

CURLING IN NEW BRUNSWICK.

(From the Canadian Courier.)
A steady winter compared with that which Ontario has so far enjoyed, has afforded an unusual succession of exciting curling games in New Brunswick this year. An annual competition corresponding to that for the Ontario Tankard or the Canadian Life Trophy is unknown down by the sea, neither do they have frequent local bonspiel there. The programme is usually confined to inter-club games, most of them naturally occurring between rival towns. The keenness and close results of these contests have this year been without precedent. In four days' stay in St. John towards the end of January the writer saw two games result in a tie, and a third tie game had been played the previous week. In all these the St. Andrew's Club of St. John was concerned. The latter club has played over eighty games in thirty years against the St. John Thistles. The second of this year's series resulted in a tie, and when it is considered that fourteen rinks a side were engaged, this outcome is rather remarkable. The St. Andrew's Club also played the game with Yarmouth, N. S., and Hampton, N. B. In the Hampton game the latter club were six down with a stone to go, but a pretty draw to a fourth shot gave Hampton a six end, a nearly similar incident finished the game between St. Andrew's and Charlottetown. The rink had finished and left the ice-Chat-ham were four up with an end in that one rink to be played, and the St. John players had conceded the match. But here again Watson's last stone scored a six and left St. Andrew's victors by the narrow margin of two. As if these close finishes and opportune big ends did not afford sufficient excitement, in a game played at Moncton on January 28, Judge Patterson of New Glasgow,

counted an eight end.
In so far as the quality of icehouse curling can be judged by that seen at St. John, it is good. As compared with a few years ago it has gained in steadiness and lost little in enterprise. Old familiar figures on the ice are still in evidence. John White, dating from 1885, Andrew Malcolm from '88, Gregory and Watson from '78 are still in the ring. The writer saw Henderson of the Thistles, the old Blakey crack, contemporary of Tom Mitchell, skipping a game on the same sheet of ice where he had played his last game eleven years ago. Just before he left for the Kingsbury an innovator and reformer in the game, Henderson is still having his lead set up combinations to be used later in the end, making his opponent's aim; or intercepting instead of guarding a raise. But among Bluenose curlers the name of Dave Willie of the St. John Thistles is unrivaled. His style is unassuming, peculiar, almost eccentric, but twenty odd years' command of rinks has made success a habit with him. Two old Fredericton skips recently discussed their experiences with him. "Two old Fredericton skips recently discussed their experiences with him," said a New Glasgow skip, "just when we have everything fixed up and think we've got an impregnable, he comes in anywhere."
We have recently seen a photograph of Mr. Flavell of Lindsay, and under it the words: "The most famous curler in the world." No one will challenge this description. Mr. Flavell is also very famous in the Maritime Provinces, but not so famous as Dave Willie.

WADSWORTH HAD A WAD WORTH \$4,000

BOOZE RECIPES OUT IN ANTI-RUM PAPER

CHICAGO, March 8.—Charles M. Stuart, recently appointed editor of the Northwestern Christian Advocate, has had his first tussle with the printer's "devil."
In last week's issue of his publication appeared the following exchange of letters between Stuart and the printer: "The Advocate, being devoted to the anti-liquor cause, a protest immediately arose from the subscribers."
Mr. Stuart lost no time in preparing a correction which appeared in this week's issue. Meanwhile he had explained verbally that the recipe created the columns without the knowledge of himself or his associates. As a result, he declared it rested upon the printer's "devil."

LOVE ROMANCE LEADS TO SPLENDID CHARITY

Chivalrous Russian Desires to Wed Unfortunate Woman, but Princess Forbids

PARIS, Mar. 8.—Three years ago a wealthy Russian princess and her son, a youth of 20, visited Paris. During a reception the Prince met a young widow of good family, who had been left almost penniless by her husband's death. He fell in love with her, but the Princess's mother, on learning of the attachment, took him back to Russia. The two lovers exchanged letters for some time, but ultimately the correspondence ceased.
About a year ago the Prince paid another visit to Paris, and at a music hall at Montmartre he encountered his old sweetheart.
Her story was a sad one. Left without money, she was driven to earning her living as best she could. The Prince chivalrously visited to marry the woman, but his mother, in horror, vetoed the match. Through the police he had the pressure to bear upon the woman, and induced her to leave Paris and renounce the projected union.
Touched by her renunciation, the Prince set upon her a pension of \$2000 a year. She also gave M. Lapine a check for \$20,000 to establish a fund for the rearing of young girls who have taken the first false step. Mme. Roussea, daughter of the director of the depot, is the administratrix of the fund, and M. Clemenceau has accepted the honorary presidency.
The annual report was presented yesterday, the generous founder attending the meeting in person.

MODISTE IGNORES AMERICAN REVOLT

Jacques Worth Insists Paris is Still the Creator of Fashions

PARIS, March 8.—News of the revolt of the American dressmakers against the "dictatorship of Paris" is received with amiable skepticism in the Rue de la Paix.
M. Jacques Worth, head of the firm which made the wedding dresses of Lady Grenard, smiled when asked for his opinion on the attitude of the "United Ladies' Tailors' Association of America." "Americans," he said, "have for years tried to export their fashions down from the United States by means of prohibitive tariffs. The only result so far is that instead of sending dresses across the Atlantic American ladies come in ever-increasing numbers to Paris to buy them here. We cannot build 'sky-scrapers' and 'don't want to, but we can make dresses better than any one else."
"As soon as the creations which have made the Rue de la Paix famous may have Paris artists and Paris workmen. Americans have neither. They might import them, but six months after they have left France they have lost the 'chic' which makes the Paris gown superior to any other."
"You have tried the experiment in London, and I know that the dress made there by French workgirls, even if materials and model be identical, is not the same as the dress made here. It is the artistic atmosphere of Paris which gives the dress here its 'cachet.' Americans have not got it and cannot get it."
"As soon as the models for the season are ready representatives of the leading American houses flock to Paris to make their selection," and M. Worth led the way upstairs to a room where a score of ladies with translucent accents were passing in review the fashions for the coming spring and summer.

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COMMERCIAL LOCAL NEWS.

J. M. ROBINSON and SONS (Private Wire Telegram.)
Montreal, Morning Sales, March 9.
Power—125@109, 175@110, 600@110, 500@110, 100@110.
Crown Reserve—2500@80, 400@82, 500@82, 500@82.
Dom. Iron Bonds—1700@90, 3200@90, 1500@90, 500@90, 200@90, 1000@90.
Dom. Iron—185@84, 100@84, 25@83, 45@83, 200@84, 610@83, 75c, 35c, 200@82.
Quebec Ry—105@84, 60@84, 50@84, 24@84.
Ogilvie—75@115, 100@115.
Ogilvie, pfd—30@120.
MacKay—25@78.
Montreal St—100@80.
Richmond and Ontario—150@78.
Dom. Coal—200@54.
Quebec Bank—25@124.
Dom. Iron pfd—150@112, 35@111, 25@110, 150@110, 125@111, 25@113.
Woods, pfd—30@119.
Quebec Ry—105@84, 60@84, 50@84, 24@84.
MacKay, pfd—30@78.
Textile—50@60.
Paper, pfd—140@116.
Pennants—250@90, 250@90.
Twins—250@104.
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NEW INSURANCE BILL IS PLACED BEFORE HOUSE

Several Important Modifications WILL BE ACCEPTABLE Law Relating to Fraternal Companies to Remain Unchanged

OTTAWA, Ont., March 8.—The insurance bill, as amended from the original draft of last year, to meet some of the valid objections raised by the companies before the spending bill, was introduced in the House this afternoon by Hon. Mr. Fielding and was given a first reading. The bill shows some very important modifications from the bill drafted according to the recommendations of the insurance commission, and in its present form should from the standpoint of the insurance companies at least not prove a very contentious measure.
In its principal features, with respect to publicity of returns by the companies, the restriction of securities in which the funds of insurance companies may be legally invested, the limitation of expenses of management and provision for the representation of policy holders of the board of directors, the new bill follows largely the lines of last year's bill. But considerably more latitude is given to the companies in respect to investments in company bonds and securities, and in this respect the bill is not nearly so revolutionary and drastic as the first draft. One of the most important features is the omission of the proposed new laws respecting taxation.
With respect to the investment clauses of the new bill it may be stated broadly that there is some tightening up of the restrictions of the existing act and a much more reasonable latitude allowed than in the bill of last session.

SOME OF THE CHANGES.

There is no change with respect to investment in government guaranteed debentures, bonds or other securities. In respect to the investment in bonds of any company secured by mortgage to a trust company or otherwise, on real estate or other assets, the former bill required that the bonds should be outstanding for five years. In the present bill the time provision has been dropped and the investment need not be restricted to bonds of companies incorporated in Canada.
In respect to investment in company debentures the previous bill required that these debentures should be of seven years' standing without default. In the new bill it is now provided that the company must be of five years' standing and have made no default in payments.
Last year's bill provided that investments could be made in preferred or guaranteed stocks of any company which had paid at least four per cent dividend annually for seven years. The present bill removes the four per cent dividend restriction and makes the time limit five years.
With a view to preventing the creation of subsidiary companies, last year's bill restricted the investment of the funds of an insurance company to a maximum of 20 per cent of the common stock of any company. While this restriction is retained in the present bill, the companies are left free to invest in the bonds of any company.
An additional field of investment is provided by allowing insurance companies to invest in mortgages on real estate, ground rents and life and endowment policies.
The objections of the insurance companies to the clauses of last year's bill compelling them to dispose of any funds in excess of the limit of five years is met by allowing them to dispose of any such securities at their convenience.
The limitation imposed in the bill of last year on the expense of getting new business is replaced in the present bill by a limitation of expenses generally. This limitation is to apply to all companies, whether they are existing or new, and to new companies as soon as they have been ten years in existence.
Provision is made for an equal division of directors in each life insurance company among shareholders and policy holders, eight being elected by shareholders and eight by policy holders, two of each class retiring annually in rotation.
Instead of making the table of the institute of actuaries of Great Britain the standard for use in the valuation of policies, the new bill substitutes the British life office table which has come into general use.
There is practically no change with regard to the clauses requiring publicity of the returns of life companies and prohibiting rebates by agents.
With regard to the distribution of profits it is provided that there shall be an annual ascertainment of surplus by each company and that profits shall be distributed to policy holders at intervals not greater than quinquennially.

BRYAN JOINS IN WAR ON THE WHITE PLAGUE

NEW YORK, March 8.—William J. Bryan announced today that he will join in the fight against the spread of tuberculosis. He called on Nathan Straus, and discussed Mr. Straus' long fight for the prevention of tuberculosis by the pasteurization of milk. Mr. Bryan said:
"I have been impressed with the splendid array of facts vividly shown in the tuberculosis exhibition now in Philadelphia, and I hope that this exhibition will be brought to the great West, so that the people out there can be shown the dangers and the way to overcome them by fresh air, healthful habits, cleanliness and pasteurization of milk."
"I hope to use the opportunities that I have in lecturing in various parts of the country to aid in this fight."

VICTORIA KEPT DIARY BIG AS 100 VOLUMES

LONDON, March 8.—Lord Esher, deputy governor of Windsor Castle, whose "Letters of Queen Victoria" was published in 1897, gave an interesting lecture at the Royal Institution tonight on Queen Victoria. The lecture contained much new information. From the age of 13 and until within a few days of her death Lord Esher said, Queen Victoria kept a daily diary, which he said he never published in its entirety. These works, recording the daily life events of the queen, would fill 100 volumes.
All were written in her small, running hand. Her entire correspondence and papers, when arranged and completed will fill 1,250 volumes.

INFALLIBILITY OF BIBLE ASSAILED IN WINNIPEG

WINNIPEG, March 8.—Rev. Dr. S. H. Ross, formerly of Ottawa, and now pastor of the Broadway Methodist church, held a lecture at the Anglican congregation of Winnipeg, caused a mild sensation last night when he attacked the infallibility of the Bible. The Rev. gentleman made no reference to the Carman-Kalaw controversy, but gave his own opinion for the belief he advanced. He plainly declared he did not believe in the doctrine of absolute infallibility and argued that the Bible was more abused by good people than any other book in the world. Dr. Ross quoted passages from the Bible which he contended proved it was not historically infallible, and intimated that owing to his serious doubts on this matter he had at one time contemplated retiring from the Christian ministry and would have done so but for the advice of Rev. Dr. Nelles.

HALF OF THE STARTERS HAVE DROPPED OUT OF RACE

Only Fourteen Teams Remain in Six Days Foot Race—French Team Have Lead of Five Miles.

NEW YORK, Mar. 8.—Chiot and Orphe, the French team were still in the lead in the six day go as you place a.m. today. They had covered 204 miles and were more than five miles ahead of Dinen and Prouty, who were in second place.
The scores of the ten leading teams, at 8 a.m. follows:
Thoms 204 8
Chiot and Orphe 199 1
Dinen and Prouty 188 2
Pegann and Curtis 187 3
Spring and Adams 187 4
Davis and Nettek 185 5
Loselein and Kluber 177 6
Hacker and Golden 174 7
Cort and Coleman 165 8
Guignard and Rovere 156 9
Sheilon and Fraser 154 10
Fifteen teams remained in the race up to 8 o'clock. Annable and O'Driscoll, the New Englanders, disappeared at the time each should spend on the track, and quit about 4 a.m. Albert Doms, of the Belgian pair, retired at 7 a.m. and for a short time O'Driscoll paired with Navez. Then Spring of the New York team, was forced out by the swelling of his left leg and Navez and Adams composed a new team. Coleman of the Chicago pair, fainted on the track early today but soon revived, his partner taking up the race without loss of distance.
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There was a pause of a few seconds, and then Mr. Taft, with upraised hand spoke the oath in its correct form: "I do solemnly swear that I will faithfully execute the office of president of the United States, and will, to the best of my ability, preserve, protect and defend the constitution of the United States."

TAFT PAYS HIS OWN BARBER, A FILIPINO

WASHINGTON, March 8.—President Taft is to be shaved by a valet paid out of his own private purse. The valet is Monico Lopez Lara, a Filipino, who was brought to this country by Mr. Taft from Manila when Mr. Taft resigned from the office of governor general of the Philippines to become secretary of war in Mr. Roosevelt's cabinet.
It became known today that Lara wouldn't be placed on the government rolls.
William Dulaney who shared President Roosevelt at the White House for most of Mr. Roosevelt's service as president, has been sent over to the treasury department to perform the duties of an accountant to the office of the auditor for the navy department.
He was appointed to the treasury department place about a year ago at a salary of \$1,000 a year.

JUSTICE FULLER ERRS IN GETTING TAFT OATH

WASHINGTON, March 8.—It became known today that Chief Justice Fuller, in pronouncing the oath which Mr. Taft was to take, made a mistake. The chief justice said: "I do solemnly swear that I will faithfully execute the constitution of the United States" etc.
Senator Knox was standing near Mr. Taft as the oath was being administered. He noticed the mistake and smilingly whispered to Mr. Taft: "Don't do it."
There was a pause of a few seconds, and then Mr. Taft, with upraised hand spoke the oath in its correct form: "I do solemnly swear that I will faithfully execute the office of president of the United States, and will, to the best of my ability, preserve, protect and defend the constitution of the United States."

FILIPINO EDITOR GETS STIFF SENTENCE FOR LIBEL

MANILA, Mar. 8.—Todor Kalaw, editor of El Renacimiento the organ of the radical element of the Philippines, has been convicted of libelling Dean C. Worcester, a member of the Philippine commission on a charge of having committed libel in the military prison of Manila and to pay a fine of 3,000 pesos.
Kalaw will make an appeal from the sentence. The editor and four of his assistants were arrested several months ago on complaint of the commissioner who asserted that he had been grossly libelled in the columns of El Renacimiento. Later he instituted a civil action for \$50,000 damages.

WEDS HER TWICE AND ESCAPES 9-YEAR TERM

Man Charged With Bigamy Marries Again to Save Himself

FRANKFORT, Ky., March 8.—By marrying according to law the woman he had once married and for which he got a sentence of nine years in the penitentiary on a charge of bigamy, R. E. Hammond this afternoon got his liberty.
The wedding took place in the governor's office with Acting Governor Cox as the best man, and other state officials, employees and newspaper men as witnesses.
The bridegroom wore his prison stripes, but his clothing made no difference to the woman who has clung to him since he entered the prison and who has worked for his release, in spite of the fact that she was not the legal wife of the man. It was the first wedding that ever took place in the governor's office.
Governor Cox wanted to perform the ceremony, but the assistant attorney general decided that he didn't have the authority. Then a minister was called.

FUNERALS.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Alberta Blizard took place today from her residence, Union street, to Cedar Hill. Dr. Flinders conducted the service.
The funeral of Mrs. Emma L. McCluskey took place at 2:30 this afternoon from her late residence, 135 Brunswick street, to Cedar Hill cemetery. Rev. Dr. Flinders conducted the service.
The regular meeting of the St. John Art Club will be held Thursday evening at 8 o'clock in the Studio, Union street. There will be an exhibition of paintings. F. H. C. Miles will read a paper on student life in Paris. The ladies' committee will serve refreshments.
The R. K. Y. Club will hold a smoker on Thursday evening next.
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PERSONAL

Geo. S. Waterbury arrived on the Boston express today returning from a trip to Cuba.
Wm. McKay came in on the Atlantic express at noon.
LETTER OF THANKS.
St. John, N. B., March 8th, 1934.
To the Chief Ranger, Officers and Members of Court St. John, No. 479, "Canadian Order of Foresters."
Dear Sirs—I desire to return to you and the other members of your Court, my sincere thanks for the courtesy and sympathy extended to me through the death of my late husband, Daniel Patrick. And desire you to extend to the Officers of High Court, my thanks for the prompt payment of \$1000 insurance carried in your Order.
Wishing your institution every prosperity in the future, I have the honor to be
Respectfully yours,
MARY E. PATRIQUEN
270 Britain St., St. John, N. B.
THE BATTLE LINE.
Savannah—Sailed March 7th, S. S. London River.
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