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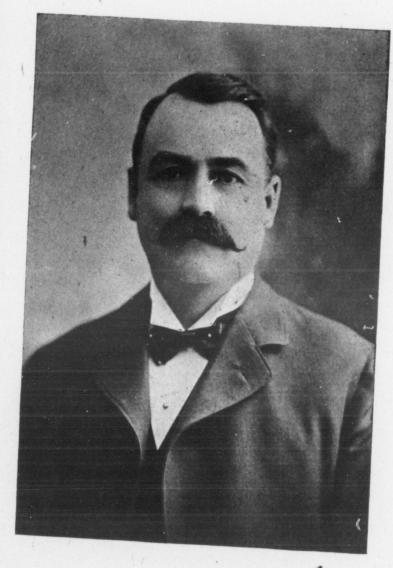
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# PREFACE.

THE Committee on the Annual have the satisfaction of presenting to their fellow-members of the Ontario Curling Association, another, now the twenty-fourth, volume of the series.

They desire to acknowledge their obligations, first, to the parent club, the Royal Caledonian Curling Club, to whose Annuals they have been largely indebted this year, as in former years, for many excellent songs and poetical selections which exhibit the hearty, wholesome, jolly character of the social life of curlers everywhere; and which finds such large expression in auld Scotland, the famous land of song, as well as of curling.

They next thank the friends in Canada and over the border for several interesting papers on the early efforts to establish "the best of all games" in Canada, and the adjoining States; and they express the hope, that, in every part of the Dominion, the efforts of the pioneers who introduced and established the game, (under difficulties and amid privations of which we in the present day have but little conception) will be hunted up, and faithfully recorded.

The "Obituary," they think, is deserving of more attention than has been given to it. To record the virtues of a good man, and the prowess of a good curler, and to drop a tear over his departure from the haunts of men, is surely the duty of the club to which he belonged. Let it not be overlooked.

The important competitions, carried out yearly by the Association, will be found, as hitherto, narrated at len Con the per pla vin a m eac fur:

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liter of the been kney length in the official reports submitted by the Executive Committee at the semi-annual meeting in April; and to these your Committee have added, as largely as space permits, accounts of many local Bonspiels which are played from year to year at various points in the Province; while in the condensed "Club Records" we have a microscopic view of the work done on the ice, during each successive season, by the clubs whose reports are furnished. But why are they so few?

Your Committee think that every club in the Association should be glad to have the opportunity of "filing," in each volume of the Annual, its yearly doings on the ice. Did they but know, as we do, the veneration with which the few desultory records of curling fifty and sixty years ago are treasured, and the many interesting strains of memory they awaken, they would esteem it a prime duty and a privilege to furnish your Committee, every year, with a full account of all their matches, and thus secure a permanent record of their "life and work."

The pictorial illustrations will be found interesting. The portrait of Mr. A. F. McLaren is a fine likeness of our esteemed and popular President, while the pictures of the winners of the Ontario Tankard, of the Sleeman Trophy, and of the Toronto Walker Cup, show that it is no wonder these high curling honours fell to men whose intelligence, energy and courage are so conspicuously manifested in their portraits.

The paper giving an intelligible account of the progressive features of an "End at Curling," is a creditable venture in an interesting and hitherto unexplored field.

In the "Original and Selected Matter" will be found amelange of pieces "grave and gay," mostly illustrative of the beneficial influences of the game in promoting health, friendship and good fellowship among votaries.

Your Committee repeat their oft renewed request for literary conributions from the many capable members of the Association, Their own limited resources have been heavily drained, and they would wish to tap, if they knew how, the many reservoirs of song and story and

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by at essay which are hid away, "unblessed and unblessing," in our ninety affiliated clubs. Will the secretaries of these render their assistance by placing in rapport with the Committee such of their club members as are able to furnish what is required, and by influencing them to send forward generous supplies?

Conscious that this little volume is not what it ought to be, not what it might be, but that, in making it what it is, your Committee have done their best; they send it forth, confident that it will have a kindly reception from their brother curlers, at whose request they undertook the pleasing task of compilation.

THE COMMITTEE.

TORONTO, Dec. 1st, 1898.

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# SELECTED MATTER.

# THE WINDSOR CURLING CLUB.

The Windsor Curling Club may be said to have had a phenomenal growth. It was organized in the fall of 1896 by a couple of curling enthusiasts, Messrs. C. T. Cooney and D. L. Carley, who succeeded in securing some twenty odd members to risk their life on an open rink where the one sheet of ice was often almost perpendicular, and as smooth as a corduroy road. Notwithstanding the many difficulties the young club labored under, it put in a most pleasant winter. The latch string was always on the outside for them at the ever hospitable Detroit rink, and they played many pleasant matches there with local outside rinks. They were even fortunate enough in the Detroit Bonspiel of that year to defeat Grand Rapids by 29 shots, and to give the veterans Oddy and Andrews, of St. Mary's Club, a bad scare; only losing by one shot.

But they accomplished vastly more than this in their initial year. The little band of two or three enthusiasts grew into twenty equally enamored with the grand game, and in the second year of its existence the Windsor Curling Club could boast of being one of the largest in the Ontario Association, no less than 105 members paid their membership fees, and these turned out to be all active.

In the fall of 1897 ground was procured and a covered rink erected, exclusively for curling, at a cost of \$5,000. It is a commodious building with a two-inch grooved

floor, large enough for four sheets of ice, a handsome domed roof, lunch room, dressing rooms, etc., brilliantly lighted with electricity. On January 5th the rink was opened with great eclat, Mrs. E. C. Walker, the patroness of the club, playing the first stone. She was afterwards presented with a beautiful pair of Red Hone stones, that were the first to glide over the smooth surface of the ice.

These four sheets of ice were continuously in use afternoon and evening when Jack Frost had them in fitting condition, testifying to the local popularity of the game. Home and home games were played with Detroit every week, the better practised Americans, of course, coming off victorious in the majority of matches. The club also entertained Toledo. Detroit, Pontiac, Sarnia, Chatham, Ayr, Thamesville, Ridgetown and Tilbury, and sent rinks to play at Petrolia, Parkdale, Toronto, when they were in the finals for the Tankard, and to Toledo, Pontiac, Sarnia, Ridgetown and Tilbury.

The feature of the curling season here, however, was the inauguration of a Windsor Bonspeil. The Messrs. Walker, of Walkerville, all of whom, by the way, are members, presented the club with a handsome trophy, which has been put up for competition between clubs in the counties of Essex, Lambton, Kent, Middlesex, and the states of Michigan and Ohio. This must be won three times before coming to be the property of any club, and will be the feature of the curling season in the Western Peninsula each year.

The Windsor curlers showed great development this year, and succeeded in winning out in their group for the Ontario Tankard.

That the popularity of the game locally is on the increase, it is only necessary to say that although the fees this year were doubled, the membership will be fully equal to that of last year.

On a warm October night, without a breath of curling weather in the air, no less than seventy members attended the annual meeting, and all took a keen interest in the proceedings. This certainly augurs well for the grand old game in this bailiwick.

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# THE TOLEDO CURLERS.

You may magnify golf and its pleasures extol,
Sing the praises of cricket, lawn-tennis and ball,
Grow wild over billiards and bowling, and what not,
Where a lucky mischance often rakes in the jack pot,—
Enlarge on the raptures of hunting and chasing,
Of gymnast contortions, of cycling and racing,
Of yachting, and rowing, and selfish canoeing,
And all the stale sports which the dudes are pursuing;—
These amusements are tame and devoid of excitement,
But if you would see the supreme of delightment,
The rarest of sport and the keenest of pleasure
That life can afford you, drop in at your leisure
At the room of the Curlers—the boisterous Scotchmen,
For fun and hilarity none can approach them.

Do you know Charlie Caughling? He's sure to be there, The amateur skip, who skips down the back stair, And hides in the alley, so modest is he, When a masterful shot lands the stone on the tee. He writes up the game, and keeps tab on the winners, He is hardly a saint, nor the greatest of sinners; And he takes to the game with such vigour and vim, That even defeat is a triumph for him.

And a small dapper fellow is sure to be there,
The king-bee of sport,—Alexander Kinnear,
Eighteen carats fine, solid gold through and through,
Standard weight, sterling worth, and faultless and true.
In measuring quality, bulk doesn't coun;
The grossest commodity 's least in amount;
The highest in value is smallest in size,
But hugeness and coarseness compactness denies;
And this is the reason Kinnear is so small,
The substance too rare to be wasted, is all.
And Marrett, the peerless, so stalwart and trim,
Do you wonder the ladies are ogling at him?
With his manly proportions, a mark for their darts,

A very Adonis to captivate hearts.

And Marrett is merit just slightly mis-spelt, A thing not uncommon in names from the Celt.

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ing ers erfor With a well-rounded paunch, and a clean-shaven face, You might think him a parson misfitted in place. But short the delusion; no parson can pray With half of the fervour he brings to the play: And woe to the man who opposes his lead, If he wins over Marrett 'tis merit indeed.

And Ireland, the champion, what need to declare, With his trophies at curling, that he will be there? He will show you a game t'will delight you to see In the massing of stones in the front of the tee; The file leader first, so the inning begins, The best player last, 'tis the last shot that wins.

And Ritchie, the moralist, he will be there
With his head like a billiard ball, shining and bare;
He leaves for the night his sedateness behind
And his austere moroseness he casts to the wind;
His stern features relax in a smile of delight,
And age is forgotten, he's a boy to-night,
As he joins with the rest in the midst of the fray,
Not so boist'rous perhaps, but as gleeful as they.

These are some of the chaps you may chance to meet there And others just like them, their names I forbear, For to specify all would detain you too long, And patience fatigued, claims an end to my song, But the game you should see, with its life and its spirit, Where every man stands on his mettle and merit; But join in it once, you will always be there And all other sport you'll renounce and forswear, So come to the curlers, engage in the strife, And enjoy for a night the great rapture of life.

Toledo, Ohio, U. S., 1898. S. E. E.

For my own part, I think winter a pretty wide-awake old boy, and his bluff sincerity and hearty ways are more congenial to my mood, and more wholesome for me than any charms of which his rivals are capable.

JAMES RUSSELL LOWELL.

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# AN END AT CURLING

PLAYED IN THE FINAL TANKARD DRAW OF 1897-1898, BETWEEN LINDSAY AND DUNDAS.

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# DUNDAS.

Dr. Lawson, First stone. Hy. Powell, Second stone. Dr. Ross, Third stone. Dr. Bertram, Skip.

McLennan—Having won the preceding end, takes his place on the rings, and shouts at his lead who is ready at the other end of the rink: "Now Tommy, inturn;" giving him his broom. As the stone comes down, the skip goes out to the hog to meet it, exclaiming, "Hold on, Mat." He escorts it back and shouts, as it comes to rest on the tee, "Well played, Tommy."

Bertram—Signalling with his broom to his first man, "Just draw beside it," and as the stone comes down, "Bring him, bring him," as the Dundas men ply their brooms. "All right," shouts the skip as the stone stops within a hair's breadth of the Lindsay shot, and a trifle to one side of it.

McLennan—"Tommy, a guard,—in-turn,—same as before,—Whoa! Whoa! Whoa! That'll do—Whoa! Well played, Tommy." As his stone lies a guard two inches in front of the Dundas stone.

Bertram—Pointing with his broom to the cheek of his first stone. "Just draw to that and you'll be all right. I'd like you to it." The stone comes. "All the way—All the way—Bring him—Bring him—Come on," and his men sweep hard. "That'll do. All right." And the stone stops close in front of the others.

McLennon—"Just a draw, Mat. If you raise that (pointing to the last Dundas stone) it will be a good shot. Come on now. Come on. Come on. All right Mat." As the stone is swept up, just touching one of those in front.

Bertram—Wanting a raise, and patting the stones with his broom, and thus indicating his intention of

dislodging in that way the Lindsay stone on the tee: "Just the out turn, Harry. That's it, Harry. Come, on with him. All the way," and "That'll do." As the sweepers stop, and the stone being short, rests on the front rings. All six stones played, are now in a close group, a Lindsay stone on the tee and a Dundas stone touching it in front.

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McLennan—"I would like a guard, Mat. There, Mat! Inturn to that. All right, Mat." (as the stone curls up, with Mat running after it) "Don't touch it, George." It comes just up to the front stones, and the group is increased to seven.

Bertram—"I would like you to come between there, Harry," pointing to two of the stones in front. "Just with a little run. All right. Harry. Come on. Come on." (to his sweepers) But it merely wicks a Dundas stone, on the outside, past, without disturbing the Lindsay counter on the tee.

McLennan—Considers the situation with his vice-skip Little, and then the latter goes up to play. Patting the ice with his broom the skip shouts, "George, put one on the front ring. Whoa! Whoa! Whoa!" The stone comes down, and just touches the others and rests in front of them.

Bertram-Silently signals for another raise to disturb the combination. As it comes down he shouts, "Bring it on. Bring it on. Hold on. Don't touch it. Let it fall." And, "All right, Doctor," as it wicks another of the front stones past, but does not change the situation near the tee.

McLennan—Again considers the end with his viceskip, and as the latter walks up the ice backwards, looking at his stones, he exclaims to his skip: "A guard, Willie." The stone is put away, and George runs after it shouting, "Whoa!" while the skip shouts, "Whoa! Whoa! Whoa!" from the other end. It comes to rest on the rings in front of the others to the skip's shout of, "All right, George." There are now eight of the eleven stones played in a close group with Lindsay still on the tee. Bertram—Signals for another fast one, and it comes down the ice to his shouts of "Bring him. Bring him. Come on. Come on. That'll do." And amid great shouts of "well played" from the spectators, the combination is disturbed, and the Lindsay shot on the tee moves back a yard, while the Dundas stone which was in front of it lies shot.

Little (vice-skip)—"Willie, you had better take the guard-off with your first shot." The skip as he surveys the end before going to play replies. "I think in turn will be best, but whatever you say, George." When McLennan gets through polishing the bottom of his stone, Little shouts, "Out-turn Billy. Hold yourself on the ice, you know." The stone comes down without the need of brooms, and to Little's final shout of. "All right," on opening is made toward the winner, but Dundas still lies shot.

Dr. Ross (vice-skip)—Bertram consults with his vice before going to his stones, and then the latter gives the signal for an out turn guard. "Sweep it. Sweep it." shouts the vice, "All the way." But in spite of Dundas,

best efforts with the broom the stone hogs.

Little—"What turn, Willie?" to McLennan as the latter takes another look at the shot they are agreed upon. McLennan replies, "Oh! in turn." They play for a raise in to dislodge the shot, and Little shouts, "You want to play first class, Willie." The stone comes down amid Little's shouts of, "Sweep it up. Sweep it up. Up now." While the skip following his stone exclaims, "Take it out George." And amid cheers the Dundas stone moves back and Lindsay lies two. The end is now a trifle more open, so that Dundas has a chance of raising in one of their front stones for shot.

Ross—Gives his skip the broom for the raise. Bertram draws, raises in one of the Dundas stones, and counts one for his side amid further cheers; while McConnell remarked to the Dundas lead as they together shoved the stones back to the hack, "That was a grand end."

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# WICK AN' CURL IN."

A SONG FOR CURLERS.

Whan luck's again' ye, an' the hoose
Is blockit up wi' stanes,
An' yer opponents, awfu' crouse,
Are countin' up their gains;
There's aye a shot, a bonny shot,
A shot that's sure to win—
To draw up till an orra stane,
An' wick an' curl in.

An' sae ye'll find it a' thro' life:
Whan failure nips yer pride,
An' disappointment's cruickit form
Comes hirplin' whar ye bide;
There's aye a way to Fortune's smiles,
An' takin't is nae sin,
A bonny shot for mense an' skill—
To wick an' curl in.

Yon jidge that wags his curly pow
Sae sagely ower a plea,
Yin better stocked wi' law and lair
Ye'd think there couldna be;
But losh! he's jist been wide awake
Whan ither folk were blin',
An' never let a chance gang by
To wick an' curl in.

Then, brithers, let us bide our time,
An' cautious let us play
Each ticklish shot in life's big game,
That's hoo to win the day.
Dame Fortune irate shows her claws
To drivers doon the rin,
But smiles on him wha quietly draws
A wick an' curl in.

JOHN REID, M.A., Foulden Club.

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## CURLING IN MICHIGAN.

No one who reads in the condensed register of clubs in the Annual of the O. C. A., that Detroit Curling club was formed in 1888, and joined the Association in 1889, would suspect that underneath this brief and common-place recital, two similar records lie buried, just as in the old world the remains of one or more interesting cities of ancient fame are to be found buried beneath the most common-place modern dwellings, but so it is. Detroit had a Curling Club in the forties, but it disappeared; again in the sixties another Curling Club was formed there, but it also became extinct; and now a new club formed in the eighties bids fair to have a long and vigorous life, and we may well consider that the earlier efforts were but stepping stones to the stronger life of the present.

But even in the forties, far distant in the past as they now appear, Detroit was not the only, nor the first curling club in Michigan, for in the beginning of the decade the Curlers of Orchard and Pine Lakes in the County of Oakland, a band of jovial and independent farmers cultivated the grand old game of Scotland with enthusiasm, and had acquired great proficiency in the art, besides developing the harmony and good fellowship which in an especial manner always attends the game of curl-It was not until about 1843 or '44 that the Curlers of Detroit took counsel together and said, go to, and let us make curling stones of iron, so that when the cold winds of the north congeal the limpid waters of the river into glassy ice, we may, like our forefathers in old Scotia, and our neighbours in Oakland, enjoy the stimulation of the healthful exercise of curling on the ice: and they prepared casts, and moulded iron blocks weighing from 40 to 50 pounds each, fashioned after the pattern of the curling stones they had used in far distant Caledonia, and set themselves with right good will to practise the ancient game, and they found health and pleasure in it, for it gave them vigorous exercise in the open air, and brought back to the recollection of many of them the sports they had enjoyed in the land of their birth and of their warmest affections, the songs they had sung and listened to when joy beamed from every face,

and happiness glowed in every heart in the loved homeland, when they met in social glee after the "brulzie"

But the Curlers of the Lakes heard of the wonderful doings of the City Curlers, and instinct with the spirit of chivalry they at once sent a bold challenge to the Detroit men to meet them at any time on any one of the many lakes which gem the county of Oakland, and test their skill in Scotia's game. The challenge was promptly accepted, Pine Lake named as the scene of the contest, and Thursday the 13th of February, 1845, as the eventful day. Twenty-eight in number met at the appointed place about 9 A. M. on that day, the combatants, 14 of each party, making two rinks of 7 men each a side. The weather was just such as curlers love -clear and cold, with a cloudy sky. Dr. Wilson and Squire Gilmour were the skips of the Lakers, while Robert Linn and William Barclay led the Detroit Rinks. Need it be said they had a glorious day! Worldly cares of every kind were banished: to make a good shot himself, or to soop his neighbour's stone to the spot where it was wanted, was care enough, and they had no time to think of anything else. Their very language was changed, and although well enough understood by themselves, it was utterly unintelligible to the uninitiated onlookers. "Draw, Johnnie to ma' cowe!" "Mair smeddum to y'er elbuck, man!" "Jehu, he's awa' to Bantry!" "Ah, mon, Jamie, ye're a hog!" "Rab, the hoose is open noo, slide straicht in an' tak' y'er denner on the tee!" "Man, Geordie, that was a bonnie shot!" "Soop, soop, soop, I tell ye!" and such phrases were heard on all sides, delivered in stentorian and impressive tones. For five hours the battle raged: at first fortune favoured the Lakers, but after a time, fickle as ever, she transferred her smiles to the men from Detroit, and the match ended in their favour by 44 to 33 shots.

Dr. Wilson invited all hands to his home, where tables, groaning under a load of fragrant, and savoury good things, piping hot, awaited them. The tempting viands tasted delicious to their hearty appetites, and all were astonished at the gastronomic powers of themselves and

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of each other. The evening was spent "wi muckle mirth and glee," each freely contributing to the general hilarity. Song and story flowed in unbroken flood, and the "wee short hour ayont the twal" found them singing, with joined hands "Guid nicht, an' joy be wi'ye a'." They divided for sleep, some remaining with the hearty doctor, and others retiring to the house of Mr. George Dow, and in the morning they returned to Detroit in a most enviable frame of both body and mind.

#### THE CURLING STAGES.

All the world's a rink, And all the men upon it merely curlers; They have their ups and downs, and their bonspiels, And one man in his time curls many ends, His shots being seven stages. At first the Colt Playing his father's stones, when school is out; Then the grown-up Lead, with his red hones, And bamboo broom and tam, sweeping his granite Unwilling o'er the hog, and then, as Second. He learns to take the broom, and be not wide, And raises, draws, and guards; then Vice-Skip, Who counts the points, and keeps the score, and shouts, "Let her pull! Now come away! Whoa, whoa, whoa!" Seeking the curler's reputation Even on the slippery rings. And then the Skip, Upon the button stands, armed with his broom, True eyed, with steady hand, and ready head, Full of wild shouts, he hovers o'er the tee, And so he plays his ends. The sixth stage slips On to the Tankard Skip, who skips a rink Of skips, and loves to play the roaring game, With keen ice under foot, from hack to hack, And twenty-two ends played are all too few For him to play his part. Last stage of all, He still enjoys the play, as Umpire acts, Grey beard, upon his knees, and spectacled, With square he measures off the winning stone.

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When I behold the world around,
And all the games that there abound,
The various sports, of man's device,
By land, in water, and on ice—
One thing for certain I can tell,
'Tis Curling bears away the bell!
So I wish him joy, whate'er his name,
Who first found out the Roaring Game!

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Though all too seldom can we snatch The pleasure of a Curling match, Though cruel thaw will often crush Our dearest hopes in rain and slush— Yet, when at length they do arrive, The hour, the ice—oh, man alive! Who would not barter life and fame To play once more the Roaring Game?

## III.

Who fitly may describe the scene?
The good black ice, so clear and keen—
The swinging arm, the measured force,
The waiting broom that clears the course,
The stately stones, in motion slow,
The breathless watching how they go,
The rousing cries, that give the name
To Scotland's famous 'Roaring Game'!

# IV.

'A man's a man,' says Robbie Burns—
This lesson every Curler learns!
The skip 's the only lord we own,
'Tis man to man, and stone to stone!
All idle barriers here we sink,
We're brothers all upon the Rink!
So I wish him joy, what'er his name,
Who first found out the Roaring Game!

Mrs. Smith, Craigielands.

#### DETROIT CURLING CLUB.

The first Detroit Curling Club was organized, under the inspiration of a few Scotchmen, in the early forties, when the City of Detroit contained about 15,000 inhabitants. None of the original players now live. Robert Linn, William Barclay, John Moore, Michael Young, Andrew Young, Thomas Fairbairn and Andrew Stewart were among the old players at this time, and all, with the exception of Andrew Young, have passed from their earthly labors and pleasures. The old Detroit Club maintained its existence for over a quarter of a century. A later organization of curlers was formed by the employees of the Detroit and Milwaukee Railway Company and still later was formed the Thistle Club. three clubs maintained separate organizations for some years, and finally disbanded or were merged into the Granite Club, which was constituted after the Civil War. These old clubs played in different locations in the city. There was no covered rink before the Granite Club was formed, and the playing was done upon the Detroit River or in out-door rinks.

Besides the players above named, the following were some of the members of these old clubs: James Mc-Millan, now Senater at Washington, Sidney D. Miller, W. K. Muir, of the Great-Western Railway of Canada, Robert Common, Capt. W. V. James, Peter Young, George C. Codd, James McAdam and his brother, and Fred Bamford. In the early times, iron ducks, and stones made out of boulders were used, but about the time of the formation of the Granite Club, imported Scotch granite stones were purchased and used. Business men had more leisure in those days, and the players generally met in the afternoon, at two o'clock on three or four days in the week. There were no artificial lights in the rinks, but occasionally some enthusiasts would play by the light of the moon, or with the aid of a tallow dip.

These old Detroit Clubs curled principally against Chatham, Thamesville, London and Sarnia, and also against the Orchard Lake Club, of Pontiac, which was

composed almost entirely of old Scotch farmers; they also made occasional trips to Hamilton and Toronto. They took part in a few Canadian bonspiels, and two bonspiels were held in Detroit, one on the bay at the foot of Campau Street, and the other on an old recreation park.

What is now known as the Detroit Skating and Curling Club originated with a handful of enthusiasts in the winter of 1885, among whom were Thomas Williamson, A. W. Baxter, James McAdam, John Williamson, Jr., H. E. McGaw, George Begg, Charles Doty, F. B. Preston, J. H. Keene, Peter Young, W. H. Studer, Frank Inglis, C. B. Cole and Robert Williamson. They curled by the light of four or five big lanterns, and one big arc electric light, on the south-west corner of the ground now occupied by the Detroit Athletic Club. After three winters in the raw air, they moved to the covered rink at the corner of Fourth Avenue and Gold Street. friendly competitors in matches in those days were Thamesville, Chatham and Sarnia, who invariably walloped the Detroit players. The club was incorporated in 1888, with twenty-five members. Thomas Williamson was president, John J. Dodds, vice-president, James Harrison, treasurer, and Lafayette Owen, secretary. It has absorbed many of the old players, its membership has largely increased, and now it has about seventy active curling members. Of course there is much Scotch blood in it, but the majority of the members are of American birth. In 1895 it moved its rink to Forest Avenue, where it is at present located. By its influence clubs have been formed in Bay City, Grand Rapids and Pontiac, Michigan, and in Toledo, Ohio. It has annually engaged in matches with many of the Ontario Clubs. For some years it has taken part in the Ontario Tankard Competition, and in January, 1897, started an annual bonspiel of its own, at which three trophies were contested for by about twenty clubs from Canada and the United States. Two rinks of the Detroit club took part in this bonspiel, and, after a hard fight, they managed to win the first prize, the Walker trophy, the Cadillac trophy going to Sarnia, and the Russell single

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phy duri with ing twe rink trophy to Ridgetown. (See Annual of Ontario Curling Association for 1898.) In this bonspiel the two Detroit rinks were composed of A. M. Kerr, J. S. Keen, John Williamson, Jr., and Thomas Williamson, skip; John Stevenson, William Craig, Fred Bamford and John The inauguration of an annual bonspiel J. Dodds, skip. at Detroit was celebrated by a banquet at the Cadillac Hotel, in which the visiting players participated.

The bonspiel of January, 1898, was interrupted on the first day by soft weather, and no final results were obtained. It is hoped that the successful meeting of 1897 will be repeated in January, 1899, to which the Detroit players are looking forward with pleasant anticipations.

In the winter of 1897-8 the Windsor Curling Club entered upon its career, and played many matches and return matches with the Detroit club, and even during its first season proved an able and dangerous competitor. The proximity of these two clubs, and the international character of their contests, have stimulated a greater zest in curling.

Senator McMillan is the patron of the Detroit Curling Club, and continues to take a kindly interest in the game. A few of the old players are still left, whose memories of curling stretch back nearly half a century. Among the old players who continue active members of the Detroit Curling Club, are Peter Young, George C. Codd, James McAdam and Fred Bamford; and in a lusty old age, and as enthusiastic as ever, John Williamson, Sr., who used to play years ago with the Simcoe club, may be seen and heard on the Detroit rink, as he directs "his boys" in the roaring old game.

Curling has added to the gaiety, good fellowship and physical and moral health of hundreds of men in Detroit during the last half-century. Long may the noble game, with its cheery animation, flourish, to promote good feeling and genial hospitality among individuals and be-

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# 'KINDRED CLUBS.'

My freens, and brither curlers a',
Ye ken what duties to me fa'
On this grand nicht;
O' Kindred Clubs I'm asked to speak—
The far, the near, the strong the weak—
A bonnie plight.

So first I wish them a' guid cheer,
And beef and greens for mony a year,
And Haggis free,
And steady han' and nerve and skill
To guide the channel stane at will
Aye to the tee.

And having these, they needna' fear
For ony lack o' earthly gear;
They're weel set oot;
And with His blessin' from aboon,
Aye them encompassing aroon',
They're rich, nae doot.

All Kindred Clubs of curlers leal
We stamp wi' friendship's royal seal,
And wish them well—
Except mebbe some special day,
When they are ranged in proud array
Against oorsel.

And in the greater game of life,
Wi' keener, subtler foes at strife,
May we a' win.
Let each to oor Great Skip tak' tent;
Play straight—and then be weel content—
He'll ' wick ' us in.

Don't fash yoursel' because your stane
Stands whiles ootside 'the ring' alane;
Jist bide a wee;
Play not at all, if you'd play fast;
You can't bring back the stane that's passed
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Be canny, men, an' gently play;
The quiet game aye wins the day;
Mak' freen o' foe;
The stane 'tween Hog aud Tee that lies,
Will get a lift by some surprise,
As curlers know.

Try not to play life's game yoursel',
Aye trust the Skip; He'll guide you well;
Thus curlers win;
Leave something for His practised haun'—
Then hear Him say, 'Well played, my man,
I'll soop ye in.'

And, as aroon' the Tee we stand,
Within 'the hoose' in that fair land—
And count the score;
My freens, will it not then be grand,
To grasp each ither's friendly hand—
Life's battle o'er?

REV. S. McNaughton, Preston Club.

# SINGULAR GAME.

In a well contested Rink-game of 22 ends, the aggregate score of 10th parties will range from 29 to 39, giving an average score, per end, of from  $1\frac{1}{3}$  to  $1\frac{3}{4}$ ;  $1\frac{1}{4}$  is sometimes reached when the contestants are unusually well matched, and playing a careful game; but in a 15 end match played last winter, in Toronto, between skips Lugsdin, of Queen City Club, and Ellis, of the Granite Club, the total score made was 17, equal to  $1\frac{1}{3}$  per end; and what was still more remarkable, the whole 17 were in favor of skip Lugsdin.

Skip Ellis might well have said, "Thou art so near, and yet so far."

We fear thee not, O, Winter!
Though stern thy face and grim;
Health, beauty, courage, giant thews,
Well braced by salutary use,
Came of our fight with thee. John Reade.

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# THE FAREWELL TO OUR LATE PATRON THE EARL OF ABERDEEN.

Before his departure from Canada, on the termination of his high office, the Governor General, Patron of the O.C.A., gave a special audience to a few of the office bearers of the Association for the purpose of saying farewell. The occasion was quite informal, and passed off very pleasantly. For the time, His Excellency laid aside all state and received his visitors as brother curlers. Those present included Messrs. W. B. McMurrich, Q.C., W. D. McIntosh, James Hedley, J. W. Corcoran, Q. Carlyle, J. Bain, R. J. Maclennan, T. G. Williamson, Alex. Rankin, Thos. Crawford, M.L.A., and Ex-Presidents J. S. Russell and Thos. McGaw.

Mr. McMurrich, Q.C., on behalf of the delegation, tendered to His Excellency the regrets of Ontario Curlers at his departure from amongst them. They were grateful for the practical interest he had shown in what has become in Canada almost as much as in Scotland, a national winter game.

For several recent years the Governor-General's prize for stone playing clubs had not been competed for, owing to impracticable conditions attached to it. These, however, had been modified by Lord Aberdeen, with the result that the matches had been resumed, and the fight for this trophy is now looked forward to with eagerness; for this the thanks of curlers were most heartily tendered.

While now a self-governing body, the Ontario Curling Association did not forget the mother club from which we sprang, the Royal Caledonian Curling Club, but watched it with interest and kept up a correspondence with it from year to year. It was our wish, Mr. McMurrich said, that His Excellency would express to the Royal Caledonian Club our desire for a visit from Scottish curlers to Canada to try conclusions with us, and see for themselves the admirable conditions under which we prosecute the game here, and he might assure them of the heartiest of welcomes for such a representative team. Referring to the good-fellowship that character-

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ized the game, the speaker impressed upon His Excellency the good effect produced by frequent friendly contests with our neighbouring curlers of the United States—several of them, indeed, being members of our Association. Such friendships are lasting, and together with the International Bonspiel, occurring every fifth year, contribute much to friendly relations between the two peoples.

Again thanking His Excellency for his continued interest and frequent participation in the game at various Ontario places, Mr. McMurrich expressed the hope that in the near future Lord Aberdeen might be back in our midst to enjoy once more the delights of the roaring game. Curlers would in such case give him a welcome just as hearty as they had ever done during his official

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His Excellency made a very pleasant reply. He said that he was glad to meet the curlers, in so informal a way, to say good-bye. He referred to the pleasant associations he had had with curlers during his stay in Canada, and made special mention of the games he had enjoyed on rinks in Toronto. He said he had been presented with a pair of curling stones which he prized and intended to take home to show to his friends in Scotland. He promised, upon returning home, to do all he could to prevail upon curlers from Scotland to pay a visit to their Canadian brothers. He referred to the fact, that games which have had their origin in Scotland take a firm hold in other countries, and said that, in Canada golf as well as curling is an example of this. was glad to know of the satisfactory international relations which exist between the Curlers of Canada and the United States.

The members of the party were then presented individually to His Excellency, wishing him bon voyage, each in return receiving a hearty hand grasp, and friendly thanks for kindly wishes.

# THE BENEFICIAL EFFECTS OF CURLING.

No better evidence can be offered of the beneficial effects of the "roarin' game" than the experience of the Hamilton Asylum Curling Club.

Every winter a number of patients take part in the season's play, and when the Annual report of the Institution is presented to the Government, amongst the names appearing under the heading "Discharged recovered" are, every year, to be found those of one or more who were curlers the preceding winter.

Last season's experience is an especial testimony to the esteem in which the fine old game is held by members of the medical fraternity.

All the members of the Asylum medical staff are enthusiastic curlers, and the most welcome visitors at the Asylum rink are medical men.

On Friday, February 18, two rinks from the Parkdale club visited the Asylum club, and amongst the visitors were two physicians.

The next day, Saturday, Feb. 19, a match was played on the Asylum ice, between two rinks composed of medical men from Toronto and two rinks of Hamilton medical men, while two other physicians looked keenly on and regretted that circumstances prevented their taking part.

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On Saturday, February 26, the Toronto club sent a large delegation to compete with the Hamilton clubs. Two rinks went to the Asylum, the average age of the visitors being over seventy, but a more active lot of men it would be hard to find; this incident in itself speaks volumes for the life-preserving qualities of the "Grand Old Game."

## CURLING AND LONGEVITY.

At the annual supper of the Lanark (Scotland) Curling Club, held in February, 1897, Mr. John Vassie was the honored recipient of his portrait in oil from his fellow curlers, as a souvenir of his successful and lengthened career as a curler and skip, which they hoped would continue for some time longer: in his reply, Mr. Vassie stated that he had curled for 68 years, and that of a rink of school boys of which he was skip, so many years ago, there were still three survivors. Only one having in all that time "lagg'd on death's hog-score."

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And mind your game maun be attendit Fae the beginnin' till it's endit: Nae gawky glowerin' in the air, But wi' your besom ready there, And in your place, to mind the stane, Tae watch and sweep, or leave't alane. Aye, faith! the sweeping o' a rink Is mair important than some think: For mony a braw team gets a lickin' Because the men are unco stickin', And stand like pailin' posts or slooches, Wi' buttoned coats and hands in pooches. Aye, laddie! plenty we can name, Wha play a fair guid curlin' game, But syne they'll naething do but smoke, Or glower about at ither folk, Or stand, where they should never be In the skip's road, ahint the tee, Ay! casting whiles barefaced reflections Upon his judgment and directions.

The London (England) Sportsman, of December 1892, thus describes the game at Sydenham:

"Several gentlemen were engaged in the Scottish game of Curling, which, as many Southrons may not understand the game, we can explain, is sliding stone kettles on the ice. These kettles weigh from 35 to 50 lbs. each, and the players try to land them as close as possible to another which is placed as a mark, at a considerable distance. All the players carry brooms. The sport is not without excitement, while the resonant sound of the kettles, as they slide along the ice, is by no means displeasing."

The friendly strife instils and promotes all the bes and most manly qualities in men, courage, perseverance, endurance and hope. Let the game ever be a noble rivalry of skill and science, courage and endurance, with a chivalrous abhorrence of foul means.—Captain Herbert.

#### PROVIDENTIAL RESCUE BY CURLERS.

About half a mile below the village of Abbeygreen, in a low-walled, thatched cottage, close beside the ford of the river Nethan, which economical people could use when the water was low, and so avoid the dreaded necessity of paying 2d. for a horse, 3d. for a one-horse vehicle, and so on upwards, for crossing the river by the new brig on the mail coach road, lived Wheelie John. I never knew him spoken of under any other name. His ostensible employment was that of a hand-loom weaver, but his head, his heart, and the most of his time were devoted to the more congenial occupation of fishing: many a speckled trout, beguiled by a finely dressed red or grey hackle, had he pulled from out the rippled stream; aye, and now and then a bonnie salmon rewarded his ski!ful and untiring efforts; but however fine the fishes he landed might be, they were not to be compared with the beauties he raised and lost. When he let himself out on these he became enwrapt and poetical, and it was a grand treat for the school weans, when, returning homewards from school, they found John in one of his historical moods, and his wonderful stories. told in graphic language, and with every appearance of perfect truthfulness, were rehearsed to the willing ears and the receptive minds of his delighted auditors.

One of the more memorable of these, mostly fish stories, was told somewhat in manner following:--" Ae fine winter mornin' I had been gie an' early at the loom, and bein' tired o' trampin' the treddles, an daddin' the heddles, an' flickin' the shittle hither an' yont, I gaed ootside to strauchten my legs, and get a sniff a' caller air. It was hard frost an' nippin' cauld in the shade, but the sun was shinin' bricht an' warm, an' as I got near the water side what did I see but the biggest saumon ever ma' een rested on, sunnin' itsel' in the shallow water near by the edge o' the bit falls juist below the ford. Losh! I never felt sae throu-ither a'my life, and afore I kent what I was doin' I had thrown mysel' a' my length upon the saumon's back, wi' my fingers in his gills. and he streakin' doon the river. I kent the still water aboon Tamson's mill dam up as far as the new brig was

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a' frozen o'er wi' guid thick ice, and I begood to get feart, but for a' I held on, and in less than a jiffy a' got dark, and I kent then I was in a blo the ice, and had to haud ma' breath most terrible, and what do ye think, it was na' a meenit, tho' I thocht it an hour, when I heard a great roarin' noise and the stampin' o' mony feet aboon ma' head, and I kent then that I was in Nab's weil, and that the Curlers were there, hard at wark at their game on the ice; sae I dunted up on theice wi' my heels, and the curlers heard me, and broke an openin' in the ice, an' a' at yince the saumon rushed to the hole to get fresh air, which I needed as muckle as he did, an' the Curlers pu'd us baith oot, me giean out o' breath, but no' muckle the waur, and haudin' on like grim death to the biggest saumon that was ever seen in the Nethan. The Curlers were awfu' kin'. They gar'd me tak' a big glass o' whusky to drive oot the cauld, an' sine I stauchered hame wi' the big fish o'er my shouthers, and his tail waggin' aboot ma' ancles; an' I'll ne'er forget the Curlers as lang as I leeve, for if they had no' been there and helped us oot, we wad baith hae been drooned, baith me an' the saumon tae.

### **CURLING SONG:**

To every land the world o'er,
The hardy Scot may stray;
But aye he minds wi' thrill o' pride,
Auld Scotland's roaring play.
In climes where icy winters reign,
He cares na' for their gloom,
He brings wi' him the channel stane,
The crampit and the broom.

Then distant lands and lakes resound
Wi' roarings o' the game;
Wi' sounds that make his blood rebound,
And warm his heart to hame.
In every land the world o'er,
Where'er the Scot may stray,
He'll aye rejoice ower Scotland's fame,
Auld Scotland and her play.

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# GENERAL ITEMS OF INTEREST FROM LINDSAY CLUB.

Mr. A. F. D. McGachen of Winnipeg, who for a number of years was an active and enthusiastic member of the Lindsay Curling Club, has noticed that the Winnipeg club pays great attention to playing for points, and, believing that this kind of play accounts in some measure for the great skill of these western curlers, has this year donated three medals, gold, silver and bronze, to be competed for weekly, by the members of the Lindsay club.

Great attention is given in our club to local Rink Matches, and the competition between the various Rinks is very keen. We have twenty-four regular Rinks, and each Rink plays at least one match against the other twenty-three Rinks. In all matches, three members of the Rink must be present. During the past two seasons Mr. J. D. Flavelle's Rink has come out as Champion Rink of the Club, and he generously presented each member of the Rink with souvenir medals. This year he offers the winning Rink gold medals, for all of its players who play in at least one-half of the matches played by the Rink.

Until last season, our match President vs. Vice-President was settled by one day's play, either on Christmas or New Year's Day, if the ice was in good condition. Last year we made a change. Twelve of the Rinks were chosen by the President and the other twelve by the Vice-President, and each President Rink was scheduled, in the regular Rink matches, to play against the twelve Vice-President Rinks. Thus this contest was continued throughout the whole season, and the interest in the game was kept up to the close of the season. A Rink that was hopelessly out of the race for first, second or third place in the Rink matches, had still the honor of playing for the President's or Vice-President's side, and in consequence the very best play that the Rinks could make was seen in these games at all times.

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CHARLES DAVIDSON, OF GUELPH UNION CLUB.

A prominent citizen, a keen curler, and an honorary member of Guelph Union Club.

### JAMES JACKSON.

Born in 1819 at Coulter, Lanarkshire, Scotland, died 26th August, 1898, at Orillia; until a few years ago he was a very active curler, and organized the first curling club in Orillia in 1873.

JOHN POPE CLEMES, OF PARKDALE CURLING CLUB.

Born in Cornwall, England, on the 24th day of May, 1847, died at Parkdale, Toronto, 24th March, 1898.

He came to Canada with the other members of the family, and for many years made his home in Port Hope, where he had a very successful business career.

He fought at Batoche, with the Midland Battalion, under Col. Williams, and went through the campaign of the rebellion. At the time of his death he was Major of the 46th regiment, and was buried at Port Hope with military honors, the whole town being in mourning for the occasion.

He had been for many years a prominent curler; in 1880 he was one of the players who won the Ontario Tankard for the Port Hope Club, was a Past President of the Parkdale Club, and indefatigable worker in its behalf, and to his untiring efforts that club is largely indebted for its present prosperous condition.

Also at the request of their respective clubs: JAMES McQUEEN of Galt Club.

ROBERT JAFFRAY, of Galt Club. SHERIFF GIBBONS, OF GODERICH CLUB. H. D. MITCHELL, OF GLENCOE CLUB.

# WILLIAM LANG, OF KEENE CLUB.

Was born in the town of Kilbarchan, Renfrewshire, Scotland, in 1805, came to Canada in 1832, and settled in the Township of Otonabee, in the County of Peterborough, residing there until his death in August, 1898,

in the 94th year of his age.

In addition to farming, Mr. Lang established and conducted aswoollen factory, taking also an active interest in public affairs, and was held in the highest esteem by a wide circle of public men with whom he became associated. He entered the County Council in 1852, as representative of Otonabee, and retained the position for many years; in 1860, he was elected Warden of the United Counties of Peterborough and Victoria, and had the honor of receiving H. R. H. the Prince of Wales on the occasion of his visit to Peterborough in that year. Mr. Lang was a keen curler, and with his brother James, whose death we recorded last year, and some others, founded the Keene Curling Club; he was also brother-inlaw to James Stewart of the Meaford Club, whose lamented death is referred to in this year's obituary.

Mr. Lang was thus one of the early pioneers of Ontario, whose industry, intelligence and capacity for public life have made the Province what it now is. Cultivated and fruitful farms occupy the places formerly covered by wild unbroken forests; solid brick mansions, the abodes of educated and cultured Anglo-Saxons, have taken the place of the occasional teepee and the wigwam of wild and roaming Indians; manufacturing industries have been established; and a system of Municipal government developed which is not equalled in the world elsewhere, and in all these effects and efforts of civilization, our departed friend, during his long lifetime, bore a conspicuous share, and having well served his genera-

tion, has entered into his rest.

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### JAMES STEWART, OF MEAFORD CLUB.

James Stewart, President of the Meaford Club from its organization in 1876 until the time of his death, 4th March, 1898. Born at Peterboro in 1825, he began his career as a general merchant in Norwood, and moved to Meaford in 1858 where he continued in business until 1880. He was the leading spirit in Meaford for many years, occupied in succession nearly all the offices of trust in the Township of St. Vincent and the Town of Meaford, being several times Mayor, and at the time of his death was Town Treasurer and Chairman of the Public School Board, having filled the latter position for over 16 years. He was honest and upright in all his dealings, and no one in the community was more highly respected. He was a true lover of sports of all kinds, a keen curler and skip for many years, and took part in the game only a few weeks before his death with as much vigor and relish as ever. His brother curlers showed their esteem and respect by marching to the funeral in a body.

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Intended to be helpful to Clubs in drawing up Rules and Regulations for the due ordering

OF THEIR AFFAIRS.

1. This Club shall be called the......Curling Club, of...., and the Curling Rules of the Club shall be those of the Ontario Curling Association.

2. The object of the Club is to promote the game of Curling.

3. The Club shall consist of members who may be admitted into the Club, and comply with the regulations as adopted.

4. The Officers of the Club shall consist of a President, Vice-President, Secretary-Treasurer and two representative members, who, with seven other members, shall form a Committee of Management (five being a quorum), and they shall continue in office until their successors are appointed.

5. The election of Officers and Skips shall, when more than a sufficient number has been nominated for any office, be by ballot.

7. Special meetings of the Club may be called at any time after due notice by the Committee, and it shall be the duty of the Committee to call a special meeting (28)

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- 8. At all meetings of the Club.....members shall form a quorum.
- 9. Every member of the Club who during any year uses the ice for curling shall pay the following fees, viz.:—

Skips.....\$.... Vice-Skips ..... Other members ....

Such fees shall become payable on the evening of the annual meeting in each year, and shall be paid to the Secretary-Treasurer of the Club.

Any member whose fees are not paid on or before the first day of January following the annual meeting may be debarred from playing in any of the Club matches, and he shall not be allowed to take part in any proceedings of the Club, or to vote on any subject connected therewith, or be eligible for election as an Officer or Skip, until all arrears are paid. It shall be the duty of the Committee of Management to take cognizance of all members in default, and to enforce the rules against them.

10. The President of the Club shall take the chair at all meetings of the Club, and in the absence of the Chairman of the Committee, at all meetings of the Committee of Management, [and of Skips. It shall be his duty to see that the Rules and Regulations of the Club are strictly adhered to, and that the affairs of the Club are properly conducted, and he shall ex-officio be guardian of all trophies belonging to the Club. In his absence, his duties shall be performed by the Vice-President, and in the absence of both of them from any meeting, the meeting may elect a Chairman. At all meetings the Chairman shall have a deliberative vote, and in case of a tie a casting vote.

11. The Secretary-Treasurer shall keep a full and correct report of all meetings of the Club, and of the Committee of Management, and of Skips, as well as of all matches played under the auspices of the Club. He shall keep a register of all the trophies of the Club, and shall conduct its correspondence and carry out the instructions of the Committee of Management. He shall collect the fees that may become payable by members, and he shall pay all accounts after they have been passed by the Committee of Management. He shall also keep a correct and distinct account of the receipts and expenditures, and report the same from time to time to the Committee of Management, and to the annual meeting.

12. The Committee of Management shall at their first meeting from their own number elect a Chairman, who shall preside at all meetings, and (if himself a Skip) at all meetings of Skips. They shall appoint all sub-committees and shall have all the powers of the Club except the rescission or alteration of By-laws, the fixing of the amount of the annual fees, and the election of Officers and Skips. When any Skip elected at the annual meeting shall die, resign, or shall in the opinion of the Committee be incapable of acting as a Skip, a successor may be elected at a meeting of the Skips for the remainder of the year. The President, Chairman and Secretary-Treasurer shall be a sub-committee to act in cases of emergency as an Executive Committee.

13. The Committee of Management shall meet weekly during the curling season on a stated day, to transact current business, including the arrangement of matches, whether between the rinks of the Club or with rinks of other clubs.

14. The Representative Members elected at the annual meeting shall act for the Club in the Ontario Curling Association.

15. At least one week's notice shall be given of all special meetings of the Club, by the posting of such

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notice in the Club, signed by the Secretary, and by circular addressed to each member.

16. Subject to the approval of the Committee of Management, any person may be temporarily admitted to the curling privileges of the Club.

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- 17. The Committee of Management are empowered to fill up any vacancies that may occur during the year in their own number or in the office of the Representative Member or Secretary-Treasurer. Should a vacancy occur in the office of President, the Vice-President shall immediately become President for the remainder of the year, and the Committee may thereupon elect a Vice-President. Should vacancies occur in the offices of both President and Vice-President, a special meeting of the Club shall be called for the election of officers to fill such vacancies.
- 18. It shall be the duty of the Committee of Management to see that proper arrangements are made whereby the members of the Club may have suitable facilities for curling; to arrange practice days and fix the hours of playing; to appoint times for all inter-rink and other matches within the Club, as well as matches with other Clubs: to select the Rinks to play in such matches, and generally to regulate the same; to provide refreshments for visiting Clubs, and generally to carry out the work of the Club. Ice rules shall be prepared and promulgated by the Committee from time to time as occasion may require. The Ice Rules now in force are appended hereto, but may be amended, modified and added to from time to time by the Committee. Due notice of such amendments, modifications and additions shall be given to the members.
- 19. A day shall be fixed by the Committee of Management for a meeting of the Skips for the selection of the Regular Club Rinks for the season, and for other business. At least three days' notice of such meeting shall be given by posting the same in the Club, and by circular

addressed to each Skip. The Club Rinks shall be made up in following manner:-Prior to, or at this meeting, and before the drawing commences, each Skip having by private arrangement selected his own Vice-Skip, shall notify the Secretary of his selection, and the Skips shall then draw numbers for priority of choice, the Skip drawing the lowest number having first choice, and they shall then proceed in order to the party drawing the highest number, who shall have last choice; they shall then under the same drawing, but in reverse order, choose their next players, the Skip drawing the highest number having first choice, and proceeding downwards in order to the Skip drawing the lowest number, who shall have last choice, and so on in reverse order, until all the playing members have been selected. The Skips and their players then chosen shall constitute the Rinks of the Club for the season, and be entered as such in numerical order on the minutes of the Club, the President's Rink being No. 1, the Vice-President's No. 2, the Secretary-Treasurer's No. 3, that of the Chairman of the Committee of Management No. 4, and those of the others, from 5 up, in alphabetical order. As new members join the Club they may be assigned by the Committee of Management to one or other of the Rinks. Members may, with the consent of both Skips interested and the Committee of Management, exchange from one Rink to another. The Committee may for good cause at the request of any member transfer such member from the Rink upon which he has been placed to any other Rink.

20. In matches with other Clubs for trophies of any kind, the Skips for each match shall be chosen by the Skips of the Club at the meetings provided for by Rule 19, or at a special meeting duly called for that purpose.

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# Ontario Curling Association

### CONSTITUTION.

(Adopted 17th October, 1893.)

- 1. This Association shall be known by the title of The Ontario Curling Association.
- 2. The objects of the Association shall be to promote the Game of Curling in the Province of Ontario; to unite all the curling clubs in the Province in one organization; to foster friendly feeling among its members; to secure honorable conduct in their curling intercourse; and to cultivate fraternal relations with other curling associations.
- 3. Its membership shall consist of all curling clubs which are or shall be received into the Association, and conform to the rules thereof, as adopted.
- 4. The control and management of all the affairs of the Association, including the election of its officebearers, shall be vested in a representative body, composed of members elected by the associated clubs, as hereinafter provided.
- 5. This Constitution shall not be amended or added to, except on a two-thirds vote of the Representatives present at the April meeting, and unless notice thereof shall have been given at the previous meeting of Representatives in October.

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### CLUBS.

1. Any curling club having ten members, a constitution and office-bearers, including President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer and Representative Member, may be admitted into the Association.

2. Every club desiring to be admitted to the Association shall send an application to the Secretary, giving the name of the club and a list of its office bearers and members, and shall agree to be governed by the rules of the Association, and may be received into membership at any meeting of Representatives on a two-thirds vote, and provisionally by the Executive Committee.

3. Every associated club shall send to the General Secretary, not later than 1st November in each year, a complete list of its office-bearers and members, classified as Honorary, Occasional and Regular; Honorary, being members elected causa honoris; Occasional, being members for convenience' sake; and Regular, being the members who will represent the club in Association matters, and in matches. Each club shall also send to the General Secretary, on 1st December, 1st January, and 1st February, a supplementary list, which shall include all added members, and may be published as an addition to the Annual. Any person may be an occasional member of more than one club, but can be a regular member of one club only.

4. Members may transfer their names from one club to another at any time, but the change shall not be effectual until the Secretary of the Association shall have been notified, and shall have advised both clubs. And no member shall play an Association Trophy Match for more than one club in one season.

### REPRESENTATIVES.

- 5. Every club shall elect annually, and not later than ten days before date of the Semi-Annual Meeting in October, two persons as its representatives to the Representative Committee; the second to act only in the absence of the first, who must be a regular member of the club he represents, but the second may be a member of any affiliated club; and no person shall, at any meeting of the Representative Committee, represent more than two clubs.
- 6. The Representatives shall hold two regular meetings in each year, viz., on the third Tuesday in each of the months of April and October, or on such other day of these months as the Executive Committee may think most suitable—but two weeks' notice must always be given of the date fixed on. Special meetings may be called by the President, and shall be called by order of five members of the Executive, or on the request in writing of fifteen Representatives. At all such meetings ten shall be a quorum.

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7. At the October meeting the Representatives shall elect the office bearers of the Association for the ensuing year, who shall come into office at the close of the regular business of the meeting, when they may be installed. They shall consist of a Patron, a President, a First and Second Vice-President, a Chaplain, and a Secretary and Treasurer. At same meeting shall be elected the Standing Committees, which are: the Executive, consisting of Past Presidents, and the President, Vice-Presidents and Secretary-Treasurer, ex-officio, and six representative members by election; the Committee on Complaints and Appeals, and the Committee on the Annual, and two Auditors. The mode of election shall be by ballot.

8. The duties of the President shall be to preside and maintain order at all meetings of the Association, of the Representatives, and of the Executive Committee; he shall sign the minutes of such meetings after they have been confirmed, and all official documents; the chairman at all meetings shall have a casting vote in case of a tie, as well as a deliberative vote. He shall also have such other duties as the By-laws prescribe.

- 9. The First Vice-President shall take the place and discharge the duties of the President when he is absent; and the Second Vice-President shall have the same authority in the absence of the President, and the First Vice-President; and should all of them be absent at any regular or special meeting, it shall be competent for the meeting assembled to elect a chairman, who shall have, pro tem., all the rights and powers of the President.
- 10. The Secretary-Treasurer shall keep full and correct minutes of all the meetings of the Representatives and the Executive Committee, and shall conduct all correspondence arising out of the same, and generally carry out the work of the Association. He shall levy and collect all dues and fees, and pay all accounts, and shall keep regular and correct accounts of all moneys collected and bills paid. His books and accounts shall at all times be open to the inspection of the office-bearers, and shall be balanced on the 1st of April of each year.
- 11. The Auditors shall examine, certify and report upon the Treasurer's accounts from year to year.
- 12. The Executive Committee shall constitute the Board of Management, and shall conduct the business of the Association. They shall have power to fill vacancies occurring in any committee or in the Board of Auditors. Three shall be a quorum.
- 13. The Committee on Complaints and Appeals shall consist of three members, and shall receive from

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the Secretary, and adjudicate upon all complaints and appeals from clubs in regard to their curling intercourse with each other, and especially with reference to competitions for prizes played for under the auspices of the Association, and shall report to the Executive Committee. Their decisions shall be communicated to the parties in writing, and will be held to be accepted and acquiesced in, unless they are notified to the contrary within eight days after their decision shall have been mailed to the said parties, and the reasons for non-acquiescence set forth in the notification. The Executive shall have the power to substitute, for any member of this Committee whose club is concerned in any cause, a regular member of another club.

- 14. The Committee on the Annual, consisting of three members, shall be charged with the publication of the Annual of the Association, which shall be issued every year about the 30th November, and shall contain a list of the office-bearers of the Association, with lists of the office-bearers and members of the clubs in connection therewith, the rules and regulations of the Association, the minutes of meetings of the Representatives, the financial condition of the Association from year to year, reports of competitions for prizes allocated by the Association, along with records of other matters affecting curling, and calculated to promote the game in Canada.
- 15. At the semi-annual meetings of the Representatives the Order of Business shall be as follows, viz:
  - I. Examining credentials of Representatives present.
  - II. Reading of Minutes of previous meeting, which, after approval, shall be signed by the chairman.
  - III. Correspondence.

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IV. Admission of new Clubs.

- V. Business arising out of Minutes.
- VI. Reports of competitions for Association prizes.
- VII. Reports of Standing Committees.
- VIII. Reports of Special Committees.
  - IX. Election of Office-Bearers, and appointment of Committees.
    - X. General Business.
  - XI. Distribution of Prizes.
  - XII. Installation of Office Bearers.
- 16. At special meetings no business shall be transacted other than that for which the meeting was convened, and which had been clearly set forth in the circular calling the meeting.
- 17. All motions and notices of motion shall be in writing, bear the names of the mover and seconder, and shall be read aloud by the presiding officer before being discussed.
- 18. Reports of Committees shall be in writing, and bear the signature of the Chairman.
- 19. No member shall speak on any subject more than once, except the mover, who shall be entitled to one reply. Every member, however, shall have the right to explain himself, having first obtained the leave of the meeting, and subject to the direction of the chair.
- 20. No member shall speak on any subject which has not been moved and seconded, and which he does not intend to make the subject of a motion.
- 21. If two or more members rise to speak at the same time, the Chairman shall decide who is entitled to the floor, and his decision shall not be questioned.

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- 22. After the question has been submitted by the Chairman, no member shall be entitled to speak.
- 23. A motion to adjourn shall be in order at any time.
- 24. In all cases not specially provided for, the Order of Procedure and Rules of Order shall be the same as in the Ontario Legislative Assembly.

### FEES AND DUES.

- 25. The fees payable by clubs shall be an Entrance Fee and Annual Dues, both payable in advance.
- 26. The Entrance Fee shall be according to the following scale, viz.:—

Clubs from 10 to 20 members\$	4	00
Clubs from 21 to 40 members	6	00
Clubs from 41 to 80 members	8	00
Clubs over 80 members	10	00

- 27. The Annual Dues shall be a Club Rate of two dellars from each club, and a Member's Rate of fifteen cents for each member, regular and occasional, of the club. This member's rate shall apply to the names sent in on list 1st November, and regular monthly supplementary list, but shall be doubled for names of members sent in at other times.
- 28. Clubs in arrears shall be held to be not in good standing, and shall not be eligible to compete in any match played under the auspices of the Association.
- 29. Clubs will be held as continuing in membership of the Association until all arrears have been paid up, and a formal notice of withdrawal made to and accepted by the Executive, but they may be struck off the Roll when they are two years in arrears.

## RULES OF THE GAME.

- 1. The standard length of the Rink for play shall be 42 yards from Hack to Tee. If the ice is found to be wet or soft before a game commences, or after it has been begun, the Umpire, after hearing the skips of both parties in the match, shall decide whether the rink shall be shortened, and to what extent; but in no case shall it be shortened to less than 33 yards.
- 2. No important match shall be commenced if the ice be not in a condition to fairly test the curling skill of the players, and it shall be stopped whenever the state of the ice becomes such as not to afford such a test, or darkness sets in preventing the stones in the Ring from being distinctly seen from the further Hack. In all cases of stopped matches the renewed game shall be commenced de novo.
- 3. The Tees to be made 38 yards apart, and around each as a centre shall be described a circle of seven feet radius, which shall be called the "Ring." To facilitate measurements, inner circles may be described around the Tee. Every stone within, or resting upon the outer ring, shall be counted in the game; no stone shall be considered outside a circle, unless it is entirely clear of that circle, nor shall a stone be held to be over a line unless it has crossed and entirely cleared it; this may be decided by a square placed upon the ice.
- 4. From, and in exact alignment with both Tees, a line, called the Central Line, may be drawn to a point four yards behind each Tee; at this point a line shall be drawn, at a right angle to the Central Line, on which the Hack shall be cut. The Hack shall not

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exceed eight inches in length, nor shall the inner edge thereof be more than three inches from the Central Line, so that all stones shall be delivered with their centre upon the Central Line.

5. Other lines, called the MIDDLE LINE, the Hog LINE, the SWEEPING LINE and BACK LINE, shall also be drawn on the ice at right angles to the Central Line. The MIDDLE LINE shall be drawn at midway between the two Tees, to point out the place at which sweeping may ordinarily be commenced. The Hog Line shall be drawn at a distance from each Tee of one-sixth of the length from Hack to further Tee; and if a played stone fails to pass this line, it shall be counted a Hog, and removed from the ice, unless it has been prevented from passing by striking another played stone resting inside said Hog Line. The Sweeping Line shall be drawn across the Tees, for the guidance of the Skips in sweeping. The BACK LINE shall be drawn just outside and behind the Ring; all stones having passed this line must be removed from the ice, and played stones resting within an adjoining Rink shall be removed from the ice.

For method of laying out Rink, see diagram.

6. All matches to be the majority of shots won after playing a certain number of Ends, or definite period of time, to be agreed on by the competing clubs before beginning to play. In the event of both parties being equal at the conclusion of the match, play shall be continued, under the direction of the Umpire, by all the rinks engaged, for another End, or for such additional number of Ends as may be necessary to decide the match.

7. Every Rink to be composed of four players a side, each using two stones, and playing one stone alternately with his opponent, and the rotation of players observed in the first End shall not be changed during the match.

- 8. The two Skips opposing each other shall settle by lot, or in any other way they may agree upon, which party shall lead in the first End, after which the winning party shall lead.
- 9. The Skips shall have the exclusive management and direction of the game for their respective parties, and may play last or in any part of the game they please, but are not entitled to change their places when once fixed. When their turn to play comes, they shall each appoint one of their players to act in their places as Deputy-Skips of the game, until they have played.
- 10. Players, during the course of each End, shall be arranged along the sides, but well off the Rink, as their Skips may direct; and no party, except when sweeping according to rule, shall go upon the middle of the Rink. Skips alone to stand within the 14 feet Ring; the Skip of the party playing to have the choice of place, and must not be obstructed by the other in front of the Tee, while behind it the privileges of both, as regards sweeping, shall be equal.
- 11. Every player shall be ready to play when his turn comes, and not take more than a reasonable time to play. Any party failing to play instantly, when so ordered by the Umpire, shall forfeit that turn of playing, and the game shall proceed. Should he play a stone belonging to another player, any of the players on the opposing side may stop it while running, and return it to player, who shall then play the proper stone; but if not stopped till at rest, the stone which should have been played shall be put in its place, to the satisfaction of the opposing Skip.
- 12. If a player should play out of turn, the stone so played may be stopped in its course and returned to the player; should the mistake not be discovered till the stone be at rest, or has struck another stone, the opposing Skip shall add one to his score, and have the option

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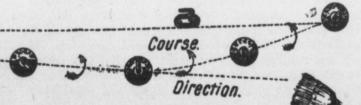
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of allowing the game to proceed, or of declaring the End null and void. But if another stone be played before the mistake has been noticed, the End must be finished as if it had been played properly from the beginning.

- 13. If any player engaged, or belonging to either of the competing clubs, shall speak to, taunt, or otherwise interrupt any other player, not of his own party, while preparing to play his stone, and so as to disconcert him, one shot shall be added to the score of the party so interrupted for each interruption, and the play proceed.
- 14. If in sweeping, or otherwise, a running stone be marred by any of the party to which it belongs, it shall be put off the ice, but if marred by any of the adverse party, it shall be placed wherever the Skip of the party to which it belongs may direct. If marred by any other means the player shall replay the stone. Should any played stone be displaced by any of the players before the End is reckoned, it shall be placed as near as possible where it lay to the satisfaction of or by the Skip opposed to the party displacing. If displaced by any neutral party, both Skips to agree upon the position in which it is to be replaced, and if they fail to agree the Umpire shall decide.
- 15. The sweeping shall be under the direction and control of the Skips. Except when snow is falling upon or drifting over the Rink, a stone shall not be swept until it has crossed the Middle Line, and may be swept by the party to whose side it belongs, until it comes to the Sweeping Line; but all stones when they have passed the Sweeping Line may be swept by EITHER SKIP ONLY. Skips shall have liberty to sweep behind the Tee at all times, except when a player is receiving directions to play from his Skip. All sweeping shall be across the Rink, and the sweeper must be at one side and in advance of the stone being swept; no sweepings shall either be moved forward, or left in front of a running

stone, or of a stone "at rest." It shall not be allowable for the party to whom a running stone belongs to place their brooms before it, or behind it, to screen it from the wind, unless with consent of both Skips; and the use of a broom or any other instrument as a fan, either to promote or retard the running of a stone, is strictly forbidden, and is to be dealt with as "a running stone" marred by the party to which it belongs. See sec. 14.

- 16. All stones shall be of a circular shape. No stone, including handle, shall be of a greater weight than fifty pounds, or of a greater circumference than thirty-six inches, or of a less height than one-eighth part of its greatest circumference.
- 17. No stone or side of a stone shall be changed after a match has been begun, unless with the consent of the opposing Skip. Should a stone happen to be broken during a game, the largest fragment shall be considered in the game for that End, and the player shall be entitled to use another stone or another pair during the remainder of the game.
- 18. Should a played stone roll over, or stop on its edge or top, it shall be put off the Rink. Should the handle quit the stone in delivery, the player shall not be entitled to replay the stone unless he retains his hold of the handle.
- 19. No measuring of shots allowed before the termination of the End. Disputed shots to be determined by the Vice-Skips, or, if they disagree, by the Umpire; or, if there is no Umpire, by some neutral person chosen by the Skips. All measurements to be taken from the centre of Tee to nearest point of stone, after removing stones intervening.
- 20. Each of the stones of the one party resting within the Ring, and nearer the Tee than the nearest stone of the other party, after all the stones have been played, shall be counted as one shot in the game.

21. If any of the competing Rinks are not ready to begin play at the hour named for a match, one End shall be counted as played for every ten minutes' delay; and the opposing Rink, if ready to play, shall count one point in the game for each such period of time it is kept waiting.

### ICE RINKS:

22. All trophy matches and general competitions at the Points' Game must be played on new or virgin ice, or on neutral ice; and all important matches should be played on the same.

23. Ice for Curling shall be deemed New or Virgin Ice:

First. When it has not previously been played on.

Second. When, since last played on, it shall have been flooded so completely as that the water shall have come to its natural level over the entire ice surface, before freezing.

Third. If, after being last used for curling, the ice shall have been refaced by sprinkling with water, and the Tees changed, either at least two feet sideways, or ten feet lengthways, so as to get rid of grooves or channels formed in the course of play.

Fourth. Shaving off nodules or protuberances from the surface of the ice, or the application of any other mechanical operations, having for their object the bringing of the ice to a true and correct level, shall not be held as degrading ice otherwise entitled to be called new or virgin ice; but such operations must be carried out under the direction of the Umpire; and in no case shall any special preparation of the ice be made, which is intended, or calculated, or has for its object to facilitate the making of any particular shot, or to otherwise pervert the ice surface from the true and correct level.

Fifth. It is desirable that artificial single rinks shall be constructed not less than 18 feet in width by 152 feet in length, so as to admit of changing the Tees both sideways and lengthways.

### MATCHES.

- 24. All matches between clubs shall be played with at least two Rinks a side.
- 25. In matches for Association Trophies only members regular shall play; any club violating this rule shall be declared to have lost the match, and shall be debarred from continuing in the competition for the season.
- 26. In all matches, the place and time of playing, the number of Rinks to be engaged, and the duration of the game, either a certain number of Ends or definite period of time should be agreed upon beforehand, by written correspondence between the Secretaries.
- 27. In all important matches, an Umpire shall be appointed by mutual agreement of the competing Clubs or Skips, unless otherwise provided for, and present.
- 28. The duties and powers of the Umpire shall be to appoint a time and place for the match, the number of Rinks to be engaged, and the duration of the game, unless these matters have been agreed upon previously; he shall see that the Rinks are properly laid out, and that the Rules of the Game (see above) are observed by all the players, and shall determine all matters arising in the course of the game upon which the competing Skips fail to agree; he shall make up the scores of the competing Rinks at the close of the game, and declare the result; and he may appoint a Deputy to act in his place, who shall have equal powers.

- 29. Complaints and appeals regarding the conduct of Clubs, Players or Umpires\* must be sent to the Secretary of the Association in writing within one week from the date on which occurred the matter of the said complaint or appeal, and shall be at once forwarded to the chairman of the proper committee; before a decision is declared, all parties shall be given an opportunity to state their case; and parties failing or neglecting to show cause within one week after being notified to do so by the committee, shall be held to have dropped their claim, and forfeited all right to further hearing.
- 30. While the main object of matches between clubs is to determine their relative skill in the game, it should ever be borne in mind that the ultimate object of curling is to develop a manly recreation, and to promote good will, kindly feeling and honorable conduct amongst those who take part in it, and this sentiment should influence both the interpretation and the application of all the rules.

### THE POINTS' GAME.

- 31. Rinks shall be laid off in accordance with the diagram given for this game in the last published Annual. Within the 14 feet Ring, a circle 8 feet in diameter shall be drawn around the Tee, the Central Line shall be extended to the Hog Line, and the Sweeping Line shall be drawn; the length of the Rink from Hack to Tee shall be 42 yards.
- 32. Lots shall be drawn for the order of playing; each ompetitor shall change position one place each point, thus: the first player at any of the points to be the last in playing at next point, and the second player at any point to be the first at the next, and so on. Each competitor shall use two stones, and play them, the one im-

<sup>\*</sup> Except in the Tankard Competitions, which are otherwise provided for.

mediately after the other, and shall not during the competition change the side of a stone, or the stone itself, unless it happens to be broken.

33. Every competitor to play four shots at each of the nine following points of the game, viz.: Striking, Inwicking, Drawing, Guarding, Chap and Lie, Wick and Curl In, Raising, Drawing Through a Port, and Chipping the Winner, according to the following definitions; and each successful shot shall count one, or two as hereinafter provided: no shot to be given more than a score of two;—

I. Striking.—A stone placed on the Sweeping Line, and with its inner edge two feet from the Tee. If struck, to count 1; if struck out of the 14 feet Ring, to count 2.

II. Inwicking.—One stone being placed on the Tee, and another with its inner edge 2 feet 6 inches from the Tee, and its fore-edge on a line drawn from the Tee at an angle of 45 degrees with the Central Line; if the played stone strikes the latter on the inside, to count 1; if it perceptibly moves both stones, to count 2.

III. Drawing.—If the stone played lies within or on the 14 feet Ring, to count 1; if within or on the 8 feet Circle, to count 2.

IV. Guarding.—A stone to be guarded, placed with its fore-edge on the Tee. If the stone played rests within 6 inches of the Central Line, to count 1; if on the Line, to count 2. It shall be over the Hog Line, but not touch the stone, to be guarded.

V. Chap and Lie.—If the stone placed on the Sweeping Line, with its inner edge one foot from the Tee. be struck out of the 14 feet Ring, and the played stone rests within or on the same Ring, to count 1; if struck out of the 14 feet Ring, and the played stone rests within or on the 8 feet Circle, to count 2.



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VI. Wick and Curl In.—A stone being placed with its inner edge 7 feet distant from the Tee, and its fore-edge on a line making an angle of 45 degrees with the Central Line; if the stone is struck, and the played stone rests on or within the 14 feet Ring, to count 1; if struck, and the played stone rests within or on the 8 feet Circle, to count 2.

VII. Raising.—A stone placed with its centre on the Central Line and its inner edge 8 feet distant from the Tee, if struck into or on the 14 feet Ring, to count 1; if struck into or on the 8 feet Circle, to count 2.

VIII. Drawing Through a Port.—One stone to be placed with its inner edge on the Central Line, 10 feet in front of the Tee, and another stone placed parallel thereto and with its inner edge 2 feet from the Central Line; if the played stone passes between these two stones, without touching either, and rests within or on the 14 feet Ring, to count 1; if within or on the 8 feet Circle, to count 2.

IX. Chipping the Winner.—A stone being placed on the Tee, and another 10 feet distant, and with its inner edge just touching the Central Line, and half guarding the one on the Tee, and a third stone being placed 4 feet behind the Tee, with its inner edge touching the Central Line, but on the opposite side from that on which the guard is placed; if the played stone strikes the stone placed behind the Tee, to count 1; if it strikes the stone on the Tee, to count 2.

X. Outwicking.—In the event of two or more competitors gaining the same number of shots they shall play 4 shots at outwicking; that is, a stone being placed with its inner edge 7 feet distant from the Tee, and its centre on a line making an angle of 45 degrees with the Central Line; if struck within or on the 14 feet Ring, to count 1; if struck within or on the 8 feet Circle, to count 2.

34. If the competition cannot be decided by these shots, the Umpire shall order one or more points to be played again by the competitors who are equal; these points to be selected by drawing.

35. In the Points' Game the Rink may be swept as often as required during the intervals between the playing of stones; a player may sweep his own stone, and may direct where a broom shall be held to guide him in playing.

36. In the General Competition at the Points' Game, each squad or division of players, before beginning to play the match game, shall be entitled, under the direction of the Umpire, to play their stones once over the Rink or Rinks laid out for competition.

In Striking, Inwicking, Chap and Lie, Wick and Curl In, Drawing Through a Port and Chipping the Winner, two of the chances to be made on the one side of the Tee, and the other two on the other side.

NOTE.—It will save much time in playing the Points' Game if two Rinks be prepared lying parallel to each other, the Tee of the one being at the reverse end of the other Rink; every competitor plays both stones up the one Rink and immediately afterwards down the other, finishing thus, at one round, all his chances at that Point.

It will also save time if a code of signals be arranged between the marker and the players, such as: the marker to raise one hand when 1 is scored, and both hands when 2 are scored. In the case of a miss, both hands to be kept down.

The Player is not under constraint to play in-turn or out-turn, or no turn, but may use whichever he thinks most likely to make the point.

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# Ontario Curling Association.

Business Meetings of Representatives.

### THE APRIL MEETING.

TORONTO, 19TH APRIL, 1898.

Met, the Representatives of the Ontario Curling Association. A. F. McLaren, Esq., M.P., in the chair, called the meeting to order, and nominated Messrs. Geo. R. Hargraft and T. O. Robson the Committee on Credentials, who reported the following Clubs present by duly accredited Representatives, viz.:

Club	Representative	Club	Representative
Churchill Claremont Clinton Cobourg Dundas Fergus Galt Grani Hamilton A " Ti Keene		Orillia Parkdale Peterboro  St. Mary's Scarboro' Seaforth Stratford. Toronto	
Meaford	J. D. Flavelle J. S. Russell	" Gran	iteC. C. Dalton pect Park
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Dr. Russell moved, seconded by Mr. C. C. Dalton, that the minutes of last meeting, having been published in the Annual, be held as read, and that they be confirmed; and it was carried. Letters were read from President Dartnell expressing regret that he was not sufficiently recovered to warrant his being present at this meeting, and conveying his best wishes, and from His Excellency, the Governor-General, expressing his satisfaction that his prize had been played for on good ice.

The Secretary reported that Waterloo Club had been received into the Association, ad interim, since the October meeting, and that he had received applications for admission from other three clubs, viz.: Claremont, Clinton, and Georgetown.

Mr. McIntosh then moved, seconded by Mr. Carlyle, that Claremont Club be received, and it was carried.

Mr. Flavelle moved, seconded by Mr. Doolittle, that Waterloo Club be received, and it was carried.

Mr. Dalton moved, seconded by Mr. Blake, that Clinton Club be received, and it was carried.

The Secretary then read the REPORTS OF THE COMPETITIONS, PRIMARY AND FINAL, FOR THE ONTARIO TANKARD. showing that 59 clubs took part in the competition, and that Lindsay Club proved the winner, with Dundas the last competing club.

For report in extenso see page 67.

It was moved by Mr. Leggatt, seconded by Mr. Robson, and carried, that the Reports of the Tankard Competitions, primary and final, now read, be received, and that they be approved.

The Secretary then read the Report of the Competitions for the Governor-General's Prize; that 10 clubs had entered for it; that the final match was between Churchill and Lindsay Clubs, and that Lindsay Club was the winner.

For report in detail, see page 79.

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The report of the GENERAL COMPETITION AT THE POINTS GAME was read, showing that only four clubs had made returns of matches in that competition, and that the highest score, viz., 43, had been made by Mr. Geo. F. Hall, of Waubaushene Club.

The report was received, and adopted on motion of Mr. Dexter, seconded by Mr. Blake.

For detailed report see page 80.

THE REPORT ON THE ANNUAL WAS THEN READ AS FOLLOWS, VIZ. :-

Circulation Account.		
By Copies from printers		700
To charged to clubs	554	
Sold for cash	9	
Complimentary	59	
" On hand	78	
Profit and Loss Account.		700
To paid printers\$186 90		
" electros, photos, etc 17 15		
By charged to clubs\$145_10	\$204	05
cash sales 2 25		
" sundry advertisements 34 00		
	\$181	35
Balance at debit	22	70

against which we have on hand 78 copies.

It was then moved by Mr. T. J. Hamilton, seconded by Mr. Chas. Blake, that the Report on the Annual be received, and that it be confirmed: and that greater diligence be enjoined on all the clubs in assisting the Committee, by furnishing fuller reports of club matches, historical and other papers illustrative of the game, and by promoting the sale in every club, and it was carried THE FINANCIAL STATEMENT WAS THEN READ AS FOL-LOWS, VIZ. :-

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Toronto, 14th April, 1898.

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Th Fene Moved by Mr. G. W. Schofield, and seconded by Mr. G. R. Hargraft that the Report of the Auditors be received and that it be confirmed; and that the Auditors be thanked for their services; and it was carried.

The Secretary then read the General Report of the Executive Committee as follows, viz.:—

#### GENERAL REPORT.

A succession of two short and irregular Curling seasons, the latter of which was even more unsuitable for the game of Curling than its predecessor, has had an unfavorable influence upon the progress of the Association.

During the past season, the best equipped clubs did not have more than 35 days on which Curling could be practised, and on at least one-fourth of those days the ice was so heavy that Curling became more of a labor than a recreation, while those clubs, whose accommodations and appliances were not of the best, had only a very few days on which they could indulge in the game

Very few clubs succeeded in getting their intra-club matches completed, and friendly matches with other clubs, which are the most enjoyable of all games, and which best maintain the historic spirit of the sport, had, in many instances, and after repeated postponements, to be abandoned on account of continuous spells of mild weather.

Under these circumstances we have ample grounds for congratulation that the Association is holding its own, and that an addition of four new clubs has been made to our ranks to-day, with many more to follow when our winters return to their normal condition of three months of continued, unbroken, moderate frost, which makes them so pleasant and so conducive to the health and enjoyment of our people.

There are three clubs two years in arrears, viz.— Fenelon Falls Milton and Southampton, and we recommend that the usual formal notice be sent to them, that they will be dropped from the Roll unless they pay up.

A few clubs in the North-western part of the Province withdrew from the Association last year, with the intention of forming a local association in the neighborhood of North Bay and Sudbury.

There are other three clubs laboring under difficulties, which we trust will be only temporary, while all the others are enjoying fair prosperity, and at no previous balancing up of 'the books has so small an amount appeared at the debit of active clubs.

#### COMPETITIONS.

Your Committee have pleasure in reporting that the Primary or Group Competitions, and the Final Competitions for the Ontario Tankard, as well as the Primary and Final for the Governor-General's prize, were all completed on good ice, and under the best possible conditions, not a single protest being lodged, or even a complaint made; and in a remarkably changeable season like the last, such a satisfactory issue of our principal competitions is creditable, not only to the management, but to the clubs and players who carried out the contests.

The very limited number of returns of the "General Competition at the Points' Game" affords additional evidence of the baffling character of the weather during the past winter, and a warning against undue delay in playing off important matches. Several clubs intended to make the competition in March when it was hoped their players would be in perfect condition, and make phenomenal scores, but in the absence of good ice the personal fitness had no opportunity of being demonstrated.

"The Annual" is creditable alike to the Committee by whom it is compiled, and to the Association whose rules, membership and progress are from year to year set forth in its pages—without it as a means of communication between the clubs, the Association could not be

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maintained, and every curler who has the prosperity of the game at heart will not only procure, read and inwardly digest the contents of each successive volume, but will endeavor to get all other curlers to do the same, and thus keep in touch with the advance constantly being made in the development of the grand old game. The proportion set up as a standard by the Ontario Curling Association of one copy for each three members in every club is not too high, and should be reached with moderate exertion by every club, and we feel confident that if the various Presidents and Secretaries of local clubs would make a special yearly effort for an enlarged circulation of the Annual, they would find an abundant return in the increased enthusiasm of their members, and in their more hearty interest in the prosperity of their own club, as well as in that of the Association. We regret to have to report that in addition to the clubs defunct, or to be cut off because two years in arrears, not less than seven clubs in good active condition, and with a membership of 170, did not order or purchase a single copy of this year's volume, and the result is a large number of copies left on hand, with the balance of the account on the wrong side. In the series of the Annuals of the Ontario Curling Association, are to be found, not only the Rules of the Game, but Forms of Rules for Governing Local Clubs, the story of the life of the Association from year to year, reminiscences of curling in the early days of the settlement of Canada, many of the choicest curling songs, much of the most famous curling literature, and much else connected with the royal game, interesting, instructive and delightful.

The Committee are always pleased to receive literary help from their fellow curlers, and express the hope that the supply will not be lessened, but on the contrary will be largely increased.

The financial condition of the Ontario Curling Association remains satisfactory, and your Committee are pleased to be able to report that the dues, etc., have been better paid up than in any former year.

The strict insistence upon requiring the payment of dues, etc., in advance, and before a club can take part in any Association match, may seem somewhat harsh, but it is wholesome and most essential to the general welfare of the Association.

Your Committee have authorized two emendations in the wording of the Rules, expressing the meaning more clearly, viz., in By-law No. 3, inserting the word "in" before matches in the 8th line; and in No. 33, after the word "count" in the 6th line, insert the words "one or two," and add to the Rule "no shot to have a greater score than two."

During the past year the existence of a large number of clubs, somewhere about 60 in all, within the Province, and not connected with the Association, engaged the attention of your Committee-communication was had with several of them and it was ascertained that one principal reason why they do not join the Association is, that being small in membership, and having had but little experience in the game, they feel that they have no chance of holding their own in competition with clubs much larger in membership, and possessed of a skill acquired in an experience of 20 or 30 years; that they respect the Ontario Curling Association, are guided by its rules, and take a lively interest in the competitions carried on under its auspices; but they remain aloof because they cannot hope to make a creditable showing in competition with the large and veteran clubs who figure prominently in Association matches, and they have sought, and, to a certain extent, have found pleasant intercourse with other clubs somewhat like their own.

Your Committee gave the matter their most careful attention, they found that in the 11 years, during which 16 groups have competed for place in the Tankard Finals, only 64 clubs have won the coveted position, and of these, 22 have been successful only once in the 11 years, 13 have succeeded twice, 8 three times, and 21 from 4 to 8 times, and that while less than one-half of

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Governo petition the Associated Clubs had won these group championships, other 21 clubs had won the lofty position in the aggregate 98 times, an average to each of them of nearly 5 times, or about once every two years.

Your Committee, after full consideration, issued a circular to all the clubs known to be in the Province, suggesting that the Tankard competitions should continue to be the great annual event of the Association, but that for those clubs which do not choose to enter the Tankard competitions, Local District Cups should be put up by the Association to be competed for "for annual custody" for a few years, and then for "keeps," so that, when fairly established, one cup shall each year become the permanent possession of one of the clubs, and one new cup be put up for competition, by the Association.

Your Committee are of opinion that the plan thus outlined will remove the obstacle which keeps so many of the newer clubs out of the Association, that by becoming full members of the great brotherhood of curlers these new clubs will not only add strength to the Association, but will themselves be greatly strengthened and encouraged by the fellowship of their associates, and by friendly rivalry on the ice with their fellows of like standing, as well as for trophies given by the Association, which we think are the only trophies that curlers should play for, being given by the Associated Curlers themselves to promote the game.

A considerable number of replies to this circular have been received, all approving with only one exception, and we recommend the adoption of the plan suggested with such practical details as may be found suitable, and modifying the Group Tankard Competitions as circumstances require.

The combination of the Primary competition for the Governor-General's Prize with the Final Tankard competition has not been altogether successful.

It certainly brings together, for the contest, the most prominent clubs in the Province, for the time being, at a minimum expenditure of time and money, but many of the clubs withdraw, declining to go through the competition; and it has long been felt to be a grievance that . the winner of the Tankard should have to imperil the high honor won, by having to meet in the Final competition for the Governor-General's Prize a club previously defeated in the earlier contest—and your Committee recommend that the competition for the Governor-General's Prize shall be open to all the Group Champion Clubs, except the winner of the Tankard, and the last competing club; and that any other club in the Association, not represented in the final contest for the Ontario Tankard, may also send two Rinks to take part in the competition.

Last year your Committee called attention to the displacement of friendly matches between clubs, by the all too numerous trophies put up for competition among curlers; they are of opinion that the practice of playing for public prizes or trophies has been carried too far, and is in fact utterly wrong. The historic and proper object of the game of curling is to promote friendship and good fellowship, and, when curlers are brought together to play a game not to make or renew friendship and good fellowship, but to compete for a trophy as the main object, it is simply a degrading prostitution of the grand old game, and is not to be distinguished from professionalism. In such cases the game ceases to be a friendly rivalry bearing with it recreation and amusement, and becomes a fierce struggle for victory, and the trophy.

Your Committee are of opinion that the competition for public trophies is the most dangerous evil that threatens the game at present, and would strongly press upon all clubs to cultivate, more than they have done of late years, friendly matches with other clubs, in which it is of little moment which side wins, so long as good will has been promoted, and a sociable time

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Among the practical evils of trophy matches may be noted the occupation of the ice space of clubs, to the x clusion of the regular members of the club; it seems ungracious to refuse the use of ice for a special match, but when a club is known to have excellent ice, its own members have too often to be spectators only, during the currency of a public trophy competition, and it is a great evil.

Your Committee have given much consideration to the present condition of Curling in Ontario. They believe it is well established and will extend to every town and village in the Province, carrying wherever it goes its fundamental principles of friendship and good fellowship.

It was moved by Mr. McIntosh, seconded by Mr. Dexter, that the report of the Executive Committee be received; that the Committee be thanked for their diligence, and that the recommendations contained in the report be considered *seriatim*, and it was carried.

It was moved by Mr. Dexter, seconded by Mr. Mc-Laren, and carried, that the clubs more than two years in arrear be written to, that unless they pay up forthwith their names will be dropped from the Rolls as rules provide.

It was moved by Dr. Russell, seconded by Mr. Mc-Laren, that the emendations of the rules recommended by the Committee be approved and adopted, and it was carried. It was moved by Mr. Patterson, seconded by Mr. Mc-Laren, that, in regard to the proposed District Cup Competitions, the principle be approved, and that the general plan suggested be adopted; and that the Executive Committee be instructed to put it in operation soon, under such regulations as they may decide upon, and that only one cup be given this year, and it was carried.

It was moved by Mr. McLaren, seconded by Mr. Dexter, that the recommendations in regard to the playing for the Governor-General's prize be approved, and that they be adopted, and it was carried.

It was moved by Dr. Russell, seconded by Mr. Hamilton, that in regard to the "displacement of friendly matches between clubs by the two numerous matches for trophies," we thank the Committee for bringing the matter up for consideration. We think the warning timely. We disapprove the indiscriminate acceptance of, and playing for trophies, as being hostile to the true character and intent of the game, which claims by means of a social recreation to promote "friendship and good fellowship," and we pledge ourselves to cultivate friendly matches between clubs more sedulously than we have been doing in recent years. And it was carried.

Mr. Edwards brought up his notice of motion in regard to lowering the weight-limit of curling stones, and requested that it be allowed to stand over to the October meeting: the request was granted.

The meeting then adjourned.

A. F. McLAREN.

Chairman.

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#### THE OCTOBER MEETING.

TORONTO, 18TH OCTOBER, 1898.

Met, the Representatives of the Ontario Curling Association. First Vice-President McLaren in the chair, called the meeting to order and nominated Messrs. T. J. Hamilton and G. G. Eakins the Committee on Credentials, who reported the following duly accredited Representatives, viz.:

Club.	Representative
Ayr Union	R Noilge
Doncavgeon	R K Connot
Brampton	Jas. Golding
Brantford	Jas. Golding
Campbelliord	G G Falino
Collingwood	A. Miscampbell
Dundas	W. T. Toner
Fergus	T. J. Hamilton
Call	1 A Charles
Gail Granite	T E Matallan
Georgetown	L. Grant E. Dickenson
Glanford	E. Dickenson
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Royal	City
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Hamilton Asylt	imDr. Russell
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Harriston	G G Foling
1706116	J S Ruggoll
THUSAV	I D Florella
Mealord	Dungall
riagara Falls	A Tiogon
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R	. L. Patterson

Club.	Representative.
Orillia	P. H. Punshon
Osnawa	P. H. Punshon
Parkdale	G. W. Schofield
Peterbang	nisheneJohn Bain
reterboro	Granite
Petarhore	E B. Edwards
Platteville	ThistleC. McGill
St. Marv's	G. H. Milne T. O. Robson
Scarboro'	A. Fleming
" M	laple Leaf. G. Elliott
Seaforth	T. G Williamson
Stratford	A.F. McLaren, M.P.
Thamesvil	le
R.	Ferguson M T. A
Toronto	John Bain
" Cal	ledonian
	W. D. McIntosh
Gra	niteC. C. Dalton
Lak	review. Robt. Young
Pro	spect Park
" 0	D. Carlyle
Que	en City
Wallrouter	J. W. Corcoran
"alkerton.	J. D. Flavelle

The minutes of last meeting were read, and on motion of Mr. Thos. Woodyatt, seconded by Mr. W. D. McIntosh, they were confirmed.

Mr. Dexter moved, seconded by Mr. Bain, that Napanee Club be received into the Association, and it was carried.

The Executive Committee then submitted the following report, viz.:

#### REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

In accordance with instructions at April meeting, your Committee drew up a code of Regulations for District Cup Competitions, and sent a copy to every curling club in the Province, as far as known, and with same a circular setting forth the object of the proposed competitions, and asking the clubs to reply stating whether they would enter for the Ontario Tankard, or for the District Cup Competitions.

The replies have been satisfactory—in all 44 have been received, of these 30 clubs have chosen to enter for the Ontario Tankard and 14 for the District Cup Competition: and your Committee recommend that, this year, two District Cups be allocated instead of one as at first proposed, and that one be given to the Eastern and the other to the Western section of the Province.

Your Committee, in considering how to make the Association more valuable to the smaller and younger clubs, came to see that another numerous section of the members of the Association, consisting of the neglected members of large clubs, and aggregating about one-third of the whole membership of the Ontario Curling Association, were practically shut out from the Tankard Competition, the only club competition known to the Association, and they added to the circular a suggestion that—" One District Cup shall be put up for competition between associated clubs having a membership of 50 or over, but the players shall be restricted to such members of these clubs as have never played for any Club in an Ontario Tankard Game, either primary or final."

This suggestion has met with almost universal approval, of 44 clubs who have reported 34 are in favor of it, and only 2 or 3 disapprove, and we may state that several clubs of about 30 members have intimated their

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intention to work up their membership to 50 so as to avail themselves of the proposal, but as no further action can be taken in the matter this year, it may be left over until the April meeting.

After considerable discussion, it was moved by Dr. Russell, seconded by Mr. Ferguson, that the report of the Executive Committee be received and approved; that two district cups be allocated this season, as recommended, that entries for them may be made up to 1st December next, and that the Executive Committee be instructed and empowered to make such changes in the grouping of clubs for the Tankard Competition, and in the numbers of the groups as these entries may make desirable, and it was carried.

The next order of business being the election of officebearers, Mr. Dexter moved, seconded by Mr. Ferguson, that the Governor-General of the Dominion be requested to accept the office of Patron of the Association, and it was carried by acclamation.

Mr. McIntosh moved, seconded by Mr. Ferguson, that Sir Oliver Mowat, Lieutenant-Governor of Ontario, be elected Honorary President, and it was carried unani-

On motion of Mr. Robson, seconded by Mr. Hamilton, Mr. A. F. McLaren, M. P., 1st Vice-President, was elected President.

On motion of Mr. Dalton, seconded by Dr. Russell, Mr. Dexter, 2nd Vice-President, was elected 1st Vice-

On motion of Mr. McIntosh, seconded by Mr. Ferguson, Mr. C. C. Dalton was elected 2nd Vice-President.

On motion of Mr. Carlyle, seconded by Mr. Dexter, the Rev. John Young, of Hamilton Victoria Club, was elected Chaplain.

On motion of Mr. Dexter, seconded by Mr. Corcoran, Mr. J. S. Russell was re-elected Secretary-Treasurer.

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Ten names were put in nomination for the Executive Committee, and a ballot having been taken under Messrs. Eakins and Hamilton as scrutineers, the following were declared to be elected, viz.: Dr. Russell, W. D. McIntosh, D. Carlyle, W. C. Matthews, John Bain and Chas. Turnbull.

On motion of Mr. Toner, seconded by Mr. Dalton, Messrs. McMurrich, Congalton and Edwards were reelected the Committee on Complaints and Appeals.

On motion of Mr. McIntosh, seconded by Dr. Russell, the Committee on the Annual were re-elected, with the addition of Mr. R. J. Maclennan.

On motion of Mr. Bain, seconded by Mr. Woodyatt, Messrs. McGill and Williamson were re-elected Auditors.

The plan of grouping was then taken up, and as it had already been remitted to the Executive Committee to be re-adjusted when entries for District Cups are completed, it was not discussed.

Mr. Edwards then introduced his motion held over from the April meeting, and moved, "That in Rules of the Game, the word 'fifty' in Section 16, be deleted, and that the words 'forty-five' be inserted in its stead, the change to come into effect after one season next ensuing." This was seconded by Mr. Schofield, and a standing vote having been taken, 18 voted for the motion and 24 voted that the Rule should stand as at present, and the motion was declared lost.

A vote of thanks was, on motion of Mr. McIntosh, tendered heartily to the Host of the Walker House for supplying our comfortable place of meeting, and was fittingly acknowledged by Mr. Walker.

The newly elected office-bearers were in turn presented to the Chairman and duly installed in office.

#### A. F. McLAREN,

Chairman.

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## COMPETITIONS.

## THE ONTARIO SILVER TANKARD.

## REGULATIONS FOR THE COMPETITION.

- 1. The Ontario Tankard shall be competed for annually; and all clubs connected with the Association, and in good standing will be entitled to take part in the competition.
- 2. The competition shall be in two parts; the first, called the Primary, between the clubs arranged in sixteen groups, and as nearly as possible an equal number of clubs in each group; and the second, called the Final between the winning clubs in those groups; and all the games shall be of 22 Ends.
- 3. In the Primary Competition, the clubs in each group which notify the Umpire of their intention to take part in the contest shall be drawn against each other in pairs, on the Bagnall Wyld System, and the survivors of each of the matches shall continue the competition until one club has become the winner. In the Final Competition, the clubs winning in the Primary shall meet in Toronto, or elsewhere, as may be arranged at the October meeting, each with two rinks, and carry out the contest in like manner as in the Primary, until one has become the victor, and winner of the Tankard for the year; and the club playing the last match with the winner shall be recorded as "the last competing club."

- 4. At the meeting of the Representatives in October, the clubs shall be arranged in groups, and an Umpire from another group appointed to conduct the matches in each group. The Secretary of the Association shall be the Umpire of the Final Competition, unless some other person shall be appointed to that office by the Representatives at the October meeting.
- 5. The Rules of the Game as set forth in the By laws shall govern the Tankar dCompetitions in all matters, except where otherwise provided for by these regulations.
- 6. In the Primary Competitions the players of any of the clubs may be changed for the successive matches; but in the Final Competition, and in the Primary, when the matches are played off at one meeting, the players who represent a club in the first contest must remain unchanged as long as the club remains in the competition, although their positions in the rink may be changed between matches, and they shall not change their stones during the competition unless they first obtain the sanction of the opposing Skip. Should any player become, from sickness, unable to appear on the ice, the next player before him on that side shall play with two pairs of stones; or the second player when it is the first who is absent.
- 7. In all the Primary Competitions the orders and decisions of the Umpire must be obeyed and accepted, and are subject only to *immediate* appeal, by the club feeling aggrieved, to the President, through the Secretary of the Association.
- 8. In the Final Competition, if winning clubs are present from more than eight groups, two sets of matches shall be played off the first day, so as to leave only two sets to be played off on the second day.



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T.W.GREER. T.M. CONNELL.
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- 9. As only those clubs which have been reported to the Secretary of the Association by the 4th day of February, as survivors in the Primary, can take part in the Final Competition, the winner in each group should take care that the report of its success is duly made before that date.
- 10. When the winner of a Group Competition fails to make entry for the Final Tankard Competition within a reasonable time, the Runner-up in same group shall be entitled to the position, and to all the rights, trophies, and privileges of a group winner.
- 11. Umpires are enjoined to carry out the Primary Competitions at one meeting, whenever practicable.
- 12. A Silver Medal, emblematic of the District Championship for the year, will be presented to each club winning in the Primary, which also takes part in the Final Competition.
- 13. The President's Gold Medals are presented to the Skips of the winning rinks, and the Vice-President's Medals to the Skips of the last competing rinks, and prizes will be given by the Association to the other players.

#### REPORT OF THE COMPETITIONS FOR 1897-98.

The Primary Competitions were carried out in every one of the 16 groups, and the number of clubs engaged was 59, with 118 rinks.

		CLUBS.		
Group No.	In Group.	Eligible.	Competed.	Winning.
1	5	5	3	Port Hope.
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8	5 4 5	5 2 5 4 2 6 6 6 5 5 5 5 7 5	$\frac{3}{1}$	Bobcavgeon.
2	5	5	4	Bobcaygeon. Peterboro' Granite.
1	6	4	$\frac{4}{3}$	Churchill.
5	6 5	2	2	Scarboro' Maple Leaf
6	6	6	6	Oshawa.
7	6	6	6	Lindsay.
8	6	6		Dundas.
9	5	5	3	Paris.
10	6	5	5	Niagara Falls.
11		6	3	Avr Union.
12	5	5	3	St. Mary's.
13	6 5 5 5	5	4 3 5 3 3 3	Sarnia.
14	5	5	3	Windsor.
15	7	7	6	Stratford.
16	8	5	4	Walkerton.
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In all 90 clubs on lists, 79 were eligible and 59 competed

All of the winning clubs entered for the Final Competition except Sarnia Club, which did not put in appearance nor send any explanation for absence.

THE FINAL COMPETITION FOR THE ONTARIO TANKARD, 1897-98.

This, the culminating event of the curling season, came off on the 16th and 17th February. The weather had been very unfavorable for about two weeks, in consequence of which the contest had been postponed from the previous week, but by taking prompt use of a three

days' term of cold, the Final Tankard Competition and the Primary for the Governor General's prize were carried out on excellent ice, which proved to be the last spell of good curling weather for the season. The drawing took place as usual on the evening of the day preceding the match. The rinks of the Toronto, the Granite and the Queen City Clubs were given over to the association for the occasion, the games at the several rinks being presided over by Messrs. John Bain, D. L. Van Vlack and G. S. Lyon, as Deputy Umpires, and the whole proceedings passed off in the most satisfactory manner, Lindsay Club proving the winner, and thus for the first time since the institution of this celebrated Trophy, one club has had the good fortune to win it, after successful competition, in two consecutive years.

The players who represented the group champions in the Tankard Finals were the following:

#### Port Hope.

J. McClung, Captain Brown, J. Miller, Ed. Monsell, Skip.

Captain Brown.

" Henning,
" Peacock,
" Colwill, Skip.

#### Peterboro' Granite.

G. Giroux,
G. Whiten,
T. E. Bradburn,
Judge Weller, Skip.

H. A. Morrow, R. S. Davidson, H. M. Allen, E. B. Edwards, Skip.

#### Bobcaygeon.

C. Arnburg,
A. P. Ross,
A. Bottum,
W. A. Davis, Skip.
F. Minns,

W. Boyd, J. T. Robinson, W. J. Read, Skip.

#### Churchill.

John Allan, J. A. Paterson, E. H. Sloan, D. W. Lennox, Skip.

J. P. Lemon, Robt. Reeve, Wm. Patterson, W. Patterson, Skip.

#### Scarboro' Maple Leaf.

R. Green, W. W. Walton, H. Thompson, A. Paterson, Skip.

R. Thompson, J. Teeson, Geo. Chester, R. McCowan, Skip.

#### Lindsay.

T. W. Greer,
L. McIntosh,
J. A. McMillan,
J. D. Flavelle, Skip.
T. McConnell,
M. W. Kennedy,
G. A. Little,
W. McLennan, Skip.

#### Paris.

H. Walker, H. C. O'Neail, John Torrance, M. Cavan, Skip.

A. Pardee, John Aitken, Geo. Tate, John Cairnie, Skip.

#### Ayr Union.

J. Goldie, G. Hamilton, Jas. Hall, J. A. Reid, Skip.

J. Wylie, J. Black, A. J. Reid, Jno. Anderson, Skip.

#### Oshawa.

F. French,
Alex. Rankin,
F. J. Lambert,
J. A. Sykes, Skip.
J. W. Provan,
A. J. Lambert,
E. J. Rowse,
P. H. Punshon, Skip.

#### Dundas.

W. Lawson,
H. F. Powell,
Dr. Ross,
Dr. Bertram, Skip.
G. C. Wilson,
J. J. Steele,
M. S. Wilson,
Chas. Collins, Skip.

#### Niagara Falls.

C. H. Mitchell,
A. Fraser, Sr.,
A. Fraser, Jr.,
F. Powell, Skip.
Jae. Barry,
W. L. Doran,
F. Anderson,
J. C. Bartle, Skip.

#### Stratford.

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Dr. Hawke, W. Gillard, John Welsh, W. S. Watson, Skip.

A. H. King, J. Steele, C. E. Nasmith, J. A. McFadden, Skip.

Windsor.	Walkerton.
C. E. Adams, A. Wigle, Dr. Ashbaugh, D. L. Carley, Skip.	J. J. Richardson, D. W. Richardson, R. E. Richardson, W. Richardson, Skip.
J. M. Little, C. Cooney, R. McDonald, Dr. Stewart, Skip.	C. N. Lount, W. G. Collins, A. Collins, W. R. Telford, Skip.
St. 1	Mary's.
J. D. Moore, Jas. Cathcart, G. H. McIntyre, Jos. Oddy, Skip.	J. Wood, T. O. Robson, C. Myers, W. Andrews, Skip.
FIRST	T DRAW.
Walkerton Club v	s. Bobcaygeon Club.
W. Richardson, Skip22 W. R. Telford, "21	W. A. Davis, Skip
Total	
Windsor	s. Dundas.
D. L. Carley, Skip11 Dr. Stewart, "20	Dr. Bertram, Skip.
Total31	Total $\overline{49}$
Port Hope	. Ayr Union.
Ed. Monsell, Skip	J. A. Read, Skip23 John Anderson, Skip23

Total ......46

Total ......47

Peterboro' Granite vs	s. Scarboro' Maple Leaf.
Judge Weller, Skip22 E. B. Edwards, "15	A. Paterson, Skip
Total37	Total42
Churchill Club vs	s. St. Mary's Club.
D. W. Lennox, Skip19 W. Paterson, "19	Jos. Oddy, Skip
Total	Total39
Oshawa vs	. Paris.
J. A. Sykes, Skip 20 P. H. Punshon, 16	M. Cavan, Skip
Total36	Total
<b>Lindsay</b> vs	. Niagara Falls.
J. D. Flavelle, Skip 30 W. McLennan, " 27	F. Powell, Skip 9 J. C. Bartle,
Total57	Total
<b>Stratford</b> vs	s. Sarnia.
Stratford had a bye, Sarnia	a not appearing.

First Draw.	Second.	Third.	Final.
Stratford	Stratford	Stratford	Dundas

TANKARD FINALS, 1897-98.

Lindsay Club winning by seven shots.

#### SECOND DRAW.

Stratford.	vs.	Walkerton.
W. S. Watson, Skip	20 W. R 22 W. R	Telford, Skip16 ichardson, "22
Total	42	Total38
Oshawa.	vs.	Lindsay.
J. A. Sykes, Skip1 P. H. Punshon, "	3 W. M. 11 J. D.	cLennan, Skip 23 Flavelle, "
Total	24	Total
Scarboro' Maple Leaf.	vs.	Dundas.
R. McCowan, Skip	16 Chas. 20 Dr. B	Collins, Skip22 ertram "17
Total	36	Total39
St. Mary's.	vs.	Port Hope.
Jos. Oddy, Skip	21 Ed. N 22 Capt.	Ionsell, Skip11           Colwell, "8
Total	13	Total
тні	RD DRAW.	
Lindsay.	vs.	St. Mary's.
W. McLennan, Skip	25 Jos. C 24 W. A	Oddy, Skip
Total	19	Total29
Dundas.	vs.	Stratford.
Dr. Bertram, Skip	26 W. S. 19 J. A.	Watson, Skip14 McFadden ''23
Total	45	Total37



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#### CLOSING GAME, TANKARD FINALS.

Lindsay vs. Dundas.

J. D. Flavelle, Skip...14 Chas. Collins, Skip.....19 W. McLennan, "...24-38 Dr. Bertram, ".....12-31

#### COMBINED PROGRESSIVE SCORES.

Lindsay— 1 6 7 9 9 11 12 13 15 16 17 19 19 21 22 22 29 32 34 34 38 38 Dundas—

3 3 4 5 9 10 14 15 16 17 19 19 21 22 23 26 28 28 28 30 30 31 Lindsay winning by seven shots.

Lindsay was up on 10 Ends; Dundas was up on 10 Ends, and they tied on two Ends; After the passing of the customary congratulations and condolences on the ice, a very pleasant meeting was held in the reading room of the Granite Club, presided over by Mr. R. L., Patterson, and the hard-fought-for Tankard was presented by the Umpire to the Lindsay Club, with a few laudatory remarks, and accepted by Mr. Flavelle, who thanked the assembled curlers for their hearty congratulations, and acknowledged that while the Lindsay players were proud of making the first consecutive win of the famous Tankard Competition, they had never played a harder match than that just finished with Dundas, and that the good fortune of his fellow skip, W. McLennan, in gaining a seven-end alone saved them from defeat.

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WINNING CLUB.	YEAR.	LAST COMPETING CLUB
Hamilton Thistle	1875	The state of the s
Toronto	1876	Orillia
Toronto	1877	No other competitor.
Hamilton Thistle	1878 1879	Port Hope.
Port Hope	1880	Galt. Bowmanville.
Hamilton Thistle	1881	Port Hope.
Toronto Caledonian	1882	Bowmanville.
Brampton	1883	Barrie.
St. Mary's	1884	Orillia.
Orillia	1885	Hamilton Thistle.
Toronto Granite	1886	Guelph.
Paris	1887	St. Mary's.
Thamesville	1888 1889	Galt. Toronto Granite.
Walkerton	1890	Toronto Granite.
Hamilton Thistle	1891	Toronto Prospect Pk.
Toronto Granite	1892	Peterboro'
Bobcaygeon	1893	Oshawa.
Toronto Granite	1894	Dundas.
Hamilton Thistle	1895	Lindsay.
Toronto Granite		St. Mary's.
Lindsay		Hamilton Victoria.
Lindsay!	1898	Dundas.

The Primary Competition for the Governor-General's Prize was opened on the morning of the 17th February.

FIRS	Γ DRAW.
Oshawa.	Port Hone
J A. Sykes, Skip21	Capt. Colwell, Skip
Total 45	Total
<b>Bobcaygeon</b> v	s. Windsor.
W. A. Davis, Skip 19 W. J. Read, " 19	Dr. Stewart, Skip
Total38	Total
Churchill v	s. Niagara Falls.
D. W. Lennox, Skip 19	F. Powell, Skip
Total	Total
	D DRAW.
Churchill vs	s. Scarboro' Maple Leaf.
Churchill vs W. Paterson, Skip 27	
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Churchill         vs           W. Paterson, Skip         27           D. W. Lennox,"         15           Total         42           Oshawa         vs	s. Scarboro' Maple Leaf.  A. Paterson, Skip 9 R. McCowan, '
Churchill         vs           W. Paterson, Skip         27           D. W. Lennox,"         15           Total         42           Oshawa         vs           J. A. Sykes, Skip         17	s. Scarboro' Maple Leaf.  A. Paterson, Skip 9 R. McCowan, '
Churchill         vs           W. Paterson, Skip         27           D. W. Lennox,"         15           Total         42           Oshawa         vs           J. A. Sykes, Skip         17	s. Scarboro' Maple Leaf. A. Paterson, Skip
Churchill         vs           W. Paterson, Skip         27           D. W. Lennox,"         15           Total         42           Oshawa         vs           J. A. Sykes, Skip         17           P. H. Punshon,"         20           Total         37	s. Scarboro' Maple Leaf. A. Paterson, Skip
Churchill         vs           W. Paterson, Skip         27           D. W. Lennox,"         15           Total         42           Oshawa         vs           J. A. Sykes, Skip         17           P. H. Punshon,"         20           Total         37           THIRI           Churchill         vs	s. Scarboro' Maple Leaf. A. Paterson, Skip
Churchill         vs           W. Paterson, Skip         27           D. W. Lennox,"         15           Total         42           Oshawa         vs           J. A. Sykes, Skip         17           P. H. Punshon,"         20           Total         37           THIRI           Churchill         vs           W. Paterson, Skip         13	S. Scarboro' Maple Leaf.  A. Paterson, Skip

The Final Match for the Governor-General's Cup was played at Orillia, on the 24th March, between Lindsay and Churchill Clubs, the latter taking the place of St. Mary's Club, some of whose players were unable to leave home by reason of sickness in their families.

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The ice was good, the competition was spirited, and in the one rink very close; the match was witnessed by a large body of spectators. Mr. Melville Miller was acting Umpire, and the occasion passed off with great éclat.

<b>Lindsay</b> v	s. Churchill.
W. McLennan, Skip16 J. A. McMillan, "27	W. Paterson, Skip15 D. W. Lennox, "13
Total43	Total

#### THE GENERAL COMPETITION AT THE POINTS' GAME.

REGULATIONS FOR THE COMPETITION.

First—That it shall be open to every member of the Association.

Second—That each club shall appoint the time and lay out the rinks for its own competitive play, and shall appoint as Umpire the President, Secretary, or local representative member of any other club in the Association; and when such persons cannot be conveniently got to act as Umpire, a member of the competing club, not otherwise taking part in the game, may act as Umpire, and in such case the report shall be certified by the President and the Secretary of the club competing.

Third—That the competition shall, in every particular, be strictly in conformity with the By-laws and Regulations; and the reports of the competition shall be according to a form prescribed by the Executive Committee, which shall be sent to every club, and must be handed to the Umpire before play begins.

Fourth—That the names of all persons making scores of 30 and over in this competition shall be published in the Annual, and a medal awarded to the person making the highest score.

Fifth—That if two or more persons make the same supreme score, they shall play off the tie as directed by the President of the Association.

Sixth—All returns must be sent to the Secretary of the Association before the last day of March in each year, on the evening of which day he shall make up the record for the season.

Owing, in great measure, to the unsettled character of the weather during last winter, and the unusually early disappearance of frost, we have had reports of competitions in this match from only 4 clubs, viz.: Lindsay, St. Thomas, Windsor and Waubaushene.

In Lindsay Club, 16 players took part in the game, making an aggregate score of 391, an average of  $24\frac{7}{16}$  each, and 5 of them made over 30. In St. Thomas Club, 26 played the game, but only 2 made 30 or over, and in Waubaushene 4 played, making 130, equal to an average of  $32\frac{1}{2}$  each.

The winning score, 43, made by Geo. F. Hall, is a very creditable one.

Score.	Player.		No. of Players.	
		Club.	Engag'd	R'port'd
43	G. F. Hall W. K. Cameron	St. Thomas	4 26	2 2
38 35 33 33	J. D. Flavelle J. N. McLennan A. W. Ridout	Lindsay	16 16	2 5* 5 2 5 5 5 2 2 2
33 31 31	J. A. McMillan G. A. Little W. McLennan	Lindsay	16 16	5 5
30 30	Alfred Wigle S. O. Perry	Windsor	16 56	2 2 2

### TOURNAMENTS.

#### THE WESTERN TANKARD.

#### FINAL COMPETITION.

First Draw.	Second Draw.	Third Draw.	
London 19 )		St Mary, 42.	

By winning this season the St. Mary's C. Club has for the second time become permanent owner of the Western Ontario Tankard, winning it in 1891-92-93-94-96-98, Paris winning it in '95, and Bright in '97. In all St. Marys played 27 games for it—winning 25 and losing 2.

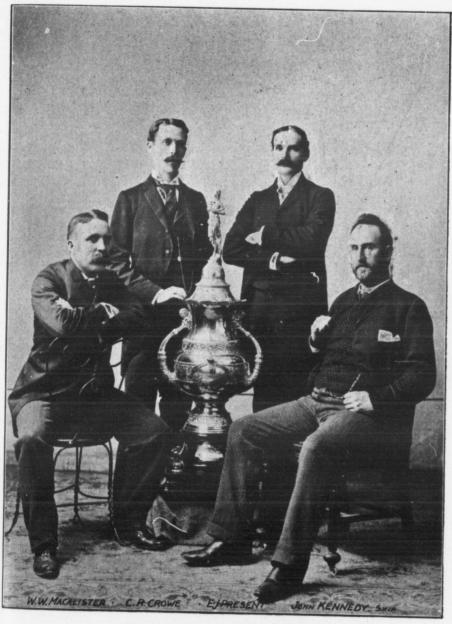
#### **GUELPH TOURNAMENT.**

A single rink competition, the winning rink taking the Sleeman Trophy, and the last competing club the Guelph Cup. Thirty rinks took part in the contest, the closing game being between

#### a Guelph Royal City Rink, and a Fergus Rink.

Fergus Club has now won the Guelph Cup three years in succession.

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THE KENNEDY RINK. GUELPH ROYAL CITY CLUB.



# THE SINGLE RINK COMPETITION-HAMILTON

FOR WALKER TROPHY.

Twenty-five rinks were engaged in this competition viz.: Ten from Hamilton Thistle, four from Hamilton Victoria, four from Dundas, three from Galt, two from Galt Granite, and two from Hamilton Asylum, and the final match was between

# a Hamilton Thistle Rink and a Galt Granite Rink

	TOTAL COLUMN TOTAL
Dr. Glassco,	W. Fulton,
Dr. Edgar,	W. W. Wilkinson,
J. B. Young,	T F Mot all
A. Gillespie, Skip25 Mr. Gillespie's Thistle Binl	C. Tumbull Cli-
Mr. Gillespie's Thistle Rink	0. Turnbull, Skip16
Titte Office Line	winning.

In the same contest a Consolation Match was won by a Victoria Club Rink—D. McPhie, Skip.

# THE SINGLE RINK COMPETITION-TORONTO

FOR WALKER VASE.

For this Trophy the Granite Club entered twenty rinks, the Toronto, fourteen; Queen City, seven; Parkdale, six; and the Caledonian, three, making fifty in all. The first matches were played on 15th January, and the final on the 14th March, between

# a Granite Club Rink and a Queen City Rink.

C. V. Snelgrove,	G. S. Lyon,
J. E. B. Littlejohn,	M. A. Rice.
J. Littlejohn,	H A Unialan
G. H. Gooderham, Skip3	1 R. B. Rice Skin
Mr. Gooderham's Rink w	inning.

## THE WINDSOR BONSPIEL

Open to the counties of Essex, Kent, Lambton and Middlesex in Ontario, and the States of Michigan and

Ohio in the United States, for the Walker International Trophy, was played at Windsor on January 26th.

#### FIRST DRAW.

Detroit defeated Windsor by 5 shots. Thamesville defeated Toledo Burns by 22 shots.

#### SECOND DRAW.

Sarnia defeated Ridgetown by 8 shots. Detroit defeated Thamesville by 14 shots.

#### FINAL MATCH.

Detroit defeated Sarnia by 7 shots.

#### OWEN SOUND TOURNAMENT.

First Draw.	Second Draw.	Third Draw.
Southampton35 Markdale20	Dundalk23 Southampton a bye Meaford	Southampton37

Southampton winning by 17 shots.

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THE GOODERHAM RINK. TORONTO GRANITE CLRB.

# CLUB RECORDS

For Season 1897-98.

Note. Following up the notice prefixed to Club Records last year, we leave out all reports of one-rink matches in this year's list—see Rules of the Game, section 24.

vs. R.W.L.	DWT.
Tilbury       2 10         Glencoe       3 12         Thamesville, Ferguson Tro.       2 5         Ridgetown, Ferguson       2 19         Wallaceburg       2 1         Thamesville       4 3         Ridgetown       4 34         Windsor       4 28         Detroit       4 6         Thamesville       4 3         "       2 23         Detroit       4 21	vs.       R.W.L.         Galt Granite       4 3         " " 4 19         Preston       4 7         Guelph       6 5         Hespeler       3 17         Galt Granites       4 12         Woodstock, Tankard       2 19         Paris       do.       2 3         Hespeler       2 12         Berlin       2 9         Paris       4 2         Ayr       3 2         Berlin       2 20         Dundas       3 34         Preston       4 33
CHURCHILL CLUB         vs.       R.W.L.         Barrie       4 15         "P. Tankard       2 2         St. Mary's, F. do       2         Gen's       2 13         Scarboro' Mpl. Leaf       GovGen's       2 16         St. Mary's       do       2       5         Lindsay       do       2       15	Points' Game-Won by A.

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	vs.	R.	W.	L.
Hamilton	Asylum	3		9
"	Thistles	5	7	
	P. T'nk'd.	2	4	
Glanford,	do	9	23	
Ancaster.	F. T'nk'd.	2	18	
Windsor,	F. T'nk'd.	<b>2</b>	18	
Scarboro'	M'l. Leaf			
	F. T'nk'd.	2	3	
Stratford,	do	2	8	
Lindsay.	do	2		7
Glanford,	Trophy	2	19	
Hamilton	Thistles			
	Trophy.	2	9	
66	Victorias			
	Trophy.	2	1	
Brantford	l, Cup	3		4
Hamilton	Victorias			
	Cup	. 5	tie	
Galt		3		34
Galt Gra	nites	3		35
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# GLENCOE CLUB

vs. R.W.L.
Chatham 2 17
Windsor 2 3
Chatham 2 11
Petrolia P. Tankard. 2 14
Thamesville 2 8
Woodstock P. T'nk'd 2 9
London 2 21
Sarnia 3 15
Sarnia 2 1
London 3 tie
Petrolia 2 2
Three Pairs Stones Match—Won by G. M. Maybury.

# DUNDAS CLUB GALT GRANITE CLUB

vs.	R.	W.	L.
Galt	4		3
Galt	4		19
Hespeler	3	6	
Guelph Unions	4	21	
Hespeler	4	7	
Preston	2	5	
Galt	4	12	
Waterloo	4	34	
Woodstock	3	24	
Ayr	4		5
Dundas	3	36	
Clinton	. 2	10	(0)

# GUELPH UNION CLUB

	v	8.							R.	W.	L.
Waterloo.									4	31	
Parkdale.									3	1	
Galt									6	5	
Fergus											
Galt Gran	it	e	S.						4		21
Preston,	$T_i$	al	al	3.2	al	2	ſ		2		5

# HAMILTON VICTORIA CLUB

vs.	R.	W.	L.
Ferguson Trophy—			
Hamilton Thistles	. 3		1
46 66	. 3	36	
Galbraith Trophy-			
Hamilton Thistles.	. 3	13	
	. 3	6	
For Silver Cup—			
Dundas	. 5	ti	e
Friendly Games—			
Victorias of Toront	03		6
Hamilton Asylum.			
		14	

#### LINDSAY CURLING CLUB

CLUB			
vs.	R.	W	L.
Bobcaygeon	2	3	
Fenelon Falls	2	12	
Fenelon Falls	2	18	
Toronto Queen City	<b>2</b>	10	
Toronto Queen City			
P. Tankard.	2	20	
Parkdale do.	2	7	
Niagara, F. do.	2	35	
Oshawa do.	2	28	
St. Mary's do.	2	20	
Parkdale do. Niagara, F. do. Oshawa do. St. Mary's do. Dundas do.	2	7	
Churchin, GovGen.			
Cup.	2	15	
Peterboro', Dryden	_	-	
Cup	2	10	
Peterboro', Pet'rb'ro'		0=	
Lindsay Cup.	6	37	
Norwood, Friendly.	2	9	::
Toronto Granite	3		15
" Victoria	2	• •	27
"Queen City.	3		6
Parkdale	3	9	
Detroit	2	7	
Rink Competition—Won by J. D. 1	-Se	enie	ors
Skip.	. 10	,,,,,	10,
Three Pairs of Stone	s I	Mat	ch
—Won by J. A. Mo	cW	Lilla	an.
Points' Game, Club C	or	npe	eti-

# ORILLIA CURLING CLUB

score 38.

tion-Won by W. Clemes,

		v	8					R	.W.	I	4
Beaverto	n							3	15		
Barrie .								2	12		
Beaverto	n							2	27		

Rink Competition—Seniors
—Won by Dr. A.R. Harvie,
Skip.

Points' Game, Club Competition—Won by Rev. R. N. Burns, score 35.

## OSHAWA CLUB

vs.		W.	
Whitby	2	8	
Toronto Queen City.	4	17	
" Granite	4		1
Bowmanville	2	18	
Toronto			
" Caledonians	2	23	
" Prospect P'k	2	5	
Bowmanville	2	22	
Paris	2	6	
Lindsay	2		31
Port Hope	2	6	
St. Mary's	2		4
Whitby	3	17	

#### PARIS CLUB

vs.				
Ayr		 3	15	
Bright		 2		19
Ingersoll		 4	36	
Galt		 2	3	
Oshawa		 2		6
Ingersoll		 4	55	
Galt		 4	3	
Ayr				

# PETROLIA CLUB

Points' Game for Englehart Trophy—Won by W. R. Noble, score 36.

PARKDALE CLUB	STRATFORD CLUB vs. R.W.L.
$\begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	vs.       R.W.L.         St. Mary's.       2 16         Ontario Tankard—       2 21         Waterloo.       2 21         Fergus.       2 5         Guelph.       2 11         Western Tankard—       2         St. Mary's.       2         Detroit.       2 15         Ontario Tankard—         Walkerton       2 4         Dundas.       2         Ingersoll.       2 7         Waterloo.       2 42         Southampton       2         "       2         "       2
ST. MARY'S CLUB.	TORONTO GRANITE
vs.       R.W.L.         Friendly—       2       10         Western T. Primary—       2       1         Stratford       2       1         Ontario T. Primary—       2       13         London       2       13         Berlin       2       30         Ontario T. Final—       2       1         Churchill       2       24         Lindsay       2       20         Ontario Consolation—       2       30         Oshawa       2       4         Churchill       2       5         Western T. Final—       2       21         Bright       2       21         Southampton       2       13         Detroit       2       7	vs.       R.W.L.         Brampton       6 21         Oshawa       4 1         Queen City       6 . 1         Lindsay       3 15         Hamilton Thistles       6 . 11         Detroit       4 29         Woodstock       4 7         WALKERTON       CLUB         vs.       R.W.L.         Ontario Tankard-       Lueknow       2 20         Durham       2 33         Bobcaygeon       2 19       .         Stratford       2 . 4         For Fun-       Fergus       2 17         W1arton       2 35       .

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Chatham	66	
Ridgetown	66	
St. Thomas	66	
Thamesville	66	
Toledo	66	
Glencoe	66	

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Galt Granite	66	
Ingersoll	66	
London	"	
Paris	66	
Simcoe	"	

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### C. STIFF, - Umpire, Hamilton.

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Niagara-on-Lake	66
W. Flamboro	66
Victoria, Hamilton,	66
Buffalo	66
Dundas	66
Glanford	66

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Seaforth	66
St. Mary's	66
Harriston	46
Chesley	66
Lucknow	66
Guelph Royal City	66

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Guelph Union Galt	Club.
Toronto Granite	"
Berlin	66
Preston	66
Brampton	"
Fergus	"
Walkerton	"
Playing mainly	at Guelph.

### W. C. MATTHEWS, Umpire, Toronto.

Collingwood Club.

GROUP No. 6.

Commission	Ozun.
Barrie	66
Churchill	66
Scarboro Maple Leaf	66
Toronto	66
" Parkdale	66
Lindsay	66
Hamilton Asylum	"
Playing mainly at I	Coronto.

### GROUP No. 7.

,fohn	BAIN,		Umpire,
	To	ronto.	

Peterboro Thistle C Millbrook	lub.
Penetanguishene	66
Bobcaygeon	66
Orillia	66
Tor. Prospect Park	66
" Caledonian	"
Oshawa	"
	0

Playing mainly at Orillia, Peterboro and Toronto.

### GROUP No. 8.

DR.	SHAW,		Umpire,
	K	eene.	

Peterboro' Granite Cobourg	Club.
Belleville	66
Queen City	66
Port Hope	66
Whitby Club	66
Scarboro	66
Tor. Lakeview	66

Playing mainly at Cobourg and Peterboro.

## DISTRICT CUP COMPETITIONS.

### REGULATIONS

First—That, as alternates to the Ontario Tankard Competitions, District Cups shall be put up by the O.C.A.

for competition among those clubs who elect to play for them, instead of entering into the Tankard Competitions.

Second—That all associated clubs that do not advise the Secretary of the O. C. A. of their intention to enter the District Cup Competitions, before the 10th day of October, 1898, shall be held as preferring to enter the Tankard Competitions, and shall be so entered, and all new clubs joining the Association shall have the option of entering either the District Cup, or the Ontario Tankard Competition, and no club, or member of any club, shall be allowed to play in both competitions in one season.

Third—That a club, once entered for either competition, may be transferred to the other, on application to the Executive Committee, who shall have authority to make such transfer, and no application for transfer shall be in order unless sent to the Executive Committee before 1st December, 1898, and before 10th October, in future years.

Fourth—That the competitions shall be conducted under the rules governing the Primary Competition for the Tankard, and under the superintendence of an Umpire, who shall be a member of an associated club not taking part in the competition, and who shall be appointed at the October meeting of Representatives.

Fifth—The Districts once formed shall remain territorially the same, subject to the addition of new clubs transfers, withdrawals and such changes as may be ordered by the Association; but no District shall be formed or continued with less than eight, or more than sixteen clubs on its list as members thereof.

Sixth—Each District Cup shall be played for annually, the winner in each year being entitled to the custody of the cup for the year, and to have its name engraved thereon as the winner for the year.

Seventh—The Drawing will be made not later than the 10th January of each year—the first round of matches must be played before 20th January, and the 2nd and 3rd before 31st January, and the competitions must be closed before 7th February. No excuse for not playing matches as ordered by the Umpire will be accepted, except the want of ice fit for curling, and of this the Umpire shall be the judge.

#### DISTRICT CUP COMPETITIONS

The following clubs have entered in the Western District, viz.:—

Ayr, London Forest City,
Clinton, Embro,
Durham, Goderich,
Forest, Petrolia,
Plattsville, Sarnia,
Waterloo, Arthur.

J. STEELE, Stratford, Umpire.

and the following in the Eastern District, viz.:-

Bowmanville, Keene,
Campbellford, Meaford,
Fenelon Falls, Waubaushene,
Georgetown, Napanee,
Lakefield, Newmarket.

W. D. McIntosh, Toronto, Umpire.

The drawing will be made early in January, by the Executive Committee. The first rounds to be played where most convenient for the competing clubs. The second and third rounds to be played off on one day when practicable.

# COLTS' CURLING ASSOCIATION.

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SECRETARY-TREASURER.	T. W. R. McRae, Belleville.

### CLUBS COMPOSING ASSOCIATION.

Juniors of Beaverton, Belleville, Campbellford, Cobourg, Fenelon Falls, Norwood, Peterboro, Port Hope, Kingston and Lindsay.

Group No. 1.—Fenelon Falls—Beaverton—Lindsay—at Lindsay.

Group No. 2.—Peterboro vs. Norwood, at Norwood. Port Hope vs. Cobourg, at Cobourg.

Group No. 3.—Belleville—Kingston—Campbellford—at Belleville.

Champion Club, season 1897-1898—Peterborough.

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#### THE TOURNAMENT, 1897-98.

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CLUB.	1st round	2ND ROUND	3rd round
London Forest City St. Mary's	19 35	24	
St. Mary's	Bye. 73	47 Bye.	48 38

Stratford winning by 7 shots.

## ROYAL CALEDONIAN CURLING CLUB 1898-99.

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HOOOOIAI	ED CLUBS.	
Scotland         571           England         41           Ireland         1	Russia	21
Canada 24	United States 2	2
Newfoundland 2 New Zealand 8	Total	-

## CORRESPONDING ASSOCIATIONS IN AMERICA.

Ontario	126 clubs		United States	40 clubs
Maritime Provinces	30	44	Total	

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FOR 1898-99.

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## CURLERS' SIGNAL CODE.

For use in large covered rinks, when several matches are going on simultaneously.

For In Turn—Right arm to be held close to body. For Out-Turn—Arm to be extended horizontally.

For **Striking**—Broom to be held vertically, and passed rapidly backwards over stone to be struck.

For Inwicking—Broom to be waved "off and on" the inside of the stone to be inwicked off, showing the place on which the strike should be made.

For **Drawing**—Broom to be held vertically at the place where it is desired the stone should come to "at rest."

For Guarding—Broom to be held transversely on the ice, at the place where the stone should rest.

For Chap and Lie—Broom to be held vertically, and moved up and down over the stone to be struck.

For Wick and Curl-In—Show place as in Drawing where it is desired that the stone should rest, then as in Inwicking.

For Raising—Broom to be held vertically and slowly passed over the stone crosswise of the rink, and the length of the raising to be indicated by the space between the two hands holding the broom horizontally.

For Drawing Through a Port—As in Drawing. For Chipping the Winner—As in Inwicking.

For Outwicking—As in Inwicking, only indicating the outside of stone to be struck.

After indicating, as above directed, the character of the shot to be made, the corn end of the broom should be held on the ice to show the point at which the player should take aim in order to reach the desired position, and the hand on handle of broom should be placed as near as possible to the point which the played stone is expected to reach; the space between is called in curling phraseology "the borrow."

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## TRAVELLING FACILITIES.

The Grand Trunk and the Canadian Pacific Railways have granted to Curling Clubs, associated with the Ontario Curling Association, special rates of fare, when travelling, in bodies of not less than Eight Persons, to and from curling matches.

These rates are a single trip fare of two-thirds the ordinary rate from station to station, and a return trip fare at the rate of one and one-third the ordinary single fare, and include the handling and carriage of stones and brooms.

For the Grand Trunk Railway, rate orders, entitling clubs to the above named reduced fares for the season, can be obtained upon application to the General Passenger Agent of the G. T. R. System at Montreal.

For the Canadian Pacific Railway, applications may be addressed to the General Passenger and Ticket Agent, C. P. R., Montreal, or the Assistant Passenger Agent, C. P. R., Toronto.

Secretaries of clubs will please take notice that these orders should be procured early in the season before curling begins, and applications for them should not be put off until going away to a match. And they must be shown to local agents when applying for tickets.

Curlers when travelling are requested to have their curling stones, etc., forward at the railway station at least fifteen minutes before time of starting, and to depute one of their number to procure the necessary tickets in one lot. To encourage large bonspeils, the railway authorities offer to grant round trips at one single fare, when not less than THREE HUNDRED persons travel by rail to a match.

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## PRINCIPAL EVENTS IN COMING SEASON.

1st. The Patron and Office-Bearers of the O. C. A. v. Four or Six Rinks of the Curlers of the Toronto Clubs.

2ND. THE PRIMARY COMPETITION FOR THE ONTARIO TANKARD, embracing also the Group Championship Contests; beginning in the several groups about middle of January, and to be completed, and reported to the Secretary of the Association by 4th February.

3RD. THE TWO DISTRICT CUP COMPETITIONS, one in the Eastern, and the other in the Western part of the Province, open to all clubs which enter for same on or before 1st December, 1898. See regulations for competition, page 164.

4TH. THE FINAL COMPETITION FOR THE ONTARIO TANKARD, between the champion clubs in the several groups, probably about 8th February.

5TH. THE FINAL COMPETITION FOR THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL'S PRIZE, for stone playing clubs; open to all clubs in the Association, except the club winning the Ontario Tankard, and the last competing club in same contest; beginning at time of second round in the Tankard Finals. Page 60.

6TH. THE GENERAL COMPETITION AT THE POINTS' GAME, open to every member of the Association. For rules of competition, see page 80.

7TH. THE A. M. STEWART SCOTTISH COUNTIES MEDAL, open to not less than two rinks of natives of any county or shire in Scotland, and residing on the continent of America. Challenges may be sent to Mr. J. S. Russell, Toronto, who holds the medal for Lanarkshire.

8th. Tournaments, more or less public, at Windsor or Detroit, Guelph, Owen Sound, Hamilton and Toronto.

9TH. THE MANITOBA BRANCH OF THE R. C. C. C., extends a hearty invitation to the curlers of Ontario to take a part in their Annual Tournament at Winnipeg, early in February.

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### Curlers' Monthly Calendar.

OCTOBER—Have Annual Meeting of Club, to revise List of Members, and to elect Office-bearers and Representative Members, so that returns may be made to Secretary-Treasurer of the Association before Semi-Annual meeting of the Representative Committee, held on 3rd Tuesday of this month.

Tuesday of this month.

NOVEMBER—During this month the Rinks should be carefully examined and necessary repairs made, so as to have

everything in order when frost sets in.

DECEMBER, JANUARY, FEBRUARY and MARCH—See following pages.

APRIL closes the curling season. Remember the Semi-Annual Meeting of the Representative Committee on Tuesday, the 20th April, 1899.

### DECEMBER, 1898.

Millian		
D.M.	D.W.	When snaw lies white on ilka knowe, The curlin' stane, and guid broom cowe, Can warm us like a bleezing lowe, Fair fa' the ice, and curlin.'
12	М.	Set the house in order.
13	T.	
14	w.	
15	T.	Matches, President vs. Vice-President, now in order
16	F.	
17	s.	
19	M.	Rinks will now be made up, ready for the fray.
20	T.	
21	w.	
22	T.	
23	F.	
24	S.	
26	M.	
27	T.	
28	w.	
29	T.	
30	F.	
31	S.	

D.M.	D.W	Now rival parishes and shrievedoms keep On upland lochs the long expected tryst, To play their annual bonspiel.
2	M.	
3	T.	Look for notice of Primary Competition for
4	W.	
5	T.	
6	F.	
7	S.	
9	M.	
10	T.	Latest day for drawing for District Cup Competi'ns.
11	W.	······································
12	T.	
13	F.	
14	S.	
16	M.	Third Monday, New Councils meet.
17	T.	***************************************
18	w.	•••••
19	T.	***************************************
20	F.	Latest day for 1st round District Cup Matches.
21	s.	······································
23	М.	Fourth Monday, New Councils meet.
24	т.	
25	w.	
26	T.	
27	F.	
28	s.	
30	м.	***
31	T.	ord round District Cup Matches closed to-day.

## FEBRUARY, 1899.

D.M.	D.w.	To billiards, cricket, golf, and bowls, The curlers shore Godspeed, But they maun a' to Scotland's game Bow their diminished head.
1	w.	
2	T.	
3	F.	
4	s.	Last day for receiving returns of Group Competitions for Ontario Tankard.
6	M.	Lose no time in playing off Medal Matches.
7	T.	District Club Competition must be closed
8	w.	Final Competition for Tankard about this date.
	T.	
10	F.	
11	S.	
13	M.	
14	T.	Good time for general competition Points' Game.
15	w.	***************************************
16	T.	
17	F.	Scottish Counties' Match about this date—Lanark- shire present holder.
18	S.	
20	M.	
21	T.	
22	w.	Last day for making entry at Ottawa for Governor- General's Prize.
23	T.	
24	F.	
25	S.	
27	м.	
28	т.	

COLUMN TWO IS NOT THE OWNER, NAMED OF			
D.M.	D.W.	And when in sleep we shut our een, We'll dream o' contests stiff and keen, And o' the points we made yestreen, When we were at the curiin'.	
1	w.	Now for challenge matches.	
2	T.		
3	F.		
4	S.		
6	M.		•••••
7	T.		•••••
8	w.	Return friendly matches may be made now.	
9	T.		
10	F.		
11	S.		
13	M.		
14	T.		•••••
15	w.	Match with Clu	b.
16	T.		
17	F.		
18	S.		
20	M.		
21	T.		••••••
22	w.		•••••
23	T.		
24	F.	Match with Clu	ıb.
25	S.		
27	M.		
28	T.		
29	w.		
-	1		
30	T.	***************************************	



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