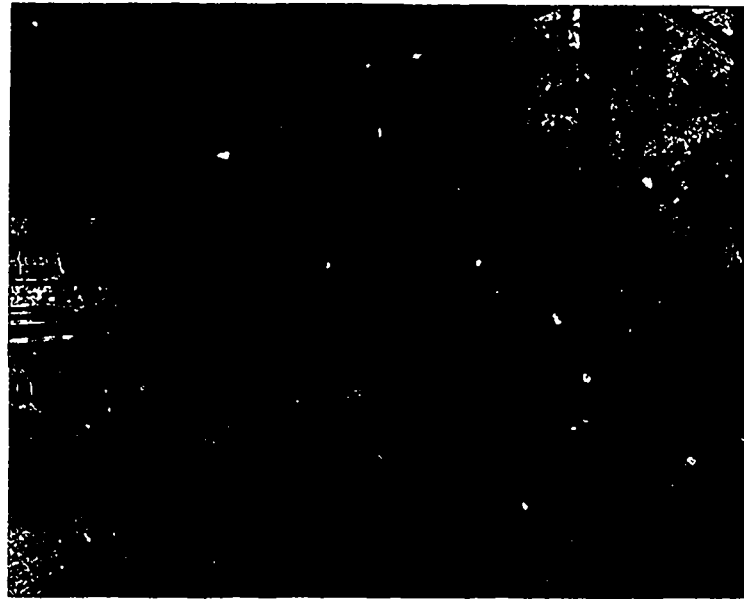


towards the erection of an addition to the Club House, the accommodation, which at first had seemed more than adequate, having become altogether insufficient, and the stock Company agreed to undertake the work provided that the Club obtained \$6000 new stock, a condition which was quickly fulfilled. The necessary property adjoining the Club on the west and north was purchased, but it was not until several years later that the addition was begun. In this year the O.A.A.C. Glee and Mandolin Club was formed and made its initial appearance at the Opera House in the presence of the Governor-General and a very large audience. It is to be regretted that this Club which showed excellent promise at its commencement has, like the snowshoe, the lacrosse and the baseball Clubs, passed out of existence. In this year also a fine public exhibition was given in the gymnasium by the members of the Boxing Class. So varied and important, to quote the annual report were the



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President, 1898-99.

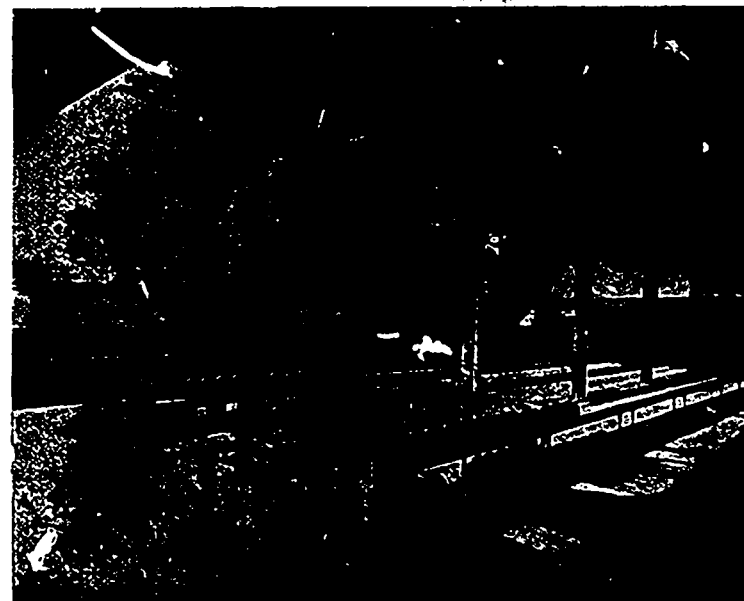
events which marked the progress of the Club in the next twelve months, 1894-95, that it was regarded as a red-letter year. The principal feature was the first bazaar which netted the handsome sum of \$2474.50, which was expended in permanent improvements at the Metropolitan Grounds, a controlling interest in which had been obtained by the Club. Great success attended the Bowling team which captured not only the Canadian, but also the International Championship, winning the latter from the Newark, N.J. Club, champions of the American Bowling Union. The Billiard team was also successful and still another honor was brought to the Club by Mr. W. T. Lawless who won the Canadian Swimming Championship. The Club also took a leading part in the memorable winter carnival of 1895. The report for the year records with regret the first break in the theretofore happy family of affiliated clubs by the secession of the Ottawa Bi-



The Billiard Room.



The Gymnasium.



The Bowling Alley.

cycle Club and also the fact that for the first time since their establishment, the annual handicap games, which though not always profitable in a financial sense, had been usually interesting and successful otherwise, were dropped. In the following year Mr. J. D. Fraser succeeded to the presidency, exercising a wise and beneficial supervision over the Club's affairs. The year was somewhat uneventful, little of note being recorded beyond the passing of lacrosse as one of our affiliated sports, the retention of the Bowling and Billiard championships, and the inauguration of weekly race meetings at night by the O.A.A.C. Bicycle Club which had been formed on the secession of the Ottawa Club in the last previous year. In 1896, Mr. Fraser being unable to serve a second year, retired, and Lt.-Col. Sherwood, to the great satisfaction of the entire club, was elected president. In this year the addition to the clubhouse comprising the Elgin St. En-



Mr. Harry Morrison,  
President, 1900.

trance Hall; Bowling alleys; Billiard Room; Board Room and Office; Gymnasium Stage; new Lavatories and Baths, and the Hall now leased to the Manual Training School, was begun and nearly completed, the opening taking place early in the next year. During the winter an open air skating rink was established on the Metropolitan Grounds but resulted in a serious financial loss. The experiment was tried again the following winter but without sufficient encouragement to warrant a further attempt. In 1897 the Football Club dropped out of affiliation. In the winter of that year the second bazaar was held the profits from which, amounting to \$2810.03 were expended in furnishing and equipping the new wing. During this period, gallery shooting, hand tennis, and basketball were added to the club's pastimes. The last named is regarded by its devotees as the coming indoor winter sport and already a championship series has been es-