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Skating Starts Tonight.

The skating season commences by a grand opening at the Caledonia Rink this evening. The rink is specially decorated for the occasion. Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday will be the skating nights, with Monday and Wednesday nights for the hockey clubs. Seven clubs will practice in Mutnal-street. Friday nights will be reserved for matches, carnivals or at-homes on the ice. The retiring rooms are all handsomely decorated, and a gay season is expected at the Caledonian Rink.

Tommy Ryan and Heffernan.

Buffalo, Dec. 19.—Kid McCoy, champion middleweight boxer of the world, will be at the ring side at the Olympic Athletic Club, where his old rival, Tommy Byan, meets Bill Heffernan in the twenty-round boxing contest for the welterweight championship of the world to-morrow night.

McCoy will reach Buffalo this evening, and nothing more than a victory over Fitz-simmons would please him more than to see Heffernan put the celebrated Tommy en Hungard and the clebrated Tommy en Hungard and his manager will at once claim a match with the Kid if the former is fortunate enough to win from Ryan.

Downey Knocked Out Becker.

New York, Dec. 19.—Jack Downey of Brooklyn practically knocked out Larry Becker of Bayonne, N. J., in the sixteenth round at the Polo A. C. last night. Just after the gong sounded Downey landed a stiff right-hand punch on the jaw, sending Becker reeling toward the ropes. Frank Abraham, the referee, caught him In his arms or he would have fallen to the floor Becker. when he recovered, made a wild effort to continue, but he was restrained. The men were matched to go 20 rounds at 128 pounds.

- Semi-Finals. —

13.—Winners of 10 v winners of 11 before Feb. 20.

14—Winners of 13 v winners of 14, before Feb. 20.

15—Winners of 13 v winners of 14, before Feb. 26.

- Junior Series-First Round. —

11.—(a) Peterboro II. v Norwood. Jan. 10-14; Norwood v Peterboro, Jan. 14-18. (b) Id.—(a) Peterboro, Jan. 14-18. (b) Id.—(b) Peterboro, Jan. 14-18. (b) Id.—(a) Peterboro, Jan.



stead of being scrimmaged at the option of the captain. And a player can mark a free kick with any portion of his foot instead of with the heel only. The following delegates were present: Victor Bucanan, president; E. Bayly, Toronto, vice-president; John Savage, secretary-treasurer; E. P. Gleeson, A. J. Whitman, A. G. B. Claxton, Quebec Rugby Union; A. B. Ford, John Gilmour, R. G. Fitzgibbon, Ontario Rugby Union.

After the usual preliminary routine, a letter was read from the Britannia Football Club stating that the expenses of their trip Not, Nordau, Ventana, Fairmount and Caroven also ran.

Gleeson fought hard to have this priviling retained if the ball were within either twenty-five yards line, but he was overruled, and the ball must now be thrown in from touch.

Rule 11. regarding place kicks from tries, was amended by the addition that the goal should not be disallowed through the placer being offside or in touch.

Rule 12. respecting fair catches and free kicks, was amended to read that the player can claim a free kick if he makes a mark with any part of his foot and does not attempt to run afterwards. Gleeson wished the player to be compelled to take his kick if he once made his mark. He held that this would save the catcher from injury, since his opponents would not charge him to prevent his exercising his present option of running if he were obliged to take his kick.

Rule 13 was amended to read, that the kick over again if improperly charged; if he claims it.

In rule 17, the word "shall" in the provision that the referee "shall report" an offending player to the Union was changed to "may report."

This ended the alterations in the rules, and the delegates proceeded to elect officers for the ensuing year as follows:

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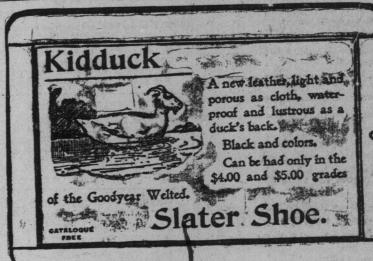
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Rush Beat West.

New York, Dec. 19.—The winter carnival of indoor athletic sports under the auspices of the New Jersey A. C., at Madison-square Garden, was concluded last night. B. J. Wefers, the Georgetown College sprinter, who has dome phenomenal work on the running track, had a very close call on the final heat of the 40-yard dash. Zinn of the new West Side A. C., with an allowance of 4 feet, finished first by an inch in front of J. H. Rush of Chicago, who, in turn, was about 3 inches in advance of Wefers. The judges at the finish decided that Wefers and Rush had run a dead heat for first place, and they placed Zinnthird. When this decision was announced it was greeted with a storm of hisses and yells of "Zinn won." The judges were impervious to all of these exclamations, however, and ordered Wefers and Rush to the mark to run off the dead heat. Rush, who was on even terms with Wefers, outsprinted the champion and won by about 19 linches, hard pressed. The Chicago sprinter was fouldy cheered when the result was announced, but there were still many calls for Zinn.

Rush and Wefers met again in a special for Zinn.
Rush and Wefers met again in a special race of 220 yards. There were other entries, but only these two started. The Chicago man had the pole and held it throughout, winning handliy by 3 yards in 24 4-5 seconds.

The Osgoode Haft Rugby Football Club held their annual dinner at the Bodega on Saturday night. After dinner a pleasant evening was spent in songs and speeches.

Mr. J. W. Curry, the popular president of the club, presided, and proposed the toast of "The Queen." Mr. Courtney Kingstone proposed the O.R.F.U., and Messrs. Jack McMurrich and J. McD. Mowat replied. Mr. W. C. Michell in a neat speech proposed word word and the country of the club, presided, and Crown Attorney Hartley Dewart replied in a good speech, receiving three cheers. The toast of "The Osgoode Haft Rugby Club" was proposed by Mr. Christian of Queen's and responded to by Mr. T. L. Church. Mr. Lorne Cosby proposed the second team, and R. T. Mc. Williams replied. A photo of the members was taken on Saturday.

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