FOIL MASTERS WILL MEET.

ED CURRIE ACCEPTS THE CHALLENGE OF DR. HAMMOND.

The Great Contest Will Take Place Next May—About the Contestants' Victories—Ned Hanlan Talks—'Varsity Baseball—Remarkable Spectacle on the Bay—Rugby Union Proposed Amendments.

"Yes, I am already trafning for my fencing match in May with Dr. Hammond at New York," said Mr. Ed Currie Saturday afternoon. And I feel confident of victory," he continued. "Our new professor is a clever instructor and I gain new points daily."

Mr. Currie's work is done in the new Toronto Fencing Club's rooms, Wellington-street, where he enters the ring daily and is fast reducing his superfluous avordupois. Of course, as the contestants are both pure amateurs, there will be no money at stake. But there is plenty of reputation. The New York doctor is champion of the United States and boasts of a clear record of 30 victories. Our local foil expert has to his credit 17 straight successes and holds the Canadian championship. The outcome of this match will be watched with the greatest interest by all American fencers. Mr. Currie has written his acceptance of Dr. Hammond's challenge. The exact day in May has not yet been fixed.

A PHENOMENON ON THE BAY.

Ten Thousand Skaters Disport Themselves on a Glassy Surface.

Ten thousand persons—men, women and children—disported themselves on the glassy ice surface of the Bay Saturday afternoon.

"The largest crowd to cross to the Island on a frozen surface in a single day in Toronto's history," was the opinion of many a old-timer. The ice was a little rough near the shores, but a mile sheet of "the skaters' delight" and about a half-mile broad intervened.

There was not a breath of air and the proud sails of the score of iceboats lay humiliated, anchored near the shore, thus giving the ladies and their bold knights of the steel full sway, and also avoiding the possibility of the danger that a breeze would surely have brought.

A large number of the Bankers' Hockey League players were out, the captains of the respective teams being evidently determined to have their men in first-rate condition for the first matches, which take place this week. The demand for hockey sticks and pucks was so great that the supply almost gave out. Crowds surrounded many scratch matches, critically watching the expert strokes of the hockeyists.

Skaters skimmed from the R.C.Y.C.'s city to the Island club house. Many Argonauts emerged from their comfortable quarters for a spin. Scores of fashionably attired ladies were out and enjoyed the sport. Yesterday the scene was changed and the whole ice was completely covered with a mantle of snow. And another day like Saturday on the bay might not be seen again for years.

Echoes from the Rinks.

The Torontos arrived home from Buffalo Saturday, but they didn't have the Thomson-Scoville medal.

There were no regular matches in any of the city curling rinks Saturday, but the brithers were busy in scratch contests everywhere.

The veteran skip J. D. Flavelle, with J. A. McMillan, jr., Fred Knowlson and J. A. Bicknell of Lindsay, will curl at the Winnipeg bonspiel, which begins next month.

A London cable says: Joseph Donoghue, the champion skater, is now preparing for a great race against time. The American skater is undoubtedly one of the heroes of the hour and wherever one goes his name is in men's mouths. All the papers are in accord in declaring he is the most graceful skater who has ever been seen in England.

A Pullman car load of curlers and their friends left the Union Station on the Four Brothers' excursion to the Grand National bonspiel that begins in New York to-day.

The committee on arrangements for the national curling tournament at St. Paul has completed its plans for the bonspiel, which will be held from Jan. 27 to 29. Fully 1000 curlers from all parts of the United States and Canada are expected. Valuable prizes have been added to regular medals to be competed for.

BASEBALL AT 'VARSITY.

Staten Island's Team Want a Game in the Spring with Wardell's Nine.

'Varsity's baseball club holds quite a reputation across the line as well as in our own Dominion.

Saturday a letter was received at the University from the baseball department of the big Staten Island Athletic Club of New York stating their willingness to give 'Varsity any open Saturday or Wednesday in the spring with a big guarantee.

A meeting of the club will be held shortly, at which another trip will be discussed. As the men will be in better condition this spring than last it is quite probable that more suitable dates in the region of Staten Island will be sought and a short trip taken.

Rugby Footballists in Session.

"No, there's nothing new in my report besides what The World gave two months ago," said Secretary Bayly, speaking of his description of the American Intercollegiate Football game, which was read before the Executive committee of the Ontario Rugby Union in session at Keachie's Saturday night, when President Boyd, J. P Smellie, H. B. McGiverin, A. H. S. Van Koughnet, Gerald A. Griffin and the secretary were present.

Mr. Bayly thinks that the game is one entirely unsuited for our short season, as an enormous amount of drill is required to get a team into effective working order, and as there is plenty of running and very little kicking the men require to be in first-class shape to be able to play at all. In the game which he saw the condition of the men was first-class and they were thoroughly drilled, their blocking and guarding was scientific and effective, and their tackling low, clean and sure. But with regard to the game itself, it appeared to him that too much advantage was given to the holders of the ball, with the result that it puts a stop to dribbling, discourages passing and prevents quick kicking. The system of blocking, too, encourages roughness without improving the game and spoils fast running, as it is better play to keep behind the rushers than by a burst of speed to leave one's self open to a tackle. The halves are thus enabled to get away, although standing close, and consequently there is no long passing by the quarter, for the men are bunched. The worst feature of blocking, however, is that a light team have no chance, for the heavy rushers on the other side can charge over them, and they can't either keep their own men guarded or reach the opponent who has the ball, to tackle him.

In conclusion he thinks that while the O.R.F.U. might advantageously adopt several of the minor rules of the American game, it would be extremely inadvisable to do so with any of the principal ones or to introduce the game into Ontario with a view of playing it instead of the one which is rapidly becoming so popular here.

The Executive took no action as to the report, which will be discussed at the annual meeting, which was fixed to take place at the Rossin House on the evening of Saturday, Jan. 31.

A score of notices of motions have been received by the secretary, the principal of which are:

That the five-yard rule be abolished.
That the five-yard rule be rigidly enforced.
That Rule 49 be altered to permit the present style of wing play. That is, wing men will be permitted to block each other as scrimmagers until the ball is out.
That handling or lying on the ball be penalized.
That field captains be abolished.
That umpires be appointed to watch the play.
That no appeal against the referee's decision be permitted.
That the goal posts be lengthened.
That all ornamental rules be erased from the book.
That a date be fixed for the annual meeting.
That members of the executive be allowed to vote by proxy.

The Western Football Association.

A meeting of the Western Football Association Committee will be held at Berlin next Friday evening, beginning at 8 o'clock. Important business will be discussed as follows:

1. Report of Committee re proposed English trip.
2. Report of International and Inter-Association Committee.
3. To amend competition rules to permit (by series or ties) either annual or semi-annual contests.
4. Inter-Association and international matches 1891.

A general meeting of the W.F.A. will be held at Berlin on Saturday, Jan. 17, starting at 11 a.m. Each club is entitled to one representative. The General Committee's report will then be received and the English trip declared abandoned or a certainty.

THE SUBURBAN ENTRIES.

A Brilliant List for the Great June Event—How Stakes Filled.

The suburban entries have been announced. There are 68 horses in the list and the names include the best performers of last season. Firenze, who was not in the Brooklyn because of her inability to race so early, is announced for the Suburban.

The Dwyers, between them, enter six, any one of whom has a good right to win: Potomac, Bolero, Kingston, Longstreet, Raceland and Prince Royal. "Billy" Lakeland sends in Tea Tray, who is dangerous at any time and in any company, and Her Highness, whom he bought from Mr. Belmont last fall. Of course Tenny is there. Senator Hearst enters Tournament and King Thomas, that $88,000 animal who has never yet won a race.

There are not so many 3-year-olds in the lists as there are in the big Brooklyn event, but the pick of the 4-year-olds are there—Burlington, Tournament, Judge Morrow, Chaos and Riley. Mr. John A. Morris is represented by Russell, Westchester and Reckon.

Young Mr. Rhret hopes to win the great event with Rey del Rey or Clarendon, while "Johnny" Campbell will try to repeat his coup in the Brooklyn Handicap of last year with old Castaway II. Here is the list in full, and a very good list it is: Burlington, Come-to-Taw, Drizzle, Saunterer, Ben Kingsbury, Buddhist, Montague, Puente, Tea Tray, Her Highness, Devotee, Tenny, Onaway, Gregory, Major Domo, Foxmede, Senorita, Firenze, Fitz James, Rhono, Tournament, King Thomas, Teuton, Russell, Chatham, Westchester, Reckon, Robespierre, Chaos, Carroll, Loantaka, Livonia, Elton, Leighton, Reply, Bolero, Eon, Prince Royal, My Fellow, Isaac Lewis, Eurus, English Lady, Longstreet, Castaway II., Cassina, Diablo, Worth, Once Again, Ruperta, Judge Morrow, Tom Vaughan, Longrun, Clarendon, Cousin Jeems, Kingston, Banquet, Potomac, Raceland, Cortez, Riley, Pagan, Rico, Odette, Stryke, Guido, Rey del Rey, Peter, Demuth.

The other stakes which closed Jan. 2 have filled well. The entries for the June meeting, 1891, are as follows:

For 2-year-olds—The Zephyr Stakes, 99; the Spring Stakes, 93; the June Stakes, 88; the Double Event, 83.

For 3-year-olds—The Volunteer Stakes, 56; the Swift Stakes, 69; the Thistle Stakes, 45; the Spendthrift Stakes, 44.

For 3-year-olds and upward—The Bay Ridge Handicap, 34; the Sheepshead Stakes, 49; the Knickerbocker Handicap, 29; the Coney Island Stakes, 34; the Coney Island Cup, 21.

Autumn Meeting, 1891—For 2-year-olds: The Autumn Stakes, 127; the Flatbush Stakes, 78; the Great Eastern Handicap, 99; For 3-year-olds: The September Stakes, 40; the Siren Stakes, 21; the Bridge Handicap, 44. For all ages: The Flight Stakes, 41. Autumn Meeting, 1893—The Futurity Stakes, 801.

Cleopatra 3, Guido 4, Los Angeles 6, Odette 5, Rico 4, Santiago 4, Take Notice 4, Terra Cotta 4, Uncle Bob 4, are the additional entries received by Secretary McIntyre for the Brooklyn Handicap, which brings the total for the stake to 75.

Objection Was Third.

GUTTENBURG, Jan. 11.—First race, 5 furlongs—Flambeau 1, Marty B. 2, Blackburn 3. Time 1.02¼.

Second race, 6 furlongs—Ben Harrison 1, Pearl Set 2, Objection 3. Time 1.14¼.

Third race, ¾ mile—Francis S. 1, Lizzie 2, Cascade 3. Time 1.15¾.

Fourth race, 1 mile—Prince Fortunatus 1, Brussels 2, Winona 3. Time 1.43¼.

Fifth race, 5 furlongs—Autocrat 1, Sunday 2, Red Elm 3. Time 1.01¾.

Sixth race, 1 mile—Macauley 1, Supervisor 2, Melodrama 3. Time 1.44¾.

How They Ran at Gloucester.

GLOUCESTER, Jan. 10.—First race, 6½ furlongs—Hot Scotch 1, Lannes 2, Mamie Hay 3. Time 1.27¼.

Second race, ¾ mile—Oriental 1, Count-Me-In 2, Alice Ward 3. Time 1.19¾.

Third race, 4½ furlongs—Taxtar 1, Silent 2, Vevay 3. Time .57¾.

Fourth race, ⅞ mile—Belisarius 1, Aftermath 2, Lady Pulsifer 3. Time 1 33¼.

Fifth race, 1⅛ miles—King Idle 1, Armour 2 Darling 3. Time 2.02¼.

Gossip of the Track.

M. J. Daly has bought the chestnut horse Defaulter, by Spendthrift, dam Authoress, for $4000, and will race him very soon at the winter tracks. He was the property of Captain Sam Brown until last fall, when he was sold with the rest of the string. In Defaulter Mr. Daly has a grand race horse and should soon win him out.

Cold, distemper and pneumonia has broken out among the 100 thoroughbreds located at the association course, Lexington. Six belonging to Ed Corrigan are sick, and one, Siberia, 3-year-old bay colt by Tenbrook, dam Venture, is about to die, while Mike Dwyer, the 3-year-old brother to Semper Fidelis, is seriously ill.

For riding Blue Jeans in the second race at Guttenburg last Thursday Jockey Taral received a liberal fee, said to have been $250. That he earned the money everyone who saw his finish will admit, says The Sporting World. Throughout the last furlong Steve Jerome and Blue Jeans ran head and head, and many of those present expected they would make it a dead heat. In the last few jumps Taral's masterly riding told and Blue Jeans won by a head.

At the meeting of the American Jockey Club last week it was decided to extend the charter of the company, which expires in April next, for 20 years. The following officers were elected: John Hunter, president; F. A. Lovecraft, secretary; John Hunter, J. O. Donner, W. R. Travers, J. W. Wadsworth and W. A. Duer, directors.

HANLAN TO O'CONNOR.

The Ex-World's Champion Willing to Row for $1000 Next Summer.

Ned Hanlan, ex-champion oarsman of the world, on Saturday stated the conditions on which he would race William O'Connor, the American champion.

"I will not row until late in the season, as I am anxious to see how O'Connor comes out with Teemer, Gaudaur, etc. Then I will make a match for $1000 or over, to take place on the Bay.

"I believe he will be favorite with the betting men, but he'll have to pull faster than I ever saw him or the public will get left" said the renowned sculler in a confident manner.

Slavin Licked Him Squarely.

NEW YORK, Jan. 10.—The steamship Britannic of the White Star Line, from Liverpool, arrived yesterday and brought 76 cabin and 159 steerage passengers. Among those in the first cabin were the pugilist Joe McAuliffe and his wife and child, and Billy Madden.

He admitted that Slavin knocked him out fairly, but at once added that he claimed to be the equal, as a fighter, of any man in the world. He would meet Sullivan or anybody else.

He didn't want to make any excuses for his defeat by Slavin, he said, but he "knew why he was beaten." His previous remark would seem to show that the knock-out blow had a good deal to do with it.

Billy Madden was in good health and humor, and said he thought as much of Big Joe as ever. Madden also confirmed the story that reached here a few days ago, to the effect that one Arthur Coburn of London has offered to bet $2500 that Slavin can beat John L.

They Can't Beat Dowland.

The match between Capt. Tymon and Mr. Dowland for the McDowall championship cup, 30 birds each, 15 with the use of both barrels and 15 with one barrel only, was shot Saturday afternoon at Stark's grounds and proved to be a most interesting exhibition of skill with the shotgun. Mr. Dowland killed 26 out of 27, at which point, his opponent being unable to equal his score, the shooting ended. Score:

Dowland—2 2 1 2 2 1 1 2 2 1 1 1 2 2 1 1 0 1 1 1
1 1 1 1 1 1 26
Tymon—1 0 1 1 1 2 2 1 1 1 1 0 0 1 1 0 1 1 1
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Sullivan Will Visit Australia.

NEW YORK, Jan. 10.—Champion Pugilist and Actor John L. Sullivan has long been anxious to visit Australia. Arrangements have been made whereby he will soon appear in dramatic performances in Melbourne and thence make a tour of the country. The contracts were signed at the Hoffman House yesterday by Duncan B. Harrison and the Messrs. McMahon of Her Majesty's Opera House, Melbourne. The party will sail from San Francisco next June.

Fitzpatrick's Stunning Blows

Chandler, champion club swinger of Canada, gave an exhibition of his skill at the Olympic Saturday night. The wind-up between Pattillo and Fitzpatrick was all one-sided. At no time was Paul in it. He was knocked down four times in the first round, and knocked completely out in the second. Sam Bittle was referee. Riddell and Stemmeyer will box next Saturday night.

Winter Baseball Talk.

President Thurman of the American Association has made President Brinker an offer for the Rochester franchise, which will probably be accepted. This means that the Flower City drops out next season.

President Prince says that he now holds a controlling interest in the Boston Players' League Club. He also says that he recently declined an offer of $40,000 for his club, which he believes to have been inspired by the National League people. And again it is said he will accept the offer, which will crowd the American Association out of Beantown.

A Toledo despatch says: That Toledo intends to remain in the American Association and not be ousted out of her franchise is shown by the fact that the Hon. Frank H. Hurd has been retained by President Kelcham to represent the club at the New York meeting this week.

Baseball men are now turning their faces towards New York, and in a few days the magnates will be there in great numbers. T. C. Krauthoff of Kansas City, president of the Western Association, is in New York to look after the interests of the West. It is not believed there will be any show for Minneapolis or any city so far away, securing a place in the American Association.

"Freddy" Dunlop, the esthetic ball player who lived at the seashore last season trying to spend his fortune while the battle was going on, may be seen on Milwaukee's second base next season. Freddy has a notion that he would like to come to the Crown City and Manager Cushman has an idea that he would be a capital prize to catch. "Dunny" wants $4000 and, of course, that is out of the question. If he will compromise at $3000 with the Milwaukee club he may sign Jan. 16.—Milwaukee Sentinel.

President Thurman will call a meeting of the Conference Committee on Monday evening. The League will go into session Tuesday morning, and the American Association will get together on Wednesday. The impression is gaining ground that everything will be settled amicably, but this has been said so often that it isn't advisable to bank on it.

"I noticed The World's paragraph about the proposed match between the 'Varsity nine and the ex-collegians," said Capt. Harry Wardell Saturday evening." Although the past men will have all kind of influd and hitters, yet we are going to win, as I intend getting my men to work as soon as spring comes. Driscoll and Fitzgerald are a great pair. Yes, we'll play Andrus," he continued. "Although he's at Trinity he still takes some lectures at the Toronto Medical School."

Messrs. Byrne and Goodwin had a long conference Saturday relative to the present imbroglio in Brooklyn. No new turns out that E. F. Linton has been offered the par value of his stock in the Players' League Club, but it has been refused by him.

LACROSSE, ATHLETICS, ETC.

Montreal Again Defeats the Indians—Every Kind of Sport.

The proposed visit of the Parsee cricketers to England next summer has been abandoned.

The coursing meetings in France have been successful. Ladies patronize the fixtures freely.

At the last meeting of the Manhattan Athletic Club 134 members were elected. Robert G. Ingersoll and Governor David B. Hill were elected to honorary membership.

Johnston and Harrison will give a wrestling exhibition at the assault-at-arms under the auspices of the Hamilton Football Club and the Hamilton Cricket Club there Jan. 22.

The 14th game of the chess match for the championship of the world was played at New York Saturday. It was declared a draw after 33 moves. The score now stands: Steinitz 5, Gunsberg 3, drawn 6. Six more games will be played.

Rowing at the University of Pennsylvania is booming. Three junior crews, of eight men each, are rowing each afternoon at different times, and also a senior eight, which includes a majority of last season's 'Varsity crew.

The annual show of the Cleveland Kennel Club will be given in that city April 14, 15, 16 and 17. The show will be made one of the best of the kind yet held in Cleveland. There will be a large number of entries of the best bred dogs in the country by their owners. It was decided to offer $1200 in prizes as well as the specials.

Jack Falvey, the Providence lightweight, has accepted the offer to meet Harry Gilmore in a glove fight next month, for a purse of $600, stipulating that Steve McMaugh shall be referee, and that the fight be at catch weights.

At the lacrosse tournament at New York Saturday the Montreal Lacrosse Club defeated the Caughnawaga Indians; score, 5 to 2. The Jersey City Lacrosse Club and the Corinthian Athletic Club teams played a tie game, each club making 3 goals. The Indians gave an exhibition race on snowshoes, Ositakote running three-eighths of a mile in 2.50.

The Genesee Bicycle Club of Rochester has elected the following officers: President, Gordon S. Montgomery; vice-president, Henry Lampert; secretary, E. S. Warriner; treasurer, Emmett H. Craig; executive committee, M. F. Shafer, Robert Thomson, William N. Barry; road committee, Robert Thomson; captain, M. F. Shafer.

The Lincoln Cycling Club of Chicago has just elected a remarkable wheelman to membership in that organization. He is but 18 years of age, but has ridden continually since his 6th year. For the last three years he has ridden a unicycle. He rides altogether on one wheel and with as much ease as an ordinary wheelman rides a bicycle.

Pat Sheedy says: "Bookmakers don't make as much as people suppose; in fact, not one in 20 makes money nowadays. Such players as Pittsburg Phil, for instance, cut down their profits mightily. I never in my life saw a man win more money than he does. I have seen man win bigger money in one single day than he, but they don't make such steady winnings as Phil. His judgment is phenomenal, and his memory something wonderful. He is the only man I ever saw who can name the horses as they ran, one, two, three, in every important race that has ever taken place. Phil knows what he is about, and whatever he tells you you can go to sleep on."

A Testimonial to the Firemen.

Messrs. Bickell & Wickett, tanners and leather merchants, Front-street, write as follows to the Chief of the Fire Brigade: "We hereby beg to acknowledge the very efficient services of the fire department in quenching the incipient fire at our factory some time ago. Enclosed find check for Firemen's Benevolent Society of $20."

Bad, Worse, Worst.

Cold, cough, consumption, to cure the first and second, and prevent the third use Hagyard's Pectoral Balsam, the never-failing family medicine for all diseases of the throat, lungs and chest. A marvel of healing in pulmonary complaints.

NEW CHURCHES OPENED.

Progress of Congregationalism North and West—Sketch of Evangelist Yatman—Notes of the Churches.

Congregationalism has during the past few years made encouraging progress in Toronto. It has nearly a dozen regular churches and several preaching places.

Yesterday two new churches were opened, one in the northern, the other in the western part of the city. Each rejoices in a short, euphonious name—"Olivet," Christ's favorite resort, and "Hope," the central of the three cardinal Christian graces.

"Olivet" is the new name for the new church in Hazelton-avenue. In the small frame structure adjoining, which is now the school-room, an earnest body of Congregationalists have worshipped for 13 years. The history of the church was recently told by The World and an elaborate description given of the new building. Suffice it now to state that the commodious church at Hazelton-avenue and Scollard-street is one wilhet both exteriorly and internally is a credit to the enterprise of the church and congregation. It is of red brick, with stone foundation and facings, with turret tower at the junction of the two streets. Its cost has been $22,000, which for a church with seating capacity for no more than 700 shows that no gingerbread or scamp work has been patronized. Interiorly the auditorium is circular, the seats are in amphitheatre fashion; a raised platform and unpretentious desk will accommodate speakers on public occasions and give ample verge and space enough for a preacher of peripatetic tendencies. Behind the platform is space for the projected organ and on a level with the dais the seats for the choir.

The seats are cushioned, the floor carpeted, the windows stained, the walls of sober tint. There is nothing showy, but everything neat and chaste. The lighting, ventilation and heating arrangements are on the most approved principles. In fact "Olivet" can without exaggeration be included in the Psalmist's encomium: "How amiable are Thy tabernacles, O Lord!"

"Decently and in order", were the opening services yesterday. It was a thankful if not proud day for pastor and people. Rev. George Robertson showed this in his thanksgivings and invocations. There was no pertillage, no boasting, no egotism—that fly in the pot of ointment of so many ministers.

In the morning the pastor said: "We ought to be very grateful on the completion of this work. No workman met with accidents of any kind. Everything has progressed satisfactorily. The building committee have worked most agreeably; there was not even the little breeze which clears the sky. As the story has so lately been told I will not go into the history of the church; but when we consider its commencement from two families and its present proportions we can only devoutly say, "What has God wrought!" The lesson to be learned by Christian workers is, "Despise not the day of small things." God honors all work done in the spirit of the Master. From missions churches grow. We ought to have more missions throught this great city.

In conclusion the pastor said: "We are not going to make this a begging service. I leave this to yourselves. The church is dedicated to God; anything given towards the indebtedness thereon is given to God's service. I will say that I have been in the ministry 17 years and I never knew, according to their means, a more liberal people than Hazelton Congregational Church.

The preachers yesterday were Rev. Dr. Barbour of the Congregational College, Montreal, morning and evening, and Rev. W. F. Wilson of Woodgreen Methodist Church in the afternoon. The sermons, like the services, were of the usual "opening" character.

To-morrow evening the customary "housewarming" proceedings will take place. Amongst others announced to assist are Revs. Septimus Jones, A. M. Phillips, G. H. Sandwell, John Burton, Hugh Bentley and Joseph Tait, M.A.

The West End Edifice Opened.

About two years ago a little band of Congregationalists started a mission in Clinton-street near College. Yesterday a neat little plastered church was opened as a proof of the success which has rewarded the efforts of the missionaries. The building and land cost about $6000, of which one-third is already in sight. It is comfortably upholstered and brightly lighted. The seating capacity, which is about 350, was taxed to the utmost yesterday. Rev. Dr. Wild preached in the morning, Rev. Principal Barbour, D.D., of Montreal, at 3, and Mrs. Dinnick, a silver-haired lady from Brighton, England, in the evening.

The Rev. Hugh Bentley, late of Chudleigh, England, who has fathered the enterprise from the beginning, is pastor of the church. The efficient choir is under the leadership of his daughter, Miss Bentley.

EVANGELIST YATMAN.

An Account of the Life and Labors of This Popular Preacher.

Beginning on New Year's eve the Rev. C. H. Yatman, the well-known Evangelist, and Mrs. Kriss of New York have been conducting revival services in the Metropolitan Church.

Mr. Yatman was born in Fredon, N.J., in 1853. In 1865 his family moved to Newark, N.J., where he was sent to school. In due time he entered the high school, but soon left this for a clerkship in a stationery establishment. During his connection with this house, in 1875, through the influence of the senior partner, he became a Christian. He united with the Central Methodist Church of Newark, and soon after was called to the ministry and admitted to Newark conference in 1881. He was stationed at the Houston-street mission at Newark. From there he was urged to the wider field of the secretaryship of the Young Men's Christian Association of that city. From this field Mr. Yatman entered the yet wider one of the Evangelist, where his work has been blessed with phenomenal success. In cities like Wilkesbarre, Youngstown, Charleston and Atlanta multitudes have been moved and thousands brought to Christ.

For eight years Mr. Yatman has been conducting summer meetings at Ocean Grove. Here he meets yearly over 50,000 people. Incidental to this work has been the securing of money for various benevolent enterprises in Christian work. He can count up about half a million dollars raised during his career.

Mr. Yatman's style of oratory is entreating, familiar and affectionate. He is fond of illustrating his discourses with frequent anecdotes and never tires of discussing missionary work, for which he has the strongest predilection. By dint of hard work he has been the means of equipping 20 native evangelists in Japan, China and India, and a native missionary on the southwestern coast of Africa is his special protege.

The official board of the Metropolitan Church, when discussing plans for the present special services, decided to ask Mr. Yatman and Mrs. Kress to their assistance. Judging from the numbers who attend and the growing interest manifested in these meetings a repetition of the successes which have crowned their efforts in other cities is confidently hoped for.

The meetings will be continued each afternoon and evening for the next two weeks. Notices of each meeting will appear in these columns.

At an enquiry meeting held at the close of last night's public service 30 professed conversion.

Church Notes.

St. Clarens-avenue Methodist S.S. held its anniversary yesterday: The scholars' entertainment will be given to-morrow evening.

Rev. Father Teefy preached an eloquent sermon last evening at St. Mary's Church on charity for the benefit of St. Vincent de Paul Society.

Sermons in behalf of higher education and Christian culture were preached yesterday in Broadway Methodist Tabernacle by Rev. Dr. Potts, educational secretary, and Rev. J. Philip, the pastor. Liberal collections in aid of the educational fund were taken up.

Rev. Dr. Robertson, superintendent of Northwest missions, preached in St. John's Presbyterian Church yesterday morning and gave an account of the work of the church in the Northwest. Rev. John Neil of Charles-street Presbyterian Church preached in the evening.

Rev. James T. Daley, B.A., now of New York, a graduate of McGill University, Montreal, a young minister whose work in the Congregational churches of Brantford and Winnipeg was very successful, preached in the Western Congregational Church, Spadina-avenue, yesterday, at both services.

A reception will be given to-morrow night in First-avenue Baptist Church in the East End to Rev. P. Clifton Parker, the new pastor. He has met with a most cordial reception on the part of the church and congregation during his first week's ministry. Representatives of the Ministerial Association will be present. The Whyte Brothers and the choir of the church will furnish the music.

A Women's Home and Foreign Missionary Society has been organized in Christ Church, R.E., with these officers: President, Miss Mills; secretary, Mrs. J. S. Boyd; treasurer, Mrs. J. L. Beardmore. The Reformed Episcopal Church has started an Indian mission in Alaska and the society decided to raise $50 a year for it, the balance of income to be devoted to home missions. Rev. T. W. Campbell, the rector, is preaching an interesting series of sermons on "Man." The topic yesterday evening was: "Is He a Slave?"

The first anniversary of St. Mark's Presbyterian Church King and Tecumseth-streets, was held yesterday. This prosperous church is an offshoot from St. Andrew's west. At the morning service Rev. D. J. Macdonnell preached; in the afternoon the Sunday scholars were addressed by Revs. J. Scott, J. Neil and Dr. McTavish; in the evening Rev. W. G. Wallace of Bloor-street occupied the pulpit. The annual social will be held to-night.

In the Parkdale Presbyterian Church yesterday morning the ceremony of ordination of elders took place under the direction of the pastor, Rev. R. P. McKay, who delivered a short address appropriate to the occasion. Those inducted were: Messrs. John Winchester, J. B. Harris, John Bell, George Gall and John Inglis. The anniversary services will take place on the 27th inst., when Rev. William Patterson of Cooke's Church will preach in the morning and Rev. D. J. Macdonnell in the evening.

The annual missionary services were held yesterday in Parkdale Methodist Church. The services, which were the first held in the new church, were of deep interest and largely attended. The Rev. Charles T. Cocking, who, owing to ill-health, has recently returned from Japan, where he was a missionary for a number of years, preached in the morning from Ps. lxxii, 17: "All nations shall call Him blessed." In the afternoon the same gentleman, in Japanese attire, addressed the Sabbath school children on "Child Life in Japan," and in the evening revived the missionary work in which he had been engaged in the Britain of the east.

Yesterday was Foreign Mission Sunday in the Anglican churches of the city. In consequence special sermons were preached in the two St. Alban's Ward churches, St. Mark's and Church of the Epiphany, by their respective pastors, Rev. Charles Ingles and Rev. Bernard Bryan. This evening in St. Mark's church colloquy a meeting will take place under the auspices of the Women's Auxiliary Missionary Society, which will be addressed by Miss Cummings, secretary of the diocesan branch of the Women's Auxiliary, and Miss Patterson, secretary of the Diocesan Dorcas Society. These ladies have just returned from a trip to British Columbia and San Francisco via C.P.R. They visited many of the Indian mission stations, and will doubtless have an interesting story to tell of the progress and character of the work in the far west.

Jottings About Town.

Robert Keely, Toronto, was arrested in Montreal on Friday last on a charge of playing the confidence racket.

Prof. Hutton lectures this evening in St. George's school house on "Phases of Roman Life Under Cæsar."

At the Canadian Institute on Saturday evening Mr. W. A. Sherwood read a paper on "Color in Nature in Relation to Drapery."

Hon. Mr. Miller will address a meeting of the Dominion Millers' Association in this city to-morrow.

Peter Conner, 133 Sumach-street, was arrested on Saturday charged with stealing five boxes of fish from Alexander Proven, King-street east.

The members of the Argonaut Rowing Club are taking of having a ball at the Horticultural Pavilion the evening of April 1, the first day after Lent.

The regular weekly meeting of the Divine Healing Association will be held in Wolseley Hall, northeast corner Yonge and Gerrard-streets, this evening at 8 o'clock.

At to-night's meeting of the Young Conservatives in Temperance Hall Mr. G. T. Blackstock, Q.C., will deliver an address on "The Political Issues of the Day."

There is talk over the Don of protesting the election of W. T. Stewart, alderman-elect of St. Matthew's Ward, owing to undue clerical influence.

Joseph McCann and Frederick Collins, two Toronto young men well known to the police, are under arrest in Rochester, N.Y., for picking pockets.

Robert Rae, District Councillor of Royal Templars, was the chief speaker at the Gospel temperance meeting in Broadway Hall yesterday afternoon.

At Oliver, Coate & Co.'s auction rooms on Saturday the Parkdale Masonic Hall was sold by W. W. Vickers for a client for the sum of $10,050. No. 50 Isabella-street was sold for $5850 to Dr. Morton.

Under the auspices of the guild of St. Luke Mr. A. H. Dymond will lecture to-night on "William Penn" in the school house of Holy Trinity Church, Trinity square.

The manager of the Victoria School begs to thank the friends of the boys who made special contributions for a Christmas treat, namely Mr. Justice Proudfoot, $20; a friend, $5; "Fellos" $10.

At the street railway arbitration on Saturday, Engineer Col. Rice of Cleveland, was further cross-examined by Mr. D'Alton McCarthy, Q.C., the details of his valuation of the company's rails.

Surrogate court proceedings took place on Saturday in these estates: Mrs. Emma H. Gillmour, wife of Dr. J. T. Gillmour of West Toronto Junction, who died March, 1886; Ezra Bethell, tobacconist, Toronto, $6330.

George Hallbrook and Alexander Bennett, two boys, residing at No. 2 Kensington-avenue, were arrested Saturday on suspicion of stealing a watch from Richard Jeffrey, 232 Queen-street west.

A painter named Thomas Baynor fell from a scaffold in the new Board of Trade building on Saturday afternoon. His leg was broken and he was otherwise injured. He was removed by the ambulance.

The next meeting of the Army and Navy Veterans' Society will be the semi-annual one. There are many members to elect and a large amount of business to transact. A full attendance is requested at Occident Hall on Wednesday night.

The Executive Committee of the Society of American Florists meet here to-morrow. A banquet will be tendered them on Wednesday evening at the Queen's Hotel by the Gardeners and Florists Club of this city. The society meets here next August.

Rev. G. I. Taylor presided at the annual Sunday school festival of St. Augustine's Church. He was assisted by Dr. S. P. Ray. A program, consisting of songs and recitations, was delivered by the children. From the Christmas tree there was a present for every child. There was an abundance of cakes and oranges.

The monthly meeting of the Caledonian Society will be held in Association Hall to-morrow at 8 o'clock p.m. For the election of committee for 1891 to consider a proposal to vote money for trophies to curling, football and bowling clubs; also to assist St. Andrew's Society to erect a monument in the Scottish plot in Mount Pleasant Cemetery.

A man named John Corrigan, aged 24, who lives at 1070 Bathurst-street, while going up Church-street Saturday night, was kicked in the abdomen and knocked senseless by a man who rushed out from one of the eating houses near Lombard-street. He was taken to the hospital and the police are looking for his assailant, who is believed to be a man named George Burrigan.

There were about 200 at the free breakfast yesterday morning, and an able address was given by the Rev. T. R. O'Meara of Trinity church, from the words: "I am the bread of life." This week a man was taken from the Central Lodging House, Richmond-street east, to the hospital where he died on Friday. He had been a bank clerk, and his father is a banker in England now. He admitted having been brought down by the old enemy, drink, and was only sick 4 days. He was an attendant at the breakfasts.

The Bricklayers' and Masons' Convention.

This morning at 10½ o'clock Mayor Clarke will formally open the 25th annual convention of the Bricklayers' and Masons' International Union at Richmond Hall. Mr. J. I. Davidson, president of the Board of Trade, Ald. Hill, Ald. Shaw and Engineer Rust and representatives of various labor organizations will be present. Already 150 delegates have arrived. Among the officers in town are: John Hertze, president, Denver, Col.; Thomas O'Dea, secretary, Cohoes, N.Y.; Patrick Murray, treasurer, Albany, N.Y. The delegates will be nearly two weeks in session. The local Reception Committee consists of chairman, Joseph Alderson; secretary, Joseph Dixon; treasurer, William McGowan; T. Izzard, T. Turner, J. Spencer, I. Thomas, Robert Johnston, E. Wickham, Andrew Shand, Charles Cockran, Frank Hawkey and R. Robinson. The delegates will be tendered a banquet and ball at Webb's on the 19th.

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Saturday, January 17th—"Progress and Poverty—A Criticism," by the Very Rev. G. M. Grant, D.D., Principal of Queen's University, Kingston.

Saturday, January 24th—"Shakespeare's Heroines," by the Rev. Allan A. Pitman, M.A.

Saturday, January 31st—"Thought and Language in Japan," by the Rev. Arthur Lloyd, M.A., Professor in Trinity College.

Saturday, February 7th—"The Place of Women in Greece," by Maurice Hutton, M.A., Professor in University College.

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