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Hockey Clubs Galore Reorganize for the Season—Ice Chips.

The Ontario Hockey Club of Port Hope will join the O.H.A. and have appointed J. A. Campbell and S. Bennett delegates to attend the meeting here next Saturday afternoon.

The prevailing cold weather has had the effect of giving ice to all the city rinks, and curlers, skaters and hockeyists are consequently in high glee. Several opened last night, and by to-night every skating resort in the city will be going for the season.

There was a record crowd of skaters at the Caledonian Rink last night, when the big Mutual-street resort was formally opened for the winter. Continuous music was furnished by bands placed in each end of the big building and proved a decided hit. The new ice was in splendid condition.

Norwood's senior hockey team has reorganized with these officers: President, Dr. J. C. Moffat; Vice-President, H. G. Buck; Captain, F. W. Ashe; Executive Committee, W. Stewart, L. McGregor and D. A. Fraser. The club decided to renew their membership in the Provincial Association, and are looking forward to a lively season.

The Old Orchard II. Hockey Club have reorganized for the coming season, and held their election last night in West End Y.M.C.A., where they had a well-attended meeting. The following officers were elected: Hon. President, D. Grant; President, J. M. Bowman; Secretary-Treasurer, F. E. Winnifield; Manager, J. Martin; Committee, D. Grant, R. Carson, J. E. Craig.

Lindsay will have a first-class hockey club this season. The Y.M.C.A. are taking hold of it. The following officers were elected: Patron, Judge Dean; Hon. President, Mr. A. P. D. McGachen; President, Mr. William Flavelle; Vice-President, Mr. R. Ross; Captain, Dr. F. Walters, D.D.S.; Secretary-Treasurer, Mr. A. Clark; Managing Committee, Dr. Walters, Mr. E deB. Strathy, Mr. A. Clark.

On Saturday morning Mr. George McKay, our well-known bicyclist, football player and hockeyist, received a letter from the secretary of the Bank of Commerce hockey team, Toronto, asking him to come to the Queen City and join their aggregation. They offered him a position in the bank. The same day he received a telegram from the Bank of Toronto hockey team offering him similar inducements as those held out by the first named bank. He accepted the offer of the Bank of Toronto and left for the queen City yesterday to fill a position as clerk in that bank and to play centre forward in their team.—Kingston News.

DETROIT'S BONSPIEL.

Detroit, Dec. 1.—If the present cold snap continues the sound of the stones will soon be heard again. Arrangements have been made for an international bonspiel, Jan. 6, 7 and 8. It will be open to clubs in the United States and Canada. Rinks from Buffalo, St. Thomas, Sarnia, Hamilton, Toronto, Chatham and other points have already signified their intention of entering. Good prizes will be given, and if the weather is favorable the local men expect to make it one of the events of the year.

RICHMOND HILL CURLERS.

The following officers were elected for the Richmond Hill Curling Club at a meeting Saturday evening: Patron, O D Warner; president, A J Prosser; first vice-president, W T Storey; second vice-president, T Newton; chaplain, Rev J A Grant, M.A.; secretary, T F McMahon; treasurer, H A Nicholls; committee of management, F G Savage, W R Proctor, G McDonald, J Palmer; auditors, F McConaghy, J H Sanderson, V.S.

WHIST PLAYERS ORGANIZE.

Annual Meeting of the Inter-Club League—Officers Elected.

The Inter-club Whist League held its annual meeting at the Athenaeum Club, when the following officers were elected: Hon. president, Walter Read; president, H H Jarvis; first vice-president, Robert Hodge; second vice-president, W E Cassidy; hon. secretary-treasurer, W A Hunter.

It was decided that teams be composed of four players and that each team be allowed two substitutes, who must not play on more than one team during the season, and the mode of competition be the same as adopted by the Canadian Whist League. The entrance fee per team was fixed at $2.

The meeting adjourned until Monday evening, Dec. 7, when trophy and prizes will be decided on, also a schedule will be arranged. Clubs may enter any number of teams.

FOOTBALL KICKS.

The Quebec Rugby Union meets in Montreal next Saturday evening. It is rumored around Ottawa that an effort will be made by some parties to debar the Ottawa College champions from playing outsiders in the future. As the champions are entered under the name of the Ottawa College Athletic Club, however, and not as a college team it is safe to predict that the movement will fail.—Ottawa Journal.

On Monday afternoon Rev. Father Fallon was waited upon by the members of the Ottawa University Athletic Association and presented with a beautiful address and a magnificent watch suitably inscribed as a testimonial of the general esteem in which he is held among the students. The address was read by Edward Gleason and the presentation was made by Thomas F. Clancey, president of the association. Father Fallon thanked the students for their kind remembrance and said he would be always pleased to hear of the success of the Athletic Association.

HEAVIER WHEELS FOR '97.

Nearly all the bicycle manufacturers claim that '97 models will be "new" or at least a '96 "made over." Six months ago there was a general tendency to build the '97 wheels similar to those of this season, but all the conservative attitude of the wheelmakers has passed away, and the best-known wheels have changed radically so far as construction goes.

Each manufacturer has pored over his long list of complaints and suggestions, submitted his troubles to mechanical experts and is now ready to place the "real thing" upon the market. The first thing the average manufacturer says when asked about a '97 model is: "It is new; new hubs, new cranks, new shafts, new fork crown, new systems for setting up the seat post and handle bars." Still the lines and details of '96 will be adhered to by almost every maker."

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Who Will Win the Fight, Sailor Sharkey or Lanky Bob?

To-night's Big Ten-round Contest at San Francisco will be Witnessed by About Twenty Thousand Men—Fitzsimmons is the Favorite at 3 to 1, but There is Plenty of Sharkey Money Always in Sight—Riley Grannan has $30,000 on Fitzsimmons.

San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 1.—Both Fitzsimmons and Sharkey ceased their training yesterday and will rest until Wednesday night. Each remains in his own training quarters. Their respective managers have been trying to select a referee, but Lynch, acting for Sharkey, does not wish a choice to be made until the last moment. If no one is selected by Wednesday noon the National Athletic Club will name an official. Each pugilist seems confident of the decision.

The betting has been generally from 3 to 1 to 4 to 1 in favor of Fitzsimmons. Martin Julian, the latter's manager, says he is betting 4 to 1 that Sharkey will be knocked out in four rounds.

"Fitz in five rounds" is the prediction of big bettors. Riley Grannan has money in all pool rooms, and has placed $30,000 on Fitzsimmons. Backers of the Australian believe he will win in four or five rounds, but admit it is anybody's battle if Sharkey responds at sound of gong after the fifth.

A number of sports are taking the short end of the betting. They believe that it will be the Corbett-Sharkey contest over again; that Sharkey will stand all the punishment Fitz can administer in the first half, and tire the Australian out. The contest is to take place in the pavilion, which will seat 18,000 men. At the rate the tickets have been going, standing room will be at a premium. Last night the betting was heavy, and there was no dearth of Sharkey money. It was ready to meet Fitzsimmons everywhere.

On the subject of the number of rounds, Judson Gibbs, who visited both Fitzsimmons and Sharkey on Sunday, said that Fitzsimmons told him that if he did not knock Sharkey out in two rounds he would retire from the ring for good. Sharkey said that if he did not put Fitzsimmons out in five rounds he was done with fighting.

EVERHARDT BEATS ERNST.

Albany, Dec. 1.—The opening of the Myers Athletic Club in this city to-night was attended by one of the most gatherings ever seen at a local athletic tournament. The new hall, which was formerly the old skating rink, is admirably arranged for events of this kind. The referee was John P. Eckhardt of New York, and the official timekeeper was Jack Mack of Albany. About 2000 people witnessed the contests. The first bout was between Mike McManus of Albany and George Siddons of Chicago. It was for ten rounds at 128 pounds. Siddons was awarded the decision on points.

The second contest was between Charles Johnson of Minneapolis and Wylie Evans, a colored youth from California. It was an easy victory for Johnson, who knocked his man out in the second round.

The principal bout of the evening was between Jack Everhardt of New Orleans, the champion lightweight of the South, and Billy Ernst of Brooklyn. Both men weighed in early in the evening at 138 pounds. It was one of the finest fistic encounters ever seen in this section, and met with the approval of some of the most prominent sporting men in the country.

It was announced that the winner of the bout would be matched against any lightweight in the world for a purse of $4000 to be put up at once by the management of the Myers Club.

Round 1—Everhardt got in two rights on the neck and Ernst fouled. He landed on Everhardt's chest, and after a feint, which Everhardt ducked, gave a nice uppercut. Ernst was more aggressive. Everhardt ducked a right and left on the chin.

Round 2—Both men went in with serious lunges. Ernst landed an excellent uppercut on Everhardt's chin. The Southerner retaliated with a smacker—a blow which touched Everhardt's windpipe. This was followed by a facer. Ernst had the best of the round.

Round 3—Ernst landed heavily with his right on Everhardt's ear. It was a case of business on both sides from this out. Ernst fought Everhardt to the ropes, but nothing resulted from the breakaway. Everhardt rallied and made Ernst's already bleeding nose omit more claret. Fierce infighting closed the round.

Round 4—Everhardt tried a swing, but missed. His opponent followed suit and landed. In a clinch Ernst made what appeared to be a foul and was hissed. He got a short rib-roaster in return. Everhardt kept up his left jabs until he landed on the face of the Brooklynite. Honors even.

Round 5—A fierce uppercut from Everhardt reached Ernst's face and made him stagger. Two others landed on his body. Everhardt landed on the nose, but clinched to avoid further punishment.

Round 6—Ernst got down to business at outset and Everhardt was equally anxious to bring matters to a final settlement. Ernst punched his opponent's face in at will at the start. Everhardt got in a rib-roaster with his right but met a stunning facer. Ernst made two overhand swings, which told, both landing on the right and left sides of the face. Honors even.

Round 7—Ernst landed on the jaw, and when they clinched struck Everhardt. A cross-counter resulted in a clinch and Ernst landed again. A quick interchange of face blows at short corners delighted the audience. Everhardt hit squarely in the face and received for his pains two right uppercuts.

Round 8—Everhardt rushed, but got a stinger. He paid back with a left in the face, but got a slug in the neck which made him flinch. The Brooklynite made the Southerner lose his head a little later by landing twice on the face. Everhardt played for Ernst's nose, landing four times in quick succession. Everhardt had the best of the round.

Round 9—Everhardt started for Ernst's nose again, but missed. He avoided a heavy swing, but, continuing his effort, landed twice on his opponent's nose. Quick interchange of face blows followed. Everhardt hit right and left, landed on Ernst's head at will. He struck the bloody nose until there was no semblance of such an organ on his face. A stinging right on the side of the head followed.

The battle was very even and hot up to the 19th round. In the twenties and last Everhardt pushed the fighting from the start. First he landed on the neck with his right, and he immediately followed it with a left. Ernst countered a bad right only to receive a mean slap in the left ear. Jack forced Ernst to the ropes. That was the beginning of the end. From this time to the close Everhardt had the Brooklynite at his mercy, using his head as a punching bag. He pushed him down, and when Ernst arose he was like a rag and fell easily at Everhardt's right-hander. He was unfit to continue further, and time was called and Everhardt was declared the winner.

CLASS MEN PLAY RUGBY.

Varsity Students After the Mulock Cup—Dentals and '97.

There were two matches of the inter-year series for the Mulock cup played off on the Varsity campus yesterday afternoon. On the south lawn the Theologs of Knox lined up against the Dentals, and were defeated by 18 to 1. The play was more even than the score would indicate, and a very fair exhibition of Rugby was put up. For the Dentals Bob Elliott played a star game, while Jack McArthur, P. Sinclair and P. Scott played well for Knox. The ground was frozen hard and in places lumpy, but there was no one hurt.

At the same time a battle was also raging on the back lawn between '97 and '98. The juniors put up a plucky fight, but could not hold their wings and the seniors piled up 22 points to their 5. During the progress of the game Jack Hobbes had his ankle put out and had to leave the field.

S.P.S. plays the last two years in medicine this afternoon at 2 o'clock.

The series was started on Monday, when the third and fourth year meds. defeated the first and second years by 6 to 2. The arts freshmen also went under to the sophomores by a score of 27 to 12.

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There will be an open shoot at live pigeons this afternoon at the Newmarket race track. There are 500 birds on hand, and a very large turnout is expected. During the course of the afternoon the match between Messrs. Ike Scott and Geo. Gooch, which resulted in a tie a week ago, will also be settled.

ON THE WINTER TRACKS.

Cold Weather at New Orleans, Where Favorites and Second Choices Finish in Front.

New Orleans, Dec. 1.—Cold, rainy weather limited the attendance at the races today and made the track very heavy. Two favorites and two second choices won. Summaries:

First race, ⅞ mile—David, 99 (Morse), 9 to 5, 1; Damocles, 109 (Tuberville), even, 2; Linnette, 104 (Barrett), 60 to 1, 3. Time 1.33. Clara Bauer, Sir John also ran.

Second race, 5 furlongs—Celia, 105 (Barrett), 6 to 1, 1; Doomful, 108 (Walker), 4 to 5, 2; Double Dummy, 105 (Burns), 10 to 1, 3. Time 1.06½. Dawn, Connie Lee, Overflow, Snag also ran.

Third race, 6 furlongs—Will Elliott, 100 (Powers), 2 to 1, 1; Loyal Prince, 97 (Valentine), 10 to 1, 2; Whiff, 107 (Tuberville), 4 to 1, 3. Time 1.21¼. Image, Harmony, Wild Tartar, Timberland, Carner also ran.

Fourth race, 6 furlongs—Pelleas, 106 (Hart), 9 to 10, 1; Old Dominion, 104 (Walker), 3 to 1, 2; Lycetta, 110 (Ross), 8 to 1, 3. Time 1.19¾. Judith C, Trixie, Pirate, Mollie B also ran.

Fifth race, 7 furlongs—Paskola, 99 (Morris), 5 to 2, 1; Tonica, 89 (Burns), 8 to 1, 2; Cherrystone, 107 (Ham), 8 to 5, 3. Time 1.37¾. Chicot, Samuel Young, Hurlburt, Henry Harris also ran.

NEW ORLEANS PROGRAM.

New Orleans, Dec. 1.—First race, ⅝ mile—Glen Albyn 87, Candy 92, Loyal Prince 99, Devault 102, Billy Jordan 103, Timberland 105, Montell, Trixie 108.

Second race, ⅝ mile—Alma Russell 92, Banquo II. 97, Elyria 101, Viscount 104, Scribe 107, Lonely 109.

Third race, ¾ mile—Frank Jaubert, Image, May Ashler 94, Sir John, Mollie B 104 Judith C 102, Lizzetta 107.

Fourth race, Magnolia Stakes, mile—David, Paul Pry 100, Ida Pickwick, Jamboree, Clara Bauer 103, Ramona 105.

Fifth race, ⅞ mile—Remington, Bridgeton 94, C. C. Bumrill, Rossmar, Dave Pulsifer 102, Sprite, Bersan, Will Elliott, Mrs. Bradshaw 102.

FAVORITES AT IRON HILL.

Iron Hill, Dec. 1.—The track was sloppy, but the footing was firm. The attendance was up to the average.

First race, ⅝ mile—Metropolis, 9 to 10, 1; Fassett, 3 to 1, place, 2; Pope, 3. Time 1.07½.

Second race, ¾ mile—Jonah White, 7 to 10, 1; Conspirator, 9 to 5, place, 2; Bragalone, 3. Time 1.21.

Third race, mile—Canadian, 9 to 5, 1; Brooklyn, out, place, 2; Dr. Jones, 3. Time 1.49.

Fourth race, ⅝ mile—Benefactor, 1 to 3, 1; Orphan, even, place, 2; Kirkover, 3. Time 1.07.

Fifth race, 4½ furlongs—Zoe, 5 to 2, 1; McHenry, 1 to 3, place, 2; Appels, 3. Time 58.

Sixth race, 4½ furlongs—Brown Dick, 1 to 2, 1; Shustie, 4 to 5, place, 2; St. Lawrence 3. Time .58.

IRON HILL ENTRIES.

Iron Hill, Dec. 1.—First race, ⅝ mile—Crown, Gold Dollar, Prince L., Pickaway, Mayor B, Con Lucy 108, Graceful, March, Velvet Rose 105, May Pinkerton 102.

Second race, ⅝ mile—San Chapuza, R. P., Ed Taylor, Myers 106, Miss Mash, Cyta, Canoba, Mary Larson, Little Lady 103.

Third race, ¾ mile—Foronzo, Columbus Jr., Humming Bird, Mohawk, Dr. Wiley, Reform, Doc Birch, Relief, Simpleton, Dr. Johnston 108.

Fourth race, 4½ furlongs—Beelzebub 113, Fantine, Pearl 112, Pedigree 110, Blue Piece 107, Joyous, The Allen 100, Valley Girl, Mamie M 97.

Fifth race, 6½ furlongs—O'Hearn, Schuylkill, Little Jim, Fagin, Bank Cashier 107, Flinwater, Belvena, Miss Pearl, First Light, Claurence 104.

Sixth race, 4½ furlongs—Miss Tristan 112, Brilliancy, Mountain Maid 107, Happy Bird, Blue Forest 100, Dogwood, Cozette, Bonnie Eloise 97.

RESULTS AT ST. LOUIS.

St. Louis, Dec. 1.—First race, 4½ furlongs—Claude Hill, 7 to 5, 1; Bourbon, 3 to 5, place, 2; Rose 3. Time .58.

Second race, 4½ furlongs—Uncle Lew, 5 to 2, 1; Phrodite, 2 to 1, 2; Allopathy 3. Time .58½.

Third race, ⅝ mile—Taormie, 2 to 1, 1; Willis, 4 to 1, 2; Hazel All 3. Time 1.03.

Fourth race, 4½ furlongs—Little Dick, 3 to 1, 1; Queen of Berlin, 1 to 2, 2; Harry B 3. Time .58¼.

Fifth race, 6½ furlongs—Joe Lee, 3 to 1, 1; Swifter, 2 to 1, 2; Headlong 3. Time 1.26½.

CARD FOR TO-DAY.

St. Louis, Dec. 1.—First race ½ mile—Black River, Latinus, Billy Mack, Little Dick, Little Bell, Buck Williamson, Ianthe, Keero, Tiffin, Liberty Bell 112.

Second race, 9-16 mile—Rose Rapids, Wild Flower 105; Bauer, Red Rinn, Little Dick, Berry L., Queen of Berlin, Aphrodite 110.

Third race, 11-16 mile—Pilot, Dot C., Salso, Charlie Mulholland, Uncle Sam 114, Advance, Impress, Billet, Jennie Wren 119.

Fourth race, 9-16 mile—Mountain Belle, Frank Hawkins, Susie, Palmyria 105, Beepee B., Mascot, Caleb, Davy Crockett, Victor 107.

Fifth race, 3¼ furlongs—Phil Thompson, Tony Mack, Lulu W. 114, Ollie Gray, A. Duke, Why Not (weights not given), Nebraska Belle, Gopher, Gray Wolfe (weights not given).

FOUR OF SIX FAVORITES WON.

San Francisco, Dec. 1.—Weather fine. Track fast. Four of the six favorites won. Summaries:

First race, mile—Solvable, 106 (Martin), 7 to 10, 1; Lucky Dog, 112 (Shields), 12 to 10, 2; La Mascotte, 88 (Thompson), 3 to 1, 3. Time 1.14. Chartreuse, Wyoming also ran.

Fourth race 1 1-16 miles—Kamsin, 101 (Golden), 6 to 5, 1; Ostler Joe, 102 (Brown), 7 to 2, 2; Hazard, 95 (Isom), 4 to 3, 3. Time 1.48½. Peter the Second, Excuse, Fred Gardner also ran.

Fifth race, 5 furlongs—Daisy A., 112 (Stipes), 4 to 1, 1; Fly, 112 (Shaw), 8 to 5, 2; Pat Murphy, 117 (Isom), 9 to 2, 3. Time 1.02. Jack Richelieu, Edmond, Grover, Cleveland, Dr. Great, Fleet, Calphurnia, Miss Gentry, Duke Stevens also ran.

Sixth race, 5 furlongs—Quick Silver, 112 (Shaw), 5 to 1, 1; Mount Roy, 117 (Boozer-man), 30 to 1, 2; Last Chance, 112 (Martin), 15 to 1, 3. Time 1.02. Carrie U., Unit, Jim Bozeman, Harry O., Zamloch, Walter J., Braw Scot also ran.

STANLEY GUN CLUB.

The annual pigeon match of the Stanley Gun Club was held on Thanksgiving Day and owing to the large number of entries it was not finished till Saturday afternoon. The weather was very favorable and the sport was good and enjoyed by all, and the executive of the club deserve great credit for the arrangements that were made and the way they were carried out. The prizes were very substantial and consisted of silverware and other useful articles. The prizes were distributed by Mr. G. J. Foy in his usual affable manner to the successful winners in their respective classes. The shooting was done on the Woodbine grounds by permission of Mr. G. H. Briggs, president of the club.

Below are the scores: Class A, 15 pigeons, 30 yards—Phillips 15, Isaac 14, Briggs 13, Clayton 13, McDowall 13, Wilton 13, Cocker 13, Black 13, David 12, Townley, J., 12, McDuff 12, Casey 11, George 10, Lucas 10, Jameson 10, Bricker 9, Thompson withdrawn.

Class B, 12 pigeons, 28 yards—James 11, Buck 11, Herbert 10, Robert 9, Moore 9, Parkus 9, Tibbittson 9, Davany 8, Alexander 8, Harris 8, Bennett 7, Townley, H., 6, Green 5, Musson 3.

Class C, 10 pigeons, 26 yards—Carl 10, Trimmer 9, Taylor 6, Johns 6, Willsom 3.

There will be an emergency meeting of the club at the usual place and time Wednesday, Dec. 2, and they would like a good turn-out to receive report of the shoot.

BASEBALL BREVITIES.

There is a letter at this office for Steve O'Dea.

Dick Padden of the Pirates lost most of his next season's salary betting on Bryan.—Philadelphia Sporting Life.

President Nick Young of the National League presided at his first league meeting on St. Patrick's Day, 1871. And he hasn't missed one since.

Mr. Ball Drowned.

Edward Ball, a lance corporal in the Royal Grenadiers, is supposed to have been drowned in the wreck of the steamship Memphis, off the Irish coast. When in Toronto young Ball lived in Duchess-street and he went with a load of cattle in order to visit his mother in London, England. Ball lived in Toronto about six years and worked at the O'Connor House, Adelaide and Simcoe-streets.

THOSE ARMENIAN HORRORS.

Mme. Zoe, Now in New York, Tells of Her Escape From Constantinople at the Time of the Massacre.

New York, Dec. 1.—So much has been said and written of that fearful September massacre at Constantinople that it has settled into history, and vain repetition has lost the power to quicken the pulse and set the heart beating.

A single glance, however, at the splendid Oriental beauty of Mme. Zoe, a few minutes' talk with her of the fury of the massacre from which she and her entire family barely escaped with their lives, brings the matter up to date with a celerity that is almost appalling.

Seen at her little apartment in East Twenty-eighth street, Mme. Zoe presented a picture strangely at variance with her sordid surroundings. Though married, she is not yet seventeen. With flashing eyes and rapid, comprehensive gestures she told of the persecution of her family by the Turks. Her English was that of a well-bred Frenchwoman.

"We owe our lives," she said, "to the fact that my father was connected with the English Embassy. We have lived always in Constantinople, and he speaks English.

"From the English Consul he was able to secure passports, but the massacre came too soon. At night we fled from our burning house to the home of the Italian Consul. There we were hidden in a small, dark room. We could not sleep for the awful cries in the street and the fear that the house would be searched.

"Once they came—those dastard Turks—to our very door, but the hall was dark and they tramped by, muttering threats. It was unsafe even to order extra food for us, so that we were almost starved.

"The fifth night we were disguised, and we crept through the streets like thieves. There was blood in the streets, deep, so

MME. ZOE.

that one slipped, and a woman was killed in front of us; her dead face was that of my dearest friend.

"At last we reached the train. Twice we were attacked by small bands of Turks, but we finally reached safety. Many loved ones, however, are still there, and I cannot rest."

Her husband is many years her senior, a man of education and refinement. An uncle, who is with her, has also an air of breeding, which it is strange to encounter in an East Side tenement. Their apartment is almost bare, save a few Oriental rugs and rich hangings that were saved in their flight. They still shiver and grow pale at the sound of hurrying feet in the little hall, and they have not yet overcome the feeling of horror with which an unmeaning under Turkish rule regards the arrival of a letter.

It seems that the Turkish Government spies have a custom of sending compromising letters to certain Armenian families whom the Sultan does not regard with favor. Simultaneously with the delivery of these epistles the spies happen in, the letters are discovered, and the innocent family doomed.

Mme. Zoe was invited to speak for her people at the recent mass meeting for the relief of the Armenians at Carnegie Hall, but dared not comply with the request lest some report of her utterances should reach Turkey, where she still has friends and relatives who are in great danger.

FOUR GENERATIONS PRESENT.

Col. Button of Markham Celebrated His 84th Birthday Yesterday.

Four generations responded at a large family gathering at the residence of Col. W. M. Button at Markham yesterday. The occasion was the celebration of the Colonel's 80th birthday, at which children, grandchildren and great grandchildren participated.

The Colonel was born at Buttonville, in the County of York, where the Button family have been settled for 100 years. His grandfather raised the first troop of cavalry in Ontario and they did good service in the war of 1812. Col. Button acted as sentry over the powder magazine at the Old Fort at the time of the burning of Montgomery's Tavern in 1837. During the Fenian raids he was captain of his troop.

The Colonel was twice married; his first wife was Miss Arnold of a Pennsylvania family, the second a daughter of Rev. S. Philip of Prince Albert. He had a family of eight daughters, five of whom survive. There are three brothers of the Colonel living—John Button of Buttonville, Newbury and Frank Button of Ringwood.

Col. Button is a staunch Conservative, and was an old-time friend of Sir John A. Macdonald. He served for a number of years in the York County Council. He is a Freemason, a Methodist, and an Orangeman. He has served in the Grand Lodge under Sir Mackenzie Bowell. He is still hearty and strong, and many were the good wishes extended to him yesterday.

FULFORD AND VAN DYKE TIED.

Trenton, N.J., Dec. 1.—To-day witnessed the opening of the three-day championship live bird shoot at the Interstate Fair Grounds. Fulford, Brewer, Class, Murphy, Elliott and several other celebrities were present and participated in the events. The big handicap match was not commenced until after 1 o'clock and continued until late in the afternoon. A small attendance was present to witness the affair. In the handicap match, 25 birds, first prize $150, second prize $90, third $60, the result was: First place, Fulford and Van Dyke; second place, Class, Elliott, Woodruff and E.M.C.; third place, Widman and Brewer. The prizes were divided.

FOOTBALL ACCIDENTS.

Football across the line during the season just closed, played under the new rules, has been a more open game and the old heavy mass plays were not used. The greatest number of injuries are reported from the West. In that section as many players have been injured as heretofore. This is due to the non-adoption of the new rules, or rather, a non-enforcement of them.

The football fathers will have to make the game still more open in order to do away with so many accidents, says a New York writer. The number of accidents last season was much greater than the number this season. Yet in looking over the partial list here given, it can be seen that 125 men were more or less seriously hurt. Of the four who met death in the game, two were boys, one but 15 years of age. The boy was young Boyles of Louisville, Ky., who died from appendicitis, caused by a kick received in a game. On last Thursday Walter L. Rhue was killed in Brooklyn. He was but 17 years of age. Bert Serf of Nebraska was killed in a mass play. He was picked up after a scrimmage unconscious, and died from concussion of the brain.

With still more open play the 125 injured reported should be materially lessened, and the game will be as interesting and much less dangerous. A list of the accidents follows: Number killed 4, dangerously injured 9, legs broken 2, arms broken 2, noses broken 9, ribs broken 12, collar-bones broken 9, ribs sprained 22, shoulders dislocated 9, other dislocations 14, miscellaneous accidents 34. Total injured 125.

YALE AND HARVARD WILL PLAY.

New Haven, Conn., Dec. 1.—The new Yale-Harvard athletic agreement assures an immediate resumption of the relations between the two universities. This means that Yale and Harvard will play baseball next spring, that the crews will probably meet at New London and that the two universities will have dual track games. It was stated to-day that the games would be held here instead of at Cambridge, although this was Yale's year to go there for the games, which are held alternately in the two cities. This concession is made by Harvard to show her good feeling for her old rival.

Lord Hawke's offer to take his team of English cricketers to the West Indies has been accepted by the Cricket Council at Demerara.

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PUBLIC AMUSEMENTS.

ENGLISH OPERA NEXT WEEK.

The Metropolitan Grand English Opera Company will appear during the coming week at the Grand Opera House, in an exceedingly attractive repertoire, suggested to Director Grau by leaders of Toronto's musical cult. "Il Trovatore" will be given Monday night, "Martha" Tuesday, "Cavalleria Rusticana" and the third act of "Lucia di Lammermoor" Wednesday, "Faust" Thursday, "Carmen" Friday, "Bohemian Girl" Saturday matinee, and "Rigoletto" Saturday night. The sale of seats will begin to-morrow morning.

MR. MANTELL.

There was a decidedly better attendance at the Grand last night than on the previous evening. "The Corsican Brothers" was the play selected, and it was well put on. Though frequently given here before, there was no lack of interest from start to finish, and Mr. Mantell's work in the dual role was fully up to his best efforts of former seasons. His splendid physique and resonant voice make him an ideal for the tragic part demanded, and he was repeatedly called before the curtain. Miss Behrens as Emilie de Lespare and Miss Monk as the Corsican mother furnished strong support, while Mr. Hoyt as Chateau Renaud made the character just what was necessary to work out the climax. This afternoon "Romeo and Juliet" will be given, and to-night "The Face in the Moonlight."

THE SELECT KNIGHTS' CONCERT.

The concert to be given in the Pavilion, Dec. 3, under the auspices of the Select Knights of Canada is one worthy of every person's attention. The artists engaged are all leading stars in their line, and a splendid treat is in store for those who avail themselves of their opportunity at the concert. The S.K. of C. are noted for doing everything well they take in hand. They are worthy of patronage and there should not be standing room in the Pavilion to-morrow night.

A FUNNY SHOW.

From the entertaining first act down through the long and diversified list of specialties to the close of the last act, "McSorley's Twins" received encore after encore at both performances at the Toronto yesterday. Those who desire light, breezy entertainment, with plenty of diverting novelties thrown in, should not miss the opportunity of seeing this up-to-date farce comedy. For next week, Comes Bars Comics and Nick Long are understood to appear in "The Other Man's Wife," a comedy adapted from the French. The sale of seats for this engagement opens this morning.

AT THE BIJOU.

If the management of Robinson's Bijou Theatre continue to put on the boards of this neat little place of amusement performances equal to the bill this week the house will be crowded all winter. It is really a first rate vaudeville show.

FFRANGCON DAVIES.

The subscribers' list for Ffrangcon Davies' song recital at the Massey Hall a week Monday night, has been open at Nordheimer's only a few days. Already some 400 seats have been subscribed for and while Dec. 7 will be this noted English baritone's first appearance in Toronto, the musical public seem to be well aware of his worth. Speaking of Mr. Davies' Chicago appearance, the Chicago Tribune says: Of the soloists Mr. Ffrangcon Davies, the basso, was easily the star of the concert. His singing of the Polyphemus music in "Acis and Galatea" was a surprise and a revelation. The prices for Mr. Davies' coming song recital are to be 25c to $1.

THE GREAT BLITZ.

In St. George's Hall, Elm-street, last night there was a large attendance at the entertainment given by The Great Blitz (Mr. Joe Youngheart). Prof. Blitz's feats of magic caused much wonder and applause. He was supported by Mrs. Adele Strauss-Youngheart; H. M. Barnett, refined comic vocalist; George Maurice, eccentric musical artist, and other well known performers. Mr. C. E. Musgrove acted as accompanist.

SIR DONALD'S $100 FOR THE CREW.

Winnipeg, Dec. 1.—(Special.)—Sir Donald Smith has sent the Winnipeg Rowing Club $100 and a letter wishing them success if they send a crew to Henley.

BICYCLE BRIEFS.

The Royal Canadian Bicycle Club's Dunlop trophy smoker will be held in Dingman's Hall on Wednesday evening next. A good program has been arranged.

Mr. Yeigh has succeeded in securing a number of snap shots of some of the football matches held during the past season between the T. A. C. and other clubs, which he will reproduce on canvas at the entertainment on Friday evening next at the T.A.C. club house.

A great hue and cry is raised when a cyclist runs down a pedestrian, and yet the latter frequently is to blame. It is the legal and moral duty of the cyclist to see that he does not interfere with them. Nearly all the bicycle accidents in the streets are occasioned by the efforts of pedestrians to get out of the way. If those who are walking would stand still when the wheel approaches there would not be so many accidents.

On old Rosedale yesterday Harbord C. I. defeated Jarvis-street by 1 goal to 0. By this victory Harbord has won the championship of the collegiates. They defeated Jameson by the same score two weeks ago.

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FRANK ALBERTS' BENEFIT.

Saratoga, N.Y., Dec. 1.—A large crowd witnessed the professional and amateur bicycle events in the Casino to-night, the entertainment being a benefit for Frank Alberts, the champion long distance rider of Canada, who in the recent six days' race here fell and broke his collar bone. Summary:

Half-mile, amateur—Won by Martin Sweeney, David Noonan 2