GOLD PRIZES FOR JOCKEYS

Crescent City Club's Competition Begins Jan. 1 and Lasts Until March 24.

CROOKED RIDERS TO BE BARRED

Summaries and Entries for the Day and Some Gossip of the Turf.

New Orleans, Dec. 21.—The Crescent City Jockey Club to-day announced an offer of prizes to jockeys having the best riding percentage at the close of the local season, March 24. The prizes are: First, $100; second, $30, and third, $20 in gold. The contest opens Jan. 1, 1900, and any jockey suspended for fraud will be barred from the contest. Pancharm was sold after the third race to R. Tucker for $400, an advance of $100. Trebor and Bill Buckman have been sold to J. J. McCafferty. Weather to-day rainy and track heavy. Trillo and Lomonde were the winning favorites. Summaries:

First race, 6 furlongs—Trillo, 120 (Mitchell), even, 1; Prince of Verona, 94 (Slack), 6 to 5, 2; Moroni, 110 (Mason), 25 to 1, 3. Time 1.17¼. Miss Mae Day, Arthur Behan, The Burlington Route, Virtula and Big Indian also ran.

Second race, selling, 6 furlongs—Lomonde, 108 (Boland), 9 to 5, 1; Sorrel Rose, 101 (Mitchell), 10 to 1, 2; El Caney, 112 (Dupee), 9 to 5, 3. Time 1.18½. Flylotte, Tom Gilmore, Irene Hayes, Chamberlain and Tremble also ran.

Third race, selling 1¼ miles—Pancharm, 99 (Wedderstrand), 30 to 1, 2; Jimp, 105 (Mitchell), 3 to 1, 2; Monongah, 99 (Jones), 12 to 1, 3. Time 2.17½. Admetus, Monk Wayman, Joe Shelby, The Brewer and Babe Fields also ran.

Fourth race, handicap, 1 1-16 miles—Compensation, 96 (Mooly), 7 to 2, 1; Strangest, 105 (McIntyre), 5 to 1, 2; Forbush, 102 (Wedderstrand), 8 to 5, 3. Time 1.54¾. Watercrest, Alpen and Matt Simpson also ran.

Fifth race, selling, mile—Chicopee, 107 (Rose), 8 to 1, 1; Samivel, 107½ (Aker), 15 to 1, 2; Moncreith, 112 (Kitley), 2 to 1, 3. Time 1.48. Lennep, Chantilly, Cavallo and Walkenshaw also ran.

Entries: First race, selling, 7 furlongs—Dolly Regent 93, Sedan, Ruskin 98, Belle Ward, Trebor 100, Tyrba 102, Bob Lyons, Rushfields 103, Captain Lamar, Estaca 107, Agitator 110, Walkenshaw 111, Albert Vale and Lagrange 112.

Second race, ¾ mile—Falsehood, Polly Bixby 95, Tickful, Avator, Inlook, Dissolute, Chickamauga 101, The Bobby 103, Russell R., Magis Light 106.

Third race, selling, 1 mile—Cuirassier, Ran Jose 95, Lost Time 97, False Lead 98, Improvident 99, Pinar Del Rio, Wordsworth, Pete Kitchen 101, Morea 101, Eildad 104, Wood Ranger 105.

Fourth race, ¾ mile, handicap—Supreme 88, Greyless 89, Tom Collins, Mediesome 90, Eva Mae 96, Ypsilanti, Carlotta C. 98, Silver Set 102, Lelia Smith 102, St. Wood 105, Refugee 108, Judge Wardell 107.

Fifth race, mile—Miss Dooley, Phidias 92, Match Box 94, Prospero 99, Hill Billy 101, Col. Cluke 105, Manlius, McCleary, Strangest 106, Hampden 109.

King Carnival Also Ran.

San Francisco, Dec. 21.—Weather fine at Oakland; track fast. First race, Futurity course, selling, $400—May Gertrude, 105 (Vittitoe), 4 to 1, 1; The Echo, 105 (Walsh), 12 to 1, 2; For Freedom, 105 (Jenkins), 20 to 1, 3. Time 1.12¼. Fine Shot, Gravita, Summer, Fairfax, Ilarte, Frank Kuhry also ran.

Second race, 5½ furlongs, $350—Sister Alice, 106 (Vittitoe), 15 to 1, 1; Frank Bell, 107 (Jones), 8 to 5, 2; Midlove, 107 (Thorpe), 2 to 1, 3. Time 1.07. Novia, Storm King, Formero, Lady Heloise also ran.

Third race, 1 1-16 miles, selling, purse $400—Tappan, 108 (Thorpe), 3 to 2, 1; Wyoming, 107 (Spencer), 9 to 2, 2; Meadowthorpe, 105 (Burns), 8 to 1, 3. Time 1.46½. Whitcomb, Marplot, Go to Bed, Billy McCloskey also ran.

Fourth race, 6 furlongs, free handicap, purse $500—Yellow Tail, 120 (Jones), 13 to 10, 1; Ereme, 105 (Wilson), 20 to 1, 2; Finnore, 104 (Walsh), 6 to 1, 3. Time 1.13. Southern Girl, Dumblane also ran.

Fifth race, 1 mile, free handicap, $500 purse—Ventore, 92 (Walsh), 7 to 1, 1; Rosormonde, 110 (Jenkins), 8 to 5, 2; Sybaris, 100 (Vittitoe), 15 to 1, 3. Time 1.39¾. King Carnival, Defiance, Grand Sachem, Moringo also ran.

Sixth race, 6 furlongs, selling, purse $400—Afamada, 105 (Jenkins), 5 to 1, 1; Mocorito, 105 (Spencer), 7 to 5, 2; Sly, 107 (Thorpe), 4 to 1, 3. Time 1.12½. Jerid, Peace, Maud Ferguson, San Mateo also ran.

Gosip of the Turf.

Not a single first-class 3-year-old was developed at the Chicago race tracks this year.

T. P. Hayes will soon arrive at New Orleans with a string of six horses from Memphis.

C. F. Dwyer has sold in England to S. Joel the chestnut colt Sly Fox, 4, by Silver Fox, dam Asteria, by imp. Katanka.

Last season at the Chicago tracks the work of the judges was marked by an unusual vigilance, and a dozen or more jockeys are still feeling the effects of it.

It is more than probable that Mr. Featherstone will race under his own name next season, instead of Bromley & Co., as Mr. Bromley has withdrawn from the firm.

Hal Pointer, 2.04½, is wintering in the stable of Charles H. Fee, at Detroit, and will in future be used as a carriage horse principally.

In addition to the bookmakers now doing business at the New Orleans track there are three pool rooms doing a flourishing trade in that city.

The Buffalo Riding Club, which a few years ago was the swellest of its kind in the country, was dissolved by Judge Lambert recently. The club was in debt for more than $30,000.

Blazes, sire of the iron horse Blitzen, was sold recently at the ridiculous price of $10. He is 21 years old, and his new owner says he will have him gelded and use him as a saddle horse.

Santiago Murphy, who figured as a plunger on California race courses, and was arrested for robbing the National Bank of Mexico of $70,000, has been sentenced to nine years in prison. The case attracted much attention, as Murphy fled to the United States after the robbery, and was finally captured by American detectives. In New Orleans he escaped from the Mexican officers, but was recaptured.

Fred Perkins was a 13 to 5 favorite in Wednesday's steeplechase at New Orleans, but the top weight, 145 lbs., prevented Dyment's jumper from getting a call.

Sydney Paget is about to leave New York and return to England, where he has already been enrolled in the regiment of rough riders that is being recruited for the Transvaal. Paget was William C. Whitney's manager on the turf.

AT THE TRAPS.

Big Shooting Tourney at Woodbine Brought to a Close.

The shooting tournament given by the Toronto Sporting Goods Company at Woodbine Park was brought to a close on Wednesday evening. The program comprised pigeon, sparrow and bluerock matches, and the prizes amounted to $200. Mr. John Wilson was referee and W. McDowall field captain. The scores:

Event No. 1, 12 pigeons, $100, seven prizes—P Phillips 11, R Green 11, M Rearden 11, J Dick 10, E Sanderson 10, H George 9, J Bell 9, W Williams 9, J Crooks 9, H Moore 9, S Brooks 8, J Howard 8, A Smith 8, E Edwards 8, W Burgess 8, W Paul 7, C Brown 7, C Chapman 7, J Davidson 7, P Rock 7, G Wilton 7, R Crew 7, W McGee 7, W Feet 7, E Wood 7, P Wilson 6.

Event No. 2, 15 bluerocks—J Dick 15, C Crew 14, T Lewis 13, Dr G McDowell 13, R Crew 12, S Brooks 12, T Lucas 11, B Stott 11, C Chapman 10, J Colt 9.

Event No. 3, 25 bluerocks—Dick 23, Lucas 22, Stott 20, Lewis 20, Brooks 20, Dr McDowell 19.

Event No. 4, 40 bluerocks—Lewis 36, Lucas 36, Crew 35, Dick 34, Crooks 33, Casey 31, George 29, Dr G McDowell 28, Brooks 27, W McDowall 27, W Paul 25, W McGee 23.

Event No. 5, 25 bluerocks—Dick 25, Lewis 24, Dr McDowell 23, George 20, Crooks 19.

Event No. 6, 10 bluerocks—Dick 9, George 8, Moore 7, Dr McDowell 7, Wilson 6.

Event No. 7, 20 sparrows, $40, six prizes—R Green 16, G Wilton 16, C Chapman 16, P Phillips 15, S Brooks 15, C Casey 15, G Smith 14, G Edwards 14, W Moore 14, W Paul 14, D Chapman 13, H George 12, C Brown 10. Three retired.

Event No. 8, 15 bluerocks—Dick 15, Lewis 14, Thompson 14, George 13, Green 13, Moore 13.

LAST FOR THE YEAR.

Bowling Season Closed Until After Christmas Holidays — Insurance Stays Ahead.

Last night's bowling games finished up the season until after the Xmas holidays. There were three played, Insurance, Athenaeum and Q.O.R.B.C. being the winners. The scores.

Athenaeum N.		Highlanders.	
Crawford	585	Selby	578
Beatty	640	Woods	475
Gardiner	534	Stewart	419
McConkey	527	Merry	435
Tweed	510	Davison	690
Boyd	558	Martin	481
Total	3414	Total	2988

Insurance.		Liederkranz B.	
Lightbourne	629	H. Belz	602
Edmunds	566	Zack	621
Fairweather	614	Lang	624
Molesworth	616	Zwelfel	635
Keys	694	Dawson	627
Johnston	672	Harrison	657
Total	3791	Total	3761

Q.O.R.B.C.		T.R.C.	
Treblecock	622	Stretton	570
Bailey	692	Smith	564
Dee	596	Ewart	574
Niblock	585	Clark	583
Meadows	759	Burgess	531
Meade	758	Welsh	529
Total	4012	Total	3353

— The Standing of Section II.—

	W.	L.	Ave.	Ngt High Total.
Insurance	6	1	631	3791
Athenaeum N.	4	3	569	3856
Q.O.R.B.C.	4	3	698	4012
T.R.C.	3	4	558	3353
Liederkranz	2	5	627	3761
Highlanders	2	5	498	2988

Victory for Highlanders.

The indoor baseball game at the Armories between the Highlanders and Q.O.R. was won by the Kilties. It was witnessed by a fairly large crowd, including many ladies. The receipts of the game will be donated to Xmas charities. The teams and score:

Q.O.R.	0 4 0 2 3 5 5 0 0—19
48th	2 6 1 1 1 4 2 3 *—20

Q.O.R.—Royce 2b., Maguire 3b., Davidson ss., Storey p. and 1b., Blackwood lf., Gunn 1b and p., Cooper rf., Findley ss., Complin c.

48th—Darling ss., McGaw c., Campbell 1b., Cosby 2b., McKenzie p., Woodbridge ss., Brooke 3b., Isbester rf., Burnside lf.

Umpires—Messrs. Meredith and Heron.

Around the Athenaeum.

To-night is compass whist night, and players are requested to be sharp on time. Besides the games there are several important matters to discuss.

The second round of the vice-president's billiard handicap starts to-night. All interested are requested to try and attend.

The third stage in the Beatty bowling medal began last night, and all games must be completed on or before Dec. 28. In the Xmas week tourney competitors will bowl half across the alleys, the number of pins will decide the winner.

The chess tournament will be a handicap knockout principle.

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Goff Beat Thorne.

New York, Dec. 21.—Charley Goff of California met and defeated the English middleweight boxer, Geoffrey Thorne, in less than two rounds at Brooklyn to-night. The men met at catch weights.

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ABOUT BASEBALL CIRCUITS

Will Baltimore and Washington Accept Places in the Eastern League?

SECRETARY GALT'S OPINIONS.

National, Eastern and Western to Share All the Best Centres of the Game.

William Galt, secretary of the Toronto Baseball Club, arrived back from New York yesterday, whither he had gone to attend a meeting of the Eastern League, that had been postponed without several of the clubs receiving due notice. President Powers had been busy counting his money made at the six-day bicycle race, but withal was glad to welcome Mr. Galt and others who had gone on the mistaken mission, including Ed Barron, Draper of Providence, and representatives from Syracuse and Rochester. Mr. Powers showed them around the big city, and Bill and the rest of the boys evidently had a good time.

Secretary Galt reported that Washington and Baltimore and probably Newark would join the circuit. He pertinently refused to suggest who would get the ax, but Worcester, Hartford and Springfield may likely be elected to bare the neck, and Hamilton and London would be compelled to stay in the Canadian or some little international league, as the size of this affair would remain eight clubs big.

Thus, the Eastern would be a pretty pretentious organization built up as follows:

Toronto,	Baltimore,
Syracuse,	Washington,
Rochester,	Newark,
Montreal,	Providence.

Of course, this is all conjecture about Washington and Baltimore, and these cities may refuse to entertain so-called minor league ball, as intimated below by our Philadelphia correspondent.

Toronto's ball magnate seems not worried over the rumors of a rival team. Unlike his negative commitment about the cities to be dropped, he was positive that the pen-and-ink-outlaw-American Association-Ban-Johnson war would no more get a foothold on the Toronto mainland than at the dear old Island.

Mr. Galt met many baseball men, and all spoke to him about the sudden taking-off of Prof. Bobby Wheaton, the king of rooters. He came across Reddy Grey in the Tenderloin one night, and the amber top is anxious to again meet his Parkdale friends at Hanlan's Point.

The Eastern League will wait to see what the National magnates decide upon before holding their meeting, which will likely be late in January.

It appears that President Powers counts on getting Washington and Baltimore in line, and has so notified interested parties.

John T. Brush, chairman of the National League Circuit Committee, furnished the idea. It is to have an eight-club National League and two minor leagues—the Eastern and Western—working in harmony with the major organization. The Western League could also complete its circuit and also strengthen it by adding Louisville and Cleveland. Brush's plan is for these two leagues to play for their individual championships and settle that fight in a season up to, say, about Aug. 15 of each year.

Baltimore and Washington.

Philadelphia, Dec. 21.—Should the National League carry out the present plan for reducing the circuit to eight clubs it will only be paving the way for the rival organization unless proper precautions be taken. The idea of the league magnates is to buy out Louisville and Cleveland in the west, and turn those franchises over to the Western or American League, while in the east, Baltimore and Washington will be turned over to the Eastern League. This would give the National League a strong eight-club circuit and control over all the most desirable territory in both the east and west. This plan of reorganization, while it looks nice on paper, could only prove temporary, for it is an absolute certainty that Baltimore and Washington will not stand for minor league ball, and a rival organization would be sure to spring up and give the league battle. It is only short-sightedness on the part of several of the club owners which prevents reorganization on a sound basis. This can only be done by the committee to which the matter has been left allowing rival clubs in league territory and reorganizing the American Association under friendly conditions. This would throw the four clubs which are to be bought out, into the new association. This would be better than buying out the four clubs and then seeing a rival organization spring up which would not act in harmony with the league.

Donovan to Succeed Irwin.

Washington, Dec. 21.—Washingtonians are up in arms against two propositions advocated by the National League at its meeting last week in New York City. One of these relates to the threatened deposition of President Young at the behest of Andrew Freedman and the other is the dropping of the Washington Club in order to make a reduction in the circuit to eight clubs. It is pointed out, with good reason, that Washington is a much better paying baseball city than either Baltimore or Brooklyn, and in proof of the latter assertion attention is called to the meagre attendance at Brooklyn's park last season despite the fact that its occupants were the champions in embryo of the National League. Rumors of pending negotiations with Donovan as manager of the Washingtons in place of Arthur Irwin are also favorably received, for Donovan has always been popular here, and it was thought to be a mistake when he was released to Pittsburg six years ago.

Hallam Challenge Cup.

Members of the National Yacht and Skiff Club held a very large and influential meeting last evening. A very pleasant surprise was met with, it being announced that Ald. Hallam would give the club a grand silver cup.

Nomination Night.

Some three days ago The World interviewed Ald. Score as to whether he would be a candidate for the Mayoralty, and his reply was that he had the matter under his consideration. Yesterday The World again saw him and he said that he had made up his mind not to enter the fight for Mayor, but that he would still be a candidate for alderman for Ward No. 3. Ald. Score will be one of those who will address the electors of the Third Ward at the nomination meeting in Victoria Hall to-night.

H. Wickson.

The name of Wickson has been associated with the St. Lawrence Market for more than half a century. Mr. H. Wickson, the present representative, and head of this firm, will (if spared till Monday next) celebrate his jubilee Xmas on this market, having entered the business just 50 years ago in connection with his father. And so well is he known by the citizens of Toronto and surrounding counties that it would be superfluous on our part to tell them that he has jealously guarded the reputation established by his grandfather and father.

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WITH THE BOXERS.

Fitzsimmons and His Sparring Partner Looking for Matches—Gossip of the Ring.

New York, Dec. 21.—The lay-off which former champion Bob Fitzsimmons has enjoyed during the past few weeks has apparently done him a world of good. Besides regaining some of his lost strength, Fitz's left hand, which was injured several weeks ago in a bout with Yank Kenny, his sparring partner, is in fairly good shape, and, with the prospect of large purses ahead and several ambitious opponents, Bob is prepared to enter the ring again. Fitzsimmons says: "My vacation will soon be up, and then I will get into the game with both feet, so to speak. It is evident that I will not be able to induce Jeffries to meet me again, so the only thing open to me now is to fight someone else. This I will cheerfully do. I am ready to box either Ruhlin, Sharkey or Kid McCoy. My money is still up, but not one of the fighters mentioned, especially my conqueror, Jeffries, has seen fit to cover it. But something must be done by the fighters I have named to make me believe that they mean business. I see that Ruhlin beat Stockings Conroy. It was a clean-cut victory I understand, and I think we ought to be able to reach an agreement for a match. Kenny is also boxing fast now and would take on any of the big ones."

Several of the New York clubs agree with Fitz in this respect, and an effort is being made to clinch a 25-round fight between Ruhlin and Fitzsimmons at an early date.

Around the Ring.

Jack Daly, the Wilmington lightweight, is training hard for his fight with George McFadden next Saturday night in New York. They are to meet in a 20-round bout at 135 pounds.

The 25-round bout between Terry McGovern of Brooklyn and Harry Forbes of Chicago in New York to-night promises to be a rattling good contest.

A 10-round glove fight was pulled off Monday night in a barn outside of Cornwall between Kid Davison of Montreal and Jim Harris of Pittsburg. Harris was knocked out in the last round by a terrific left hook on the jaw, and was unconscious for about 25 minutes.

Lou Beahn of Troy and Fred Wyatt of Ottawa fought 20 rounds at Plattsburg, Wednesday night. Beahn had the better of the fight after the tenth round, and was awarded the decision at the end of the twentieth round. Bud Renaud of Omaha was referee.

After scaring off all the feathers in Buffalo, Jimmy Smith has consented to take on a lightweight next week in Ottawa. Leonard, McMahon, Prieur and Johnson refused the splendid purse offered through Walter C. Kelly by the Capital Athletic Association, and now Smith has offered to meet Fred Wyatt at 130 pounds. Jimmy is surely working up through the bunch.

J. L. MOORE THE CHAMPION.

Close of Munson's City Checker Tournament—McLaurin of Windsor Coming.

The match for the Munson Trophy was concluded yesterday afternoon, after a very close and interesting series of games, when J. L. Moore and D. McArthur came together in the final. It was decided by three wins and one draw in Mr. Moore's favor, and he has now decided to learn to ride the new Cleveland bicycle in preference to taking the $25 in gold. Mr. Munson gave the option to the winner of taking the bicycle or the cash, and it is to be hoped that before many days Mr. Moore will succeed in riding the bicycle as well as he can play checkers. J. F. Craig is to be congratulated for the efficient and impartial manner in which he refereed the different games. The following is a list of the gentlemen who competed, and order of the games:

	W.	L.	D.
Barrett won from McKenzie	1	0	5
Repath won from Lamberkin	4	0	0
Moore won from Dolan	3	0	2
Shand won from Repath	3	0	1
Duggan won from Baird	4	0	0
Dixon won from Johnson	4	0	0
D. McArthur won from J. Mc-Arthur	1	0	5
D. McArthur won from Wylye.	Default.		
Jackman won from Barrett	2	1	3
Shand won from Patton	4	0	0
Moore won from Shand	2	1	3
D. McArthur won from Dixon	1	0	5
Moore won from D. McArthur	3	0	1

Mr. Munson has promised enthusiasts of the game a week of excitement, commencing Christmas day. He has arranged with R. J. McLaurin of Windsor, champion checker player of Canada, to meet all comers, when some very interesting games will, no doubt be played. The different games will take place at Mr. Munson's store, No. 183 Yonge-street, continuing for the week, afternoons and evenings.

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Will Read the Resolution.

A general meeting of the Board of Trade has been called for this afternoon at 3.30 o'clock. The resolution of loyalty to Great Britain passed at a recent meeting of the council will be read.

A TORONTO MERCHANT

Bears Important News to His Fellow Citizens.

Toronto, Dec. 21.—Here is a letter we hope every one of our readers will peruse:—"I am 39 years old. Have been troubled for four years with what I thought was Rheumatism—stiffness in the muscles of my legs, later in the arms. Soon the stiffness changed to soreness. Went to Hot Springs, and came back a little better. Was a moderate drinker, but quit using liquor altogether, and carefully regulated my diet. One day I got wet and then the trouble was worse than ever. Had to lay off for three weeks. Have had similar attacks at intervals ever since, each one worse than its predecessor. Had headache, pain in the small of the back, urine dark, scanty and scalding. Began using Dr. Arnold's English Toxin Pills a short time ago, and am already wonderfully improved. Feel confident they will cure me, and I shall give them the chance and report. I have not felt so well for years as I have since I began using your pills."

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M'MASTER'S CLOSING.

Students' Annual Dinner and Founder's Day Exercises Successfully Celebrated Yesterday.

One of the most pleasant days of the year spent by the students in McMaster University is the day before they leave on their Christmas vacation. In it are combined the annual students' dinner, founder's exercises and their at home.

These were held yesterday, and were successful. The dinner commenced at 1.45 p.m., and was held in their large dining hall. Seated around their guest tables were: Mr. Grigg, chairman of the student body; Chancellor Wallace, A. R. McMaster, Dr. Goodspeed, Dr. Newman, Prof. Keys, Prof. Campbell, Dr. Farmer, Dr. Ten Broeke, Dr. Smith, Dr. Welton, Prof. Wilmott, Rev. Charles Eaton, Prof. Tracy, Rev. E. Harris and representatives from the other colleges.

After an excellent dinner, the bell was sounded as the speech signal. The most pleasant feature of the speeches was that with one exception they were given by students. All were neat, short and sharp. The first of all toasts, that to "Queen and Country," was proposed by the chairman, Mr. S. E. Grigg.

"McMaster University" was proposed by A. G. Baker, B.A., and responded to by Dr. J. Ten Broeke. This was the principal toast, and both speeches were very much enjoyed.

Frank N. Goble proposed the one to "Sister Institutions," and all the representatives from other bodies replied to it. They were: R. W. Crau of Knox, Mr. St. John of Victoria, J. M. Howell of Woodstock College, B. J. Curry of the Dental College, E. J. Reid of Normal School, Mr. Masson of Trinity, B. A. Kinder of Wycliffe and G. A. Cornish of Varsity.

Other toasts were: "Learned Professions," by E. E. Wood and G. W. Holmes, B. A., and "The Ladies," by G. Harold Grant.

In the evening the University was filled with visitors, in answer to invitations to attend the founder's exercises and the annual at home. At 8 o'clock the Founder's Day exercises were held, when Rev. Joshua Denovan delivered the address. After that the building was thrown open, and a very pleasant evening was spent. Good programs were given. The building was very prettily decorated.

The committee in charge of the dinner and at home were: S. E. Grigg, E. E. Wood, S. C. Foster, J. E. Pengelly, L. C. Lanchland, A. B. Cohoe, J. A. McDonald, Frank N. Goble and J. W. Hotson.

Maid Hope Circle.

Maid Hope Circle, No. 83, C.O.F., elected these officers last night in Victoria Hall: C.C., Mrs. Fisher; Sub-C.C., Mrs. McIntosh; Secretary, Mrs. Rockwood; Treasurer, Mrs. Groom; R.G., Mrs. Nichol; O.G., Mrs. Campbell; I.G., Mrs. Earl; O.G., Mrs. Chamberlain; Physician, Dr. Stark.

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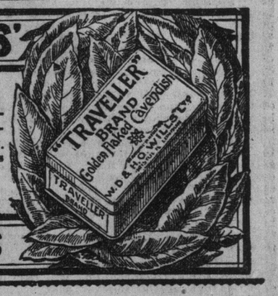

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