

strengthening the chest, and thereby preventing pulmonary consumption. As tuberculosis causes more deaths than any other disease, while at the same time it is both curable and preventible, no trouble should be spared to eradicate it, more especially in a deaf-mute institute.

One of the most interesting features of the school, is the instruction in drill and calisthenics given by Mr. Stevens. The boys and girls are drilled separately on alternate days for four days in the week, and on the fifth day the school is visited by the Sergeant-Instructor, who reviews the drill. The effect on the physique of the pupils is very marked.

The premises have been kept clean and in good order. The new outside drains and garden irrigation introduced by me last year have given complete satisfaction, and the garden could receive a much larger quantity of sewage without inconvenience. A similar sewage-irrigation scheme is greatly needed at Beach Glen.

In conclusion, I desire to testify to the unremitting care and kindness of the Matron to the pupils, in which she is ably and cordially assisted by Mr. Buttle and the rest of the staff.

I have, &c.,

The Hon. the Minister of Education.

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