

The Queen's Birthday.

The high esteem in which our Queen is held and loyalty to the British Crown causes this holiday to be more generally kept than any other. Every village, town and city have their amusements of different kinds. The pealing of the bells, the firing of royal salutes are the morning signals in the cities; the firing of anvils, which make about as much noise as some cannons, arouse the villagers; the universal bang of the fire cracker is heard at every corner, much to the amusement of the boys, but to the dread of many kind sisters and mothers.

In this city the great attraction was

AN INTERNATIONAL BASE BALL MATCH

between the United States and Canada—the Boston Club, of Boston, one of the best clubs in the States, and the Tecumseh Club, of London. Each

ing. This gave the victory to the Americans; the Canadians expected a much worse beating, as the American club had been longer in practice.

During the game the cheering of the spectators was sometimes deafening, as a run would be made or good play performed. All enjoyed the game heartily. Outside of the ground every available tree was filled with boys, anxious to get a glimpse of the game.

The Tecumseh Club will play the Boston Club in Boston on the 4th of July. This game is gaining popularity very fast in this part of Canada; the boys at nearly every school are beginning to take it up. There is a time for all things, and recreation is essential to a proper development of our boys; we are apt to overwork our boys on the farm, or not to give them recreation enough. If John, Tom and Harry have worked faithfully all the spring, or even for five and a half days during

is 10 cents. If a subscriber sends us one dollar with a new name, we will give this picture and the base ball book to him, and the FARMER'S ADVOCATE for one year to the new subscriber.

Natural History.

Kats are affectionate; they luv young chickens, sweet kream and the best place in the front of the fire-place.

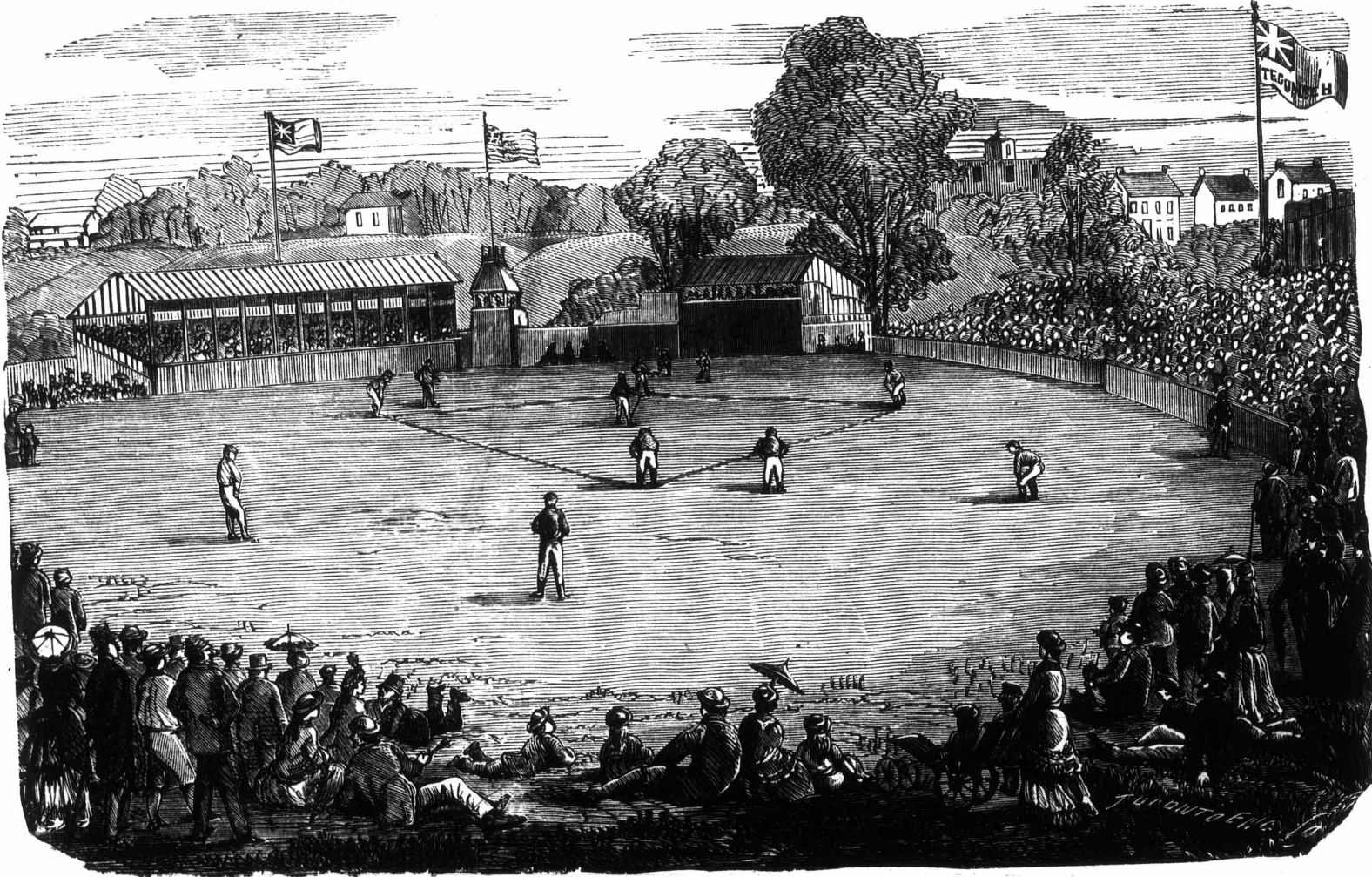
Dogs are faithful; they will stick to a bone after every boddy else has deserted it.

Parrots are easily edukated, but they will learn to swear well in half the time they will learn enny thing else.

The birds eat bugs and worms for plain vittles, but their dessert konsists ov the best cherrys and gooseberries in the garden.

The owl iz only a picture ov wisdom by dalite, when he kan't see enny thing. When it kums night his wisdom wholly konsists in ketching a field-mouse, if he kan.

The donkey iz an emblem ov pachunce, but if you studdy them klosser you will find that lazyness iz what's the matter ov them.



THE QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY.—THE INTERNATIONAL BASE BALL MATCH BETWEEN THE U. S. AND CANADA.

club strove hard for the victory. The flags of each nation were flying, and the band enlivened the spectators until play was called. About seven thousand spectators witnessed the contest.

Base ball is something like the old English game of rounders, a club being used instead of a cricket bat, and stumps are dispensed with. Cricketers look on base ball as an inferior game to cricket; American spectators enjoy a game of base ball because it is generally over in about two hours, and more play and activity can be seen in that space of time than by watching a game of cricket for a whole day. In base ball the player must run or go out if he strikes at three balls or has three good balls pitched to him; in cricket a good player may keep the bat half a day, if he properly protects his wickets. In cricket each side has but two innings; in base ball they have nine, or more, if necessary.

At the ninth innings of this international game each side had six runs; a tenth innings was called, and the Bostons got one run, the Tecumsehs noth-

the past week, most probably your pa will give you a ball and let you have a half-day's holiday with your neighbors. If you have not worked well or studied your lessons properly, and have not helped ma when you could, you do not deserve one. We know nearly all our nephews are good boys, and you will have your ball, and perhaps next year some of you may help to beat the Yankees, should they again come across to fight us at a friendly game of base ball. Will you now throw up your hat with me and shout "God Save the Queen?"

We think it right to let our engraver employ some of his time occasionally for the pleasure and amusement of our nephews and nieces. Our artist drew this on the ground. The Tecumseh Club holds these grounds, and has erected the stands you see and many more that you cannot see. The grounds and scene had to be reduced to suit the view as well as possible.

For the full rules and regulations about the game you can get the Canadian Base Ball book; the price

The eagle iz the monark ov the skies, but the little king-bird will chase him to hiz hiding place.

The ox knoweth his master's krib, and that iz all he duz kno or care about his master.

Munkeys are imitatiff, but if they kan't imitate some deviltry they ain't happy.

The goose iz like all other phools—allwuss seems anxious to prove it.—Josh Billings.

DON'T LOSE A MINUTE.—Keep busy. The man who has nothing to do is the most miserable of beings. If you have no regular work, do chores as farmers do when it rains too hard to work in the field. In occupation we forget our troubles, and get a respite from sorrow. The man whose mind and hands are busy, finds no time to weep and wail. If work is slack, spend the time in reading. No man ever knew too much. The hardest students in the world are the old men who know the most. If you lack books, there are free or very cheap libraries, at least in cities, at your command. The man who does not acquire some item of useful information between daybreak and bedtime must mournfully say, with the Roman emperor, "I have lost a day."

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