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Lost at Listowel.

London Junior Hockey Team Defeated 9 to 2.

Sales of Trotting Stock at Chicago and Lexington, Ky.—General Sporting News.

HOCKEY.

LONDONERS LOSE.
Listowel, Ont., Feb. 5.—About 400 people went down to the rink last night to cheer the boys on to victory. London Juniors came up here to play the "boys in the bush," and were defeated by nine goals to two. At the end of half-time the score stood, Listowel, 4; London, 1. In the second half play was very fast, and Orr, Fraser, Hacking and Kidd kept piling up the score until they had scored five more goals. London scored one in the second half. The following were London players: Hays, F. Reid, Kerrigan, Lind, Hobbs, Barr, T. Reid, Referee, H. Scratton, London. Umpires, St. C. Wilson and W. K. Clime, Listowel.

THE TURF.

TROTTER SOLD.
Lexington, Ky., Feb. 5.—On the second day of trotting horse sale the attendance was larger, and bidding better. The 66 head sold for \$7,372, and average of \$111.12.
Chicago, Feb. 5.—The annual February sale of trotting stock is in progress. The 225 horses catalogued attracted a large number of horse fanciers. Speed was in good demand, and the road and track horses were negotiated at from \$150 to \$1,000. The latter prices being paid by Adam MacCattle, of Glasgow, Scotland, for Steel Prince, record 2:05 1/2; a nine-year-old brown stallion by Steel Nail, dam Lucy, by Prince Julaski, Jun. Jourour, 2:24 1/2; a twelve-year-old bay horse by Mambrino, sold for \$325, and Will Neely, a bay gelding foal, 1890, for \$215.

TIPS.

There is a brother to Azote, 2:04 3/4, at Palo Alto that is said to be very fast. He will be raced on the Pacific coast during the coming season.
In addition to Alx, 2:03 3/4, Morris J. Jones will race on the Pacific coast, 2:13 1/2, by Norval, and Adolphe, a very fast green trotter by Paeolus. Jack Curry will drive these horses in their races, but Mr. Jones will train them himself.

BASEBALL.

A FAMOUS PLAYER DYING.
Bloomington, Ill., Feb. 5.—Onas, Radburn, the famous ball player of this city, who won fame and fortune as a pitcher for the Providence and Boston teams, is lying at the point of death at his home.

GROUNDERS.

Sam La Rocque has signed with the Lancaster, Pa., club for 1897.
Connie Mack has signed Arthur Clarkson, the old Baltimore twirler, for his Brewers.
Manager Rowe says that Buffalo has captured a coming star pitcher in "Farmer" Brown.
President Franklin, of the Buffalo club, laughs at the silly rumors of Buffalo's breaking into the National League.
Arthur Irwin has actually purchased the Toronto franchise, and is not holding it for Pittsburg, as has been rumored.
George Howe, once a Cleveland owner,



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er, writes from Algiers: "I tried to teach a lot of little Arabs how to play the game, but a squirrel-eyed camel evaded the ball. It was an irreparable loss, as I only took one baseball in my grip, and it was impossible to obtain the substitute of another."

President Powers has not yet finished the Eastern League schedule, but it is well settled that the western teams will open in the east this spring.

Hermann Doeschler wants to get back on the Eastern League staff of umpires, and is circulating a petition among the newspaper men of the circuit.

President Brush announces that Cincinnati will make no more deals for players, that Ewing will have full control of the team, and that Buck will again play first base.

President Powers, of the Eastern League, has not made up his list of umpires for next season, but it is understood that he has made up his mind that he will have on his staff Gaffney, Swartwood and Kelly.

GOLF.

A New York golf enthusiast, speaking of his favorite game, says: "The young man who plays golf does not grow old in the sense of physical loss of endurance. It is the most rational and perfect form of exercise."

ATHLETICS.

The mayor of Quebec has followed in the footsteps of the mayor of Montreal, and has ordered that the city should allow the Hail-Shavin fight to take place in that city tomorrow night.

McCoy professes to be anxious to meet Choyeski, but the latter thinks there is fighting enough in America now without going to South Africa to box.

Books have been opened in St. Louis on the Corbett-Fitzsimmons fight. Corbett is the favorite at 4 to 5 against, while 6 to 5 is offered on Fitzsimmons. A few small wagers have been made on Fitz.

Home Rule.

Nothing Less Will Satisfy the Cubans.

Spain's Offer Must Be Guaranteed by Uncle Sam.

Gen. Weyler's Statements Disproved by Facts.

New York, Feb. 5.—The World this morning prints the following special from its correspondent at Bataviano, Cuba, dated Jan. 21:

All Cuban property holders will be glad if the insurgents can accept the kind of autonomy Spain is about to offer, but it must be guaranteed by the United States. If Spain can be induced to grant real, not sham, home rule to Cuba, then everything will depend upon the acceptance of the proposed terms by General Gomez. If he refuses, the overtures of Spain and the diplomacy of Secretary Olney will have been alike in vain. It is believed that the insurgents can hold out almost indefinitely on the present line. Your correspondent does not believe that Spain can long maintain the war, which is costing her nearly ten million dollars a month. But if Spain can be induced to make just concessions to the Cubans, the most powerful people here who now sympathize with the insurgents, and even the great plantation owners, who now secretly aid the rebels, will bring great pressure upon Gomez to accept. The insurgents now in arms will follow unquestioningly his lead. The Cubans will win absolute freedom, it is true, in time. But this means the total ruin of all interests, American as well as Cuban. It is hoped that Spain will see the inevitable, and will offer the only means left to her to keep Cuba.

It is known here that Secretary Olney and President Cleveland wish greatly to arrange autonomy, and Dr. Lome, the Spanish Minister at Washington, has guaranteed that Spain will accept the United States' plan of autonomy. Prime Minister Canovas has not yet made good Minister De Lome's promise. The state of public feeling in Spain probably prevents it. If Gomez accepts and endorses the plan of autonomy when it is promulgated, then will come a truce, and probably long negotiations between Spain and the insurgents, with the United States as mediator.

Key West, Fla., Feb. 5.—The following advices from Havana have been received: Another incident contradicts Weyler's assurance that Pinar del Rio Province is virtually pacified. Monday morning a pilot engine, with an armored car and passenger train, left San Cristobal, arriving at a culvert at Bacunagua, near Paeo Taco, where two dynamite bombs exploded, wrecking the engine and car completely. Four civilians were killed and also the captain of the volunteers and five soldiers. The engineers, fireman and eight soldiers were wounded. The culvert was destroyed. Traffic is very dangerous in Pinar del Rio.

It is reported that Weyler, with 12,000 men and 25 pieces of artillery, has started from headquarters at Cienfuegos in the direction of the hills west of Cienfuegos, with the intention of attacking Gen. Gomez, who, it is rumored, is encamped in the hills.

The proposed Cuban reforms are the topic of all conversation. All here agree that the Cubans will accept nothing short of complete independence.

Key West, Fla., Feb. 5.—Five Cuban ladies arrived on the steamer Olvete from Havana, having been ordered to leave the island by Capt. Gen. Weyler. They were forced to depart from Havana, because of the claim being made that they were suspected of conspiracy against the Spanish Government.

\$15,000,000 TO DIVIDE.

A Montreal Man Comes in for a Slice of Thomas Turner's Estate.

St. Louis, Mo., Feb. 5.—The will of Thomas T. Turner, late of Normandy, St. Louis county, who died in New Orleans, has been probated at Clayton, and letters testamentary on the estate were issued by the Mississippi Valley Trust Company. The estate is estimated at \$15,000,000. Among the heirs is Theodore B. Turner, of Montreal, Canada. Captain Turner was the wealthiest man in St. Louis county.

THE announcement is made of the death of the Rev. Thomas Hooper, M. A., in his 93rd year. So far as can be ascertained, he was the oldest clergyman living in England. He was a descendant of Bishop Hooper, one of the martyrs of the reign of Queen Mary.

A female highwayman described as "of herculean proportions and of extraordinary bravery," is holding the roads between Brussels and Antwerp, and attacking solitary houses.

Dedicatory Exercises.

Inauguration of the Oddfellows' Hall at Thamesford.

A Sight Long to Be Remembered in the Village.

Proud Day for the Local Lodge—Marvellous Record of Its Progress and Prosperity—A Most Enjoyable Affair.

(By The Advertiser's Special Correspondent.)

Thamesford, Feb. 5.—Tuesday evening witnessed a sight long to be remembered in this village. The occasion was the dedication of the new hall of Thamesford Lodge. This lodge was instituted by (now) Past Grand Sire Dr. Cl. T. Campbell, of London, on May 19, 1887. The charter members were J. A. Young, P.G., F. S. Neely, G. C. Brock, D. Foster and John McFarlane, P.G. The lodge started out with 25 members. At that time no one had thought of entertaining an idea that it would ever grow to such grand proportions as Tuesday night revealed.

During its existence of nearly ten years the lodge has gained wealth, and thereby influence. Its numbers have increased all now the membership is at 112. It has enjoyed wonderful prosperity, and several of the individual members have gained prominence in the district and in the Grand Jurisdiction of Ontario. It has had two district deputy grand masters, the present incumbent being Bro. Joel McLeod. Bro. J. A. Young was also honored by that office in 1888, and the same year he was grand conductor under Grand Master E. R. Robinson. In 1895 he was elected grand warden, and is now deputy grand master in the Grand Lodge.

During the existence of the lodge it has paid out a large amount in sick benefits, and in other ways has wielded a power for good in this community.

THE DEDICATION.

The ceremony of dedication was performed by Dr. Cl. T. Campbell, past grand sire, in the absence of the grand master, Bro. H. White, of Port Hope, who was detained by an accident; and at the request of the deputy grand master, the grand secretary, Bro. J. B. King, performed the duties of the United States warden and Bro. I. Canworth acted as grand chaplain. Bro. Alex. McFarlane, of Otterville, was present, and also Bro. H. Ingalls, of F. S. Neely, G. C. Brock, D. Foster and John McFarlane, P.G. of Woodstock; Henry Bissell, P. G., and R. K. Cowan, P.G., of London, acted as grand heralds of the north, south, east and west, respectively. The impressive and beautiful ceremony was witnessed by 300 members of the order and invited guests, and at the close Bro. Campbell gave an address, which for beauty of expression and wisdom was held in superior among the best speeches of the day.

DR. CAMPBELL'S ADDRESS.

Bro. Campbell reviewed the history of this great order during the 100 years of its existence, showing the great work it had done, and is still doing, and while he did not claim perfection for it to all its laws, he showed that it most nearly filled the great want of mankind of any society in existence. The watershed of 1890 was not a bad one. "We command you to visit the sick, relieve the distressed, to bury the dead, and educate the orphan, and still the crying star of this great institution, which had gathered within its portals, and taught this arranged 3,000,000 men. The beautiful and masterly address was listened to with the greatest attention, and it received an ovation at the close.

IN THE DINING HALL.

The ceremony being over, the company repaired to the dining-room, where the large assemblage sat down to a sumptuous repast, after partaking of which they returned to the lodge room, which had been set with tables and loaded with toast glasses and fruits and flowers. The deputy grand master, Bro. J. A. Young, did all the toast-master, and called off the numbers. Perhaps one of the rarest features of the occasion, as compared with similar events, was that no speaker or singer failed in the discharge of the task imposed upon him. No toast was given without a song, and the real article was forthcoming every time.

THE TOAST LIST.

The first toast was "The Queen and Empire," to which the company responded enthusiastically. "God Save the Queen." Next followed, "Canada and Ontario," supported by the well known words of Lord Dufferin: "My parting counsel to the citizens of the Dominion, 'Love your country, believe in her, honor her, work for her, live for her.'" Bro. E. T. Eschery, P. S., also responded to this toast.

Willis, of London, sang "Fair Canada," in a very pleasing voice. "The Sovereign Lodge" brought Bro. Dr. Campbell to his feet, and in his masterly style he spoke to the toast, which had been enthusiastically drunk. He referred to the institution of Thamesford Lodge, and stated he had watched its course since its institution, and the fearlessly said that no lodge in Canada, with the limited resources from which to draw its membership, had made the advancement in the order, or wielded such an influence in their grand body, as did this lodge.

The toast to the "Grand Lodge and Its Officers" was ably responded to by Grand Secretary King, who is a veteran officer of over 30 years' standing. He is a brother well beloved by every member of the order, and commands the respect and esteem of this great brotherhood. Long may he live. Bro. McFarlane, of Otterville, also gave a good address.

"Our Order" was the next toast, in response to which Bros. Bissell and Fairbairn made good addresses. Bro. "Learned Professor" gave a most fairly enjoyed. Bro. Oliver recited "Our Emblems" in good style.

Bro. Joseph Gibson, of Ingersoll, replied, in a pleasing manner, to "Our Guests." Rev. J. A. Bloodworth, Bros. Dr. McMillan and R. K. Cowan gave eloquent addresses in response to the "Learned Professor's" address. "The Press" was responded to by Bros. Rowland and Birch, while Bro. James McIntyre, of Ingersoll, who has made fame for himself by his poetry, responded to "Our Veterans." This aged member was presented last year with a beautiful emblem by his lodge, Samartian, No. 25, in recognition of



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Bro. D. W. Blackwell gave an interesting and instructive address in response to the toast, "Our Commercial Interests."

"The Ladies" was ably responded to by Noble Grand Cunningham, and Bro. Dr. Smith, of the Lodge.

The toast "Our Hosts" was answered by the chairman of the entertainment committee, after which the chairman, in a few remarks, thanked the visitors for their attendance. Bro. Eschery sang "The Mermaid," and the company dispersed after singing "God Save the Queen."

Thamesford Lodge has now most elegant quarters, the furnishings being handsome. Their working and other rooms are large and most convenient, and are second to none in the west. The order, no doubt, will hear good reports from this influential lodge in the future.

Bro. Young was awarded (by several of the speakers) much praise for the degree of success attained, mainly through his efforts, but in his modest reply he shared the honors with his brethren who, he said, had stood by him and worked with him with only one aim. They loved the order for what it was and did, and what they had done he saw no reason why every other lodge could not do.

The affair was the greatest success, from every point of view. The members of the order came in large numbers from London, Ingersoll, Dorchester, Woodstock and Embro. The music was supplied by the London harpers, which added much to the enjoyment.

A MONTH OVERDUE.

State of Georgia, and Her Crew of 31 Men Probably Lost.

Halifax, N. S., Feb. 5.—The sealing steamer Nimrod is still in the ice off the Newfoundland coast searching for traces of the missing State of Georgia. The State of Georgia is now over a month overdue from New Fairbairn in the Baltic, to Halifax, freight laden, and insured for \$40,000. She carried a crew of 31 men, nearly all of whom belonged in Aberdeen.

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"Where do the 'unco guild' go when they die?" "They never die. They are already dead."

Perth is grieved because Scotland doesn't appreciate the privilege of sending its prisoners to the huge hotel on the banks of the Tay. The prison can accommodate 900 prisoners, but now it only contains about 150.

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