



"Play for an outwick."

All-Comers' prize, a cup and four medals, on that occasion; but he beat the celebrated rink of Sparling, from Portage la Prairie, next day for the Grand Tankard. It is significant of the interest attaching to curling in Canada, when the *Toronto Globe* of March 3rd devotes three of its columns to a circumstantial account of the *fifteen games*, two or three every day for a week, and all but two successfully, played by Lindsay men during the tour. Their names deserve further record here: J. D. Flavelle, skip; J. A. McMillan, J. M. McLennan, W. H. Simpson. One of the rinks against them was skipped by an old (and Scotch) Hudson's Bay factor, James Robertson. Another of their opponents was a St. Paul team of Scots and Americans. What wonder that such victors were banquetted and presented with an address by their townsmen on their return.

In Manitoba and the Territories there is curling galore. Winnipeg and Calgary, Portage la Prairie and Regina exchange visits, and each of these places send curlers to the bonspiels not only of Winnipeg but of St. Paul, Minnesota, which now boasts of being headquarters for the game in the Northwest. The mention of Regina reminds me of a letter received the other day from a whilome member of the Montreal Thistle Club, Mr. James Brown, now living in Regina. I shall quote a sentence or two: "Dae ye mind yon match at the Thistle ice in 1875, —four Fredericks, Dufferin, skip, against four Jamies, Macdougall, skip, when the

Earl beat us, much to the chagrin of 'The Boss Miller?' Man! there's only twa o's Jamies left. *Tempus fugit*, and is ever changing, but we may live to meet yet and hae a chat o'er the auld days. Gude grant it."

The scale on which these western men arrange their bonspiels is something princely. The tankards, and the gold medals by the dozen, offered as prizes would bankrupt many an eastern club. But they are excellent curlers, and their hospitality is beyond praise. One rink from Winnipeg, of which Mr. S. Harstone was the skip, came down to the last Montreal Winter Carnival and visited Ontario cities, defeating almost everybody they encountered. But *en revanche* the celebrated rink, skipped by J. D. Flavelle, of Lindsay, went to Manitoba and Minnesota, and won ten out of twelve matches played, their winning majorities aggregating 87 points against losses of 12. The curlers of Manitoba have an association of their own, similar to the Quebec, the Ontario, and the Maritime Province branches of the Royal Caledonian Curling Club. Canadian curling bodies received



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