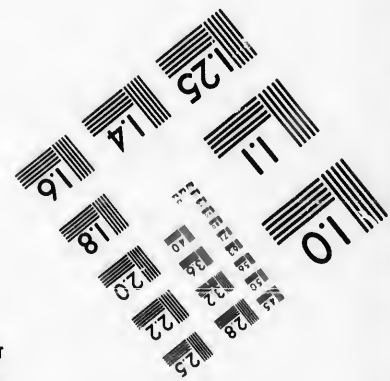
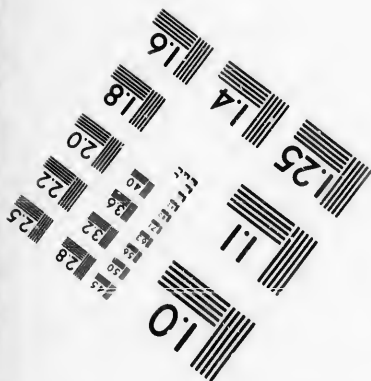
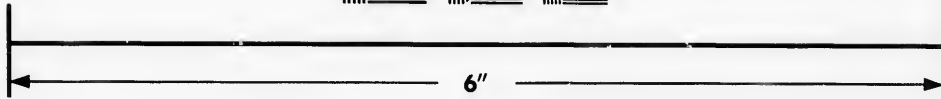
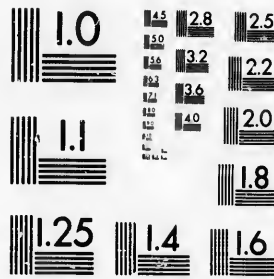


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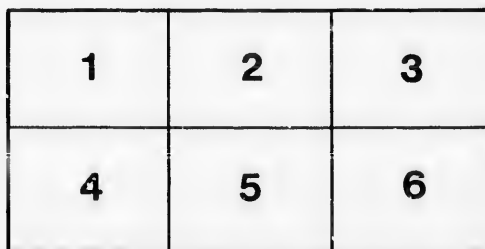
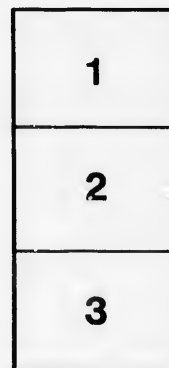
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ST. ANDREW'S SOCIETY CURLING CLUB.

The SAINT ANDREWS SOCIETY CURLING CLUB, of Saint John, N. B., was established during the winter of 1855 and 1856.

Some of its earliest Members were W. C. Watson, James and Robert Milligan, Wm. Girvan, John Walker, Robert and Alexander Jardine, James Macfarlane, Andrew Scott, Robert Cruikshank, Thomas M. Reed, Daniel Stewart, Dr. Boyd, &c.

Bye Laws, prepared by Robert Jardine, were adopted at a Meeting held on 10th January, 1856, making the Office Bearers of the Club to consist of Preses, Secretary-Treasurer, and six Skips, to be chosen annually on the first Thursday of November.

None but Members of the Saint Andrew's Society were eligible for membership, and the annual dues were fixed at Five Shillings. The property of the Club then consisted of six pairs of Curling Stones, presented by the Officers of the 72nd Highlanders, to which were added eight pairs made by Messrs. Milligan, and two pairs purchased in Fredericton. None but Members or non-resident guests were allowed to play. On New Year's day a Bonspeil was to be held.

The first Annual Meeting was held at Scammell's Hotel on 6th November, 1856, at which were present Dr. John Boyd, Preses, William Girvan, Secretary-Treasurer, and nineteen Members.

The Skips for that year were A. Jardine, James Macfarlane, Andrew Scott, A. McClelland, James Milligan, and James Aiton.

An entrance fee of five shillings was established. Dr. Boyd was re-elected Preses, W. C. Watson, Secretary-Treasurer, and Alexander Jardine, Alex. Petrie, Jas. Milligan, Thomas McClelland, James Aiton, and Wm. Girvan were chosen Skips. On New Year's day, 1857, the Annual Bonspeil was played on Lily Lake, between 16 married and 16 single Members, former won by 11 shots, viz. : 101 to 90.

On 26th February, 1857, the first match with the Fredericton Club was played at Fredericton, resulting in favor of the Frederictonians by 27 shots; 3 Rinks from each Club contested. On the 31st March, the Club had "Beef and Greens" at Stubbs' Hotel, to wind up the season.

SEASON 1857 AND 1858.

Second Annual Meeting was held in Scammell's Hotel on 5th November—present 14 Members. John M. Walker in Chair in consequence of the death of Dr. Boyd, Preses. Section 5 of Bye Laws was amended so that *eight* Skips should be chosen instead of six. These were to be divided into "Buffs" and "Blues" and to play with their respective Rinks against each other. Office Bearers for the year were elected, viz. : Alexander Petrie, Preses, Luke Stewart, Secretary-Treasurer, and Thos. McClelland, A. Jardine, W. Girvan, Wm. Thomson, Jas. Macfarlane, Jas. Milligan, Thos. M. Reed and Gilbert McClelland, Skips. Secretary Watson submitted his Annual Report, shewing Club then to consist of 58 Members, with a balance in Treasurer's hands. On New Year's day the married and single played on Lily Lake—latter winning by seven shots.

Up to this time playing had been on Lily Lake, but that place being too far from the City, a Committee was appointed to select some more suitable location. On 12th January, a challenge was sent to the Fredericton Club, to play three Rinks each on Lily Lake. The match came off in February at place named, and the Frederictonians were again victorious by 8 shots—score being 64 to 56.

SEASON 1858 AND 1859.

Third Annual Meeting was held on 4th November at Stabbs' Hotel—21 Members present. Ballot was dispensed with for the evening only, and Wm. Thomson was elected Preses, Luke Stewart, Secretary-Treasurer, Robert Thomson, A. Jardine, Wm. Girvan, Geo. W. Smith, John M. Walker, Jas. Milligan, James Macfarlane, and T. M. Reed, Skips.

On 28th December it was resolved that the Bonspeil for that year should be played on 12th January instead of New Year's day.

At a Special Meeting on 24th October, '59, 20 Members being present, it was resolved to lease from Wm. Wright, for five years, a piece of ground 30x160 feet, at £12 per annum, and to erect a suitable building thereon. A Stock List to be opened at One Pound per share, and *Stock to be held by Members of the Saint Andrew's Society alone.* No record has been kept of the result of matches this year.

SEASON 1859 AND 1860.

Annual Meeting was held on 3rd November at Waverley Hotel, when Alex. Jardine was elected Preses, D. R. Munro, Secretary-Treasurer, and Wm. Thomson, James Millig as Irving, Jas. Macfarlane, Robert Thomson, David Thomson, and T. M. Reed, Skips.

At Special Meeting on 7th November, it was resolved to have the ground leased from Mr. Wright, increased to 40 feet in width instead of 30 feet, and to pay him a rental of five shillings per foot, per annum,—the lease to be taken out by James Milligan in his own name in trust for the Club, who guarantee to keep him harmless.

The annual fee was raised to seven shillings and sixpence. On Old New Year's Day, the Annual Bonspeil was played on the new ground of the Club, between the married and single Members, when single were victors by 3 shots—64 to 61. On 23rd March, season was closed by a Supper at Stabbs' Hotel.

SEASON 1860 AND 1861.

Annual Meeting was held on 1st November and adjourned to 5th, when Secretary submitted a report shewing 47 Members in Club. Annual dues were again raised from seven shillings and six-pence to ten shillings. Geo. W. Smith was elected Preses, D. R. Munro, Secretary-Treasurer, Wm. Thomson, Jas. Milligan, Jas. Macfarlane, Thos. Irving, Alex. Petrie, Alex. Jardine, Arch. Rowan, and David Thomson, Skips. Secretary also reported that the Saint Andrew's Society Curling Club had been enrolled on the list of "The Royal Caledonian Curling Club."

SEASON 1861 AND 1862.

Annual Meeting on 7th November was adjourned to 8th, and was then held at Office of Robert Shives. Secretary reported 46 Members, and that a match had been played on 25th February last, between the married and single Members, terminating in favor of married by 32 shots, and that a Medal had been received from Royal Caledonian Club. It was resolved that one Medal be played for at Points, winner to retain it, and the other by Rinks. Election for Officers resulted in Jas. Milligan as Preses, John Ronald, Secretary-Treasurer, and Wm. Thomson, A. Rowan, Robert Jardine, David Thomson, James Scrymgeour, A. Petrie, Jas. Macfarlane, Geo. W. Smith, Skips.

On 13th January, annual match between married and single was played—former winning by 22 shots, score being 49 to 27. Ayrshire and Dumfriesshire match won by latter in 33 majority. North and South of Scotland match resulted in favor of South by 20 shots. Geo. W. Smith was winner of Rink, and Matthew Lindsay of Points Medals. Season closed by a Supper on 28th March at Stubbs' Hotel.

SEASON 1862 AND 1863.

Annual Meeting at Stubbs' Hotel on 6th November, adjourned to 7th, and then was held at four o'clock. Robert Thomson was elected Preses, James G. Forbes, Secretary-Treasurer, and Wm. Thomson, James Milligan,

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James Scrymgeour, Thomas M. McLachlan, James Macfarlane, Alex. Jardine, David Thomson, Geo. W. Smith, Skips. Play commenced on 17th December, and on 12th January the single and married played the Annual Bonspeil—former won by 4 shots, score 40 to 36. Skip Medal won by Jas. Scrymgeour, and Points by James Milligan.

SEASON 1863 AND 1864.

Annual Meeting called for 5th November, adjourned to 10th, and was then held at R. Shives' office. Annual Meeting was changed to *Second Tuesday* in November, at half-past seven o'clock. Election for Office Bearers resulted in Robert Thomson for Preses, J. G. Forbes, Secretary-Treasurer, and Wm. Thomson, Jas. Macfarlane, J. Scrymgeour, David Thomson, T. M. McLachlan, James Milligan, G. W. Smith, George Stewart, Skips—42 Members on roll. Play began on 22nd December, but no record of matches played has been kept by the Secretary.

SEASON 1864 AND 1865.

Annual Meeting was held on 8th November. New lease of ground was ordered from Mr. Wright for 3 years, at \$40 per annum. James Milligan was elected Preses, John White, Secretary-Treasurer, W. Thomson, Alex. Jardine, James Macfarlane, David Thomson, T. M. McLachlan, Geo. W. Smith, A. Rowan, George Stewart, Skips. Play commenced on 1st January. Married and single Bonspeil played on 12th was won by former, 12 to 8 shots—majority 4. Skips Medal fell to Wm. Thomson, and Points to James Macfarlane.

SEASON 1865 AND 1866.

November 14th, Annual Meeting was held and Office Bearers elected were, James Macfarlane, Preses, John White, Secretary-Treasurer, Jas. Milligan, Geo. W. Smith, A. Jardine, W. Thomson, George Stewart, T. M. McLachlan, David Thomson, A. Rowan, Skips. Play began 2nd January, and on 12th Annual Bonspeil was won by married Members, score 44 to 25—majority 19. Skip Rowan won the Rink, and Skip White the Points Medals.

SEASON 1866 AND 1867.

Annual Meeting was held by adjournment on 19th November, and Office Bearers elected—Jas. Milligan, Preses, John White, Secretary-Treasurer, A. Rowan, W. Thomson, Geo. W. Smith, T. M. McLachlan, Thomas King, Jas. Macfarlane, A. Jardine, Geo. Stewart, Skips. Play opened on 1st January, and on Old New Year's day, single and married again contested at Annual Bonspeil, when married were conquerors by 5 shots—score was 15 to 10. Skips Medal won by A. Rowan, and Points by S. K. Wilson. March 1st—"North" and "South" played a match which was won by "South," in majority of 19 shots, (43 to 24).

SEASON 1867 AND 1868.

The Annual Meeting was held on 12th November, when the following Office Bearers were elected : Jas. Milligan, Preses, John White, Secretary-Treasurer, Wm. Thomson, M. Lindsay, Jas. Macfarlane, A. Jardine, Geo. Stewart, J. G. Forbes, Thomas King, and T. M. McLachlan, Skips. Play began on 13th December. On 13th January was played first match between the British and American born Members of the Club—former were the victors by 25 shots, score being 59 to 34. Skips Medal was won by J. G. Forbes, and Points by M. Lindsay. Season concluded by a supper.

SEASON 1868 AND 1869.

Annual Meeting held on 10th November, Jas. Milligan was re-elected Preses, and John White re-elected Secretary-Treasurer, with M. Lindsay, Luke Stewart, John White, T. M. McLachlan, A. Rowan, David Thomson, Wm. Thomson, and James Macfarlane as Skips. Playing commenced on Christmas Day. On 14th January, second match between Native and Old Country Members came off—"Natives" victors by 2 shots, (34 and 32.) "North" and "South" played, ending 9th February—latter being winners by 4 shots, (33 and 29.) Skip Medal was gained by John White, and Points by Wm. Thomson. Married and single had another match on 1st March, which was won by the former, 19 to 13—majority 6 shots. Supper, 16th March, closed the season.

SEASON 1869 AND 1870.

On 9th November the Annual Meeting was held, and election for Office Bearers resulted in James Milligan being re-elected Preses, John White, Secretary-Treasurer, and Wm. Thomson, A. Rowan, Geo. Stewart, Alex. Jardine, T. M. McLachlan, Jas. Macfarlane, Luke Stewart, John White, Skips. The lot of ground now leased by the Club was purchased on 9th October, '69, and deed was taken in names of James Milligan, Alex. Jardine, and Wm. Thomson as Trustees. Payment was arranged for by the formation of a Stock Company, of 100 Shares of \$5 each, and lot was leased to the Club, at \$50 per annum. Mr. Gilbert Murdoch was elected an Honorary Member on 3rd Dec. Only match played this season was with Fredericton Club for a Medal, in which our Club were victors by 8 shots.

SEASON 1870 AND 1871.

The Annual Meeting took place on the 8th November, when Jas. Milligan was re-elected Preses, John White, Secretary-Treasurer, and Wm. Thomson, Luke Stewart, John White, A. Rowan, T. M. McLachlan, S. F. Matthews, George Robertson, Matthew Lindsay, Skips. Points Medal was won by Preses Milligan, and Rink by Skip White. Married and single match came off on 12th January, and was won by former, 37 to 34—majority 3 shots. On 28th February, a match was played with the Fredericton Club, and the result was victory to St. Andrew's Society Club by 89 to 71, or 18 shots. Season ended with a dinner at Rothesay Hotel.

SEASON 1871 AND 1872.

Annual Meeting held on 7th November, and Secretary reported 64 Members. At this Meeting it was resolved to elect a "Vice President" in addition to the other Office Bearers. Result of election showed James Milligan re-elected Preses, Jas. Macfarlane, Vice President, John White, Secretary-Treasurer, and Wm. Thomson, A. Rowan, John White, Luke Stewart, Geo. Stewart, Sen., W. C. Watson, David Thomson, Thomas McClelland, Skips. Annual Bonspeil between married and single was played

on 13th January,—former were declared victors by 27 shots, score being 62 to 35. And match between the 8 elected Skips and 8 “outsiders” came off on 1st January—Skips winning by 46 to 31, 15 shots. Losers stood “Beef and Greens.” *First* challenge was received from New Caledonian Curling Club, of Pictou, but was declined on account of the difficulty of travelling, &c. Points Medal was won by J. H. Thomson, and Rink by W. C. Watson. Match between Native and Old Country born, ended on 2nd March in favor of “Natives” by 67 to 51, say 16 shots majority. A supper at Barnes’ Hotel wound up the season of 1871 and 1872.

SEASON 1872 AND 1873.

At Annual Meeting held on 12th November, Jas. Milligan and Jas. Macfarlane were re-elected Preses and Vice Preses, with J. H. Thomson, Secretary-Treasurer, and J. H. Thomson, Wm. Thomson, Robert Milligan, David Thomson, Samuel Welsh, John White, Luke Stewart, M. Lindsay, Skips. Preses presented the Club with a Silver Medal, to be competed for annually, and to be designated “The Milligan Points Medal.” Annual Bonspeil was played on 13th January, when single were victorious by 52 to 45—viz: 7 points. *First match* between Pictou C’ub and ours came off at Amherst, N. S., on 23rd January—former were victors by 84 to 77, say 7 shots—Abram Patterson, Umpire. Points and Rink Medals were both won this season by Skip White. “Milligan Points Medal” was awarded to John H. Thomson. A “Subscription Medal” was also contested for and won by John White. A match with Fredericton Club was played on our Rink on 21st February, and resulted in our favor by 68 to 49, or 19 majority shots. Guests were entertained at Victoria Hotel in the evening. Another match “Scotland against all comers” was played, 1st to 5th March, and was won by “Scots,”—83 to 80, say 3 shots.

SEASON 1873 AND 1874.

The Annual Meeting was held on 11th November, when Office Bearers elected were Wm. Thomson, Preses, James

Macfarlane, Vice Preses, Andrew Malcolm, Secretary-Treasurer, and John White, Luke Stewart, Matthew Lindsay, J. H. Thomson, David Thomson, W. C. Watson, James Milligan, and S. F. Matthews, Skips. A. Rowan elected umpire for Points Medal. First play was on 2nd December, and first match on 16th January. Points Medal won by S. F. Matthews, Rink by M. Lindsay, and "Milligan Points" by James Knox. Single and married match came off on 30th January—former winning by 7 shots. Second match with Pictou Club was played on 18th February, on "Dark Lake" and won by Pictou, their majority being 47 shots. Guests were entertained at dinner in evening at Victoria Hotel. On 25th February, 8 Members played Points for Governor General's Gold Medal, scoring 71 Points. Medal went to Quebec. No match was made with Fredericton Club this season, although fault was not ours. On 10th September, a special Meeting was held, when 14 Members sent in their resignations, they having with others, formed the "Thistle Curling Club."

SEASON 1874 AND 1875.

At Annual Meeting held on 10th November, 13 new Members were admitted, and election for Office Bearers held, resulting in James Milligan being Preses, Luke Stewart, Vice Preses, John White, Secretary-Treasurer, John White, A. Rowan, James Milligan, W. C. Watson, Wm. Thomson, M. Lindsay, J. H. Thomson, and Luke Stewart, Skips. A new Constitution and Bye Laws were unanimously adopted, of which following is a true copy :—

CONSTITUTION AND BYE LAWS

OF THE

ST. ANDREW'S CURLING CLUB.

I.—NAME.

The Club shall be called THE SAINT ANDREW'S CURLING CLUB of St. John, N. B.

II.—OBJECTS

The object of the Club shall be to cultivate and develop the game of Curling, and for this purpose it may lease or otherwise acquire possession of suitable grounds, and may employ servants to attend to same, and do whatever else shall appear necessary for carrying its objects into effect, subject to the following rules and regulations.

III.—ELECTION OF MEMBERS

The mode of election of Members shall be by ballot, and any candidate proposed and seconded by two Members, and duly balloted for at any general meeting, regularly called, shall be declared elected, unless five or more black balls are cast against him, in which case he shall be rejected. Every candidate on being elected shall pay the annual subscription and sign the Constitution and Bye Laws, and be initiated.

IV.—DUES.

Any Member proposing a candidate, shall pay on his behalf, an entrance fee of One Dollar, which in case said candidate is rejected, shall be returned. The annual subscription shall be Three Dollars, payable in advance.

V.—MEETINGS.

The Club shall meet annually on the Second Tuesday in September for the election of office bearers, and the transaction of such other business as may come before it. The Preses also may call a meeting at any other time when same may seem to him necessary; and he shall do so when requested in writing by five or more Members.

VI.—OFFICE BEARERS.

The office bearers shall consist of Preses, Vice Preses, Secretary-Treasurer, eight Skips, and two representative Members. The three first named being eligible as Skips. The office bearers shall be elected by plurality of votes cast by ballot.

VII.—PRESES.

The duty of the Preses shall be, to preside at all meetings of the Club or office bearers, and to carry out proper rules for the furtherance of the business of same. He shall have a casting vote in case of tie. He shall also have charge of all medals and valuables belonging to the Club.

VIII.—VICE PRESES.

In the absence of the Preses, his duties as defined above, shall devolve on the Vice Preses.

In the absence of the Preses or Vice Preses, from any regular meeting, a chairman shall be appointed for such meeting by the majority of those present, with the same powers and duties as the Preses.

IX.—SECRETARY-TREASURER.

It shall be the duty of the Secretary-Treasurer to keep the Books of the Club, collect dues, disburse the funds as hereinafter provided, record all matches played during the season, and make a report of same at the annual meeting.

X.—REPRESENTATIVE MEMBERS.

The duties of Representative Members are such as are defined by the Constitution of "The Royal Caledonian Curling Club."

XI.—SKIPS.

The Skips shall, in conjunction with the other office bearers, manage the affairs of the Club, subject always to its direction, and they shall specially have charge of preparing and flooding the rink and cleaning the ice.

XII.—FUNDS.

The funds shall be disbursed for the purposes of the Club, by the Secretary-Treasurer, on the order of the Preses, or in his absence, of the Vice Preses. The accounts of the Secretary-Treasurer shall be audited at the annual meeting.

XIII.—ARREARAGES.

No Member shall be considered as belonging to the Club until his dues are first paid up.

XIV.—DUTY OF SKIPS.

The Skips shall meet as soon after the annual meeting as possible, and select their players for the rink medal from among the Members, and the Secretary shall record the names of the players, so chosen by each Skip. The two Skips first on the ice, if before 2.30, p. m., shall be entitled to be Skips for that afternoon, unless a match game is being played. If no Skips are on the ice before 2.30, p. m., the Members present may elect their own Skips for that afternoon.

XV.—MATCHES.

The office bearers shall direct when the several matches for medals, &c., shall be played.

No challenge game shall be allowed on the ice of the Club without the consent of the Club or office bearers.

XVI.—RULES OF PLAY.

The rules of play shall be the same as those made by "The Royal Caledonian Curling Club." No Member shall try the ice before any match game, or competition, without the consent of the opposing parties. Any Member offending against this rule, shall not be entitled to play in said match.

All previous Bye Laws and Resolutions are hereby rescinded.

XVII.—ALTERATIONS.

Alterations in the Constitution and Bye Laws can only be made at the annual meeting of the Club, by at least a two-third vote of the Members present.

The above Constitution and Bye Laws, adopted at the annual meeting of Saint Andrew's Curling Club, held at Wm. Thomson & Co.'s Office, on 10th November, 1874.

G. GREIG THOMSON,

Secretary.

WM. THOMSON,

Preses.



LIST OF MEMBERS.

HONORARY MEMBER—Gilbert Murdoch.

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Jas. Macfarlane,	Gen. Warner,
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James Milligan,	H. S. Gregory,
W. C. Watson,	Alex. Gibson,
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Luke Stewart,	John Bennet,
David Thomson,	Rev. R. J. Cameron,
John Vassie,	W. H. Thorne,
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Matthew Lindsay,	S. E. Gerow,
Archibald Rowan,	Wm. Snider,
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J. G. Forbes,	Wm. Busby,
Geo. Stewart,	Edwin Frost,
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Simeon Jones,	Thos. McMillan,
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J. H. Thomson,	Henry Rankine,
John Suffren,	C. Y. Gregory,
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John Stewart,	Thos. G. Ralston.
Thos. Maclellan,	

Total 65.

