

### BLIND BOYS PLAYING CRICKET.

A Recreation Which Most People Would Think Scarcely Possible.

A game of cricket by blind men must be a curious sight. Most people would be ready to pronounce the thing impossible, but a correspondent of the London Standard writes that the students at the College for the Blind, at Worcester, play cricket habitually, and with the utmost enthusiasm. The ball is made of wickerwork, with a bell inside, which jingles whenever the ball is touched or strikes the air. The wicket-keeper claps his hands behind the stumps to direct the bowler.

Some of the boys are so true of ear that they can hit the wicket with three balls out of six for several times running. They can pitch the ball so as to make it bound upon the wicket from any desired spot with a fair degree of certainty. Frequently a batsman is put out, while making a run, by the wicket-keeper's clapping, and hitting the wicket from a distance of twenty or thirty yards.

It is easier to gauge the distance of a stationary sound than to predict the movements of a ball coming toward you, and consequently the batting of these sightless cricketers is inferior to their bowling and throwing.

Most of the players retire for only one or two runs, some continue to pile up eight or nine, but a score of more than fifty is rare, except in the case of one boy, who often puts together seventy or eighty off his own bat. He has no means of telling the whereabouts of a ball, except the jingle of the bell, which is heard when the ball leaves the bowler's hand, and again when it touches the ground.

It is the rule of the game for the bowler to cry "play" at the same instant that he delivers the ball, and this blind champion observes the degree of vigor with which the "play" is called, and judges the swiftness of the ball accordingly.

I remember an amusing game played after dark one night between the blind boys and some seeing friends. The seeing side made a poor show. They ran into each other, missed the ball, and then had to grope and grope for it hopelessly in the grass. Their bowling was erratic, and their batting was nowhere.

The match ended in an easy victory for the blind collegians.

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### HOUSEHOLD DECORATIONS.

Some of the Latest Fads That Are Unique in Design and Combination.

Some of the latest fads in room decorations are very unique in design and combination. The time when drawing rooms looked like junk shops, and we felt like calling "Rags, bottles!" each time one of the aesthetic crazed homes was entered, has passed. A laudable craze for the artistic has followed, and merit as well as age must place the value on everything. Draperies, always graceful and pretty, are again in demand, and the old time art of needlework bids fair to be revived.

Eastern draperies are in high favor, and the soft blending of colors renders them harmonious with furniture of all kinds and colors.

Constantinople scarfs of old rose silk worked in dull gold threads have a tarnished but artistically antique look that makes them seem valuable. They form pretty draperies for tables and mantel corners.

Hindoo embroidery in solferino, cream, gold and black is used for couch antimacassars and cushion covers with odd but desirable effect.

Old Roman scarfs are again the rage for picture drapery, and in the cases of picture frames clashing with the color of the walls back of them the scarfs form a double use—that of separating the offending colors and serving also as a fashionable drapery.

Florentine applique on the plush makes rather heavy drapery, but is much used on heavy furniture. The handwork on some of these table covers and scarfs is very beautiful, and the price is accordingly high.

Large bows of cream and pink crepe de Chine trimmed with small, finely cut steel beads, make pretty decorations for cabinets, brackets or stands.

Gobelin potteries with heavy brass handles, made in old Greek shapes and painted in queer and fanciful designs, are among the latest novelties, or rather the latest revivals of old designs.

Jardinieres of pale red Egyptian ware are filled with living ferns, and have fern designs of the same color and pattern painted on the outside, as if the natural ferns drooped over the edge of the jardiniere. The intention of this painted pattern is to appear so like the natural ferns that at a distance the distinction between nature and art cannot be defined.

Pictures of tabled subjects, framed in white and silver, make fantastic ornaments for walls. They are principally in black and white engravings, though occasionally in oils or water colors.

Fishing scenes, with colored silk nets tied with bright ribbons draped across one corner of each; hunting scenes, with silver whips, riding length, crossed at the bottom of the frame; casels, holding boat scenes, are made of hard wood oars, with gilded oar locks that support the picture.

The indiscriminate use of fans for wall decoration is a thing of the past.—N. Y. Press.

### A Woman's Pocket-Book.

"I read in today's paper that a pocket-book had been left here by some one who had found it, and I called to ask about it; I have lost mine," said a New York woman in a newspaper office the other day.

"Yes, ma'am," replied the clerk in attendance. "Will you please describe the contents of the pocket-book you lost?"

"Well, now—let me see. I think I can name everything that was in my purse. There was a dollar bill, two ten-cent pieces, one or two nickels, two or three coppers, some postage stamps, some silk samples, a small sample of yellow floss, a pearl-handled glove-buttoner, a little poem entitled 'Baby's Bath,' a recipe for sweet pickles, a lock of baby's hair, a car ticket, a sample of torchon lace, a memorandum of things I wanted to get, a row of pins, a funny little joke out from a newspaper, a small pearl button, a brass tag, several addresses, a tiny lead pencil, a Canadian dime with a hole in it, a small rubber eraser, a railroad time-card, an advertisement of a bargain sale of handkerchiefs, a pressed violet in a bit of tissue paper, a sample of dress braid, and five or six other little things that I can't—Oh, thank you! yes, that's my pocket-book."

And the pocket-book he handed her was just three and a half inches long by two and a half wide, and half an inch thick.—Puck.

### Kept His Creditor's Money, Too.

Collector—This week you will have to pay me something on account. Last week you said that you couldn't pay me anything. Dude—Well, didn't I keep my word?—Siftings.

### A "Person," Not a Gentleman.

Husband (on return from office)—Was there a gentleman here to see me today, dear?

Wife—A man called with a bill. H.—I asked if a gentleman had called to see me.—Boston Courier.

### ASSESSORS' NOTICE.

THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS OF TAXES for the City of Saint John, in the present year, hereby require all persons liable to be rated, forthwith to furnish to the Assessors,

True Statements of all their Real Estate, Personal Estate and Income,

and hereby give notice that Blank Forms, on which statements may be furnished under the City Assessment Law, can be obtained at the office of the Assessors, and that such statements must be perfected under oath, and filed in the office of the Assessors within THIRTY DAYS from the date of this notice.

Dated this first day of April, A. D., 1890.  
WM. F. BUNTING, Chairman, Assessors.  
JOHN WILSON, Assessor.  
URIAH DRAKE, Assessor.  
RICHARD FARMER, Assessor.

Extracts from "The St. John City Assessment Act of 1889."

SEC. 118.—"The Assessors shall ascertain, as nearly as possible, the particulars of the real estate, the personal estate and the income of any person who has not brought in a statement in accordance with their notice and as required by this law, and shall make an estimate thereof, at the true value and amount to the best of their information and belief; and such estimate shall be conclusive upon all persons who have not filed their statements in due time, unless they can show a reasonable excuse for the omission."

SEC. 138.—"No person shall have an abatement unless he has filed with the Assessors the statement, under oath, within the time herebefore required; nor shall the Common Council in any such case sustain an appeal from the judgment of the Assessors unless they shall be satisfied that there was good cause why the statement was not filed in due time, as herein provided." 4-6-1m.

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### Bismarck's Physician.

A physician should be, like the Great Physician, "no respecter of persons." When the eminent London specialist, Sir Morell Mackenzie, was called to prescribe for the late Emperor Frederick of Germany, fears were expressed lest the rank of the patient might so affect the physician as to disturb his judgement; whereupon an English medical journal paid him the high compliment of saying that Doctor Mackenzie would look into the Emperor's throat with eyes as clear, as cold and as discerning as if it were the throat of a Billingsgate fish-wife.

Doctor Schwenger, the trusted physician of Prince Bismarck, is also a doctor who is unaffected by the rank of his patient. His specialty is obesity, which he treats with such success that his patients flock to Berlin from all parts of Europe.

The chancellor tried mineral springs and other remedies to reduce his flesh, and having found them useless, sent for Dr. Schwenger, then a young man of 34. The doctor, indifferent to the patient's rank and prestige, coolly put him through an exhaustive professional examination. Bismarck is fond of asking questions, but does not like to answer them. He became impatient, then irritable, and finally declared he would not answer another question.

"Very well," calmly replied the cool physician. "But if you do not want to be questioned, you had better send for a veterinary."

The audacity of the young doctor caused the chancellor to remain dumb for a moment; then he grimly said, "If you are as skillful as you are impertinent, young man, you must be a great physician."—Youth's Companion.

### That Timber Would Be Close Grained.

Farnam—Grouch is the stingiest man in college.

Lawrence—Yes, he's mean enough to take the beam out of his own eye, if he thought he could sell the timber.—Yale Record.

### So Much is Certain.

"Do you believe that money talks, as the old proverb says?"

"I never heard money talk, but I've travelled with it and found it to be mighty good company."

### A Reproach from the Grave.

A codicil— \* \* \* I bequeath to my faithful valet, Philip, 2,000 empty wine bottles, the contents of which he emptied during my lifetime.—Ex.

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ON and after MAY 5, the Steamers of this Company will leave Saint John for Eastport, Portland and Boston, every MONDAY, WEDNESDAY and FRIDAY mornings, at 7.25, standard.

RETURNING will leave Boston same days at 8.30 a. m., standard, and Portland at 5.00 p. m. for Eastport and Saint John.

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### FIRST TRIP OF THE SEASON.

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STEAMER "MAY QUEEN," C. W. BRANNEN, Master, will leave her wharf, Indian town, for Gagetown and Jemseg, calling at intermediate points (as permitting), on MONDAY, WEDNESDAY and FRIDAY MORNINGS, at 9 o'clock, local time.

Returning will leave Jemseg on TUESDAY, THURSDAY and SATURDAY MORNINGS, until opening of navigation to Grand Lake and Salmon River.

All on Freight must be prepaid, unless when accompanied by owners, in which case it can be settled for on board.

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WM. MCULKIN, Agent at Indian town.

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G. MABEE, Manager.

### Equity Sale.

There will be sold at Public Auction, at Clubb's corner (so called), on the corner of Prince William and Prince streets, in the City of Saint John, on SATURDAY, the twenty-first day of June next, at the hour of Twelve o'clock, noon, pursuant to a Decree of the Supreme Court in Equity made on Monday, the Twentieth day of January, A. D. 1890, in a cause therein pending, wherein Henry Anthony is plaintiff, and Robert McArdle and Mary McArdle his wife, and Joseph Dalzell, William Anthony and John Anthony, as Trustees of the Temperance Association known as the Bay View Lodge, No. 54, of the Independent Order of Good Templars, and the Sisters of Charity of the Diocese of Saint John, New Brunswick, are defendants; and by amendment wherein Henry Anthony, plaintiff, and Robert McArdle and Mary McArdle his wife, and the Sisters of Charity of the Diocese of Saint John, New Brunswick, defendants, with the approbation of the undersigned, a referee in equity, the hereinbefore mentioned LOT OF LAND, described in the said order as:

"ALL that certain piece or parcel of Land, situated 'at lying and being at Red Head, so called, 'Parish of Simonds, in the County of St. John aforesaid, bounded and described as follows, to wit: 'Beginning at a birch stake, on the northern side 'of a public road leading westerly from the main 'road from St. John to Mispick, the said road being 'laid out along the southern side of the boundary 'line between Lots (8) eight and nine (9) of the 'grant to Richard Walker and others, and the birch 'stake, being on the eastern side of a tract of land 'reserved for a public landing; going thence along 'the northern side of the aforesaid road north 'seventy-five degrees east (N 75° E) by the magnet 'of the year 1785; crossing the Mispick road and 'continuing along the division line between Lots (8) 'and nine (9) the western extremity of a tract of 'land conveyed by Thomas McGuire and Catherine 'his wife, to Robert McArdle on the 27th day of 'December, 1866; thence by the magnet of the year '1866 north thirty degrees east (N 30° E) along the 'western line of this land, the line of division be- 'tween Lots seven (7) and eight (8); thence south 'seventy-five degrees west (S 75° W) by the 'magnet of the year 1785 to the shore of the Bay of 'Fundy; thence southeasterly along the shore to 'the before mentioned public landing; and thence 'southerly by the eastern boundary of the public 'landing to the place of beginning,' containing 'Two Hundred Acres more or less.

For terms of sale and other particulars apply to the plaintiff's solicitor.

Dated this 24th day of February, 1890.

HUGH H. MCLEAN, Referee on Equity.

CHARLES DOHERTY, Plaintiff's Solicitor.

T. T. LANTALUM, Auctioneer.

### RAILWAYS.

### NEW BRUNSWICK RAILWAY.

"ALL RAIL LINE" TO BOSTON, &c.

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Commencing April 7, 1890.

PASSENGER TRAINS WILL LEAVE INTER COLONIAL RAILWAY Station, St. John, at 16.15 a. m.—Flying Yankee for Bangor, Portland, Boston, etc.; Fredericton, St. Stephen, St. Andrews, Houlton, Woodstock and points North.

"BUFFET PARLOR CAR ST. JOHN TO BANGOR.

18.55 a. m.—Accommodation for Bangor, Portland, Boston, etc.; Fredericton, St. Stephen, St. Andrews, Houlton and Woodstock.

4.10 p. m.—Fast Express, via "Short Line," for Montreal, Ottawa, Toronto and the West, Houlton and Woodstock.

CANADIAN PACIFIC SLEEPING CAR TO MONTREAL.

14.45 p. m.—Express for Fredericton and intermediate points.

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Woodstock at 16.00, 11.40 a. m.; 18.30 p. m.

Houlton at 16.00, 11.40 a. m.; 18.30 p. m.

St. Stephen at 17.46, 19.40, 11.55 a. m.; 12.20 p. m.

St. Andrews at 16.30 a. m.

Federicton at 16.05, 11.20 a. m.; 13.20 p. m.

Arriving in St. John at 15.45, 18.45 a. m.; 11.15, 12.20, 17.00 p. m.

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18.10 a. m. for Fairville and West.

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