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a course of Ayer's Pills the system is set in good working order and a man begins to feel that life is worth living. He who has become the gradual prey of constipation, does not realize the friction under which he labors, until the burden is lifted from him. Then his mountains sink into mole-hills, his moroseness gives place to jollity, he is a happy man again. If life does not seem worth living to you, you may take a very different view of it after taking

## Ayer's Cathartic Pills.

20,000 BERRY PICKERS.

They Descend on Sarcoxie's Acres of Strawberries and Pick the Town.

Sarcoxie, Mo., May 20.—The strawberry-picking season opened up yesterday morning with the greatest gathering of people ever assembled in this community. The Sarcoxie Horticultural Association, controlling a farm of 1,400 acres of strawberries, advertised for 10,000 pickers. Their circulars were responded to by fully 20,000 persons, who are besieging the hotels and lodging houses of Sarcoxie. The overflow has been so great that thousands have been forced to sleep upon the ground and prepare their meals in improvised dugouts or shanties constructed of branches and leaves. The line of campers extends ten miles up and down on each side of Spring River.

Men representing almost every vocation are here. Some of them have been better days, but poverty having forced them to leave the ranks of the thousands of unemployed in the large cities they have sought the field.

There are former railroad conductors, engineers, telegraph operators, brakemen, firemen, store clerks, newspaper men, and all kinds of tradesmen, down to the professional hobo.

FAILURE OF ADAM HOPE & CO.

Hamilton, May 20.—Adam Hope & Co., wholesale hardware merchants, have suspended payment. The trade liabilities are placed at \$15,000, and indirect liabilities at \$10,000. It is expected that a full statement will show a surplus, and a compromise may be arranged. The firm is one of the oldest in Hamilton, and was founded by the late Senator Hope.

## IT IS IN THE AIR.

People Who Talk About It—It Is In the Air.

Can't Stop It Spreading. Can't Keep Down a Good Thing. People Who Don't Know About It Want to Know. It Is Kidney Education. Call People Are Learning Fast. Here Are Some Facts.

One of the best known residents of Galt is Mr. Wm. Babcock, the well-known teamster, who has for a long time been a familiar figure in the business portions of our town. Mr. Babcock says: "I have been a sufferer for the last two years from lame back, pains in my back and side, hot flashes extending up over my shoulders, loss of appetite, sleeplessness, etc., together with urinary difficulties. I was so bad that I had to give up work. Although I used a great many kidney remedies they seemed to do me no good, until I got a box of Doan's Kidney Pills at Kirkland's drug store. I got great relief from the first box, and now, after using six boxes, feel all O. K. I eat well, sleep well, the pain, hot flashes, lameness and urinary difficulties have entirely disappeared, and I strongly recommend this magnificent medicine to all sufferers."

Laxa-Liver Pills cure constipation and sick headache. 25 cents. All druggists.



AND  
NERVE PILLS

PRICE 60c. PER BOX. OR 3 FOR \$1.50. AT DRUGGISTS OR BY MAIL ON RECEIPT OF PRICE BY T. MILBURN & CO., TORONTO.

## London Defeats the Giants

Lively Game With the Famous Colored Team.

Heavy Stick Work and First-Class Fielding.

Hamilton Wins in a Country Match With Toronto.

Sudden Death of a Golf Player—Racing at Windsor—Laurel Sports—Cycling Notes and Sporting News in General.

### BASEBALL

#### LONDON DEFEATS THE GIANTS.

The famous Cuban Giants made their first appearance at Tecumseh Park yesterday and played baseball, comic opera and half a dozen other things which added in entertaining 300 or 400 people for about two hours. The small attendance shows that people are chiefly interested, except on holidays, in championship games, and that two of them in a week are sufficient.

The Cuban Giants, who are all colored gentlemen, although not necessarily from Cuba, are very funny fellows, and have tremendous vocal powers, which were exercised to the fullest extent. Their chin music from the coach lines was the liveliest feature of the game, but it didn't win the victory. However, the ducky visitors played good ball, and the result was in doubt until the last. They proved great sluggers and fine fielders. Honors were about even, but the locals were more fortunate in bunting their hits.

Schriest, the London's new left fielder, made his debut successfully. He corralled everything that went his way and did fairly well with the bat. Seifert pitched his first game, and although touched for two triples, two doubles and eleven singles, he did satisfactory work, being most effective at critical times. He has heaps of speed, a wide outcurve, good control, and a cool head. He pitched his best when men were on bases, where no fewer than thirteen of the Giants were left. He also made a double and two singles, and scored three of the seven runs. Seifert's coolness was shown time and again. For instance, in the first inning, the first three men made hits, and with the bases filled and no one out, it looked as if Seifert was to be knocked out. Smith came fourth to bat and flied to Schriest; Harrison hit to Seifert, who cut off Garrison at second, and Malone flied out to center. The first man at bat, was the only one who scored.

In the second Harrison and Jordan let off with singles. Smith then struck out, Harrison fouled out, and Malone's grounder to Conn cut off Jordan at second. Again in the fifth Harrison singled, and Jordan reached first on a hot one to Connolly, who slipped and fell. Smith again struck out, Harrison flied to Gunther, Malone singled, bringing in Garrison, and Galey went out to center. Harrison and Galey went out to center, but Robinson and Grant went out on easy ones to the infield.

The Londoners made their first run on a triple by Conn and a single by Sippi. Their greatest execution was in the fifth, when Schriest, Carney and Seifert made three successive hits. Schriest scoring with no one out. Johnston and Conn failed to rise to the occasion, extending on infield flies. A timely single by Sippi brought in Carney and Seifert, Connolly singled, but he and Sippi were left on bases, Snyder flying to center.

The run in the seventh was made on a single by Seifert, sacrifices by Johnston and Conn, and a fumble by Grant.

The winning runs in the ninth were also earned. Carney made a single, but was caught napping on first. Seifert followed with a double, scoring on Johnston's single. Conn's long sacrifice to left field brought Johnston home. Sippi died on first. The score:

| LONDON.           | A. B. R. H. P. O. A. E. |
|-------------------|-------------------------|
| Johnston, 2b..... | 5 1 3 1 1 1             |
| Conn, ss.....     | 5 1 3 1 1 1             |
| Schriest, 1b..... | 5 1 3 1 1 1             |
| Connolly, 3b..... | 3 0 2 1 1 1             |
| Gunter, cf.....   | 4 0 1 2 0 0             |
| Christ, lf.....   | 4 1 2 2 0 0             |
| Carney, p.....    | 4 3 3 1 5 0             |
| Seifert, p.....   | 4 3 3 1 5 0             |
| Totals.....       | 38 7 14 27 13 3         |

#### CUBAN GIANTS.

|                   | A. | B. | R. | H. | P. | O. | A. |
|-------------------|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| Grant, 2b.....    | 5  | 1  | 3  | 2  | 5  | 4  |    |
| Garrison, 3b..... | 5  | 1  | 3  | 3  | 3  | 3  |    |
| Jordan, c.....    | 5  | 0  | 4  | 3  | 2  |    |    |
| Smith, 1b.....    | 5  | 0  | 0  | 10 | 0  |    |    |
| Harrison, ss..... | 4  | 1  | 2  | 2  | 0  |    |    |
| Malone, lf.....   | 4  | 0  | 1  | 0  | 0  |    |    |
| Galey, cf.....    | 4  | 0  | 1  | 0  | 0  |    |    |
| Miller, c.....    | 5  | 0  | 1  | 2  | 0  |    |    |
| Robinson, p.....  | 5  | 1  | 2  | 0  | 2  |    |    |
| Totals.....       | 43 | 5  | 15 | 27 | 13 | 2  |    |
| London.....       |    | 1  | 0  | 0  | 3  | 0  | 1  |

#### NOTES.

The long-looked-for Ward did not arrive, and there were three pitchers in the row again. Surely the team will be complete by Saturday.

The pitching talent seems to be all right in the box.

The Londoners play Toronto on Friday and Saturday. Toronto should be pie for them, judging by the picnic the Hams have had.

Seifert, Schriest and Gunther should make a heavy-hitting outfield.

The Londoners are stronger at the bat than at or before.

Conn did good work, but it seemed an effort to throw the ball to first. His base-running is a delight, and he never fails to connect with the ball.

Every local man made a hit.

Jordan, the Giants' catcher, is a dandy. For a base runner he is

Snyder was not in his usual form, but he made some great foul catches.

There were three very peculiar plays. In the seventh, Harrison hit a vicious one, the ball striking Seifert in the leg and bounding to Connolly, who threw Harrison out at first. In the ninth Malone hit the ball and it struck Umple Burton. It bounced into the air, and Seifert caught it and threw to Sippi ahead of the runner. Under the rules Malone was given his base.

In the London's half of the same inning a hot ball off Sippi's bat hit the Giants' pitcher in the leg and bounded to Grant, who threw out Sippi at first. "Hit the other leg!" yelled the Giants' coach to Malone after Harrison's liner had caught Seifert on the limb.

Smith couldn't do a thing with Seifert's curves, and looked very disgusted. "Twenty minutes later," sung out Grant when a fielder failed to cut off a runner at the plate.

Grant has been playing ball for years. He was with Buffalo in the old International League.

Burton was away off in some of his decisions. Seifert cut the first bag about six feet when he made his double in the ninth, but as Burton's back was turned the latter may be excused for refusing to call him out.

Garrison did great work at third. The score cards should be more accurate. Perhaps they will be when the full team is here.

The press box is not large enough.

THE LONDONERS AT GUELPH.

Guelph Mercury: "London was the favorite before any news of the game reached the city, but when in the afternoon conveyed the intelligence that the champions played a nine which their reputation in gallant style, and at the end of the seventh had three runs to the good, a backer in London could not have been discovered with an X-ray." The Mercury omits reference to the lucky eighth, when London knocked out four runs.

VICTORS VICTORIOUS.

An interesting game of ball was played on Waterloo commons, between the Londoners and the Guelphs. The Londoners won by a score of 10 to 1 in favor of the victors. Batteries—For the Londoners, Burns and Mullins; for the Guelphs, Dean and McLeod. Umpire, Harry Peel.

The victors challenge any club of the average age of 14 to play a game. Address all challenges to Fred Burns, 616 Wellington street, or Parnell Powers, 621 Waterloo street.

HAMILTON VS. TORONTO.

Hamilton, May 20.—Fully 2,000 people turned out at Dundurn Park yesterday to see the opening game in Hamilton, in the Canadian Baseball League series, between the old rivals, Toronto and Hamilton. Hardy and Reid were at the points for the visitors, and Cochrane and Connell for the Hamiltons.

The game was of the country variety, and lacked interest after the fifth inning, when the home team had a sure lead. Hardy pitched a fair game, although he was batted hard at times, but received very indifferent support from the field. The Torontoes were unable to hit Cochrane at opportune times, and the base-running was of the rankest. Score:

| Hamilton..... | A. B. R. H. P. O. A. E. |
|---------------|-------------------------|
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| Toronto.....  | A. B. R. H. P. O. A. E. |
| .....         | 10 0 0 1 0 2 0 4 8 9    |

#### PLAYERS IN COURT.

Cleveland, May 20.—Each of the ball players arrested last Sunday will be tried separately. Powell's trial is set for this morning, and the balance on July 10. The trials will be by jury.

#### EASTERN LEAGUE GAMES—WEDNESDAY.

| At Syracuse..... | A. B. R. H. P. O. A. E. |
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| Toronto.....     | A. B. R. H. P. O. A. E. |
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| 0 | Philadelphia.....                    | 6 | 9  |

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In Columbus, ladies are admitted to one game of every series. No regular days are designated.

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| Batteries—Orfiths and Kittredge; Klendanz and Bergen.   |
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| FLYES.  |
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| Look at Louisville's record! Last season that club lost 18 games out of the first 20.   |
| Anson said in Chicago of Umpire McDonald: "That man is either dishonest or a coward, and I would not be surprised if he were both."   |
| The largest crowd that ever saw a Western League game in Columbus turned out to see the Indianapolis team play last Sunday—5,000.   |
| Hamilton Herald: That dark complexioned gentleman, Robinson, who looks after the left territory for the Giants is a corker. Three or four of his put outs yesterday were of the grand stand order, and his throwing was superb. |
| In Louisville, colored women are not admitted to the ball park, whether they pay or not.  |
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| Guelph Herald: London has a nice team, and will have a nice one when Pierre Ward gets settled at second.  |
| At present their infield is weak. Conn, Connolly and Gunther of the new men appear to be able to hit the ball, and they run bases well.   |
| "Do you know that Anson is as particular about the street make-up of his players as a manager of a sonnette show is of the performers in his employ?" said Popper.  |
| Schriever the other evening in Cleveland.   |

land. "Anse won't stand for any cheap John dogs. You must wear good clothes, or you won't last long with the old man."

Cincinnati has made sixteen triples with Fitzsimmons and Louisville following close with fifteen each.

Umpire Hurst says removing players from games is more wholesome than levying fines.

The weakness of the Philadelphia club in base-running is shown by the fact that up to date they have had 120 men left on bases.

John Galt, the king of umpires, has been dismissed from the Eastern League staff for failing to report at Syracuse.

The New York World says they had umpires to Lynch, three appearing at the Cincinnati grounds through some mistake—Emile, O'Day and McDonald.

President Freedman has filed charges of insubordination against Umpire Sheridan. Abbie Johnson, of this city, who is playing with the Louisville, officiated at second base against the Baltimorees Tuesday, and had this record: 2 times at bat, 1 run, 2 hits, 3 put outs, 4 assists and 1 error.

Lyons, the Toronto Canadian League left fielder, has practically broken away from the team, having left St. Thomas.

Cockman has been farmed to the Richmond team of the Virginia League.

Hamilton Herald: "Looks as if London and Guelph will have to strengthen up a bit before bumping up against the Hamiltons."

THE TURF.

RACING IN ENGLAND.

London, May 20.—At the second day's racing of the Newmarket spring meeting yesterday, Mr. J. G. Galt, known as Galtie More won the Newmarket stakes of at least 3,500 sovereigns, in the second race, a sweepstakes of 5 sovereigns for starters. There were seven starters, over the Brethby stakes course (five furlongs).

AT WINDSOR—WEDNESDAY.

First race, 5 fms., maiden—Trade Last 1, Gertrude 2, May Day 3, Time, 1:03 1/2. The Diplomat, Ray B. Nide, Overlight, Glendora, Miriam, Queen of Scots, Clara, Queen Katherine, and Mrs. Featherby also ran.

Second race, 3/4 mile, selling—Stachelbeck, Bob Loh 2, Elmer 3, Time, 1:20. Big Joe, Reformation, Maid Lyles, Naughty Girl and Galgo also ran.

Third race, 3/4 mile—Crocus 1, Eli 2, Plaudia 3, Time, 1:03. Little Ben, Herning, Woodsake, Silver Stockings and Tadmora also ran.

Fourth race, 1 mile, selling—Gladoli 1, Bender 2, Spring 3, Time, 1:44 1/2. Paduith, Kadd, Lucullus and Harmony also ran.

Fifth race, 5/8 mile—Yours Truly 1, Bloomer 2, H. Exodyssey 3, Time, 1:02 1/2. Squan, Leonie, Wathen, Marion, Star and Disturbance also ran.

Sixth race, steeplechase, short course—Brother John 2, Elmer 3, The Kelp 3, Time, 3:42. Hickory, Granada, Why Not III, also ran. Eppleworth ran out at the tenth jump.

#### SALES AT CLEVELAND.

Cleveland, May 20.—The Fasig sale opened with prices very low, some high-bred animals selling at less than \$100. The average of the first ten was \$233. Wonder, 2:23 1/2, the Tennessee gelding who showed a half in 1:35. Money, 2:25 1/2, a K. K. 2:32, a fine-looking Robert McGregor mare, went for \$450. Lago, 2:11, by Chas. Derby, the set of the sale, was sold to Dan. R. Hanna for \$3,000 and Gus Wagner bought Derby Lass, a green filly, and sister of Derby Princess, for \$1,400.

LACROSSE.

BRUCE DISTRICT SCHEDULE.

At the Bruce district C. L. A. meeting, only Kincardine, Clinton and Exeter were represented. The schedule adopted was as follows: Kincardine at Exeter, June 4; Kincardine at Clinton, June 11; Clinton at Exeter, June 18; Exeter at Kincardine, July 1; Clinton at Exeter, July 14; Clinton at Kincardine, Aug. 12.

HURON DISTRICT SCHEDULE.

Stratford, May 18.—A meeting of delegates of Huron district C. L. A. was held here today. The delegates present were: R. E. Jackson, Stratford; J. H. Bright, Stratford; H. Rumpel, Berlin; F. Hewitt, Bright; W. Thompson, secretary of the district. The following schedule of games was arranged: June 8, Bright at Stratford; June 12, Bright at Berlin; June 16, Berlin at Stratford; July 1, Stratford at Bright; July 8, Bright at Stratford; July 16, Stratford at Berlin; July 19, Berlin at Stratford; July 23, Stratford at Berlin; Aug. 3, Stratford at Bright; Aug. 12, Berlin at Stratford. All the delegates were very enthusiastic over the prospects of a splendid season in lacrosse.

WHEEL.

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SPOKES.

Over 900 entries have been received for the Chicago road race, which will be held on May 31.

A Hartford inventor has secured a patent for a paper bicycle rim. A long, tapering strip of paper, first made waterproof and covered with cement, is wound upon a mandrel and subsequently pressed into a crescent-shaped cross section to receive the tire. This, it is said, produces a rim, which is at the same time light and strong, and will not split like a wood rim.

At St. Louis, Mo., in the case of J. H. Betts vs. the Missouri Pacific Railway, the court of appeals handed down a decision to the effect that bicycles are not baggage, and that railroads in the State of Missouri do not have to carry them free of charge.

The postponed run of the London Wheelmen's Club will take place tomorrow, weather permitting, to Byron, via Springbank. On the return lunch will be served at the restaurant.

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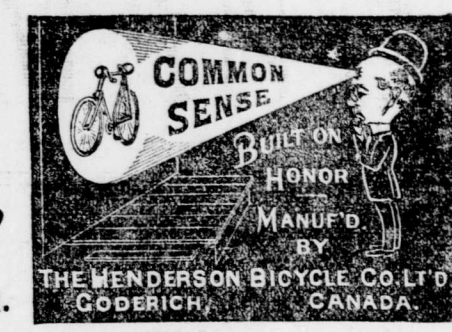


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