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LONDON TAKES THE FIRST FROM SIMCOE VISITORS OUTPLAYED BY NINE TO THREE

Local Team Too Strong for the Winners of Number Four District.

London 9, Simcoe 3.

The above describes what took place last night at the Princess Ice Palace before a crowd which completely packed the rink, and loaded down every rafter and other support in the place, when Simcoe attempted to take a fall out of the champion Londoners in the first round of the semi-finals for the intermediate O. H. A. championship.

It was Simcoe's first defeat of the season, and the touch was a sore one, for the rosters from that place came down in bunches, all laden down with greenbacks enough to pave the entire ice surface at the rink.

\$3,000 Changed Hands.

Without exaggeration it can be safely stated that at least \$3,000 changed hands. All of Simcoe's shining lights in the sporting line were here with



"DAVY" BOLE.

London's Fast Center, Who Distinguished Himself Last Night.

rolls large enough to block the Thames and they were accommodated to a large extent.

One Simcoe hotelman walked into the National bowling alleys and flashed \$3,000. About \$500 of that amount was gobbled up quickly. At the ideal alleys and other places about town there was also large rolls flying around, and there actually seemed to be money in the air. All bets recorded were at even money. But to the game.

London the Best.

To start off with, there was not a point at which London may be said to have been outplayed. One of the local players was not in the best of shape owing to a bad cold, but performed like a winner nevertheless.

Simcoe Had the Weight.

In point of weight, Simcoe seemed to have the advantage, although that fact seemed to make no difference to London after the game was on, for they skated rings around the winners of group 4, and checked so closely that their opponents were completely bewildered. Of course, it was not all London, but then most of it was, as the score most ably testified.

There were times when Simcoe looked dangerous, as far as getting a score or two was concerned. Simcoe seemed to be made up of individual players, although there were occasional streaks of real combination, which, when weaker defense, would have resulted disastrously for London's hopes of running up a large score in order to clinch the round.

The Defense Strong.

Our good old "stone wall" defense had the other crowd beaten ten city blocks or more, while the local forwards, as a rule, simply took the puck up the ice almost at will. Especially was this noticeable toward the end of the first half, when Simcoe appeared to be about all in.

In shooting the Forest City hockeyists also had a wide margin on their opponents, and at stick-handling Simcoe hadn't a look-in. However, even with all these superior qualities London had to work to keep the score up, for the Simcoe boys were ever boring in with a never-say-quit determination, which was almost pitiful. In the face of the overwhelming score, taken altogether, it was a great battle, even if London did win hands down. It might be remarked, though, that Ingersoll was a far more dangerous team than Simcoe, by a long shot.

Refereeing Perfect.

One of the features of the contest was the almost perfect refereeing of Mr. W. E. Wettlaufer, of Berlin, who is a member of the O. H. A. executive board, and a popular all-around sportsman. Wett would stand for any monkeying at all, as a result the contest was one of the closest seen here in a long time. What few players were ruled off were sent to the boards for minor offenses. Off too, were caught up promptly, and both teams, as well as the spectators, were highly pleased with his work.

The contest started almost on the dot, 8:15, and was fast from the start to the finish.

Visitors Start Fast.

At the face-off Simcoe got away like winners, but passed offside and the resultant goal did not count. This action was repeated three times in

succession. Then the old reliable, Crow Carrothers took the disk down the line from the center of the rink, and for a second looked good, but was checked as he shot. Cratt, the Simcoe rover, created a laugh when he made a mess of a lift, which went about ten feet and landed in front of Jay Thompson, who had come up with the forwards, and passed to Abram, who shot well, but was blocked.

London now pressed Simcoe close, and the latter's defense was busy warding off shots. Simcoe looked dangerous for a moment—until it was all off. After a few skirmishes up and down the ice, which, by the way, was fast, Thompson got away from the bit and passed to Bole, who landed London's first goal on a shot off the net. 1-0. This point was scored after ten minutes of play.

Simcoe again poked the rubber into the net on an offside, which might have gone with another referee. Then Bole took the round thing down the rink like a streak of lightning, but failed to connect, although it is certain he placed a dent in the goalkeeper's shin guard.

London was getting in some of the prettiest combination work it has shown this season, and was carrying the puck almost up to the opposing net. However, luck or the goaltender, or both, seemingly stood in the way, and a number of well directed drives went wrong. A long shot by Thompson made the Simcoe rosters' hair stand straight up, but it was blocked. When about fourteen minutes had elapsed from the whistle the gate at the southeast corner of the rink collapsed and let forty or fifty spectators fall through to the ice. Play was stopped.

All London Now.

With the exception of an occasional spurt by Simcoe everything was all London now, although the other fellows were checking hard and desperately to fight off what they must have felt was coming. Both teams checked very close for a while, and rushes were not numerous at this juncture. Both teams missed many apparently excellent chances to score.

Every now and then the Simcoe forwards would get started up the ice, only to be checked quick and hard, with the result that they would lose the puck to the London forward line, which got away like chain lightning. Casselman, Bole and, in fact, all of the London players pulled off a number of good stunts. In the way of rushes before the next goal was even tually landed, after sixteen minutes of play, out of a mixup. So many players were taking pokes at the rubber at the time that it was impossible to determine who the shooter was. London 2, Simcoe 0.

One of the best features of London's play was the four men combination, which they worked frequently, and which seldom failed to carry the puck within shooting distance. It was on these plays that London scored its third point. The shot was made by "Crow" Carrothers. 3-0.

Eleven minutes before the half time whistle blew Abram got into action, and passed. "Crow" who shot from in front of the other net, and scored point the fourth. 4-0.

From this point on until half time it was all London, and the way Jay Thompson, Casselman, Bole and Abram, and the rest of the forwards, played hockey was enough to make an image scream for real joy. Unfortunately, however, the Simcoe goal man seemed to have the unhappy (for London) faculty of being where the puck was. The Simcoe men, on the other hand, did not hold their positions, and it was nothing but hockey luck which kept the score down in that session.

Following a close shot from London the Simcoe point lifted the rubber up when Thompson returned the compliment, the disk went up in the air and struck the City League sign, then fell midway of the rink. Like a flash the Simcoe forwards were on it, and in a general mixup, which soon followed Simcoe scored its first point. Score, 4-1.

A moment later Simcoe again looked good for a point out of a similar mixup, but good old Cass was on the job and put the shot to the boards. However, the shot was too close to be comfortable, and everybody breathed a sigh of relief when they heard the rubber hit the side of the rink. Shortly before the whistle blew "Crow" batted in another for London, and the crowd yelled itself hoarse again.

There was nothing more doing, and the half ended 5-1, favor London.

During the first session Bole, Casselman, Smith and Pratt, were off for either tripping or holding. To all appearances the referee made a mistake in ruling the second named player off, for his offense seemingly consisted only in checking an opposing player rather hard. However, there is no kick coming. But one man can run a game, and do it right.

Davy Bole was caught redhanded when the second half began, and was given a rest for tripping. The action did not appear to be intentional, but, of course, the result was the same, for the victim is today minus about three inches of good old-fashioned, home-grown, Simcoe cuticle, where

his nasal organ connected with the ice.

Jay Thompson also took a trip to the land of repentance and penalty timekeepers, for a like offense, but not until Davy returned. Both players were badly missed, and at times it looked to be a certainty that the visitors would turn the trick and land a number of goals. However, with Thompson off the best they could do was to get one point, after some grueling battling at the London end of the rink. 5-2.

Several times, after Crow had passed across the rink to Jimmy, a score would probably have resulted had the pass been returned to center, but even then, when Jimmy shot from anywhere near close quarters, he had someone on the Simcoe lineup guessing some to stop the puck.

Simcoe Wakes Up. After London had scored its fifth point, Simcoe seemed to wake up, and for a time the Londoners were pressed about as hard as it cared to be. However, the man with the puck seldom got into a position where he could shoot, and when he did "Jay" or "Cass" or Pearson would ward off the



JAY THOMPSON, London's Goaltender, Who is One of the Best Men That Ever Chased a Puck.

rubber in time to prevent trouble. The work of the London defense was brilliant at all times, and it must go to the credit of the credit for London's clever victory. There have been shots, too, when the defense has been busier than it was at certain stages last night, but that was only when Ingersoll or Paris was on the firing line. However, all's well that ends well, so little a visiting player recovered his, as befitted the difference champions, occasionally got within the danger zone?

The army of cigars which had been working overtime all evening among the spectators now began to tell its tale, and there were moments, and many of them in the last twenty minutes, when the puck was only a blur on the atmosphere to those witnessing the game.

At the conclusion of a four-man combination, which London got off with, but which petered out because of the luck or skill of the Simcoe goal man, play was stopped for a minute while a visiting player recovered his. Rather a stick assisted him, knocked out of him by stopping, or attempting to stop a London player. A moment later a long shot by Thompson apparently went in, and bounced out again. However, the goal judge couldn't see it that way, so it wasn't recorded. London didn't need it anyway, for Simcoe now has to score 7 goals to London's none to win the round.

Two Brilliant Rushes.

Undoubtedly the feature of the evening was a rush down the entire length of the rink by Casselman, who at the end of his great dash, shot, this splendid effort took all the wind out of the visitors' line for a minute later Thompson got away to almost as brilliant a rush, and landed after an

THISTLE RINKS TO MEET TORONTO

The following Thistle Club rinks will meet Toronto here this afternoon and evening:

Afternoon.	
A. Tune, W. Smith, F. G. Rumball, J. Stevenson, skip.	
Col. Peters, Chancy Smith, F. N. Allan, Thomas Gillan, skip.	
G. O'Neil, J. Houston, A. M. Heaman, J. Burnett, skip.	
C. Thompson, W. L. Mara, G. B. Harris, F. P. Betts, skip.	
C. McGuire, J. J. Cox, W. W. Thompson, W. Bartlett, skip.	

WARD THREE THE GOODS LAST NIGHT

Ward 3 were good enough to win two out of three games from ward 1 last night in the Liberal Club series. The first game was so close that Captain Jimmy Murray almost had heart failure, but he pulled it through with 3 goals to the good. The next was comparatively easy, but the third one went wrong; it's way after a close game. The bowling was not as good as usual. Scott was the real bowler of the evening, getting high individual with 170, and high aggregate with 454. Brock was the worst bowler of the evening, closely pursued by Frank Millson. Bobby Burns was not up to snuff, and Jimmy Murray was just middling.

ENGLAND WON FROM IRELAND

By Score of 13 Points to 3 in International Rugby Match.

London, Feb. 10.—The soccer results Saturday were as follows:
British League.
Bolt, Wanderers, 1; Chelsea, 2.
Woolwich Arsenal, 0; Aston Villa, 1.
Bristol City, 1; Preston North End, 3.
Blackburn Rover, 3; Notts Forest, 3.
Everton, 2; Middlesbrough, 1.
Manchester United, 1; Newcastle United, 1.
Sunderland, 1; Liverpool, 0.
Birmingham, 0; Sheffield United, 0.
Sheffield Wednesday, 3; Bury, 0.
In the International Rugby match, England defeated Ireland by 13 points to 3.

Bole and Abram both were within shooting distance on several occasions, but failed to connect at the time. Missed passes all around sometimes had much to do with this, and more practice should be devoted to passing in the future.

Never has London bored in as it did toward the close of the game last night, and the Simcoe players seemed ready to drop in their tracks. Why London did not score often can only be explained by the foremost weakness of missing passes at opportune moments, for it certainly played tag with Simcoe towards the finish. However, London was also a little weary from its own exertions, and when players are weary their shooting eyes are naturally apt to be a trifle awry.

One particularly pretty rush and combination play pulled off by London was taken part in by Casselman, who passed to Abram, who in turn passed to Bole. The shot, though, was not by much of a margin. Shortly before time Pratt was ruled off for roughing it.

Bad shooting lost London two goals, while Pratt was resting. Occasionally the visitors, too, would take a hand in the rush game, and there were periods when Mr. Pearson had to perform his prettiest to stop the puck from getting beyond him.

Five minutes before the final whistle blew Jimmy Carrothers made the rubber under stick control, and Bole scored on a pretty pass, which landed the disk almost directly in front of the opposing net. Evidently the Simcoe point man never even saw the shot coming, for they acted as if they were frozen in their tracks, and never made a move to stop it. Possibly the disk came faster than they are accustomed to seeing it travel. For, as Mike Tierney says, "Shots do shoot powerful speedy." 8-2.

London pressed the visitors hard now for a few minutes, and a goal seemed imminent. It was Simcoe, though, that scored the next point, and it appeared to be rather on the fluky order, although the opposing forwards must be given credit for having had tact enough to follow up an unsuccessful play and poke the rubber into the net on the rebound.

The Simcoe forwards took at least three drives at the puck, which persisted in remaining dangerously close to London's net until the counting shot was given it. Score 8-3.

London roostered was out of existence at this juncture, but came back to life again when London made the score 8-3—just a second before the final whistle blew. The last shot was made on a combination, in which the entire London forward line had a finger—rather a stick—in it.

All in all, it was the great victory—although not the hardest one—that London has taken since 1900, when the intermediate championship was won, and the big crowd went home in the merriest of moods.
The teams:
London. Simcoe.
Pearson.....Goal.....Coates
Casselman.....Point.....Cribb
Thompson.....Cover.....Smith
Abram.....Rover.....Cratt
Bole.....Center.....J. Andrews
Gardner.....Right Wing.....G. Andrews
J. Carrothers.....Left Wing.....W. Pratt
Referee—W. E. Wettlaufer, Berlin.
Timekeepers—Ken Murray, London;
E. Carter, Simcoe.
Goal Judges—H. Wagner, London;
C. Marshall, Simcoe.

"Palmer" fights like an old woman, while Burns is a master of the art, and, besides, was in perfect condition.

The fight was for \$2,500 a side, and 75 per cent of the gate receipts. The odds were 6 to 4 on Burns, but there was very little betting. There were no takers for the bets offered by Palmer that he would stay six rounds.

The unfashionable named race and big five-mile stake of \$1,000 will take place today. So far the books have fared badly, Saturday being a lone exception.

INDOOR BASEBALL AT THE ARMORIES

A. and H. companies were the victors over G and B companies at last night's indoor baseball matches at the Armories, by scores of 11 to 5 and 49 to 9.

The batteries:
A Company—Walker and Campbell; G Company, Kingsmill and Bowen.
The second contest was rather one-sided, H Company defeating B Company by 49 to 9.

Batteries—H. Company, Anderson and Racharts; B. Company, Becher and Marshall.
Umpire, Jeffries.

PRACTICE GAMES ON NATIONAL ALLEYS

The National alley stars put in another fast practice last night, West making high score 575.

West.....	180	202	188	575
Primont.....	182	173	171	526
C. Sheere.....	180	200	152	532
Glover.....	200	162	175	537
Bell.....	165	138	181	524
Totals.....	317	926	862	2,705

BASKETBALL

In the Working Boys' Basketball League at 7:45 Tuesday night, Watts' team meets Long's in the first game, and Gillies vs. Powell in the second game. The teams will be:
Watts, captain; Veal, Ross, Young, Simms.
Long, captain; Phillips, Pring, Wilson, Wortman.
Gillies, captain; Ashton, Bottom, Meaden, Galpin.
Powell, captain; Wills, Gilmour, Blackwell, Hooper.
Referee—Fred. Stephenson.

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RECORD WORK AT OTTAWA TROIS

Ottawa, Feb. 11.—The Ottawa ice meeting in progress all last week has been extended into three days of the present week, owing to the inability of many people to reach the capital in time for the sport. Four additional races have been added, including a free-for-all, on Wednesday. The Central Canada Racing Association has hung up extra purses for the various events.

Anita Won the Pace.
Anita, owned by F. Motly, of Syracuse, N. Y., won the unfinished 2:28 pace Saturday, beating out City Queen, the Port Hope mare, rather easily. Modly captured one of the stakes with Miss Syracuse, during the week, and is second best money-winner to Aid, Sam McBride, of Toronto.

The named race of Saturday remains in an interesting stage. There were five starters. Four heats have been completed and four horses have a heat each. Little Sandy won the first, Johnny the second, Jude the third and Peter Miller the fourth. Gypsy Girl, the veteran Toronto mare, is the only animal that has failed to win a heat.

Upset in Free-for-All.
The free-for-all provided an upset in the first heat, Nat Ray making a beautiful drive with John McEwen in the stretch, beating out the field by two lengths. Lady May came away in the final heat, three heats and race, and won the last race, but was under the wire in the lead. Ray lodged a protest, but the judges claimed the mare's driver had his best to get her in stride.

Fastest Three Heats.
In this race the fastest three heats ever trotted on ice were recorded, viz.: 2:19.4, 2:18.4, 2:17.4. The track record is held by Phoebe W., 2:17.4.

The City LEAGUE HOCKEY GAMES THIS WEEK will be held on Friday night next, when the University team meets the St. Johns in the curtain-raiser, and the Hermits and Waterloos furnish the wind-up. The postponement was necessitated by the excursion to Simcoe tomorrow night, which will doubtless take every hockey fan in the city away for the evening.

A protest from the St. Johns team against Bernhardt, of the Waterloos, was thrown out, for reasons which will be explained in tomorrow's paper.

BOWLING.
The alleys will be occupied Tuesday night by the Wizards and Yammigans in a scheduled tournament game. The teams will be:
Wizards—J. Russell, captain; Her-
tel, Scott, Martin, Chubb, and
Yammigans—Dr. Cunningham, captain; Wickett, Walker, Hawthorne, Smith.

COMMITTEE HAS BEEN NAMED TO SELECT OLYMPIC TEAM

Ottawa, Feb. 11.—All difficulties have been cleared out of the way of united action among the amateur athletic organizations of the Dominion towards a first-class Canadian representation at the Olympic games in Great Britain this year. A preliminary organization has been completed by the formation of a strong committee which will now proceed to arrange for selection of competitors and teams for England, and for the raising of the necessary funds. The committee is as follows:

Representing the British Olympic Committee—Col. J. Hanbury-Williams, P. D. Ross, Rev. D. Bruce MacDonald, F. L. C. Pereira, hon. secretary.
Inspector Wm. Stark, J. G. Merrick and Controller J. J. Ward, Toronto; C. C. Holland, Montreal.
Amateur Athletic Federation of Canada—Lieut.-Col. Whitehead, Leslie Boyd and T. O'Connell, of Montreal; Wm. Foran, Ottawa.

Canadian Association of Amateur Oarsmen—Claude Macdonell, M. P., and T. P. Galt, Toronto.
Canadian Gold Association—Dr. Rutland, Montreal; A. W. Austin, Toronto.
Amateur Skating Association of Canada—W. G. Ross and Jas. A. Taylor, Montreal.

Inter-Provincial Rugby Football Union—George Ballard, Hamilton; H. B. McGivern, Ottawa.
Canadian Tennis Association—Captain J. F. Foulkes, Ottawa.

Ince Athletic Association and George Tracey, of Halifax.
Geo. F. Galt, Winnipeg.
J. H. Senkler, K. C., Vancouver.
E. C. St. Pierre and J. A. Mercier, Montreal.

The Inter-Collegiate Rugby Football Union has also been asked to appoint two representatives, and there may be some other additions. The first meeting of the committee will be held in Ottawa next Saturday.