

SPORTING GOSSIP

AMATEUR HOCKEY STARS WHO DISPLAY ABILITY IN LEAGUE RACE



Pictures are of four stars who have displayed marked ability for their respective teams in the race for the Amateur Hockey League title. Until this season the St. Nick's built around the versatile and brilliant "Hobby" Baker and captained by Russell Ellis, have seemed to have the league championship at their mercy. Baker's inflexible style has so far outdistanced any efforts of his opponents that the St. Nick's have gone to the front without even a staunch opposition. But this season the Boston A.A., the Harvard Club and the Crescent A.C. seem to be strengthened by stellar performers, and if the St. Nick's are to repeat it will mean double the work of last season, when the Boston A.A. challenged and was in the running until the final game.

ICE SPORTS IN VIC. DREW GOOD CROWD

The Victoria rink was packed last night with a crowd eager to witness the ice sports. The ice was fast and in the best of condition, the crowd enthusiastic and the racers and performers did some very pretty work. At the outset a good man was knocked out. T. Gillen fell, and sliding along the ice, hit himself on an iron scraper. The programme was as follows: 230 yards, won by H. Garnett, 1st; F. Garnett, 2nd. Time, 21. Small boys half mile race, won by M. Gains; 2nd, R. Dean. Time, 1:59. 440 yards, won by G. Gorman; 2nd, M. Bell. Time, 42. Plumber's race, half mile, won by Morrell; 2nd, Alberta. Time, 1:44. Street Railway men, 440 yards, won by Percy Moore; 2nd, W. Grant. Time, 53. 880 yards, won by M. Bell; 2nd, H. Garnett. Time, 1:30. Telemeters' race, half mile, won by Correll; 2nd, F. Garnett. Time, 1:43. Foundrymen's race, half mile, 1st, G. McLaughlin; 2nd, R. Roberts. Time, 1:59. Soldiers' relay race, won by 140th Battalion team, Howard, McCollough, Lawton, Gorman, 12 laps. Time, 4:52. Senior boys' race, half mile, 1st, P. Howard; 2nd, L. Elliott. Time, 2 min. One mile race, C. Gorman; 2nd, Morrell. Time, 5:17.

Two graceful skaters gave an exhibition of fancy skating, they are well known in this city, and all present highly appreciated the treat given by Alice Morgan and Al Stevens. The officials were as follows: Referee—J. J. Sheehan, Ray Hanson. Starter—James H. Pullen. Judges—Com. R. W. Wigmore, Com. H. R. McLaughlin, Hudson Breen, Harry McEldrick. Judge of course—Beverly Stevens. L. L. Patchell. Timers—M. Dolan, R. W. Carson, K. Macrae, Allan Leblanc. Clerk—Frank Coleman. Score—A. G. Stevens. Announcer—W. Chas.

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LOCAL BOWLING THISTLES DEFEATED CARLETON

There was an interesting ten string match on Black's alleys, yesterday, when Messrs. Wilson and Black defeated Bailey and Burke by a grand total score of 2118 to 1896, or a majority of 122 pins. The scores follow:
Wilson—108 106 109 98 96 140 114 104 103 106—Total, 1084.
Black—100 107 92 113 93 91 109 111 125 98—Total, 1034. Grand total, 2118.
Bailey—98 120 99 100 96 93 109 100 90 82—Total, 986.
Burke—126 82 98 85 98 96 90 110 116 89—Total, 1010. Grand total, 1896.
Messrs. Wilson and Black have received challenges from two teams, viz., Burke and Lannoy, and W. Gumball and Roy McIvreen. These challenges have been accepted and it is probable that the first match will be rolled on Friday next.

ST. ANDREWS VS. FREDERICTON
Six rinks from the St. Andrew's club leave for Fredericton this morning to play a match with the curlers in the Capital.

WHAT OUR BOYS SING IN THE TRENCHES
Private G. Grows, of Fools Cray, writing from the Dobson Barracks, Hospital, 22, Charlton-road, Blackheath, says that he is getting much better. He sends us the following song, which he says the boys sing in France:
(To the tune of "My Little Grey Home in the West")
I've a little wet home in a trench,
Whence the rainstorms continually drench;
There's the sky overhead,
Clay or mud for a bed,
And a stone that we use for a bench.
Bully beef and hard biscuits we chew,
It seems years since we tasted a stew.
Shells crackle and sear,
Yet no place can compare
With my little wet home, if you know.
Our friends in that trench, o'er the way,
Seem to know that we've come here to stay.
They shoot and they shout,
But they can't get us out,
Though there's no dirty trick they won't play.

They rushed us a few nights ago,
But we don't like intruders, and so
Some departed quite sore,
Some were left evermore.
Near my little wet home, now you know.

Yes, we think of the cold, slush, and stench,
As we lie with the Belgians and French;
There'll be shed then, I fear,
Redder stuff than a tear.
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ANOTHER GLASH BETWEEN ALLIES AND GREEK GOV'T

London, Feb. 15.—A despatch to Reuters' Telegram Company from Athens says:
"Another diplomatic clash between the Greeks and the Entente Allies has arisen over the arrest by the Allies of the Greek steamer Mavratrasou, carrying 200 Bulgarians, whom the Allies considered belligerents. The Greeks contend that they are Hellenic subjects from newly annexed provinces and are consequently neutral. The steamer was bound for Crete."
British Front Broken
London, Feb. 15.—The British official communication issued this evening says:
"Last evening, after a heavy bombardment on the whole front of the Ypres salient to the south of Hooge, the enemy made several infantry attacks.
"Between the Ypres-Comines Canal and the Ypres-Comines railway the enemy broke into our front trench on a front of about six hundred yards. All his other attacks failed.
"A heavy bombardment on both sides continues."

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A "Sum" Contest
This week's Contest is quite different to any others you have previously been asked to compete in, but I am sure nearly every reader of the Children's Corner will be having a hard try to win the prizes.
Below will be found a simple division sum, but a few of the figures are missing. What you have to do is this: Write the complete sum out carefully on a piece of paper, filling in the missing figures, and forward the result, together with one of the usual coupons correctly filled in, to

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SOLDIERS RAID HOUSE AND TEAR DOWN GERMAN HEROES' PICTURES

Berlin, Ont., Feb. 15.—Some soldiers of the 18th Battalion, who were on night leave, raided Concordia Hall, in the new Jansen building here tonight and completely demolished the furniture, including a piano, pictures, etc. About fifty men took possession of the hall about eight o'clock, threw chairs out of windows, jumped on tables,

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Can You Draw a Teapot?

As you have enjoyed the last Drawing Contest, I have decided to let you have another. Make a careful drawing of a TEA-POT, either in pencil or pen and ink. Send result, together with the usual coupon correctly filled in, to

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The Convention of the Farmers and Dairymen's Association and Provincial Seed Fair

will be held in FREDERICTON, February 28th to March 2nd, inclusive
Thursday, March 2nd, will be Livestock Day and will be spent at the Experimental Farm. The work of the day will be under the direction of Prof. Barton, of Macdonald College.
Delegates attending the Convention will ask for Standard Certificates over the I. C. R., and C. P. R.

THE MARITIME STEAMSHIP CO. (LIMITED)

On February 11th and until further notice the S.S. "Page" and S.S. "Cassio No. 2" will run as follows:
Leave St. John, N. B., Thorne Wharf and Warehouse Co. on Saturday, 7:30 a.m., for St. Andrews, calling at Dipper Harbor, Beaver Harbor, Black's Harbor, Back Bay, or Letete, Deer Island, Red Store, St. George. Returning leave St. Andrews Tuesday for St. John, calling at Letete or Back Bay, Black's Harbor, Beaver Harbor and Dipper Harbor, tide and weather permitting.
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