles of Bute. An enjoyable week was spent there, living on fish, augmented with scones and milk from "Aunt Katie's" white cottage opposite the islands on the Argyllshire side. One day he and his friends set off to row to Inveraray in a four oared boat, and were nearly wrecked on Otter Spit. Inveraray was reached, and an enjoyable day spent exploring in the castle grounds and town, afterwards returning by Crarae, where a "big blast" in the granite quarries of five tons of powder was witnessed from a safe distance on the other side of Loch Fyne. The trip lasted ten days, in brilliant weather, and Bute was safely reached without mishap.

Captain Pepper (his father) took Walter a voyage on the barque "Osprey" to the West Indies when he left school. After seeing the sights of Cuba, Matanzas and the stalactite caves of Bellum, they sailed for Greenock with many specimens from the caves, also coral and beautiful shells, which Walter dived for among the reefs and sandbanks.

Wrecked at Christmas.

They were caught in a hurricane while through the Bahama Islands, and were wrecked on a reef the day after Christmas. A boat with two men was put out, but was overturned in the heavy seas. A second boat was lowered and four men got in to rescue the first two men. Walter was angry at being left out. He climbed the rigging and went out to the yardarm, where he slid down a rope, letting go when the boat was just under his feet. She was swept away and he landed in the boiling sea, but was hauled on board by the men in the boat. They picked up the two men clinging to the

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first boat, but could not get back to the ship. The captain thought all were lost, but two days afterwards he saw them with his glasses, camped on a small coral island, with the boat's sail as a tent, where they lived on shellfish until rescued by wreckers (schooners used for salvaging wrecks), and all were landed safely at the Bahamas. The negroes there took a great interest in Walter, as his deafness made a peculiar appeal to them, and loaded him with all kinds of fruits. While bathing with some of the men, he ventured farther out than the others, when he saw them hurrying for the shore, and he got into shallow water, with the fin of a shark within a few feet of him. That night, when sleeping with his father, he dreamt about the shark, and kicked out viciously, catching his father in the ribs, who promptly kicked him out on the floor!

He left for New York and got home by a liner to the Clyde. He greatly enjoyed his holiday, and always crowed over his brother, who only got to Mauritius without being wrecked, or chased by the sharks.

When a member of the Deaf Institute in Glasgow, he often lectured there on his voyage to the West Indies. He was afterwards apprenticed to Messrs. Maclure & McDonald, Glasgow, to be a lithographic artist. He stroked their four-oared crew at the Printers' Regattas on the Clyde at Glasgow Green. He was a good workman and started business for himself. For some years he struggled on, heavily handicapped by his want of hearing, until foreigners cut into the trade, and he had to give it up.

He then got an expert deaf man to teach him joiner work, and another one to show him how to make and temper tools, which knowledge he turned to good account, making his own cameras and building a bicycle in his office, with a gearing of his own invention.—S.M.D.

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will honor you more highly for doing this than if you show your weakness by contributing yourself to the "mush of concessions" that so many of them are contributing themselves to. With all classes of people you will then have an influence. If in any way we try to live to suit others, we never shall suit them, and the more we try the more unreasonable and exacting they become.

To be oneself is the only worthy and by all means the only satisfactory thing to be. "May it not be good policy," says one, "to be governed sometimes by one's surroundings?"

What is good policy? To be yourself, first, last and always.