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SPORT

HOCKEY

Pro. Hockey for Hamilton. HAMILTON, Jan. 6.—The Alerts have evolved a pretty plan to dispose of their hand-picked hockey outfit temporarily. The team will be "disbanded" because of the expense of maintenance and the absence of opponents. It might be possible to play the Detroit and Syracuse teams but such exhibitions would not pay. As was announced at the time of the expose of the salary list, the Tecumseh and Toronto will take the pick of the local importations and the remainder will be offered to the Maritime Provinces League.

It is proposed to "reserve" the men for next season, when an out-and-out professional team will be organized and application made for membership in the National Hockey Association. Nobody seems to care to undertake an explanation of how the men are to be "reserved." This is the story, which was being circulated by local promoters to-day, but the skeptics make the observation that "faraway hills are always green."

BASEBALL

Appointment of Deneau as Manager is Confirmed

LONDON, Jan. 7.—The directors of the London Baseball Club met yesterday afternoon at the Grigg House. The most important business before the directorate was the written application for the management of their club for next season by George (Rube) Deneau. In fact, the meeting was merely called to formally accept the new manager, and give him a written acceptance, which was framed and copies of the same were sent to him and to Secretary Farrell, of the National Association of Professional Baseball Clubs.

President Sam Stevely, of the local club, will visit Deneau during the course of the next week or so, when on a trip to Detroit on business, and take up the matter with Manager Deneau, outlining the course of campaign about the men now on reserve. The matter of mustering the team for the 1913 pennant race will be left entirely in Deneau's hands.

"Oskee" Heard from

Earle ("Oskee") Neale, the spectacular outfielder of the London club, will in all probability not be seen at Tecumseh Park this coming summer; at least this is what he has given out to the local press directors.

Neale intends to continue with his college course, and to continue as a ball player would mean that he would have to sacrifice his college career. He is willing to report to the local club about June 20, after college closes, but will not consider coming here for spring training, as this time is most valuable in his studies. He would rather quit his baseball career than come to London early in May.

He also states that it would be useless to suspend or black list him as it would only mean that he would never don a baseball uniform again in organized baseball.

Berlin is After Keenan

The Berlin Canadian League Club now owned by the Twin City Athletic Association is making a determined effort to secure Joe Keenan for their manager this coming season.

President Kahle and Director Wm. Witt called the London man by phone yesterday, and Keenan will undoubtedly make a trip to the German City in the near future to talk over the club's prospects for the 1913 campaign.

From all appearances there seems to be no objections to the securing of the job by the gingery little infielder, who made such a creditable showing as the leader of the London club in the Canadian league during its first year. The directors of the Berlin club figure that a man to pilot their club this summer should be one who is well acquainted with Canadian League conditions, and it is for this reason they are after the London man.

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PLAY WRITING.

From the Waste-Paper Basket to Five Pounds a Word.

There is much gold in a successful play, but there are a few who have the good fortune to win it. Shakespeare, it is said, parted with his immortal "Hamlet" for twenty nobles (less than \$35), and he has his successors to-day, but removed, it is true, from him in genius, but men of no mean dramatic skill, whose work puts almost as little money in their pockets.

Not so long ago a well-known dramatist confessed: "I once sold for \$100 a play which was presented over two thousand times in London and the provinces, while others in which I have retained an interest have brought me next to nothing. Another has declared that for many years his revenue from his plays "would have been scored by a laborer."

And even our most popular dramatists can recall equally "lean years." Sir Arthur Pinero still chuckles when he tells how he commenced his play-writing career by exchanging "Two Hundred Pounds" (the title of his first bantling) for a set of shirt-studs.

"For my next venture, "Two Can Play at the Game," he wrote Mr. Boleman gave me a five-pound note. My third play, "Daisy's Escape," I wrote for Henry Irving, who, to my delight, handed me a cheque for fifty pounds. I can assure you I was very pleased to receive fifty-five pounds and a set of studs for about three months work."

Sir W. S. Gilbert received \$150 and a lecture for his maiden effort, "Dulcamara." "After I had received the cheque," Mr. Gilbert said (as he then was) once related, "the manager said to me: 'Let me give you a bit of advice, young man. Never sell such good stuff as that for \$150.' I took his advice and never again."

But happily there is a much brighter side to the dramatic shield, although it is presented only to the fortunate few. "A really successful play," a well-known dramatic critic wrote the other day, "may be said to be worth \$50,000, ten times as much, say, as the average successful novel. And as the actual number of plays written yearly exceeds 8,000, it produces the gratifying return of well over \$5 a word!

It is thus not difficult to credit the almost fabulous wealth which some of our most successful playwrights are credited, which, in one case at least—that of Mr. Barrie—has reached an average of \$125,000 a year. Mr. Barrie was at first very doubtful as to the desirability of dramatizing his charming novel, "The Little Minister." "But," reconstituted a friend, "there is \$200,000 in it, if there is a penny." And it has since been stated on authority that even this enormous sum has been doubled.

It is also very clear that, although the unsuccessful dramatist may work for starvation wages, his more fortunate brother at the top of the ladder of popularity need not envy the Lord Chancellor his five-figure salary, and can afford to smile at the income of a High Court judge or a bishop.

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Passing of a Famous Speaker.

A distinguished "old Parliamentarian" has passed away in the person of Viscount Peel, who was for a decade Speaker of the British House of Commons. Lord Peel once said, "There is little indeed to interest one in a dead Speaker."

But, however true that might be of the Speaker to whom his lordship was referring, Mr. Speaker Peel was one whom the dictum would certainly not be true. Lord Peel is interesting if only for one thing. The Act of Parliament which was passed a few years ago to prohibit the frequenting of public-houses by children in charge of their parents was Lord Peel's work, and if he never did anything else he deserves to go down to posterity as an honored statesman.

Whoever may have been responsible for that Act, it would probably never have become law had it not been for a fundamental part of Lord Peel's famous "minority report" of 1899. There had been a big Royal Commission to enquire into the conditions of the liquor trade in the "United Kingdom. Lord Peel was an admirable chairman, for, although not an abjective from alcohol, he was a sane advocate of restrictions upon the licensed trade.

River as Law Court.

To act in a legal capacity while enjoying a morning swim—surely a ludicrous record in the annals of law—once fell to the lot of Vice-Chancellor Shadwell. The then Duke of Newcastle had commenced to cut down the timber at Clumber, and so a rapid and wholesale manner as to cause the anger of his eldest son, Lord Lincoln, who, finding expostulations useless, turned to the law and sought an injunction to restrain his father. Although it was Long Vacation, he ordered his solicitor to press matters forward, and a magnificent tree was felled at an alarming rate.

So up to town posted the attorney, and had the affidavits drawn up the same night. The following morning he repaired to the Vice-Chancellor's house on the banks of the Thames, to find on his arrival that his lordship had gone for his morning's swim. With exemplary presence of mind he chartered a boat, and, after a stiff pull, came up with the judge, and at once stated his case. Meanwhile the Vice-Chancellor and water, and off the injunction being formally applied for, granted it forthwith and resumed his swim.

Forel Ameer Plays Golf.

The Ameer of Afghanistan has taken up golf keenly and has had good links laid out in the neighborhood of Kabul. The natives were much puzzled by the well-kept greens, but, recognizing the game as a royal one, they put the holes to a practical purpose. They got into the habit of placing petitions into the holes at night in the hope that they would reach the ameer when he was putting next day.

But his majesty's temper apparently was not improved by the royal game. He resented this attempt to take advantage of his recreations and ordered that all such petitions be burned unread.

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(Courier Leased Wire.)
LONDON, Ont., Jan. 8.—Two deaths from ptomaine poisoning at the record of a meal eaten from a can by the family of Mr. and Mrs. John Murphy, 29 Blackfriars street, West London, Tuesday four-year-old Christina died and this morning

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And a Suicide Take Place Couple Seemed to

(Courier Leased Wire.)
WINNIPEG, Man., Jan. 8.—A few minutes after they walked arm in arm into the private consulting room of Dr. Fletcher in the Somerset Hotel on Portage avenue at ten minutes past 8 this morning, Walter Eaves, an Englishman 28 years of age, placed the muzzle of a revolver at the forehead of Mrs. Alfred Hancock and fired a bullet into her brain, killing her instantly. He then turned the weapon upon himself and will die from the effects of three bullets fired into his body.

Geo. Rogers, an attendant at the doctor's surgery saw the couple enter and says they appeared to be of good minds. He was sitting in the next room and he says he heard no quarrel or argument. In the midst of their conversation he heard four shots and then the sound of the falling bodies. The woman's life was extinct when he rushed into the room. The man cannot recall the date. Eaves has lived in Winnipeg several years while the woman has been here some months. Nothing is known of her husband. It is believed the couple were lovers and jealousy may account for the crime. There is no suggestion of a suicide pact.

The Unionist Conference is On

(Courier Leased Wire.)
NEW YORK, Jan. 8.—A cable to the Tribune from London says: The adjourned conference of Lancia-shire Unionists, which had been fixed for next Saturday, has been postponed until January 18. A week ago Lord Derby advocated the silence cure for the dissensions which were rending the party. He said, however, that he would speak out at the proper moment, and indicated Saturday's conference as a proper time for making a statement.

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