

## AMERICANS PLAY HOCKEY.

The Visiting Cracks Beaten by a Montreal Team.

## CANADA WON'T GET THE MEET

Of the International Wheelmen's Association—Geo. Sutton Again Beats Capron at Billiards.

Montreal, Dec. 29.—The first game between the American hockey team and a Canadian team was played on the Victoria rink to-night with the Victoria hockey team. The first half of the game played under American rules ended in a draw, each side scoring one goal, but the second half, under Canadian rules, was a walk over for the Vics, who scored five goals easily to the visitors' one. For the first half the goal posts were set up well towards the middle of the rink. In accordance with the American rules only five men a side played, using a red rubber ball in place of a puck. There is no offside rule, and the ball to score must go between the posts at a distance of eighteen inches from the goal line. The Americans were obviously not the equals of the Canadians in skating, but they handled the sticks well, and had fairly good control of the ball. Their passing was weak; the ball travelled fast and they could not skate fast enough to keep up with it, but the Vics, for a while were hopelessly at sea, the absence of an offside rule playing havoc with them when attacks were made.

On the American team were Malcolm, Chase and A. E. Foote, the famous tennis players.

## WILL NOT BE HELD IN CANADA.

New York, Dec. 29.—The plans of the Canadian Wheelmen's Association and the League of American Wheelmen to have the international championship races held in Canada next season under the auspices of the C. W. A., have been frustrated, and as a result the championship meeting will be held at Cologne, Germany. The final vote awarded the meeting to Germany. The Deutscher Radfahrer Bund will hold the meeting at Cologne in all probability the latter part of August. The rules of the union were amended at a big professional world's championship race. The 10-kilometer distance for amateurs was abolished. The international meeting which was held at Antwerp last season netted the union a profit of 773 francs. In the election of officers for the ensuing year Franz Netzer, of Germany, was elected president, and Henry Sturmy, of England, secretary.

## ON THE ROADSIDE.

It is reported that A. A. Zimmerman will receive \$8,000 a ride a certain make of bicycle during the next season.

A club has been formed in France named the "Géographes Amateurs Cyclistes," with a membership of 200. The organization holds private races every Friday afternoon.

The plan of the National Cyclists' Union of England to adopt the American system of racing, viz., classes A and B, was lost by a vote of 25 to 23 at its last meeting.

George Barker, the American professional racer, has returned from France, where he spent all last summer in company with Zimmerman, during his trip abroad he won about 6,000 francs in purses, and intends to return to France again in February.

## THAT DEED OF GIFT.

London, Dec. 29.—The Field says: The negotiations for the cup race are at a standstill. Lord Dunraven will say nothing until after the meeting of the Royal Yacht Squadron. Everyone is asking why negotiations are at a standstill. Why should the deed of gift contain conditions, grossly unfair to the challenger, in order that the holder of the cup may, with a great deal of unanimity, make concessions? No challenge trophy has ever been protected as the America Cup has been, and its successful holding has been simply a matter of organization.

## SCOTTISH COUNTRIES' MEDAL.

Dumfriesshire has challenged Lanarkshire to play for the Scottish Counties' Medal at the hospital to take place at Hamilton on Jan. 10th.

## DIXONHILL A WINNER.

James Dixon, the skating champion, defeated Howard P. Mosher, who claimed the short-distance championship, at Orange Lake, N. Y., yesterday. They skated two heats of 220 yards, and Dixon won the first in 22 seconds and the second in 21 seconds, winning with ease.

## MADE A POOR PICK.

The Brooklyn trainers who have been watching the work of Montauk, Mr. Croker's English lark, say that there are several youngsters both at Sheephead Bay and Gravesend which can outrun the brother to Luzzarone. Perhaps after his 2-year-old form has been developed on the English turf Mr. Croker may not be so anxious to keep him in England until 1896 for the Derby.

## SUTTON BEAT CAPRON.

Geo. Sutton and J. W. Capron played an exhibition game of 14-inch billiard in Toronto, last night, 300 points up, in Sutton's parlors. Sutton showed fine form and ran out in sixteen innings, making an average of 46 and a half runs of 131, another of 46 and a third of 32. Capron reached 142, his best runs 43 and 26, average 9.

## SELECT SLEIGHING PARTIES.

The resort at the Ancester Sulphur Springs will accommodate parties of ten to fifteen couples. Sleighs supplied when required. Piano in house. For dates and particulars address J. H. Smith, Box 52, Ancester, Ont.

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## FOUND HIM NOT RESPONSIBLE.

The Young Men's Liberal Club Trial Took Place Last Night.

As anticipated, the members and friends of the Young Men's Liberal Club had a very good time at the meeting last night in their rooms, Main street west, the feature being the trial before the "Court of Errors, Appeals and Last Resort, Comedy Division," of Mr. F. P. Francy, one of the officers of the club, for conspiracy. The attendance was not as large as had been expected, but was as large as the club could command.

## AN OLD RESIDENT GONE.

Death of Wm. Frederick Wurst in This City Yesterday.

With regret the Times to-day announces the death of Mr. Frederick Wurst, which occurred yesterday afternoon, after a long and painful illness. Mr. Wurst was a native of Germany, having been born near Wurzburg, in 1845, and settled in Hamilton in 1855, residing here ever since. He was a man of a fine character, a young man, to Miss Dorothy Kerner, sister of the Messrs. Kerner, of this city, whom he married in 1865. He was a member of the German community, and was a very active and successful business man. He was a member of the German community, and was a very active and successful business man.

## SYRIAN MATRONS.

Interesting Lecture by Rev. T. Tamasosian Last Night.

Rev. T. Tamasosian, the missionary from Antioch, Syria, who has been in the city collecting money for his native school, delivered a lecture last evening in Knox Church school-room, on the "Syrian Matrons and Customs." The lecture was enjoyed by a fair-sized audience, and it may be mentioned that there was no collection.

## CONVICTED OF MURDER.

W. G. Ashford Said to Belong by Birth to the Aristocracy of England.

Vancouver, Dec. 28.—W. G. Ashford, convicted of the wilful murder of his wife and child before the coroner's jury to-day, belongs to the nobility of England. People marvelled at the education and refinement of Ashford, who had been engaged for five years, when a freight truck on the Canadian Pacific railway wharves, and wondered at the cultured tastes of his wife, who was providing for a family of six children at \$150 per day. Ashford will not give his correct name, but it is hinted that he is of noble descent. Through misfortune or disgrace he changed his name, married an officer's daughter, and afterwards joined the army as a private soldier. The names of Ashford's noble ancestry will be brought out in the trial, as his private papers have been examined. The prisoner is a graduate of Cambridge University. Just before the murder Ashford spoke of the annuity being paid on him for life by parties in England, which was no doubt an income from his aristocratic relatives.

## THOMPSON MEMORIAL FUND.

A meeting of Messrs. A. Turner, H. N. Kitchin, A. G. Ramsay, C. R. Smith, F. Fitzgerald and Senator Melnes was held in the Board of Trade rooms yesterday afternoon for the purpose of arranging for subscription lists for the Thompson memorial fund. An informal discussion took place as to the best means of obtaining subscriptions. It was decided to wait until after the first of the year before starting an active canvass. In the meantime any of the above mentioned gentlemen will be glad to receive subscriptions, large or small, to the fund.

## SUPPER AND ENTERTAINMENT.

The scholars of the St. Thomas Church Sunday School were tendered a supper in the school-room last night by the officers and teachers of the school. Supper was served from 6:30 to 7:30, after which a most enjoyable programme of songs, instrumental music and recitations was given. Among those who contributed to the programme, which was in charge of Canon Curran, were the following: Mrs. E. Guerin, Misses Rosalie Baird, Gracie Guerin, Morris (Toronto), Mrs. W. Guerin, Misses Guerin, Helen Dyer, Sarah Doel and the Sunday school orchestra.

## THE SUNDAY LAWS.

The Day Was Made for Man and He Was Given Reason.

THERE IS A PROPER MEAN.

In respect to the more serious claim of an interference with religion, the answer is that Sunday is not a religious day in the view of the law. It is a holiday, not a holy day. The law does not assume to compel the worship of God or going to church. God has not commanded men to go to church. (Even in the early days of the Christian church "the assembling of themselves together" was only "the manner of some.") The law cares not for any particular form of religious observance, but it seeks to compel all, without distinction, to rest on one day in the week, and in order to effect that it prohibits business and work, and in order to have the day quiet for those who wish to rest, and to church it forbids many noisy occupations or amusements.

## A BATTLE WITH CONVICTS.

After the Fight was Over a Guard Deliberately Killed One.

A Very Cold-blooded Shooting—A Plot Alleged—Another Convict Wounded—Bad Government of Prisoners.

Columbus, Ohio, Dec. 29.—The epidemic of assaults upon guards in the Ohio Penitentiary, which began about six months ago, culminated this morning in a bloody encounter in which one prisoner was shot and instantly killed, another dangerously wounded with pistol ball in the leg, and a guard seriously injured by being beaten over the head with a bar of iron.

## A DREAM.

Met thought that in a dream mine eyes Beheld the gates of Paradise.

There many knocked and were denied The city of the blessed, and the blissful. Who in the world had held high place: While others scorned of men, found And entered through the portals wide With form and feature glorified.

## SYRUP OF FIGS

And one drew near, with head held high, Of manner even and flashing eye, Who quick had passed within the gate Had not the guardian bid him wait.

What claim had thou to share the bliss And peace that in this city is? Questioned the keeper of the keys Searching that soul's deep mysteries.

Calmer and serene the answer came: "On earth I earned the highest name As a reformer, ever sure To make the streams of life run pure. And live as I believed they should. Sir, feel before my shining sword, And now I claim my just reward."

The seraph shook his shining head: "I dare not let you in," he said, "You'd surely find ere half a year That much reform is needed here: Streets had I style had I. Yes, you would say—These angels are deceivers: Let's hasten electric lights instead!"

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