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Katchewanoonka Herald

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Notice

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Articles to be sent on or before Friday Evening and directed to Mess'rs Allen & Beatty.

Katchewanook Herald

We Have received by telegraphic despatch the news of the opening of the Parisian Exhibition. This noble work has at last been finished and adds new lustre to the crown of Louis Napoleon for the noble manner in which he has carried it out, whilst Europe is shaken by a great and destructive war, & the nations of France and England are battering down the walls of Sebastopool. It is now open for visitors who are enabled to see the produce of the North, South, East, & West, and the riches of the East West Hemispheres under one roof where the Italian & Turk, Indian and White man can meet together in friendly competition vying with each other in the costliness & variety of their goods. To have completed this scheme must have been a work of trouble and anxiety, the dividing to every nation in the World, her allowance of [] to exhibit her treasures & manufactures & the satisfying the wants & demands of the Commissioners, sent by each of these nations to see after their their several departments. Therefore great credit ought to be given to the Emperor for his perseverance in this great work by which the commerce of Europe will be enhanced

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and her arts and sciences brought to greater perfection.

Mr. Editor -

All work and no play makes Jack a dull boy is a saying I expect we have all heard in our younger days when wanting to ask for a release from our studies for a day, perhaps oftener than when arrived at a mature age, but I think it is not in the least to be less attended to in the former than in the latter, for there is no doubt that that man that works day after day, year after year, from daylight till dark is not happier or better off than the man who will now & then give himself a holiday, by doing which he returns to his work with more spirit & pluck in him. The former is always a miserable man, for at times he cannot avoid losing a day or so & then he will whine & complain over it as a miser would at losing his gold, for he is in fact a miser & what more miserable being can you have. Let not any person suppose that I am advocating idleness, far from it, & now young men of Douro right glad am I to see that you have got up the noble game of cricket for the ensuing summer; you may depend if you join one another in the Evening in a good natured quiet game, you will be Happier & merrier for it, but still young men, as you are doing at present, do not you think you are something like juvenile misers. Could not one half day or even a whole day be spared. Working from 6 in the morning till 6 in the Evening and then going out to make a ground, is making a toil of what should be a pleasure, and those useful but hard used animals, the oxen, who after having worked hard all day naturally expect to be let go when the day is done, but are intensely disgusted to find that they have to go and make a cricket ground which they feel no interest in, not being players. Although myself, the same as the oxen, no player, I am aware that a ground is necessary & you may depend you would do more in one day than twenty Evenings, for in the Evening after you have done your days work, a man will, let him be ever so eager for it, feel that he is, as I said before, just making a toil of a pleasure. I will conclude with that very excellent Motto from Virgil which just fits the subject.

Illie, ut perhibent, aut intempesta silet nox.

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Mr. Editor -

I cannot Help writing to you although I am aware that it is not considered correct for one of my sex to appear in print, poor Weak Creatures as we are. But How one of the Lords of the Creation & Him an Englishman as he signed Himself in your last very able Paper, can write as if there was no other Man in the world, much more in England than the present Emperor of the French, I am ashamed of him, he can be

no true Englishman, rather than see such a man at the Head of English Men & Women, I would myself put on the Breeches and I believe from what experience I have had in managing, my better Half as they like to call themselves I would get on just as well as he would, of course as becoming my sex I should have been sorry to have seen Him with a bullet through his head, but as long as there are Englishmen in the World and although last not least, Englishwomen, never let me hear of their being no other man than Napoleon, yours truly Mr. Editor.

An Englishwoman disgusted with an Englishman.

We have received the following letter & being unable to throw any light on the subject We insert it Hoping to receive some Elucidation of the term next Week -

Mr. Editor -

May I trouble you through the medium of your widely circulated and ably conducted journal to enlighten me on the derivation of the word, (Ram Pike).

Delta

Charade

If from my first you should chop of its head
You had better not play its remains
For those who have tried it, I know its been said
Have oft got a tweak for their pains.

My next [] flat, [] low, dry, [] is found
Os various hues throughout the earth, appearing

My whole I am sure you'll [] renowned
In Upper Douro Clearing.

The answer to this will appear in our next number.

Advertisement

All persons are hereby warned that I will not be answerable for any debts incurred by my wife, E[] Susanna Barlee.

F. Barlee June 7th / 55

Situation Wanted

By a young man who has been 14 for the last four years, not being strong, hard work would not do, but light work would suit best, Wages

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not so much consequence as having but little to do. Direct to this office. XXX

For Sale

An Excellent cooking stove large size & all complete, second hand. Will be sold cheap, the owner wishing to get rid of it. May be seen on the premises of the subscriber.

F. Barlee.

Robertsons Temperance Emporium

Mr. Robertson begs to announce to the nobility & gentry of Douro & its neighborhood that he has received a large & extensive assortment of summer drinks, comprising the following essences, lemon, ginger, peppermint, etc. He has also soda water, lemon Kali, & lime juice which last is considered by the faculty, especially beneficial in purifying the blood & preserving the health during the hot summer. Mr. R. has fitted up his saloon with every luxury regardless of expense considering the comfort of his customers of most consequence & hopes that by close attention to business to retain that support with which he has been long favoured.

Douro June 9th / 55

We beg to insert the following beautiful lines, written by a young gentleman inspired with a fit of Poetic sentiment.

Here in this Bunk resteth a young "Wusser"
Well known on board as our good ships Pusser
In this abode at night time might be found
The Pusser, perchance asleep. Perhaps sleeping sound
But in what part to me would prove a riddle
It might be top or bottom or the middle
Thus might you judge his was no giant frame
Small was his stature though no doubt tall his [game]
Nobly in person, good tempered, fond of joking
but given to liquor & to [] deck []
On Monday morning see him at his station
Dealing impartially to every grade & nation
Their share of flour, rice, sugar, plus, etcetera
No other pusser could have done it better
But so small's my subject that I've nearly []
and you'll believe I speak the truth no doubt
If I tell you I'll be uncommon pleased
When of his arduous duties he is eased
Not that He should lose his situation

But that our voyage had reached its termination
And if in London we should catch him out
The cry shall be, Pusser, won't you shout.

To lend - to spend - and to give in
This is a very good World we live in
But to Beg - to borrow - or to get a man's []
It is the worst World that ever was known.

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What is Courage -

Courage is a moral principal - it is not inbred, it is the result of thought, of investigation, of reflection, the instincts of nature do not teach courage. To be truly courageous the mind must be a well regulated one. It must be aware of danger, it must judge correctly what is to be [] and be alive to every difficulty if convinced of the rightness of the cause it arms itself accordingly and regardless of all consequences it meets the adversary whether moral or phisical with an unflinching []. It is potent in exertion, fertile in resources and decides upon overcoming at all hazards and at all risks. True Courage is not to be excited by false [], it has for its foundation truth and reason; Daring is often called Courage. It may partake of its character but Daring will lead to bold actions from unworthy motives. Daring is the child of ambition, the parent of rashness. True courage is forbearing and generous, when obedience is duty, it is blind persevering, steadfast, and uncompromising. It is one of the most admirable sentiments of the human heart. It may exist where physical strength gives little or no assistance but then its influence is effective in stimulating, in directing, in aiding, and supporting. The courageous mind is modest and unobtrusive but it has trained itself to be ever on the alert. At any instant its perceptions are quick, its resolutions decided, its energies vigerous. Forethought has prepared it for every trial, and presence of mind is the channel through which its usefulness is ever ready to flow. Courage calls forth all the force and power of intellectual as well as phisical nature. It exalts and enobles the character, it renders the steps of manhood firm and steady, it traces the [] of age, and with faith for its basis, it leads the dying soul to look calmly to the hope that is set before it.
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If you wanted a boat to go on rapidly what township would you call out to the men - Answer - Douro (Do-row)

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Sporting Intelligence -
Pixatory -

The fishing season is very rapidly approaching, therefore I would recommend all the young men of Lakefield who appreciate this noble pastime to lose no time in preparing suitable tackling for the occasion. Fishing in my humble opinion, is a very great recreation after a hard days toil, setting aside the amusement obtained from angling. It's also a most lucrative occupation in this part of the country and often most necessary as regards sustenance, fresh provisions not being over abundant at this time of the year. I remain yours Mr. Editor - A keen Sportsman.

We have heard from a Correspondent whose information we can rely on, that the mosquito Hawk season has commenced, and that already two of our keenest sportsmen have been at them, and from the bag they obtained between them, we should imagine that our sporting friends will this year have not reason to complain of the want of birds.

Advertisements

Try Macgregors cooling salve. It is the most delightful and soothing remedy, that gentlemen and Ladies, troubled with irritation of the skin can use, And has been highly recommended by the Nobility and Gentry of Scotland. To be had of all chemists in Canada.

For Sale

A large quantity of superior lumber of all kinds, now lying at the village of Lakefeild. - Apply at this office.

Fearful Perpetration

Mr. Editor -

Feeling certain that your valuable paper is not an advocate for murder, if you happen to have a spare corner, perhaps you will make the following as public as possible, as the best means of stopping such a vile attempt (which was nearly the death of me) for the future. Whilst taking a quiet stroll by the light of the silvery moon, my attention was suddenly arrested by the sound of Hurried footsteps rapidly approaching. I had scarcely time to turn, when a creature scarcely Human (as the sequel will prove) was by my side, when with a suddenness that nearly made me jump out of my boots, he clutched me by the arm, and yelled with an unearthly scream in my trembling ear, whilst pointing with his long lank finger towards the clearing "Pray, sir, Why has the house of Mr. Beatty the greatest attraction for young Bachelors, of any in the Clearing." With a trembling voice I meekly answered, "Please sir I don't know."

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When with an imperturbable countenance he exclaimed, Because Sir, he has always a Miss ([]) residing with him!!!. I only hope that Mr. Beatty will riddle the villain's body with bullets when he catches him for this base attempt.

Yours
Old Chunk

An Evening Stroll

For exercise I [] in the woods did stray
Jumping the logs both firm & rotten,
but green as these said woods of course I lost my way,
and lo' a pretty fix I got in
Thro fearful swamps I ran, till I could run no more,
With falls and blows most badly mauled,
tired, dried up with thirst, perspiring at every pore
to a kind House at length I crawled
and then with dreadful thirst too dreadful to be named,
Worn out, I must have died of thirst I think
But for "Robertson's Emporium" far famed
For every cool refreshing drink.

Bankrupts

We are sorry to inform our readers that the extensive and well known firm of Mess'rs Allen & Strickland, Ice Merchants, Lakefield, has failed, liabilities not as yet known, but we feel sure that they will do their utmost to meet their difficulties in an Honourable manner.

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England has now been over a year at war with Russia & has not as yet obtained one advantage of any importance although she has gained some great Battles which have added fresh lustre to her name but have not been of any vital importance in arriving at that great end for which both England and France have united their arms, this is the reduction of the Power of Russia, whose late Czar by his ambition, disturbed the tranquility of Europe & spilt the blood of thousands. It is sincerely to be hoped that something will be done shortly, both by the Army in the Crimea & the great fleet now sent out to the Baltic, to reduce the despotic Power and keep it within Bounds. Nothing is more likely in our minds to accomplish this object than the Bombardment & taking of the two greatest & strongest seaports, Sebastopol & Croustadt & this the daring & bravery of our soldiers & sailors will effect, if only led on by experienced Commanders - Then in the words of that Beautiful & national song.

If all unite as once they did

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To keep that flag unfurled
Old England may with safety bid,
Defiance to the World,
But fast would flow a Nation's tears
If lawless hands should seize
The flag that's [] a thousand years
The Battle and the Breeze

Answer to Charade in our last Paper

Strickland

Fashionable Arrivals

Vincent Mutius Clementi, Esq'r, Peterborough

John [Nanggon], Esq'r, Rice Lake

Mr. Editor

Allow me through the medium of your valuable paper to propose a slight alteration in the present way of Cricket in the Evenings. At present we go down about seven o'clock when the oldsters go in, which is undoubtedly right, by the rule of Seniores priores. They stay in till about eight when it is too dark for playing, then they say, "oh let the others go in, so as they cannot see well themselves, they kindly allow the youngsters to go in, for what, not to play as it is too dark to see the ball, but to be bowled at. Now as these were fagging out all the Evening for the Elders I do not think it is quite fair that they should be shuffled off in this manner. What I propose is this, let every one have ten balls whether he is out or not, as then, all will have the same chance. Hoping this may soon be looked to, I remain
Sir

Your Ob't Ser't
A lover of the game
A youngster

Cricket

We understand that a [] Cricket match will come off on the 26th of this month between the Metcalf & Peterborough clubs assisted by some of our Douro players. We are sure that it will be well attended by all lovers of that noble game.

Marriage in high life

On dit, that the the gallant F - K, R - S, B - Y, will shortly lead to
the hymeneal altar the lovely and accomplished M - y, B - e, W - n.

He was short of news, that told his Father was hanged

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Crimea

From our own Correspondent

We are still going on out Here much as usual, a sortie or two every
night, a few men knocked on the head on each side, but no real
advantage gained on either side. Nothing will be done untill the
Allies entirely invest Sebastopol, which might easily be done by
making forced marches round by Perokop and driving the Russians from
there into the sea, then taking the northern forts and turning them
against the southern. But really the Commanders out here are so
imbecile and conceited that they will not take any sensible plan like
this, but continue poking on in the same way that they have been doing
ever since we landed.

A Dream

Me thought I passed a gloomy prisoners cell
with iron grating dull & drear
A place that could many sad and stories tell
and fill the mind with awe & fear

I paused, I looked, I saw a felon there
chained were his hands, & chained his feet
No vice was in his face, but a cold stare
that spoke of feeling sore & deep.

His age might be some three score years & ten
His hair was nearly silvered []
Quite passive was his mien - but now & then
A groan burst from the hearts full core

Me, thought, two figures stood beside his bed
One, viewed him with a fearful frown
He was of Kingly form, erect his head
encircled by an iron crown

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His robe of scarlett round him loosely flowed
the Balances on one hand lay
and in the other a two-edg'd sword, told
"vengeance is mine I will repay"

but - stretched that [] when voice of thunder spoke
Thy cup with anguish shall be mixed
Thou hast, the Holy-one's commandment broke,
"Yes thou shalt die, - thy doom is fixed."

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Haut Ton

We understand that the state apartments at Reydon Cottage have been undergoing a thorough repair, for the reception of the gallant Major S & his Bride & Suite, they will be thrown open for the inspection of the Public for two days consecutively the ensuing week. We hope the inhabitants of the neighborhood will all join in giving a hearty welcome to that Lady who has left Home, friends, & relations to assist by her bright Prescence in cheering the hearth of a settler in the Forest Glade.

Unmarried life by an Ex Collegian

I had just finished my studies at College, & thinking that I ought to see a little of the World, I set out on the top of the Coach for London, intending to cross over to la belle France, when the circumstances which I am about to relate put an end to my travelling. I arrived safely in London & found all my friends well. My Host was an old man of sixty though still Hale and stout. His family consisted of a wife, only son, & two amiable daughters. Fanny the eldest was just turned so she was not what you might call Pretty though good looking with dark hair while Amy the youngest had blue eyes, light flaxen hair, delicately chiseled lips & a fine delicate neck -

To be continued in our next

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There is nothing that pleases my fancy more,
In my forest stroll at the Evening Hour
When the Wren rallies her nestlings four,
Than to see her mate flying from bower to bower
Like a wounded bird limping & Hopping around
to keep you from searching, where her nest might be found