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LOCAL ITEMS.

In the first round for the Rockwood Cup Trophy, the City came out five points ahead:—

City.	Rockwood.
F. Shaw,	W. Potter,
Col. Drury,	W. Carr,
W. Dalton,	W. Cochrane,
A. Strachan, Skip 23.	J. Dennison, Skip 11.
W. Vantassel,	T. McCammon,
Col. Cotton,	Dr. Forster,
J. Stewart,	J. Davidson,
Dr. Watson, Skip 16.	Dr. Clarke, Skip 23.

The Match was played on perfect ice, and was keenly contested.

The Carnival given by the Hockey Club, on the 28th inst, in our Rink, was attended by a large number from Portsmouth and Kingston.

Councillor McCammon sounds well. Congratulations Thomas. It would have been the same greeting either in or out. Let us now have something to show for our taxes—free water, police protection, free lunches, free schools, anything at all as long as it is free. Make Portsmouth a second Parkdale, even to the boom in real estate. Some question has been raised in regard to the qualifications of the Councillors—we are surprised. If it had been in regard to the qualification of Hatters' Bay, we could not have wondered. We shall now listen for the hum of infant industries in place of the bazoo of the idling infant, so long identified with our little town. Mammoth incubators for the artificial hatching of goslings shall rise up like mushrooms in the night, the school fees exacted from lordly and luxurious government officials shall enable us to build noble schools, and under the spreading chestnut trees in Aberdeen Park, we shall listen to the strains of the Portsmouth Band. Yes, Thomas, we expect much of you.

Mr. Hornibrook has thoughtfully cut down some of the lilac bushes in the corner of his garden, so that cars coming down the Asylum Hill can be seen before the crossing is reached. This has made the most dangerous crossing near Kingston comparatively safe.

The K. P. Choir kindly invited the Rockwood officials to attend a sacred Concert on the 26th January.

Although Jock Harty is light, yet he has been always able to show what can be accomplished by skill, without brute strength, and those who have been content to follow his example have profited thereby. It is conceded that those who know something of all hockeyists east and west that Jock Harty is probably the best exponent of the game Canada has yet seen, and he should receive full credit for what he has done for the game.

Queen's should have a fair chance for the Championship of Ontario, although she has had stronger teams. Still it is almost impossible to gauge the strength of western teams from newspaper accounts, and unless Hockey has improved tremendously, it will be the old story. The great factor of danger is being forced to play in a baby rink like that at Peterboro. No championship game should be played in a small rink, as it handicaps first-class teams.

The Frontenacs will make a bold bid for intermediate honors, their forwards are very fast and the defence fairly strong. Their Junior team is too much a thing of shreds and patches to be expected to win, still they may do the trick.