

THE POPULAR BILLIARD GAME

Experts Indulge in Pleasant Contests at the Re-Opening of Rossin Parlors.

SAMUEL MAY & CO.'S FINETABLES

Something About the Manufacture of Billiard Accessories—Table That Weighs Two Tons.

The popular Rossin House billiard parlor was re-opened last night with music and an overflow attendance.

All were loud in their praise of the tables and accessories and especially those from across the line, who are emphatic in their declarations that nothing in New York or Chicago to touch them.

The Messrs. Samuel May & Co. of Toronto, gave instructions that the quality of the tables and all their parts, while being something better than the ordinary.

That the makers have fulfilled these requirements must be apparent to those who have only a scant knowledge of such things; while the great satisfaction to the proprietors and their many patrons was much in evidence at the opening.

There are eight beautifully carved oak tables in all, consisting of one full-size English style, six 2x2 tables, five American carom or billiard tables, and two American pool tables.

The Messrs. May have styled these tables "Superior" in name, distinguishing them from the regular run of tables, from the fact that they are built throughout on a much more massive scale than the ordinary table.

The "superior" tables are nearly twice the thickness of the ordinary table, while the rails and cushions are heavier and more massive than usual.

For instance, the cushion rails of an ordinary billiard table will weigh in the vicinity of 100 lbs. while those of the "superior" will weigh over 300 lbs.

Another important feature and improvement in the building together of the table beds with heavy brass dowels and sockets, thus doing away with the objectionable screw heads across the center of the table.

The 6x12 English style table is a work of art in itself. The pockets, pocket handles, and mass patterns shields or corners, are all innovations of the maker, and are certainly improvements on the old line.

The rails of the English table are also made with the extra heavy cushions, and play with an unusual speed and accuracy, and at the same time are almost silent running.

The tables throughout are covered with a special grade of cloth, West of England, a line of which Mr. May makes special importations direct from the makers in England, and is fast dyeing the idea from the makers of the public that good billiard cloth must be made in Belgium.

The cases are all works of art, each one being fitted with ivory points and fancy inlaid butts, with pearl and ivory inlay and including all the fancy woodwork known to art cabinet making.

Handsome carved oak racks accompany each table, and all bridges or "rests" are splined butts and brass heads. The billiard balls are all the finest soft Zammit balls in use.

In fact, the tables in every detail are strictly special and of high-grade in design and character.

That the Messrs. Nelson and the public are highly pleased is self-evident, and Messrs. Samuel May & Co. have received many flattering comments upon the new equipment.

Will There Be Three Knockouts? Andy Ward sent word that he was down to weight yesterday and never trained with good results in his life.

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QUEEN'S HOCKEY CHAMPIONS

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WINNERS AFTER STANLEY CUP

Toronto Rowing Club Lost at Waterloo, the Score Standing 11 Goals to 2.

Kingston, Feb. 23.—Notwithstanding the soft weather of the past few days, the ice at the covered rink was in good condition for the Queen's varsity championship hockey match to-night at the Mutual people witnessed the game.

In the first half both teams worked hard for victory, the score standing 7 to 3 in favor of Queen's.

In the second half the Toronto team made matters warm for Queen's, Darling participated in the most brilliant play.

The match ended in a draw, 10 to 8, and the round by 19 to 11.

For Queen's, Darling, Dutton, and Dalton played a magnificent game, while Darling, Wright and Mackenzie were the leaders for Varsity.

The Toronto team consisted of: Darling, Dutton, Dalton, Wright, Mackenzie, and Sheppard.

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Toronto (8): Goal, Mackenzie; forwards, Darling, Dutton, Dalton, Wright, Mackenzie, and Sheppard.

Referee—Capt. Mack Murray of the Frontenacs.

At the conclusion of the game the visitors were entertained to a banquet at the Britannia Hotel.

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