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LOCAL ITEMS.

Stoats or weasels have been killing off the red squirrels.

The Store has undergone a complete rejuvenation, and looks decidedly better for it.

Mr. Thos. Mooney, of Portsmouth, is able to be out again after his serious illness.

The final curling match for the Rockwood Trophy will be played in two weeks.

Our Business Manager has been promoted to the intermediate ranks of Hockey players, since the defeat of his junior team.

A few bluejays have been in the vicinity, and northern shrikes are numerous.

Red squirrels are more numerous than ever, but find it hard work to make a living, feeding on the seeds of spruce cones and horse chestnuts, which they stored last fall—generally the chestnuts are despoised as an article of food.

Portsmouth people cannot understand why Mr. Fisher's ice yacht was not selected as a defender of the Walker Cup. Surely there is no inner circle in the Kingston club.

The destruction of so many fine buildings by fire has been a great misfortune to Kingston of late. A good deal of the criticism of the fire brigade is pointless, and the real trouble is to be traced to defects in the municipal system of government.

The Beechgroves are flying for high game. They will play the young men of the Bicycle Club at Hockey next Wednesday. They will probably see their finish in a 1.59 clip.

It is proposed to have a lecture on birds and their protection, given in the schools in the spring.

Dr. T. J. W. Burgess, Superintendent of the Protestant Hospital of the Insane, Montreal, has just published an elaborate history of Institutions for the Insane in Canada. Many interesting notes regarding the early days of Rockwood are given.

The Minto and Jubilee Minstrels have given entertainments at Rockwood recently, and the 14th Band are looked for at an early date.

The bitterness of feeling which has been shown between "town and gown" of late is to be greatly deplored, and should be ended for the sake of the good name of all concerned. The custom of hissing decisions which do not please at hockey matches is silly, and both factions have been guilty of the offence. Hissing is a pastime generally indulged in by geese, and these birds should be allowed the monopoly of the accomplishment which is usually accepted at its face value by the ordinary mortal.

The ice being stored at Rockwood is twelve inches thick, and free from snow, and being cut far out in the channel is free from all impurities.

Mr. W. Mullin is absent from duty. The serious illness of his father, Dr. Mullin of Hamilton, is greatly regretted.

Recent advices from Palestine seem to indicate that we are to offer congratulations to Dr. Gould.

A few days ago a boy with a gun was seen carrying a large number of red squirrels which he had shot. Such wanton destruction should be stopped.