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## A YEAR WITH THE HOMING PIGEONS

**H. M. F. A.'s Fine Record-Flights From Chicago to Toronto—Old Officers All Re-elected.**

At the annual meeting of the members of the Dominion Messenger Pigeon Association the business of the past flying season was finished up and the officers elected for 1898.

The secretary, in his annual report, stated that he had received during this year from all sources, membership fees, quarterly dues, racing fees, etc., the sum of \$108.95; he had spent for the maintenance of the association in rent of club house, postage, and other incidentals the sum of \$62.70. He also stated that there was in the fund for the year of \$46.25, leaving a deposit of \$14.68 to the credit of the D. M. F. A., which places the association in a strong position to begin the flying season of 1898.

In regard to the past racing season, it was pointed out that serious losses of pigeons had occurred at the outset, especially with the old birds. The secretary remarked that each member could say that his birds had been successfully covered the distance from Chicago to Toronto, a feat which had been said to be impossible.

The series of races for young birds had been very successful, only one serious disaster having occurred. The industrial exhibition offered money prizes and medals for a number of races for old and young birds, competition to be open to any flying club in Toronto. The secretary was pleased to say that the most of the money and medals had been won by the members of the D. M. F. A., Mr. William Tait having won the greatest number of races, and the silver medal, and the bronze medal for second best was taken by Charles F. Kinsey.

The prospects of pigeon flying in the future looked rather gloomy, owing to the increased expense of training pigeons. The express companies had taken away a privilege which the members had used for some years, and, by doing so, had compelled many good followers of the sport to give away their pigeons, and it would be some years before new fanciers could fill up the breach, but the secretary hoped with the most rigid economy in managing the club affairs, make the sport of pigeon flying more profitable in the past season.

The election of officers resulted as follows: Mr. Tait, re-elected president; Mr. S. Allison, re-elected vice-president; secretary, Charles F. Kinsey; J. B. Baldwin, treasurer.

**Parkdale Football Club.** The annual banquet of the Parkdale Football Club, in the Grand Hotel, Toronto, on Monday evening, was a grand success. President J. W. Ward presided. The toast "The Parkdale Football Club" was responded to by Mr. G. D. Lewis in a very able manner. The banquet was a most successful one, and the Parkdale Football Club, which would be the first step towards forming a grand team.

**SPROUTS. B. A. DUBLIN UNION.** The annual meeting of the Sprouts, B. A. Dublin Union, in the Grand Hotel, Toronto, on Monday evening, was a grand success. President J. W. Ward presided. The toast "The Sprouts, B. A. Dublin Union" was responded to by Mr. G. D. Lewis in a very able manner. The banquet was a most successful one, and the Sprouts, B. A. Dublin Union, which would be the first step towards forming a grand team.

**VETERINARY.** The annual meeting of the Veterinary Association, in the Grand Hotel, Toronto, on Monday evening, was a grand success. President J. W. Ward presided. The toast "The Veterinary Association" was responded to by Mr. G. D. Lewis in a very able manner. The banquet was a most successful one, and the Veterinary Association, which would be the first step towards forming a grand team.

**ARIO VETERINARY COLLEGE.** The annual meeting of the Ario Veterinary College, in the Grand Hotel, Toronto, on Monday evening, was a grand success. President J. W. Ward presided. The toast "The Ario Veterinary College" was responded to by Mr. G. D. Lewis in a very able manner. The banquet was a most successful one, and the Ario Veterinary College, which would be the first step towards forming a grand team.

**CAMPBELL VETERINARY SURGEON.** The annual meeting of the Campbell Veterinary Surgeon, in the Grand Hotel, Toronto, on Monday evening, was a grand success. President J. W. Ward presided. The toast "The Campbell Veterinary Surgeon" was responded to by Mr. G. D. Lewis in a very able manner. The banquet was a most successful one, and the Campbell Veterinary Surgeon, which would be the first step towards forming a grand team.

**ART.** The annual meeting of the Art Association, in the Grand Hotel, Toronto, on Monday evening, was a grand success. President J. W. Ward presided. The toast "The Art Association" was responded to by Mr. G. D. Lewis in a very able manner. The banquet was a most successful one, and the Art Association, which would be the first step towards forming a grand team.

**FINANCIAL.** The annual meeting of the Financial Association, in the Grand Hotel, Toronto, on Monday evening, was a grand success. President J. W. Ward presided. The toast "The Financial Association" was responded to by Mr. G. D. Lewis in a very able manner. The banquet was a most successful one, and the Financial Association, which would be the first step towards forming a grand team.

**KEY-AT'S PER CENT. FOR PREMIUMS ON LIFE INSURANCE POLICIES.** The annual meeting of the Key-At's Per Cent. for Premiums on Life Insurance Policies, in the Grand Hotel, Toronto, on Monday evening, was a grand success. President J. W. Ward presided. The toast "The Key-At's Per Cent. for Premiums on Life Insurance Policies" was responded to by Mr. G. D. Lewis in a very able manner. The banquet was a most successful one, and the Key-At's Per Cent. for Premiums on Life Insurance Policies, which would be the first step towards forming a grand team.

**KEY TO LOAN-CITY PROPERTY.** The annual meeting of the Key to Loan-City Property, in the Grand Hotel, Toronto, on Monday evening, was a grand success. President J. W. Ward presided. The toast "The Key to Loan-City Property" was responded to by Mr. G. D. Lewis in a very able manner. The banquet was a most successful one, and the Key to Loan-City Property, which would be the first step towards forming a grand team.

**COPIES STORED-MONEY AD.** The annual meeting of the Copies Stored-Money Ad., in the Grand Hotel, Toronto, on Monday evening, was a grand success. President J. W. Ward presided. The toast "The Copies Stored-Money Ad." was responded to by Mr. G. D. Lewis in a very able manner. The banquet was a most successful one, and the Copies Stored-Money Ad., which would be the first step towards forming a grand team.

**LAND SURVEYORS.** The annual meeting of the Land Surveyors, in the Grand Hotel, Toronto, on Monday evening, was a grand success. President J. W. Ward presided. The toast "The Land Surveyors" was responded to by Mr. G. D. Lewis in a very able manner. The banquet was a most successful one, and the Land Surveyors, which would be the first step towards forming a grand team.

**BY CENT'S-BUY FIVE HUNDRED.** The annual meeting of the By Cent's-Buy Five Hundred, in the Grand Hotel, Toronto, on Monday evening, was a grand success. President J. W. Ward presided. The toast "The By Cent's-Buy Five Hundred" was responded to by Mr. G. D. Lewis in a very able manner. The banquet was a most successful one, and the By Cent's-Buy Five Hundred, which would be the first step towards forming a grand team.

**PRINTING THAT IMITATES LITHO.** The annual meeting of the Printing that Imitates Litho, in the Grand Hotel, Toronto, on Monday evening, was a grand success. President J. W. Ward presided. The toast "The Printing that Imitates Litho" was responded to by Mr. G. D. Lewis in a very able manner. The banquet was a most successful one, and the Printing that Imitates Litho, which would be the first step towards forming a grand team.

**BUY ANY CLOTHING YOU ARE DONE WITH.** The annual meeting of the Buy Any Clothing You Are Done With, in the Grand Hotel, Toronto, on Monday evening, was a grand success. President J. W. Ward presided. The toast "The Buy Any Clothing You Are Done With" was responded to by Mr. G. D. Lewis in a very able manner. The banquet was a most successful one, and the Buy Any Clothing You Are Done With, which would be the first step towards forming a grand team.

**LISTS PRESENTS—NOTHING BUT A STAMP ALBUM OR STAMP.** The annual meeting of the Lists Presents—Nothing But a Stamp Album or Stamp, in the Grand Hotel, Toronto, on Monday evening, was a grand success. President J. W. Ward presided. The toast "The Lists Presents—Nothing But a Stamp Album or Stamp" was responded to by Mr. G. D. Lewis in a very able manner. The banquet was a most successful one, and the Lists Presents—Nothing But a Stamp Album or Stamp, which would be the first step towards forming a grand team.

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## ICE GAMES NOW IN ORDER

Hockeyists and Curlers are at Their Winter Pastimes.

**Sudden-Death Schedule for the Toronto Junior Hockey League, and Three Rounds Will Put All the Necessary Clubs Out of the Business-Curling Matches Arranged.**

The Executive Committee of the Toronto Junior Hockey League met last night at the club house to draw up the schedule for the season. There are eight clubs in the league this year and the great interest taken by the boys augurs well for a great season. Those present were: President John Robertson, A. A. Macdonald, W. Darling and Arthur Hills. The following is the schedule:

Round one, to be played on or before Jan. 24: 1. Wellingtons v. Prospect Park; 2. Varsity 111 v. St. Georges; 3. Old Orchard v. Old Orchard; 4. U.C.C. v. Ontario.

Round two, to be played on or before Feb. 10: 5. Winners of first v. winners of second; 6. winners of third v. winners of fourth.

Round three, to be played on or before Feb. 15: 7. Winners of first v. winners of second; 8. winners of third v. winners of fourth.

This is a sudden death schedule and once a club is beaten it is out for the season. All matches are to be played on the ice of the first-named club.

**Around the Ice.** The Queen's City and Grindles had 132 curlers out for practice in the two Church-street rinks.

In the match on Monday between the officers of the O. C. A., Mr. John Bain will skip the Ontario rink.

Again last night all the curling clubs were in full swing.

The Toronto Curling Club's annual match will be played on New Year's Day.

The Grindles' annual match will be played on Christmas Day.

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## NEW ORLEANS' OUTSIDERS

Nothing Less Than a 2 to 1 Shot in Front and None of Them Backed—The Points Were It All.

New Orleans, Dec. 23.—The weather was cloudy and cool and the track fast to-day. The favorites went down in order and the winners practically ran losers. The attendance was good and the betting very fair, the ring keeping nearly all the money taken in.

**Summary:** First race, selling, 6 furlongs—Dave S. 99 (O. Clay), 6 to 1; 1. Lady Correll, 99 (T. Powers), 10 to 1; 2. Perryman, 107 (G. Wood), 15 to 1; 3. Time 1:58. St. Roque, Vanessa, Doc Tubville, Harry S. Belle of Fordham, Cammaddon, Virgil Dixon, Elcano: Mac and Hi Henry also ran.

Second race, 5 furlongs—Gilly, 115 (G. Thompson), 20 to 1; 1. Dunston, 106 (Thompson), 8 to 1; 2. Nancy Till, 105 (O. Combs), 8 to 1; 3. Time 1:03. Wilson, Solution, Sir Dick, Wolford and Sanger also ran.

Third race, selling, 6 furlongs—Rebecca B. 91 (Thompson), 12 to 1; 1. Charina, 102 (T. Campbell), 8 to 1; 2. Time 2:42. Swordsman, Paulus and Dockstader also ran.

Fourth race, selling, 6 furlongs—What Next, 95 (Dunlop), 3 to 1; 1. Ardath, 107 (Thompson), 7 to 2; 3. Time 1:23. Wells-street, Jane Robinson, Beatrice, Sir Dick, Wolford and Sanger also ran.

Fifth race, selling, 6 furlongs—Rebecca B. 91 (Thompson), 12 to 1; 1. Charina, 102 (T. Campbell), 8 to 1; 2. Time 2:42. Swordsman, Paulus and Dockstader also ran.

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Seventh race, selling, 6 furlongs—Rebecca B. 91 (Thompson), 12 to 1; 1. Charina, 102 (T. Campbell), 8 to 1; 2. Time 2:42. Swordsman, Paulus and Dockstader also ran.

Eighth race, selling, 6 furlongs—Rebecca B. 91 (Thompson), 12 to 1; 1. Charina, 102 (T. Campbell), 8 to 1; 2. Time 2:42. Swordsman, Paulus and Dockstader also ran.

Ninth race, selling, 6 furlongs—Rebecca B. 91 (Thompson), 12 to 1; 1. Charina, 102 (T. Campbell), 8 to 1; 2. Time 2:42. Swordsman, Paulus and Dockstader also ran.

Tenth race, selling, 6 furlongs—Rebecca B. 91 (Thompson), 12 to 1; 1. Charina, 102 (T. Campbell), 8 to 1; 2. Time 2:42. Swordsman, Paulus and Dockstader also ran.

Eleventh race, selling, 6 furlongs—Rebecca B. 91 (Thompson), 12 to 1; 1. Charina, 102 (T. Campbell), 8 to 1; 2. Time 2:42. Swordsman, Paulus and Dockstader also ran.

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Thirteenth race, selling, 6 furlongs—Rebecca B. 91 (Thompson), 12 to 1; 1. Charina, 102 (T. Campbell), 8 to 1; 2. Time 2:42. Swordsman, Paulus and Dockstader also ran.

Fourteenth race, selling, 6 furlongs—Rebecca B. 91 (Thompson), 12 to 1; 1. Charina, 102 (T. Campbell), 8 to 1; 2. Time 2:42. Swordsman, Paulus and Dockstader also ran.

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Nineteenth race, selling, 6 furlongs—Rebecca B. 91 (Thompson), 12 to 1; 1. Charina, 102 (T. Campbell), 8 to 1; 2. Time 2:42. Swordsman, Paulus and Dockstader also ran.

Twentieth race, selling, 6 furlongs—Rebecca B. 91 (Thompson), 12 to 1; 1. Charina, 102 (T. Campbell), 8 to 1; 2. Time 2:42. Swordsman, Paulus and Dockstader also ran.

Twenty-first race, selling, 6 furlongs—Rebecca B. 91 (Thompson), 12 to 1; 1. Charina, 102 (T. Campbell), 8 to 1; 2. Time 2:42. Swordsman, Paulus and Dockstader also ran.

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## MYERS, THE CENTURY KING.

Kingston's Long Distance Rider Here on a Holiday Visit.

He Made 11,500 Miles Last Summer on the Safe Road from Kingston to Belleville, and Will Go Into the Game Again Next Year to Eclipse All His Former Marks.

F. O. Myers, the century king of Kingston, arrived in the city yesterday on a short holiday visit and is looking none the worse for his hard season's campaign. He is a healthy-looking, vigorous specimen of athletic manhood, scaling at about 150 lbs., and increased slightly in weight since the beginning of his long ride of 11,500 miles from May to October, averaging 100 miles a day. He rode 90 centuries in as many days from Aug. 2 to Oct. 31, and on

the last 5 days rode 1200 miles. He holds the record for America for accumulative distance riding, besides these marvellous long rides, he has ridden 1200 miles in 12 hours 20 minutes, 100 miles in 5 hours 2 minutes, 50 miles in 2 hours 10 minutes, 25 miles in 1 hour 5 minutes, Windsor, Ont.

Myers is satisfied that the co- to from Kingston to Belleville, over which he made his last century, is the best he has ever made in the country, although the road from Chatham to Leamington may be the fastest. He is going into the game again next year and says he will eclipse his own record by going for 1000 miles and the record will be his.

All Myers' centuries were regularly sanctioned by the Canadian Road Club and, as it was unnecessary to return them all to Secretary Schulte, to secure the record and the Guinness only carries around with him 110 bars.

**Little Rock's Spring Meeting.** St. Louis, Dec. 23.—Joseph E. Martin, secretary of the Arkansas Jockey Club, which will give its spring meeting at Little Rock, beginning in April, has returned to the city, and announced the following list of stakes:

The Arkansas Stakes, 1 mile, a selling sweepstakes, for 3-year-olds and upwards, to be run on April 1, 1900, by the same owner, but only two can start.

The Iron Mountain Stakes, 1 mile, a selling sweepstakes, for 2-year-olds, at \$2500, to be run on April 1, 1900, by the same owner, but only two can start.

The Capital Hotel Stakes, 1/4 mile, sweepstakes, for 2-year-olds, \$500 added, to be run on April 1, 1900, by the same owner, but only two can start.

The three stakes events there is \$500 in the purse, and the winner of each will be guaranteed, as is the general rule.

**Results at Oakland.** San Francisco, Dec. 23.—Weather clear, 6 furlongs—Miss Alice, 1; Garbner, 2; Snipes, 3; 4. Time 1:58. St. Roque, Vanessa, Doc Tubville, Harry S. Belle of Fordham, Cammaddon, Virgil Dixon, Elcano: Mac and Hi Henry also ran.

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