BALL MAGNATES WRANGLE.

Third Day of Uncle Sam's National League Winter Meeting in New York.

TALK ABOUT REDUCING CIRCUITS.

Q. O. R. Regimental Indoor League Adopts Schedule for Season's Baseball Games.

National League of Professional Baseball Clubs was continued to-day and the league representatives will probably be in session until Saturday. Innumerable perplexing questions have come up for solution, and even after the close of the six-hour session to-day, it was officially announced that nothing had been done.

The Wrigley matter, however, came up before the Board of Directors, Messrs. Brush, Hart, Robinson, Reach, Soden, Wagner and Young, and it was learned from what seemed to be an authoritative source that it is the intention of the Board to impose a fine of $1500 on the Brooklyn-Baltimore Syndicate. In the course of the investigation to-day in the Wrigley matter, President Powers of the Eastern League, Fred Knowles, representing the New York Club; John M. Ward, counsel for the Brooklyn Club, and Charles Ebetts, president of that organization, were summoned before the Board.

As the Board of Directors is practically the same as the Board of Arbitration, which yesterday decided against the protest of the Syracuse Club, regarding the taking of Wrigley by the New York Club, it was presumed that the action of the Board of Directors, which was final, would be similar to that taken by the Board of Arbitration. The only question that remained in doubt was that as to a fine, and, although no official statement was given out that a fine had been imposed it is believed that the action was taken.

Another matter which was under discussion to-day was that brought about by the action of the Boston Club in asking that the Brooklyn and Louisville managements be punished for transferring a postponed game from Louisville without first getting the consent of other league members.

The game was to have been played in Louisville on the last western trip of the Brooklyn Club, but, owing to wet grounds, it was transferred to Brooklyn, and was played on Aug. 12. Both Presidents Pulliam of the Louisville and Ebetts of Brooklyn were summoned before the Board and reprimanded. It was at first proposed to fine each club $1000, but later it was reported that the fine was rescinded.

Rumors regarding the proposed reduction of the league were numerous and persistent to-day. It was said that all hope of lopping off four clubs had been given up, but that the season will open with ten clubs in harness, Cleveland and Louisville being the two clubs which it is proposed to drop. The election of Harry Pulliam as secretary of the newly-organized Pittsburg Club to-day gives color to the report that Louisville at least has seen its last year in the big league.

The meeting of the Pittsburg Club was held in Jersey City to-day, and resulted in the election of the following officers: President, Barney Dreyfuss; vice-president, P L Auten; treasurer, W W Kern; secretary, Harry Pulliam.

A deal was completed to-day by which Clingman and Dexter, two of the Louisville players, were sold to the Chicago Club.

Buck Ewing, late manager of the Cincinnati Club, came here to discuss the baseball situation, and he admitted that he had been negotiating with Andrew Freedman for the management of the New York Club. He says that Mr. Freedman told him he could come to New York and have anything he wanted if the league is cut down to eight clubs.

Winter Baseball Talk.

Frank Gatins of Johnstown, the crack shortstop, will return to the Hartford Club of the Eastern League unless he is drafted by one of the National League clubs.—Exchange.

The Chicago Club has offered Barry McCormick and Pitcher Callahan for the Boston shortstop, Herman Long.

Justice Teagan of Detroit has decided the case of Needham against Van Derbeck by giving the plaintiff a judgment for $100. This is $75 in excess of the tender made and brings the total amount up to $150, as Needham received $50 on account last summer. The case was a suit for a balance of $250 for official scoring.

Queen's Own Schedule.

The Executive Committee of the Queen's Own Regimental Indoor Baseball League held a meeting last night at the sergeants' mess, and the following schedule was arranged for the season, the first game to be played on Dec. 27. There will be two games played each night, the first commencing at 7.30 and the second at 9 o'clock. The schedule:

Dec. 27—G Co. at D Co., B Co. at K Co.
Jan. 3—A Co. at I Co., E Co. at H Co.
Jan. 10—C Co. at F Co., D Co. at G Co.
Jan. 17—K Co. at B Co., I Co. at A Co.
Jan. 24—H Co. at E Co., F Co. at C Co.

Sergeants Beat Officers.

The sergeants of the Q. O. R. got back at their officers last night, winning at indoor baseball as follows:

Sergts.	0	6	1	4	7	3	6	7	—	38
Officers	1	0	5	0	7	5	5	0	6	—29

Sergeants—Matthews 3b, Cowan 2b, Holmes lf, Howard rf, Angus p, Jones c, Carr 1b, Carter lss, Jennings rss.

Officers—Royce 2b, Blackwood 5b, Storey p, Davison lss, Findlay rss, Complin c, Wyatt cf, Bond rf, Heron 1b. Umpire, McGaw.

The officers of the 48th Highlanders will pick their team from the following: Woodbridge (captain), Henderson, Michie, Cosby, Campbell, Brooke, Burnside, Darling, McKenzie, Harbottle, Isbister, McGaw, for their scheduled match in the Officers' Indoor Baseball League at the Armouries on Saturday night.

LACROSSE SLUGGERS FINED.

St. Catharines Jury Find Richardson and Harris Guilty of Common Assault.

St. Catharines, Dec. 14.—The cases of most general interest at the sessions were those against John Richardson and William Harris of the Athletic Lacrosse Club, charged with assault, occasioning actual bodily harm to Fred S. Dowling of the Orangeville Lacrosse Club, growing out of the game here last summer. Crown Attorney Brennan prosecuted; E. A. Lancaster defended.

The jury returned a verdict of guilty of common assault. Harris was indicted and pleaded guilty to a charge of common assault. Judge Collier passed sentence in the Richardson case, imposing a fine of $25 and costs of the prosecution, in all over $100.

In regard to the case to which Harris had pleaded guilty, the judge imposed a fine of $5 and costs.

Varsity Lacrosse Club.

The annual meeting of the University of Toronto Lacrosse Club was held yesterday in the Students Union, and was well attended. The various reports showed the club to have had a successful season last year. The usual eastern trip was suggested, and an invitation was received from British Columbia, which will likely be accepted.

The officers for next season were elected as follows: Hon. President, President Loudon; president, A. E. Snell; vice-president, Frank Walsh; manager, W. Hanley; captain, H. Graham; executive committee, B. Greig (4th year), F. P. Potvin (3rd year), A. Martin (2nd year), G. Stanley (3 and 4 year med.), F. Sutton (1 and2 year med).

Toronto Whist Club.

A very interesting compass whist game was played last evening, a number of visitors being present, including Messrs. Hutchinson of Brockville, Hanley, Baines, Dr. Hood, H. C. Davis, S. B. Gundy, Dr. Goldie, A. R. Clute, Fred McEachren, Fred McDonald, George and Alex. Sinclair. Plus scores were made by Messrs. Hutchinson and Davis, Armstrong and Baldwin, Wyndow and Sinclair.

Checker Final To-Night.

The match between Shand and Moore in the checker tournament last night resulted in a tie, with one in each and a draw. They play off this afternoon; also Dixon and McArthur, and the victor in each will play off the final, likely to-night.

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CANADIAN HORSES IN MONEY

Zoroaster Won at Tanforan—Wenlock and Ice Drop Second and Third at New Orleans.

PRELIMINARY DERBY WEIGHTS.

News and Gossip of the Thoroughbreds and Harness Horses —To-Day's Card.

New Orleans, Dec. 14.—Andes and Laureate were the only winning favorites over a heavy track to-day. In the second race the books laid the fat price of 12 to 1 against Chamberlain, who made a show of his mild. Monk Wayman and Donna Rita, who captured the remaining two events, won as they pleased.

First race, selling, 7 furlongs—Andes, 102 (Mitchell), 3 to 2 and 3 to 5, 1; Trebor, 106½ (McJoynt), 7 to 2 and 4 to 5, 2; Chicopee, 106 (Rose), 30 to 1, 3. Time 1.31. Can I See 'Em, Volandies, George H., Ketchum, Jennie F., Nekarnis and Springtime also ran.

Second race, 6 furlongs—Chamberlain, 103 (Boland), 12 to 1 and 5 to 1, 1; Eldrim, 103 (Mitchell), 5 to 2 and even, 2; Ice Drop, 103 (Thompson), 15 to 1, 3. Time 1.18½. Clara M., Crane, Adair II., Pedantic, Harry Lucesco, Falsehood, Kitty G., Fuller, Man of Honor, Schieyette and Irene Hayes also ran.

Third race, selling 1⅜ miles—Monk Wayman, 111 (Vandusen), 7 to 2 and 6 to 5, 1; Jimp, 104 (Narvaez), 13 to 5 and even, 2; Ramiro II., 103 (Thompson), 15 to 1, 3. Time 2.29¼. Joe Shelby, Lobenguia, Good Order, Jackanapes and Kodak also ran.

Fourth race, handicap, 1 mile and 70 yards—Lauretta, 105 (Loupee), 2 to 1 and 4 to 5, 1; Lackman, 100 (Boland), 9 to 2 and 6 to 5, 2; Compensation, 103 (Slack), 3 to 1, 3. Time 1.45½. Col. Cluke, Jolly Roger and Manilius also ran.

Fifth race, selling, 1 mile—Donna Rita, 101 (Mitchell), 11 to 5 and 4 to 5, 1; Wenlock, 101 (Thompson), 30 to 1 and 8 to 1, 2; Bill Jackman, 107 (Stevens), 12 to 1, 3. Time 1.45¼. Samivela, Seaport, LaGrange, Pan Charm, Nannie Davis, Shinfane, Aide Belle, Very Light and Dolly Regent also ran.

Entries: First race, 6½ furlongs, selling—Miss Ross, Little Billy, McAlbert, Sandurango 103, Aratoma 105, Lord Neville 106, Wiggins 107, Debride 114.

Second race, selling, 1 mile—Princess Murphy, Harry Preston, Prospero, Lillian Reed, Juanetta, Match Box 104, Chancery, Bright Night, Trimmer, Havelock, Shinfane, Tobe Payne 107, Robert Raikes, Tyran, Big Indian 109.

Third race, selling, 5½ furlongs—Troubaline, Brooch, Cheri, Azuca, Fiylotta 99, Profit, Sadie Burnham 101, Inlook 102, Miss Mae Day 102, El Caney 104, Macie Marie, Tom Gilmore 106, Leiogray, Russell R. 107, Fleuron 112.

Fourth race, handicap, ⅞ mile—Ninety Cents 95, Vilinge Pride 96, Lackman 99, Maroni, The Sluggard 104, Koenig 106.

Fifth race, selling, 1⅛ miles—Monongah 97, Astor 100, Barataria 102, Elkin, Forbush, McCleary, St. Lorenzo 103, Jimp 105.

Preliminary Derby Weights.

New Orleans, Dec. 14.—The weights in the preliminary Derby Handicap of $2000, for 2-year-olds, which will be run on Saturday, were announced yesterday. Sixty-three are eligible to start. Out of this number a field of at least 12 is expected to go to the post.

As was expected, Thompson Bros.' colt, Sidney Lucas, who made a sensational showing toward the close of the eastern season, goes in at the top weight, 127 pounds. It was necessary to pitch the top weight that high, as the list takes in a wide range of capability. Sidney Lucas has been at the track since the close of the Hennings meeting, and has been doing everything asked of him in his work.

Next to him in the estimation of the handicapper are the fillies Cleora and Flaunt, who are in at 119 and 118 respectively. The latter is asked to give weight to Hagerdon, Sam Fullen and Red Cross II. The latter is in well at 111 pounds.

The most likely candidates, with their weights, are as follows:

Sidney Lucas 127, The Rush 120, Cleora 119, Flaunt 118, Hagerdon 117, Sam Fullen 116, Florizar 114, Brownie Anderson 112, Dissolute 108, Fluvron 115, Prince of Veronica 108, Belle of Orleans, Alex 109, Macie Marie 105, Frelinghuysen 107, Caviar 105, Silver Coin 102, Misricordia 106, Vendig 105, J. Lucille 104.

A Year in the Grand Circuit.

Starting at Detroit and ending at Providence 474 different horses took part in the various races down the Grand Circuit. One hundred and thirty trotters won money and 117 pacers were within the brackets, leaving 227 that started and did not win a cent. Among those which won over $2000 are Hal B., Royal Baron, The Abbot, Bonnatello, Charlie Herr, Cresceus, Dare Devil, Eagle Flanagan, Elloree, Greenbrino, Gayton, Lecco, Letah S., Lord Vincent, Kingmound, Owyhee, Pani Pry, Precision, Peter the Great, Rubber, Surpol, Success, The Queen, Ace, Anaconda, Billy Andrews, Bob Fitzsimmons, Coney, Dariel, Edward S., Frank Bogash, Free Bond, Harry O., Joe Patchen, Johnny Agan, Lady of the Manor, Nicol B., Prince Alert, Royal R. Sheldon, Shade On, Searchlight, The Maid and Toboggan.

Zoroaster Won Handicap.

San Francisco, Dec. 14.—Tanforan results; raining; track sloppy. First race, ⅝ mile, selling, maiden, purse, 2-year-olds—Burdock, 115 (Burns), 2½ to 1, 1; Morford, 118 (Beggen), 3½ to 1, 2; Sisquoc, 115 (Songer), 4 to 1, 3. Time 1.04. Billy Moore, J. V. Hoys, St. Agnes, Sam Dannenbaum, Upper Crust and March Seven also ran.

Second race, ¾ mile, selling—Maud Ferguson, 105 (Thorpe), 6 to 1, 1; Grand Sachem, 104 (Walsh), 40 to 1, 2; Genua, 92 (Vittice), 6 to 1, 3. Time 1.18. Rosabra, Amasa, Magnus, Uncle True and Good Hope also ran.

Third race, 1 1-16 miles, selling—Imperious, 104 (Jones), 4 to 1, 1; Meadowthorpe, 110 (Burns), 4 to 1, 2; Montanus, 101 (Songer), 7 to 1, 3. Time 1.51¼. Tappan, Merry Boy, Espionage and Jennie Reid also ran.

Fourth race, ¾ mile, purse—Ventor, 104 (Spencer), 4 to 5, 1; Ballista, 104 (Songer), 6 to 1, 2; Hard Knot, 107 (Jones), 9 to 5, 3. Time 1.17. Zurich and Blooming Chance also ran.

Fifth race, ¾ mile, selling—Silver Tone, 105 (Burns), 6 to 5, 1; Sweet William, 104 (Bullman), 6 to 1, 2; Tom Cromwell, 107 (Jones), 4 to 1, 3. Time 1.17. Mike Ryan, Sallie Goodwin and Rio Chico also ran.

Sixth race, 1 mile, handicap—Zoroaster, 114 (Spencer), 2½ to 1, 1; Wyoming, 105 (Bullman), 2½ to 1, 2; Napamax, 105 (Thorpe), 4 to 1, 3. Time 1.45. Dunblane and Mamie G. also ran.

Gossip of the Turf.

Fitzgerald's work with the flag at New Orleans so far has been very satisfactory.

The old gelding Egbert died at the New Orleans track recently of lung fever.

Fritz, the Australian trotting champion, is alleged to have gone a trial mile over a grass half-mile track in 2.10.

When the weights permit, J. J. McCafferty will ride himself at New Orleans. McCafferty says that the boy Boland, who is now riding for him, is the most promising jockey he ever had in his employ.

Burns & Waterhouse recently purchased a full brother to Scarborough, winner of the California Derby, for $400.

There is no yellow fever scare in the South this winter, and New Orleans is fairly alive with health and pleasure-seekers from the North.

Reports from Boston state that the horse business throughout New England is in the best possible condition, and that the demand for good horses is better than it has been for years.

In honor of the Paris Exposition, an international trotting race will be given in Paris next year. It will be a free-for-all at two miles for a purse of $8000.

Among the prominent bookmakers doing business at New Orleans are: Ed Austin, Marsh Redon, J. B. Harrison, Tom Childs, J. M. Murphy, Ben Falk and Jim Duckworth.

Little Brown Jug, 2.11¾, the horse that first drew attention to the Tom Hal family of Tennessee pacers, from which Star Pointer, 1.59¼, springs, died the other day within a few miles of the farm where he was foaled 24 years ago.

Seven of those eligible for the Tanforan Stakes started on Wednesday. Advance Guard opened favorite at 6 to 5, but a heavy play on Wallenstein and Limerick sent his price back to 4 to 1. Wallenstein was backed from threes to 8 to 5, while Limerick's price fell from sixes to fives. Spencer, who had the mount on Advance Guard, handled him in grand style and landed him a winner by a length. Hindoo Princess, at long odds, beat the good thing, Wallenstein, a head for the place. Limerick showed a little speed at the start, but finished absolutely last.

N. Dyment was twice in the money yesterday at New Orleans, third in the second race with Ice Drop, whom he recently purchased from Mike Daly, and second in the fifth race with his Courtown gelding Wenlock. Carruthers & Shields were first at Frisco with their good horse Zoroaster in the handicap.

KNOCKING DOWN THE TEN PINS.

Oarsmen, Soldiers and Men of Risk Win Their Opening Games in Section 2.

The first three games in series 2 of section 2 of the Toronto Bowling League were played last night, with T.R.C., Q.O.R.B.C. and Insurance the winners, and Liederkranz B, Highlanders and Athenaeum as the beaten rollers, the majority of individual scores being small.

Q.O.R.B.C—		Highlanders—	
Dee	631	Stewart	651
Bailey	667	Rae	682
Treblecock	672	Selby	660
Meadows	593	Wood	623
Meade	633	Martin	561
Niblock	649	Davidson	684
Total	3845	Total	3844

Toronto R.C.—		Liederkranz B—	
J Smith	529	J J Zock	488
A Stretton	588	Harrison	413
J Clark	421	Zweifel	384
A Steel	445	Long	430
R Welsh	490	H Belz	412
Burgess	471	Dawson	452
Total	2953	Total	2568

Insurance—		Athenaeum—	
Lighbourne	649	McDonald	539
Edmunds	550	Holton	532
Molesworth	626	Gardner	524
Fairweather	503	Crawford	563
Keys	595	Beatty	513
Johnston	628	Boyd	556
Total	3551	Total	3227

—Standing of Section Two.—

	W.	L.	Av.	Night. Total.	Highest Total.
Insurance	5	1	501		3551
Athenaeum N	3	3	537		3856
Q.O.R.B.C.	3	3	640		3735
T. R. C.	3	3	492		3604
Liederkranz B	2	4	428		3895
Highlanders	2	4	640		3844

READY FOR THE ICE.

Schedule of the Wholesale Dry-goods Hockey League—Some Notes.

The schedule of the Toronto Wholesale Drygoods Hockey League of 1900 has been adopted as follows:

Jan. 5—John Macdonald & Co. at Gordon, McKay & Co.

Jan. 6—Wyld, Grasett, Darling Company at The Merchants' Dyeing and Finishing Company.

Jan. 12—Gordon, McKay & Co. at Wyld, Grasett, Darling Company.

Jan. 13—The Merchants' Dyeing Company at W. R. Brock & Co.

Jan. 16—Wyld, Grasett, Darling Company at W. R. Brock & Co.

Jan 19—The Merchants' Dyeing Company at John Macdonald & Co.

Jan. 20—The Merchants' Dyeing Company at Gordon, McKay & Co.

Jan. 23—John Macdonald & Co. at W. R. Brock & Co.

Jan. 26—John Macdonald & Co. at Wyld, Grasett, Darling Company.

Jan. 27—W. R. Brock & Co. at Gordon, McKay & Co.

Jan. 30—Gordon, McKay & Co. at John Macdonald & Co.

Feb. 2—The Merchants' Dyeing Company at Wyld, Grasett, Darling Company.

Feb. 3—Wyld, Grasett, Darling Company at Gordon, McKay & Co.

Feb. 6—W. R. Brock & Co. at The Merchants' Dyeing Company.

Feb. 9—W. R. Brock & Co. at Wyld, Grasett, Darling Company.

Feb. 10—John Macdonald & Co. at The Merchants' Dyeing Company.

Feb. 16—Gordon, McKay & Co. at The Merchants' Dyeing Company.

Feb. 17—W. R. Brock & Co. at John Macdonald & Co.

Feb. 23—Wyld, Grasett, Darling Company at John Macdonald & Co.

Feb. 24—Gordon, McKay & Co. at W. R. Brock & Co.

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Parkdale Hockey Club.

The Parkdale Hockey Club held their annual meeting last evening at the Ocean House, corner King and Queen-streets, when the following officers were elected: Hon. patrons, Messrs. Alex. Fraser, Rev. D. C. Hossack, W. Edmandson, J. J. Ward, E. W. Day, R. E. Menzie, A. H. Keith, Alex. Asher and G. N. Reynolds; honorable president, J. E. Knox; honorable vice-president, C. E. Good; president, John Kane; first vice-president, R. McDonell, jr.; second vice-president, Charles McCullough; third vice-president, John Wilmott; manager, W. H. Andrew; captain, Jack Clemes, secretary-treasurer, W. E. Belcher. The boys have secured the old Graham Nail Works and work is nearing completion, and they expect to have the best hockey rink in the city.

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After the Puck.

The Executive Committee of the O.H.A. will meet to-night at the National Club to draw up the season's schedule.

The Simcoe Hockey Club will place three junior teams on the ice this winter, one each in the O.H.A., City League and Lacrosse League. James Barry will manage the junior teams of the Simcoes again this year, while J. Ross Robertson, M.P., will direct the executive. The team will likely practise at the Mutual-street Rink.

At a meeting of Ingersoll hockey enthusiasts a league was formed with the following officers: Hon. pres., H. Irwin; president, W. L. Cameron; vice-president, W. D. Hook; secretary-treasurer, W. J. Robinson; chairman committee, N. L. Cameron.

A Railway Hockey League will be organized in the east; The Grand Trunk and C.P.R. of Montreal will place teams in with C.A.R. and C.P.R. of Ottawa. A meeting for organization will be held in Montreal Friday night. Fast hockey will be played in this league as senior men will be permitted to play.

Around the Ring.

Jack McClelland of Pittsburg and Kid Goulette have been matched to box 20 rounds at Bradford, Pa., on January 1.

Alf. Allen is getting in shape for his meeting with Barney Britton at the Capital rooms. The bout is to be at catch-weights and will be one of the preliminaries at the Capital tournament in Ottawa on Dec. 28.

In a letter to Harry Stout of this city Tom McCune, the well-known welter-weight boxer, says he is anxious to go against any one of his weight in Chicago. McCune is now in the east, but he will come out of here if he can get on a match. He would prefer Jack Bennett or Owen Zeigler.—Chicago Inter-Ocean.

The 20-round bout between Tommy White of Chicago and Art Simms of Akron at Cleveland was declared a draw at the end of the contest. White had all the better of the go from start to finish, his opponent seldom landing.

Next Monday night is the date for the battle between Jim Popp and Spike Sullivan at Buffalo. The bout ought to be an interesting one. The preliminary will be between Billy Wall of the Silver Star Social Club and Dick Meyers, said to be of the U. of B. football team. These men are said to weigh about 200 pounds each.

Word comes from Bradford, Pa., that the sport lovers from that hustling city are enthusiastic over the coming contest down there between Eddie Burns, the Detroit whirlwind, and Eugene Bezinah, the clever and hard-hitting Cincinnati boy. They are to go 20 rounds at 138 pounds, and it is safe to predict that the battle will be a grand one to look at.

The main bout of the inaugural show of the Capital Amateur Athletic Club at Ottawa, Dec. 28, will be a 15-round affair between Jimmy Smith, the Canadian champion, and the winner of the McMahon-Johnson contest at Buffalo next Tuesday. McMahon is the lad that gave Smith the battle of his life at Rochester last fall. Johnson is touted as a clever proposition from Pittsburg. Smith boxes St. Pierre in London Jan. 4.

The contest between Terry McGovern and George Dixon will take place in New York at the Broadway A.C., instead of the Lenox A.C., as the latter has gone out of existence. The same date, Jan. 9, will be utilized and the fight will be for 25 rounds at 118 pounds. The club has fixed the scale of prices for seats at from $5 to $15. McGovern is also scheduled to meet Harry Forbes at the Broadway A.C. in a 25-round bout on Dec. 22.

To Play Basket Ball With Hams.

At a meeting of captains of the different teams of the West End Y.M.C.A. Basket Ball League held last evening, it was decided to accept the challenge of the Hamilton Senior Y.M.C.A. team to a game, to be held in Hamilton on Christmas evening, and a return match to be played in the West End gymnasium on New Year's Day. J. Dempster was re-elected captain of the senior team, and 10 of the best players on the floor were chosen to form two teams to play a series of games, the first to be played on Friday evening, the 15th, at 7 o'clock. From these the captain, together with Messrs. Hurst and McVey, will choose the best five players to represent the West End. No admission will be charged to these games, and visitors are welcome. Hamilton has always been represented by a strong team, and the West End will need all the practice possible between now and Xmas to get in shape and to uphold the title held for some years of the premier representatives of basket ball in Canada.

Around the Athenaeum.

The Athenaeum Club reminds intending members that the Board of Directors meets Monday night, Dec. 18, and that applications must be in by Saturday night.

A shooting match, open to all members of the Athenaeum, will take place at the club range Christmas week, shooting to commence Tuesday night, Dec. 26, and continue until Tuesday night, Jan. 2. Each competitor may shoot as many targets of 10 shots each as he may see fit. The best score at the end of the series will be the winner of the secretary's prize. The rifles will be tested and put into first-class condition before the tourney starts.

Competitors for the vice-president's prize at English and three-ball billiards are reminded that play begins to-night.

This is compass whist night, and members are requested to be on hand at 7.30, as before the games start there will be an election of officers for the coming year, and other important business.

Chairman Good, of the Entertainment Committee, will receive the names of members willing to act with him on said committee. Those willing to act are requested to leave their names with the secretary.

An invitation has been sent to the members of the Argonaut Rowing Club, the Tecumseh and Toronto Lacrosse and several other clubs of the city to attend the address by Mr. J. L. Hughes, and the musicale to be held next Monday in the library of the club.

Sporting Miscellany.

The game of basket ball between teams captained by H. Moore and H. Taylor that was postponed from Nov. 23 will be played next Monday night at 9 o'clock at the Central Y.M.C.A. The gallery will be open to visitors.

The Night Owls once more came out on top when they defeated the Grand Trunk Club by 12 to 10 in a game of basket ball played in the Grand Trunk Y.M.C.A. Wednesday night. The feature of the game was the rough work of the Grand Trunk Club.

The last house party of the Ramblers' C.C. for the departing year was held on Wednesday evening last, and like its predecessors was a thoroughly enjoyable one. Progressive euchre was played, and over one hundred sat down. The prizes at the close of the game were presented to Mrs. Fred Kemp and Mrs. J. R. Copp. The evening's entertainment was brought to a close by a dance, which was thoroughly enjoyed and kept up till a late hour.

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After two years' faithful service as chief trainer for the Waterloo stables, Charles Boyle, sr., has retired to his Woodstock farm to be succeeded by Harry Blair, who received the appointment from Mr. Seagram two weeks ago.