

Tobogganing.—This is the most popular of the winter sports of Montreal; although, like most other amusements, it is not without its dangers.

Hunting.—Montreal can boast of the best conducted hunting establishment on this continent, Kennels at Papineau Road.

Skating.—The Victoria Skating Rink is the largest and best Skating Rink in Europe or America. Besides this Skating Rink there are several others of less importance.

Gymnasium.—The Gymnasium of the Montreal Amateur Athletic Association (M. A. A. A.), Metcalfe Street, is a very good and useful institution.

The following kinds of amusements are also well represented in Montreal:—Cricket, Base Ball, Foot Ball, Curling, Chess, Boating, Bicycling, Golf, Racket, Lawn Tennis. (Racing—Blue Bonnets about 5 miles west of Montreal and Lepine Park about 3 miles east of Montreal are the principal places for this amusement, where vast crowds of people gather on a racing day.)

Militia.—Volunteering is a favorite occupation of the young men of the city. There are six regiments of Infantry, one troop of Cavalry, one company of Engineers, one battery of Horse Artillery, and six batteries of Garrison Artillery.

NEWSPAPERS AND PERIODICALS.

The newspapers and periodicals of Montreal, in English and French, are about fifty in number. There are five French and four English daily and ten French and eight English weekly newspapers. There are eight French and eleven English monthly and two English quarterly periodicals.

The *Gazette* (Conservative) and *Herald* (Liberal) are the English morning papers. The *Gazette* is the oldest existing paper in the Dominion, being established in 1778. It was originally written in French, afterwards half French half English, and finally it was wholly issued in English.

The *Quebec Gazette*, published in 1764, was the first paper printed in Canada.

The *Star* is a general newspaper with a large circulation. It upholds British connection and advocates the building up of a Canadian Nationality. It was established in 1869.

The *Witness* is a religious, political, temperance and comic paper. It advocates prohibition but opposes high license. It always opposes Sir John McDonald, and at the last general election it took sides with anti-British party.