

## *Athletics.*

At the annual meeting of the Winnipeg Amateur Baseball league, held on Friday, 17th April, the Railway Mail Service team were admitted to the Intermediate league. The R. M. S. delegates at this meeting were Messrs. A. Hammill and R. A. Borland. At the organization meeting of the club, held recently, the officers elected were: Patrons, Hon. L. P. Pelletier, B. M. Armstrong, controller R. M. S., and G. E. Kavanaugh, superintendent R. M. S.; honorary president, W. F. Lough; president, W. S. Lipsett; manager, J. A. Youhill; assistant manager, F. W. Byers; treasurer, A. A. McDonald; secretary, A. Hunt. This is the first year the R. M. S. have placed a team in any league, but the boys are very enthusiastic, and a successful season is looked for. The ambitions of the "travelling postmasters" is nothing less than the championship.

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An enthusiastic meeting of the English Rugby league of Ottawa was held on Wednesday evening, April 22nd, at the University club. It was decided to divide the players into the following clubs: Civilians, Bankers, Hornets, United.

It is estimated that the civil service contributes about two-thirds of the players. From these four a strong representative fifteen will be selected to play against outside teams. Several of the players of the Canadian game, such as Messrs. Stronach, Kilian, etc., have signified their intention of turning out with the "ruggers." Mr. Stronach was present at the meeting.

The public of Ottawa will now have their choice of the three styles

of football, viz.: Soccer, rugger, and the Ontario-Quebec game.

On Saturday, April 25th, the first spring practice was held on the Ottawa University grounds. Notwithstanding the wet weather, no less than thirty players turned out, among them being Messrs. Stronach and Williamson. It is evident that there is going to be a great revival of the old English game in eastern Canada. Montreal had a league with six clubs last year. This year the M. A. A. A. is entering a team.

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### **Civil Service Baseball League.**

A meeting of the league executive was held on Tuesday evening, April 28th, at which all clubs were represented. Arrangements were made for the drawing up of the schedule, which will not be commenced for some days, as the games cannot get under way until June 1st, which date sees the commencing of the four o'clock hour. The question of allowing professionals to take part in the games was advocated by some delegates, but a letter was read from the secretary of the Quebec branch of the A. A. U. of C., stating that such a step was against the rules of that organization. The remainder of the business transacted was routine. The next meeting has been called for May 12th.

At a meeting of the Interior Baseball club, held on the 25th instant, the following officers were elected: President, Wm. H. Hutton, accounts branch; 1st vice-president, C. B. Burns, immigration branch; 2nd vice-president, Edward Williams, surveys branch; secretary-treasurer, J. E. Laflamme, immigration branch; Manager, E. Deslauriers, registration branch. Committee, John Lansky, land patents branch; D. McCann, forestry branch; Jules Laflamme, Yukon and mining branch; J. Dowd, timber and grazing branch; H. Heyward, surveys branch.