

The Fortnight in Sport.

A Review, with comments, of the leading events in current Canadian Athletics.

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Under this heading *The Civilian* deems it fitting to record with sorrow the untimely death of one of the best known of the many patrons of sport in the Capital—Mr. John P. Dickson. Mr. Dickson while not a member of the Civil Service was indirectly connected with it, having been a son-in-law of the Auditor-General, Mr. John Fraser and a brother-in-law of Mr. W. A. Fraser of the Agriculture Department. He was an untiring worker of the Ottawa Hockey Club and his untimely death is much regretted. He had a genial manner and a generous disposition which endeared him to all classes of the community

The present summer season in the Antipodes does not seem favourable to the athletes of northern climes. The English cricket team now touring Australia has met with but indifferent success. The Canadian 'pug' Langford sustained a severe reverse recently in his match with McVey. Now comes the news that the lawn tennis contests for the Davis cup, in New Zealand, have resulted in defeats for the United States challengers in both the singles and doubles. The American team was a good one, consisting of Larned, the veteran, and Beals Wright of Boston and Megloughlin of California. They won but one set in each contest. It is to be hoped that the challengers from England will succeed in bringing the trophy north of the equator, next year.

The great foot running event of the season was the Powderhall Marathon at Glasgow in Xmas week. This was a 25 mile grind, with entries from all over the world. The Canadian runners on the whole did excellently. Hans Holmer of Quebec, was

second and Cameron of Nova Scotia third. The race was won by Kihelminer of Finland. Tom Longboat who led up to 16 miles was forced to drop out. It is said that he was indulging in the 'firewater' up to the day of the race, under which circumstances his collapse is not to be wondered at. The same thing occurred at the Olympic Marathon in 1908. The Onandagan seems to be 'all in.'



Hockey at the Capital is receiving 'Royal' patronage in both senses of the word. His Royal Highness, the Duke of Connaught and household are lending their presence to the great winter sport.

The New Edinburgh amateur team journeyed to Winnipeg and met defeat after two hard contests.

Ottawa College sent a seven to Boston but failed to win, although their second game had to be finished in overtime.

On the Pacific Coast the game seems to be on in full blast. It must be quite a novelty to the "native sons and daughters" to witness a fast game of hockey on skates.