bright at the outset, and even the club's most sanguine followers had their faith shaken. The players were equal to the task, however, and they bent to it with a determination and pluck worthy of champions, and forced their rivals to acknowledge the Ancient Capital athletes as foemen worthy of their steel. As the season advanced, the prowess of the Quebec players became more apparent and finally won for the club the highest honors in the hockey world.

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The Quebec Hockey Club is one of the oldest in Canada, having been in existence since 1880. It was one of the clubs which formed the Amateur Hockey Association of Canada and played under the old challenge system. It has formed part of every big hockey league since and when the sen or amateur league gave way to the processional league as the foremost hockey organization in Canada, Quebec moved with the other clubs and joined professional ranks.



A few years previous to this, however, viz. 1904, Quebec won the senior championship, with a team entirely of Quebec boys. This team was an all-star aggregation, too, and no hockey team in Can-