

MARK TWAIN ON THE ART OF WAR.

LOADING UP AT WEST POINT TO RESPOND TO A TOAST AT A SOLDIERS BANQUET.

Hardford, June 8.—At the banquet given to the Society of the Army of the Potomac this evening Mr. Samuel L. Clemens (Mark Twain) responded to the toast.

To begin, gentlemen when an engagement is meditated, it is best to feel the enemy first, that is if it is night, for as one of the cadets explained to me, you do not need to feel him in the daytime, because you can see him then.

Everything being ready for the assault, you want to enter the field with your baggage to the front. This idea was invented by our renowned guest, Gen. Sherman.

At West Point they told me of another mistake at Waterloo, namely, that the French were under fire from the beginning of the fight till the end which was plainly a most feminine and illtimed afternoon to comfort.

When you leave a battlefield; always leave it in good order; remove the wreck and rubbish and tidy up the place.

Governor Callaghan, of the Bahamas Islands, died suddenly at New York on Saturday shortly after his landing there.

OPINIONS OF THE PRESS.

The attitude of Sir Charles Dike, Under Secretary for Foreign Affairs, towards the French Consul at Quebec shows nothing less than hostility to Canadian interests.

It is scarcely credible that Earl Granville is so ignorant of British Constitutional history as not to have read the trials of a century ago, when Erskine exploded the doctrine of constructive treason.

Yesterday the Orangemen indulged in a picnic, taking their wives and children with them. They talked over the Battle of the Boyne with one another and their hearts swelled as proudly as they could possibly have done under regalia.

And what is more, many of those who are, or call themselves free thinkers, by a contradiction useless to explain, shrink from the responsibility of rearing their sons, and still more their daughters, without religious principles.

Under all the composure of diplomatic notes it is easy to read that France believes herself once more mistress of her destinies, and that Italy, now an armed nation, is inclined to toy with the language of her hundred ton guns while dictating her courteous "notes."

Of the match on Saturday the Toronto Evening News says:—"The play throughout the match was magnificent, and in the fourth game, especially, was beyond all doubt the finest exhibition of lacrosse ever witnessed in Canada."

There is so much good poetry in the world, that there is room for little more; and, notwithstanding the hot waves which Venice somehow failed to predict—of Catholic poetry which is now passing over the land, it is necessary to inform the "Literary Aspirant" who writes, asking about the prospects offered by a profession, that there is nothing in it.

While the Mail goes on glorifying the Orange Order, the Globe, possessed of more sense and liberality, says:—"Quit you like men," delivered before the Orangemen on Sunday last, the Rev. Mr. Lewis remarked on the "unique" position of the Orange Society.

HOLLOWAY'S PILLS.—All our Faculties.—Almost all disorders of the human body are distinctly to be traced to impure blood.

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that attitude is the raison d'être of their organization, the Orangemen should turn their lodges to some practical use.

FRAGMENTS.

T. P. O'Connor has made all the arrangements for a lecturing tour in America.

A new Ministry has been formed in Victoria, Australia, with Sir Bryan O'Loughlin as Premier.

The preliminary survey of the Ontario and Sault Ste. Marie Railway has been completed to Farry Sound.

The land slide near Segriawell, Switzerland, is steadily moving towards Lake Thun, at the rate of three metres a day.

The engineers of the Canada Atlantic Railway are now engaged in locating the road within a short distance of Ottawa.

Sixty citizens of London, Ont., have signed a vigorous protest against the verdict of the Coroners' jury in the Victoria case.

The Irish Land League yesterday voted £50 to the Crofters of Skye to assist them in their struggles against Scotch landlords.

The death of Mrs. Bergh, relict of the late William Bergh, and mother of Dr. Bergh, M.P., Cornwall, is announced. Deceased had reached her 79th year.

An attempt was recently made to burn Santa Catalina Convent, Havana, with the aid of petroleum, but the plot was discovered in time to prevent a disaster.

Mr. John Higginbotham, formerly traveling auditor of the G.T.R., has been appointed agent of the Grand Trunk and Intercolonial Railways at Point Levis and Quebec, in place of Mr. Gregory, transferred to Richmond.

Lord Sandham, speaking in Ormskirk, dwelt upon the necessity of the people depending upon law, order and religion.

THE LATE LACROSSE MATCH.

Approxes of last Saturday's contest at Toronto Ald. Ryan writes the subjoined letter to the Mail, which explains itself:—"Sir,—After the unsatisfactory termination of the match on Saturday last, I hope all contending clubs will see the necessity of appointing an umpire only such as are practiced players or well up in the rules of the game."

THE LATE CHAMPIONSHIP MATCH.

DEAR SIR,—The report in your paper of Saturday's lacrosse match in Toronto contains such severe reflections on me and through me on the Club of which I am a member, that I feel compelled to ask you to publish a contradiction.

The true account is that Heelan, of the Shamrocks, the only man who had to stop playing, and who at no time during the match was within a hundred yards of me, received a knock on the head from one of our players, from the effects of which and (as admitted by himself) the heat of the sun he was placed hors de combat.

Then comes the imaginary conversation between the spare man who took my victim's place and I, in which I am browbeaten and compelled to behave myself. This conversation I cannot remember, and I don't think that the spare man (Tucker) can either.

For some years back the Montreal papers have, after every match, between Toronto and Montreal, in which I have figured, given me a character similar to the one in your Monday's issue, and always (I contend) unjustly.

On Saturday's match I didn't miss a particle of Shamrock skin. An interview with the men who played on me will prove this assertion, and yet in all the papers I am described as turning the lacrosse field into a veritable slaughter-house.

Kindly favor me by giving this letter publication in your columns. I hope by it to induce the Montreal reporters to have me introduced to them. If they are not afraid of me I'd like to make their acquaintance.

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"BRITISH FAIR PLAY."

LONDON, July 14.—The Daily News this morning devotes an editorial to the New York Herald's remarks that Americans had almost given up the idea of receiving fair play in sporting interests.

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BACK-RENTED IRELAND.

We publish the following rather interesting statistics of what rents exacted by landlords to day is compared to what they were at the dawn of the 19th century.

Table with 4 columns: County, Rentals in 1800, Gov. val. in 1880, Rentals in 1880. Rows include Donegal, Londonderry, Tyrone, Fermanagh, Cavan, Down, Antrim, Monaghan, Wicklow, Wexford, Carlow, Kildare, Queen's Co., King's Co., Westmeath, Longford, Kilkenny, Waterford, Cork, Kerry, Limerick, Clare, Tipperary, Galway, Mayo, Sligo, Lifford, Roscommon.

The total rentals, therefore, charged in 1800 throughout the country amounted to only £5,263,587, while in 1880 they had reached the figure of £19,196,192.

THE 14TH OF JULY IN FRANCE—FALL OF THE BASTILLE.

PARIS, July 13.—Great preparations are being made here for to-morrow's fête (the thirty-first anniversary of the taking of the Bastille) which promises to be almost a repetition of the memorable one given on June 30, 1789.

Some interesting experiments with suspended electric lamps were made on the Boulevard des Invalides last night. Four lamps covered with shades and burning naked electric lights of exceeding brilliancy were strung across the street at intervals of about one hundred yards.

The national fête was brilliantly ushered in to-night. The streets were thronged and the whole city is gay with flags.

THE GLORIOUS 12TH AND ITS RESULTS.

LONDON, July 12, 1881.—Orange demonstrations for celebrating the anniversary of the Battle of the Boyne took place in various parts of Ireland to-day.

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turning from Newcastle this evening, were attacked by Catholics, when shots were exchanged and several men and women were injured, one of the latter severely.

SPORTING NEWS.

It has been definitely decided that the Gaudaur-Wise race shall take place at Orillia on Wednesday, July 27.

This afternoon the Montreal Lacrosse Club will play the Caughnawagas on the Sherbrooke street grounds.

John T. Crossley, the noted sprint runner of Philadelphia, who accompanied Smith, of Pittsburgh, to England, and made the latter win the Sheffield handicap, states that Smith can run 100 yards in 9½ seconds.

George Hazel and Charles Price, the famous English pedestrians, have signed articles to run twenty miles on Saturday, July 16, and 10 miles on Saturday, July 30, each race being for \$200 a side, at the Polo Grounds in New York.

The race between John Jordan, boatman, and Williams, the Maltese swimmer, took place yesterday afternoon, and was won by Williams, who came in about 150 yards ahead of his opponent.

A "Gun Club" has just been formed at Lachine; its membership is composed of gentlemen well known as keen sportsmen. The officers elected were:—A. Dawes, Esq., President; D'Arcy Heath, V P Duncan Rob-

erson, Jr., Secretary-Treasurer; Committee, Mr. Tinning, E. W. King, Esq., A. Hebe Rintoul, Esq., Captain, Lieut West, R. N.

The Palace of Peterhof, the present residence of the Czar, although pleasantly situated on the sea coast, and surrounded by a splendid park, has an unpleasant reputation. Princess Tarkanova had her last interview at Peterhof with her pitiless rival, Catherine, before her consignment to the dungeon from which she never emerged.

Provisions, &c.

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New Advertisements.

1881. CANADA'S GRAND EXHIBITION! TO BE HELD IN MONTREAL, FROM 14th to 23rd of SEPTEMBER! Under the Patronage of His Honor the Lieut.-Governor of the Province of Quebec.

\$25,000 IN PRIZES. IT IS DIVIDED INTO THREE PRINCIPAL DEPARTMENTS: AGRICULTURAL! INDUSTRIAL! HORTICULTURAL! OPEN TO THE WORLD!

GRAND DAIRY EXHIBIT. Among the numerous other Attractions SPECIAL PRIZES. On a magnificent scale are offered by the Exhibition Committee and the Produce Merchants of Montreal, for Exhibits of BUTTER and CHEESE!

PRACTICAL WORKING DAIRY! The Committee have made arrangements for a Butter and Cheese Factory in full operation during the entire Exhibition.

Grand Display of Horses and Cattle! Horses and Cattle will be shown in the Ring, between 2 and 5 p. m., each day, commencing Friday, 16th September.

SPECIAL ATTRACTIONS! Arrangements have been effected to supplement the Exhibition proper, by special Attractions of an extraordinary character, embracing:—

TORPEDO DISPLAYS IN THE HARBOR! Demonstrating by a series of thrilling experiments on the River, the destructive effects of Torpedo Warfare, in this instance, against Vessels of a large size provided for the purpose.

GRAND MILITARY DISPLAYS! TORCHLIGHT PROCESSIONS AND FIREWORKS! In the Evenings, especially designed on a scale surpassing magnificence, eclipsing anything heretofore witnessed in Canada. Also,

ELECTRIC LIGHT EXHIBITION! HORSE-JUMPING! GRAND ATHLETIC TOURNAMENTS.

FIREMEN'S COMPETITION, &c., &c. A Programme of all the Attractions will be Issued at a Later Date!

Increased Facilities will be provided for Reaching the Grounds. Arrangements have been made with the Railway and Steamboat Companies to run Cheap Excursions and to issue Return Tickets at

REDUCED RATES! Intending Exhibitors should send in their Entries without delay. For Prize List, Entry Forms, or any other information, apply to the undersigned.

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