

News of Sport.

ST. JOHN DID NOT HAVE A GOOD YEAR IN SPORT.

This City Was Not Especially Prominent in Amateur Games--Sporting Boom Strikes Amherst--A Fine New Rink--Caledonia Curling Club.

The past year has been rather uninteresting one in sport. The contests have been mainly confined to local events, and taken as a whole, the city's showing for the year was a poor one. In hockey, last year, with two teams in the provincial league, St. John allowed the cup to be carried away by the St. Stephen team. In the skating championships however Fen Parker, carried off all the honors, with Jimmy Price the boy from up-river a close second. Curling as usual, created considerable interest, and in the St. Andrew's series, the latter team carried off the honors. In the outside games the three clubs gave a good account of themselves, winning a majority of the games played. Baseball was a failure, the trouble among the members of the local league, tending to kill whatever latent might have been taken in the games. In the few outside games played, there was little interest shown, and the results were disappointing from a financial standpoint, as well as from a sporting view. With the prospects of an international league for the coming season, there should be a boom in this popular sport next summer. In football, a fair amount of interest was taken, and a league formed, composed of Neptunes, St. Joseph's, Carleton and Fairville. The Neptunes team were the winners of the league and captured the cup. A few outside games were played by the various teams, with varying results. Considerable interest has been taken in tennis the last few years, and many interesting matches were held last season on the grounds of the Rollsey Tennis Club, in which players from various parts of the province competed, as well as the local enthusiasts. The members of the St. John Golf Club had a very pleasant season and many enjoyable games were played on the links of the club. A few games of cricket were manifested though little interest was shown in games outside of the players themselves. In rowing circles the most prominent feature during the past season was the regatta on the harbor held during the thirtieth anniversary celebration. In these events considerable interest was manifested and large crowds lined the water front to view the various contests.

season are--R. C. Fuller, president, James Moffatt, vice-president; A. M. Bonnyman, secretary-treasurer and those three with W. H. Tennant, J. N. Page, Wm. Knight and I. A. Crossman, are the executive committee, A. M. Bonnyman and W. H. Tennant, Committee.

HOCKEY At Amherst.

Amherst, Dec. 30. (Special).--The Ramblers Amateur Athletic Club are in good shape for the winter's hockey. In August last they were incorporated as a joint stock concern, with a capital of \$10,000. They purchased the Aberdeen Rink, and have thoroughly remodelled it, giving them one of the finest rinks in the province. They removed the end benches and dressing rooms, building wings on each side for this purpose. This gives them about 16 feet more length, placing their rink fully up to the regulation length. Their ice space is now 102x200 ft. The sides are screened with wire netting protecting the onlookers, raising seats on each side and at the upper part of the regulation length. The rink has a seating capacity of 2000. Victor G. Derry is president of the Joint Stock Company, A. H. Lusk managing director, and F. J. T. McDonald secretary-treasurer. The team which last season were the champions of the Nova Scotia Amateur Hockey League and successful defenders of the "Star" trophy, are probably as strong this season as last, and judging from everything work at practice will give a good account of themselves. The officers of the club are--A. H. Lusk, president; Lyman Moffatt, secy.; J. J. Twaddle, capt. The line up for the season will be--Neil Curran--Goal. Frank Brown--Point. Frank Curran--Over Point. Lorne Simpson--Left wing. A. V. Murray--Center.

CURLING. At Amherst.

Amherst, Dec. 30. (Special).--Chignecto Curling Club has just started out on its eighth year, under very encouraging circumstances. During the last year it has affiliated with the Royal Caledonian Curling Club, through the Nova Scotia branch, the president, R. C. Fuller, of Chignecto Club, being vice president of the Nova Scotia branch, which is composed of eight Nova Scotia clubs. The first match under its control will be played in the Chignecto's rink on Monday next, January 2nd, this being for a trophy which will be annually competed for. Chignecto has a membership of over sixty, including honorary members, or about fifty active playing members, and as usual it is composed of a lot of the best men in the community. The officers for this various contests.



Ed Curran or Will Currie--Right wing. (Capt.) J. J. Twaddle--Rover. The Ramblers played 14 games in the season of 1903-3, winning 9, losing 3, and two draws; and in 1904 played 18 games, won 16, lost 2. Their total score in the 18 game last year was 83, while their opponents was 22.

THE RING. The Manly Art.

The Littlejohn-Jordan ten round boxing match to take place Monday afternoon, at the City Hall west end, points will no doubt be a good clean go. Jack Power will referee clean go. Jack Power will referee and with him at the head of the show, should be a guarantee that everything will be right.

Charge Against Ferguson.

Boston, Dec. 30.--John H. Ferguson, better known in pugilistic circles as "Sandy" Ferguson, was in the municipal court yesterday, charged with larceny from Mrs. Ella Veno of Chelsea, who said that she met Ferguson at one of the Morty and Italian hotels Wednesday evening. Judge Ely held Ferguson in \$1000 for trial on Monday next.

SKATING. For Championships.

Inquiries are actually flowing in on Louis Rubenstein, and the secretary of the Canadian Amateur Skating Association is having his hands full answering questions relative to the championship races, which will take place on the M. A. A. ice on Feb. 4. Mr. Morris Wood, the American champion, who has been seen in Montreal at a previous meet is a likely competitor, and it is likely that there will be a number of speedy ones from across the line. Mr. Louis Rubenstein will take a trip next week towards New York and will probably have a collection of entries when he returns.

GRAND FALLS. Grand Falls, Dec. 30th--Nick Lolar, a well known Indian guide, was found frozen to death, about half a mile above Andover, last Thursday. Too much of the White man's firewater was the cause of the fatality. Lolar resided at Indian Point, the large Indian village situated about half a mile above Andover, on the opposite side of the river. His frozen corpse was discovered near the old Bebell house--an unoccupied house about one half mile above the outskirts of Andover village. St. John men who have canoeed up the Tobique will remember Lolar--one of the best canoeists and guides on the Tobique here, who was confined to his residence for some days on account of illness, is now convalescent.

CURTAIN FALLS ON THE FANATICS. End of the Doukhobor Crusade in Manitoba --- Four Leaders Jailed.

The curtain has been rung down on the Doukhobor agitation in Manitoba and the Territories. The four leaders of that famous up-rising, fanatics who were not amenable to reason, have been arrested as vagrants by the Winnipeg police, and are now awaiting sentence. Their names are Metro Svetlikoff, Tynafy Leonow, Akxy Machortov, and Nikolay Kudzhinow. Compelled by the extreme cold to seek shelter, they became a nuisance at the Immigration Hall, and were turned over to the police to keep them from injury. After the first great trek of 1902, in which the Doukhobors introduced an entirely new element into religious fanaticism, these unfortunate men were for the time quiet, but the following fall broke out again in a new place, and secured a considerable following. This second uprising was summarily broken up and with the arrival of Peter Verigin, chief of the sect, there was little further trouble. The above four refused to yield to the influence of Verigin, and were following divided and died, and at last in the north end of the city, where frequent riots needed the attention of the police.

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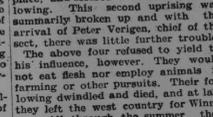
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