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**OFF FOR THE ANTIPODES**

Sculler O'Connor Going to Try His Luck in Australia.

Opening Day of the Curling Season at Chatham—General Sporting News.

**THE OAR.**

William O'Connor is going to Australia, he says, to row for the championship and for staves, without the championship. To a reporter he said: "I am feeling well now, and think I can give a pretty good account of the country I came from. At any rate I can try, for as I said it is the only course open to me unless I want to remain idle. I shall leave Toronto on Tuesday, and sail from San Francisco on the Mariposa on the 8th of February. I will take a warm boat and outfit with me as far as I can as Canadian as possible."

**CURLING.**

THE PRESIDENT'S VICTORY.

CHATHAM, Jan. 25.—The curling season opened here last evening with the annual match between the President and Vice-President, and resulted in favor of the President by the following score:

President, J. E. Thomas, 10; Vice-President, J. E. Thomas, 10.

St. L. Mackintosh, 10; St. L. Mackintosh, 10.

Kirkland, skip, 10; Kirkland, skip, 10.

W. Richards, 10; W. Richards, 10.

W. Lawrence, 10; W. Lawrence, 10.

A. F. Falls, 10; A. F. Falls, 10.

Chas. Peggie, 10; Chas. Peggie, 10.

G. R. Beck, skip, 10; G. R. Beck, skip, 10.

G. W. Cornell, 10; G. W. Cornell, 10.

W. T. Bray, 10; W. T. Bray, 10.

John Wright, 10; John Wright, 10.

Dr. Bray, skip, 10; Dr. Bray, skip, 10.

Total, 47; Total, 47.

**SHOTS.**

The Detroit Club's rink was opened on Saturday night. Detroit and Ancaster will play a district medal match at Woodstock shortly.

The annual match between the President and Vice-President's teams of the Guelph Union Curling Club, took place Saturday, and resulted in a victory for the President by eight shots.

The Detroit Curling Club have expressed their willingness to come to London at 24 hours' notice to compete for the Ontario silver tankard. Thameford is also prepared to come to compete.

A Winnipeg dispatch says: The curling bonspiel under the auspices of the Manitoba R. C. C. next month promises to be one of the greatest curling events ever held in Canada. It is expected that 100 rinks will be in attendance. Last year some 60 rinks competed. Five or six rinks are expected from Eastern Canada, among them one or two from Hamilton, one from Lindsay and one from Sarnia, and they were twenty rinks will represent the United States.

**FOOTBALL.**

A manufacturer of footballs wrote to the "Secretary, Football Club," of a town in Wales, soliciting orders. He received from the parish clerk a reply, which read: "We have no clubs of the kind here. We are better Christians than to allow our young men to indulge in such wicked pastimes. Let them read their Bibles and common prayers, and think of death." The advertisement to the football player to "think of death" is timely. They generally do before the game is half over. But the reply of the parish clerk shows that Wales is decidedly poor place for a young man to obtain a thorough college education. [Norristown Herald.]

**BASEBALL.**

SCOTT'S CATCH.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Jan. 27.—Scott Stratton, of the Louisville Baseball Club, eloped from Taylorville last week with Bessie Anderson, and they were married in Jefferson City. The bride is the daughter of a well-to-do farmer.

**FLYS.**

Baseball on skates is all the rage at Chicago.

Secretary White has been instructed to notify Saginaw and Bay City that they have been admitted as one club into the International League.

Con. Murphy, who has signed with the Brooklyn Brotherhood club, will let for damages. Murphy is under reserve by the Syracuse club.

Syracuse is still on the ragged edge, and now professes to be waiting for some railway arrangements to go through. The \$10,000 bond has not yet been put up.

Jack Reidy is sore because he is being held on the Buffalo International reserve list. He says he has been compelled to decline two good offers, and thinks by the time he is let go all the teams will be filled.

Secretary Fitzgerald, of the Buffalo Brotherhood Club, denies that Jay Faatz is to play in Buffalo. Carney, he says, will in all probability play first base for Buffalo. The Buffalo Brotherhood team is complete with exception that Callahan, the young pitcher, has not yet put his name to a contract, although he has promised to do so.

Chris Van der Ahe offers to sell the St. Louis team for \$5,000 cash, the purchaser to assume liabilities of \$25,000. He has fifteen men under contract, among whom are Chamberlain, McCarthy, Stettins, Fuller and Butler. Von der Ahe said he paid Comiskey \$5,000 last season, Latham

**20 PER CENT. OFF FOR CASH**

**Beltz's Big Fur Sale.**

Our Stock of Ladies' Boas, Muffs, Collars and Jackets, also Robes and Men's Coats, to be cleared out. BELTZ'S is determined to get rid of his furs, if low prices will induce the public. The mild weather has been disastrous, and we are bound to sacrifice.

**BELTZ, Sign Black Bear**

\$3,500, Robinson \$3,200, O'Neil \$3,000, Milligan \$2,800.

**THE TURP.**

Some of the turpemen around Louisville, Kentucky, have made a proposition to have racers race their old age in.

John Osborne, the well-known English jockey, was 57 years old on the 7th inst. The London Sportsman of that date says: "It is not often a veteran, after appearing in the pigskin in such capital form as that shown by Osborne last season, and we cordially wish him 'Many happy returns of the day.'"

If rumor speaks truly Brother Sam Jones has been "barrin' down" somewhat hard on our Kentucky friends. It is said that, at a meeting recently, the preacher spoke of "raising children," when the critic shouted out: "We raise horses and bring up children." "Yes," responded Jones, "you raise horses worth \$50,000 apiece and bring up children worth about \$3 a head." [New York Sportsman.]

There is said to be a large band of wild horses, led by a thoroughbred known to the stockmen as the "Outlaw Stud," ranging between Truckee, Nevada county, and Peavine, Nev. Years ago the stallion, a fine thoroughbred, escaped to the mountains, and has since defied capture. By desperate riding stockmen manage to get into the band and drive out the colts. The horses range on the highest peaks, beyond where cattle and sheep often go. They only go down the mountain as fast as they can gallop. They go back at their leisure, feeding.

The following was received at the Police Gazette office the other day from Montpelier, Idaho: "Tybalt, the trained mouse owned by Francis Dunlap, of this place, has trotted a mile in 3 minutes 30 seconds. The mouse was lassoed 13,000 feet above the sea, in the Teton Mountains, Wyoming Territory. He is 2 years 6 months old, stands 5 feet 6 inches in height and weighs 900 pounds. He is well broken to harness, can trot single or double and has shown great speed, and has been trained nineteen months."

**ATHLETICS.**

The four best highest jumpers in America differ very much in the way they have made their records. W. B. Page has done 6 feet 4 inches off level ground; Guy Richards, 5 feet 11 inches; I. D. Webster, 5 feet 11 inches, and R. K. Driver, 5 feet 11 inches. The present American and Canadian high jumper, has 5 feet 11 inches to his credit. Not only do these men differ in the way of jumping, but they also differ in the way they take off from the bar at various distances. Page and Webster, although very different in physique, take off between six and seven feet away from the bar in clearing the neighborhood of six feet, while Richards would get as close as 4 feet 6 inches while trying the same height. Pritchard has an average take off at this height of about 5 feet 6 inches from the bar.

**CHECKERS.**

A CHALLENGE TO THE WORLD.

C. H. Freeman, of Providence, R. I., offers to make a match to play 30 games, restricted or unrestricted, against any man in the world for from \$500 to \$1,000 a side. Freeman stipulates that the match must be played at Providence, and begin within 60 days after signing articles of agreement. While in Australia or New Zealand, these stipulations are waived. Freeman, the English champion, was last year defeated by Barker, who himself was afterwards beaten by Reed.

**BILLIARDS.**

Jacob Schaeffer has finally agreed to enter the coming billiard tournament in New York. Schaeffer has claimed that a handicap of lines instead of points was an unfair method of handicapping billiard players.

**PEDESTRIANISM.**

A ten mile walking race will take place in Detroit on Friday. Among the contestants is Miss Kittie Rooney, of Toronto, is announced.

**THE RING.**

Jem Mace is trying hard to get in some sort of condition for his four-round contest with Charlie Mitchell in England. The veteran boxer will be just 50 years of age April 8 next. Mitchell is doing no training whatever for the match.

**CRICKET.**

Capt. Saunders, of the Exeter (Eng.) Cricket Club, and a team of amateurs will visit America in August.

**MISCELLANEOUS.**

Miss Tillie Feller, of the Larchmont Sewing Circle of Jersey City, has received the prize as champion needle-threader of Jersey City. She can thread 25 needles of assorted sizes in five minutes.

**AN ICY BARRIER.**

To Travel on the Pacific Coast—Sixteen Feet of Hard-Frozen Snow on the Tracks.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Jan. 27.—The railroad officials at Sacramento succeeded in having communication for a short time last night with Truckee office on the eastern slope of the Sierra Mountains, when it was learned that the snow was sixteen feet deep on the track between that place and the station five miles west. The late rains followed by hard weather has transformed this into ice, which will have to be chopped and shoveled away by hand.

From Colusa, in the western part of the Sacramento Valley, reports come that for 22 miles north and south of there the farms are covered with water six feet deep. The loss throughout the State by the flood cannot be even estimated.

**KILLED BY A SNOWSLIDE.**

DOWNVILLE, Cal., Jan. 27.—During the storm yesterday a snowslide at Logansville, ten miles above here, buried a house and two of the inmates were killed. Two houses of the town are already reported to have been destroyed by slides. A Chinaman started from Sierra City to his cabin, a mile distant, but lost his way and perished in the snow, which lies seven feet deep on a level.

**Faulty Titles.**

HELENA, Mont., Jan. 27.—A sensation has been caused here by the finding of a flaw in the title to valuable real estate in this city, Great Falls and Anaconda. The property in question is valued at several millions.

**A Rival for the Telephone.**

CHICAGO, Jan. 27.—James Lowth, of this city, has patented the "Stetho-telephone," which he believes will far surpass the present telephone system without any infringing on its patents. The new invention has been thoroughly tested.

**Northern Sparks.**

ALISA CRAIG, Jan. 24.—Mr. John Gillies, who has been in business in Flint, Mich., for some time, has sold out and returned to this village, where he will engage in business with his father, Mr. S. Gillies.

The Presbyterians of Ailes Craig and Carlisle are moving in the matter of a manse. A committee has been appointed for the purpose and no doubt the work will be begun at once. The contemplated cost is from \$2,000 to \$2,500.

**EAST LONDON.**

**Resignation of the Pastor of Adelaide Street Baptist Church—A Missionary from India at King Street Church—Other Notes.**

At the close of the regular morning service yesterday in Adelaide Street Baptist Church, when the members remained to partake of the Lord's Supper, the pastor, Rev. Thomas S. Johnson, announced the fact that he had received a call from the Baptist Church at Brantford. This call he had for several reasons considered it his duty to accept, and therefore tendered his resignation of the London pastorate. Mr. Johnson's resignation was accepted with numerous expressions of regret. In surrendering his charge, Mr. Johnson recommended the church to secure for a term at least, the services of Rev. H. C. Speller, of Beamsville, and it is probable that the gentleman named will supply the pulpit next Sunday. Mr. Johnson preached a powerful sermon last evening and evening, his text at the earlier service being Ephesians, v., 25-27, in which the marriage relation is used to typify the close affiliation which should exist between the church and the world. The subject of the evening discourse was Christ's great commission—the marching orders to his church—given to Matthew, xxviii., 19-20. "In this commission," said the preacher, "it was set forth as the duty of each member of the church, in his or her own home, to bring the Gospel to every man and woman in the land, that they might hear, believe and be baptized." The reverend gentleman, at the close of his evening discourse, stated briefly that it was his last sermon as pastor. He had made no special reference to this fact because he did not believe in giving it undue importance—he tried to preach each sermon as he would like to preach his last one. The ordinance of baptism was administered to two candidates at the close of the sermon. At the Sunday school meeting in the afternoon Mr. Johnson's announcement of his intention to leave created marked evidences of emotion among both teachers and scholars. By Mr. Johnson's removal London loses one of its ablest and most faithful ministers of the Gospel.

Mr. J. G. Shuff, druggist, East London, who has been indisposed for the past week, is out again.

James Smith of Ahmadnagar, India, delivered an excellent missionary discourse yesterday morning in King Street Presbyterian Church, taking for his subject "Missions in India," which proved highly interesting. The pastor, Mr. Johnson, commended the past and present condition, and bright prospects of that country, and emphasized the fact that Christianity was gradually finding its way into the hearts of these benighted heathens. Mr. Smith, who is well known in this city, having been pastor of the above church for a short time, has been laboring in India for the past eight years as a missionary of the American Board, and he intends returning shortly to resume his work. In the evening a special evangelistic service was held in the same place and were conducted by Rev. Walter M. Roger and Mr. Thomas Cole, provincial secretary of the Y. M. C. A.

**THEIR VERDICT.**

A Bunch of C. P. R. Officials on a Tour of Inspection Over the Western Extension.

Attached to the rear end of the 5 o'clock C. P. R. train which arrived here on Saturday afternoon was Mr. Van Horne's official car, in which were Messrs. W. C. Van Horne, president, Thomas Tait, superintendent, H. Beatty, manager of lake traffic, W. Jennings, engineer, H. W. Armstrong, assistant engineer, Hon. R. H. Wells, solicitor for the company, and George Bury, private secretary to Mr. Van Horne. These gentlemen were returning home after completing a trip of inspection over the western extension from London to Detroit which has just received the finishing touches during the past few days. The gentlemen comprising the official company one and all speak in glowing terms of the equipment and expressed themselves as especially pleased with the new line, which, with the exception of two or three spots where the frost has affected the ballasting, they pronounce one of the finest stretches of road in the province. They think that it will be possible to make exceptionally fast time on the extension and say that for time and comfort it will compare very favorably with any line on the continent. The first piece of ballasting will be attended to during the coming spring, when the difficulty of frost will have disappeared. Work on the main line is now complete, and the stations all along the route are rapidly assuming a business-like appearance. It is expected to begin the passenger traffic immediately when the offices at the different points are filled.

A brief interview was obtained with Superintendent Tait, whom the ADVERTISER reporter found busily engaged with a huge pile of papers in one end of the car and who greeted the reporter with a pleasant "Good-day," which encouraged the intruding scribe to ask him what he thought of the new extension.

"It is everything that could be desired," "I suppose you will be able to make some pretty fast time, will you not?" "Oh, yes. It will be no difficult matter to run over this piece of road at the rate of 60 miles an hour. It can be done with perfect safety."

"Did you make any fast time on the present trip?" queried the reporter.

"No, we did not attempt any fast running; we were making a careful scrutiny of the road, and made stops at all the stations. We ran from Windsor to Tilbury, a distance of 32 miles, I suppose, in six minutes, making three stops, but of course that is not regarded as fast."

"About what time does the company intend to begin running through passenger trains over the extension?"

"Well, it is intended that the agents will be in all the important offices along the line by Monday, and it is proposed to commence running the regular passenger service on that date as far as Chatham is concerned."

"What about those bad spots that are mentioned?"

"They do not amount to anything. They are private property, and the company can remedy them as soon as the weather permits. It is a fine road; the ballasting is excellent, and all the bridges throughout the entire extension are built of steel with massive stone abutments. The contract for the second ferry slip at Windsor has been let, and the work is now in progress. All the stations along the line will be of a substantial nature; but those at Chatham and Windsor will be somewhat elaborate. They will be built of stone with a handsome facing, and will doubtless constitute the show buildings of those places."

At this point the conversation was cut short by the conductor's call "All aboard," and the train pulled rapidly out of the depot. The party proceeded direct to Montreal.

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**NELLIE BLY'S TRIP.**

Her Jaunt Around the World Completed in Less Than 73 Days—A Popular Welcome.

NEW YORK, Jan. 27.—The official time, as announced by the World's timers for the arrival of Nellie Bly, was 3:51 o'clock, thus making her complete trip around the world in 72 days, 6 hours and 11 minutes. There was the strongest enthusiasm on her arrival. She was driven directly to the World office, in front of which more than 5,000 persons had congregated. The carriages moved briskly from the depot, but despite this they were accompanied by a shouting, seething mob of people. In ten minutes there were fully 10,000 people in Park Row cheering and waving handkerchiefs and stopping the immense traffic of that thoroughfare. The scenes at the Pennsylvania Railroad depot, at the ferry and in the streets, thence to the World office, were of like description. Very few persons have received so flattering a popular welcome in New York as Nellie Bly. It being a semi-holiday, and the arrival of the little lady tenderly certain, probably added to the enthusiasm, good-nature and size of the crowds.

**Twenty-Three Weeks in Three Weeks.**

COLUMBIA, Ga., Jan. 27.—Twenty-three weeks in three weeks have caused a wholesale discontinuance of passenger traffic on the Central road of Georgia, which is a part of the Richmond and West Point Terminal Company's system.

**A Cure for Diphtheria.**

[Hollywood Journal.]

The following remedy was discovered in Germany and is said to be the best known. At the first indication of diphtheria in the throat of a child make the room close, then take a tin cup and pour into it a quantity of turpentine and equal parts. Then hold the cup over a fire so as to fill the room with fumes. The little patient, on inhaling the fumes, will cough up and spit out all the membranes matter and the diphtheria will pass off. The fumes of the turpentine loosens the matter in the throat, thus affording the relief that has baffled the skill of physicians. This remedy is simple, and parents should cut this out and preserve it.

**Brass Plush Tables.**

**Piano Lamps.**

**Pearl Fish-Eating Sets in Walnut, satin lined.**

**Carvers in Stag, silver mounts.**

**Pearl Dessert Sets in Walnut, satin lined.**

**Bread Forks, ivory and solid silver.**

**Apostle Tea Spoons.**

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