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Western Lacrosse Teams to Educate East in the Game

VICTORIA, Dec. 11.—That suggested international lacrosse tour of the American continent by the Vancouver and New Westminster lacrosse teams, during which they would play off league games for the British Columbia championship and the Minto Cup, has grown into an idea of a serious proposition with Con Jones, president of the Vancouver Lacrosse Club, and he is making an extended tour of Eastern Canada, and the States, starting the last of the present month, for the purpose of investigating the feasibility of the scheme. In case suitable arrangements for games can be made in various cities it is very probable that the trip will eventuate.

Mr. Jones will leave Vancouver for Toronto on Dec. 27, and while there will have a talk with several players who are anxious to come west. He proposed to secure at least three new players for the Vancouver Club, and one of these will likely be Fred Scott, the dashing home fielder of the Montreal Club. Scott only wanted \$2000 to come to the coast this year, and then he signed up with Montreal to play for \$600.

Parkdale Gun Club.
The Parkdale Gun Club held a practice shoot at their grounds on the Humber river on Saturday afternoon, at which most of the members turned out, as the winter series of twelve shoots starts next Saturday. Following is a list of the shooters and their scores:

Name	Score
Parker	51
Fenton	50
Meadam	48
Pickering	47
Threthewey	45
Devins	45
Tiwa	43
Ward	42
Macintosh	35

Toronto Cribbage League.
Following is the standing of the clubs in the Toronto Cribbage League:

Club	Won	Lost	Points
Davenport Ailbon	3	1	750
Midland Counties A	3	1	750
Midland Counties B	3	2	600
Royal Grenadier	2	3	450
Sons of England A	2	3	450
Sons of England B	1	3	350
Queen City	1	4	250

Among the many events on the programme of the 74th Regiment games at Buffalo Saturday, December 10th, is a Rugby match between two American teams and a big dance after the game. George Gouling will walk from scratch in the mile handicap, and the Y.M.C.A. team will participate in all the open events. As a large crowd is expected from Toronto, the Y.M.C.A. have arranged a special excursion to leave Toronto on the 1:15 p.m. Canadian Pacific fast express. Fare is \$2.70 return, and tickets may be obtained from commencing at or any of the following ticket offices: Toronto, Nov. 20 to 23. The application of the rules has been such that the contestants and judges seem to be at variance with each other and it is expected that this meeting will eliminate a great deal of the misunderstanding and place fencing on a much higher plane than it has heretofore been in this country.

Paid Fine for Speeding.
Fred A. Fralick, 507 St. Clarens-avenue, paid \$20 and costs for auto-speeding.

Newsy Lalonde Talks Hockey and Lacrosse

Newsy Lalonde, famous as a lacrosse player and as a fast hockeyist, had a busy day in Calgary on his way to the coast, where he is to play with Frank Patrick's seven in the new Pacific Coast League, and he talked to the weekly paper there.

Newsy was just about chock full of gossip of the recent happenings in the athletic world of Eastern Canada. He believes strongly that the new Dominion Lacrosse Union will prove the savior of the national game, and fails to see where the old clubs can in any way combat it.

"Lacrosse has been going steadily back in the east," says Lalonde. "The teams have been below strength and the public has tired of going out to see mediocre clubs at play, and are demanding their money's worth. It is rather hard on the Eastern and Capital teams, which have in the past kept alive the interest in the game when the other clubs were practically dead, but the good of the game makes it imperative that the play should be of a very high standard in the big league of the east. The league will be a success, as the matches in only Toronto and Montreal are games are assured, and then the benefits of games in the home city without the expenses of traveling will help the men who are financing the clubs."

"I have received a handsome offer from George Kennedy, who is behind the Irish-Canadian aggregation of Montreal, but so far I have not entered into any agreement. I will wait until the spring, when I will talk business with him."

In answer to a query, Lalonde stated emphatically that he was not under contract with Con Jones, and that he was not likely to play at the coast, as he was much impressed with the country.

"Turning to hockey topics, Newsy stated that matters in the east were in a state of upheaval. He was sure of the admittance of the Toronto and Teanahoc clubs by the Toronto and Teanahoc clubs, and that the Western League will retain the trophy without any difficulty."

"The Wanderers will be very weak, as the only player of prominence that is left them is their goal tender, Elroy Horn. The strength of the Toronto clubs is problematic, and while there are many good amateurs taking the jump, yet it will take at least a year for these men to class up to the players who have had the experience of the fastest hockey in the world. Taylor will have to play with the Wanderers or not at all."

"The Hockey in the Coast League should be the fastest in the world this year, and any of the teams will be able to shade most of the clubs in the east. I look for a good season this year, and that in the following year the rink will not be able to accommodate the crowds that will desire to witness the matches. I expect that the fever will spread from Calgary to Edmonton, and that the Western League will show the National Hockey Association."

Athenaeum Marathon Tournament.
The most successful tournament pulled off in one night took place at the Athenaeum on Saturday night, when 24 of the best tennis players in Toronto lined up for the 12-game grid. The arrangements of details were perfect, and the affair was run off with the smoothness of a well-oiled machine. Fred Fryer was the star of the night, carrying off the first prize of \$200, and second money fell to the old reliable, Andy Sutherland, who totaled 2200, receiving \$100, while brother Elroy and Dick were tie for third and split the third and fourth money, each receiving \$75. Bob Stewart grabbed off the fifth \$25, his prize being \$4; the sixth and last prize went to Bill Stanley, one of the Athenaeum B League bowlers, who took a chance against the cracks. Bill received \$3 for his score of 2155.

The tournament was full of life from start to finish, every man was there to roll his head off, and the way they dug in right from the start made the large gallery of spectators sit up and wonder if they could keep up the pace for the big grid. They certainly did and the scores were even better towards the end than at the start and when one considers that every player changes always after every game and never rolls two games on the same alley, it must be admitted that the scores were remarkably good. Fryer was over the 20 mark in seven out of the twelve games, while several others put in three and four games over the same mark.



What provoked the '85 Rebellion

Some unwritten history contained in Agnes C. Laut's article in CHRISTMAS SATURDAY NIGHT

NO record in the stirring pages of Canadian history begins to be as vital and interesting as the life stories self-told by the old frontiersmen. Their tales read like romance. With biting word and bitter scorn the Rev. "Jack" Matheson, sky pilot to the Cross, graphically recounts the events which led up to the Northwest rebellion. Incidents he relates which never saw the light of day in newspaper reports or Government Blue Books. Information which gives you an altogether new and different conception of this black chapter in Canada's history. It's a wonderful page, fresh-written of early Western life, long before the whistle of the train broke the silence of the plains, when stories of wealth and fame to be found at the foothills of the Rockies lured the immigrant and prospector, and on the virgin tract in the morning sun gleamed the slow-moving "sails" of grain schooners.

THESE were the days when the Hudson's Bay outposts fringed the edge of civilization. Before the period of romance had given way to an era of matter-of-fact progress. A great deal is already known about the early history of Western Canada. But it is safe to predict that this article of Agnes C. Laut's will supplement surprisingly the available supply of information on this subject. Her story will not only interest you but will give a new insight into the character of the Canadian West when it was "wild and woolly."

"The Dawn of HAJUBA," by R. Caton-Woodville, forms one of the three presentation plates of Christmas Saturday Night. It shows the Canadian troops at Paardeburg, in what proved to be one of the most decisive engagements of the war. The artist has chosen for his subject the moment of victory, when the Canadians are seen cheering, while a party of Boers advance into the foreground with a flag of truce. Here and there campfires burn brightly against the shadow of the hills. The picture is full of life and action; the figures are truthfully and boldly executed, and everywhere there are evidences of the grim reality of war.

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Victoria Quilting Club Banquet.
The annual banquet of the Victoria Quilting Club was held at the Hotel Berenford, when about seventy members of the club and their friends were present to enjoy the good things provided by Mine Host G. Smith. The club orchestra played during the evening. Sister clubs were represented. The toasts were: To "Our King" our Country, our Queen, responded to by Mr. Joe Russell, ex-M.P., and ex-Controller Tom Foster. The toast to "Our City" was responded to by A.G. J. O'Neill and Alf Rowland. "Our Club" was responded to by Mr. G. Gilmore and Mrs. Bond. Speeches were the general order of the evening, being given by Mr. Simpson Rennie, the veteran quilter, who gave an interesting talk on the notable game of quilts in his younger days; also by Mr. Joe Coleman, Mr. D. Cornish, Mr. D. L. Thomson, and the president of the club, Mr. C. B. Bell, and the past president, Mr. R. Cornish.

RABIES STILL PREVALENT.
There are still several cases of rabies in and around Toronto, and in the north part of Wellington County some of the farmers have lost valuable stock as the result of being bitten by stray dogs. The order for muzzling dogs, which, by the way, has not yet been rescinded, may be enforced again by the provincial authorities if no diminution in the number of cases occurs.

REAL WATER AT LAST.
The citizens of Toronto drank some filtered water yesterday. The \$750,000 filtration plant at the island was partially put to use. All the beds will soon be in operation and then all the water will be filtered.

A Misplaced Humourist.
David Saunders, being a humorist, thought that by sprinkling a little obnoxious chemical on the floor of the Oriental Theatre, Dundas-st., things would liven up a bit. This being Dave's third practical joke of this description, he was assessed \$3 and costs, which did much to change his opinion of jovial nature.

Train Was In the Way.
For obstructing the traffic at Royce-avenue by keeping a freight train standing longer than the law allows, John Price, a C.P.R. engineer, was fined \$20 and costs in Magistrate Kingsford's court yesterday afternoon.

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