



The Sporting World

Hockey, Basketball, Curling, Bowling.



Mr. G. Powell Vigorously Denies Story of Brantford Dropping Out Made Out of Whole Cloth, He Says

The Telephone City Septette Is To Stay, Says Local Hockey Leader—Brantford Plays Here on Friday Night.

When questioned in reference to the statement published this morning to the effect that Brantford had dropped out of the O. H. A. series, Mr. George Powell, secretary of the London, stated that the story was a dream. Brantford has not dropped out of the O. H. A. and does not intend to. Mr. Powell was talking with the manager of the Brantford team over the long-distance phone this morning, and the story was emphatically denied.

As further evidence that there is no truth in the story, if added evidence is required, neither Brantford papers mentioned the subject last evening at all.

Brantford will be here Friday night to play as scheduled.

Of course the local team is confident of winning, and look like the goods, but then one can never tell. It now looks as though London would win the district without a great struggle, unless the changes in the Ingersoll lineup prove too much for them to overcome. Woodstock proved easy here, and should again take the count when the teams meet. Tillsonburg looks like the goods after what Ingersoll did to it the other night, and Paris would seem to be out of the running, judging by the way it has been traveling lately.

WANDERERS DEFEAT THE VICTORIAS

Montreal, Jan. 16.—The Wanderers came back last night and took a contest from the Victorias by a score of 7 to 5 in one of the fastest and most exciting games seen at the Arena in a long time.

The line-ups:

Wanderers..... Victorias.

Hern.....Goal.....Robinson

Ross.....Point.....Patrick

Small.....Cover.....Kennedy

Glass.....Rover.....Bowie

Russell.....Center.....Hall

Blackford.....R. Wing.....Gilmour

Johnson.....L. Wing.....Russell

Referee—Percival.

The standing of the clubs is now as follows:

Club..... Won. Lost. Play.

Victoria..... 2..... 1..... 7

Ottawa..... 1..... 1..... 8

Wanderers..... 2..... 1..... 7

Quebec..... 1..... 1..... 8

Shamrocks..... 1..... 1..... 8

Montreal..... 0..... 2..... 8

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The A. A. U. On Longboat's Trail Sullivan Wants To "Get" Him

Leader of American Body Still Hounding Indian in Effort To Professionalize Him.

Buffalo, Jan. 16.—The Times says: Tom Longboat, the Canadian Indian runner, is not admired by the officials of the Amateur Athletic Union. What would tickle some of them to death would be a pile of evidence which would make it an easy task of declaring him a professional and forever exile him from the tracks of the Amateur Athletic Union. The A. A. U. organization is hounding Longboat's footsteps in a wolfish desire to place the ban on the copper-skinned athlete. Buffalo is the hunting ground and it was because of the anxiety of the A. A. U. to condemn Longboat as an amateur that a certain Buffalo businessman refused to act as commissioner of the union in this city. It is said on good authority that the commission was tendered to the businessman on condition that he would ferret out all agreements under which Longboat ran at Kenilworth Park and collect evidence which would absolutely bar Longboat as an amateur.

The businessman flatly refused the offer of the position and coldly turned down the proposition. He emphatically refused to be a bloodhound on the Indian's trail. The man was not given the position in which he would share in the quarters and would be given a share in entries for handicapping. This shows how the clock beats within the charmed circle. The A. A. U. is supposed to be an organization for the elevation of amateur athletics.

Falling Away. Athletes are gradually falling away from the idea of delivering annually a quarter of a dollar to the A. A. U. to be registered as an athlete who can run or participate in other events with the watchful eye of James E. Sullivan. Some things have developed recently which have set the athletes gossiping. In Buffalo, all are

commenting on the case of Dan H. Meyers, who is vainly seeking reinstatement for running a match race which was not sanctioned by Sullivan. If there is ever a case of rank injustice, it is this same case. These petty things belittle the A. A. U., which can not see through a field glass when a New York A. C. man makes a trip from New York to California and remains there months for expenses only. It's a rich man's son, then, and he is out to further amateur sports.

DERBYS WENT DOWN BEFORE THE MIDGETS

The Derbys were defeated by the Midgets last night in the City League series, on the Ideal Alloys.

The losers ran into splits of all descriptions, and dropped three straight. The bowling was nearly all low, and but two trundlers, Murray and Watterworth, were up to fair form.

Watterworth took high aggregate honors with 498, while Murray had a high individual score of 184.

Smith and Carter were away off, and couldn't have hit the side of a box car with a pushball.

Altogether, it was an off-night all round. Summary:

Derbys.			
H. Murray	184	151	435
McIntosh	136	148	284
B. Robinson	135	113	248
E. Robinson	143	119	262
Smith	111	144	255
	729	675	2,057
Midgets.			
Carter	134	99	232
Lashbrook	170	144	314
Bird	187	145	332
Ross	126	138	264
Watterworth	152	170	322
	769	696	2,171

Hermits vs. Hortons tonight.

Poor Ice Halts the Bonspiel McNeely Trophy Finals Today

Complete Scores of Wednesday Afternoon and Evening Play.

In the semi-finals last evening the final of the match will be played off at 3 o'clock this afternoon. The two competing rinks will be those of Wm. Fulton, of the London Thistles, and W. Nickell, Sarnia.

This should be a battle worth while seeing, as both rinks are about the best that could have been brought together.

The third round of the McNeely cup match was completed last night, and the semi-finals will be played off today. Ice permitting, the bonspiel should be concluded by early this evening.

The third round of the Bank of Toronto trophy will be played off this morning, and the semi-finals this afternoon.

The play was considerably marred all day yesterday by the mid weather and consequent soft ice. Large galleries were present nearly all day.

Barring a number of defaults, the bonspiel up to date has been a complete success, and it seems a shame that the cold snap should have let up just when it did.

The scores from 2 o'clock yesterday were:

McNeely Trophy.

Sarnia..... Chatham.

W. Nickell, skip..... J. McColg, skip.....

London Thistles..... London Thistles.

Wm. Fulton..... F. N. Allen.....

Tecumseh Trophy.

Second Round.

London Thistles..... Glencoe.

F. P. Betts..... W. D. Moss.....

St. Thomas..... St. Marys.

W. K. Cameron..... W. Andrew.....

London Club..... Petrolia.

T. Gillean..... J. C. Waddell.....

London Thistles..... Parkhill.

Dr. McDonald..... H. Ellis.....

London Club..... London Thistles.

J. Stevenson..... A. M. Heaman.....

Third Round.

Glencoe..... St. Thomas.

W. D. Moss..... A. E. Ponsford.....

St. Thomas..... London Thistles.

W. K. Cameron..... S. D. Swift.....

Grand Rapids..... London Club.

Dr. Robertson..... T. Gillean.....

Stratford..... London Thistles.

J. Welsh..... J. Purdom.....

Chatham..... London Thistles.

H. Gillies..... W. Bartlett.....

Fourth Round.

Glencoe..... St. Thomas.

W. D. Moss..... W. K. Cameron.....

Bank of Toronto Trophy.

Second Round.

London Thistles..... Dutton.

F. P. Betts..... W. H. Bodman.....

St. Marys..... Hensall.

W. Andrew..... F. A. Selley.....

Petrolia..... London Thistles.

J. C. Waddell..... C. E. Sterling.....

London Thistles..... Parkhill.

A. M. Heaman..... H. Ellis.....

Third Round.

Dutton..... Glencoe.

F. E. Price..... S. J. McCaery.....

St. Marys..... London Thistles.

W. Andrew..... F. P. Betts.....

Petrolia..... London Thistles.

J. C. Waddell..... A. M. Heaman.....

London Thistles..... St. Thomas.

S. D. Swift..... A. E. Ponsford.....

A commission agent in the Paris fruit markets recently shipped a basket containing 63 selected peaches to London. The price for the lot was \$540, or about \$9 each.

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COWANS NOW LEAD HARDWARE LEAGUE

The Howden hockey seven dropped a contest to the Cowans last night in the Hardware League series by a score of 2 to 1.

The ice was slow, and fast playing was not in evidence.

The result of the contest places the Cowan seven at the top of the league, with three won and one lost.

Howden & Co. are second, with two won and one lost while third and fourth positions are held by Hobbs & Co. and Purdom-Gillespie, in the order named.

THE TURF.

WINNERS YESTERDAY.
At New Orleans—Telescope 5 to 2, Colloquy 4 to 5, Angelus 8 to 5, Pedro 6 to 1, Meadow Breeze 3 to 1, Louise McFarland 5 to 1.

NATIONAL IS A LUXURIOUS PLACE

London Now Boasts of One of Handsomest Pool Parlors in America.

No more luxuriously equipped or more splendidly arranged billiard parlor and bowling alley exists in America, than the new National, just opened on Dundas street, next The Advertiser office.

This may seem a strong statement, but this place must be visited to understand the truth of the assertion. There are few, if any, billiard halls in all America any better.

The entrance on Dundas street is inviting enough. It is finished in natural oak, and is superbly lighted. On one side is a splendid cigar stand supplied with everything to please the smoker. This is a very fine department, and has one of the largest and finest assortments of cigars, tobaccos, pipes, and everything of that nature. Anything a smoker wants is there.

On the opposite side is a fine shoe shine parlor, one of the very best. On both sides, a little further up, are finely equipped offices for the popular manager, Mike Foley and his staff.

The Alleys.

At the rear are the bowling alleys, seven in number. These alleys were built by the Brunswick, Balke, Colender Company, and are of the finest. They are very true, the finest alleys in the city, according to old and experienced bowlers. In spite of the fact that they are new, and the pins new, some excellent scores have already been made. These alleys have become the most popular and are busy all the time. There are a number of lockers for the use of bowlers.

Billiard Parlor.

A fine staircase leads up to the billiard parlor. This stair is luxuriously carpeted. On the pillars are two splendid, hand-painted globes, which add greatly to the appearance of the place.

The stairway branches off to both sides about half way up, and then the billiard hall is entered. This room is richly furnished. Twenty-seven pool and three billiard tables form the equipment, and they are the best that are made. They were all selected personally by the manager, Mr. Foley.

The walls are decorated with fine mirrors, which reflect the brilliancy of many lights.

Large crowds are present every morning, afternoon and evening in this hall, and it is now one of the popular rendezvous of the city. The billiard hall is indeed a bower of beauty. It is so roomy, a place that no matter how many are in it there never seems to be any crowding.

Downstairs there are also a hat cleaning stand, cane and umbrella cases, etc., which add not a little to the appearance and convenience of the place.

The Owners.

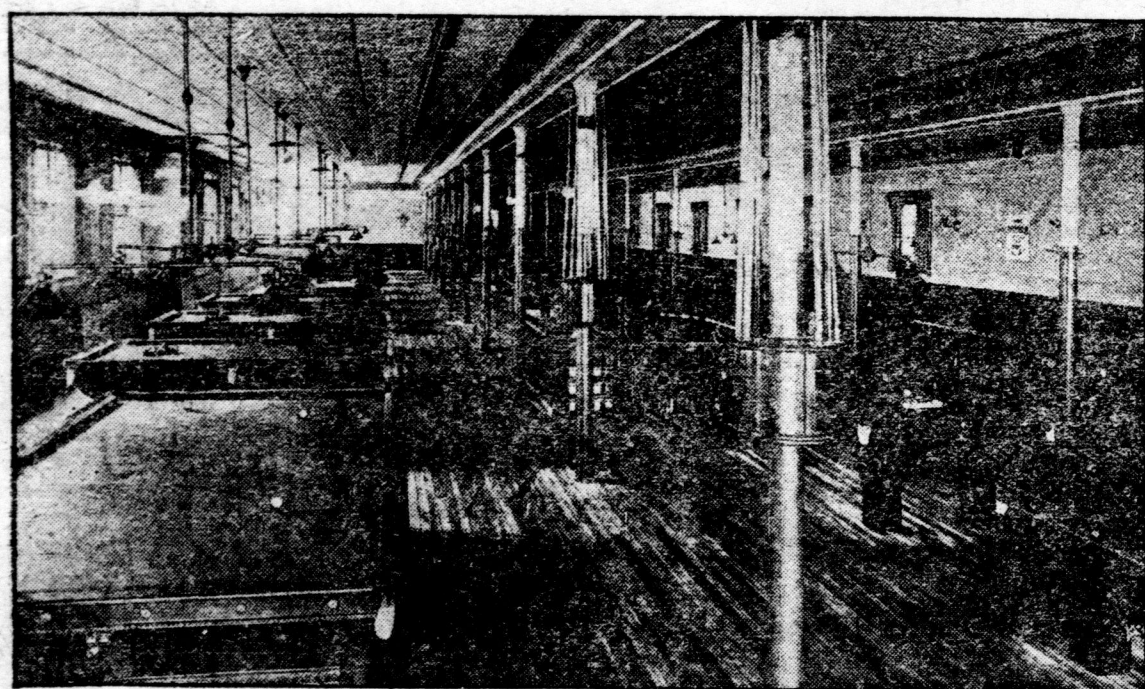
The hall is owned by Lamprini Smirlies & Co., and the equipment of the building, and the appointments were built especially for this firm. Mr. Karrys, Mr. Smirlies' Canadian manager, and Mr. Mike Foley, manager of the hall, personally looked after the details, and the splendid place is indeed a credit to them.

Lyric Theater.

The Lyric Theater is in connection with the hall, and is still doing a great business. It is a most popular spot, and is patronized largely every day and night.

The National is well worth going to if it is nothing more than to have a look at it. The total cost of fitting up the place was about \$40,000.

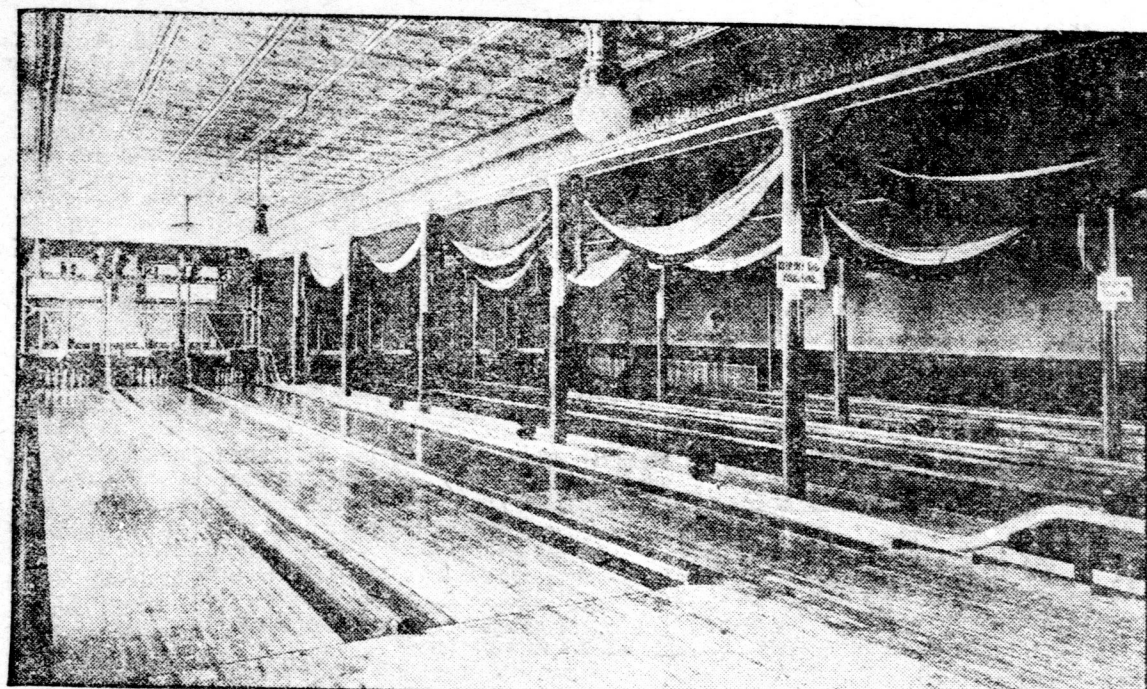
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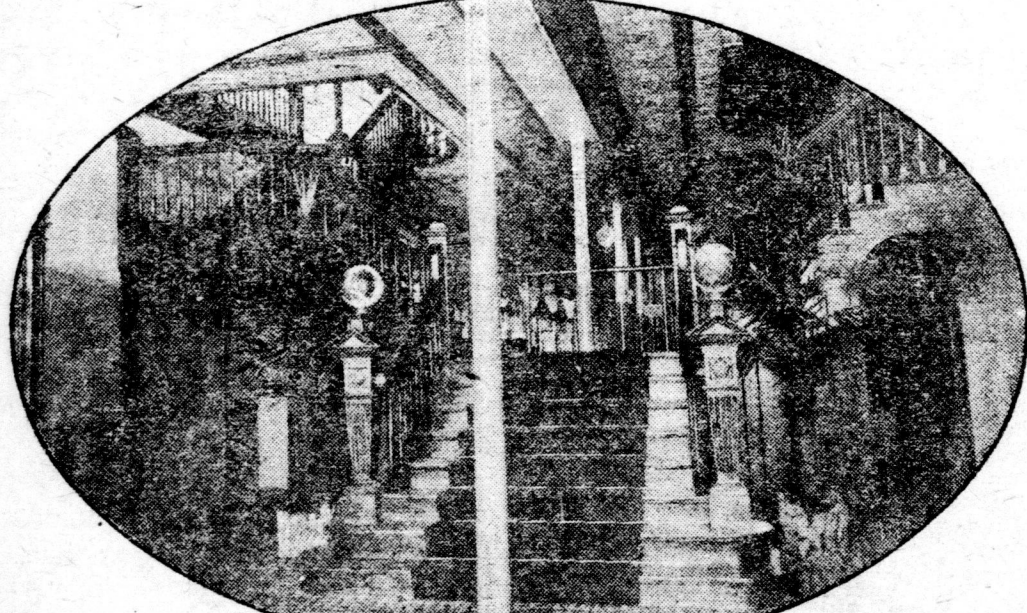
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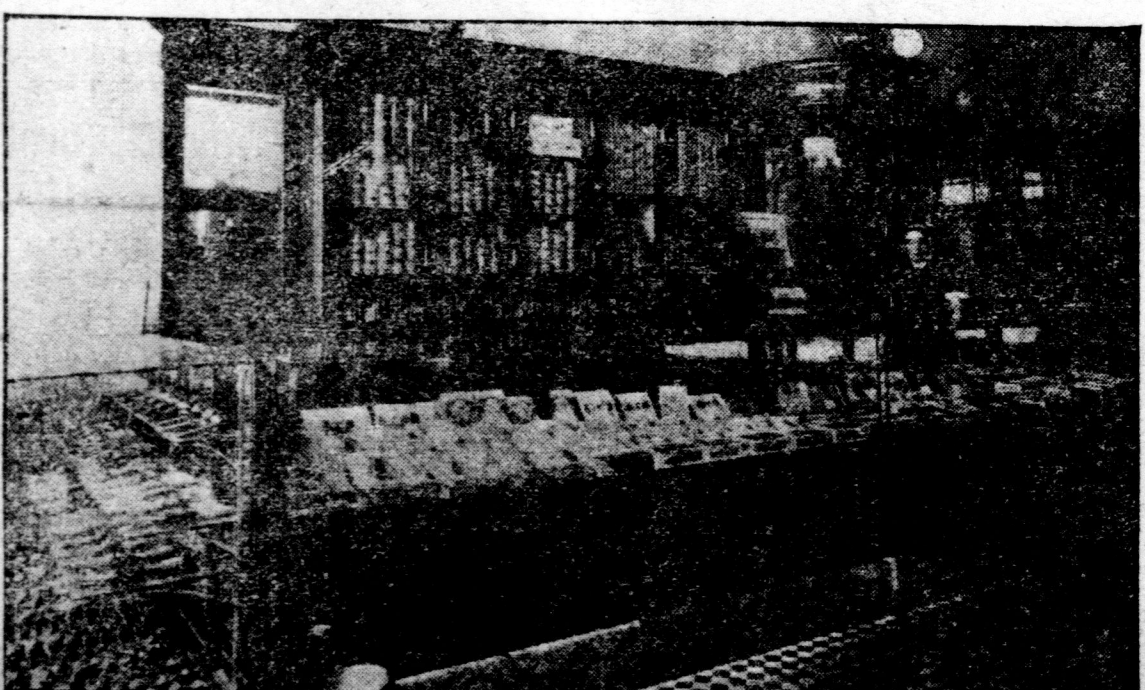
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STAIRCASE.



WM. KARRYS, Canadian Manager.



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