

Square Talk from a Cricketer.

commend for perusal of sporting and reporters of cricket matches, leaving letter, from the genial captain of the London cricket club to our copy the London Advertiser. It is a meeting of the true ring about it.

NOT EXCLUDED TO BE BOASTFUL.

Editor of the Advertiser.
Among the cricket notes in this morning's Advertiser was one to the effect that London Cricket Club had not been this year. Besides savoring of glory, such comments seem to me to be nothing to the reputation of either for prowess or courtesy. To send the game of cricket should be for the social pleasure and physical good connected with it, and the winning or losing of any match, or any other of matches, should be considered secondary, as it often is. As captain of London Cricket Club I respectfully protest against its fortunate record far being used in a vaunting or flattery way for the delectation of Advertiser may happen to have interest in cricket. Yours truly,
N. A. BREMER.
London, July 14.

Violent Hailstorm in Markham.

Violent hailstorm broke over the township of Markham on Saturday afternoon, doing considerable damage all over the 6th concession. Such a storm never witnessed in the township before. Some of the stones were as large as hen's eggs, and fell with such force as to leave large lumps on the backs of the cattle that happened to be out of doors. The fences are covered with little stones, and have the appearance of having been pounded with a hammer. The trees appear to suffer the heaviest damage. —Mr. Wm. Milliken, of Markham's Corners. On a farm of 175 acres, Mr. Milliken says, there will hardly be a crop of grain. Mr. Hagerman's farm 100 acres is also in a dilapidated condition, the storm making a clean sweep of all his crop. Messrs. Jesse, Noble, Scheller, French, Wetherill, and onehouse all suffered loss more or less. There is scarcely one of these farmers who will have enough feed for a stock. However, although the loss is very heavy, all feel thankful that the storm was not accompanied by lightning, for if such had been the case the damage would undoubtedly have been much greater.

Frudent Patriots.

Stories are being told about the part played by the rival presidential candidates during the war. History is dumb to the great achievements of either the Blaine division or the Cleveland division in the rebellion. The fact is that both Blaine and Cleveland, instead of going to the war themselves, sent substitutes. This was much the safer plan, and the result is that instead of these great rivals filling soldiers' graves, they are still alive, and are now engaged in a struggle for the presidency. Blaine will have the advantage, however, as he is backed up on his ticket by a real general, who expects to capture the soldiers' vote.

The Alewife Story.

The officials of the Marine and Fisheries Department are not disposed to accept Seth Green's assertions that the millions of dead fish floating on Lake Ontario are alewives and not young shad hatched at his Rochester establishment. They ask how it is if the fish are really young alewives that the millions of dead fish are caught in the lake? No alewives are caught in the St. Lawrence, in Lake Francis, or in any other stream in communication with Lake Ontario, and it is considered impossible that the parent alewives can exist in the lake in quantities sufficient to produce millions of fry without some being seen or caught. Perhaps Mr. Green will be able to explain this mystery for Minister McLean's benefit.

A Foolish Joke.

CONROE, July 14.—On Saturday last as Lena Boswell was washing clothes, she was approached by Minnie Stillwell, who took up a bottle lying on the window, and telling her that she would anoint her with "holy water," proceeded to pour the liquid on the young girl's head. The victim commenced to scream, and soon all the mill was in an uproar, and the liquid was found to be vinegar. The side of the young girl's face as well as her neck and arms are seriously burned. She will be marked for life.

Literary Notes.

The August Harper's will be especially noteworthy for its papers on American places—"The Gateway of Boston," in which W. H. Riding describes and Messrs. Halsall and Barrett picture Boston Harbor; Salt Lake City, described by Ernest Ingersoll, with fifteen illustrations; and Richfield Springs, a paper with special reference to their medicinal waters, by F. J. Nott, M.D. Mr. Boughton will continue his chatty "Artist Strolls in Holland" in company with Mr. Abbey. Art will be represented by a paper on the work of the "Associated Artists" by Mrs. Harrison, with charming illustrations of the needlework designs of Mrs. Wheeler, Miss Dora Wheeler, and others, as well as by the frontispiece reproduction of Mr. Dewing's rose-painting, "A Prelude," and by "Antelope Hunting in Montana," with illustrations by Beard and Frost; history, by the first of a series of brilliantly written and illustrated papers on "The Great Hall of William Rufus," by Treadwell Walden. William Black and E. P. Roe's novels will have their usual sober illustrations by Abbey, Gibson, and Dielman, and more of the charming landscape illustrations by Alfred Parsons will accompany a further instalment of Mr. Sharp's poem-pictures, "Transcripts from Nature." There will also be stories and poems by Mrs. Macquoid, Mr. Byrner, Lucy Larcum, Mrs. Fields, and others. A paper on "The Building of the Muscle" will be contributed by Julian Hawthorne. Among Mr. Curtis's topics in the "Easy Chair" are National Conventions and College commencements.

Garbaid.

The many friends of Duncan McLaron will be pleased to hear that he is again able to be about, after his accident at H. Y. Attrill's a few weeks ago.

A keenly contested game of quoits between the married and single men of this place resulted in favor of the benedicts by one point.

James Morris, teacher, of Benmillier, is spending his vacation under the parental roof.

New timbers have replaced the old timbers of 27 years standing in the culvert at the foot of Dunlop's hill. Fred Horton, of Dunlop, had the job, which was not a very light one.

Saltford.

Mrs. Andrew Beck, after a painful and lingering illness, died on Monday. She was much respected here. Her end was a bright and peaceful one.

The Lord's Army did not assault the village on Tuesday, and the "b'boys" think they have scared them off.

The young men of the Goderich Methodist Church are holding a weekly prayermeeting every Monday evening in the temperance hall, having been invited by a number of persons here. The meetings give promise of much good.

The best story of the week is to the effect that one of the leaders in the assault on the Lord's Army last week, in fact the young man who laded out the beer on the occasion, was chased by a quondam friend of his in a quarrel, and climbed up a tree. The other stood at the foot of the tree, and kept the valiant assailant of the Army on the topmost branches until near daybreak.

Leeburn.

J. Strachan and James Linklater represented Leeburn at the Presbytery meeting held in Goderich last week.

Miss Carrie Kye, of Clinton, and Miss Emmaline Hilliard, of Goderich, were visiting friends here last week.

Harry Horton, teacher, of Paramount, is spending his holidays among friends here, and exchanging grips with many old cronies hereabouts.

New potatoes and raspberries here last week. Ten days ahead of last year.

Donald McGillivray, M. A., preached here on Sunday morning. He delivered his maiden sermon here three years ago.

Haying was rushed last week. Malcolm Stewart got his entire crop in in about 72 hours without a drop of rain, while in four and a half days, E. P. Shaw, aided by J. M. Williams, with mower and rake, cut, loaded and pitched fifteen loads off nine acres and a half, the distance to the barn and back being 1/2 of a mile, and each load about a ton and a half. Can our Dunlop cousins beat this feat of muscle?

Londesborough.

The Scott Act meeting, held in the Methodist Church here on Monday, was well attended. The temperance side was supported by Rev. T. M. Campbell and Thos. McGillivuddy, and although opposition had been invited, no person appeared for the other side. R. Adams occupied the chair. Mr. McGillivuddy led in a speech describing the prohibitory and penal clauses of the Act, and answered some of the leading objections made by the other side. He was repeatedly applauded, and after speaking for an hour retired in favor of his colleague. Mr. Campbell endorsed the previous speaker's arguments, and made an eloquent plea for the Act. He made an appeal on fiscal, social and moral grounds, and his points were received with generous applause. He filled up his hour with an admirable presentation of his case. A vote was taken when about three-fourths of those present stood up in favor of the Act. When the call for those opposed to the Act was made, no one arose, and amid laughter partaken in by the few anti-Scott men present, the vote was decided unanimously. It is said that of fifty farmers between Londesborough and the boundary, only seven refused to sign the petition in favor of the Act.

St. Helens.

Thomas Todd has returned from Algoma where he had disposed of a number of horses as usual which he takes up for the good of their health.

Neil Smith is making preparations to make large shipments of honey from his sweet establishment. Sugar cane is nowhere while the bees work so well.

D. & J. Rutherford have started the butchering business here and are prepared to supply the community regularly, and not have them waiting for the once-a-week tough supply.

The dominies are solacing themselves at present gathering strength for the fresh start next month to brighten up the young ideas who are more inclined to take sweet repose than work hard in ill ventilated establishments.

Mrs. Hawly delivered one of her able and interesting addresses here last week on the Women's Foreign Mission, in the Presbyterian church. A large number were in attendance and were so enraptured that they would gladly go a distance to hear this able lady enlighten them.

Richard Miller, formerly of Goderich, has purchased the stock of John Gordon, whom he succeeds in the business, and is now prepared to satisfy the public with good materials at low figures. Mr. Gordon, retiring from the business, is removing to his farm to act out the independent man's state.

On Tuesday evening last a young man named John, a seventeen year old son of John Joint, of St. Helens, came to his death in a very distressing manner. The young man went to a neighbor's to borrow a hay rack, and while leading the horses through the gate they suddenly sprang forward and knocked him down broke his spinal column. He was immediately taken to his home, in an unconscious state, where he lingered for about fifteen minutes, when death put an end to his sufferings. His remains were interred on Wednesday last, being followed to the last resting place by a large concourse of neighbors and friends.

Counterfeiters Captured.

BRANTFORD, July 14.—Mr. McCarthy, of the Grand Trunk Railway, who has been in the city during the past week shadowing a man named David Young, on Saturday night last arrested him in company with a son, aged 12 years, on a charge of counterfeiting. The prisoners were caught red-handed, carrying tools and metal. The former comprise two plaster of paris moulds, one for turning out 25 cent and the other 50 cent coins. The prisoner, who is about 50 years of age, came to Brantford some three years ago, since which time it is believed he had been continuously issuing and passing bad money. The counterfeit coins are admirable imitations, and have a true sounding ring. The prisoner has before served terms in the penitentiary. A sister of his, who kept a dive in the city, left for other parts last week. She is believed to have been implicated in the swindle. A brother of the counterfeiter exposed the fraud.

Quebec, July 11.—Hon. E. Langlier was elected for Parliament for Megantic by 51 votes.

The welcome news comes by cablegram that the cholera is subsiding in France and that there is now more panic than disease. It is to be hoped the report is reliable, but no neglect of preventive measures should be permitted on this continent even though the danger of an early visitation may be temporarily lessened. This is pre-eminently a case in which prevention is better than cure.

A Halifax, N. S., telegram says:—A violent thunder storm swept over the Province yesterday, and several houses reported shattered into splinters in various parts. At Maites' Point on the Tusket river, Yarmouth county, lightning struck Anselm Bouchee's house. Mrs. Bouchee, hearing the storm, got out of bed to see that her children were not frightened, and was passing through the hall when a streak of lightning came through the roof, splitting the ceiling over her head and striking her on the back of the neck. Death immediately ensued. In another part of the house two children were struck senseless by the electric fluid. The lightning slightly singed Mrs. Bouchee's hair, but left no visible mark.

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