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It was very unwillingly that the Editorial Committee decided to postpone the publication of the Midsummer number till September, but it was almost impossible to get anything done in June, owing to the pressure of examination work. According to promise, however, the Summer number now appears.

It may be objected that there is too much cricket in it, but it must be remembered that the ACTA particularly desires to serve as a recorder of College events, especially athletic, and the cricket season of 1897 is surely worthy of a number to itself.

In no spirit of rivalry to other schools we take the most genuine pleasure in our success in games. In the early years of the school, the matches with the other schools, especially in cricket, were played with little hope of victory or even of making a decent show; but now, when in all games the three schools meet on fairly even terms, there is a decidedly better feeling prevailing. Long may it last. With Upper Canada College, Trinity College School and ourselves all working in generous emulation, the country should not lack a body of true and fairminded sportsmen who should do much to raise the standard of manly sports in their day and generation.

If in our schools boys learn that nothing could be more dishonorable than to take a mean advantage of an opponent in a game, it will not take them long to extend this grand principle of fair play to the greater matters of life.

More especially is this fair play necessary in football, where a vindictive and mean-spirited player has so many opportunities of getting in his foul work without detection.

Our school games have thus far been absolutely free from the sharp practices which often mar the games between senior clubs of the highest standing, and we trust that this year may be no exception to the rule.

Joe Greenhill was home from England for the holidays. He is doing very well on the training ship "Conway." He has played on the Football XV, the Cricket XI, rowed in the boat against the crew of the "Worcester," was an invited guest on the "Teutonic" to see the naval manœuvres, got the prize in nautical astronomy, and came second in navigation.

It may not be generally known that Mackenzie was given a place on the Canadian Eleven visiting Chicago, in July. He had a batting average of over 10 for the tour, and was at the top of the bowling averages, though W. R. Wadsworth and G. S. Lyon did the greater part of the bowling.

"Willy" Green visited the College the first week in September. He is working hard.

C. S. Selden, of Memphis, Tenn., spent part of the summer in St. Catharines.

Harry Nicholls spent the summer in British Columbia among the mines.

A Chapter of Lamentations.

(By an Old Boy.)

Oh, how I long to see you
Once again, dear Ridley.
I used to say I'd flee you—
That was *then*, dear Ridley.
Now I know that I'm a fool,
Which I never knew at school;
But nine times it's the rule
Out of ten, dear Ridley.

In those days care and worry
Kept away, dear Ridley.
I didn't have to hurry
All the day, dear Ridley.
Now, early I get down,
Bolt my meal and rush to town;
If I'm late, Oh, what a frown!
Comes my way, dear Ridley.

I used to say the value
Placed on me, dear Ridley,
Was by no means of the size
It should be, dear Ridley.
Now, the day's work they commence
With remarks at my expense,
But I cannot take offense,
Don't you see, dear Ridley

Oh, how I long to see you
Once again, dear Ridley.
I used to say I'd flee you—
That was *then*, dear Ridley.
Now I know I am a fool,
Which I never knew at school;
But nine times it's a rule
Out of ten, dear Ridley.

Crossing the Barr.

Sunset and evening star,
A broken head for me,
As with the ball I try to cross the Barr,
And forty stars I see.

Take warning from a poor forsaken wreck,
Who'll tell you it were wiser far
To have a millstone hanged about your neck
Than try to cross the Barr.

As wise to try to stop a train,
Or a St. Catharines trolley car,
As thwart the master in the Main,
And dare to cross the Barr.

The small boy skilled to read his face,
Sees when the joke has gone too far;
To the detention room, that ghastly place,
Go all who cross the Barr.

S. C. NORSWORTHY (VI).

What is a Gentleman?

It is so hard to please everybody. I only came to Ridley just a year ago, and my sister told me before I left home that she hoped they would make a gentleman of me, for I was a disgrace to the family.

As soon as I came, therefore, I began to take notes which should help me somehow to be a credit to the people at home. After weeks of careful observation I found out each master's idea of a young gentleman.

Mr. Miller's—A boy who wears light grey trousers and a navy blue blazer on the cricket field.

Mr. Williams'—A boy who never chews gum.

Mr. Armitage's—A boy who has all his Divinity notes.

Mr. Hendry's—A boy who does not wear tennis shoes in class.

Mr. Wood's—A boy who doesn't "answer back."

Capt. Thairs'—A boy who doesn't have a sore leg on drill days.

Now, what is a poor fellow to do? I've tried my best, but I find I can't do my algebra unless I have tennis shoes on; my weak ankle always "turns" on Saturday morning; a conversation with Mr. Wood always ends with an hour's detention; somebody is always bagging my Divinity notes; I can't do without a piece of gum in study on Tuesday nights; and whenever there was a cricket match, Mrs. Rothwell always happened to have my grey trousers putting buttons on.

When I went home for the holidays my mother said she didn't see much improvement, and when I called out "first over" at the dinner table, my father laid me first over his knee and then sent me to bed without dinner. But this term I have hopes again. We have two new masters, and perhaps it won't be so hard to suit them.

The T. C. S. Match.

"I told you so," the wise ones said,
"Twas always clear to me."
As through the school the tidings spread
Of Ridley's victory.

I told you so; it was no dream;
Strong have their teams all been;
But we, with Poo Poo on the team,
Could hardly help but win.

Port Hope were confident, 'tis true;
Past victories made them so,
Till on the ground they spied Poo Poo,
Smiles changed to looks of woe.

Their captain saw him and he cried:
"Is Poo Poo Bourne to play?"
And when he heard from Mena Gurd,
"I guess we're doomed to-day."

'Twas true Port Hope were doomed that day;
No more will I say here;
But ere they left I heard one say,
"Will Poo be back next year?"

Alas! alas! for B. R. C.
We only wish he would.
His equal nevermore we'll see,
He's leaving now for good.

But if a watchword Ridley needs,
Then let the captain say,
To urge his men to valiant deeds,
"Poo Poo looks on to-day."

Football.

As the ACTA is appearing this time in September instead of June, it is possible to give some sort of forecast for the season.

Everybody feared at first that we would have a much lighter team than last year, and probably not so strong. Both fears have been removed, and the XV will be both heavier and stronger than last year.

Of last year's XV only five members remain; they are Doolittle, Kerr, Hoyles ma, MacLeod and Gander ma. Three spare men, Baldwin, Allan and Dalton, are also back. There are, however, several heavy and active new boys—Bixell, Lumbers ma, Harcourt ma, Alexander ma, who are proving excellent material. Hobbs, brother of Jack Hobbs, 'Varsity's Captain, has played with London in the intermediate league, and promises soon to be as excellent a quarter as his famous brother. Besides these, Norsworthy, Haverson, Erswell, Sewell, Wells and Dugan are working splendidly, and it will not be such an easy matter to settle on the XV.

To fill one of the vacancies on the staff this term there was appointed Mr. A. F. Barr, the Captain of last year's victorious 'Varsity team. He is undoubtedly one of the finest players in the Province, and is taking the very liveliest interest in the training of the boys, who, if they are wise, will show their appreciation by following every word of advice that falls from his lips.

The Cricket Season.

The season of 1897 will go upon record as the one in which we first licked T. C. S. and U. C. C., the season in which the first century was made for the College, and in which the record score of 200 for six wickets was reached. Besides this, out of 13 First Eleven matches only two were lost, whilst out of six Second and Third Eleven matches one resulted in a tie and the rest were won.

Mackenzie's score of 103 (not out) against Rosedale is the highest score made by a Canadian schoolboy, with the exception of 149 (not out), made by A. C. Allan at Orillia or Barrie; and so far as can be learned 200

have had all members of last year's XI had not these been faithful, hard-working cricketers for several years past. The improvement in Ridley cricket has been steady, and experienced outsiders, like Mr. J. E. Hall, Secretary of the Ontario Cricket Association, who take a great interest in school cricket, have expressed their opinion from time to time that Ridley was improving more rapidly than any other school.

The American Cricket Annual for 1896, in its article on Cricket in Canada, says: "A great improvement was made at Bishop Ridley College. The season was the most successful the College has yet had. The attendance at practice was regular, and great efforts



for six wickets in this match is a record score in a school match in Canada.

The first 16 matches played were won, and the smallest score made in Ridley's first innings was 73. It was only when the strong Toronto and Parkdale clubs were met that defeat came.

And what were the causes of this extraordinary success? First and foremost comes the painstaking work done for the last two or three years, which has this year borne its natural result. This must be coupled with the fact that we have seven members of last year's XI. It would have availed little, to

were made to attain good form. Three of the masters lent valuable assistance to the team, and Gurd and Hills also did good work. Spence proved the best bowler the team has ever had, but he had little support, and but for Mr. Miller the team would have fared badly in this department."

The Annual for 1897 says of last season's work: "In school cricket Bishop Ridley College was much stronger than it has ever been before, and although they did not defeat Trinity College School, the stronghold of young Canadian cricket, they had a very successful season, one notable victory being

that over the Toronto club by 9 wickets. Principal Miller and the masters take a great interest in the game, which is bound to go ahead at the school at St. Kitts."

The second reason for our success is the hard and constant practice put in by each member of the Eleven, both in batting and fielding. The improvement in batting since the beginning of the season is most marked, every member of the Eleven having at least the elements of a good and effective style. The motto this year has been: A batsman's first duty is to defend his wicket; his second duty to get runs. Great exception has often been taken to this maxim, but for young boys no advice could be better. A boy who can really defend his wicket will soon learn to hit. With Mackenzie, Cooke and Kerr on the Eleven we have not lacked hitters, yet none play more carefully than Mackenzie and Kerr, and even Cooke, on occasions.

A third reason is the splendid fielding done by the Eleven. It is not too much to say that from 10 to 20 runs in each game have been saved by smart fielding alone, whilst the number of clever catches have saved who knows how many games. Mr. E. M. Watson, who saw the T. C. S. match, said he had never seen better fielding on a cricket field out of England. On this occasion the fielding was of a particularly high order, and was the subject of general remark. In this department it would be invidious to particularize, but Hoyles and Price, who were weak at the beginning of the season, deserve special praise for their successful efforts to become a credit to the team in this respect.

A fourth reason may be found in Mackenzie's constantly fine batting. A man who will go in first for 13 innings and make an average of 35 is enough to inspire any team with confidence.

No less a factor of success was Cooke's splendid bowling. The three highest scores made against the College were 68, 70, 135.

Great praise must be given to Berry's coaching. He has been very painstaking, and has shown a genuine interest in the Eleven. Not a little of the improvement made this season is due to him.

THE ELEVEN.

R. D. Gurd, '95, '96—Has proved himself an excellent Captain. Except in one or two cases he has always shown excellent judgment. He has rather a tendency to change the bowling too soon, but this is vastly better than keeping the same bowlers on too

long. As a bat Gurd is hampered by his lame foot, which prevents him playing forward. He is good in the slips, where he has not to move about much, and has made some pretty catches.

A. W. Mackenzie—Is the best bat and best fielder the College has ever had, whilst as a bowler, too, he stands high. He has developed a style of batting familiar to himself. He plays straight bowling very carefully, if a little stiff, though this stiffness is already giving way to greater freedom. He is, if anything, weak on the off side, but drives splendidly. He has been of invaluable service to the Eleven, going in first and always making a stand. His bowling is very fast and straight, and effective when he is fresh. In the field he is reliable anywhere, but shines most at cover point.

J. R. N. Cooke—Is a fine bat of the aggressive kind. He is a splendid hitter, almost a sure run-getter, and faster between the wickets than any other member of the Eleven. He has been the chief reliance of the Eleven in bowling, and has been very successful on every occasion. It is pretty safe to say that Cooke is the best bowler the College has yet produced.

N. F. Kerr—Is already a good bat with an excellent style. He plays carefully yet spiritedly, and makes runs quickly. He is the only one on the Eleven who cuts really well. He bowls a good medium fast ball, but has not been very successful. As a fielder he can fill any position with credit.

W. C. J. Doolittle—A promising bat, who has several times done excellent service. He plays carefully, but can hit on occasion. He should avoid stepping out to meet the ball. He has been a splendid wicket keeper, and promises to do some good bowling next season.

L. Price—Plays a careful game, but lacks hitting power. His fielding is much improved.

A. E. Dalton—Is a very promising bat, indeed. He has not made many runs, but has made several good stands when needed. He plays a good straight bat, and when his hitting power develops will be a good man. He has fielded well as long stop.

C. E. Bourne—Has a good batting style, but has not been very successful. He is a splendid fielder. He deserves great credit for his faithful practice all the season. Altogether he is a very promising player.

H. L. Hoyles—Has practiced hard and has

made a steady advance, especially in fielding.

F. W. Baldwin—Is the most promising of this year's additions to the Eleven. He bats well, fields well and bowls well for one so young. He and Bourne are the youngest members of the Eleven.

G. M. Mair—Is a careful straight bat, but does not develop his hitting power as he might. He is a clean, quick fielder in any position.

BATTING AVERAGES.

	Innings	Times Not Out.	Most in an Innings	Runs	Average
A. W. Mackenzie	13	1	103*	423	35.25
J. R. N. Cooke ...	18	0	42	307	11.50
F. W. Baldwin...	15	6	54	96	10.66
N. F. Kerr.....	18	1	28	161	9.47
R. D. Gurd.....	14	0	9	91	7.00
W. C. J. Doolittle	17	1	25	95	5.93
A. E. Dalton	17	2	14	84	5.60
Ll. Price.....	14	3	16*	53	4.81
H. L. Hoyles.....	10	3	10	31	4.42
G. M. Mair.....	15	1	12	57	4.06
C. E. Bourne.....	12	1	8	20	2.72

*Signifies not out.

BOWLING AVERAGES.

	Overs.	Mdns.	Runs.	Wkts.	Average
J. R. N. Cooke.....	166	90	301	62	4.85
A. W. Mackenzie...	139	47	200	33	6.06
W. C. J. Doolittle..	51	2	57	7	8.14
N. F. Kerr.....	81	28	139	17	8.17

THE MATCHES.

May 15th, Buffalo at home—Buffalo 24 and 28, Ridley 84. Buffalo brought only 5 men and 6 substitutes from the town, and the second team had to be procured. They had, however, some good bowlers, Mackenzie and Mair being the only ones who made a stand against them. Mackenzie hit hard and well for his 40, and at the same time played a sound defence. Mair carried his bat for 10. Won by 60 runs.

May 19th, Welland at Welland—Welland 34, Ridley 86 and 44. The wicket was very bad and high scoring impossible. Kerr 13, Cooke 17, Hoyles 10. Cooke took 5 wickets for 13 runs and Kerr 4 for 15. Won by 52 runs.

May 22nd, Hamilton at home—Hamilton 43 and 61, Ridley 73. The crease was very poor owing to the heavy rains the day before and doubtless spoiled some good scores. The College fielding was splendid. Cooke

got 3 wickets for 7 runs. Won by 30 in the first innings.

May 24th, Grimsby at Grimsby—Ridley 102, Grimsby 6 and 39. Ridley batted first and ran up the respectable score of 102. Mackenzie 32, Mr. Miller 14, Mr. Williams, Kerr and Cooke 13 each. Grimsby started in with one wicket down for 3, one of them a bye. Five wickets fell rapidly without a run being added, then came a bye, one run from the bat, two more byes, and the tenth wicket fell for a total of 6. Mackenzie took 5 wickets for 1 run and Cooke 4 for 2. The follow-on realized 39. Mackenzie's average for the match read 9 wickets for 6 runs. Won by an innings and 57.

May 29th, Buffalo at Buffalo—Buffalo 38, Ridley 74 and 19 for 9 wickets. Mackenzie being unable to go, Berry took his place. The low scoring in the 2nd innings is only partly accounted for by the fact that it was almost dark at the time. As usual everybody had a huge time. Berry 23 and Gurd 19 were the only high scores. Cooke took 4 wickets for 5 runs. Won by 36 runs.

May 29th, Welland at home—Welland 21 and 25, Ridley 49 and 80. With the exceptions of the masters, it was the Ridley 2nd team. Mr. Miller made 16 and 24, Mr. Wood 12 and 12 (not out), Gander mi 1 and 20. Won by 81 runs.

June 2nd—Grimsby at home—Ridley 90, Grimsby 17 and 50. The only Grimsby men who could do anything with Cooke's and Mackenzie's bowling were Meyer (13) and Unwin (20). For the College Mackenzie made 28 Kerr 24, Cooke 22.

June 4th—Trinity College School at Rosedale. T. C. S. won the toss and took the field. Ridley sent in Mackenzie and Doolittle to face the bowling of Hindes and Saunders. The latter was hit pretty freely from the first, his second over yielding 10 runs. Doolittle, who had been playing very carefully, was bowled with the score at 28, of which he had made 8. Kerr and Mair were quickly retired without scoring, but Cooke put together 15 before being clean bowled by Hindes. All this time Mackenzie had been playing the most careful cricket, meeting every good ball with a perfectly straight bat, and letting out vigorously at loose ones. No one else made high scores, but all contributed something and played very carefully so as to give Mackenzie time to make runs. With Baldwin last man in, and with the score at 119 Mackenzie was caught in the slips by Saunders off Syer. He had gone in

first and was out last for 69, compiled practically without a chance. T. C. S.'s bowling honors were fairly divided between Hinder and Syer, they taking 4 wickets each for 82 and 86 runs respectively. The first innings of T. C. S. realized 44 (Piercy 12), Cooke taking 5 wickets for 15, Kerr 3 for 16, Mackenzie 1 for 7. In the follow on T. C. S. compiled 59, McCoukey contributing 27 of this total in excellent style, Baldwin 10, Turner 10. Mackenzie took 4 wickets for 19, Cooke 4 for 14. Won by an innings and 16.

June 5th, Rosedale at Rosedale—Ridley 101, Rosedale 29. Rosedale had only 8 men. For the College, Mackenzie made 42, Cooke 11. Won by 72.

June 12, Upper Canada College at Home—Ridley 115 and 110, U. C. C. 98. Gurd won the toss and sent in Mackenzie and Doolittle. Hills and McLeod opened the bowling and runs came very slowly. A most determined resistance, however, was made by the batsmen, and before Doolittle was stumped the score had reached 64. After adding 2 Mackenzie was caught on a hard drive by Darling. These two batsmen had made a most useful stand, Mackenzie 36, Doolittle 25. Kerr added a well played 25, and with the score at 95 for 4 wickets it looked as if a large total might be expected, but the innings closed for 115. U. C. C. opened their innings with Hills and Malloch, the latter being clean bowled by Mackenzie in the first over. Hills was run out, and the third wicket fell for 8. Some hard and well timed hitting by Brown pulled up the score, and the two last men, Morrisson and McGaw, put on 16 runs, the innings realizing 68. Brown's 30 and McGaw's 11 were the only double figures. Mackenzie took 4 wickets for 11 runs, and Cooke 4 for 24. Ridley's second innings is chiefly remarkable for the bad start and the fine show by the tail end. With 3 of the best wickets down for 15, 4 for 29, Cooke (22), Price (16), Dalton (14) and Baldwin (14 not out) played with such spirit as to raise the score to 110. Won on the first innings by 47.

June 16th, Rosedale at home—Ridley 200 for 6 wickets, Rosedale 35. Rosedale batted first, but only the first two men reached doubles, these being Howard 15, Larkin 16, Howard going in first and being the last man out. Ridley lost the first wicket for 1 run, 2 for 35, 3 for 109. Mackenzie had given a hard chance at leg, and then he and Kerr started to put on runs very quickly, when Kerr retired for a well played 20, which included only one single. Cooke hit out merrily, and

was well set when run out for 34. The other batsmen all played a very careful game and allowed Mackenzie to carry the score to 200 for 6 wickets, he being not out with 103 to his credit. Won by 145 and 4 wickets. The next morning complimentary telegrams were received from Hal Harner, who was on the Elevens of '95 and '96; from Mr. J. E. Hall, Hon. Sec. of the Ontario Cricket Association, and also from Mr. Harold A. Wilson, presenting the best bat in his stock to Mackenzie.

June 20th, Parkdale at home—Ridley 59 and 97 for 6 wickets, Parkdale 70. Ridley's first 5 wickets realized 50 runs, and this was followed by an utter collapse of the tail end, who added only 9 more. Parkdale, who had brought about the strongest Eleven possible, managed to get 70, which was really a small score. In Ridley's second innings Cooke and Kerr let out with a will, adding 60 for the third wicket. Kerr made 28 and Cooke 42, including one 7 (two on an overthrow). Lost by 11.

June 23rd, Toronto at home—Ridley 57, Toronto 135. Toronto brought over a good Eleven, including W. H. Cooper, W. E. McMurry, A. F. R. Martin and W. R. Wadsworth. For the College Mackenzie was the only one who seemed at home with the bowling, and under the circumstances his 26 was a very fair performance. Lost by 78.

June 26, Old Boys at home—The Old Boys, captained by W. R. Wadsworth, were several men short, which was not the captain's fault. The College batted first, and ran up 159 for 8 wickets. Of these Gurd made 24 and Baldwin 54, a very creditable performance. The Old Boys totalled 60, being greatly assisted thereto by Berry (30). Invitations were issued for the Cricket At Home for this day, and a large number of visitors witnessed the game and put away water, ices, etc.

JUNIOR CRICKET.

The doings of the Juniors should not be lost sight of. They played 6 matches and won 5, the other being a tie.

The Welland Juniors, Grimsby Juniors, St. Albans' Church, Toronto, St. Thomas' Church, Toronto, all succumbed to their powers, and in most cases the defeats administered were of the most overwhelming kind.

There are some very promising Juniors, some of whom will doubtless get a place on the Eleven next year. Some of those showing promise as batsmen are Jones, Charles, Mackenzie sec, Hoyles mi, Suckling and Duggan. Gander mi, Norworthy, Smith pri and Sewell, whilst scarcely juniors, show good form, and will probably be heard from. Mackenzie sec, Suckling, Duggan, Gander mi, Smith pri, also show promise as bowlers.

THE TRINITY COLLEGE SCHOOL MATCH.

RIDLEY.	
A. W. Mackenzie, c Saunders, b Syer	60
W. C. J. Doolittle, b Hindes	8
N. Kerr, b Syer	0
G. M. Mair, c Duggan, b Syer	0
J. R. N. Cooke, b Hindes	15
R. D. Gurd, b Syer	2
A. E. Dalton, b Hindes	1
Ll. Price, run out	5
C. E. Bourne, b Syer	5
H. L. Hoyles, b Saunders	6
F. W. Baldwin, not out	6
Extras	2

UPPER CANADA COLLEGE.	
Hills, run out	3
Malloch, b Mackenzie	0
Wright, c Gurd, b Cooke	2
McLeod, c Doolittle, b Mackenzie	3
Brown, c Bourne, b Kerr	30
Myles, b Cooke	2
Lynch, b Mackenzie	1
Lownsbrough, b Cooke	0
Darling, c Dalton, b Cooke	0
Morrison, not out	6
McGaw, b Mackenzie	11
Extras	10
	68

T. C. S.—FIRST INNINGS.

Strathy, b Cooke	1
McConkey, b Kerr	7
Baldwin, c Mackenzie, b Kerr	3
Saunders, b Cooke	3
Duggan, c Hoyles, b Kerr	2
Turner, b Cooke	4
Piercy, b Ker, c Mackenzie	12
Syer, b Cooke	0
Hindes, run out	6
Taylor, b Cooke	2
Patterson, not out	1
Extras	3

T. C. S.—SECOND INNINGS.

Strathy, c Price, b Cooke	4
McConkey, run out	27
Baldwin, c Baldwin, b Mackenzie	10
Saunders, c Doolittle, b Mackenzie	0
Hindes, c and b Baldwin	0
Turner, b Cooke	10
Piercy, c Bourne, b Mackenzie	3
Syer, b Cooke	4
Duggan, b Cooke	0
Taylor, b Mackenzie	0
Patterson, not out	0
Extras	1

THE UPPER CANADA COLLEGE MATCH.

RIDLEY—FIRST INNINGS.

Mackenzie, c Darling, b Lynch	36
Doolittle, st Wright, b McLeod	25
Kerr, c Hills	25
Cooke, c Brown, b McLeod	85
Mair, b Hills	4
Gurd, b McLeod	4
Price, b Hills	1
Dalton, c Brown, b Hills	6
Baldwin, b Hills	0
Bourne, c Lownsbrough, b McLeod	2
Hoyles, not out	0
Extras	7

RIDLEY—SECOND INNINGS.

Doolittle, c Lynch, b Hills	5
Mair, c Lownsbrough, b McLeod	0
Kerr, run out	9
Mackenzie, run out	10
Cooke, b Lynch	22
Price, b Brown	16
Gurd, c Wright, b Hills	3
Dalton, c Wright, b Hills	14
Bourne, b Hills	0
Hoyles, b Hills	0
Baldwin, not out	14
Extras	17

The Playing Ground.

The success in cricket has moved our directors to level off the other half of the field at a considerable expense. There will soon be 7¼ acres of greensward as level as it is possible to make it. An additional hydrant has been put in, so that there will be no difficulty in keeping the grass green. The trees around the ground are coming on well, and there is little doubt but that we shall indisputably have the finest cricket ground in Canada.

We have many times won two matches on our own ground on the same day. On May 29th we won three in one day, but we shall now be able to win three *on our own ground* in the same day. The directors are trumps—they are even seriously considering how soon they can put a cinder track round the field.

Miscellaneous Wants, Etc.

Wanted—Something to eat. Mena Gurd.

For Sale cheap—The greatest wonder of the age—my talking shirt; warranted can be heard a block away; must have cash. H. Erswell, Poverty Flat.

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