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Skating Records Smashed by A. D. Smith at St. Paul.

Johnson Makes Speedy Time at Montreal.

Standing of Hockey Clubs in the London District—Ives Comes to the Front With His Cue at Cincinnati.

SKATING.

JOHNSON WAS THE HERO. MONTREAL, Feb. 4.—Nearly 7,000 attended the annual race meeting of the Canadian Skating Association yesterday afternoon. The track was a quarter of a mile and the ice was perfect.

Johnson was the hero of the day, although the crowd was partial to Donoghue. However, when Johnson showed them what he could do he was applauded to the echo. He commenced by nipping across the ice in the 220 yards, which he won in 20.3 seconds, the best previous time for this distance being 21.3 seconds. The following is a summary of the events.

220 yards—J. S. Johnson, Minneapolis, 1; Joe F. Donoghue, Newburg, 2; H. Dawson, St. Paul, 3; time, 20.3 seconds. Half-mile—J. S. Johnson, 1; J. F. Donoghue, 2; H. Dawson, 3; time, 1:41.3. One mile—J. S. Johnson, 1; J. F. Donoghue, 2; J. K. McCulloch, Winnipeg, 3; A. Norseng, Christchurch, 4; time, 3:03. Five miles—J. F. Donoghue, 1; J. K. McCulloch, 2; J. S. Johnson, 3; A. Norseng, 4; time, 16:11.

Half mile backward—R. T. R. Holcomb, Montreal, 1; R. J. Smart, Montreal, 2; time, 1:46. Hurdle race, 220 yards—W. P. Irwin, Montreal, 1; R. T. Holcomb, 2; time 28.5 seconds.

A RECORD-BREAKER.

ST. PAUL, Feb. 4.—A. D. Smith, of this city, has reduced the amateur and professional skating records for all distances from 6 to 20 miles at the Egerton street rink in this city this week. Smith's time will stand as the world's record. The 10-mile American record was previously held by Joe F. Donoghue, and Smith lowered it by 5 minutes and 27.4 seconds. The world's record was held by Adolf Norseng and this was broken by about 12 seconds. At 15 miles the American record was held by Axel Paulsen, which was also the world's record, was cut 5 minutes 51.2 seconds, and 20 miles, the best previous records, were reduced 6 minutes 31.2 seconds, being formerly held by Joe F. Donoghue. The average speed for the first ten miles was 3.14 per mile, and for the entire 20 miles about 3.19 per mile.

CHAMPION CAMPAIGN will run a man named Jacob, 100 yards race at New Orleans on Feb. 10, for \$50 a side.

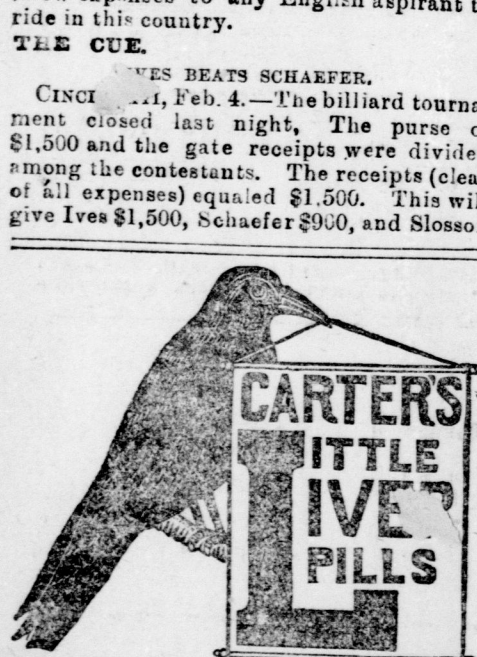
Dick Moore and Dan Creedon are to fight in Boston shortly for the middle-weight championship of America.

PUGILISTS GATHERED IN BY THE POLICE. RICHMOND, Va., Feb. 3.—The first prize fight that has occurred here in years took place very early Friday morning. The pugilists were Edward Murphy and John Monaghan, both of New York. The latter was knocked out in the second round. The men then got together and pounded each other savagely, paying no attention to the referee or seconds. Just after the mill all the principals were arrested.

NOT FOR POINTS, BUT "SWEET CHARITY." NEW YORK, Feb. 4.—Corbett and Mitchell having settled their differences and become good friends have volunteered to box four rounds at the Grand Central Palace Monday night, Feb. 10, for charity's sake. It is intended to make this as near as possible an exact representation of the scene in the ring of the Duval Athletic Club at Jacksonville on Jan. 25. All the men who figured as referee, seconds, bottle holders and time keepers will be on hand.

THE WHEEL. Albert Shock, the champion, has issued a challenge to any bicyclist to ride on earth for a race of 142 hours for \$2,500 or \$5,000. He will take expenses to ride in England, or allow expenses to any English aspirant to ride in this country.

THE CUE. Ives beats Schaefer. CINCINNATI, Feb. 4.—The billiard tournament closed last night. The purse of \$1,500 and the gate receipts were divided among the contestants. The receipts (clear of all expenses) equaled \$1,500. This will give Ives \$1,500, Schaefer \$900, and Slosson \$100.



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\$600. Schaefer last night accepted an offer of \$4,000 to make a three-months foreign tour. Schaefer and Ives leave at once for Boston, where they will meet Slosson, who preceded them Friday. Following is the score of last night's game:

Ives 8, 0, 58, 87, 4, 32, 2, 0, 33, 58, 42, 19, 1, 0, 11, 5, 2, 6, 49, 4, 163; total, 600.

Schaefer—2, 3, 22, 16, 41, 59, 8, 68, 41, 0, 6, 1, 0, 8, 65, 40, 0, 5, 37, 12; total, 434.

Highest run—Ives, 163; Schaefer, 68. Average—Ives, 28.37; Schaefer, 21.7-10.

HOCKEY. The following is the standing of the three clubs in the London district for the championship finals:

London played 3 games, won 3, lost none, and 1 to play.

Petrolia played 2 games, won none, lost 2, and 2 to play.

St. Thomas played 1 game, won none, lost 1, and 4 to play.

BERLIN VS. AYE. AYE, Ont., Feb. 4.—The hockey match, Berlin vs. AYE, for the championship of group No. 2, was played here last night and won by AYE—15 goals to 2.

QUEBEC VS. MONTREAL. QUEBEC, Feb. 4.—A hockey match was played here last night between the M. A. A. and Q. A. A. for the championship. Fully 3,000 persons were present, Lord Aberdeen watching with keen interest the tournament. Quebec won by a score of 3 to 2.

ACROSS THE TIES. Railroad News from Various Quarters—C. P. R. Earnings.

The Chicago ticket brokers have formed an association in order to put a stop to rate cutting.

The Lackawanna will be completely equipped with a block signal system during the year.

A short time ago the Empire State express ran from Albany to Syracuse, a distance of 148 miles in 151 minutes.

The Monon has the longest stretch of air-line track in the United States in the 71 miles between Lafayette and Wanatah.

Railroad earnings of the Canadian Pacific Railroad for the year ending Dec. 31: Gross, \$20,962,317; decrease, \$447,035; net, \$7,741,416; decrease, \$671,932.

The Baldwin four-cylinder Vauclain compound locomotive "Columbia" recently made the trip between Milwaukee and Chicago by the fastest and shortest route made by the two trains, the schedule time being two and one-half hours. This is a remarkably good performance.

By the cut made in transcontinental rates by the Union Pacific on Feb. 1 the rate from Detroit to Portland and Puget Sound points is reduced by \$19, and to Spokane by \$16.50. The Union Pacific is said to be determined to end the transcontinental war by forcing rates down to zero if necessary.

LOOKING FOR VOTES. Patron Candidates Nominated in Lanark, Waterloo and Peterboro—Conservatives Slated for Peel and West Victoria.

SMITH'S FALLS, Ont., Feb. 4.—The Lanark Patrons of Industry held a convention here yesterday and nominated Mr. Ferguson, a wealthy farmer and reeve of the township of Montague, for the Local House.

BERLIN, Ont., Feb. 4.—The Waterloo county Patrons met here yesterday, Grand President Mallory in the chair, and a large delegation present. Retiring president, J. P. Sipes, of Blair, was unanimously chosen as their standard bearer for the Local House in South Waterloo.

The nomination for North Waterloo was held over for future consideration.

BRAMPTON, Feb. 4.—The Peel Conservative convention met here yesterday. Robt. Crawford, ex-reeve of Chinguacousy, a farmer and auctioneer, was nominated for the Local House.

LINDSAY, Ont., Feb. 4.—At the West Victoria Conservative convention here yesterday, Robert Bryans, reeve of Ops, was nominated for the Local House. There are now three candidates in the field. Dr. McKay, Liberal; R. Bryans, Conservative, and John Campbell, Patron.

NORWOOD, Ont., Feb. 4.—The Patrons of Industry of East Peterboro held their convention in the town hall, Norwood, yesterday afternoon. Quinn, of Deoro, was nominated and chosen as the candidate for the Local House. John Lang was nominated for the Commons, but has not definitely accepted.

"A PUBLIC LOSS." Kindly Comment on the Character of the Late G. W. Childs.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Feb. 4.—In many of the churches of the various denominations to-day the death of George W. Childs was feelingly referred to by the officiating clergymen, and his passing away was pronounced a public loss and bereavement.

The arrangements for the funeral have not been completed yet, but it has been decided that it shall be held at 1 o'clock on Tuesday afternoon from St. James' Protestant Episcopal Church, of which Mr. Childs was a vestryman for many years.

LONDON, Feb. 4.—The Daily News says this morning in a leader on George W. Childs' death: "Mr. Childs was one of those men whose liberality and public spirit rendered his official patronage superfluous in the United States."

Oil Gushers in Ohio. FOSTORIA, O., Feb. 4.—The oil excitement here continues with increasing fury. The Lambricht well is still throwing out 2,000 barrels a day, even with the tools yet in the well.

Quebec to Have a Woman's Council. QUEBEC, Que., Feb. 3.—A meeting of Quebec ladies took place this afternoon at the Frontenac Hotel, presided over by Lady Abredean, looking towards forming a council of women as a branch of the institution now existing for the advancement of women. There were some 200 ladies present, including the wife of the bishop of Quebec.

Globe of the Quebec Carnival. QUEBEC, Feb. 4.—Last night's hockey match closed the carnival festivities. Lady Aberdeen, accompanied by Lord Aberdeen, distributed the prizes won by the champions of the different sports during carnival week. Her Excellency pinned on the breasts of the happy winners the medals awarded them, and each victor was cheered by the immense crowd as they walked away with their trophies. The carnival has been a pronounced success.

An Appeal to Oddfellows. COLUMBUS, Ohio, Feb. 4.—C. H. Linan, secretary of the Ohio Grand Lodge of Oddfellows, has received a letter from Mrs. Jennie Heck, of Albany, Ind., a well-known member of the Rebekah degree, in which she calls on the Oddfellows of Ohio to lead in the effort to make the widow of the late Vice-President, Schuyler Colfax comfortable in her declining years. By reason of the failure of an Indianapolis bank Mrs. Colfax is practically penniless. Mr. Colfax was a prominent Oddfellow and the founder of the degree of Rebekah.

TONS OF SILVER MUST BE COUNTED

Immense Amount of Work Made Necessary by a Boy's Petty Peculations.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 4.—The peculations of James Anderson, of Indiana, a well-connected lad, 18 years of age, employed as a messenger in the treasury vaults, who was arrested last night for stealing silver from the vaults, prove more serious than was supposed. They amount to \$794, as far as has been ascertained, and the inquiry is still in progress. When the theft was first discovered it was supposed to amount only to a few dollars, and at the request of the treasury officials publication of the fact was suppressed. The method of his theft was somewhat similar, though on a much smaller scale, to that pursued by Cochran with the gold in the Philadelphia mint.

Whether his peculations will amount to more than the \$700 or \$800 thus far found out can only be ascertained by a recount of the silver. There are 7,000,000 or 8,000,000 silver dollars in the vaults. Each \$1,000,000 of silver weighs, in round figures, 30 tons, so that the amount of money to be handled is 240 tons. This will necessitate a force of ten or twelve men to work for two weeks or more counting and weighing the silver.

The cost of this additional labor—thousands of dollars or more—will be the only loss the United States will sustain, as the law makes the treasurer responsible under his bond for all losses through the dishonesty of employees, and gives him no voice in the selection.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE PATIENT DIES. People of Laporte Not Satisfied With the Treatment of Wm. Dunn.

LAPORTE, Ind., Feb. 4.—William Dunn, an old resident and retired business man, who has been taking treatment from a Christian Scientist for the past two months, died yesterday morning.

His sickness originated in a rather peculiar manner. He was suffering from a painful corn on one of his big toes, and he attempted to cure it by applying pure carbolic acid. His toe became very sore, and Christian Science treatment was resorted to, but all to no purpose. Gangrene followed and the toe had to be amputated.

After the operation was performed the surgeon left medicine for his patient, but the attendants refused to administer it, and resorted to Christian Science treatment. Mr. Dunn actually grew worse, and while it is reported that his death resulted from heart failure, it is freely conceded that he would have recovered had other methods of treatment been adopted.

THE INSOLVENCY ACT Which is to be Submitted to Parliament at the Coming Session.

OTTAWA, Feb. 4.—The Dominion Government has prepared an Insolvency Bill which will be submitted to Parliament next season. At present there is no Insolvency Act in the Dominion. The matter of bankruptcy is dealt with in various ways by the different Provinces, and a great deal of conflict as to jurisdiction is the result.

The new Dominion bill contains 128 clauses. Power is given to appoint official receivers, who, however, must hold no political positions in the country, and who must provide bonds for not more than \$20,000 and not less than \$2,000. The court to which the case has been referred will appoint a liquidator, and the receiver shall hand over all the books, accounts, and papers to the former. If the debtor fails to make a clear and specific account of his indebtedness he may be imprisoned for six months. If it be shown that a debtor is about to abscond he can be arrested. All his letters, etc., can be ordered at the post-office by the liquidator for three months. If the debtor is guilty of any fraud his discharge is held for five years. If he is found guilty of presenting a false balance sheet a penalty of two years' imprisonment is provided and he is liable to three years' imprisonment.

DESTRUCTIVE FIRES. Hepworth, Ont., Wilmington, Del., and Omaha, Neb., Lose Heavily.

HEPWORTH, Ont., Feb. 4.—J. W. Phillips' general store and the adjacent hotel, occupied by H. Brown, were burned yesterday with most of the contents.

WILMINGTON, Del., Feb. 3.—The flour mills of Wm. Lee & Sons, known as the Brandywine Mills, were destroyed by fire this morning. Loss \$150,000 to \$175,000. Insured three-fourths.

OMAHA, Neb., Feb. 4.—At 7 o'clock last evening while the Boston store, one of the largest drygoods houses in the city, was crowded with customers, a slight flame made its appearance in the front part of the store and in a minute the entire front of the building was a mass of flame, and the structure was destroyed. Other buildings burned were the Los Angeles liquor and cigar store, the St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church, the priest's residence and the sisters' school attached to the church, little being saved from the church or convent. The loss will reach at least \$350,000.

The "Irish-American Volunteers." ALBANY, N. Y., Feb. 4.—The Irish-American Volunteers of the State of New York were incorporated yesterday. The object of the organization is stated to be to "promote and advance the laws of the country among its members, encourage athletic exercises, and to maintain, form and organize companies of men for the purpose of studying military drill in all its branches, and to issue certificates and authorizing companies in other countries and cities of the State to use the name of 'The Irish-American Volunteers of the State of New York.'" The principal offices of the union will be in New York city.

Poisoned With Paris Green. WILKESBARRE, Pa., Feb. 4.—Michael Dike, a Hungarian, was arrested in Sugar Notch, charged with poisoning Michael Malachi, his wife and three children. Dike boarded with Malachi, who ordered him to leave the house for insulting the latter's wife. After eating the entire family became suddenly ill, and Paris green was found in their food. Two physicians, after ten hours, pronounced Malachi and his wife out of danger, but the three children are still in a critical condition. When Dike was about to be locked up he drew a knife and stabbed himself.

New Canal Scheme. CHICAGO, Ill., Feb. 4.—A special from West Superior, Wis., says: The Lake St. Clair and Erie Ship Canal Company was organized in this city yesterday. Preliminary organization was arranged in Duluth several weeks ago, but the incorporation was in Wisconsin as the company expects to have headquarters in Milwaukee. The capital stock was placed at \$250,000. The idea of the company is to build a canal from Lake St. Clair to Lake Erie, thus avoiding Lime Kiln crossing and other dangerous places, and shortening the route to Buffalo 100 miles.

A heart full of love will make a life full of joy. Better to lead time than to be driven by it.

Liberal Tariff Platform.

We, the Liberal party of Canada, in convention assembled declare: That the customs tariff of the Dominion should be based, not as it now is, upon the protective principle, but upon the requirements of the public service.

That the existing tariff, founded upon an unsound principle and used as it has been by the Government as a corrupting agency, whereby to keep themselves in office, has developed monopolies, trusts and combinations;

It has decreased the value of farm and other landed property;

It has oppressed the masses to the enrichment of the few;

It has checked immigration;

It has caused great loss of population;

It has impeded commerce;

It has discriminated against Great Britain.

In these, and in many other ways, it has occasioned great public and private injury, all of which evils must continue to grow in intensity so long as the present tariff system remains in force.

That the highest interests of Canada demand a removal of this obstacle to our country's progress, by the adoption of a sound fiscal policy, which, while not doing injustice to any class, will promote domestic and foreign trade and hasten the return of prosperity to our people.

That to that end, the tariff should be reduced to the needs of honest, economical and efficient government.

That it could be so adjusted as to make free, or to be as lightly as possible upon the necessities of life and should be so arranged as to promote freer trade with the whole world, more particularly Great Britain and the United States.

We believe that the results of the protective system have grievously disappointed thousands of persons who honestly supported it, and that the country in the light of experience is now prepared to declare for a sound fiscal policy.

The issue between the two political parties on this great question is now clearly defined.

The Government themselves admit the failure of their fiscal policy, and now profess their willingness to make some changes, but they say that such changes must be based only on the principle of protection.

We denounce the principle of protection as radically unsound and unjust to the masses of the people, and we declare our conviction that any tariff changes based on that principle must fail to afford any substantial relief from the burdens under which the country labors.

This issue we unhesitatingly accept and upon it we await with the fullest confidence the verdict of the electors of Canada.

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