HOCKEY SEASON IN FULL BLAST

St. George's Intermediates Tied With Peterboro Seniors.

MATCHES ON TO-NIGHT

Opening Games in the Big Eastern Organization Have Surprises.

EXHIBITION MATCHES.

St. George's (Toronto) 10, Peterboro 10.
South Parkdale B., 9, Excelsiors H. 6.

W. O. H. A. MATCH.
—Senior.—
Galt 3, Ayr 2.

C. A. H. L. MATCHES.
—Senior.—
Victorias (Montreal) 3, Montreal 2.
Ottawa 5, Quebec 1.

WESTERN CANADA H. A.
—Intermediate—
Victoria (Winnipeg) 6, Carberry 4.
Rat Portage 7, Portage la Prairie 5.

The supreme sport in Canada now is hockey, and the season is on in earnest. Saturday night the St. George's, the Toronto intermediate team, went to Peterboro and played a tie with the senior team of that town. This is where the championship Wellingtons will open the championship senior series on Wednesday night. It looks as if the Iron Dukes should run up a big score on the Otanbee team. George McKay will captain the team, and if "Pussy" Daring does not turn out the team will be the same as played at Barrie, with Irving Ardagh at point, Smart at cover, Ort. Morrison at goal, and Worden, Hill, and Chadwick supporting McKay on the forward line.

In the W.O.H.A. on Saturday Galt defeated Ayr by a narrow margin, Ayr promises a reverse when Galt goes to that town.

The Canadian Amateur Hockey League, in which they fancy they play the fastest hockey in the world, began business Saturday with games at Ottawa and Montreal. The Ottawa and Montreal Victoria teams were victorious, but both by small scores. The champion Shamrocks had an off night.

Out west there were a couple of games in the Western Canada Hockey Association. The following games are scheduled for to-night.

O.H.A. FIXTURES.
—Intermediate
Newmarket at Collingwood.
London at Stratford
Sarnia at Tilbury
—Junior—
Cobourg at Belleville
Waubaushene at Coldwater.
Woodstock at London

LACROSSE-HOCKEY LEAGUE.
—Senior—
Simcoe v. Old Orchard, Old Orchard Rink
—Junior.—
Wellesleys v. Marlboros, Grand Central Rink.

NEW JUNIOR O.H.A. SCHEDULE.

Owing to the Victoria O.A.C. team of Guelph having dropped out of the junior O.H.A. series, a meeting was held at Woodstock for the revision of the schedule. The district now comprises London, Woodstock, Stratford, and the Wellingtons of Guelph, and the schedule as revised is as follows:

Jan. 1—Woodstock v. Wellingtons.
Jan. 7—London v. Woodstock.
Jan. 9—Wellingtons v. Stratford
Jan. 14—Stratford v. Woodstock.
Jan. 14—Wellingtons v. London.
Jan. 18—Woodstock v. Stratford.
Jan. 21—London v. Wellingtons.
Jan. 24—Wellingtons v. Woodstock.
Jan. 25—London v. Stratford.
Jan. 28—Stratford v. London.
Feb. 5—Woodstock v. London
Feb. 5—Stratford v. Wellingtons.

The first-named place is where the game will be played.

GALT WON A CLOSE GAME.

Galt, Jan. 5.—Galt met Ayr here to-night, playing and winning its first scheduled hockey match in the W.O.H.A. championship series. The visitors were easily twenty pounds heavier than the locals, but were inferior in speed. Indeed, had it not been for Ayr's goalkeeper, who is a dandy, Galt would have won by a much larger score than they did. At half time each team had two goals to its credit, but in the last few minutes Galt scored its third goal, with Ayr unable to tie. It was pretty fast hockey and from a Galt standpoint entirely satisfactory. Owing to the rather cramped condition of the rink, Ayr's weight heavily handicapped the Galt forwards, but, though lighter, the latter were like lightning and counteracted Ayr's advantage. Galt's goals were made by Deeton and Preston, the latter scoring twice. McQueen, whose shots are of a gatling gun order, did some clean-cut work. These three, with Dietrich, are, for their age, one of the fastest forward lines in the business. Galt's defence is strong. The teams were

Galt (3): Goal, Scott; point, Moss, cover point, Twalts, forwards, Dietrich, Deeton, Preston, and McQueen.

Ayr (2): Goal, Watson, point, Robson cover point, Chalk, forwards, Deagan, Willison, Gordon, and Malone.

VICTORIAS BEAT MONTREAL.

Montreal, Jan. 6.—The opening Canadian Amateur Hockey League championship match of the season, which was played at the Arena on Saturday evening between the Victorias and Montrealers, resulted in an unexpected victory for the Victorias by 3 games to 2. Both teams were even enough to keep the excitement at fever heat until the call of time. But the Victorias played with the most combination and science. In the first half the game looked all Montreal. The Victorias played largely on the defensive and at the call of half-time the score stood 2 to 1 in favor of Montreal. But in the second half combination began to tell. The Victorias assumed the aggressive and after a while it was evident that they had Montreal cornered. The team work of the Victorias was far ahead of that of Montreal, and with the assistance of a couple of lucky flukes this insured them the victory. The teams lined out as follows:

Montreal (2): W. Nicholson, goal; H. Smith, point; R. Boon (captain), cover point; W. Christmas, D. Smith, C. Liffiton, and R. Howard, forwards.

Victorias (3): F. Munroe, goal; W. Strachan, point; H. Yulle, cover point; R. Bowle (captain), B. Russell, A. Locke, and E. Stuart, forwards.

QUEBEC LOST AT OTTAWA.

Ottawa, Jan. 6.—The Ottawa hockey team defeated the Quebec seven here Saturday night by a score of five goals to four. It was the opening match in Ottawa of the senior series of the Canadian Amateur Hockey League. The game was close and hard, but it was by no means a first-class exhibition. There was considerable swiping, and slashing, and rough work, and several times the referee had to rule off offending players. Neither was the game very fast. Both the Ottawas and the Quebecs lacked in combination work, and most of the scoring was done as a result of individual efforts. Looseness of play was pretty apparent throughout. The Quebeckers' defence men seemed weak and slow, but occasionally they kept the Ottawas from scoring by bunching in front of the goal. The Quebec forwards lacked the ability to work together, and their defeat may be attributed largely to this failure. Off-side work was frequent. In the first half Ottawa scored four games and Quebec two, and in the second half Ottawa got one goal and Quebec two. Towards the end of the second half the Quebec men worked harder and more energetically. For the Ottawas, W. Duval, at cover point, put up a splendid game, and J. Smith did good work on the forward line. On the Quebec side, Stanley, Gillespie, and the two Stuarts played well. The Stuarts belonged to the Ottawa team last winter. About 1,000 people attended the game. The teams were:

Ottawa (5): Goal, B. Hutton; point, J. McGee, cover point, W. Duval, forwards, J. Smith, H. Westwick, M. Roger, and H. Henry.

Quebec (1): Goal, F. S. Stocking; point, C. Cahill, cover point, Hod. Stuart, forwards, E. Hogan, J. Gillespie, Bruce Stuart, C. Stanley.

Referee—Arthur Farrell, Shamrocks, Montreal. Umpires—Fred Booth, Ottawa; W. J. Banks, Quebec.

THE CAPITALS WILL BE STRONG.

Ottawa, Jan. 7.—The Capital hockey team are in good shape for their game against the Queen's seven of Kingston, in the Rideau Rink to-morrow night, and the local men will put up a hard contest against the visiting students. They will make a big bid to come out on top in the senior series of the Ontario Hockey Association. The team to meet Queen's has not yet been selected. Eddie Murphy will likely play in goal, Bert McDonald at point, and W. Starrs or O'Leary cover-point. For the forward line a choice will be made from among H. O'Connor, P. Murphy, P. Devine, W. Ralph, P. McStravick, W. Sparks, and J. Kimpton.

QUEEN'S TEAM FOR TO-MORROW.

Kingston, Jan. 7.—To-morrow night Queen's University hockey team will play the first game of the season at Ottawa against the Capitals of that city. The game will be witnessed by the Governor-General and suite, and a large number of men of political fame. Captain Dalton, like Richard III., is "himself again," having fully recovered from his sprained ankle, which he received while playing football last fall. He will be in his old place at center forward. Dr. "Jock" Harty will be in line again and will be "Gunty's" steady company at center forward. The speedy Walkem and the sturdy Clarke will hold down the wings. Merrill will be the cover point. Guy Curtis will probably play at point, and "Bobby" Hiscock will guard the posts. The team is considered strong this season.

INTERNATIONAL GAMES.

Montreal, Jan. 7.—It is stated in local hockey circles that negotiations have been going on for some time between the Montreal and Victoria senior hockey clubs on one hand and the management of the St. Nicholas Rink, New York, on the other, for the purpose of making arrangements whereby both teams may visit the American metropolis during the present winter and play exhibition games with the crack teams of New York district. It is also learned from the same source that in all probability the St. Nicholas hockey team of New York will in return visit Montreal and play with the local teams. The Ottawa club, it is understood, will also be invited to cross the border.

FREE HOCKEY IN BOSTON.

Boston, Jan. 7.—James B. Shea of the park department has taken advantage of the cold snap to prepare skating surfaces for the hockey players at different parks in the park system. A number of rinks have been laid out, of regulation size, with movable goal posts and sidelines, the latter of 10-inch plank, the idea being that when the ice becomes cut up the rink may be moved to fresh ice and the old surface scraped and put in condition for play once more. The rinks have electric lights, so that games may be played at night.

PICKINGS FROM PUCK.

—Hamilton papers say the Hamilton club's defence is weak.

—Mr. E. P. Brown of Varsity will likely referee the Wellington-Peterboro game at Peterboro on Wednesday.

—Eastern critics praise J. Hunter, the Cornwall goal-keeper. They say he is the best in that section of the country.

—Schmidt, who played with Berlin, is a coming star. He will likely figure on the team in all the league games.—Berlin Telegraph.

—"Texas" Gilliard is playing on the Paris forward line. He was one of the players ruled off in the first game of the season with Brantford.

—About twenty supporters accompanied the Ontarios to Belleville. They are all of the opinion that Port Hope will easily make up the necessary goals to enable them to win the round.—Port Hope Guide.

—For Paris, Fraser in the nets distinguished himself and safely dealt with many close-range shots that looked like winners. Layden at point, and Gilliard and Taylor on the forward line, did the greater part of the work for the team.—Brantford Expositor.

—A protest was entered by Port Hope against Embury and Lafferty, two of Belleville's fastest forwards, sufficient proof being already in the hands of the Port Hope Club that these two players are non-residents and therefore not eligible to play with Belleville.—Port Hope Guide.

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STILL ANOTHER PAPER LEAGUE

National League's Alleged Thrust at the American League.

A PEN-AND-INK CIRCUIT

Big Cities Included in the Organization That Is in Process of Formation.

Louisville, Ky., Jan. 5.—The war of the National League against Ban Johnson and the American League is to be to the knife, and the first blood is with the National League. Minneapolis has broken away from the American League, and there are prospects that Detroit will do likewise, while Louisville, which had been looked upon as favorable territory by Johnson, has gone over to the League's new organization. At a meeting held at the Louisville Hotel Saturday afternoon papers were signed for the eighth club of what is to be the American Association, backed by and with the hearty support of the National League. The circuit may not, however, be confined to these clubs, but may be ten. All depends upon Detroit. There were present at the meeting W. H. Watkins of Indianapolis; Harry C. Pulham, formerly secretary of the Pittsburg club; and John J. Sanders, H. B. Burford, and John J. McCloskey, who represent the Louisville territory.

As a result of the meeting it can be said that an agreement has been signed by the eight clubs interested, and that in two weeks a meeting will be called, and steps taken for the granting of the recognition and the disposition of the surplus players over the limit of 16 by the clubs of the National League.

The new circuit is to be as follows, the name mentioned being either the manager or the financial backer, or both:—

Boston—Arthur Irwin and Havermeyer, Charles River Park.

New York—Andrew Freedman, Manhattan Field.

Baltimore—Von der Horst, McGraw, and Robinson, Union Park.

Washington—The Wagners, League Park.

Louisville—McCloskey, Saunders, and Burford.

St. Louis—Al. Spink.

Indianapolis—W. H. Watkins.

Milwaukee—H. D. Quin and Koch.

A UNIQUE ELECTION CARD.

Uxbridge, Jan. 7.—Jim Reid, the old-time baseball enthusiast, is a candidate for councillor in this town. He has issued a unique election card, in which the four bases of a baseball diamond are presented, with "Jim" on the home plate. The legend that goes with the card reads: "Reid still in the game." Will he be put out to-night?

PICKINGS FROM PUCK.

—Harry Westwick and Jim McGee have quit the Capitals all right. They figured on the Ottawa team on Saturday night.

—A hockey league has been formed embracing Wingham, Clinton, Goderich, and Seaforth. W. Baker of Seaforth is president.

—A Stratford man saw the London-Tilbury hockey match in the Forest City on Thursday night. He is of the opinion that the locals have a very hard proposition before them on Monday. "Riley" Hearn, he says, is the whole tip in London, which is due, no doubt, to the fact that he plays one of the best games on the intermediate septette.—Stratford Beacon.

—"Billy" Barber, formerly crack stick-handler of the Guelph Nationals, and now the fastest forward on the Victoria-O.A.C. hockey team, is laid off with a broken collar-bone received in a mix-up with "Grindy" Forrester of the Waterloo team in the game Friday night. Guelph men aver the accident to Barber caused the loss of the game. Barber, who was recently reinstated by the O.H.A., will be out of the game for the season.

—A large crowd witnessed the exhibition game at the Parkdale Collegiate Rink Saturday afternoon between South Parkdale II. and Excelsior II. of the Toronto Lacrosse-Hockey League. Parkdale won by 9 to 6. It was a clean, fast game. Clemes and Menzie distinguished themselves on the Parkdale team, and Hynes and Stanley played well for the Excelsiors. Hugh Jack was referee.

—Philadelphia's crack hockey team, the aggregation representing the Quaker City Hockey Club, captained by George Orton, the former champion distance runner of the University of Pennsylvania, played its first match of the league schedule at the Clermont Avenue Rink, Brooklyn, Saturday, against the Crescent A. C. team. The latter had little difficulty in beating the visitors, the score being 5 goals to 1. The play of the Crescents was fast, skilful, and as hard as ever. The Quakers were weak in shooting the puck.—New York Sun.

—The Wellesleys will line up against the Marlboros in the opening game of the junior series of the Lacrosse-Hockey League at the Grand National Rink to-night as follows: Goal, Bell; point, Herb Dale; cover-point "Reddie" Lamont; forwards, Hogan, Tozer, J. T. Hewitt (captain), and "Baldy" White; spare, "Pop" White. Manager Parrott says this team is an experiment, as he has a half a dozen other good men ready to jump into the game to fill weak spots. The game should be a hot one, for the Marlboros and Wellesleys have old Rugby scores to settle.

—Commodore George A. Howell and Vice-Commodore Norman Brown of the Toronto Canoe Club are discussing ways and means of putting a septette of puck-rushers upon the ice this season. The club has some very good material, and the boys are quite eager to strap on the blades and handle the hickory. Two years ago an attempt was made to organize a team, but the scheme fell through because of the lack of rink accommodation, and whether this will smother the scheme again this year is a question. It is to be hoped that the club puts up a team, for an aggregation with such a loyal club backing would be a welcome addition to the game in Toronto.

POSITION FOR EDDIE DURNAN.

Eddie Durnan of Toronto is looking for a match race for next season with either Mark Lynch of Halifax or Geo. Townes of London, Eng. Durnan is being considered as coach of the Union Boat Club of this city for next season.—Boston Globe.

SEAGRAM CAST-OFF A WINNER.

Sarah Gamp Won at New Orleans On Saturday at the Good Odds of Ten to One.

—Oakland winners on Saturday: High Hoe 6 to 1, Telamon 9 to 1, Dorine even, The Pride 2 to 1, The Fretter 3 to 1, and Morine 3 to 1.

—Port Hope's ice races are fixed for Jan. 15 and 16. Port Perry, Hamilton, Belleville, Ottawa, and Montreal will follow.

—The Seagram cast-off Sarah Gamp, at 10 to 1, won the last race at New Orleans Saturday by half a length in a drive with Bean, Georgia Gardner beaten a head for the place. Other winners: Sallie J. 7 to 2, Orion 6 to 5, Isen 1 to 2, Monk Wayman 5 to 1, Sarah Gamp 10 to 1, Sue Johnson 6 to 5.

—Steve L'Hommedieu, the plunger, made his debut as a bookmaker at New Orleans on Saturday. He booked under the title of "The Palmetto Club," and led the price-making, and also laid the biggest odds. Steve gave the combination book a scorching by calling the second race one, two, three for $100, at odds of 15 to 1 for the call.

—The New Orleans stewards have received a telegram from the California Jockey Club stewards, Messrs. Price, Murphy, and Hopper, stating that Jockey Coburn had left there for New Orleans, and asking the officials to warn him that unless he returned to San Francisco in ten days he would be ruled off the turf. Both Atkins & Lottridge and G. C. Bennett claim Coburn's services, and a suit is now pending in the matter.

ARCHIE McEACHREN THIRD.

Canadian Rider Was Beaten By About Three Lengths For First Place in Boston Six-Day Race.

Boston, Jan. 5.—In another of the cyclone finishes for which he is famous, Bobbie Walthour of Atlanta, the Southern champion and the 73-hour world's champion, won the international six-day bicycle race at Park Square Garden, which ended to-night. He did not let himself out until the last lap, and when he did it did not seem as if any of the others were riding at all. Will C. Stinson of Cambridge came in second, while Archie McEachern of Toronto was third. The distance was 1,099 miles 2 laps.

The final score, 60th hour, was as follows: Walthour (leading by 2 lengths), 1,099.2; Stinson, 1,099.2; McEachern, 1,099.2; McLean, 1,099.2; Fischer, 1,099.2; Kaser, 1,099.2; Downey, 1,099.2; Babcock and Muller left the track after the 59th hour, so the leaders could be given as clear a field as possible.

ROAD RIDING IN JANUARY.

Messrs. W. Robins, A. S. Bowers, Horace Currie, and S. J. Shulte, stalwarts of the old Toronto Bicycle Club when that organization was in its palmy days, rode to Oakville on Saturday. Considering the time of the year the roads were in great shape, very few bad spots being encountered by the quartet. The outbound trip was made by way of Dundas street and the return journey via the lake shore road.

NEW SKIFFS FOR THE BAY.

Toronto Sailors Who Have Ordered Boats For the Coming Sailing Season.

Although the problem of securing new club quarters is occupying the attention of members of the Queen City Yacht Club, they have not allowed the difficulty to interfere with the building of new 16-foot skiffs to uphold the honor of the club at Hamilton and Toronto regattas next year. The club last year claimed Caprice, which was only defeated by 16 seconds by Flight of Hamilton for the Walker trophy, and Whitecap, which is regarded as the fastest all-round skiff on the bay. Already four members have announced their intention of having new skiffs, and it is probable that Ackroyd Brothers will build all of them. Hales and Underwood, who sold their craft Spray to T. B. McCarthy last summer, will have another skiff, and the reputation of the partnership is a guarantee that boat will be one of the speediest in the club, and will get careful handling.

The Royal Canadian Yacht Club small boat section, which was so carefully fostered by Mr. J. Wilton Morse, E. K. M. Wedd, L. J. Campbell, and other kindred sprits last season, that it became one of the features of the club season, will be in the van the coming summer. They had a goodly fleet last year, consisting of Sigma III., Yarra-Yarra, Electra, Whistlewing, Huster, T.P.G., Cakewalk, the L.S.S.A. champion, and Whitecap, of the Queen City Yacht Club, whose owner, Mr. A. J. Phillips, also belonged to the Royal Canadian Yacht Club. It is probable that the fleet will be doubled before the season opens.

A. Gooderham, the son of Commodore Gooderham, will graduate from the dingy class into the 16-footers. It is understood that Mr. G. Herrick Duggan was requested to design a skiff for A. Gooderham, but declined on account of pressure of business, and it is probable that Ackroyd Brothers will build him a craft.

LAWSUIT OVER MYRTLE

As the outcome of a partnership dispute over the fast yacht Myrtle of Hamilton, Mr. Wm. Burnside is suing Messrs. Frank E. Walker, R. E. Chilman and H. Kuntz for $326, this being a claim for building and sailing the boat. The defendants say that the plaintiff has received $1,055, and denied further liability.

TORONTO CANOE CLUB PROGRAM

Social Events Arranged For the Winter Months By This Active Organization.

The program of the Toronto Canoe Club for the winter months is out. As usual, it is a very artistic creation. The paper is a rough dark stone grey. The club insignia is in red and light blue, and the program in dark blue. The social events of the club are not by any means restricted to the program, for during the winter many impromptu skating parties, smokers, and other entertainments will be added. The program is as follows:

January—12th: Club Night; 2nd night at whist and euchre; tournament; bread and cheese and "something." 18th: Ladies' Night; members only and their lady friends. 19th: Club Night; final of euchre tournament; whist continued; surprise supper. 25th: Club Dinner. 26th: Club Night.

February—2nd: Club Night; opening of hearts tournament; whist continues; baked beans and tomato sauce. 9th: Club Night; 2nd night of hearts tournament; whist continued; bread and butter and "something." 15th: Ladies' Night. 16th: Club Night, last night of hearts tournament; whist continued; supper. 23rd: Club Night; a talk on Canada and the Royal Navy (illustrated), by Mr. H. W. Wickham, with R.N.

March—1st: "Musicale"; to members only and lady friends. 2nd: Club Night; opening night of last tournament for the season. pedro; whist still on; roast beef, a la Ruthven. 8th: Club Night, 2nd night of pedro tournament; whist continued; bread and butter and "something." 15th: Ladies' Night. 16th: Club Night; 3rd night pedro tournament; whist continued; supper. 22nd: Club Night, last night of pedro tournament; whist; surprise, supper. 30th: Club Night.

April—6th: Club Night, single night game for prize, euchre; Boston baked beans. 13th: Club Night; single night game for prize, hearts; cheese and crackers. 19th: Ladies' Night. 20th: Club Night; single night game for prize, pedro; wieners. 27th: Club Night.

SPORTING GOSSIP.

The Montreal Curling Club was organized in 1807, and the rules then in force have a flavor that will be best appreciated by those who are now devotees of the "roarin' game." Here they are, as enforced in the early days of the last century:

1. The club is to meet every Wednesday at 12 o'clock, to play till 3, and no member shall absent himself without giving a sufficient excuse one day before, to the secretary of the club, that the party may otherwise be made up, under the penalty of "Two Clubs."

2. The club shall meet at "Gillis'" on Wednesday every fortnight, at 4 o'clock, to dine on salt beef and greens. The club dinner and wine shall not exceed seven shillings and sixpence a head, and any member infringing on this rule shall be liable to a fine of "Four Clubs."

3. Each absent member shall pay his proportion of the dinner only, and each member shall preside at table in rotation.

4. No member shall ask a friend to dinner except the president and vice-president for the day, who may ask two each, but it is understood that gentlemen assisting in the game may be asked to dine at the expense of the club.

5. The club shall not consist of more than twenty members; and in case of any member leaving the country, or wishing to retire from the club, another may be elected by a majority of the other members.

6. The losing party of the day shall pay for a bowl of whisky toddy, to be placed in the middle of the table for those who may choose it.

In 1808 the following amendment was adopted:

"Proposed and unanimously agreed to, that each member of the club may hereafter ask one guest, for whom he is to pay the club proportion of dinner and wine, agreeable to Rule No. 2.

"Resolved, that the club proportion of wine (that is, three bottles for each four members) be put down at the foot of the table, and so soon as it is drunk out, the club is to be dissolved by the president, drinking the Beggar's Benison, which is to be understood by every member as closing the expenses of the club for that day."

And those were the "good old days."

It is probable that the Argonauts will not hold the Canadian amateur boxing championship until late in April. Difficulty has been experienced in securing a suitable building, and it has been thought advisable to delay the tournament until one of the skating rinks can be secured for the purpose.

Mr. Charles "Chub" Collins, a most enthusiastic baseball player and curler, is the new Mayor of the town of Dundas. Mr. Collins has the support of Mr. Alex. Pirie's paper, the True Banner, which has this to say of him in its latest issue:

There is no reason in the world that Charles Collins should not make a first-rate Mayor. He has had many years' experience and is well informed on all matters appertaining to the civic government. If he does not succeed in making his mark as Mayor of Dundas, it will be nobody's fault but his own, as he possesses all the necessary qualifications and takes over the chief supervision of affairs, with a capable Council, at a very favorable time, as favorable a time, indeed, as Dundas has seen for many a year. The citizens wish him every success in the position which, by steady work as a member of the Council for many years, he has certainly earned.

Now that the Ontario Government has refused to lease the old Parliament grounds to the Toronto Ball club, the baseball men should make an offer to the city for the Bay Front Park, at the foot of Yonge street. What the people want is centrally located grounds, and those named are the best in sight.

A Scottish paper puglishes the following account of a great international football match, the final tie for the championship of South Africa. The teams:

British Empire—Roberts, goal; Baden-Powell and White, backs; Hunter, Kitchener, and Dundonald, half-backs; Buller and Clery, right wing; French, center; Methuen and Kelly-Kenny, left wing.

Transvaal and Orange Free State—Kruger, goal; Cronje and Steyn, backs; Botha, Prinsloo, and Olivier, half-backs; De West and Viljeon, right wing; Joubert, center; Snyman and Villebois, left wing.

Referee—Public Opinion. Kick-off, Oct. 11, 1899.

This match was the attraction of the season, and was played on the home team's ground in South Africa. The last time these teams met was in 1881, when the match ended in a very unsatisfactory manner. This time the visitors brought over 200,000 supporters of the game, and were without doubt a team that anyone would be proud of.

The home team won the toss for choice of grounds, and Joubert kicked off. They at once became aggressive, getting dangerously near the visitors' goal, but White at back was playing a sound game, and repelled attack after attack, when the home team seemed bound to score; in fact, the visitors' backs, "B.-P." and White, were playing grandly, and although the home forwards were in the visitors' territory, they failed to score. The "Empire" forwards now began to get into their stride, and French, working like a machine round his opponents, completely beat Cronje, and with a swift, lightning shot he found the net with a beauty (Kimberley). Soon after this goal, Cronje was dismissed the field, (Paardeberg), thus weakening the home defence. Buller, who had all along been playing a steady game, was now seen to advantage, and although being stopped several times in his grand rushes, he came back again and again, and shattering his opponents' defence, he came dashing on, and by a superhuman effort, entirely his own, scored a grand goal (Ladysmith). Soon after, the home team lost the services of their best player, Joubert. A strong wind was now blowing across the field, giving the left wing of the visitors a chance to show their abilities.

Kelly-Kenny and French were now very prominent with some splendid work, and were passing beautifully. The home team repeatedly tried to stop the grand combination, but all their efforts proved futile. Kelly-Kenny now transferred to French, and that famous player again showed his sterling qualities by scoring another (Bloemfontein). The play was now in the home team's territory, and the visitors' forwards were pressing when the whistle blew for half-time, with the score: British Empire, 3; Transvaal and Orange Free State, 0.

The teams now appeared on the field to contest the second half of the game. The home team's supporters were in despair, for they saw that, bar accidents, their pets would lose the game. The visitors were playing with a confidence that was a treat to see, while the home team resorted to dirty tactics (abusing the white flag). Try how they would the home team could not stem the pressure which the visitors' forwards put into the game. French again got possession, and tricking the half-backs, promptly made the game secure by scoring another fine goal (Johannesburg). Baden-Powell, the mainstay of the "Empire's" defence, was now transferred to the front rank. His heroic defence had been the admiration of all, and he completely demonstrated to the spectator that he could play forward as brilliantly as back. Some very fast play was now seen, the ball traveling with lightning velocity towards the goal. The visitors made a grand combined rush, and after some splendid play in front of the goal the ball was sent into the net amidst the cheers of thousands (Pretoria). The home team was completely staggered, and Kruger, their goal-keeper, left his net at the mercy of his opponents. The home team contended that the goal was "offside," but the referee ruled otherwise. The whistle now blew for time, the score being, after a hard-fought game: British Empire, 5; Transvaal and Orange Free State, 0.

The feature of the struggle was the splendid all-round play of the visitors, who received a tremendous ovation. Unfortunately, the home custodian disappeared with the gate-money just before the conclusion of the match.

SKATING OFFICIALS CHOSEN.

Championship Races Will Take Place at Montreal On Saturday, February 2.

Montreal, Jan. 7.—The Amateur Skating Association of Canada has chosen these officers for the speed championship races on the M.A.A.A. rink, Saturday, Feb. 2:

Referee—Lieut.-Col. F. C. Henshaw.

Judges—Messrs. E. H. Buerhmeyer, president N.S.A., New York; Samuel J. Montgomery, N.Y.A.C.; W. G. Ross, president A.S.A. of C.; Major Freeman, Major A. Haig Sims, W. B. T. Macaulay, Henry Brophy.

Timers—Messrs. James A. Taylor, Dr. D. D. McTaggart, T. L. Paton, W. O. H. Dodds, James Paton, Geo. D. Phillips, N.Y.A.C.

Starter—Mr. W. C. Finley.

Scorers—Messrs. D. J. Watson, Geo. Ayling.

Clerks of the course—Messrs. Laz. Rubenstein, C. C. Chitty, T. Y. Foster, H. L. Shaw.

Umpires—Messrs. A. Massey, F. W. Barlow, F. Percy Smith, F. C. Laberge.

Announcer—Mr. F. C. A. McIndoe.

JOKE ON THE NEW YORK SUN.

Jake Obernesser, a well-known Toronto sporting man, who is in town, notified the Sun yesterday that he is ready to match Jack Daly of Toronto against Terry McGovern. Obernesser, who is managing Daly, and who is also matchmaker of the Crescent A.C. of Toronto, says that his club will give a purse of $2,500 for a twenty or twenty-five round bout at 127 pounds.—New York Sun.

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GOSSIP OF THE CURLERS.

Prominent Player of Cornwall Appointed Junior Judge of That District.

—Galt Granites defeated Preston Saturday in a two-rink match by 37 to 14.

—The new rink of the Burns Curling Club of Toledo was opened auspiciously on Saturday, when three rinks of the Windsor Curling Club made a trip to the town on the Maumee and took the former organization into camp, winning by 7 up, the score being 60 to 53.

—Jake Gaudaur, champion oarsman of the world, is curling in rare form at Rat Portage this year. He is in the lead for the president's prize.

J. W. Riddell, Q.C., who has just been appointed junior judge for the United Counties of Stormont, Dundas, and Glengarry, is a well-known sportsman. He was president of the curling and lacrosse clubs of Cornwall, and was in his younger days an active participant in the latter game as a member of the old G.T.R. Club. He still indulges in the winter sport, and is considered one of the most expert curlers in his section of the country. His appointment has given universal satisfaction.

MIMICO YACHT CLUB.

Editor of The Star: The singular modesty of the members of the Mimico Yacht Club has so far kept the [illegible] out of print, although, from the Commodore down to the bell buoy, the [illegible] that a rather serious error occurred in The Star's recent review of the races sailed by the club last summer, and for the preservation of harmony in the club, and the benefit of skiff designers and yachtsmen generally, I trust you will make the correction public.

The misstatement occurred [illegible] comments on the new ch. Constance II., now being built [illegible] Godfrey, to sail against the challenger Nancy, owned by Mr. J. Jermyn, where you state that if the new boat lives up to the record of her predecessor, Constance I., her rival will know a good deal more about her stern than her stem.

As Constance I. was a marked example of the narrow, sharp forward skiff, inclined to be crank, and the Nancy is Ackroyd's latest design, a very beamy boat, with round bows, square stern, and a flat floor, the inference is that the former proved the faster design.

On the contrary, last summer's races demonstrated, among other things that the Constance, while handled with consummate skill, was not intended as a racer when sailing against boats of the Nancy type, while, as for knowing anything about her stern, she was so soon left bow down on the horizon, after the starting gun was fired, that it required a good glass to pick her out from the excursion steamers, and, consequently, the other boats never had an opportunity to even learn if a stern had been included in her construction.

It is to be hoped that the new Constance will be better able to keep up with the procession; but, if she lives up to the record of Constance I., it is probable that the other boats will continue to know a good deal more about her nose than her heels.

I can assure you that this correction will go a great way towards preserving the peace of Mimico.

Deck Hand of the Nancy.

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