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Albany, Jan. 6.—A strong up-state combination has for introduction a measure which will satisfy the cravings of the cranks for Sunday baseball, and the bill will be introduced next week, probably by Senator Wilcox (Rep.) of Auburn, in the Senate, and Assemblyman Haight (Dem.) of Monroe County in the House. It will thus have Democratic and Republican sponsors, and the endorsement of leading men of both parties.

The bill under which the Sunday games will be played will really be a license for the exhibition in guise of a fine, only against the managing corporations. The measure will provide that, "Any corporation or association under whose auspices or direction a game of baseball shall be played upon said day shall be deemed to be the person offending and shall be prosecuted by indictment, and upon conviction shall be fined $50 for each offence."

St. Louis Browns Still for Sale.

St. Louis, Mo., Jan. 6.—Mr. Von Der Ahe said last night: "I have heard that Mr. Brush is in town, and, like everybody else, presume his presence indicates he is here after the outfit. I think, however, that he is merely representing Mr. Schmidt, who, by the way, is the same fellow who removed the old Maroons to Indianapolis in 1890. The new bonds of Sportsman's Park and club will be on the market on Feb. 1, and perhaps Brush will buy some of these. I will dispose of just as many of them as I will be forced to in order to get over my present indebtedness and perhaps after all I will remain in control. However, I may yet come to terms with the Myerson syndicate and perhaps Mr. Brush may buy my possessions. The truth of the whole matter is that these gentlemen are all dickering for the Browns and that as yet no deal has been consummated. You can bank on this, despite what anybody says."

Baseball Brevities.

A letter from Jimmy Casey to Ed Mack announces the death in Lawrence, Mass., of the popular little catcher's mother. His hundreds of Toronto friends will sympathize with him in his great bereavement.

Members of the Grand Union Baseball Club are requested to attend the meeting at the Grand Union Hotel to-night.

The claim list of several clubs composing the International Baseball League announced indicates a peculiar conflict among the three Michigan clubs in claiming three players. In several instances all three managers have put in a claim for the same player and the question of who is entitled to the man is apt to lead to some complications. It is believed, however, that conflicting claims will be amicably adjusted.

A despatch from Dallas, Texas, states that the Buffalo Baseball Club has just consummated a deal for the purchase of the release of Pitcher Gus Weyhing and that terms have been agreed upon by the local club and player. Weyhing is the old Philadelphia player of that name, who was for a number of years one of the best twirlers in the National League. After he was dropped by the Phillies, Weyhing played with the Rochesters of the Eastern League, but was not a great success as his arm bothered him.

Take a Terrier and Get in.

The Canadian Fox Terrier Club will give a show at Harris' Hotel, Kingston-road, to-morrow (Saturday) at 3.30 p.m., winners barred. Members are invited to attend, take a friend and have supper with the president. No one admitted without a dog.

How Latham May Clear His Tennis Title.

Boston, Jan. 6.—Thomas Pettit, ex-champion court tennis player of the world, gave out to-day the following answer to the challenge issued by Peter W. Latham, champion of England:

"Peter W. Latham, champion of England, on the eve of his departure from New York, several weeks ago, issued a challenge to me through a third party to play him a match in England for a stake and the championship of the world. I went to England in 1885 and, by defeating George Lambert, won the title to the championship of the world. In 1890 I also went to England to defend that title against Charles Saunders. I won this match, but soon after resigned the championship. Latham evidently considered that I stand in his way to a clear title to the championship. Hence this challenge.

"After having won two matches for the championship of the world in England, I consider it only fair that anyone challenging me should play in America. Therefore, I will play Latham a match in any court in America for $5000 a side, the match to be the best of 13 sets, played on three days, four sets each day, with a day's rest between. If the match should become six-all, the deciding set shall be played on the last day. (Signed), Thomas Pettit."

A Big Traders League.

The scheduled match in the Banker's Bowling League, played last night at the Athenaeum Club between the Dominion and Traders', 4 men aside, was won by the Traders' by a majority of 242 pins. The following is the result:

Dominion.		Traders.	
Scott	693	A. Scott	700
Watson	667	Peirce	696
Ross	637	Muir	643
Cayley	470	De Lisle	678
Total	2467	Total	2709

The other pair will likely finish the game to-night.

The board of directors of the Athenaeum will dine their late treasurer, George C. Brown, who is now stationed at Welland, at the club house to-night, and they will also present him with an illuminated address.

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Good Bouts Between Bobby Thompson and Jim Powers and Ryan and Jones—Big Lot of Talent on the Musical Part of the Program.

One of the most successful smokers of the season, was given last night by the Tourist Bicycle Club at their clubrooms on Alexander-street. The program was a rattling good one and included two first-class boxing bouts, and a bout between Bobby Thompson and his little 10-year-old brother Tommy, which afforded great amusement, as the little chap showed great science. The three-round go between Bobby Thompson and Jim Powers was an interesting and fast one, neither man having any decided advantage over the other, while the mill between Jones and Ryan was also a good one for the spectators.

Among those who contributed to the musical part of the program were: J Strathdel, pianist; W Prestwick, humorist; W Harrison, pianist; H Bennett, vocalist; Brown, vocalist; the Wilson brothers, mandolin and guitar trio, and Andy Nichol, in his monologue turn.

The concert was given in the large front clubroom and was thoroughly enjoyed by the large number of members present. The Tourists intend giving one of the concerts every month during the winter season.

Around the Ring.

M. J. Connolly will go to New York soon and deposit either $500 or $1000 and issue a challenge direct, on behalf of Maher, to Corbett. He says the designation of Maher for J. J. by Fitz leaves no other way to Fitz.

At Baltimore on Monday Billy Young, the ex-champion lightweight of the south, lasted only one round and a half with Joe Gans. Young was no match for the sturdy colored boy. The latter was to stop his man in eight rounds. Gans floored him before they fought two minutes, and then stood off to let him recuperate. In the second round Young again went to the floor under a shower of heavy face blows, and Gans assisted him to his feet.

It would make a man crosseyed to focus all the angles in fistiana. While John D. Pringle calls Corbett's recent challenge "the most remarkable offer ever emanating from a pugilist," the Pittsburg philosopher also adds: "The strange part about Corbett's challenge is that he claims to be 'champion of America' and declines to defend the title by fighting Maher. He is thus really doing what he condemns Fitzsimmons for doing; that is, not accepting a challenge. Professional fighters nowadays are queer mortals."

Crack Athletes for England.

New York, Jan. 6.—The University of Pennsylvania will advocate at the next meeting of the International Collegiate Association of Athletics that a team be sent of the intercollegiate champions of America to meet a similar team of the Oxford and Cambridge athletes in England. The first and second men in the annual competition events are to comprise the athletes to go abroad. It is well-known that the situation has been well canvassed at Pennsylvania, and Kraenglein, the hurdler, was not so far out of the way, after all, when he stated that international competitions would be held this year. It is said that Harvard favors sending a team abroad and that Princeton is quite certain to indorse the movement. It is probable that it would not be a very hard task to get Georgetown to send Wefers over as its representative. Concerning Yale there appears to be a little doubt, for it is not certain that the sons of Eli would agree to cooperate with the other colleges.

Toronto Winners at Wilmington.

The Wilmington, Del., Dog Show opened yesterday and will continue the rest of the week. The judging was concluded yesterday and Mr. A. A. Macdonald received a fire that Aldon Rudiance, his smooth fox terrier, won first in the junior class, and that Aldon Sequel, his silver medal for the best smooth fox terrier in the show, and that Aldon Sequel, wire-haired fox terrier, won first for puppies, first for-for-all and the silver medal for the best wire-haired puppy in the show.

POULTRY ASSOCIATION.

Opening Meeting for 1898 of This Flourishing Organization—Interesting Lecture by Experts.

The Toronto Poultry Association is to be congratulated upon its opening meeting of 1898. It was held last night, and more poultry education was packed into it than was had at any twelve regular meetings in 1897. The recent show no doubt accounted for much of this. President Bonnick occupied the chair and rushed the merely routine business through with becoming celerity. The regular meeting room in Temperance Hall was packed with enthusiastic members, and at one end were ranged the coops with the monthly show birds: Barred Plymouth Rocks, black Wyandottes, S. L. Wyandottes, golden Wyandottes, buff rocks, etc. Some of the stock shown was very fine, thescore cards in several instances indicating 93 1-2.

Two members were nominated for the presidency of the Ontario Poultry Show, if it comes to Toronto as hoped. These were Dr. A. W. Bell and ex-President Essex, the former proving the more popular by a vote of 33 to 9.

After routine, Joe Bennett, the barred Plymouth Rock expert, gave an illustrated (live birds) lecture on his favorite breed, and demonstrated that, in this breed, it was not necessary to have separate pattings to secure first-class show birds. He mates standard males and standard females and raises 95-point birds in the process. Mr. Dorset, on S. L. Wyandottes, Mr. Essex, on buff rocks, gave much valuable information.

Sporting Miscellany.

There is a letter at this office for Pool Player Clearwater.

New South Wales will probably be represented by an amateur eight-oar crew at the Henley Regatta this year.

Tom Eck, the well-known trainer of cyclists, will have charge of the training quarters at the Ambrose Park track, near New York, the coming season.

Ald.-elect Hanlan will be present at the T.A.C. Saturday night, and expects all his friends to turn out. Secretary Heron has arranged a good program and an enjoyable time is expected.

The Parmer-Hendrie syndicate have not yet closed for a lease of the Fort Erie track, but hope to get it through this week. Old debts of the former owners are bothering the new promoters.

The last football season was the most prosperous in the history of Yale. The report of the Yale-Princeton game, almost completed, will show the receipts were not far from $23,000. There were almost 15,000 people present. After the expenses are deducted, each college will receive between $8000 and $9000. Yale received about $12,000 from the Yale-Harvard game.

Edouard Taylore, the little Frenchman, who was defeated by Michael, has been anxious for another race since Saturday night, and has been matched against Frank Starbuck. The race will be run on Sangerfest Hall track, Philadelphia, on Jan. 15. The track is a small one—12 laps to the mile—and Starbuck will have an undoubted advantage in being familiar with its peculiarities.

Patrolman Tony Gavin will go to Toronto the latter part of this month to engage in a 25-mile skating race with John Roberts, who is said to be the long-distance champion of Scotland. The race will probably be pulled off in the Caledonian Rink. The race was arranged solely for the purpose of settling the comparative merits of the men in this branch of athletics, as neither expects or in fact will receive any reward. Gavin may later meet an unknown at Niagara-on-the-Lake.—Buffalo Express.

BERLIN BEAT WATERLOO.

Opening of the Championship Hockey Season in the Twin City—The Score Was 6 to 4.

Berlin, Jan. 6.—Berlin and Waterloo faced each other for the first time this season in a championship hockey match, resulting in a score of 6 to 4 in favor of Berlin. The rink was literally packed, standing room being at a premium.

During the first half Berlin scored 4 Waterloo 0. In the second half Berlin made 2 and Waterloo 4. So sure were Waterloo sports of their favorites winning that large bets were freely made. The teams:

Berlin (6)—Goal, Harry Boehme; point, Jack Gibson; cover, Frank A. Stephens; forwards, Jimmy Macdonald, Farrell, Robson and Clarke.

Waterloo (4)—Goal, Forrester point, Dixon; cover, Joe Seagram; forwards, Ed Seagram, Farrell, Liffiton, Hendry.

Preston Beat Guelph.

Preston, Jan. 6.—(Special.)—The hockey season was opened here this evening by a match between the Victorias of Guelph and the local seven. The game was fast and furious from beginning to end and proved a huge surprise to the visitors, who were outplayed all round, and lacked their usual fine combination work, which they claimed was on account of the softness of the ice. At the end of the first half the score was 4 to 3 in favor of Preston. Till of Guelph had a nasty tumble, which left him unconscious for a few minutes, and he retired from the game. The score stood 8 to 6 in favor of Preston when time was called. The teams lined up as follows:

Victorias (6): Goal, Johnson; point, Howitt; cover point, J. Dobbie; forwards, Tait, Johnson, Barder and Till.

Preston (8): Goal, Fraser; point, Codling; cover point, Griffin; forwards, Adams, Anderson, Bourke and Deeton.

Waubaushene Beat Orillia.

Waubaushene, Ont., Jan. 6.—Waubaushene struck a winning gait here to-night. They met Orillia in the Northern Hockey League series and defeated them by a score of 15 to 2. In the first half the game was fast, and the spectators were treated to a magnificent game of last hockey. In this half the home team scored five and Orillia one. The second half was all in favor of the home team, the visitors not being able to stand the pace, and at the end of the game the score stood 15 to 2 in favor of Waubaushene. Manager Garretty feels confident of bringing the intermediate championship to the Whitewashed Village. With McRae and the old warhorse, White, on the forward line and Gray on the defence, he has a winning team.

Crescents of Hamilton.

Hamilton, Jan. 6.—Last evening the Crescent Hockey Club met for the purpose of electing the balance of its officers. Cal. Hewitson was chosen honorary president, F. McEachern captain, and W. Miller manager of the senior team. There was some discussion about the juniors, brought on by a proposition to withdraw from the junior S. O. H. A. series. The club decided to stay, but will be obliged, as announced yesterday, to default the first match. The captain and manager of the junior team will be elected before the first match. The Crescent Rink was refloaded the night before last, and has not frozen, so that there is little chance for a match to-morrow night.

Barrie Scored a Goal.

Collingwood, Jan. 6.—The game scheduled game of hockey in the Northern District was played in Collingwood to-night. The game was very fast throughout. The score at half time was 5 to 0 and at full time 7 to 1 in favor of Collingwood. The teams:

Barrie (1)—Goal, Churchill; point, Arnold; cover-point, Vansyckle; forwards, Boys, McKenzie, Moore, Shanonay.

Collingwood (7)—Goal, Rutherford; point, Gray; cover-point, Elworthy; forwards, Brown, Andrews, Fryer, Fair, Elworthy.

Lionel King of Toronto, referee.

Stratford Won 5 to 1.

Stratford, Jan. 6.—The hockey season was ushered in here to-night by an exhibition with Seaforth Seniors. The ice was in splendid condition, and the way they scored turned out to witness the game insures the boys of the greatest success during the coming season. The game from the start was fast, Stratford scoring the first in quick order and Seaforth the second. This was the last scored till after half time, when Stratford scored 4 to their opponents' 0, resulting in a victory for the home team by 5 goals to 1.

Stratford Beat St. Mary's.

Stratford, Jan. 6.—A freindly game played here between St. Mary's and Stratford curlers resulted in favor of Stratford by 10 shots:

St. Mary's.		Stratford.	
T W Wood,		A H Ring,	
G H McIntyre,		John Welsh,	
W Anderson,		W S Watson,	
J D Moore, skip	23	A F MacLaren, sk	23
J Shepherd,		C McIlbargy,	
W Somerville,		James Steele,	
J Oddy,		C E Nasmith,	
Geo Grant, skip	17	J A McFadden, sk	27
Total	40	Total	50

Niagara Beaten at Thorold.

Thorold, Jan. 6.—The first match in the Niagara International Curling Association series was played here to-day with Niagara-on-the-Lake. Score:

Thorold.		Niagara.	
W Winslow,		P Best,	
John Constable,		F Walsh,	
P C Creegan,		R Reid,	
D J C Munro, skip	18	Jos. Burns, skip	10
John Winslow,		T F Best,	
R Smith,		W Lausing	
Isaac McMann,		R Scott,	
Geo Henderson, sk	25	R G Bishop, skip	13
Total	43	Total	23

Chips From the Ice.

The soft weather put a stop to the hockey practice yesterday.

The St Simon's Hockey Club will play the Old Orchards on the Old Orchard Rink to-night at 7.30 o'clock. St. Simon's team will be: Goal, Bell; point, Brent (captain); cover, Massey; forwards, Walton, Young, Lamb, Whitehead.

A well-known bank hockeyist gave it as his opinion last night that Dominion would win the championship.

The first senior bank game will be played on Jan. 15, while the first game in the intermediate series will be played on Jan. 12.

The bank hockey schedule is not out yet, but will likely be ready by the first of the week.

The Athletic Hockey Club practised at the St. George's Rink on Wednesday for the first time this season.

Nearly all the teams down east this season are stronger than last.

Harley Davidson and Pat Gallagher will skate a mile race to-night. Davidson will give Gallagher half a lap.

The Tourists are making arrangements to hold their annual carnival at the Moss Park Rink on Monday, Jan. 24.

Because of the weak condition of Queen's hockey team, not having had a practice yet, the captain has cancelled the date with Winnipeg Hockey Club, billed to appear in Kingston on Saturday night. The Frontenacs were asked to run up against the Manitobans, but declined.

The Orient Hockey Club practises tonight from 6 to 7 and Saturday from 6 to 7. A full attendance is requested, as important business is to be transacted after practice to-night.

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SLOW TRACK AT NEW ORLEANS.

Three Winning Favorites and the Books Were Beaten—Brakeman Won Over Hurdles.

New Orleans, Jan. 6.—Light rains last night made the track a trifle slow to-day. The talent regained its form and landed three winners, giving the books a shade the worst of the day's work. In the fourth race Ultima fell within ten feet from the finish, but both boy and horse escaped injury. The attendance was fair. Summary:

First race, 6½ furlongs—J. A. Gray, 114 (Scherrer), 6 to 5, 1; David, 99 (T. Burns), 5 to 2, 2; Sellie Cliquot, 102 (A. Barrett), 11 to 5, 3. Time 1.23. Tragedy also ran.

Second race, 6 furlongs—Tabourret, 107 (A. Barrett), 3 to 1, 1; Wilson, 110 (T. Burns), 9 to 5, 2; Eitholin, 107 (Willite), 7 to 2, 3. Time 1.16½. Solution, R. B. Sack, Chiffon and Celia B. also ran.

Third race, 1¼ miles, over 5 hurdles—Brakeman, 143 (W. Williams), 3 to 1, 1; Repeater, 145 (Hogan), 2 to 1, 2; Zaldivar, 132 (O. Johnson), 20 to 1, 3. Time 2.21¾. Uncle Jim, Proverb, Ethel Lee and Longeval also ran.

Fourth race, selling, 1 1-16 miles—Sister Stella, 103 (Dupee), even, 1; Viscount, 108 (T. Burns), 8 to 1, 2; Sister Clara, 103 (Kelley), 10 to 1, 3. Time 1.51¼. Jack Hayes, Ill., Steve Clo, Bridgeton, Gloja, Dorothy Ill., Steve Clolini, Pat S. also ran. Ultima fell.

Fifth race, 15-16 mile, selling—Dr. Sheppard, 109 (Scherrer), 3 to 5, 1; Sea Robber, 109, 9 to 2, 2 Albert S., 112 (A. Barrett), 3 to 1, 3. Time 1.37. Reel also ran.

Entries for To-day.

New Orleans, Jan. 6.—First race, 6 furlongs, selling—Mamie Calhan, Babe Fields, Aquarella 115, Oldham, Oakleaf 117; Belle of Fordham 118, May Ashley, Miss Rowett 118, Cyclone 120, Halton, Albert Vale 120, Everest 125.

Second race, 1 mile, selling—Balance All 93, Weslim 88, Bertha, Nell, Allie B. 98, Voluntate 103, Percy F. 105, Tabourret 98, Forbearance 106, Seaport, Wilson 111.

Third race, 1 mile and 20 yards, selling—Annie Tenton 92, Anger, Briggs, Robert Bonner, Eugenia Blair 94, Full Hand 97, Hot Stuff, Rapalatchie 99, Sound Sense, Springtime, Billy McKenzie 99, Imp. Wolsey, Loyalty 104, Swordsman 110, Lobengula 115.

Fourth race, 13-16 mile, handicap—Sligo 110, Sedan 92, Solution 90, Hugh Penny 113, Biff Arnett 91, Al Lone 97, Marie C. 90, Dave S. 94, Brother Fred 90, David 110.

Fifth race, 6 furlongs, purse—Belle of Memphis, Saratoga, Ma Petite, Queen Mab, Minnier 105, Wiggins, Mr. Easton, Dazzel, Flop, Tole Simmons, Forbush 107, Scrivener, Will Glen, Gypceiver, Dressen 110.

Song and Dance Beat the Bachelor.

San Francisco, Jan. 6.—Weather, raining; track heavy at Ingleside to-day. The original sixth race was declared off and a six furlong selling race substituted.

First race, selling, 7 furlongs—George Lee 1, Attainment 2, Dr. Marks 3. Time 1.31¼.

Second race, 5 furlongs—Tea Rose 1, Count of Flanders 2, Bliss Rucker 3. Time 1.01¾.

Third race, sweepstakes, 2 miles—Sonny and Dance 1, The Bachelor 2, Victor 3. Time 3.36.

Fourth race, selling, 7 furlongs—Double Quick 1, Walter J. 2, Harry Thoburn 3. Time 1.29¾.

Fifth race, selling, 1 1-16 miles—Plan 1, Argentina 2, Can't Dance 3. Time 1.50¾.

Sixth race, 6 furlongs, selling—Torsion 1, Sorrow 2, La Massetta 3. Time 1.17.

Takanassee Went Wrong.

While Bennington & Gardner have made a number of successful killings, everything they attempt doesn't go through. On Wednesday Takanassee was sent as a good thing to the friends of the firm. In Buffalo some of the sports were advised to get aboard with all their ready cash on the mortgage on their watches, their linen and everything, in fact, on which a penny could be raised. The syndicate prepared for an old-fashioned killing, and again in very tails were sent to each of the Buffalo pool rooms. Takanassee's price was sent in from the track at 2 to 1, but it was hammered down in short order to 8 to 5, and merred down in the stretch to 6 to 5. By this time the talent generally was on, and the dollar pikers threw their Takanassee coin so fiercely at the penciliers that the filly started with 3 to 1. She didn't do much more, as she was heard of but once during the race, and finished behind the money. Needless to say that B. & G. tips are not as popular as they were. It was on their tips, however, that the big killing was made on Mazarine a couple of weeks ago.

Parkdale Curling Club.

The building of the Parkdale Curling Club is being rapidly gone on with, and will probably be ready for use by the end of next week. The irons for the roof are now in position and nearly ready to be closed in. It promises to be one of the most complete rinks in the city and is situated on Cowan-avenue, convenient to both the King and Queen-street cars. A number of new members have joined lately and a good season is looked forward to.

WOLTZ CONFESSED

He Stole a Watch and Money From His Landlady—Detective Harrison Clears Up a Mystery.

After a week of hard work Detective Harrison has succeeded in clearing up a mysterious jewelry robbery, which occurred at 80 Pembroke-street, toward the close of the old year. Last Thursday Mrs. Davern, who lives at that address, missed a solid gold watch and two gold dollars from the jewel case on her bureau. She keeps a most respectable boarding house and could not imagine who had taken her valuables, so she reported the matter to the police.

Among the boarders in Mrs. Davern's establishment was a 16-year-old lad named Bruce Woltz, whose mother also lived at the house. After questioning all the occupants closely, Detective Harrison concluded that young Woltz knew something of the case and kept an eye on the lad. He discovered that the two gold dollars, which are valuable owing to their scarcity, had been sold for a dollar each in Singer's pawn shop. Then he found that the pretty hunting case of the stolen watch had been cut in pieces and sold to a Queen-street jeweler as old gold for two dollars. Woltz has been working for his brother, who keeps a fruit store at Queen-street west and St. Patrick's Market, and Detective Harrison found the works of the watch hidden in the cellar of the store. He arrested young Woltz and locked him up in No. 2 Police Station and the youth admitted his guilt.

Woltz comes of a very respectable family, well known in the city, and his disgrace is felt keenly by his relatives. His father is at present in Cincinnati.

Installation and Presentation.

Maple Leaf Council, No. 867, Royal Arcanum, held their installation last night. The ceremony was performed by D.D.G. R. Milligan of Canadian Council, after which a valuable silver tea service was presented to retiring Regent William Ray. The presentation was made on behalf of the Council by Regent Elliot, and the recipient replied in a very feeling manner. The officers for '98 are: Regent, George Elliot, M.D.; Vice-Regent, J O Vancamp; overseer, Robert Gourie; Past Regent, William Ray; Sec., R J Gould; Collector, J W Gray; Treas., W H Baker; Chap., R J Butler; Guide, J H Treeby; Warden, S C Watson; Sentry, J Hind; Organist, L S Hayne.

Serenading Ald. Burns.

Ald. Burns was serenaded at his home on Simcoe-street last night by the Hickman concert troupe. Mr. W. C. Hickman congratulated the alderman on his recent victory at the polls, and there was a choice musical program. Miss Nettie Fluke, a wonderful child of 11 years, delighted the audience with her descriptive songs. Ald. Burns thanked his visitors for their good-will.

Child Desertion Again.

There is another unclaimed youngster at the Infants' Home. It is a two-weeks old boy. Someone who didn't want it left it in the porch of Holy Trinity Church, while a prayer meeting was in progress.

Dulmage of Rat Portage will likely play goal for T.A.C.

CHURCHES AND SUNDAY CARS

The Calamity Howlers' Prophesies Have Not Been Realized.

Larger Congregations and Larger Collections in the Down Town Churches—A Slight Falling Off in Some of the Suburban Churches—The Cars Bring Hundreds of Worshippers to the Churches.

The Sunday cars have now been running about eight months. When the campaign was in progress last May those opposed to them predicted that among other disastrous results empty churches would follow such a Sabbath desecration. To discover how far these predictions have come true, The World made exhaustive enquiries among the down-town and suburban churches. Instead of finding such a deplorable state of affairs, quite the opposite was revealed. In a few cases suburban churches have experienced a little falling off in attendance, but generally speaking such falling off was due to the unpopularity of the minister, or to the fact that formerly some of the members were precluded from attending the church of their choice or childhood, having moved too far away. This, the cars now enable them to do.

Larger Congregations and Collection.

Since the advent of the cars, the attendance at St. James' Cathedral has very materially increased. The collections are larger and there is a greater demand for permanent sittings. This increase is due to an influx of new members, and a return of many who were once in the church, but, having moved away, could not attend till the cars began to run.

St. Andrew's Greatly Benefited.

New St. Andrew's has received decidedly more benefit from the cars than any of the down-town churches. Its membership was scattered all over the city. Many of the members had joined other churches, and many had no church home. These have all returned, and, with the new members, completely fill the church, both morning and evening. Car after car empties its load of worshippers at the church before every service.

How St. Michael's Have Been Affected.

The congregation proper of St. Michael's Cathedral have not far to come to the ordinary Sunday services, and so, perhaps, they have not had occasion to take advantage of the Sunday car service. But, besides the people of the parish, there are many outsiders living at a distance, and to these Sunday cars have been a great convenience. At early services so generally held in the Cathedral, as on special feasts, when His Grace the Archbishop presides or preaches, there is always a large addition to the ordinary congregation of people, who come from all parts of the city. For these the Sunday cars are almost a necessity. It is well known, too, that the Sunday evening services and the winter course of lectures draw people, both Catholics and Protestants, from various parts of the city, and the occasional musical vespers, for which St. Michael's has become famous, are a special and a universal attraction. The convenience and utility of the Sunday car service, as far as St. Michael's Cathedral is concerned, has been recognized and gratefully acknowledged by those who are attracted from distant parts of the city to its many services. The collections for December, 1897, were much larger than those for the same month in 1896, at the morning services. The evening collections were about the same.

A Slight Increase.

In the congregations of Old St. Andrew's, Cooke's, the Metropolitan, Sherbourne-street Methodist and Knox Churches there is not much difference. There has been no falling off, there is a slight increase, especially at the evening services.

The suburban churches do not show a decrease in attendance, except in very few cases, and in these the causes are other than Sunday cars.

Some report an increase. Parkdale Presbyterian Church has been very materially helped by the cars. The church is crowded at both services, and in the evening it is necessary to go half an hour early to get inside the church at all. Even the vesper of Sunday cars expected a thinning in the congregations of the outlying churches, but enquiry shows quite the opposite. There is either no perceptible change in the attendance, or else an increase, except in a few special cases.

GOODS FOR THE YUKON

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giving the printing of an important public document to Hunter, Rose & Co., that the Printing Bureau is loaded up with work, that institution was closed to-day. Over a hundred printers who are Protestants had to put up with the enforced holiday and corresponding reduction in pay.

A Foundationless Report.

The report that the Government will cause an investigation to be made into the affairs of the Vancouver Custom House is entirely without foundation. Mr. Bowell, the collector, is a most efficient officer. The only difficulty of which department officers complain is that statistical returns of exports and imports last month were a little late, owing to the rush of work at that port.

Personal and General News.

Hon. George A. Cox and Mr. B. E. Walker, General Manager of the Bank of Commerce, were here to-day on business affecting that institution.

Four young Ottawa men left for the Yukon via Dyea this afternoon.

The Penitentiary Wardens concluded their conference to-day.

Parliament opens four weeks from to-day.

Bishop Courtenay of Nova Scotia is a guest at Government House.

The Bishop of Saskatchewan and Mrs. Parkman arrived here this afternoon.

E. King Dodds was in town to-day.

The Cabinet considered the estimates this afternoon.

A. G. Gilbert, poultry manager at the Experimental Farm, will address a series of meetings in different parts of the province, commencing next week in London. Thence he goes to Peterboro, Owen Sound, Cobourg and other places. He will demonstrate the best methods of dressing poultry for the British markets.

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C. P. R. AND TELEGRAPHERS

Have Not Yet Agreed, But It is Expected That They Will.

Montreal, Jan. 6.—The statement that the C.P.R. telegraphers had referred the matters in dispute between them and the company to Sir William Van Horne is without foundation. Nor is there, as implied in a published despatch, an imminent danger of a strike. The points over which there was a difference between Mr. Tait, the assistant manager, and the committee of the telegraphers were referred to Mr. Shaughnessy, who gave his decision. This was not agreeable to the committee, and negotiations were suspended, at least for the present. This does not imply that an end has been reached, but rather that the committee await further instructions from the heads of the order. Both the C.P.R. and the committee maintain the greatest reserve, but it is not thought by either that there will be any insuperable difficulty in arranging a final settlement. The committee, it is understood, are now in communication with Mr. Powell, grand chief telegrapher, regarding the decision of Mr. Shaughness