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Curling and Hockey in Buffalo.

Buffalo, Dec. 20.—The Buffalo Caledonian Curling Club held an exceedingly animated meeting in the quarters in the rink last evening, and, besides electing officers for the year 1900, discussed new methods of making the rink property more profitable.

The officers elected were as follows: President, Peter A. Vogt; vice-president, George Hager; secretary, George P. McArthur; treasurer, John Hamilton.

There was a good deal of argument between representatives of the curling club and the Buffalo Quoiting and Curling Association, a domestic corporation from which the club leases the rink. Finally, A. A. Berrick and Peter A. Vogt were designated a committee from the corporation to confer with representatives of the Iroquois, Masten Park, Central High School and University of Buffalo hockey teams, who have made a proposition to lease or rent privileges in the rink. This committee will in turn report back to a Curling Club committee, consisting of George Hager, John P. Fisher and George McArthur. It is more than probable that there will be hockey playing at the Caledonian Rink this winter.

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MISCELLANEOUS NEWS GOSSIP.

Veteran Joe Popp Returns From Buffalo and Confirms Report That Jim Failed to Train.

Arthur Irwin will begin coaching the team of the University of Pennsylvania in the cage Jan. 15.

J. J. Eakins has sold the crack two-year-old, Montanic, by Montana—Walnut, to W. C. Whitney for $10,000.

At a meeting of the Dundas Hockey Club, A. Higginson was elected captain, and H. G. Robertson, secretary.

San Durango, the favorite in the first race at New Orleans yesterday, was well and profitably played in Toronto.

Jack Daly of Wilmington and George McFadden of New York are to box 20 rounds at 135 pounds at New York next Saturday night.

Dal Hawkins and George McFadden have signed articles to meet in a twenty-round contest at Waterbury, on January 11. The weight is 133 pounds.

Major Taylor, the colored cyclist, has decided to pass up religious scruples and accept that $15,000 offer to ride in France on Sundays and other days.

The Excelsior Hockey Club will hold a meeting at the Grand Central Hotel Friday evening at 8 o'clock sharp. All members must be present, as very important business is to be discussed.

John Kelly of New York, who has had charge of Mr. A. McLaren's racing stable at Buckingham, Que., has moved the string of ten horses to Ottawa, where they will be handled in future.

President W. F. Schulte of the Louisville Jockey Club, has called the American Turf Congress to meet in extraordinary session January 15, 1900, to consider the question of dates for western tracks.

The Montreal-Ottawa Railway Hockey League which has just been organized promises to be very popular this winter, and all the hockey people agree that the teams in that bunch can put up the very best game.

The following team will represent the Highlanders in their game at the Armouries to-night at 8 o'clock: Woodbridge (capt.) 2b, Cosby lf, Brooke 3b, Darling ss, McKenzie p, Burnside rf, Isbister ss, Campbell 1b, McGaw c.

Albert C. Bostwick, chairman of the Committee on races, of the Automobile Club of America, has sent an acceptance of the challenge to race in Paris, and with the acceptance enclosed a draft for 3000 francs as a forfeit. The club has made three entries.

This evening a compass game will be played at the Toronto Whist Club, to which visitors are cordially invited. After the first of the new year a pairs competition for gold medals will take place, and meanwhile members are requested to arrange for partners.

Big Ed. Dunkhorst is now at Hot Springs, where he is training for his battle with Jack Sieiser before the Hot Springs Athletic Club on Dec. 22. He will return to Cleveland immediately after the contest, and will be ready to meet any man in the world.

The faculty of the University of Georgetown has given its sanction to the formation of a rowing association, and the enthusiasm of the students over the fact is very great. The aim of the rowing club will be to get representative freshmen and Varsity crews in the intercollegiate regatta that is held annually at Poughkeepsie.

Bobbie Thompson writes from New York that he would like to get on in Toronto with anyone at 133 lbs. He was satisfied with his showing against McFadden, on whom he landed at will, but getting careless the Canuck received one in a clinch that put him out. Archie McEachren would also like to get in the ring again here.

The following players have been chosen to represent the West End Y.M.C.A. at Hamilton on Christmas day: H. Maguire and J. Brown, forwards; A. Allen, centre; W. Nicholas and J. Barnett, defence. The team had a full practice last evening, and a game has been arranged for this evening (Thursday), at 8 o'clock, with a picked team from the Central (Yonge-street) Y.M.C.A. No admission will be charged.

A likely looking scrapper from Chicago, named Campbell, blew into the city yesterday with plenty of confidence and a good sized scrap book. He is just back from the Klondike, where good purses are picked up for any old sort of a bout. He boxed Young Corbett at Skagway, and his short end of the purse was $500. Campbell came across Frank Slavin and Denver Ed Smith in the west, and their fortunes, quoted up in the thousands, may be only imaginary.

After it was all over Spike Sullivan said: "I am not saying that Popp laid down, and he may be a good fighter, but he is like all the rest of these fellows who think they are champions—Erne, O'Brien and the rest included. I make my money out of the public, and I want to give them a good show for it; but one man cannot do it alone. My forfeit money is up to box Erne, and if it is not met before Jan. 17, I will take it down and claim the lightweight championship."

Messrs. Ed. Badenach and Geo. Gooderham have been elected Ontario Tankard skips for the Granite Club. Mr. Badenach, whose rink captured the Walker trophy last winter, must re-arrange his team this season, as J. W. Drynan, his second player, leaves shortly on a purchasing tour in England. Geo. Hargraft will take the vacant place, and with Geo. Higinbotham leading and Joe Irving vice-skip this quartet should again be nicely in the running for the big single rink prize.

George Dixon, the feather-weight champion, is preparing for a hard siege of training, in order to fit himself to fight Terry McGovern. He is now at West Baden Springs, in Indiana, where he takes the mud and sulphur baths. Dixon will have to be at his best when he meets the Brooklyn puncher, and he knows it. He has watched McGovern closely in his fights, has studied his methods and two weeks ago began to prepare himself to withstand the bruising rushes that he must meet.

H Company, Queen's Own Rifles, held a successful meeting last evening, and organized their indoor baseball team for the coming year, electing the following officers: Lieut. J. M. Davidson, president; Lieut. E. C. Complin, captain; E. B. Wilson, secretary-treasurer; E. G. Tyler, T. Leckhart, E. G. Cole, J. F. E. Dixon, J. Barns (Col. Sergt.), E. L. Middleton, J. Hutchinson, L. Dixon, Sergt. W. Stephenson, W. McArthur, J. F. Winlow, Geo. Jackson, G. H. Weir. Every member is requested to turn out at the Armouries on Tuesday next.

Lance Corporal Leigh was killed in the battle at Belmont. He made a reputation as a football player. Being an athlete he joined the football team connected with the 6th company of his regiment, the Guards, which secured the Company Football challenge shield in season 1897-8. Leigh, who played outside right, was fortunate in scoring the only goal by which the trophy was won by his team. Before leaving Northwich he was a member of the Victorian Football club, the leading organization in Mid-Cheshire.

Joe Popp and his son Willie, the clever 110 lb. amateur, returned from Buffalo yesterday. The veteran boxer corroborated the belief prevalent here that Jim was in no condition for his engagement with Sullivan. All his training was done three days previous to the fight. After several attempts to work successfully under management from across the line, the Canadian champions will once more come home for advice, and it is still possible that he may get into condition for a contest. Popp and Billy Lavigne split amicably on Tuesday. His defeat by Sullivan has not hurt him, as Jim has received this week good offers from New York, Chicago and Detroit.

ON THE RUNNING TRACKS.

Fred Perkins and Marble Among Also Rans at New Orleans—Only Two Favorites Won.

New Orleans, Dec. 20.—San Durango and Prospero were the only winning favorites over a heavy track to-day. In the first Aratoma ran away a mile and a half on the way to the post and the stewards decided to refuse her entry in the future. Kerin got a fall from Theresa in the steeplechase, but escaped injury.

First race, selling, 6 furlongs—San Durango, 127 (Boland), 4 to 5 and 2 to 5, 1; Judge Quigley, 124 (Patton), 15 to 1, and 5 to 1, 2; Jim Hogg, 121 (Lines), 9 to 1, 3. Time, 1.19. Rushfields, Tophet, Wilfrid Laurier, Northumberland and Langdon also ran. Aratoma was left at the post.

Second race, selling, 1 1-16 miles—Phallas, 109 (Mitchell), 9 to 2 and 8 to 5, 1; Indian, 104 (Jones), 7 to 1 and 5 to 2, 2; Russell R., 107½ (Dupee), 5 to 1, 3. Time, 1.56. Jodee, Staira, Rangee, Satan and Reponen also ran.

Third race, steeplechase handicap, short course—Brakeman, 141 (Williams), 5 to 1 and 2 to 1, 1; Chezemite, 138 (Hueston), 5 to 1 and 2 to 1, 2; Zufalig, 147 (Almark), 3 to 1, 3. Time, 3.14. Fred Perkins, Van Brunt, Clifton and Marble also ran. Theresa H. lost her rider at the seventh jump.

Fourth race, handicap, 7 furlongs—Forbush, 98 (Wedderstrand), 11 to 5 and 1 to 2, 1; Andes, 99 (Mitchell), even and out, 2; Supreme, 88 (J. Weldo), 30 to 1, 3. Time, 1.32¼. Monk Wayman, Ben Chance, My Chicken, Thurles and Swamp Angel also ran.

Fifth race, selling, 1 1-16 miles—Prospero, 95, (Bradford), 3 to 1 and 6 to 5, 1; Bright Night, 98 (Wedderstrand), 4 to 1 and 6 to 5, 2; Lord Neville, 107 (McJoynt), 9 to 2, 3. Time, 1.54. Can I See Em, Good Order, Elidad, Eidorpha, Wordsworth, Claroba and Domosetta also ran.

New Orleans entries: First race, ¾ mile—Vituria, Miss Mae Day 86, Dissolute, Arthur Behan 89, Prince of Verona 94, Big Indian 101, The Burlington Route 104, Free Lady 107, Moroni 110, Trillo 120.

Second race, stiling, ¾ mile—Flyolotta, Tremble, Irene Hayes 96, Sorrel Rose 101, Tom Gilmore 102, Chamberlain 104, Russell R. 106, Flueron 107, Lomond 108, El Caney 112.

Third race, selling, 1¼ miles—The Brewer 96, Monongha 97, Pan Cham 99, Babe Fields, Joe Shelby 101, Strangest 103, Admetus, Jimp 105, Henry Launt 109, Monk Wayman 112.

Fourth race, handicap, 1 1-16 miles—Matt Simpson 91, Water Crest 95, Forbush 97, Baratia 100, Strangest 103, Alpen 104, Compensation 106.

Fifth race, selling, one mile—Can I See Em, Chantilly, Samivel, Chicopee, Jim Conway, Cavallo 107, Lennep 109, Trebor 111, Moncreith 112, Walkenshaw 118.

A Pair of 15 to 1 Shots at Oakland.

San Francisco, Dec. 20.—Weather clear; track good, at Oakland to-day.

First race, 6 furlongs, selling—Jingle Jingle, 107 (Walsh), 15 to 1, 1; White Fern, 107 (Vittitoe), 2 to 1, 2; Correct, 107 (Burns), 10 to 1, 3. Time 1.15. Santello, Ramlet, Schancken, Croker, Furla, Nora Ives, St. Apollinaris, Synia, Racery and Ann Page also ran.

Second race, mile, selling—Whaleback, 112 (Spencer), 8 to 1, 1; Anchored, 112 (Jones), 4 to 1, 2; Favorsham, 117 (Ruiz), 2 to 3, 3. Time 1.42¼. Poor Lands, Victoria also ran. Stuttgart finished second, but was disqualified for fouling.

Third race, 6 furlongs, selling—Meddler, 109 (Jones), 3 to 5, 1; Alaska, 104 (Ranch), 10 to 1, 2; Dou Luis, 109 (Thorpe), 6 to 1, 3. Time 1.14. Major Cook, Grady, Mainstay, Silver Maid, Isabelle, C. H. Harrison Jr., Yaruba also ran.

Fourth race, 1¼ miles, selling—Dare II., 97 (Walsh), 8 to 1, 1; Dr. Bernays, 102 (Vittitoe), even, 2; Dr. Marks, 102 (Morse), 5 to 1, 3. Time 2.07. Persone, Coda, Owyhee, Glenn Ann, Stromo also ran.

Fifth race, selling, 6 furlongs—February, 109 (Vittitoe), 15 to 1, 1; Grand Sachem, 107 (Ruiz), 30 to 1, 2; Loving Cup, 111 (Weber), even, 3. Time 1.14. True Blue, Lost Girl, Recreation, Be Happy also ran.

Sixth race, selling, 6 furlongs—Bamboulla, 105 (Bullman), 4 to 1, 1; Allenna, 103 (Martin), 15 to 1, 2; Glissando, 106 (Songer), 30 to 1, 3. Time 1.14¾. Tanobe, Armistice, The Buffoon, The Lady, Monteagle, Miss Madeline, Prestome, The Scot, Kickum Bob also ran.

Clara K. Dropped Dead.

Ottawa, Dec. 20.—Clara K., 2.18 Ottawa's great five-miler and speed mare, dropped dead yesterday afternoon about five o'clock on Maria-street, near the bridge, while being exercised by her handler, Billy Harrison. Rupture of a blood vessel or heart disease was the cause of death. Dr. Gilpin was called, but found that he could do nothing. Clara K. was one of the best known horses ever sent on a campaign from Ottawa, and some years ago she captured a number of good purses for her owner, Mr. Harry Moore. At one time offers of $1000 for her were refused. In recent years she has been known as a great five-miler and was always inside the money.

Fox Eludes Two Packs.

West Chester, Pa., Dec. 20.—The West Chester Hunt had a lively five-hour chase after Reynard, the latter finally giving his pursuers the slip. With 20 hounds, in charge of William Corcoran, the Hunt jumped Reynard in the Paper Mill thicket, on the Brandywine. He took toward Jeffries' Bridge, with the hounds close on his heels, and they were joined on the Edward James farm by Charles Mather's English pack, in charge of Master-of-Hounds Poole. Here the fox crossed the Brandywine to the William Davis farm, where he turned and ran west, giving the hounds and horsemen a magnificent dash through West Bradford Township, making several circles en route. At Mine Hill, close to the village of Marshallton, Reynard succeeded in shaking his pursuers, and the packs were called together and returned to the kennels.

How to Succeed at Drop Kicking.

Hudson, the great kicker on the Carlisle Indian eleven, tells how he makes his remarkable kicks for goal from the field. His remarks are interesting, and may be valuable hints to would-be kickers on other football teams: "The way I do it is to take my position about 10 yards back of the centre man. When I get the ball I drop it end down, trying to make it as nearly vertical as possible. I step forward with my right foot or my left, depending with which foot I am going to kick. Most drop-kickers spend a great deal of time arranging the ball in their hands after they get it. I think speed in getting the ball away the most essential thing. And I have never had any blocked. I always try to get the lacing directly toward me or directly away from me, preferably the latter. If it is on one side it bears the ball off from the course. When I get the ball in my hands I simply turn my hands so that I can drop the ball vertically; that is, so that it will strike on its end. But I do not change the position of the ball in my hands."

City Checker Championship.

At the Munson tournament yesterday afternoon, Mr. Moore and D. McArthur played two games of the final match, resulting in two wins for Mr. Moore, Mr. McArthur having won from Dixon by 1 to 0, five being draws. The final will be played this afternoon at 3, which will decide who is the city champion and winner of the Munson bicycle.

Siler a Good Referee.

John L. Sullivan has a poor opinion of Jeffries, the present boxing champion. "That Sharkey fight was a terrible exhibition—twenty-five rounds without a knockout. Of course it's all over now, but I think I could have beaten either when I was right in less than ten rounds. Now, Fitzsimmons is a fighter, and although I was there, I don't see how Jeffries licked him."

"How about Siler's decision in the Jeffries-Sharkey fight?"

"It was all right. Siler is a good referee, more than can be said of many of these eastern men. If we had more like him fighting would be on a higher plane. I was sorry to see Moffatt break his arm. He seems an earnest young fellow with some promise."

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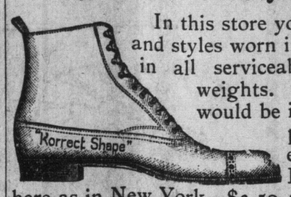

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SPECULATION AS TO NEW CABINET.

Hon. Hugh John Macdonald Says Mr. Roblin Will Be One of the Executive—Winnipeg News.

Winnipeg, Dec. 20.—(Special.)—Lieutenant-Governor Patterson returned this morning from Toronto, where he has been on private business since before the Provincial elections. His Honor, seen by a reporter, said he had little of public interest to say, as his business had not been on official matters, but strictly private. He would not make any statement whatever on matters pertaining to the elections, or as to the future action of the Government; and when asked if people were correct in surmising that he intended to resign in the near future, he replied, "The people must have something to surmise about. I do not know what would be done if they had not."

Roblin is Safe Enough.

At St. Francois Xavier to-day Returning Officer Lavallée for Woodlands declared R. P. Roblin elected by a majority of 156 over A. A. Martin, Government candidate.

Hon. Hugh John Macdonald to-night said that after the prominent part Mr. Roblin has taken in Provincial politics, he will undoubtedly be one of the leading members of the Conservative Executive. It is reported that Mayor Andrews and J. A. Davidson will also be members of the Executive.

Baldwinson (Con.) was to-day officially declared elected for Gimli by a majority of 8.

Settlers Are Going in.

No fewer than 849 homesteads were taken up during the month of November in Manitoba and the Northwest.

Petition for Hilda Blake.

The petition for commuting the sentence of death passed on Hilda Blake to imprisonment for life was signed by 487 Winnipeggers, including nearly all the church pastors and a large number of other leading citizens. The number is thought large, considering the short time—three or four days—the petition has been before the public.

Saddles Wanted in a Hurry.

T. F. Hutchings has received an order for 500 saddles for cavalry to be used in South Africa. The supply has to be in England before Jan. 15.

The Bye-Elections.

An Ottawa despatch says arrangements will not be much longer delayed for holding all the bye-elections, Winnipeg with the rest, and the date generally spoken of is about the middle of January.

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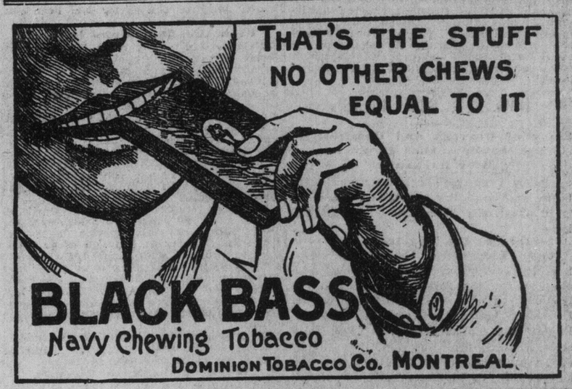

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