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NOTE AND COMMENT

Ontario soccer football is suffering a loss this month by the removal of J. W. Ward from Stratford to the Y.M.C.A. in Edmonton, Alta. He is the secretary of the Ontario Football Association, a position he has held the past two seasons with credit to himself and benefit for the association. During his course at the normal school here, Mr. Ward played with the old Riversides, and was on the forward line when his team won the championship from Varsity. Mr. Ward was principal of the Stratford public schools before he accepted the secretaryship of the Y.M.C.A. Until the annual meeting of the Ontario Association on Easter Monday, D. Forsyth, honorary secretary, will fulfil the onerous duties of secretary.

President McCaffery is off to Chicago, where the meeting of the American Baseball League takes place this week. He has gone well equipped on his hunt for a manager, with no less a personage as traveling companion than Ed. Barrow, to whom Joe Kelley gave most credit for getting together the Toronto team that landed the pennant. So look out for a new manager and a good one soon if Barrow makes the selection. Taylor of the Boston Americans will be at Chicago, and the Thoney deal is expected to be completed. Toronto is to get a catcher and an outfielder for Thoney, and these men will probably be named. Mike Kelly, who would like to succeed Joe Kelley, will also interview the Toronto magnates at the Chicago meeting. Barrow and McCaffery are expected back on Friday.

Chaucer Elliott, when here on Saturday with the Montreal intermediate football team, had little time to take up the baseball question with the local people, as he was anxious to get off to London and other cities that may be good places for the proposed International League. He had a brief talk, however, with Mr. Walter Elliott of the Britannia Club. Mr. Elliott will visit London, St. Thomas and Brantford and probably some other places before returning to this city, when the matter will be gone into thoroly.—Hamilton Times.

Pat Powers' big annual bicycle race is now on in New York City. Its chief merit at this distance nowadays is the fact that the event is wisely put on during the off season, and a glance is taken at the position of the riders. A few years ago this grind was an all-absorbing topic in Toronto, when poor Archie McEachern was battling with the leaders.

Joe Gans, champion lightweight boxer of the world, is in the city this week doing a turn with his sparring partner at the Star Theatre. Joe is the same gentlemanly mulatto boy of yore and looks in fine condition, tho he says he has now retired and will accept no more matches, with the possible exception of one with Battling Nelson. When thru with the show business he will confine his attentions to his Baltimore saloon. Asked about a meeting between Burns and Johnson, Gans thought Johnson would be the favorite, but he likes the Canadian. "Give me the winning boxers same as the horses. They are the ones to back, and Burns goes on winning no matter what is said of him," is the way Gans sizes it up.

Gans had a talk with Jeffries recently on the coast, the big fellow refereeing his last bout, and the boilermaker stated that he would never again enter the ring. So Johnson is the only obstacle between Tommy Burns and the clearest hold on the championship. Gans blames Burns for not accepting a $20,000 purse for a match with Johnson before going to England to meet Moir for the $5000 hung up by the National Sporting Club.

An offer for the franchise of the Wilkes-Barre team of the New York State League was made to the owners by William J. Clymer, who is a resident of Wilkes-Barre, manager of the Columbus team of the American Association, and has won three successive pennants with it. The owners are now considering the offer. Clymer says that he believes if he owned it he could make Wilkes-Barre a pennant-winning team, and is convinced that such a team there would be a big winner financially.

Grand Rapids of the Central Baseball League has offered to sell out for $15,000, but the price is considered too high. Owner Arnold is now casting around for a manager. This time he is after Dick Padden, the old Toronto veteran, and the chances are good for a deal being made. The circuit will be made up as follows: Grand Rapids, South Bend, Fort Wayne, Terre Haute, Evansville, Dayton, Wheeling and Canton.

BRITISH GIRLS FOR CANADA.

(Canadian Associated Press Cable.)

LONDON, Dec. 9.—The Bishop of London spoke of the opening for servant girls in Canada, where they could not be obtained for love or money. There was a boundless field in Canada for the best girls who could get excellent wages and good treatment. He urged the necessity of Canadians having British wives and mothers.

Knocking Down the Head Pins In the Bowling Leagues

Maple Leafs Win Three From Merchants--Results in Printers', Central and City Leagues.

The Maple Leafs won three from the Merchants last night in the Toronto League, winning the middle frame by a slight margin. In the last game the Leafs had a chance to put in a record score, having 499 at the half, but they found it a long way home. Brock 577 was high man, followed by Stegman 535, Jeffrey and Allan 508. Scores:

Merchants—	1	2	3	T'l.
White	179	144	156—	479
Kellar	156	166	113—	435
Dissette	171	153	159—	483
Phelan	120	160	192—	472
Fisher	148	141	138—	427
Totals	774	764	758—	2296
Maple Leafs—	1	2	3	T'l.
Jeffrey	193	145	170—	508
Stegman	174	158	203—	535
Cooksey	189	164	131—	484
Allan	151	158	199—	508
Brock	206	163	208—	577
Totals	913	788	911—	2612

Printers' League Results.

In the Printers' League last night Book Room A won two from Caswell, while The Star took all three from Warwick Bros. & Rutter. Burkholder 537, Wilson 511, Parkes 510, Cook 507 and Raram 506 were the rollers over the 500 mark. Scores:

Warwick Bros. & Rutter—	1	2	3	T'l.
Curtin	115	148	124—	387
Nighswander	108	133	135—	376
Chambers	136	144	124—	404
Parkes	175	158	177—	510
Wood	164	129	158—	451
Totals	698	712	718—	2118
The Star—	1	2	3	T'l.
Abbs	120	171	116—	407
Coulter	151	145	182—	478
Burkholder	212	153	172—	537
Burnham	114	203	133—	450
Turvey	175	132	158—	465
Totals	772	804	759—	2335
Caswell—	1	2	3	T'l.
Wilkes	159	145	146—	450
McIlveen	159	120	121—	400
Campbell	158	118	118—	394
Davies	146	114	131—	391
Shore	131	167	172—	470
Totals	753	664	688—	2105
Book Room A—	1	2	3	T'l.
Letters	147	169	146—	462
Ruthven	125	146	140—	411
Haram	150	177	179—	506
Wilson	149	185	183—	517
Cook	141	162	204—	507
Totals	706	859	852—	2417

Aberdeens and Royal A Win.

In the Central League last night the Aberdeens won two from the Benedicts, while Royals A annexed three from the Beefeaters. W. Mansell 563 and Brown 536 were high. Scores:

Aberdeens—	1	2	3	T'l.
Bevis	136	183	146—	465
Spencer	144	134	141—	419
Miller	126	162	190—	478
F. Mansell	163	136	133—	432
W. Mansell	184	186	193—	563
Totals	753	801	803—	2357
Benedicts—	1	2	3	T'l.
J. Foster	152	169	120—	441
W. Foster	181	116	179—	476
J. Caster	153	115	140—	408
W. Woods	166	126	137—	429
C. Woods	156	131	149—	446
Totals	818	657	725—	2200
Beefeaters—	1	2	3	T'l.
Gourly	104	112	99—	315
Picken	128	141	116—	385
Joy	119	140	106—	365
Leathers	148	157	135—	440
Coulter	154	142	134—	430
Totals	653	692	590—	1935
Royals A. —	1	2	3	T'l.
Spence	127	192	170—	489
Johnston	125	143	103—	370
Brown	175	180	180—	536
Leslie	159	154	147—	460
Graham	144	159	136—	439
Totals	731	828	735—	2394

City League Results.

Royals D won three from Blue Labels in the City League last night, while High Rollers took the same number from Victorias. Mahoney (592) was high man. Others over the 500 mark were: Rae 524, White 516 and Vick 503. Scores:

Blue Labels—	1	2	3	T'l.
Jasmin	186	155	152—	493
Pare	108	144	114—	362
Quevillon	148	130	134—	412
Potvin	140	172	131—	443
Toussaint	124	124	154—	402
Totals	706	725	685	2111
Royals D—	1	2	3	T'l.
Rae	171	146	207—	524
White	176	175	165—	516
Vick	167	156	180—	503
McDermott	117	127	126—	370
Murray	160	151	143—	454
Totals	791	755	821	2367
High Rollers—	1	2	3	T'l.
Devitt	145	121	150—	416
Mahoney	220	172	200—	592
Edwards	148	143	150—	441
Reid	160	162	149—	471
Smith	156	171	144—	470
Totals	829	769	792	2380
Victorias—	1	2	3	T'l.
McKay	125	136	105—	366
Riley	153	143	176—	472
Harris	176	138	164—	478
Edwards	113	155	164—	432
Tomlin	165	145	164—	474
Totals	732	717	773	2212

Sidelights.

Torontos meet Queen Citys to-night in the Toronto League.

Canada v. Queen City and Integrity v. Albert are the games to-night in Class A of the Oddfellows' League, while York tackle Floral in Class B.

In the City League to-night, Big Five meet Orr Bros. and Royals C play Centrals.

Brock of the Maple Leafs will just about lead the Toronto League averages on the first round.

Benedicts clash with Bronchos to-night in the Central League.

Races Begin Feb. 1.

OTTAWA, Dec. 9.—The date of the Central Canada Racing Association meeting has been fixed for Feb. 1 to Feb. 8.

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OVER THE 525 MARK.

—Toronto.—	
Brock, Maple Leafs	577
Stegman, Maple Leafs	535
—Printers.—	
Burkholder, Star	537
—Central.—	
W. Mansell, Aberdeens	563
Brown, Royals A	536
—City.—	
Mahoney, High Rollers	592

Sporting Notes.

The Wellington B.B.C. will hold a meeting in the St. Dennis Hotel to-night at 8. All members are requested to attend, as business of importance will be transacted.

The City Junior League will open to-night, with Evangelia v. Reliance, on R. C. B. C. floor. As both teams are out to win, a good game may be looked for. Evangelia will line up as follows: H. Hoare, J. Deans, H. McGavin, J. Norris, J. Booth, J. Pickard.

Philadelphia Jack O'Brien will make an attempt this week to get back into the fighting game, when he will meet Bill Haveron of England in Philadelphia.

Golf is making great headway in South Africa, and no surer sign of the growing political tranquillity and commercial prosperity could be wished. There are already four golf courses within the municipal area of Johannesburg, and along the reef, east and west, a dozen more. There is even talk of municipal golf courses in the Transvaal.

The official averages of the Tri-State League for 1907 show that Delehanty of Williamsport is the leading batter, with a percentage of .355. Leaders in the field are: First-basemen, Shriver, Harrisburg; second-basemen, Gleason, Williamsport; third-basemen, Magoon, Trenton; shortstops, Johnson, Wilmington; outfielders, Beard, York-Reading; catchers, Voss, Trenton-York; pitchers, Wolfe, Wilmington. Sailee of Williamsport has the best pitching record, with 22 games won and 5 lost. Griffith's new pitcher, Manning, won 16 games and lost 9.

J. J. Dixon's noted high-stepper, Montrose, died on Sunday. The horse had won the King Edward Cup twice, capturing it the second time at the spring show at St. Lawrence Market. Montrose was considered by competent judges to be the highest type of heavy harness horse in America. He stood oper 16 hands high and weighed 1200 lbs. The gelding was trotting bred by Prohibition.

Hamilton Whist Experts Win.

The first of the home-and-home matches for possession of the trophy, which is played for annually between the Toronto and Hamilton Whist Clubs, was won on Saturday by the Hamilton team by the large margin of 30 tricks. The game was played here, each club being represented by 12 men. The first Hamilton team won by 14 tricks, the second by 7 and the third by 9. The return match will be played here in February. The following were the scores:

—North and South—	
Biggar and Shaw	224
H. L. Frost and C. A. P. Powis	238
Sinclair and Kidd	224
G. R. Judd and W. H. Robins	231
Beeton and Ball	230
Dr. R. B. Burt and J. T. Crawford	239
—East and West—	
W. M. Logan and J. Levy	231
Beharriel and Connolly	217
Dr. W. F. Langrill and Dr. Peters	231
Broughall and Ledger A.	221
C. W. Moodie and Dr. A. E. Hilker	225
Cannon and Amsden	216

All Saints' Juveniles Win.

All Saints' Juveniles defeatedu West End Septens in the first game of the Juvenile Basketball League last night on All Saints' floor, by 57 to 18. The winners were as follows: Fullerton, Schmidt, Spencer, Macklem and Cocken. Referee—Roper, All Saints.

Hockey Gossip.

Convenor E. Marriott has called a meeting of the clubs in Group 4, Junior O. H. A., for to-night, at his residence, No. 71 Shuter-street.

A meeting is to be held in the Waverley Clubrooms at 8 o'clock to-night for the purpose of organizing a town hockey league for the coming winter. Representatives from the different clubs and organizations at the Junction are requested to be present. It is the intention to have a senior, intermediate and junior series in this league.

The first organization of the Oakham's Hockey Club took place in their parlors on Dec. 6. A large number were present. The following officers were elected for the season: S. G. Smith, hon. president; H. Lamphier, president; J. Webb, secretary-treasurer; C. Cronin, manager. They are going to play independent hockey. Any persons wishing to arrange for games will please write C. Cronin, manager, 63 Gould-street, city.

Bruce Stuart, a brother of the famous Hod, has signed to play with the Wanderers this season, and now Ottawa sports are sore.

Steve Vair of Barrie, who played with Renfrew last year, may play with Guelph pros. this season.

The Western Group of the Senior O. H. A. will meet in Berlin to-morrow and draw up the schedule.

Hespeler do not relish being grouped with New Hamburg.

Stratford junior group draw up their schedule to-day.

The dog is, no doubt, the most intelligent of our domestic animals, and I yield to none in my affection for him. I can almost eat and sleep with a fine dog winter and summer. But I try not to deceive myself about his intelligence. It seems to me that if the dog had the least spark of wit akin to our own, that is, power of reason, his long association with man would have fanned it into a flame, however small. But after all these thousands of years of human companionship and love, he has less wit in some respects than his wild brothers, the fox and the wolf. Having been spared the struggle to live that falls to their lot, his cunning and sagacity have deteriorated. The same is true of the horse, which has less intelligence than the wild stallion of the plains, and for the same reason. These animals do not grow wiser as they grow less wild. They do not civilize or develop. We train them into certain ways that make them serviceable to us; we humanize them without adding to their mental capacity. In other words we cannot cross our intelligence upon theirs and make it fruitful in them. The germ will not take.—From "Animal and Plant Intelligence," by John Burroughs in The Outing Magazine for December.

Easy!

Somehow or other it isn't a bit hard to think of things other people have to be thankful for.—Indianapolis News.

SUB-COMMITTEE O.H.A. MAKE ALTERATIONS

Niagara Falls Added to Group 4 Intermediate and Tillsonburg Transferred to Group 5.

At a meeting of the sub-committee of the O. H. A., held yesterday afternoon, some slight alterations were made in the grouping.

The Oakdales of Niagara Falls were admitted to membership on condition that they play at the new rink, where the ice area is in keeping with the O. H. A. regulations. The Niagara Falls Club was added to Group No. 4, intermediate series.

Tillsonburg was transferred from Group No. 4 to Group No. 5, and Ayr from Group No. 5 to Group No. 6, as was also Goderich.

The 41st Regiment Club and the Crescents of Brockville have amalgamated and will play in the intermediate series under the name of the "41st Regiment of Brockville."

Chris Graham is President.

PETERBORO, Dec. 9.—(Special.)—An enthusiastic and largely-attended meeting of the local hockey club was held to-night at the Oriental Hotel. The Strathconas, champions of last year's City League, have practically taken the responsibility of contesting for the honors this season, and the officers elected at to-night's meeting are mostly the same as those chosen by the Strathconas at their annual meeting a short time ago. There is lots of material in the city for a seven and the outlook for a good team is considered promising.

The officers elected were: Hon. president, James Kendry, ex-M.P.; hon. vice-president, V. Eastwood; president, C. G. Graham; first vice-president, R. M. Glover; second vice-president, F. A. Clarke; secretary, F. D. Craig; treasurer, W. Regan; manager, W. J. Metheral; executive, C. Barber, L. Dobson, C. Wilson, W. E. Wasson, Dr. Wightman.

American League.

CHICAGO, Dec. 9.—At the American League meeting here on Wednesday it is believed that the question of transferring the headquarters from Chicago to New York will be put forward. The limitation of the number of men to be carried by clubs also will be recommended, and an attempt will be made to bring together the heads of the National and American Leagues and of the National Association, to see what can be done toward returning to the minor leagues the excess of players the major leagues hold contracts for. It is understood Pulliam favors allowing the minor leagues to buy back these men.

PLAYING BASKETBALL CENTRAL GYM TEAM WIN

Tongolas Will Clash With Touring Muscatines To-Night—City Junior League.

In the Central Y.M.C.A. Handicap League last night the gym. team (old timers) defeated the Tongolas II. 63—47. Tongolas had a handicap of 20 points and in the first half looked like winners, scoring 16 and holding the gym team down to the same number. In the second half the old boys got busy and it looked like old times to see Harding and Henderson playing their old combination game, and in this half they scored 21 baskets. Harding got 7, Jardine 4, Powell 7, Saulter 3, and Henderson 3. For the Tongolas II. Dow got 4, Smith 3, Russell 2, J. Armour 2, A. Armour 2. The teams lined up as follows:

Gym team (63): Jardine and Saulter, forwards; Harding, centre; Henderson and Powell, guards.

Tongolas II. (47): Smith and A. Armour, forwards; E. Dow, centre; Russell and J. Armour, guards.

The next game in this league will be between Church-street Old Boys and S.P.S., on Dec. 12.

Muscatines Play To-Night.

Everything is in readiness for the big game at Central Y.M.C.A. to-night with the touring Muscatines, who will arrive in the city this morning. The Tongolas, who will represent the association, are in fine shape. They had their final work out last night and expect to give a good account of themselves. The Muscatines have a record to be proud of, winning 21 games last season and only losing three, and for four years they have been champions of the Iowa State. At the present time they are on a trip from coast to coast and so far have won all their games by good scores as follows: Muscatine Y. M.C.A. 36, Muscatines 46; Morrison, Ill., 37, Muscatines 45; South Dakota, 18, Muscatines 29, Muscatines 59; Hope College, Holland, Mich., 26, Muscatines 70. One half the game to-night will be played Canadian and one-half American rules. The teams will line up as follows:

Muscatines: Fuller, Volger or Kautz, forwards; Williams or Lillibridge, centre; Hayes, Morgan or Williams, guards.

Tongolas: Slevert and Madget, forwards; Britton, centre; Henderson, Walker or Mayo, guards.

The preliminary at 8.15 will bring the Church-street Old Boys and All Saints together. The Saints are sending over a strong team and this game alone will be worth coming to see. Church-street Old Boys will line up as follows: Hunter and Clark, forwards; R. Rankin, centre; J. Rankin and Hayden, guards.

Baseball News and Gossip How Attendance Figures Lie

American League Boosted 300,000 in the Year—Looks Like Trenton Instead of Montreal in Eastern.

Not very long ago, says a New York writer, somebody compiled an unofficial set of attendance figures resulting from the championship games played by the teams of the American and the National Leagues. It was shown that the American League as a whole had drawn a total of 3,398,764, while the National League had attracted a total of 2,737,793, indicating an increase in the patronage of the former and a falling off in the latter. In the American League Chicago was posted at the top with 666,307, or an average attendance of 8963 per game, while in the National League New York carried off the honors with 538,350, an average of 7887.

These attendance figures were compiled from the estimated crowds and alleged turnstile counts as handed out by some of the baseball managers who believe in exaggerating everything if there is a chance to secure some free advertising. But as a matter of fact not one of the big major league clubs gave out the exact paid attendance at any time, for the reason that some years ago it was decided that such a course was not good business policy. It is but natural, therefore, that conservative baseball men have been ridiculing the exaggerated attendance figures in both of the major leagues, as they have been promulgated by persons who were unable to secure the true facts in the matter.

"When you figure on actual paid attendance for a whole season," said George T. Stallings, a veteran manager, who was discussing this point at the New York American League Club's offices yesterday, "you will find that 300,000 is about high water mark. I do not believe that any of the major league clubs ever played to more than this number of spectators, paid, between April and October, and those that were so liberally patronized made great profits."

It is claimed here that Trenton will be in the Eastern League in place of Montreal when the baseball season opens for 1908. Last year the town was a hot Tri-State League place, but when the season ended those who were wise said that it ended Trenton as one of the cities in the Tri-State League. On the streets yesterday in Trenton it was reported that Colonel Perine, owner of the Tri-State Club, had been in consultation with Frank Farrell of New York, principal owner of the New York American League Club, and Clark Griffith, the two owning the controlling interest in Montreal. It is known that Farrell and others would like to sell the Montreal franchise, and it may come to Trenton. Trenton, lying between New York and Southern points, would make an ideal spot to make short jumps to, and it is reported that things have progressed so far between Col. Perrine and Mr. Farrell that the $2500 required by the Tri-State League for the withdrawal of a team is about to be offered to the league.

Col. Perrine here says that he is in a delicate position at present. He admits that before he entered the Tri-State League he sought to buy the Montreal franchise in the Eastern League, but considered the $35,000 wanted for the franchise too high.

The New York Press says: Any tinware that is intended for Dan McGann should be forwarded to him at once. "Old Ky" has played his last game with the Giants, Merkle being his successor at first base and Mike Donlin as captain. The last move is an astounding one on the part of the owner of the New York Club, for were any of the veterans of the Giants to be retained it would lead to trouble. But the shift means that Manager McGraw will clean house with a vengeance, just as was predicted, and that he will not again don the spangles. Possibly some of the old guard would not relish the advancement of Donlin to the captaincy of the Giants, partjcularly as he was not with them last season, but McGraw is working on the basis that he would prefer a lot of colts whose ambitions are keen against a set of old-timers who were relying on past performances and who would object to a man who had not been in harness for a year being their field boss.

Donlin, altho absent from the Giants for a year, has lost no prestige either as a player or as a commander, and should be a popular field leader in 1908. Mike is a brilliant player and will not have to cover up any mistakes in play by beefing at the umpires. It has not generally been the plan for a team to pick a captain who was an outfielder, the old idea being that the field leader should be an athlete who guarded one of the inner positions.

In the old days Pat Donovan was a success as a captain when playing an outfield position, and in 1906 the White Sox won the American League pennant with Fielder Jones acting as captain and manager in centre field, thus jarring past performances.

Donlin undoubtedly will stick up for his rights, but being a natural player the burden of the captaincy will weigh lightly on him. The job of field leader did not trouble McGann much, as his record in 1907 shows, but the Kentuckian made his protests at the wrong time, generally protesting when his team was well on the way to victory and picking out the most infinitesimal issues to kick on. This gave him a bad name with the Pullman referees, who, when McGann had a legitimate grievance, often waved him aside. Donlin probably will follow the "Madame Sans Gene" tactics when his team is ahead and will suffer nothing when his team has a legitimate grievance. His acquisition means that the Giants will be far stronger than ever in the hitting line and particularly in pinch-hitting.

This is the inscription on Pat Powers' office door in the Flatiron building: "Irish Industrial Exposition Co." It isn't the "Irish" or the "Exposition" that makes one laugh. It is the "Industrial." Imagine Powers working!

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Baseball Magnates This Week Meet in New York and Chicago

Joe Kelley Expected to Sign with Boston To-Day—The American Leaguers Convene in Chicago.

NEW YORK, Dec. 9.—It is expected that fishing for managers and trading for players will principally occupy the attention of the National League magnates when they assemble for their annual meeting here to-morrow.

That Manager John J. McGraw will try to make a deal or two looking to strengthen the Giants is certain. A recent story from Cincinnati, credited to a director of the Reds, states that recently while McGraw and Secretary Fred Knowles were in Cincinnati, the New York management offered to exchange Roger Bresnahan for two Cincinnati players.

Herrmann has announced that he will this week give out the name of the man he has selected to succeed Ned Hanlon as manager of the Reds. Among those who have been mentioned for the place are Tommy Leach, John Ganzel, J. Ed. Grillo, Roger Bresnahan, John Kling and Ed. Ashenback.

President Dovey of the Boston Club, and Joe Kelley will possibly come to terms during the meeting. If they do Kelley will take away with him a three-years' contract to manage the Boston Club. Kelley has given his final word to Dovey on the question, but the Boston man, having been misinformed that Jimmy Casey of Brooklyn has signed to manage the Toronto Club of the Eastern League, offers Kelley a contract for one year. The liberal owners of the Toronto team, in return for Kelley's bringing that club from last place to the championship of the Eastern League, are willing to sign him at the terms he has given to Boston, to manage the Canucks from the bench, from the grand stand, or from the street, if necessary. At the present time Kelley is still under contract to the Toronto Club, and is signing players and doing other business for President J. J. McCaffery and Sol Solman, owners of the club.

Having been drafted by the Boston Club, Kelley must play in Boston next season or nowhere. Dovey has been quoted as saying: "I have made Kelley a good offer and won't make any better offer either. I am offering him another chance to make good in the major league." As a matter of fact, by drafting Kelley, he has secured a very valuable man for a small outlay.

THANKSGIVING DAY BROUGHT OUT THE CASH

New York Theatres Were Overwhelmed With Business—Thirty Thousand Turned Away.

Number of persons attending theatres	196,000
Receipts for matinee and evening	$150,000
Number of persons turned away (about)	30,000
"Standees"	6,000

More than $150,000 of New York's hoarded money, much of it in gold coin, was released on Thanksgiving Day. It went into the city's great trust companies of pleasure. It was spent to buy good cheer, for the pendulum of uneasiness for a day swung the other way and New York abandoned itself to gaiety as it has not before in many a month.

It is conservatively estimated that 196,000 persons attended the afternoon and evening entertainments of a dramatic and musical nature at New York's theatres, concert halls and opera houses. More than 30,000 men and women were refused admission because the places of amusement were sold out. Between 3000 and 5000 stood up and half as many more paid a slight advance to sidewalk ticket speculators.

Seats All Sold Week Before.

Theatrical managers expected a falling off in patronage. That the day was as profitable, if not more profitable than a year ago, is considered remarkable. At night there was not a seat to be had in a theatre in the city. In most instances the seats were all sold a week ago. Plays which have failed to draw well cleared their ticket racks when there were no more seats to be had at the popular entertainments. Shortly after 7 o'clock "standing room only" signs were to be seen the entire length of Broadway.

A little more than $12,000 was taken in at the Hippodrome during the afternoon and evening. At 4 o'clock in the afternoon a line began to form in front of the Hippodrome windows where 25 and 50 cent seats were being sold for the night show, and it kept growing and growing until long after the performance began. Some men stood in the line for more than two hours. When the doors were opened the crowd was so great that extra police were called.

"The Merry Widow," at the New Amsterdam Theatre, was unable to accommodate close to $15,000 worth of patronage. The two performances played to $5600, with more than a hundred persons standing. Malcolm Douglas, manager of the theatre, said that the line of would-be patrons extended from the box office to the street during the entire day, not a seat was left. Not in years has such a condition prevailed at Thanksgiving.

The receipts at the Stuyvesant Theatre, where David Warfield is presenting "A Grand Army Man," were $3700. "The Morals of Marcus" at the Criterion drew $3600, and "Tom Jones" at the Astor $3605. At the Broadway, patrons of "The Round-Up" left about $4500 at the box office. The Casino was richer by $5000 and the Herald Square by as much more.

"My receipts at my Colonial Alhambra and Orpheum Theatres, the latter in Brooklyn, were $7500 on the day," said Percy G. Williams; "hundreds of persons were turned away."

Eight other vaudeville theatres, including the Keith & Proctor houses and Hammerstein's Victoria, did proportionately as well.

Hammerstein Took in $12,000.

Oscar Hammerstein provided opera at his Manhattan Opera House at reduced figures and still took in $12,000. This was for two performances. At the Metropolitan something like $10,000 more was added for high-class music. All the concerts drew to capacity, and there were many of them.

There are in New York 100 stores converted into places where variety entertainments are given at five cents admission. These in ordinary times average $35 a day. Thanksgiving Day this average was increased and over $4000 was added to the total paid for amusement.

After seeing the plays the crowds headed for the restaurants. By 11 o'clock there was not a seat to be had in the favorite restaurants.

SIX DAY BICYCLE RACE.

Bobbie Walthour Withdraws—Seven Teams Are Tied for First.

NEW YORK, Dec. 9.—The six-day bicycle race, which started in Madison-square Garden at 1 a.m. to-day, had an eventful first day. Before the race had been running six hours there was a bad spill, in which four of the riders were so shaken up as to be compelled to retire temporarily from the track, and one team, composed of Harry Reynolds of Ireland and James Banyon of London, had to withdraw from the race altogether. There were 16 teams in the start of the race. The withdrawal of Reynolds and Benyon was followed at 9.30 by the announcement that R. A. Walthour, who had been a prominent figure in the six-day races for years, had withdrawn because of a lame arm and shoulder. The management of the race, however, declared that Walthour's excuse was insufficient.

During a terrific sprint in the sixth hour, Harry Reynolds of Balbriggan, Ireland, and James Banyon of London, England, the Irish-English team, in relieving each other collided, and both were so painfully injured that they were unable to continue. Reynolds suffered from a severe contusion of the left forearm, and his partner, Benyon, was bruised about the body and lower limbs.

The sprint was started by Breton, closely followed by Fogler, and after a rapid burst of speed, Dupree, Benyon and Reynolds well, the result being that Wilcox, Lawson, Galvin and Jacquelin each lost one lap and Limberg lost two laps.

All their remaining teams at this time had covered 154 miles.

Nat Butler, of the Downing-Butler team, withdrew from the race at 1.30 p.m. It was announced that his partner, Hardy Downing of San Jose, Cal., would form a new team by partnership with Matt E. Downey of Boston, formerly Walthour's partner.

At 1 p.m., the twelfth hour of the race, the seven leading teams—Fogler-Moran, Rutt-Stol, Bedell-Bedell, Dupree-Breton, Georget-Dupre, Logan-Bardget and Krebs-Vanderstuyft—had each covered 153 miles and 8 laps. The Downing-Butler and Samuelson-Mitten teams had lost one lap, and the others—the Lawson-Macdonald, Jacquelin-Vanoni, Wilcox-Williamson and Galvin-Wiley teams—had covered 253 miles 7 laps. Sherwood and Limberg were two laps behind the leaders, with 253 miles 6 laps to their credit.

Twenty-third hour score, midnight: Fogler and Moran, 453 miles 3 laps; Rutt and Stol, 453 3; Bedell and Bedell 453 3; Georget and Dupre, 453 3; Logan and Bardgett, 453 3; Krebs and Vanderstuyft, 453 3; Downing and Downey, 453 2; Lawson and MacDonald, 453 2; Samuelson and Mitten, 453 2; Breton and Varoni, 453 2; Wilcox and Williams, 453 2; Galvin and Wiley, 453 2; Sherwood and Lamberg, 253 1.

The record for this hour is 490 miles and 8 laps, made by Elk and MacFarland in 1900.

EXHIBITION AND THE OLD FORT.

Editor World: One of the city papers has quoted Dr. Orr as saying that the historical societies do not object to an eastern entrance to the exhibition so long as the old fort is not injured. Will you allow me to say that the historical societies never have objected to an eastern entrance, or an entrance from any other point of the compass, but they are unalterably opposed to the running of either a street railway or street thru the fort, and this week a joint meeting of representatives of the historical and patriotic societies passed a resolution reaffirming the position they took two years ago, at the public meeting in the old fort.

The societies oppose a railway thru these grounds because:

(1) The sole purpose for which the garrison commons were sought by the city was that the old fort might be preserved, "owing to its association with the early history of Toronto," and to block up and destroy both gates of a fort of a period when the gates were the key of the situation means the destruction, and not preservation, of it, from the historical standpoint.

(2) This fort is not only the chief remaining relic of Toronto's early history, but it is the burial place of hundreds of our late enemies, as well as those who fought for Canada in the great crisis of our history, and therefore these grounds should be held peculiarly sacred.

(3) These grounds are not the mere possession of Toronto, but are a trust for the people of all Canada, and societies from various parts of the country as far east as the maritime provinces have already protested against the proposed desecration. The fact that the majority against the Bathurst-street bylaw last year was larger than against any other bylaw, shows that the citizens of Toronto are also opposed to such a viclation.

(4) There are other routes that can be taken for an eastern entrance without interfering with the old fort at all. One of these routes, it can be shown, is as cheap, or cheaper, than the one thru the fort, but even if this were not the case the city would be bound by its own regard for good faith to seek some other means of access. Moreover, if no other eastern route were available, extra car lines to the exhibition will be provided on the level when the Grand Trunk depresses its tracks thru Parkdale, which it is bound to do very soon in its own interests.

There are many other reasons why a car line should not be built thru the fort, but surely the city's regard for its own good faith, and our regard for the burial place of men who died to save our country for the empire, are enough for any self-respecting citizen of Toronto.

E. B. Biggar.

Toronto, Nov. 30, 1907.

CIVIC REGULATION.

Editor World: I notice that the city is shortly to advertise for tenders for the leasing of the refreshment privileges at Centre Island, and would suggest that the city place a scale of prices on all picnic requirements, namely, spoons, jugs, tables, hot water, milk, etc., so that a maximum price will be understood by the many visitors to the island during the summer months, for in the past the monopoly of the privilege on the island has been so abused, and such excessive prices charged, that many picnickers have been driven to places where these necessities are more within reach by moderate charges. Thanking you for your valuable space

A Citizen.