

ed to drop chess on account of their being a large number of checker-players who would not join the chess club, accordingly a meeting was called on February 14th, 1878 and the Toronto Draught Club was founded, with Wm. R. Orr, President, since which time the membership has been steadily increasing. Among its many members are some of the best players in Canada. At the last election of officers, held in January of this year, the Sec-Treas. presented a report showing the club to be in a good financial position, after which the election took place and resulted in Mr. James Rennie being elected president for the ensuing year.

MARKHAM vs TORONTO

MARKHAM WINS BY 20 GAMES.

The checker-match between the Toronto and Markham clubs took place at the Franklin House, Markham, on Friday, February 3rd, and was participated in by fifty lovers of the pastime. Play began at 8.30 and lasted till an early hour in the morning, after which an oyster supper was given by the Markham club. A large number were present to witness the match, including J. Hill of Providence, R.I and C. Pickering of Baltimore, Ont. who played six games, an account of which will be given in our next issue. Following is the score of the match;

Markham.	Won	Toronto.	Won.	Dr.
Dr. F. Black....	3	R. Dissette.....	2	1
J. Laurie.....	0	G. Fletcher.....	4	2
Dr. W. S. Black..	2	J. Rennie.....	1	3
T. B. Reeve.....	2	W. H. Shockey..	2	2
S. McConnichie..	3	S. D. Baldwin..	1	2
A. J. Smith.....	4	Geo. Tait.....	1	1
R. Pardon.....	2	J. Godwin.....	2	2
J. Campbell.....	0	M. McNamara..	3	3
W. Scott.....	3	T. Johnston....	3	0
T. Walker.....	0	E. W. Duggan..	5	1
W. Fleming.....	6	A. Asher.....	0	0
M. Ryan.....	5	W. Hogg.....	0	1
W. H. Hall.....	4	R. H. Gray.....	0	2
B. Jones.....	1	R. A. Fraser....	4	1

W, T. Scott.....	3	J. Steele.....	2	1
R. Mustard.....	4	A. Kirkpatrick..	0	2
N. Bell.....	3	D. McLean.....	1	2
J. Robb.....	4	F. S. Mearns...	1	1
Dr. E. G. Knill..	2	J. F. Craig.....	1	3
Capt. Reesor....	2	W. Crawford....	4	0
J. J. Barker.....	4	J. S. Hallett....	2	0
J. Riley.....	1	S. Crawford....	2	3
W. Mustard.....	2	R. S. Grant....	2	2
T. Manderson....	1	J. Young.....	1	4
J. Laurie, jr....	4	W. Darlington..	1	1

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Below will be found a record of matches played between Markham and Toronto

- (1) For the Caledonian Cup, at Markham, eight players a side; Toronto, 22; Markham, 21; drawn, 5
 - (2) At Markham, Toronto, 31; Markham, 26; drawn, 15.
 - (3) At Toronto, Markham, 25; Toronto, 30; drawn, 17.
 - (4) Forty-six players met in Toronto last winter, Toronto winning 56; Markham, 55; drawn, 29.
- Toronto and Hamilton have played twice each scoring a victory.

TORONTO DRAUGHT CLUB.

THURSDAY, FEB. 2—A large attendance present and final arrangements made for the match at Markham. It was found impossible to send as strong a team as they would like to on account of a number of their first-class players being unable to leave the city. The following is a few of the scores for the evening:

Dowsell	3	Kirkpatrick	3—0
Steele	3	Young	3—0
Kirkpatrick, W	3	Gouffingly	2—1
Darlington	2	Breckenridge	1—3
McClean	3	Welsh	2—1
Walker	3	Craig	2—1

THURSDAY, FEB. 9—The cold weather froze the members in and the consequence was a small attendance but an interesting time was spent. A resolution was passed eulogizing the Markham club for the kind and hospitable reception tendered to the Toronto team and expressing a hope that they would have the privilege of returning the compliment at an early date.