

Reading of minutes of previous meeting. 3. Reports of officers and committees. 4. Proposals and balloting for new members. 5. Dues and fees collected. 6. Unfinished business. 7. Election of officers. 8. New business.

2. The President shall preside at all meetings and shall see that this constitution, by laws and the playing rules of the Association are enforced.

3. The Vice-President shall perform all the duties of the President in the absence of the latter.

4. The Secretary shall keep a record of the meetings of the Association, issue all notices, and attend to the necessary correspondence.

5. The Treasurer shall receive all dues, giving proper receipts therefor, pay out the same for necessary expenses under the direction of the President, and render annually a report of his accounts.

Article II.—1. The annual meeting of the Association shall be held on the first Thursday in April of each year, at such place as shall be determined by vote at the previous annual meeting.

2. Special meetings of the Association may be called whenever the Board of Directors may deem it necessary, or by the President when requested to by three or more club members of the Association. One month's notice of all special meetings must be sent to the different clubs.

Article III.—At all meetings each club shall have but one representative, who shall present a certificate showing his authority to act, signed by the secretary of his club. A representation of a majority of the clubs belonging to the Association shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, but a smaller number may adjourn from time to time until a quorum is obtained.

Article IV.—Proper rules governing the playing of the game of base ball shall be adopted by this Association at any meeting, and any club wilfully violating them, shall after proper investigation by the judiciary committee, forfeit its membership in the Association.

Article V.—1. A Judiciary committee, consisting of five members of different clubs, shall be appointed by the President at each annual meeting, to whom shall be referred all questions in dispute between clubs, arising out of a violation of the playing rules, breaking off an agreement, or other cause, and the decision of the committee shall be final.

2. All questions bearing on the championship shall be referred to the Judiciary Committee for decision, and the committee will decide at the end of the season, according to the championship rules, what club is legally entitled to the championship, and make its award accordingly.

3. Three members of the committee shall form a quorum for the transaction of business, and one week's notice in writing must be given to all its members of meeting to be held.

PLAYING RULES.

The playing rules of the National Base Ball Association of the United States adopted at the Convention in Philadelphia, April 3rd, 1876, were adopted as the playing rules of this Association.

CHAMPIONSHIP RULES.

1. All clubs, members of this Association, desiring to contest for the championship must make application in writing to the chairman of the Judiciary Committee on or before May 15th of each year, and no club shall be admitted as contestants after that date. Each application must be accompanied by a remittance of \$10. The chairman shall keep a record of the clubs so applying, and he shall announce the names of the clubs contesting for the title, by publication. Clubs shall be eligible to contest for the championship from the date of their entry as contestants.

2. The series for the championship shall be four games, and each club shall play four games with every other contesting club at such time and place as they may mutually agree upon. All games must be played before October 1st of each year.

3. No game shall count in the series of contests for the championship in which the rules of this Association shall have been violated, and no games of clubs who have not played at least two games with each of the contesting clubs shall count in the championship series.

4. Should either of the clubs fail to meet a regular engagement to play, mutually agreed upon—except on account of the death or severe illness of one of its players, or on account of stormy weather—the club thus failing to play shall forfeit the game to the club having its men on the field ready to play at the time appointed;

dard, Hamilton, E. Collins, Independents, Dundas; A. Weir, Maple Leaf, Guelph

Cricket.

HOW THE PENINSULARS OF DETROIT ARE GETTING READY FOR BUSINESS.

The Peninsulars, anxious to retain the high reputation they gained last year, having played six matches, all of which they won, have rented a large hall on Monroe avenue, adjoining the Calisthenium Club-rooms, for the purpose of practicing bowling and batting. Here nearly every night the cricketers are hard at work. The main object is to improve the "colts," and particularly their junior bowler, I. C. Irvine, who only came out as a bowler in 1875. He was the cricket meteor of the year, and will make one of the fastest and most destructive bowlers in America. He is, in cricket terms, "a clipper." Owing to the regular practice of last season the batting averages of the players was unusually good, as the appended record shows. It is more than probable that the Peninsulars will meet the champions, the Young Americans, this season. The following is the individual score:

	Total innings	Times not out	Total runs	Most in innings	Most in match	Average
R. B. Ridgley.....	4	1	59	35	35	19.2
Wm. White.....	6	0	101	41	41	16.5
Geo. Heigho.....	6	0	98	76	76	16.2
F. J. Littlejohn.....	3	2	15	12	12	15
W. Armstrong.....	6	0	86	87	87	14.2
C. B. Irvine.....	6	0	74	33	33	12.2
C. B. Calvert.....	6	0	66	21	25	11
H. G. Habbins.....	4	0	42	24	25	10.2
Geo. Edgar.....	4	0	40	17	19	10
Wm. Milward.....	1	0	10	10	10	10
C. Hampshire.....	2	0	18	15	18	9
G. Robbins.....	3	1	4	3	4	2
F. Bamford.....	6	0	21	9	9	3.5
P. Young.....	2	1	6	3	3	3
A. C. Bowman.....	3	1	4	3	4	2
J. W. Gallimore.....	2	1	8	2	3	1.5

On Wednesday evening, 5th inst., Mr. M. C. Hebert, the Secretary of the Hamilton Cricket Club and President of the Garick Club, was entertained at a dinner at the Royal Hotel by the members of both clubs. There was a large gathering. The chair was occupied by his Worship Mayor Roach, President of the Cricket Club, and the vice-chair by Mr. Crerar, of the Garick Club. The Chairman was supported on the right by Mr. Hebert, the guest of the evening, and Mr. R. Kennedy, and on the left by Mr. Wm. Cooke and Mr. R. P. Street. Mr. Hebert is about leaving Hamilton to take up his residence in Chicago.

The following are the officers of the Buffalo, N. Y., Cricket Club for 1876.—President, H. Matthews; Vice-President, Norman Totten; Treasurer, Charles H. Park; Secretary, Dr. N. Willoughby; Board of Directors, O. Totten, J. F. Clark, H. E. Crews.

The Ottawa Cricket Club have elected the following office-bearer for the ensuing year:—President, J. M. Currie, M. P.; Vice Presidents, Messrs. T. Reynolds, W. McKay Wright, M. P., H. V. Noel, J. D. Russell; Chairman of Committee, Rev. T. D. Phillips, M. A.; Treasurer, Mr. C. S. Scott; Secretary, Mr. E. Taylor, Committee, Messrs. J. Brunel, J. Macfarlane, C. B. Brodie, A. G. Peden, G. Brunel.

The Peninsular C. C., of Detroit, Mich., held their annual meeting on the 4th inst. for the election of officers:—President, J. H. Waterman; Vice-President, C. B. Ridgely; Secretary, C. B. Calvert; Treasurer, Thos. Calvert; Committee, H. G. Habbins, F. C. Irvine, C. D. Waterman. As soon as the weather permits, they will commence operations, and would be pleased to hear from their Canadian friends as, in all probability, they will make a trip through Canada this season.

Cricketers will regret to hear of the death of Mr. Alfred Diver, which occurred rather suddenly at his residence, Lawrence Sherriff street, Rugby, England, on Saturday morning. He was formerly a member of the All-England Eleven Cricket Club, and has filled the position of bowler and cricket instructor to the Rugby school for more than twenty years.

the yachting time of the future. Any of the reason to apprehend in the future, any of the stake whatever in affording all comers every possible chance to carry away the much coveted prize. Indeed, from more than one standpoint it would be almost a miracle if some foreign competitor should have a winning pennant at the close of one of our international regattas this summer, such events being anticipated, for it is evident that foreign proprietorship of the royal cup would not be without the most beneficial results. Several English yachts will, it is said, run across the Atlantic during the season, and will probably take part in the yachting programme already arranged. It is gratifying to learn, moreover, that the centennial yacht, which is to represent the Dominion in our waters—will be entirely new, and from all accounts promises to be a very fast vessel. She is at present in course of construction at Cobourg, and will, it is thought, be launched within a month. In his letter to Mr. Minton, Secretary of the New York Yacht Club, Major Gifford intimates a desire to participate in the Centennial regatta, which is announced to take place in the latter part of June. He also asks, in view of his challenge to race for the "Queen's Cup," the New York Yacht Club to consent to waive the six month's notice required. A meeting of the club will be held on Tuesday next, when doubtless all these matters will be satisfactorily arranged. The new British champion which is to fly the colors of the Royal Canadian Yacht Club will be known as the "The Countess of Dufferin," and it would appear that the most sanguine hopes are entertained of her success, such hopes being based on the fact that the Ina, Lady Standly and Annie Cuthbert, by the same builder, are well-known throughout the Dominion as fast sailers. It is understood that the yacht will be commanded by Mr. Gifford and that Captain Cuthbert, the builder, will act as sailing master.

A very large and influential meeting was held at Kingston on the 3rd inst., for the purpose of forming a boat club. A committee was appointed to make all necessary preparations, and it is expected that club will be successfully organized and place a strong 4-oared crew in training.

The annual meeting of the Peterborough Boat Club was held at the Club House on Monday evening. The Secretary-Treasurer read his report, showing the Club to be in a satisfactory financial position, the list of members having been greatly increased during the year. The following officers for the current year were elected: President, Mr. G. Barlee; 1st Vice-President, Rev. V. Clementi; 2nd Vice-President, Mr. S. Price; Secretary, Mr. N. D. Beck; Treasurer, Mr. W. Nesbitt; Committee, Messrs. G. C. Rogers, G. M. Roger, E. J. Toker, E. B. Edwards, R. Meade, J. R. Burton, E. H. D. Hall, and F. J. B. Buckett.

The Halifax crew to take part in the regatta at Philadelphia have commenced training on the North-West Arm. Their names are, John Nickerson, Caleb Nickerson, Obadiah Smith, Warren Smith, and Richard Fleming. Boats have been ordered from England.

CHAMPIONSHIP MATCH.

On Friday evening, 7th, the first match game for the possession of the Collender diamond cue which has been played in nearly three years came off in Tammany Hall, N. Y., between Cyrille Dion and A. P. Rudolph. The game was 1,500 points up, four ball carom, for \$500 aside and the cue, and was played on a 5 x 11 1/2 four-pocket table. Dion won, Rudolph only scoring 394. The cue was won several years ago by John Deery at the Collender tournament. It passed into Cyrille Dion's hands, and then to Maurice Daly. Garnier won it from Daly and forfeited it to Cyrille Dion again, in whose hands it has remained for the last three years. This game having been won by Dion, the cue will remain in his possession free from further challenge, according to the rules of the Collender tournament.

It is reported that about \$20,000 worth of bass have been caught in the Miramichi river this winter. The increase is due to the protection of spawning grounds in the spring and summer.

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ARAB HORSES ON THE ENGLISH TURF. The London Sporting Times says "Mr. Chaplin, in order to prove how our horses have deteriorated, has imported some first-class Arabs, that are now being trained by Bloss, at Newmarket. There are four of them, and they cost \$2,000. They are the best that could be bought, of the purest blood, and they enjoy a great reputation in their own country. Mr. Chaplin's fellow steward, Sir John Astley, has been speaking offensively of these Arabs, and says Scamp shall run them every day for a fortnight over the Beacon Course, at Newmarket, one down, 'other come on, for as much as Mr. Chaplin can rake together."

BALANKREK.—This well-known racehorse, by Asteroid, dam Schotische, by Albion, owned by Mr. Wm. Jennings, has been retired from the turf in consequence of an affection of the respiratory organs, superinduced by an attack of the epizootic disease last fall. He was a very successful racehorse, having, at two years old, won the Howard Stakes for colts and fillies of that age, at New Orleans, beating Bay Rum (who had four days before beaten him in the Slocomb Stakes at the same meeting), Paralee, Sweet Bay, Larry Hart, Stampede, Bonaventura, and two others, and ran second to his stable companion, Larry Hart, for the Rawle Stakes, at Natchez, Miss. The same fall, as a three year old, he started seven times, winning the Chicasaw Stakes, at Memphis, the Free Handicap Stakes at Baltimore, the club purses at mile heats, mile and three-quarters, and the Orleans Stakes for three-year-olds, at New Orleans full meeting. At four years old, last season, he won the Nashville Cup and two mile purse at Nashville, Tenn., the Louisville Cup and Westchester Cup; his only defeat being in the Monmouth Cup, at Long Branch, by Aaron Pennington. He was engaged in the Centennial Stakes, at Jerome Park, and Louisville Cup this season, and his retirement from the turf is a great disappointment to his owner.

All Sorts.

There resides in Collingwood a young man 19 years of age, well developed, well formed in body, and only 29 in. in height.

English sparrows have built their nests in the nostrils of a horse on which is placed a statue of Washington, at Richmond, Va.

"What's use play poker," remarked an almond-eyed denizen of Tucson, Nevada, the other day. "Me hold four kings and a ace; Malican man hold all same time four laces and a kling, whole week washee gone likee woodbine."

AN EAGLE.—An Osgoode farmer this morning displayed a large black eagle at the Ottawa market, for which he was asking \$15. It appears that he had set two traps, in one of which a hare was caught. The eagle in soaring over noticed the hare, and descended upon it, only to be caught in the other trap. The bird is a very fine one.

A few days ago Mr. Goodfellow bought two fine birds from a farmer living twenty-five miles beyond Bracebridge—a white-headed eagle, measuring over six feet and a half from tip to tip, and a golden eagle, with an inch and a half of the same measurement.

One day last week some negro children were playing near a creek in Quitman county when an alligator crawled out and swallowed one of the children. Next day a party took the little negro out alive. This is no newspaper lie, but was reported to us by a lawyer, who substantiates the statement by two negroes who saw the child.

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A WOMAN AT POKER.

The people of Milwaukee have been strangely struck of late by the advent of a woman, a magnificent blonde, who plays a game of cards. Directly upon arrival in the city she secured the most extensive apartment at the best hotel. She is a young lady, tall, and graceful, and has a wealth of gloriously golden hair, that would make a man fall down and worship in silent adoration. She has pure Greek features, eyes through which "one catches momentary glimpses of heaven." One under the influence of those eyes and the victim is gone by and a rapturist. "What shall we do to pass a pleasant evening?" "I am so lonely, you know. Do you play cards?" The young man does. "Shall we play Casino, or perhaps you know how to play that beautiful game, draw poker?" He eagerly assents; ten-cent ante and a dollar limit, and the result is, the knowing blonde is quickly floored. Victory is hers, a supreme influence upon the future, and the caller is politely dismissed to make room for another victim with whom she has an engagement a few minutes later. Whether it is owing to supernatural powers, wax on her fingers, or a marked pick of cards, no one can say, but certain it is the best player. Milwaukee have been invariably and miserably worsted. She treats her callers the most reserved and lady-like manner. She is clearly playing to win, and we have the singular spectacle of an educated, refined, cultivated, and beautiful young woman, infatuated with a terrible passion for money, getting, and she certainly thus far has adopted a successful method of gratifying her desires. She won \$1,500 at a single sitting during her stay in Milwaukee, and other nights sums ranging from \$50 to \$100. Since the young woman's sudden rise into notoriety it has been ascertained that she was formerly a resident of Jamestown, N. Y., where she was employed as a teacher in the public schools. The Democrat of that place, alluding to her, says: "In the year 67-69 there was in attendance at J. C. and C. L., a young lady named , who had, she claimed, 'run away from her parents in Michigan and come East to get an education.' She was a good student, and in 70 she obtained employment as a teacher in the branch schools. During the years 71 and 72 she was employed as a teacher in the grammar schools. She was regarded a particularly capable teacher, succeeded wonderfully in making her scholars. She, however, had a spirited temper, and was known to tell her pupils, when angry, that she would 'cut their ears off for disagreeing with her.' She was very bold in the expression of her opinions, and had a practical carrying a revolver neatly concealed in the folds of her bustle. These peculiar qualities, although extremely interesting, were not considered exactly desirable in a school teacher, and it was a great relief when she finally resigned and went to Cleveland, where she became a book agent. Her next attempt was as a commercial traveler for a spice firm in Cleveland, but that failed, and she next appears in the capacity of a role of 'the boss poker player of the North-west.' Just now the good people of Milwaukee are so lost in admiration and wonder that they have not thought of doing anything, and the beautiful adventures, taking advantage of their ecstasy, will doubtless quiet 'akip' the town, only to appear under another name in greener fields, and pasture new.—Buffalo Express.