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ANOTHER FOR THE RENNIES

Intermediate Bank Hockey Championship Begins.

St. Michael's Seven Score a Victory Over Knox College Students—Queen's Team Start for Home From New York—Outside Curling in the Ontario Tankard Primaries—The Skating Championships.

The Rennie rink won another game yesterday. They played their match in the first round of the single-rink competition with J. E. Hall at Parkdale, and the Flodgerly Suburb skip will tell you how hard it is to score against them. Parkdale tallied first, and then the Rennies got three. Parkdale stayed behind, and after a dozen ends the tally was 15 to 3. They pulled up near the close, and the score was given out as 21—14.

Caledonians.	Parkdale.
John Rennie,	W Banton,
A B Nicholls,	G Schofield,
Thos Rennie,	C Wingfield,
Robt Rennie, skip...21	J E Hall, skip...14

TORONTOS DEFEAT GRANITES.

H. A. Drummond (Toronto) beat J. Littlejohn (Granite) by a single shot in a single-rink championship match at the Granite Rink last night. Score:

Toronto.	Granite.
H A Drummond, sk.22	John Littlejohn, s..21

THE PORTAGE BONSPIEL.

Portage, Wis., Jan. 27.—The international bonspiel came to an end to-day. The winners of first prizes in the principal events are as follows:

Foster Trophy—Won by McDiarmid of Winnipeg, Man. St. Paul's Jobbers' Union Trophy—Won by Robertson of Arlington. In this event McDiarmid secured fourth. Duluth Jobbers' Union Trophy—Won by McConnchie of Cambria; McLeod of Duluth second.

The single-rink international trophy, four gold medals, goes to McDiarmid of the Granite Club, Winnipeg. He beat Cameron of Rat Portage 11 to 1 in the final game.

BUFFALO IN GROUP 9.

Niagar Falls, Jan. 27.—The Buffalo curlers defeated the two Niagara Falls Tankard rinks here to-day. The ice was in good shape, but the Falls curlers showed up in bad shape.

Niagara Falls.	Buffalo.
C Mitchell,	J B Nebelhoer,
Alex Fraser,	G J Metzer,
A Anderson,	P Heilig,
W L Doran, skip...24	Dr H C Frost, sk.16
A Gray,	H Zeller,
W Phillips,	P A Almas,
A Frayer,	J Berrick,
R E Powell, skip.... 8	A A Berrick, sk..29
Total.....32	Total 45

PLAY IN GROUP 14.

Sarnia, Jan. 27.—The first day's play in the primary competition for the Ontario Tankard took place to-day at St. Andrew's Rink. The ice was in excellent condition. Sarnia in the forenoon defeated Detroit by 12 shots, and Toledo defeated Bay City by four shots. The following is the score:

Sarnia.	Detroit.
John Chester, skip..23	J Dodds, skip....17
J McGibbon, skip...23	T Williamson, s..17
Toledo.	**Bay City.**
W A Coldham, skip..20	H M Gale sk.....12
A D Colwell, skip...22	A W Mitchell, s..26

BANK INTERMEDIATES.

The Intermediate series of the Bank League started yesterday up in Huron-street, when the Bank of Commerce team met and defeated the Imperials II. team by a score of 8 to 6. At half time the score was 6 to 3 in favor of the winners. Commerce II. (8)—Goal, Foster; point, Sanson; cover, Elwood; forwards, Moss, Laidlaw, Logan, Miller.

Imperials II. (6)—Goal, Foster; point, Wilson; cover, Wood; forwards, Cosby, Temple, Cartwright, Watson.

Referee, J. Ardagh, Bank of Toronto; umpires, H. H. Wylie, W. Mitchell.

ST. MICHAEL'S 3, KNOX 2.

There was a sound of revelry when Knox faced St. Michael's on the St. Michael's rink yesterday afternoon. The divines on Spadina-avenue, have not been practising with brooms and limbs of shade trees for the last couple of weeks for nothing, and when the students of S.M.C. sent them a challenge they borrowed hockey sticks and invested in seven pair of 50-cent spring skates, and went forth to do or die.

The game was fast and furious, and might have resulted in a victory for Dr. Caven's dead games had not Shaw, who was doing some terrible rushing, got a black eye, and had to get on the fence, but not before he had shot a goal. Bob Dickie also did some heavy work for Knox, and would make a great player if he could only skate.

The St. Michael's boys do better combination work than Knox, and are better skaters. They won by 3 to 2. The teams:

Knox (2)—Goal, Hunter; point, Hare; cover, Roe; forwards, Gray, Shaw, Graham, Dickie.

St. Michael's (3)—Goal, Cassidy; point, Kelly; cover, Fitzgerald; forwards, Crowley, Roach, Salder, Pagean.

YOUNG LADIES OF ORANGEVILLE.

Orangeville Jan. 27.—The young ladies of Orangeville have organized a hockey club, with the following officers: Hon. president, Mrs. John McLaren; president, Mrs. T. T. Paul; first vice-president, Mrs. Ketchum Clarke; second vice-president, Mrs. J. F. Dodds; captains, Misses Nell Williamson, E. McKay; sec.-treas., Miss Edith Green; committee, Misses Irvine, Mann, Kidd, Hughson.

ICE-BOATING ON THE BAY.

They are teaming across the bay now, and notwithstanding the heavy fall of snow the iceboating is good.

The Toronto fleet this winter consists of 18 flyers, including the new ones just put under sails by Messrs. Ward and McDonald. The last named has a novelty in a boat with wooden runners that seem to hold the ice well.

The fleet will engage in a sweepstakes race next week. The first contest of the season will be a match race to-morrow between Quinn's Volunteer and Durnan's Jessica. Jimmy Rice, who has recovered from his recent illness, has changed the name of his yacht from Valkyrie to Snow Frost. The fleet made a pretty sight yesterday sailing through the snowstorm.

ICE CHIPS.

Old Orchard Intermediates play the Stars of Parkdale on the Close-avenue Rink tonight at 10 o'clock.

A championship hockey match was played at London last night between St. Mary's and London, which resulted in a tie—2 to 2.

It was John Littlejohn who curled in place of W. J. McMurtry against the Rennies on Tuesday in the Tankard competition.

The members of the Queen's College hockey team of Kingston, Ont., which has been making a short trip to New York, left for home yesterday.

Paris curlers have entered a protest to the O.C.A. Executive. They were not notified to turn up in Hamilton, and may be allowed to play off with the Hamilton Victorias for representation in Group 8.

In the Western Ontario Tankard curling matches, played at London yesterday, Woodstock defeated Glencoe by five shots in a two-rink match, and two rinks from Petrolea defeated two London rinks by nine shots.

Curlers from Seaforth, Berlin, Preston and Stratford competed at Stratford yesterday in the Ontario Tankard series. In the primary games, Seaforth beat Berlin 10 shots and Straiford beat Preston 23 shots. Stratford and Seaforth play off the final.

The Whitby Juniors, who claim to be the junior champions of this district, and who have never been beaten before, were beaten at Bowmanville last evening by the Bowmanville Juniors by the score of 5 goals to 3. J. Brant of Whitby refereed the game.

CANADIAN LEAGUE DELEGATES.

Only a Few of Them at St. Thomas—Cal Davis Stuck in a Snowdrift.

St. Thomas, Jan. 27.—The representatives of Canadian baseball league clubs met at the Grand Central Hotel this afternoon for the purpose of arranging for the organization of a new circuit and to decide upon the important question of protection under the National agreement, salary limit, etc.

Hamilton is represented by H. E. Moore and St. Thomas by J. Rivard, D. Handley and T. E. Scott. Delegates are also expected from Brantford and London.

The secretary, Cal. Davis, of Hamilton, has not yet arrived. He wired from Waterford that he was stuck in a snow drift near that hamlet.

THE INTER-STATE CIRCUIT.

Toledo, Jan. 27.—The annual meeting of the Inter-State Baseball League was called to order in this city this afternoon, the president, C. B. Power of Pittsburg, presiding. The principal business before the league is the composition of the circuit for 1897. It is thought the make-up will be as follows: Toledo, Youngstown, Dayton and Springfield, Ohio; Fort Wayne, Ind.; Saginaw, Mich.; Wheeling, W.Va.; and Newcastle, Pa. Dayton and Springfield take the places of Washington, Penn., and Jackson, Mich., in which cities the game did not prove profitable last season. The various managers all speak hopefully of the prospects for next season.

TORONTOS' EXHIBITION GAMES.

Manager Arthur Irwin writes W. A. Esom of the Toronto Ferry Company from Philadelphia that since leaving Toronto he has engaged for next season the following players:

William Baker, catcher, Hamilton; Geo. Bradford, pitcher, Guelph, and has purchased the release of Catcher McGuire from the Washington Club. He has also signed G. H. Dannehower, a left-handed pitcher, who has done splendid work around Pennsylvania, his record last year being 222 strike-outs in 21 games. He is now in negotiation for a couple of good outfielders. He has booked several dates for the trip in April. The team reports in Paterson, N.J., Thursday, April 8. First game, Saturday, April 10, in Paterson; Washington, April 12, 13, 14; Philadelphia, 15, 16; Baltimore 17, 19; Lancaster, 20, 21; Reading, 22, 23; Newark, 24, 26. The championship season will open April 26, with Toronto in the East.

The Orioles, the crack team of young players, who so easily defeated all the Senior League teams of last season, and lost the city championship after a hard game to a picked team of professionals and amateurs, will hold a meeting shortly to organize and elect officers for the following season. They will strengthen their weak spots, and, with the addition of a little new material, expect to be next season, as they were last, the leading amateur team of the city. Arrangements are now being made to open the season in a game with Varsity in the spring.

A 6-round go between W. Smith and F. Irvine was the chief feature on the card of the Excelsior Bicycle Club at Toronto Junction last night. The contest ended in the 5th, when Irvine landed a swing on the jaw, and Referee H. Walker counted Smith.

Thomas B. Greening, Hamilton, is at the Rossin.

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CALL IT COLD AT NEW ORLEANS.

Above Zero 22 Degrees and 1500 at the Races—Henrica Wins at 7 to 1—Songer Rides a Third.

New Orleans, Jan. 27.—There was the coldest weather in two years here, only 22 degrees above zero, and in consequence there were only about 1500 people present at to-day's races.

First race, 7 furlongs—Loudon, 107 (Dorsey), even, 1; Hanobelle, 102 (Taylor), 7 to 1, 2; Mrs. Bradshaw, 105 (Reiff), 6 to 1, 3. Time 1.34. Hallowe'en and Prig also ran.

Second race, 7 furlongs—Stansea, 104 (Reiff), 3 to 1, 1; Winslow, 104 (Garner), 7 to 5, 2; Dr. France, 105 (Hough), 12 to 1, 3. Time 1.34¾. Pearson, Proverb, Rover, Bombard, Lay On and Carver also ran.

Third race, handicap, 6 furlongs—Lonely, 97, (Clay), 4 to 1, 1; Sharon, 92 (Burns), 6 to 5, 2; Pete Kitchen, 87 (Songer), 5 to 1, 3. Time 1.17½. Robert Latta, Provident, Aureola and You O Me also ran.

Fourth race, 1 mile, selling—Basl Gad, 97 (Dorsey), 11 to 5, 1; Harmony, 103 (Meade), 5 to 1, 2; C. C. Rumrill, 98 (Barrett), 12 to 1, 3. Time 1.50. Laura Cottz, Plutus, Hippogriff and Text also ran. Text was left at the post.

Fifth race, 6 furlongs—Henricu, 96 (Reiff), 7 to 1, 1; Seelback, 97 (Clay), 5 to 1, 2; John Conroy, 104 (Beauchamp), 3 to 5, 3. Time 1.16¾. Prince of India, Vencedor, Double Dummy, Konston and Harry S. also ran.

CARD FOR TO-DAY.

New Orleans, Jan. 27.—First race, 1 mile, selling—Waldine 93; Martha Smith, Earl of Montrose, 95; Little Tom, 97; Henry O., Wesley, 110; John Dunn, 103; A.B.C., 114; Priz, 105; Gunwad, 107; Linnette, 110; Dave Pulsifer, 115.

Second race, 4 furlongs—Floss, 100; Kaiserine, 105; Lillian Russell, 110; Percy F., Col. Rowles, 103; Vanantwerp, George T., Todd, French Ford, 108.

Third race, 6 furlongs, selling—Amber Glints, 108; May Ashley, Jamboree, 113; Miss Rowatt, Lizzetta, 116; Sir John, Roubie, 118.

Fourth race, 7 furlongs—Renaud, 97; Cindeal, Favonne, 100; Partisan, 101; Tancued, Altadena, Busup, Bob Clampitt, Winslow, 102; Handenburg, 104; Partner, 107.

Fifth race, 6 furlongs—Annie Teuton, Mauritius, 102; Oldham, Benedt, 104; You O. Me, Little Music, Martin K., Poo Dixon, Glimmering, Brown Berry and Harvey B., 106.

IRON HILL RESULTS.

Iron Hill, Jan. 27.—First race, 6 furlongs—Jewsharp, 5 to 2, 1; Mohawk, even, 2; Eondo, 3. Time 1.16½.

Second race, 4½ furlongs—Lady Francis, 6 to 1, 1; Duke of Argyle, even, 2; Tam Caddy, 3. Time .58.

Third race, 6½ furlongs—First Light, 3 to 5, 1; Finnwater, 6 to 5, 2; W. T. Ellis 3. Time 1.25.

Fourth race, 6 furlongs—Otto, 10 to 1, 1; Fassette, 6 to 5, 2; Brilliancy 3. Time 1.16¼.

Fifth race, 6½ furlongs—Walnut Ridge, 20 to 1, 1; Pocket Pieces, 8 to 5, 2; Vent 3. Time 1.25½.

Sixth race, 4½ furlongs—Tom Harding, 3 to 5, 1; Criterion, 4 to 1, 2; Mamie R. 3. Time .58.

SEVEN RACES AT SAN FRANCISCO.

San Francisco, Jan. 27.—Rainy weather, track heavy, four of the seven first choices got to the wire in front.

First race, 1 mile—La Chance, 102 (Martin), 4 to 1, 1; Japonica, 110 (W. Martin), 30 to 1, 2; Examiner, 102 (Brown), 30 to 1, 3. Time 1.44¾.

Second race, 1 1-16 miles, selling—Benamela, 109 (W. Martin), 9 to 10, 1; Semper Lex, 107 (H. Martin), 5 to 1, 2; Flash Light, 102 (Slaughter), 14 to 5, 3. Time 1.50½.

Third race, 1 mile, handicap—Caspar, 99 (Jones), 7 to 2, 1; David, 104 (McHugh), 3 to 2, 2; Schiller, 104 (Slaughter), 7 to 2, 3. Time 1.42.

Fourth race, 1 1-8 miles, over four hurdles, selling—Mr. Reel, 128 (Cairns), even, 1; Tuxedo, 143 (Kinney), 3 to 1, 2; Governor Budd, 141 (Summerfield), 7 to 1, 3. Time 2.06¼.

Fifth race, 1½ miles, selling—Morte Fonso, 106 (Thorpe), 11 to 5, 1; Foremost, 87 (Thompson), 25 to 1, 2; Doyle, 99 (Slaughter), 11 to 5, 3. Time 2.38¼.

Sixth race, 1 mile—Grey Hurst, 113 (Thorpe), 8 to 5, 1; Lou R., 93 (Thompson), 18 to 5, 2; Stentor, 107 (W. Martin), 2 to 1, 3. Time 1.43¼.

Seventh race, 1 mile—Salvation, 110 (H. Brown), 11 to 5, 1; Unity, 105 (McHugh), 15 to 1, 2; Scimitar, 105 (Thorpe), 20 to 1, 3. Time 1.44.

PORT PERRY ICE RACES.

Port Perry, Jan. 27.—The first day's races of the 29th annual meeting of the Port Perry Trotting Association was held on the ice of Lake Scugog to-day. The day was all that could be desired and the track was in splendid shape, and sport was good. The attendance was large. Following is the summary:

2.35, trot, 7 entries:

Henderson, H. Scott, Caledonia..	1	1	1
Munshaw, Han. Woodruff, Whitby	3	2	2
Little Hector, J. Aldens, Fenelon Falls	2	4	3

Also started: Lulu B., O. Mowat, Burdle C., Sandy B.

Time, 2.25¼, 2.28, 2.26.

Green race, 5 entries:

Jessie Stannton, J. Angle, Raglan	1	2	1	1
Scugog Maid, J. McMillan, Port Perry	2	1	3	2
Prince Wilkes, G. McMillan, Pt. Perry	3	3	2	3
Johnny Mac, J. McMillan, Pt. Perry	4	4	4	4
Duke Green, Fenelon Falls...	5	5	5	5

Time, 2.50, 2.49, 2.45, 2.34½.

Program for Thursday: Free for all, County trot, 3-minute trot.

RESULTS AT ARNPRIOR.

Arnprior, Jan. 27.—The races took place here to-day and resulted as follows:

2.50 class:

Tim Driscoll's Lizzie D.....	1	1	1
G. Jamieson's Joe	2	2	2
James Young's Coby	3	3	3

Farmers' race:

G. Kennedy's Jenny Lind.....	2	1	1
M. Grace's Baby	1	2	2
James Harvey's Minnie H....	3	3	4
Henry Tripp's Long Jim	5	5	3
J. J. Wilson's Annie	4	4	5

Time, 3.05, 3.01, 3.03.

SHOOTING AT TARGETS.

Good Work From the Traps in Five Events at Woodbine Park.

Mr. G. H. Briggs had everything in apple order for the large number of shooters that went to Woodbine Park yesterday. A house for the pigeon men and a warm tent for the target shooters provided all that could be desired. Some 20 teams have already shot in the leading events, and quite a number are expected to-morrow. In the target matches Messrs. Robin Hood, Lucas, Fairbairn, Williamson and Reynolds did exceptional good work. Following are the scores of target events:

Shoot No. 1, 10 targets—G H Briggs 10, S Fairbairn 10, E Osbourne 9, H Reynolds 9, W H Dustan 10, C Lippitt 8, F Jones 8, Robin Hood 8.

Shoot No. 2, 15 targets—Briggs 10, Reynolds 15, Fairbairn 13, Dustan 13, Osbourne 13, Jones 11, Tippitt 14, Robin Hood 14, Dr Wilson 13, Reardon 14, J Crooks 10, Leavis 13.

Shoot No. 3, 15 targets—W Phillips 15, Dr Wilson 14, T Lucas 13, McDowall 13, Reynolds 15, Robin Hood 13.

Shoot No. 4, 15 targets—Wilson 12, Reynolds 13, Phillips 13, Reardon 14, Cooks 13, Lucas 14, Lewis 15, Hime 13, Fairbairn 15, Beatty 10, Collie 12, Robin Hood 15, D Blea 12, R Green 14.

Shoot No. 5, 20 targets—Lewis 19, Fairbairn 19, Reynolds 19, Wilson 16, Green 18, Lucas 16, Phillips 20, Crooks 17, Reardon 17, Robin Hood 20, F Jones 15.

Shooting will commence promptly at 10 a.m. to-day.

LIVE BIRDS AT THE FALLS.

Niagara Falls, Jan. 27.—The live bird shoot under the auspices of the Niagara Falls South Gun Club this afternoon, held at Poplar Park, was a great success. There being fair weather and complete day for good marksmanship, brought out a fair field of local knights of the gun. Scores:

Shoot 1, sweepstake, purse $25, 5 birds, live pigeons, 26 yards rise; 80 yards boundary—John Bampfield 5, A. Crowe 5, A. Anderson 5, C. Bowen 4, S. Lundy 0. Bampfield, Crowe and Anderson divided.

Shoot No. 2, sweepstakes, purse $30—James Williams 5, Harry Williams 5, John Bampfield 4, A. Crowe 4, James Martin 4, S. Lundy 4, C. Bowen 4, J. Snider 4, G. Anderson 3, James and Harry Williams divided.

Shoot No. 3, sweepstakes, purse $25—H. Williams 4, John Bampfield 4, J. Williams 4, J. Snider 3, A. Crowe 3, S. Lundy 3, C. Bowen 3, G. Anderson 3, James Martin 3, H. Williams, Bampfield and J. Williams divided.

Several Toronto hunters have entered for the jumping races at Saratoga, including Thorncliffe, All Blue, Dodo, Prince Charlie and Max.

CYCLISTS WERE ON SKATES.

The Tourists' Carnival Was Out of Sight.

ABOUT 1800 AT MOSS PARK.

Many Grotesque and Pretty Costumes Were Worn Last Night.

Who Won the Prizes—Some New Matters of Interest to Those Who Ride the Pneumatic Steed—The Cycle Show in Chicago—Brantford's Claims on the C. W. A. Meet for 1897—The Snowshoe Bike—Punctures.

The Tourist Cycle Club skating carnival, held last night in Moss Park Rink, was an immense success in every way.

That long, winding, open field of ice is admirably suited for carnival purposes, though it is about five years since such a festivity has been enjoyed there.

About 1800 people attended, most of whom indulged in skating, into which they threw themselves with a vim, especially during every number of the Queen's Own Band, who were elevated in their stand, made festive with hemlock and Chinese lanterns.

From the balcony of the Moss Park Club House the mass sof swaying skaters, keeping time to the waltzing measures, was a goodly sight; only the young man alone upon the balcony felt very forlorn when he saw that every other youth had a maiden fair beside him.

The judges appointed to ward the prizes were: Messrs. R Robinson, Ed. Richardson, A. E. Walton, Alex. Elliott and Joe Doane, and, in order that the costumes might be scrutinized by them to advantage, one end of the rink was reserved for them.

The prizes, after great deliberation—for many of the costumes were so excellent—were allotted as follows:

The most graceful skater, Frost Queen—Miss W. H. Douglass, 104 Lee-avenue, Kew Beach.

Historical—Columbus—Mr. Fleury, 18 Albert-street.

National—Canada—Mr. W. M. Wallace and Miss Delaney.

Most original—Miss Information—Mr. Cusack, 168 Tecumseh-street.

Boy under 14—Jockey—Gordon Ritchie.

Girl under 14—Gypsy—Della Tomlinson.

Other costumes which were greatly admired were: Monte Cristo, Mr. W. Ehrenholt, King-street; two little girls in blue, Misses Annie and Ettie Dymond, 258 George-street; Mephisto, J. Chisholm, 54 Salisbury-avenue; two very life-like frogs, Messrs. Harry Jennings and Tommy Cooke (Tourists); Casey's pipers, Messrs. J. Teifer, R. Holman and Mitchell (Tourists).

A handsome band of wild Indians, also composed of Tourists, descended upon the ice, wigwam and all, and were photographed, together with many another costume, by the ever-present photo fiend in the ball room at the close of the evening's merriment.

The president of the club, Mr. W. B. Campbell, announced that the committee will meet to-night to fix an early date for the distribution of the prizes in the Tourists' club rooms on Alexander-street.

The committee are: Messrs. D. Densmore (chairman), K. J. Allison (treasurer), Jerry Burns (secretary,) M. Sinclair and George Turner.

CHICAGO CYCLE FAIR.

The Manufacturers and Crack Wheelmen are Nearly All There.

Bicycle manufacturers and a large number of the crack wheelmen of the country are at Chicago at present attending the cycle show. From all accounts the fair in the Windy City beats anything conceived in the line heretofore. The wheelmen have taken possession of the Coliseum, and everything that is expected to be placed on the market in 1897 is to be seen at the exhibition.

THE C.W.A. MEET FOR '97.

Brantford Issues a Circular Showing Why She Wants It.

Brantford is hot in the running for the C.W.A. meet this year, and the wheelmen of that city have issued a circular setting forth the following as the advantages they have to offer:

1. We are in a position, which all bicyclists know, to offer inducements that no city in Western Ontario who are at present in the push can come up to.

2. We have a large membership, divided into two clubs, one of which ranks the sixth oldest in the association.

3. Our population is about 17,000. Our accommodation is all that can be desired and second to none but the larger cities.

4. Our central location, easily accessible from all points, east, west, north and south, by several branches of the G.T.R. and M.C.R., assures the public or good transportation arrangements and low rates.

A fifth argument is that they have three fast bicycle tracks, on which a number of records have been made. A sixth declares that the association will be better recompensed financially by having the meeting in Brantford than they have at any other meet. And a seventh claim is that when the visitors once get here they will have sufficient amusement and attractions to make it interesting, and there will be no desire on their part to go pleasure-seeking elsewhere.

A SNOWSHOE BICYCLE

With a Canopy Added is One of the Latest Yankee Productions.

The latest is the snowshoe bicycle, with the addition of a canopy for snow and rain. This very novel snowshoe bicycle has two long runners turning up at the front. They suggest a snowshoe at sight. Between them is the wheel, which the cyclist operates as though it were an ordinary wheel. As the wheel goes around the runners slide along and the cyclist gets there. Absolutely nothing retards him unless it be a strip of bare ground, when he must dismount and help his machine along. Bare ground wears but runners.

There are snaps, clamps and springs to hold the runners in place and connect them with any ordinary bicycle. When completed it may weigh a little more than any other wheel but it goes faster owing to the easy way it glides along the ground. This wheel is the work of Emil A. Peterson of Appleton, Wis.; the cover can be credited to a woman, Alice A. Bennett of Elgin, Ill.—two Westerners, who do not know each other, but have separately become affinities in designing different parts of the same good thing.

Punctures.

Arrangements are now being made for the annual dinner of the Q.C.B.C., and an energetic committee, of which J. S. Taylor is chairman, are working hard to make the affair a success.

The Queen Citys are talking of holding a carnival at an early date which will knock them all out.

The Canadian Wheelmen's Association will apply for the world's championship races for 1898.

Tom Cooper, the well-known racer, is about to go to California, where he will get into condition for the coming season.

Jacquelin, the French cyclist who won the prize bracelet, valued at 1500 francs, is compelled to wear it at all times and must always be ready to defend it at the shortest notice.

A Chicago paper says: "It is anticipated that among the speedy men on the front this year will be Angus McLeod, the young Canadian, who defeated the best men in that country."

The wheelmen of Philadelphia are up in arms against the new rules for the control of bicyclists in the various parks. They intend to carry the matter before the courts, and the Legislature if necessary.

The Club Disbanded.

Ed. World: To decide a bet kindly state if the West Association Bicycle Club is still in existence.—Bicyclist.

This club disbanded at the close of last year's racing season, and a score or more of its members joined the Tourists. When the club organized it was thought it would get more support than it did from the Y.M.C.A. in racing matters.

Dick Collier, the crack English middleweight, who came over with Jem Mace, is after Shadow Maber's title, and wants to meet Bosworth's conqueror in a 20-round contest for the Canadian championship. Collier prefers the earliest date possible.

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Bargains in Chenille Curtains, $1.50 worth $3, $2.50 worth $4.50.
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SKATING ON SILVER LAKE.

New York, Jan. 27.—The amateur speed skating for championship of United States was continued to-day on Silver Lake, Staten Island. The ice was in good condition, and a big throng of skaters watched the race. The quarter and five-mile championships were decided. The final heat of the former was won by E. B. Reynolds of Chicago, who defeated E. A. Thomas of Newburg by two feet after a close race. A. Y. Morgan of New York was third by four yards.

The five-mile race brought out eight starters. Thomas won by two yards from oConey. A desperate race between Phillips and McClave ended in favor of the latter, who beat Phillips by a couple of inches and finished third, 15 yards behind Cooney. Tomorrow afternoon the 10-mile championship will be decided. Summary:

¼-mile championship of the United States—Won by E. Reynolds, Chicago; E. A. Thomas, Newburg, 2; A. Y. Morgan, New York, 3. Time 37 2-5 sec.

Five-mile championship of the United States—Won by E A Thomas, Newburg; T Cooney, Cornwall-on-the-Hudson, 2; C McClave, New York, 3. Time 18.29 2-5.

One mile (scratch)—Won by E A Thomas, Newburg; John Larch, Cornwall-on-the-Hudson, 2; Charles McClave, Port Chester, N.Y., 3. Time 3.06.

Two miles (handicap)—Won by E A Thomas, Newburg (scratch,) Charles McClave (80 yards,) 2; Elmer Kent, Cornwal-on-the-Hudson (100 yards), 3. Time 6.14.

Seaforth curlers played off to-night with Stratford, and won by 6 shots. For Seaforth, Wilson's rink scored 15 and Pickard's 20. For Stratford, Nasmyth's 18 and Macfadden's 20.

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