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BUFFALO'S BALL TEAM.

Already the Bisons Have a Good One on Paper, So They Say.

Buffalo, Dec. 15.—Old Sam Wise will be retained to play second base and it is also announced the three Newcastle players and Pitcher Gregory and Catcher Patterson have been signed. First base is as good as any other with which to begin, and there will be no change there. As to short stop there is room for a full-grown guessing bee. Ritchie has gone to Brooklyn, and he ought to be counted out, but there is a possibility that having secured Germany Smith, Messrs. Barnie and Byrne may allow Cassius Claudius to spend another year in Franklinville. Of course it will not be as a farm hand, for such things are no longer, according to Hoyle, in the Eastern League, but it's long been an admitted fact that there are more ways man one of killing a cat. Leewe would be a strong probability if he were more popular with players and management, but as he isn't he might as well be passed over, for if he and Gannon are not traded for Meaney, he will figure in some other deal.

Wagner, the Toronto player, may come here, and if Suter Sullivan, one of the Newcastles, does not take Gremlinger's place, he may be appointed as Ritchie's successor. Stahl is already gone and Clymer and Goodenough are likely to follow suit. The first on account of the unpleasant notoriety which he has achieved as the correspondent in a salacious divorce suit, and Goodenough because he is not good enough for Buffalo, at least. If Meaney is secured he will, without doubt, cover the right garden, while Gilboy from Newcastle will help him in either centre or left. This leaves one possible vacancy, and there are three deals which may give the Buffalo team an outfielder who is already immensely popular with local fans, Pitcher Gannon is likely to go, but in his place are three new recruits, viz., Brown of Newcastle, Gregory of the New York State League and Bailey from the Saginaw Club of the Interstate League. These, with Gray and Wadsworth, ought to be able to do business with any and all of the Eastern league batteries, especially with such supports as they will receive from Catchers Urquhart, Smith and Patterson.

ST. THOMAS B. B. C.

St. Thomas, Dec. 15.—The directors of the St. Thomas Baseball Association met this morning. James Armitage, locomotive foreman, G.T.R., was elected director in place of George R. McColl, resigned. The following officers were elected: President, George Mickleborough; vice-president, Thos E Scott, M.C.R. trainmaster; secretary, Charles W Regan; treasurer, Joseph Hyland. G. R. Pennington was appointed director by the board.

The association will be incorporated at once and it is the the intention to have Atlantic Park placed in proper shape for next season without delay. Shareholders are requested to hand their money to the secretary, Mr. Regan.

THE GAME IN OWEN SOUND.

Owen Sound, Ont., Dec. 15.—(Special.)—At a largely-attended meeting of the hockeyists at the Patterson House last night the Owen Sound Hockey Club was reorganized. It commences the season with most favorable prospects, several well-known outside players being among the list of members, and the club will be able to send out a strong team. The following are the officers: Hon. president, A D Cresor; president, E W Wand; vice-presidents, J C Ryan and F R Parker; captain, A M Rutherford; secretary-treasurer, C E Dowding; committee of management, William Morrison, William Kelly and Arthur Todd. The club will endeavor to arrange with some of the neighboring clubs for the formation of a district and a schedule of games.

THE JOCKEYS IN ENGLAND.

The flat racing season in England is now over and the list of winning jockey mounts has been made up. This is the list of those who have ridden 50 winners at least:

1. M. Cannon	724	164
2. Tom Loates	636	156
3. F. Allsopp	853	106
4. F. Finlay	662	100
5. O. Madden	684	88
6. J. Watts	230	76
7. F. Rickaby	442	73
8. Sam Loates	564	70
9. J. Fagan	500	66
10. A. White	385	60
11. T. J. Calder	363	58
12. R. W. Colling	220	55
13. N. Robinson	229	53

The best average is J. Watts', his success including the Derby and St. Leger. M. Cannon leads for the third successive year, but Tom Loates would have run him close at least, except for his accident at Liverpool, when he was only one point behind.

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JOE CAPRON ON TOP.

Chicago, Dec. 15.—William Hatley (300) defeated William Harrison (280) by 300 to 159 in the afternoon game in the Bensinger-Biler shortstop billiard tournament to-day. Averages: Hatley 10 20-28, Harrison 5 19-28. High runs: Hatley 75, Harrison 43.

In the evening Joe Capron (290) beat John Thacher (220) by 260 to 147. Averages: Capron 15 5-17, Thacher 9 3-16. High runs: Capron 74, Thacher 42.

THE TRINITY TEAM.

The Trinity hockey team are arranging for a trip west in January. They will play in Galt, Stratford, London and other places. They expect to have a strong seven out at Trinity this year. Several of last year's seven still remain, viz., Senkler, Temple, Macdonald and Wilkie, and, with the addition of Parmenter, Curran and Kerwyn, the two latter being meds., and Broughall, Heaven and Canfield, they should be able to pick a first-class seven.

THE NEXT GO.

The Toronto Rowing Club secured a good drawing card for the exhibition Saturday night when they induced Frank Erne of Buffalo, who is the featherweight champion of the world, to spar an exhibition bout with his partner, Sammy Callahan, a clever lightweight, also of Buffalo. In his exhibition with Callahan on Saturday night he will show Dixon's famous blows which have raised so much trouble with his opponents, and how he parried them and countered each time in return, finally putting Dixon on the defensive, the first time in the history of the colored featherweight. The plan for Saturday night is now open at the Toronto Rowing Club's winter quarters. Seats are going rapidly.

BRITISH AMERICA VICTORS.

The British America Assurance Company bowled a tournament with the Western Assurance Company last night at the Athenaeum Club, the British America coming out the victors as follows:

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RACING ON WINTER TRACKS

A Hurdle Race the Feature at New Orleans.

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Incommode Fell and Uncle Jim, a 5 to 1 Shot, Finished First.

Hulburt Was Second and Mr. Dunlap Third — Eppleworth Among the Also Rans—Timberland, a 20 to 1 Shot, Beat Petrolene in the Closing Event — Too Costly to Visit Venezuela and McDermott's Horses Will Stay at Home.

New Orleans, Dec. 15.—Fine weather drew out 3000 people to-day, the card being an attractive one, a hurdle race being the feature. Incommode, the favorite, was leading at the last jump by a dozen lengths, when he fell and his jockey got a bad fall. Uncle Jim then came on and won.

First race, 6 furlongs—Bryan, 107 (Caywood), 4 to 5, 1; Senator Morrill, 97 (Beauchamp), 15 to 1, 2; Whiff, 97 (Willhite), 40 to 1, 3. Time 1.15. Clara Bauer, High Test, Judge Steadman, The Sculptor, Ella Penzance, Lizetta, Gluck, Helen H II., Gladiola also ran.

Second race, 5 furlongs—Pat Morrissey, 101 (Hart), 2 to 1, 1; Fern, 93 (Combs), 11 to 5, 2; Tempesta, 103 (Morse), 6 to 1, 3. Time 1.02⅘. Billy Fisher, Juanita, Hazard, Martin K., Al Lone, Rodena also ran.

Third race, 7 furlongs—Nicolini, 108 (Scherer), 7 to 10, 1; Little Billy, 97 (Hirsch), 15 to 1, 2; Katherine, 104 (Everett), 15 to 1, 3. Time 1.30¼. Hibernia Queen, Pitfall, Montell, Darien also ran.

Fourth race, 5 furlongs—Hill Billy, 103 (Morse), 4 to 1, 1; Miss Verne, 98 (Morris), 10 to 5, 2; Plaudita, 98 (Barrett), 40 to 1, 3. Time 1.01¾. Sankara, Stockholm, Hickey also ran.

Fifth race, hurdle, 1 1-16 miles—Uncle Jim, 161 (Kidd), 5 to 1, 1; Hulburt, 128 (Flinegan), 30 to 1, 2; Mr. Dunlap, 129 (Whitley), 10 to 1, 3. Time 2.02⅘. Fell—Eppleworth, Pirate, Grenada, Partisan, Earl of Montrose, Incommode also ran.

Sixth race, 7 furlongs—Timberland, 101 (Snell), 20 to 1, 1; Petrolene, 98 (Walker), 8 to 1, 2; Chicot, 106 (Hirsch), 6 to 1, 3. Time 1.30½. Leonard B., Gonnor, Lena, Fischer, Ruth, Cherrystone also ran.

BIG CARD FOR TO-DAY.

New Orleans, Dec. 15.—First race, ⅝ mile—Denver 99, Necedah, Charm, James V, Carter, Tom Satre, Anna Mayes 103, Dorah Wood 107, Logan 110.

Second race, ⅝ mile—Judge Bryant, Prima, Miriam M, Oversight, Sugar Cane 95, Pop Dixon, Rolandis, Pommery Sec 98.

Third race, 1⅛ miles—Mamie G, Rapalatchie 92, Fasig 98, Chugnut 95, Billy McKenzie, Lightfoot, Partner, Buckmore, Lily of the West 96, Sandoval 99, Cotton King 109, Uncle Abb 102, Master Fred 104.

Fourth race, 6 furlongs—Loyal Etta 90, Donna Rita, Jack Hayes 93, Lady Britannic 94, Fred Graft 95, Roy B 98, Oon Bishop 101, Clymena 103, Easton 104, Parmesan 105, John Corr, Cannonade 103, Minnie Murphy 107, Lonely 110, Scribe 111, Grayling 112.

Fifth race, mile—Fleur De Luce, Braxey 85, Little Buck 88, Harry B 90, Elyria 95, Laura Davis, Henry Harris 97, New House, Eleanor Mc, Samson 107, Union 110.

Sixth race, ⅞ mile—Jack B, Sister Iona, Rosalind III., Maggie 102, Miss Clark, Albert S, Maggie Harris 105, Ondagne, Rossmar 107.

ST. LOUIS ENTRIES.

St. Louis, Dec. 15.—First race, ⅝ mile—Ed. Brown, Keenan A, Rockhill, Mother of Pearl, Tannhauser, May D 97, Allopathy, Oakforest 100, Tip, Bobby Burns 107.

Second race, 9-16 mile—Fannie D, Maggie Gray, Longclaw, Claude Hill, Hussar B, Ben Royer, Trilby, Slippery, Victor B, Burnett 107, Smoker 110.

Third race, 1 1-16 miles—Frank B, Millie Clark, Lilly Beatrice, Castalia, Wild Flower, Beatrice, Mara, Miss L 102, Edwin, Mamie S, Panjandrum 107.

Fourth race, 9-16 mile—Aunt Susie, Prairie Flower, Victor, Corker of the Thirteenth, Gladiola, Uncle Lew, W. G. Harding, Albrey, Fred Reed, Wagtail 107, Cold Wave 110.

Fifth race, 9-16 mile—Queen Faustus, Miss Stay, Gloriana, Duckado, Immilda 105, Imp, Thorne, Tradesman, Jim Donlen 108.

RESULTS AT ST. LOUIS.

St. Louis, Dec. 15.—First race, ⅝ mile—Oak Forest, 4 to 1, 1; J B Feed, out, 2; Charles Mulholland 3. Time 1.07.

Second race, 5½ furlongs—Katie Mac, 6 to 1, 1; Ballardine, 4 to 1, 2; Jordan 3. Time 1.13.

Third race, 4½ furlongs—Crab Cider, 8 to 1, 1; Little Nell, out, 2; Emperor Billet 3. Time .50.

Fourth race, ⅝ mile—Keenana, 6 to 1, 1; Billy Broncho, 4 to 1, 2; Impress 3. Time 1.06¾.

Fifth race, 5½ furlongs—Edwin P., 6 to 1, 1; Madeira, even, 2; Allopathy 3. Time 1.13.

SINGERLY RESULTS.

Singerly, Dec. 15.—The attendance was small on account of the cold weather. The track was in good condition. There were 16 bookmakers in the ring. Jockey McDermott has returned having abandoned his proposed trip to Venezuela, where he intended to race his horses. He found that it would cost too much money to ship the horses.

First race, 4½ furlongs—Fantine, 6 to 1, 1; Estelle J., 3 to 1, place, 2; May Brill, 3. Time 1.00.

Second race, ⅝ mile—Desbrosses, 4 to 5, 1; Harry C., 8 to 5, place, 2; Gracie. Time 1.20.

Third race, ⅝ mile—Crown, 9 to 5, 1; Kline, even, place, 2; Baritone II., 3. Time 1.05.

Fourth race, ⅝ mile—Oak, 7 to 5, 1; Vent, 4 to 5, place, 2; Telegram 3. Time 1.21.

Fifth race, ⅞ mile—Brooklyn, 8 to 1, 1; Bronston, 4 to 5, place, 2; Key West 3. Time 1.34.

SINGERLY ENTRIES.

Singerly Pa., Dec. 15.—First race, 4½ furlongs—Matt White 112, Inimid, Ajan, Princess Alix, Dorcas L 106, Albertine, Glover, Vendig, Pearl Brock, Comma, Ida May 104.

Second race, 6½ furlongs—Touaine, Columbus Jr., Frank Fuller, Tenacious, Jack Rose 122, Otto, Dr. Johnson, Elkride, Queen D'Or, Benvolio 119.

Third race, 6 furlongs—Desbrosses 110, Royal Favor, Happy Bird 108, Cosette, Sammie 107, Lucette, Leowicka, Kassala 105.

Fourth race, ⅝ mile—Pathway 122, Lottie A, Grampian, Forenzo 119, Bank Cashier 117, Alhelmbolt, Apples, Pleasant Smiles, Schustle, St. Lawrence II 114.

Fifth race, ⅝ mile—Jack Lovell 122, First Light, Plenty, Arda, Mohawk, Meadows, Countess 119, Elizabelle, Zoe, Roebuck 114.

A 30 TO 1 SHOT AT OAKLAND.

Oakland, Dec. 15.—Weather pleasant; track muddy. Two favorites won. Results:

First race, 5½ furlongs—Nonchalance, 100 (Golden), 3 to 1, 1; Sly, 109 (Shaw), even, 2; Manzella, 104 (Spencer), 3 to 1, 3. Time 1.12.

Second race, mile—Pollock, 90 (Slaughter), 5 to 1, 1; Earl Cochran, 102 (Flynn), 3 to 1, 2; La Flecha, 102 (Enos), 40 to 1, 3. Time 1.47.

Third race, 6 furlongs—Personne, 103 (Golden), 30 to 1, 1; Scorcher, 100 (Slaughter), 5 to 1, 2; D. J. Tobin, 100 (Frawley), 60 to 1, 3. Time 1.19.

Fourth race, 6½ furlongs—McGregor, 110 (Thorpe), 2 to 5, 1; Reddington, 102 (Murphy), 3 to 1, 2; Tempestuous, 95 (Clawson), 20 to 1, 3. Time 1.23½.

Fifth race, 5 furlongs—Alvardo, 95 (Martin), even, 1; Kamsin, 106 (Golden), 2 to 1, 2; Jack Richelieu, 107 (Spencer), 100 to 1, 3. Time 1.3¼.

OTTAWA'S ICE RACES.

Ottawa, Dec. 15.—The Winter Trotting Club of this city is going to give a big week's racing here the second week in February. At a meeting to-night a program was drawn up as follows: First day, 2.40 class $225, 2.25 class $225; second day, 2.33 class $225, 2.18 class $225; third day, 5-mile $200, 2.50 class $225, special $1.50, free-for-all $300, 2.29 class $225.

CAPT. JIMMY GARVIN.

He Will Take a Brooklyn Lacrosse Team to England—Donaldson Also on the Team.

New York, Dec. 15.—It has been definitely decided by the Crescent Athletic Club to send a team of lacrosse players on a tour through England next spring. The matter had been under advisement for so long a time that a majority of the members thought the scheme had fallen through. All doubts have been set at rest, however, and the date of starting has been fixed for March 16.

Nearly, if not quite, all of the champion '96 team will try conclusions with their English cousins at the game. The exceptions will probably be L. J. Doyle, George Pettitt and Juan Smith, who are prevented from going for business reasons. The team will be captained by James A. Garvin, who is looked upon by many lacrosse players as a star man. The other men so far selected are Miller, Post, Curry, Roberts, McLean, Moses, Kellogg, Whitney and Jewell, all members of the Crescents, and Donaldson, formerly of the Torontos; Leighton of the '96 Harvard team, and Dr. Canova of the New York Athletic Club '94 lacrosse team.

While on the other side the Brooklyn men will be the guests of the North of England Association, representing Manchester; the South of England Association, representing the district of London, and the Irish Union of Belfast. They will play five matches in Manchester, four in London and four in Belfast.

THE BUTLER BROS. BACK.

Interesting Talk With Manager McLeish—Rival Paris Tracks.

New York, Dec. 14.—Another team of American cyclists has gone to Europe and returned home with neither gold nor glory to its credit. The latest invaders of the European tracks were Tom and Nat Butler, the race horse owners of Montclair, who, with their trainer and manager McLeish, left for foreign shores Oct. 21 and returned on the steamer St. Louis, which arrived on Sunday morning.

In speaking of the trip, Manager McLeish said yesterday: "The only reason for our return was because Tom fell sick upon reaching London and could not do himself credit against the foreign riders. He only started in one race in Paris, and was so badly beaten that I did not think it well to enter him again for some time, and thought the better way was to return home, and possibly take him abroad next summer. Nat started in two handicap races and ran second in one heat and third in the other heat from scratch. The handicaps were too big for him to overcome, and as only one man qualified in each of these heats, he did not have a chance to ride in the final of either of them.

"The report that we had trouble with the track managers in Paris was without foundation. When we reached Paris Nat gave his consent to the manager of the Velodrome de la Seine that he would make his first appearance at his outdoor track. Upon hearing this the manager of the Winter tracks said that he would have neither of the Butlers appear there if they made their first appearance at the outdoor track. As the outdoor track was to have but one more meet, while at the indoor track there was to be racing all winter, I told Nat it would be better for him to wait until his date with the other management. Nat had given no written agreement for his appearance, and when he explained matters to the manager of the outdoor track the latter would not hold Nat to his verbal agreement, much to our gratification.

"We left France the best of friends with the track people, and it is not unlikely that we shall go abroad again next summer, when, I hope to see Tom and Nat make a better showing than they did on their first visit."

The brothers left for home on Sunday night, and McLeish will join them to-day.

POOL-ROOMS GALORE.

St. Louis, Dec. 15.—In a decision rendered to-day by the Supreme Court at Jefferson City, the Pool-room Law of 1895 was declared unconstitutional and the State of Missouri is now without a race-betting law. The effect of the decision will be to reopen all pool-rooms which have been closed during the last two years and will also result in the abandonment of the two winter race tracks now in operation here, as the owners declare they cannot compete with the pool-rooms.

AT TEN BIRDS EACH.

A live pigeon shoot at 500 birds was held at the Smith House, Hamilton Mills, yesterday afternoon, and was attended by a large number from Mimico, the Humber and the surrounding vicinity. Out of ten birds each, the following scores were made: George Briggs 8, D Parkus 6, C Gouch 8, R Fleming 8, A Clayton 8, D Blea 7, W McDowall 7, J N Scott 9, C Cockburn 7, M Phillips 4.

TORONTO C. C. SKIPS.

Toronto Curling Club last night elected these skips:

Ontario Tankard—F O Cayley, E T Lightbourne.

City Trophy—Dr Lessile, John Bain, F O Cayley, E T Lightbourne, H A Drummond, W McClain, J S Russell and H Harman.

Science in the Lead

Every year some new device for saving fuel comes to the front, only to die an ignominious death, owing to the fact of its not being capable of fulfilling the claim of its vendors. At last, however, after the most severe tests, L. H. Gaudry has invented a heat regulator that will, and does, make an actual saving of from 25 to 40 per cent. in fuel bills. It is a most simple device and can be attached to any stove or furnace, no matter what fuel it may consume. The public are invited to call at the Aikenhead Hardware Co., 6 Adelaide-street east (the Ontario agents), where all information will be given and practical tests shown them. Here is quoted a testimonial from Laval University:

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The public are reminded that owing to the lateness of the season the agents will not be able to give a personal call, but they will cheerfully mail particulars on application.

New Views at the Cinematographe.

These are great times at the Cinematographe, 96 Yonge-street, west side, few shoppers seemingly thinking their excursions abroad complete without dropping in on the Cinematographe. At any rate, the hall is constantly well filled by delighted crowds of people. Undoubtedly no pleasanter hour could possibly be spent than is afforded by the Cinematographe. No fewer than 30 new views are shown in continuous entertainment from 10.30 a.m. to 10 p.m., and last evening the applause was so great when Piccadilly, the Sea of Biarritz and the arrival of the railway train were exhibited, that they had to be repeated before the entertainment could proceed. Visitors to the city seemingly never go away without taking in the Cinematographe. A party who had stopped over specially while on their way from Kingston to Winnipeg for Christmas were among those who attended yesterday.

House of Industry.

The House of Industry Board met yesterday. In the executive report the bequest of $1000 from Miss Porter was taken up. Miss Porter had left all her money to charitable institutions. The relatives were left nothing, and as a result threatened action unless each of the institutions to which money had been left handed over $50. The executive ordered the amount to be paid.

The casual poor report was read. It showed that during the month 281 had been lodged for a total of 1604 nights. Out of the above number 131 men and 15 women belong to the city and were admitted for 1120 nights.

The treasurer's report showed a balance of $616.06 on hand.

During the month 127 tons of coal, 24 cords of wood, 264 loaves of bread, 520 pounds of rice, besides other groceries, had been given to the out-door poor; 40 gallons of soup are given out daily.

During the month 515 new families, among whom were 1039 children, were given help; 8 were admitted during the month, 2 left, 2 were dismissed and 1 died.

PROVINCIAL HOCKEY.

Clubs in the Different Ontario Districts and Their Schedule of Games.

The Ontario Hockey Association met at the T.A.C. last night to arrange the schedule. There were present: Vice-President Martin, 2nd Vice-President Horkins (Peterboro), ex-President Brown, Secretary Beaton, Treasurer Creelman and Committeemen Fitzgibbons (Varsity), Brown (U.C.C.), Morison (Wellingtons), Beecher (London), Noble (Petrolea). C. A. B. Brown was presented with a handsome decanter for his past services. The matches for three series were arranged as follows, to be played on the first-named club's ice in each case:

— Senior Series —

First Round—

No. 1—Peterboro' v. R.M.C., on or before Jan. 18. R.M.C. v. Peterboro, on or before Feb. 1.

No. 2—T.A.C. v. Trinity, on or before Jan. 15. Osgoode v. T.A.C., on or before Jan. 23. Trinity v. Osgoode, on or before Feb. 1.

No. 3—Queen's, a bye.

No. 4—Stratford v. Varsity, on or before Jan. 18. Varsity v. Stratford, on or before Feb. 1.

— Second Round —

Winners of 1 v. winners of 3, on ice of 1. Winners of 2 v. winners of 4, on ice of 4, except Stratford be defeated, then on ice to be named by executive.

— Final Round —

Winners of 1 and 3 v. winners of 2 and 4, on ice to be named by executive, on or before Feb. 20.

— Intermediate Series —

Group 1—Victoria v. T.A.C., on or before Jan. 18. Osgoode v. Victoria, on or before Jan. 28. T.A.C. v. Osgoode, on or before Feb. 1.

Group 2—(a) Frontenac v. Crystals, on or before Jan. 18. Crystals v. Frontenac, on or before Jan. 25. (b) Norwood v. Peterboro, on or before Jan. 18. Peterboro v. Norwood, on or before Jan. 25. Winners of A v. winners of B, on or before Feb. 1.

Group 3—Sarnia v. Petrolea, on or before Jan. 11. London v. Sarnia, on or before Jan. 18. Petrolea v. London, on or before Jan. 25.

Group 4—Berlin v. Brampton, on or before Jan. 18. Brampton v. Ayr, on or before Jan. 18. Ayr v. Berlin, on or before Jan. 25.

— Second Round. —

Winners of 2 v. winners of 3, on or before Jan. 8. Winners of 1 v. winners of 4, on or before Feb. 8. Ice to be named by Executive.

— Final Round. —

Winners of 2 and 3 v. winners of 1 and 4, on or before Feb. 16. Ice to be named by Executive.

— Junior Series. —

First Round—

No. 1—Peterboro' v. Norwood, between Jan. 15 and 20, inclusive. Norwood v. Peterboro', Jan. 20-25.

No. 2—Frontenac v. Queen's II., Jan. 15-20. Queen's II. v. Frontenac, Jan. 20-25.

No. 3—Wellingtons v. Osgoode III., Jan. 25-27.

No. 4—(a) Trinity II. v. U.C.C., Jan. 18-22. (b) Victoria II. v. Varsity II., Jan. 19-22. Winners of A v. winners of B., on Jan. 26.

No. 5—Galt v. Guelph, Jan. 15-18. Guelph v. Berlin, Jan. 18-22. Berlin v. Galt, Jan. 22-26.

No. 6—Hamilton Victorias v. Brampton II., Jan. 15-20. Brampton v. Hamilton Victorias, Jan. 20-25.

No. 7—St. Mary's v. London, Jan. 15-20. London v. St. Mary's, Jan. 20-25.

No. 8—Stratford II. v. Listowel, Jan. 15-20. Listowel v. Stratford, Jan. 20-25.

No. 9—Winners of 1 v. winners of 2, Feb. 4, at Kingston.

No. 10—Winners of 3 v. winners of 2, Feb. 4, at Toronto.

No. 11—Winners of 5 v. winners of 6, Feb. 4, place to be decided by Executive.

No. 12—Winners of 7 v. winners of 8, Feb. 4, place to be decided by Executive.

— Semi-Final. —

No. 13—Winners of 9 v. winners of 10, Feb. 11, place to be decided by Executive.

No. 14—Winners of 11 v. winners of 12, Feb. —, place to be decided by Executive.

— Final Round. —

No. 15—Winners of 13 v. winners of 14, place to be decided by Executive.

A PRETTY YOUNG GIRL

Is in Woodstock Jail on a Charge of Firing Mr. Fred Cox's House.

Woodstock, Ont., Dec. 15.—A fire of supposed incendiary origin occurred at the house of Frederick Cox on Dundas-street a week ago Saturday. An investigation was held and the arrest of Bertie Bezley was ordered, and carried into effect this morning. The young lady has been under suspicion of having fired the house, and the evidence of the Crown will, it is understood, be directed, among other things, to proving that she was present both before and during the fire.

The girl took her arrest quite coolly. She was taken to the Police Court and remanded for eight days.

Miss Bezley is an exceedingly pretty girl of about 22 summers. She is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Bezley of the eleventh line of East Zorra, and a sister of Mrs. Nathan Corker of the thirteenth line, with whom she had, until recently, been living. The young lady's friends will sympathize with her in her present position. At 2 o'clock this afternoon the young lady was still in the jail.

Devastation on Newfoundland Coast.

St. John's, Nfld., Dec. 15.—Last week's storm caused great devastation along the northern coast. Seven vessels were driven ashore and wrecked. Three of them were laden with fish and the others with various cargoes. No lives were lost.

The schooner Greyhound has arrived here in a sinking condition. Her bows were stove in in contact with an ice floe. The Straits of Belle Isle are blocked with ice. Intense frost prevails in the northern part of the island.

"WELCOME TO WALLACE."

L.O.L. No. 207 Elected Officers and Held a Banquet, Where the Ex-Controller Made a Speech.

"Welcome to Wallace" was written on the banner which stretched across Weeks' Hall, Parkdale, where L.O.L. No. 207 were holding last evening the annual ceremony of electing their officers. Another one had been hung near it with the old watchword, "Hands off Manitoba," inscribed upon it, but many of the stalwarts had deemed it, by reason of late events, an unnecessary decoration, and it was taken down.

After a number of initiations, the election of officers resulted as follows:

W.M., Bro F Swain; D.M., Bro D Spence; chaplain, Bro R Sherlock; F.S., Bro William J Braden; R.S., A M Rice; D.C., James Mitchell; lecturer, R J Sherlock; committeemen, Thomas Hurst, J Robertson, T Timmons, Nesbitt, H McMahon; physician, Dr Sloan; auditors, Bros Burrows and Floody.

The brethren then adjourned to luncheon, Hon. N. Clarke Wallace, as the guest of the evening, sat at the head of the table, with President-elect Bro. F. Swain and Ald. William Bell to his left and Ald. Roe to his immediate right. Messrs. J. M. Godfrey and A. J. Sinclair were noticed present.

After the toast of "The Queen," Grand Master Wallace responded to the "Grand Lodge of British North America." He was delighted to be present, for the reason, among others, that the brethren of No. 207 had been the first to welcome him when he returned from Ottawa last spring, at a critical period in the history of the order, as well as in that of our country. The lodge had started the pace and was keeping it up nobly. The speaker then went on to show how the Orangemen had stood by their principles during the past year. He had been a member of the order for 30 years and now that he held a responsible position he had considered it his duty to direct his course aright in order to justify the trust which tens of thousands of Orangemen were reposing in him. He had endeavored to do so. (Cries of "Hear, hear!") After speaking of the rise of power and influence of the order during the past couple of decades, the Grand Master made passing reference to his late visit to British Columbia. In the town of Sandon, only five months old, but containing some 1500 people, he said they had organized an Orange lodge. He had not the slightest doubt but what the Province of British Columbia was the one where the greatest amount of wealth was to be produced in future in the Dominion. There were gold mines of undoubted value and silver mines second to none in the world to-day. He spoke very hopefully of the part Canadians themselves were taking in the development of the mines. The Americans had first come in, but Canadians were rapidly awakening to the importance of their mineral resources.

A number of other speakers followed Mr. Wallace, and the affair broke up at an early hour this morning.

PHENOMENAL SUCCESS.

The B.C. Gold Fields Company's Properties are Looking Splendidly.

Following upon the election of the directors of the British Columbia Gold Fields Company, and the report of the Western manager, the position of this company has been established beyond a doubt, and, notwithstanding the rise in the price of its stock, it still appears to be one of the most sought after investments in the city. A telegram to the Western manager, received from the superintendent of the mines yesterday, was shown to The World, and contained very satisfactory news.

On one of the claims in the Victoria Daisy group the tunnel is now in 27 feet, and the shaft is down about 20 feet, while on two other claims several prospecting shafts are down from 6 to 15 feet.

"Property improving," is the general sum-up of the superintendent's message. On the Niagara group the superintendent reports active development, and says this work is very favorable, as this group has shipping ore on the surface which will yield a profit of $30 per ton. The value of this information is evidently of the utmost importance.

Britannia L.O.L. 1388.

The annual meeting of Britannia L.O.L. 1388, was held in the County Orange Hall last night, and they elected their officers for the ensuing year, as follows: Bro Crowley, W.M.; N J Harrison, D.M.; Jas O'Brien, chaplain; F R Crowley, rec. sec.; Wm Johnston, fin. sec.; T Christie, treas.; Thomas Brown, D. of C.; Henry Rose, lecturer; T Crowley, John Lowrey, George Young, Chas. Coldback, W E Paquin, committee; A H Gordon and Wm Aiken, auditors; A Kirkpatrick, representative to Hall Board. W. Bro. Henry Birmingham, P.D.M., North Toronto, installed the newly-elected officers.

L. O. L. 585 Elect Officers.

At the regular meeting of L.O.L. 585, held on Monday evening at the corner of Queen-street and Dovercourt-road, the following officers were elected: Bro W Cox, W.M. (re-elected); Hugh McWhirter, D.M. (re-elected); George Virgin, chaplain; J Swallem, R.S.; Bro. Brooks, F.S.; Bro. Everley, D.C.; W F Stephenson, A Bird, Geo Cox, J Campbell, T Buckley, committee.

Other prominent members present included: Wor. Bros. Burns, G.D.C.B.A.; John Hewitt, D.C.M.; Bros. George Brown, P.C.M.; Watson, D.T.W.T.; J E Knox, Thornhill Lodge; J M Godfrey, No. 4; Dr Godfrey, Mimico; Parry, P.G. Chap. O.W.; McLean, No. 1212.

Getting Ready in Good Time.

Halifax, N.S., Dec. 15.—The Conservatives of Cumberland have nominated Mayor McKinnon of Spring Hill and Dr. McDougall of Parrsboro to contest that county in the next election for the Provincial Assembly.

"THE WIND THAT BLEW OVER SLATER-SHOE-LAND."

GUESS you suspected the motive of our "American Shoe Sale." When you've "got an axe to grind," it isn't necessary to turn the crank yourself, just merely start the stone rolling, and there's always SOME impetuous party who will do the rest.

Toronto had to be promptly impressed with the fact that "The Slater Shoe Store" and "Guinane's King-street Store" no longer meant the same thing.

They did ONCE, you know.

NOBODY COULD ASSOCIATE THEM NOW.

You KNOW NOW that there is only one place in Toronto where "The Slater Shoe" CAN BE BOUGHT—at 89 King-street West.

This is the agency for which a cash premium of $3000 was offered recently.

It is also "The Slater Shoe" agency, for which the estate of Guinane Bros. one month ago refused to accept a CASH BONUS of $1500.00 and 100 cents on the dollar for the stock.

That firm had held the agency for about two years, and so they KNEW its value.

Do business men offer, or decline, such PREMIUMS for any but "the shoe that's envied"?

Of course everybody that WANTED the agency for Toronto couldn't GET it.

Consequently "Slater Shoes" can't possibly be ANY GOOD (to them).

Still, it's an odd fact that no one is selling "Slater Shoes" at A CENT LESS THAN THE RETAIL PRICE, stamped on the sole by THE MAKERS.

But any one can buy AMERICAN shoes at COST PRICE in more than one store in this city—(cost with the 25 per cent. duty added).

The only AMERICAN shoes we happen to have for sale were made by GEO. G. SNOW of Brockton, Mass., and by HAZEN B. GOODRICH of Haverhill, Mass.—for Guinane Bros.—and we had to take them over when purchasing the "Slater Shoe" stock.

We wish folks would come and buy the few hundred pairs we have left, AT COST PRICE, so we could get rid of them and save other people's feelings.

Scores of men have been looking at them, and admit they SEEM cheap enough at COST PRICE, but these men buy the SHOE THEY KNOW instead—"The Slater Shoe."—at the full retail price, "stamped on the sole."

This is because the two kinds are placed SIDE by SIDE for comparison.

If you want either SHOES or AMERICANISM, now is your time.

We have both—the latter at cost.

A bottle of genuine "Slater Shoe Polish" given free with each pair of COST-PRICE AMERICAN SHOES.

"The Slater Shoe Store,"
89 KING STREET WEST.

AMUSEMENTS.

BARGAIN MATINEES Tues. Thurs. Sat. Entire Balcony 15c Entire Lower Floor 25c

TORONTO Opera House. THIS WEEK—DEC. 14 to 19 EXCELSIOR! Next—"Country Merchant."

THE BIJOU CONTINUOUS PERFORMANCES Only Vaudeville Theatre in Toronto. EVERY AFTERNOON AND EVENING. GREAT SUCCESS. ANIMATOGRAPH. Great Moving Picture Machine. High-Class Vaudeville Co. Bargain Prices at every performance—15c and 25c. 13

Sacred Oratorio STABAT MATER By the PHILHARMONIC SOCIETY at ST. MICHAEL'S CATHEDRAL, THURSDAY, DEC. 17th, 1896, at 7.30 p.m. Admission 10c. Reserved Seats 25c. Sale of seats open at SADLIER'S, Cor. Queen and Church-Sts.

GRAND EVERY EVENING THIS WEEK. THE WORLD'S GREATEST CELLIST AUGUSTE VAN BIENE In His Comedy Drama THE BROKEN MELODY Next Week—The Chili Widow.

SWEET SOLACE FOR THE LEISURE HOUR

May be found by the smoker who buys the famous "EL PRESIDENTE," incontestably the finest cigar produced to-day in Canada. Made from the choicest growths of Havanas—fragrant and aromatic.

The celebrated QUEEN, so long and favorably known to the Canadian smoking public, still maintains its high reputation.

The popular "DUTCH MIKE" is recognized everywhere to be THE VERY BEST FIVE-CENT CIGAR ON THE CANADIAN MARKET. This cigar is clear, long Havana filled, and warranted to give the utmost satisfaction. See that the words "Dutch Mike" are branded on every cigar

The Trade can be Supplied with these Standard Brands from Scales & Wilson.

W. R. Webster & Co., Manufacturers, Sherbrooke, Que.

A Young Athlete Dead.

Philip Bert Simser, son of Mr. Simser of the Inspector of Prisons Department, died yesterday at his father's residence, 79 Euclid-avenue. He was 19 years of age, and had been seriously ill with pneumonia for two weeks. He took a great interest in athletics and was a member of St. John's Athletic Association and the Garnets and Elm Lacrosse Clubs. He was an active worker in connection with the Church of St. John the Evangelist and a member of ex-Aid. Maughan's