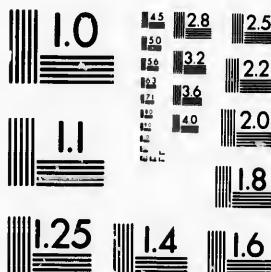
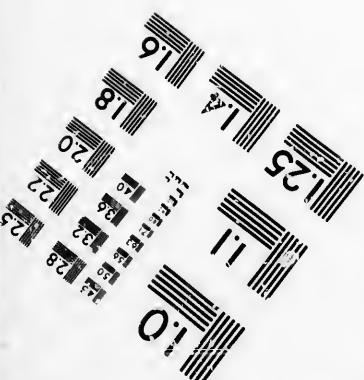
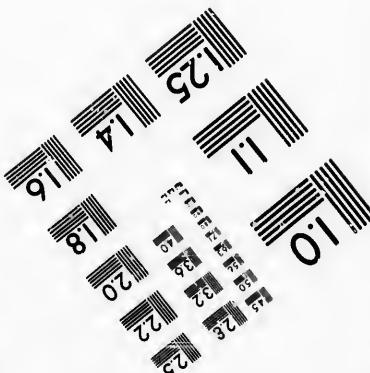


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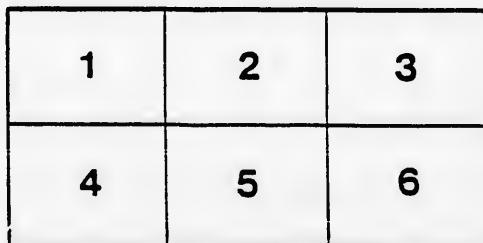
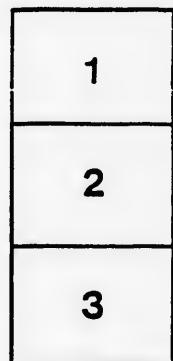
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*Treasurer*, . . . . . S. G. PATTON, " "  
*Secretary*, . . . . . J. B. ELLISON, "

*Committee of Management.*

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*Representative Members.*

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and DAVID LAW, of Hamilton.

*Skipps.*

MESSRS. GATES, ELLISON, BURNS, DENHOLM, GILLESPIE,  
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CONSTITUTION  
OF THE  
ONTARIO CURLING CLUB OF HAMILTON.

**INSTITUTED 1853.**

I. The name of the Club shall be the **ONTARIO CURLING CLUB OF HAMILTON.**

II. The office bearers of the Club shall consist of a President, Vice-President, at least two Representative members, Chaplain, Treasurer, Secretary, and a Committee of Management, to be composed of four members. The Club may also elect a Patron if they think proper. The mode of election shall be by ballot. In case of absence, resignation, or other disqualification, the office bearers shall have the power to fill up the vacancy thus made.

III. The Annual General Meeting for the election of office bearers and skips for the season, and for the transaction of other business shall be held on the first Monday in December; five members to form a quorum at this or any other general meeting of the Club.

IV. There shall be an annual dinner of beef and greens, &c., to take place on the second Wednesday in December, unless otherwise determined on at the annual general meeting.

V. There shall be a monthly meeting of the Club, on the first Wednesday of each month during the winter, for the admission of members, and the transaction of the general business of the Club; three members to form a quorum at any meeting of office bearers.

VI. Any person wishing to become a member may be proposed at any general meeting, or meeting of office bearers, and be elected at any following general meeting, or may be proposed and balloted for at the annual general meeting, without previous notice; the

proposer to be responsible for the entrance money, and the seconder for the first annual subscription of the party proposed.— Ballot shall be the mode of election used in all cases, and one black ball for each five members present shall exclude any applicant.

VII. Each member shall pay on admission the sum of one pound ten shillings, as an entrance fee, and an annual subscription of twenty shillings, payable in advance; the annual subscription shall be payable to the Treasurer at the annual general meeting, or upon demand being made for the same; and any member failing to do so shall be considered to have withdrawn from the club.

VIII. Each member, upon his admission into the Club, or as soon thereafter as possible, shall, at his own expense, provide himself with a pair of Curling Stones, the same to be approved of by the Committee of Management, and to remain the property of the member so providing them.

IX. Any person may be elected an Honorary Member of the Club at any general meeting, if proposed at any previous meeting; the Patron (if there be one) and the Chaplain to be Honorary Members, *ex officio*.

X. The Club-day shall be Saturday in each week during the winter, on which day it is expected that every member of the Club will endeavor to be present on the ice for practice, as well as to enjoy a good game; the hour for commencing play shall be two o'clock P. M., precisely, no person or persons, after any rink is complete, to be allowed to join in that game, unless with the consent of the two skips.

XI. On Club days the skips for the season shall take the management of the rink for the day, but on other days of practice the first two men on the ice shall have the privilege of acting as skips.

XII. No game for money shall be allowed, and no challenge in behalf of the Club shall be given, or accepted, without the con-

sent of a majority of the members present at a general meeting called for the purpose; the skips to have the power of choosing the players in all Club matches.

XIII. In all matches with other clubs the play shall be regulated by the rules of the Royal Caledonian Curling Club, as expressed in their last published Annual; and the Secretary, in accepting or giving a challenge, shall insert the same in his letter.

XIV. There shall be an annual match between the bachelors and married members, the time for which shall be fixed, and other arrangements made, by the office bearers.

XV. There shall be an annual competition for the Club Medal, to be played for on or about a day to be fixed upon at the annual general meeting, and, if such day should prove unsuitable, the Committee of Management shall have the power to name one; and the competition for the same shall be according to the Rules of the Royal Caledonian Curling Club.

XVI. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to record in the minute book detailed reports of all matches played during the season, and also of games played upon Club days, on receiving particulars of the same from the skips.

XVII. A special general meeting of the Club may be called by the President, at the request of any five members of the Club.—A Special meeting of the Office Bearers may be called at any time by the President.

XVIII. No person shall be considered a member of the Club who has not paid the entrance fee and annual subscription, and signed the constitution.

XIX. All members must be "brithered," and any found "rusty" shall be fined one shilling and three pence for each time they are so found.

XX. Any member may be expelled from the Club by a majority present at a general meeting, specially called for the purpose, the charge or charges having been preferred in writing against him at any previous meeting, the party so charged having received a copy

of the said charge or charges from the Secretary, two weeks at least before the said general meeting takes place.

XXI. The rules of the Club may be altered, or new rules added, with the consent of three fourths of the members present at any general meeting of the Club: notice of such alteration or addition having been given at a previous general meeting.

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INSTITUTED 26th NOVEMBER, 1853.

No.	NAMES.	WHEN ADMITTED.	REMARKS.
1	Adam Burns.		
2	George Denholm.		
3	Geo. H. Gillespie.		Originators.
4	S. G. Patton.		
5	Alfred Stow.		
6	F. E. Ritchie.	26th Nov. 1853.	
7	M. Fisher.	" " "	
8	W. P. McLaren.	1st Dec.	"
9	J. H. Birss.	" " "	
10	Jas Smith.	" " "	
11	J. B. Ellison.	" " "	
12	Andrew Stuart.	5th "	"
13	F. W. Gates.	" " "	
14	R. N. Law.	" " "	
15	D. Melnes.	" " "	
	Sir A. N. Naenab.	15th "	"
	Rev. R. Burnet.	" " "	Patron. Chaplain.
16	James Nixon.	" " "	
17	A. Logie.	" " "	
18	J. T. Gilkison.	" " "	
19	John Brown.	" " "	
20	Ed. Hilton.	" " "	
21	John Harris.	" " "	
22	John Osborne.	19th "	
23	Wm. Harvey.	1st Feb. 1854.	
	Geo. Gillespie, (Glasgow.)	6th Dec.	" Honorary Member.
24	R. C. Ferguson.	" " "	
25	John Riddel.	" " "	
26	John Ferrie.	" " "	
27	Thos. Davidson.	" " "	
28	J. J. McKenzie.	" " "	

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29	J. D. Pringle.	6th Dec. 1854.	
30	Dr. Craigie.	20th " "	
31	T. C. Kerr.	" " "	
32	W. Craigie, Jr.	" " "	
33	John O. Hatt.	3rd Jan'y. 1855.	
34	John Young.	10th " "	
35	H. C. Baker.	" " "	
36	D. Benedict.	" " "	
37	F. J. Rastrick.	3rd Dee. "	
38	David Law.	" " "	
39	John Macnab.	" " "	
40	James McIutyre.	29th " "	
41	James Mathieson.	" " "	
42	J. W. Inman.	" " "	
43	James Adam.	" " "	
44	Joseph Hamilton.	" " "	
45	J. L. Hodge.	" " "	
46	C. Norton.	9th Jan'y. 1856.	
47	C. A. Saddleir.	" " "	
48	G. F. Harris.	" " "	
49	Miles O'Reilly.	" " "	
50	Wm. Dixon.	8th Feb. "	
51	Capt. M'Arthur.	" " "	
	Dr. Hamilton, (Dundas.)	1st Dee. "	Honorary Member.
52	Thos. Gray.	3rd " "	
53	John Masson.	" " "	
54	T. M. Simons.	" " "	
55	Peter Ferguson.	" " "	
56	Hugh M'Innes.	18th " "	
57	A. M'Innes.	" " "	
58	H. B. Bull.	" " "	
59	Wm. Pring.	" " "	
60	Donald Stuart.	" " "	
61	C. J. Crickmore.	" " "	
62	Robert Kirkwood.	" " "	
63	C. H. Gates.	7th Jan'y. 1857.	
64	Capt. Thos. Harbottle.	" " "	
65	James Turner.	" " "	

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