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## London Lost.

Trinity College Hockey Club  
Defeats the Local Boys.

The Stallion John B. Gentry Sold  
for \$7,600.

The Great Horse Sale Continued—  
Gun Club League Formed.

## BASEBALL.

McFarland has refused to sign with St. Louis for \$1,500, the same salary he received in Indianapolis.

Con Dailey, the Brooklyn catcher, will never fully recover from the injuries he received while driving last summer. He has reluctantly arrived at the conclusion that his ball playing days are over, and will take a benefit from the Brooklyn club this spring.

The Sporting News says that Manager Wilgott, of the Minneapolis club, has signed Hanivan, of the New England League. The new acquisition is said to be a great infielder and heavy batter. He was recommended by Tim Donahue, of the Chicago Colts.

**THE WATERLOO CHAMPIONS.**

Galt, Ont., Feb. 14.—The Alpha Baseball Club, champions of the Waterloo County League, held their annual meeting at the Imperial Hotel Wednesday evening, and elected the following officers: Honorary president, W. S. Turnbull; president, Dr. Moyer; vice-president, O. F. Baker; manager, Wm. Cameron; secretary, Leon Shupe; treasurer, Wesley Pickering; committee of management, J. Spaulding, Frank Van Every, and R. McAuslan.

## ATHLETICS.

**MAHER'S EYES.**

El Paso, Tex., Feb. 14.—Peter Maher's eyes were a trifle better this morning, but there is no telling yet whether or not he will be able to enter the ring on Monday. The opinions of the physicians still differ, some maintaining that he will be out in three days, and others giving him at least a week to remain in his room. Even if Maher is able to enter the ring on Monday he will not be able to do himself justice. He has been practicing his boxing in the gymnasium, and he certainly will be able to do nothing but come off that day. Fitzsimmons' chances will be very greatly improved. He is in splendid condition. This morning Maher was still locked in the little room, in which he was placed last night. The shades were drawn, and every ray of light carefully excluded. Hot bandages were applied to his eyes at frequent intervals during the night, and when he finally dropped off to sleep toward morning a poultice was applied. There is no doubt that he is in a very bad condition. Maher is greatly worried, and the public think he has backed down, or the sore eyes are a subterfuge to enable him to avoid going into the ring. Anybody seeing the man's condition could not entertain such an idea for an instant. He is not only utterly unable to see, but so helpless that he cannot care for himself. Connolly, his trainer, said this morning, "If Peter rounds to by Monday, we are concerned. We are sure that our man can win even if he has been compelled to let up in his training. He is dead game, and more than willing to fight. If he can see when Monday comes around he will get into the ring."

Stuart says that he is ready to pull

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**A. SLATER,**  
Merchant Tailor, Richmond St.

off the fight at any time when the men are ready. "We would have been on the way to the battle-ground by now," he added, "if Maher had been in any shape at all. I was prepared to pull off the fight today, and I am ready to pull it off at any time the principals are ready. There will be no fluke on my part when the time comes."

The spot where the battle-ground is to be is still a secret.

## CURLING.

**FOREST VS. SARNIA.**

Forest, Feb. 15.—Two rinks of Forest curlers went to Sarnia Thursday night and defeated the club there by five shots. Score: Sarnia—Chester, skip, 15; Crawford, skip, 15; total, 30. Forest—Van Valkenburg, skip, 15; Pettipiece, skip, 17; total, 35.

## THE TRIGGERS.

**CENTRAL LEAGUE FORMED AT GALT.**

Galt, Feb. 15.—A meeting was held here Thursday afternoon for the purpose of forming a league of clubs for the encouragement of trap and live bird shooting, and the protection of game and fish in this Province. Clubs were represented by the following delegates: Brantford, A. W. Johnson and George; Galt, R. Patrick and R. McCruden; Hamilton, Mallards, John Smyth and G. J. Smith; Waterloo and Forest, Van Valkenburg, skip, 15; Pettipiece, skip, 17; total, 35.

The league will be known as the Central Ontario Rod and Gun Club League, to consist of not more than six clubs. After considerable discussion it was decided to hold a series of shoot during the season of 1896 for the championship of the league and suitable trophy.

## HOCKEY.

**TRINITY WINS FROM LONDON.**

The hockey team from Trinity University, Toronto, had a hard fight for victory over the London Hockey Club at the Princess Rink last night. The match was only the second played by the rink this season, London having played the majority of her games away from home. It was a stubbornly fought contest from the beginning, while the 300 or 400 spectators regretted the fact that the Londoners lost, they had the consolation of knowing that their favorites put up a splendid game.

The score was: Trinity, 3 goals; London, 1.

The referee—Mr. Turnbull.

The goal judges—Messrs. Ed. Croden and H. Spence.

Time-keeper—Mr. Bert Little.

The teams—Trinity—Goal, McMurich; point, Wadsworth; cover-point, Wilkie; forwards, Southam (captain), Becher, Temple and Sinclair.

London—Goal, Glover; point, Southam; cover-point, Brown; forwards, Macbeth (captain), Beltz, G. Sippi and Ewing.

Play was begun at 8:15 o'clock, and as the Trinity boys appeared with their long locks and pretty suits, they were heartily cheered. The opinion prevailed that they would have a regular "snap" with the home team, for they were bigger and far heavier. From the first blow of the whistle, however, the London players showed a determined will to win. They skated well, they played their combination well, and just kept the visitors more than hustling for thirteen minutes, when Southam succeeded in scoring the first goal of the game for Trinity. London continued her strong play, and scored three goals in quick succession, but the referee saw fit to disallow two of them, claiming that they were made on off-side. The goal which counted was made by Sippi seven minutes after Trinity had scored. While the decision of the referee was rather disappointing to the spectators, the London players showed it with good grace. The end of the first half, the score was 1 to 1, with both teams showing slight signs of fatigue.

A ten-minute intermission sufficed to give the players their second wind, and they resumed play apparently as fresh as when the game started. For a while the playing was decidedly brisk, and the enthusiasm of the crowd knew no bounds. London's forwards repeatedly swooped down on Trinity's goal, but Wadsworth, Wilkie and McMurich were always "in it" at critical times, and by their brilliant work prevented the home team from scoring half a dozen times. McMurich, the goal keeper, played a magnificent game. He is quick and cool and collected, and practically saved the Trinity boys from a defeat.

The home team showed signs of fatigue toward the end of the game, but they stuck with their play. The last goal was made in 22 minutes.

Of the London players, it may be said that they have improved greatly in every branch of the game since last season, thanks to the captain, George Macbeth. In Ewing, an old Stratford player, London has an all-round man, who plays hard to win.

**THE TURF.**

Berlin, Ont., Feb. 15.—The ice races opened here Thursday afternoon. Summary:

First race, 2:50 trot, purse \$125—King Billie 1, Hazel G. 2, Little Flo 3. Tom Appleby 4. Best time, 2:22.

Second race, 2:22 trot, purse \$125—Sunny 1, Hamlet 2, Pacer Bell 3, Emily 4. Best time, 2:15.

The second day's races here yesterday brought out good attendance. The track was in much better condition than on Thursday. Summary:

First race, the named race, purse \$75—Flo 1, Kate 2, Little Flo 3, Bonnie 4. Time—2:28—2:28, 2:28, 2:22.

Second race, consolation race, purse \$75—Tom Appleby 1, Steve R. 2, Flo 3, Bonnie 4. Time—2:30—2:30, 2:31, 2:18.

**JOHN R. GENTRY SOLD FOR \$7,600.**

New York, Feb. 15.—John R. Gentry, 2:08 3-4, the champion pacing stallion of the world, was sold yesterday afternoon at Madison Square Garden for \$7,600 to Wm. Simpson, of this city. The great stallion was sold to dissolve the partnership of Messrs. Holt & Graham, N. C. The bidding was between John Turner, who was bidding for Frank Ellis, of Philadelphia, and Wm. Simpson. Turner opened at \$1,000, and the duel advanced by \$500 to \$7,500. The last bid was made by Simpson. Ellis, Simpson raised it \$100, and Gentry was knocked down to him.

The second day of Wm. B. Fasig & Co.'s sale of trotting-bred stock recalled old times to the minds of the big crowd of horsemen who fairly crowded the garden all day. Forty-four head brought \$38,840, or an average of \$885 a head, before the sale was adjourned for the evening. A consignment from the state of the late John A. Goldsmith was first put up for sale. Venetia Wilkes, 2:13, the 8-year-old daughter of Guy Wilkes and San Mateo Belle, brought the biggest price of the lot, \$2,000. I. S. Perry, 2:13, of this city, was the purchaser. The Sidney mare Theima, 2:24 1-2, went to J. E. Decker, of Brooklyn, for \$1,100. Elf, 2:22 1-4, by Steinyway-Bertha, by Alcantara, was purchased by J. B. Stetaway, of New York, at \$1-

400. A lot of colts and fillies by Baron Wilkes all brought good prices. Baronet, who is considered by his owners fully as handsome a horse as John R. Gentry, was the second of the Alcantara farm consignment offered for sale. After some spirited bidding Baronet was knocked down to B. W. Burdock, of Albany, at \$2,500.

## THE WHEEL.

**BALFOUR AND ROBERTSON.**

Toronto Mail-Enterprise: "R. A. Robertson, of Hamilton, is a good man for president of the C. W. A. Dr. Balfour, of London, is another good man for the office. Robertson's long service perhaps entitles him to first choice. Balfour's eligibility perhaps will have ripened to the picking stage in another year. Robertson in 1896, Balfour in 1897, perhaps sounds more musical to a majority of C. W. A. members than Balfour in 1896, and Robertson some other time. But even if such be the case, there is no excuse for two prospective candidates for the presidency of one of the strongest athletic organizations on the continent to play the proud record of that organization by a deal as to who shall take it first, and which shall succeed the other. It may be that no such arrangement as that indicated has been entered into, but report gives ground for belief that at least it has been broached."

The above is a little severe. Those who know Dr. Balfour know that he would rather have the C. W. A. meet here next year than like to the presidency.

**MISCELLANEOUS.**

Stevenson, the Australian sculler, and a former trainer of the Argonauta Rowing Club, has been matched to row Barry for \$500 on the Tyne. The race is to be rowed next Monday, and Stevenson receives three second's start.

P. J. Griffin, of Ingersoll, arrived in Toronto yesterday, and is ready to meet A. Schram or Jack Crawford in sparring matches of a limited number of rounds.

At Coronado, Cal., on Thursday, C.S. Wells rode three-quarters of a mile in 1:18.

A Winnipeg special says Jake Gaudaur, the champion oarsman, has purchased a saloon in Winnipeg, and will take up his residence there.

Letters have been received in Philadelphia from Henry Turner, secretary of the Notts County Cricket Club, intimating that he would like to bring over the famous Notts County team to America next fall to try conclusions with the local players of New York teams. Lord Hawke is anxious to come over again, and Captain Fry would like to bring over an Oxford University team. It is almost certain that the Australian team will be invited to America.

## For a Third Year.

**Rev. E. B. Lancelley Unanimously Invited to Remain at the Dundas Street Church—Invitation Accepted—Kind Words for the Pastor.**

Rev. E. B. Lancelley, pastor of the Dundas Street Methodist Church, has been invited to remain in his present charge for a third year. If the stationing committee of the conference is willing, he will do so.

A largely-attended and most harmonious meeting of the official board of the church was held last evening, at which the work of the present year was reviewed. It was found that every branch of the church work was in a flourishing condition.

A resolution was offered, and carried by a standing vote, expressing gratification at the faithful labors of the pastor, Mr. Lancelley, and embodying an invitation to him to remain with the congregation for a third year. The stationing committee will also be requested to return Rev. Mr. Uren as Mr. Lancelley's assistant for another year.

Rev. J. G. Laird, Mr. C. J. Beal, Mr. Wm. Yates and others spoke of the advances made by the church under Mr. Lancelley's pastorate, and expressed the hope that the conference committee would see their way clear to return him for another year.

Mr. Lancelley, signing his intention to remain in the stationing committee, saw fit to reappoint him.

The board also passed a resolution of sympathy with Col. Lewis, a member of the board, who is seriously ill.

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**The Unparalleled Success of Dodd's Kidney Pills Excites the Envy and Greed of Unscrupulous Imitators.**

A kidney treatment in pill form was unknown until Dodd's Kidney Pills came into use.

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Who is defrauded and who pockets the proceeds when a counterfeit coin is passed upon you?

Never let any one persuade you to buy a substitute or imitation of the real article you want.

The genuine are put up in round, flat wooden boxes, white lettering on blue label with red band.

You can get the genuine Dodd's Kidney Pills from any druggist or dealer in Canada at 50 cents a box, or by mail from the Dadds Medicine Company, Toronto, Ont.

**A MONTREAL FIRM IN TROUBLE.**

Montreal, Feb. 15.—James McDougall & Co., of this city, are in financial difficulties. Their liabilities will aggregate \$78,000; estimated assets, \$45,000. Their largest creditors are Crosswell & Co., of Bradford, England, with \$42,000; to other English creditors \$5,750. Little York had rolled in with \$42,000 on customers' paper, \$16,000. Assets include book debts \$35,000, of which \$29,300 is estimated as worthless.

**THE VENEZUELAN COMMISSION.**

Washington, Feb. 15.—The Venezuelan Commission is hard at work with all the members present at the weekly meeting. The commission is highly gratified at the position taken by Great Britain in responding favorably to its request to be supplied with information relative to the location of the boundary line.

**MISSING VESSELS REACH PORT.**

Palermo, Feb. 15.—The British steamer "Cathart," which sailed from Naples Feb. 3, for New York, and which was spoken on Feb. 5 off Cape Spartivento, returning with her main shaft broken, has arrived at Palermo.

New York, Feb. 15.—The steamer Monmouthshire, from Yokohama, which has been reported overdue, arrived here yesterday.

The James F. Hunt & Sons' hair mattresses and feather bed cleaning factory, manufacturers of new mattresses and goose feather pillows, a good variety of hair beds, spring beds, fancy rockers, tables, chair, stoves and general house furnishing. Telephone 997.

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## The North Pole.

Nansen's Reported Success Creating Great Interest

Throughout Europe—Is the News True?

London, Feb. 15.—The news of Dr. Nansen's success in reaching the North Pole has created intense interest in this city. The report received from Irkutsk, Siberia, was generally discredited at first, although more faith was placed in it than in the previous rumors which have reached London during the past twelve months. But the dispatch from the British consul at Arcoangel is regarded as conclusively showing that the Norwegian explorer is homeward bound, even if he has not yet discovered the pole. But as the Arcoangel dispatch refers to the North Pole, hope is still entertained that Dr. Nansen's journey north may have been crowned with the highest success. Dispatches received here from different parts of the continent indicate that the same interest in the news from the north is manifested throughout Europe, and it is also generally credited at the European capitals, although even now Nansen's wife and relatives did not believe the announcement which came through Kuchinareff, the agent of Dr. Nansen, and the man who supplied the latter with dogs. Kuchinareff resides near the mouth of the Lena River, and is a frequent visitor to the Lena River people from Ust Yacht, at the mouth of the Yana River, which falls into the Arctic Ocean by several outlets in latitude 70 degrees north and longitude 137 degrees east of Greenwich. Ust Yacht is one of these outlets, and it was near Ust Yacht that the Jeanette survivors came ashore.

Later advices say that the news of Dr. Nansen's safety was sent by Kandaroof, the local Russian official in the Yakutsk region, who was a member of the Siberia-Koffs expedition. Nansen, who is in Christiania, is inclined to believe the news of Dr. Nansen's safety at any rate, even if it is not true that he has succeeded in discovering the North Pole. According to the opinion of the Arctic experts, when the Fram left Kara Sea in 1893 she may have found the sea northward free of ice and pushed on until she was locked in. They add that she may have been allowed to drift until the expedition was landed, and that Dr. Nansen and his party may have returned in sledges to the Siberian Islands.

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## Afternoon Cables.

## HAS DISCOVERED THE POLE.

London, Feb. 15.—The British consul at Archangel, capital of the Russian Government of that name, telegraphs confirming the report that Dr. Nansen is safe and returning from the North Pole.

**GLADSTONE'S FUTURE.**

London, Feb. 15.—Some little comment was caused by the announcement made in the Bradford Observer during the week that Mr. Gladstone intended to take the earliest opportunity of standing for Parliament and re-entering public life. But in well-formed circles absolutely no reliance was placed upon the report, and, as generally foreseen, it has been denied. Even Mr. Gladstone's warmest admirers say it would not be advisable for him, in view of his age, to re-enter the political arena.

## OPEN ON SUNDAY.

London, Feb. 15.—An interesting step towards the Sunday opening of museums and other public institutions in England is the decision of the corporation of London to open the next Guildhall picture exhibition on Sundays.

Robert Buchanan announces that henceforth he will be his own publisher, and his description of the diary, everyday publisher has caused a great deal of amusement. He dubs him "A barnacle on the bottom of the good ship Literature, yet presuming to criticize the quality of the cargo in the hold."

## LIONIZING BAYARD.

London, Feb. 15.—The United States ambassador, Mr. Thomas Bayard, has accepted an invitation to speak at the annual Shakespeare dinner on April 21 at Birmingham. Mr. Bayard, on the following day, will be entertained at dinner by the mayor of Birmingham, in the town hall, and he will go to Stratford on April 22 to unveil the statue in Trinity Church, where the remains of Shakespeare are buried. The funds for this window were subscribed by American visitors during recent years. A ceremony in the Memorial Hall is also proposed for the purpose of emphasizing the good-will existing between the two nations.

## GUILLOTINED HIMSELF.

Paris, Feb. 15.—M. Desparieux, a tailor of Saint Pierre-la-Palud, near Lyons, who disappeared from his house several days ago, was found guillotined in his cellar. He had chosen this strange means of committing suicide. According to the Matin, the deceased was stretched on his back with his arms crossed, his head had rolled in a sack placed in position to receive it. M. Desparieux had made the guillotine himself, and for some time had been haunted with the idea of a strange way of committing suicide. The machine was almost identical with that used for the purposes of justice. The blade was formed by means of a large hatchet. By the side of the body was an extinguished lamp, and from Desparieux's position it is evident that he wished to see the knife fall upon him when he pulled the string which released it from its place.

This extraordinary suicide has caused a great sensation in the district, where the deceased was well known.

**Rheumatism Is Still Being Cured in from One to Three Days by South American Rheumatic Cure—More Testimony.**

Mr. Z. A. Van Luven, Governor of the County Jail of Napanee, Ont., writes: "My wife has been a great sufferer from rheumatism for some time past. The disease attacked the limbs and was drawing them out of shape. The pain was most excruciating. She could not get anything to cure her. Mr. Huffman, druggist, of this town, recommended South American Rheumatic Cure. The first few doses gave my wife perfect relief. Today, after taking four bottles of the remedy, she is certain that the disease is entirely eradicated from her system, and blesses the day she first heard of this remedy."

Anderson & Nelles, Druggists, sell Kur-Kof, the new lung remedy, at 25c. J. W. B. B. Stetaway, of New York, at \$1-

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THE WEATHER TO-DAY.  
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## My

How easily things go wrong. If your shoes don't fit snugly you won't enjoy skating. A size too short or a size too long makes a big difference. Our popular skating shoes are on the move, whether the band plays or not.

Ladies' Tan Goat, felt lined, laced, at \$1 75 now, worth \$2 25.

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## Three Years in Kingston.

Wm. Adair's Sentence for an Unprovoked Assault Upon Mrs. Baker, of Strathroy—Adair Has Been in the Penitentiary Before.

Wm. Adair, of Strathroy, was this morning brought before Judge Wm. Elliot and sentenced to three years in the Penitentiary at Kingston for assaulting Mrs. Baker, a Strathroy woman.

The offense was committed on Christmas eve and was most unprovoked. Adair called at the home of Mrs. Baker about 8:30, and when the door was opened he struck the woman several heavy blows on the face, and then decamped. Mrs. Baker was stunned, but managed to reach a neighbor's, where she fainted three times. Her face was badly cut and caused great loss of blood. Mrs. Baker recognized her assailant, but several weeks elapsed before Adair was located in Hamilton.

In passing sentence Judge Elliot characterized Adair's conduct as most brutal and unprovoked, and said he saw no reason why the full sentence of the court should not be imposed. Adair took his sentence very coolly. He has already served a term of three years in Kingston.

## EARLY MORNING BLAZES.

Tilsburg, Ont., Feb. 15.—Yesterday morning at 2 o'clock Mr. and Mrs. Paul Lyons were awakened by fire, and had only time to escape from the house when it was a mass of flames. The firemen prevented the fire from spreading to the main block adjoining with warehouses and furniture show rooms on the ground floor, and tenement rooms upstairs. House and contents a total loss. Insured in the Queen's and Norwich Union.

Quebec, Feb. 15.—At half-past 1 o'clock this morning the marble works of A. Belanger, St. Roch, were burned down. The loss is partially covered by insurance.

**An English Chemist Writes:**

"Brown's Bronchial Troches are most useful, and I never knew an article so universally well spoken of and gain such rapid notoriety before." Those who are suffering from Coughs, Colds, Hoarseness, Sore Throat, etc., should try them. Price 25c a box.

A waiter has hanged himself in London through excitement regarding the Transvaal crisis.

THERE IS NOT a more dangerous class of disorders than those which affect the breathing organs. Nullify this danger with Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil—a pulmonary acknowledged efficacy. It cures soreness and lameness when applied externally, as well as swelled neck and crick in the back; and, as an inward specific, possesses most substantial claims to public confidence.

We will sell all Furniture far below regular prices. As our enormous stock is varied, you will have no difficulty in selecting what you need at W. TRAFFORD'S, 95 to 97 King street.

Free to All.—If your eyes are defective, will test them without charge. J. E. Adkins, graduate optician.

## Manitoba School's

What Was Done Under Like Circumstances in Prince Edward Island.

Fair Play to All Parties Can Best Be Obtained Through Mr. Laurier's Policy.

Hon. L. H. Davies, of Prince Edward Island, speaking in Toronto on Thursday, had this to say on the Manitoba school question: "The people of each Province know best what policy is best, and when and where separate schools should be established. I remember well twenty years ago that I had the honor of introducing a bill for the adoption of the national school system in Prince Edward Island. We fought it out, and arrived at the conclusion that in the interest of all the people that system should be adopted, and now after twenty years of experience, I am prepared to state that, while at its inception there was a strong feeling against it in many quarters, now you could not find a dozen men who are prepared to say they want a change. I do not by any manner of means claim that our system is perfect, but I do claim that the system we have is one that suits us, and today our Roman Catholic friends say: 'We stand on the principle of having our sons and daughters educated the same as yours; we stand on the same ground as you,' and the result is that today we know no creed in the Province. (Great applause.) But, sir, I want to ask you where we would have been today if coercive legislation had been introduced. It would have caused endless trouble, for we would not have sprung from the stock as we did if we had submitted to such a course. You will not make me believe that the people of Manitoba, sprung from the same people that we are, are ready to do justice to what we in the Maritime Provinces, and I take my stand that justice can be better administered to the minority by the people living amongst them than by people living thousands of miles away. Do not let your minds be carried away by arguments that have nothing to do with the case. The Roman Catholics of that Province have certain rights, not that they got by treaty, but what they got under Provincial law, and the rights which they are seeking to recover are rights which they only have by means of a law created by their own Provincial Parliament. The courts say that the Parliament which creates these rights always has the power to give them back. The Privy Council says that the rights having once been given cannot be withdrawn. The question is, certain wrongs exist, and do you remedy them? I come from two thousand miles away. I do not know the people. I do not know to what extent the people want separate schools. I do not know definitely what they want; and yet you come to me and ask me to pass a law when I absolutely know nothing about the people. I tell you I won't do it—(loud applause)—but I stand on the policy which Mr. Laurier laid down months and months ago—(cheers)—when he said that coercion could never settle the question, but a commission made up of men who would be acceptable to Catholic and Protestant alike. (Cheers.) Let them call before them the Roman Catholic hierarchy, let them call before them Mr. Greenway and his associates, let them find out what grievances there are, and let them report; and I say if they do find grievances and do report that I have an abiding faith in Mr. Greenway that he will do justice to the minority. I say justice must be done, but let it be done in the right way. The people of Manitoba would not be sons and daughters of the sire they are if they did not do justice, but if you take them by the throat and say you shall do this, they will simply say, 'I won't.' I believe in standing by the policy of Mr. Laurier, which can be defined both in Quebec and Ontario, which embodies the principles of justice, which are the principles of the Liberal party."

**Minard's Liniment is the Best.**

A colored convict from Woodstock attacked Guard Kerrigan at the Kingston Penitentiary, and a general revolt was feared. The prisoners are undergoing punishment for taking part in the disturbance.

The great lung healer is found in that excellent medicine sold as Bickie's Anti-Congestive Syrup. It soothes and diminishes the sensibility of the membrane of the throat and air passages, and is a sovereign remedy for all coughs, colds, hoarseness, pain or soreness in the chest, bronchitis, etc. It has cured many when supposed to be far advanced in consumption.

**GRAND OPERA**  
OR  
**VENETIAN CIGAR**  
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