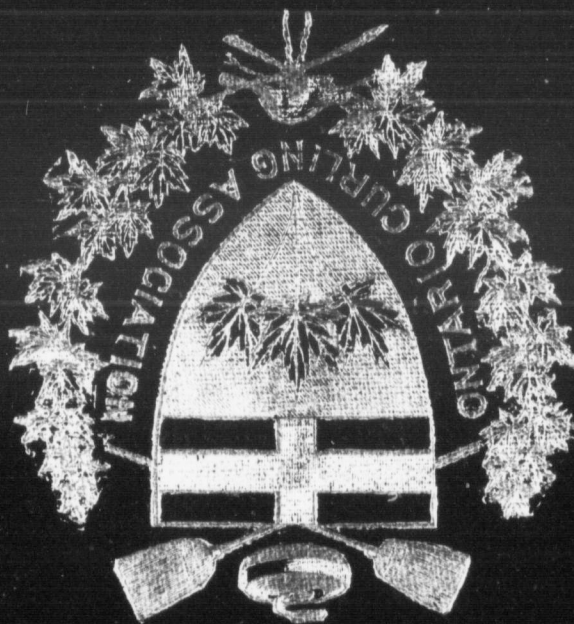


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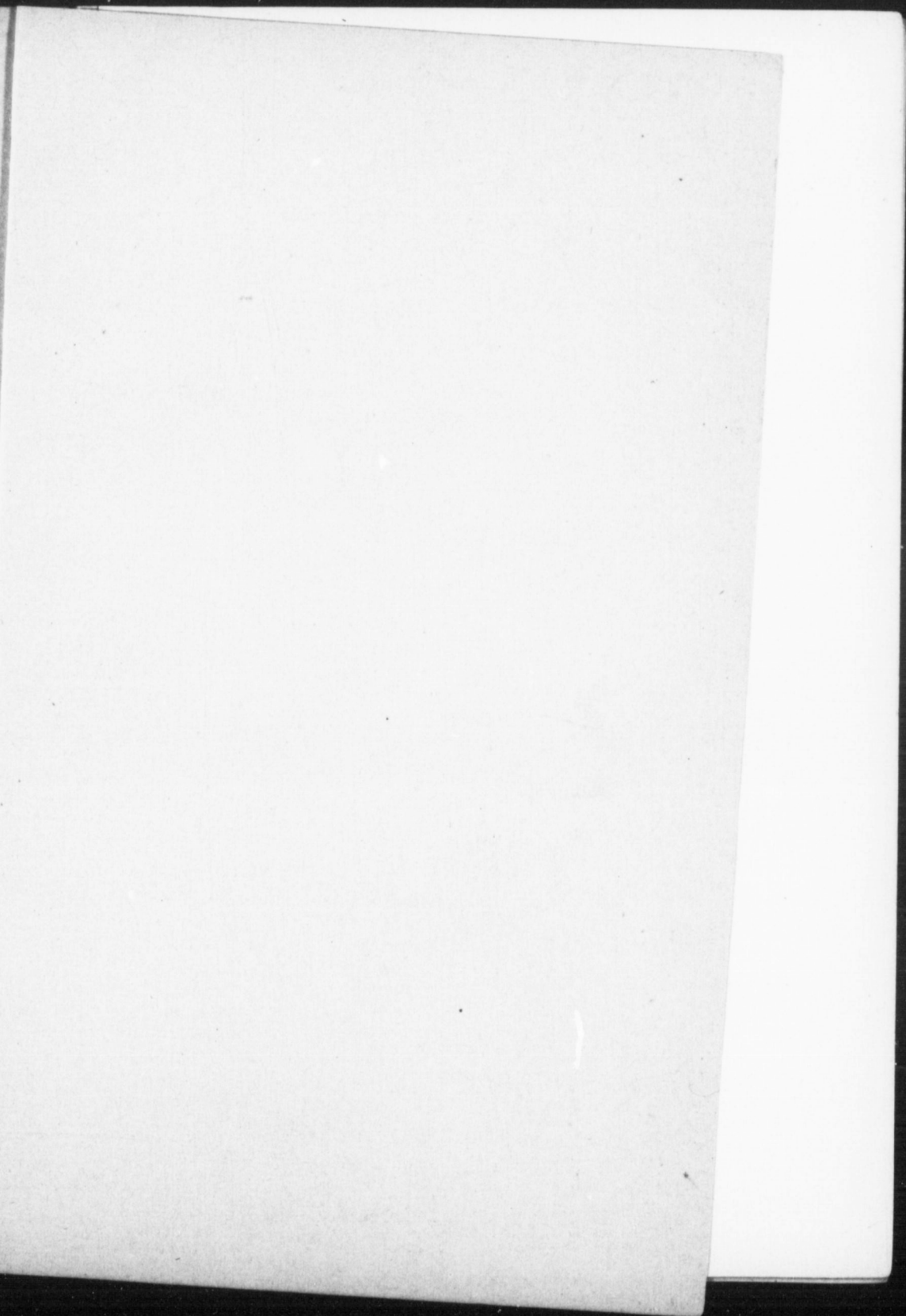
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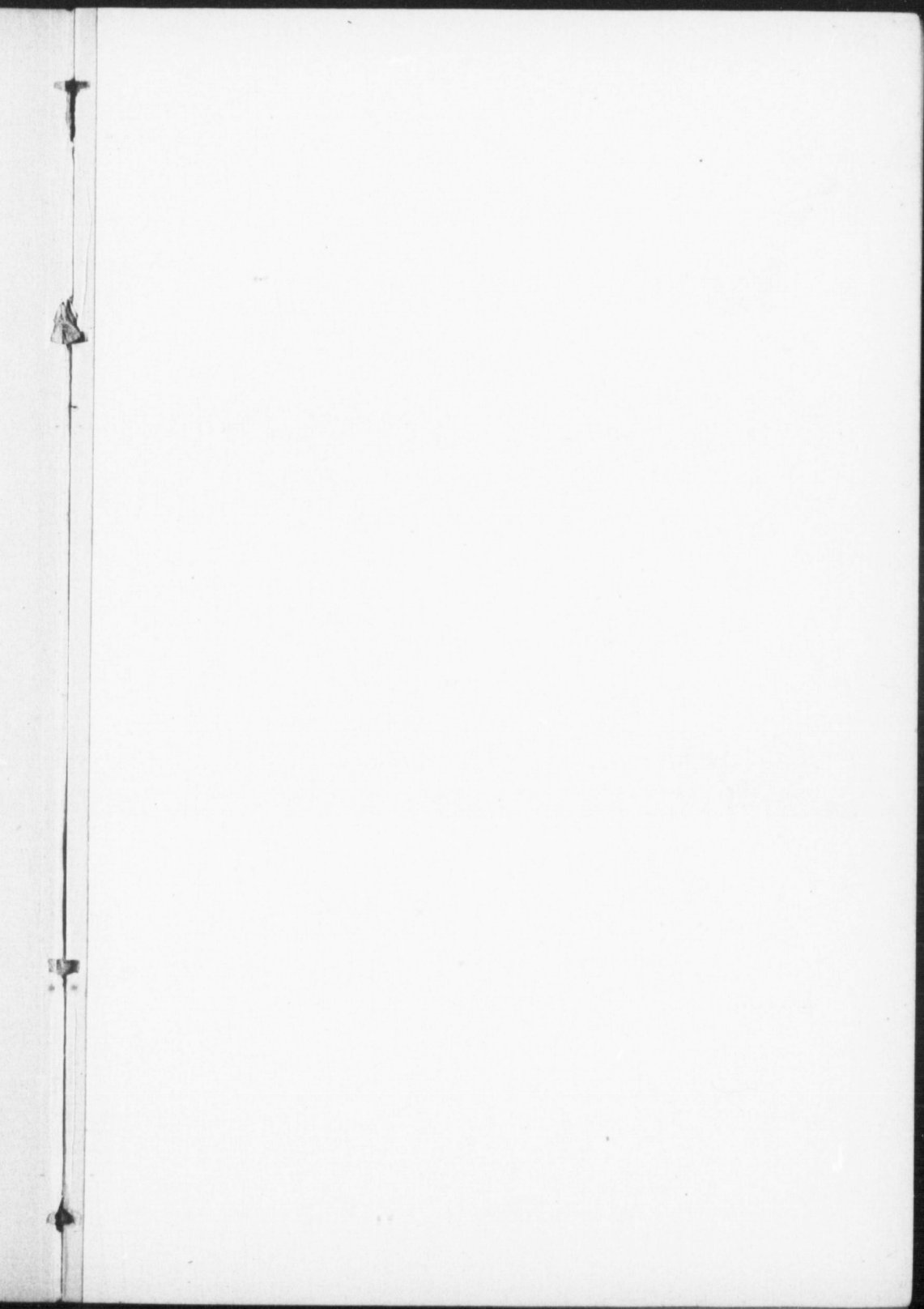
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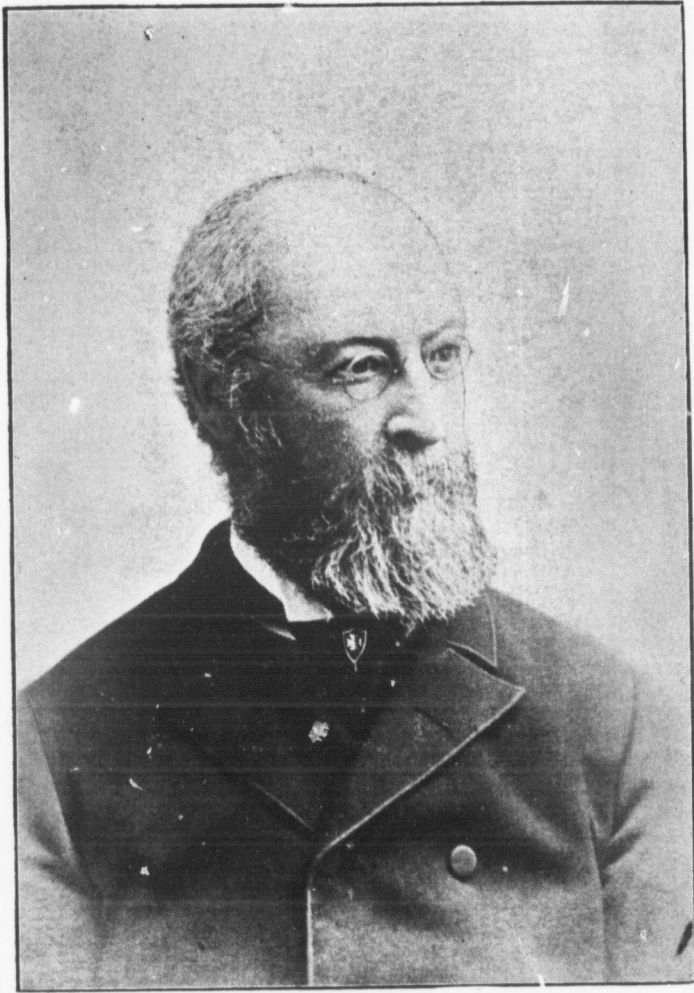
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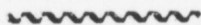
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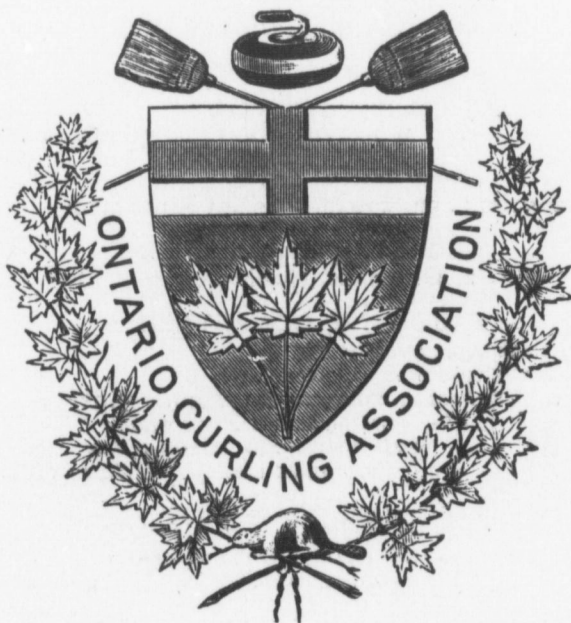


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PREFACE.

In presenting to the members of the Ontario Curling Association the twenty-third volume of the series of Annuals, the committee desire to express their thanks to the friends who have assisted them in the compilation of a fair record of the "doings" of the past season in the council chamber, and on the ice field.

They are well pleased to be able to embellish the volume with a life-like portrait of our President, Judge Dartnell, whose interest in athletic games dates away back from a time when they were frowned upon, instead of being appreciated as they are now; and who has been deservedly honored by having been elected President of the Ontario Cricketing Association, and now filling the same high office in the Ontario Curling Association.

The picture of the Lindsay Rinks, who captured the Ontario Tankard last season, will be appreciated wherever Curling is known. Lindsay Curlers came into notice first at the early carnivals in Montreal, then they won great fame and many trophies at distant Winnipeg, and last year they crowned their record by winning the Ontario Tankard, and every other trophy they competed for.

The Bright Club has a great record, and a hearty welcome will be given to the pictorial presentment of the Curlers of the bright little village in the west, who have always held their own among the large clubs with which they are surrounded. And we are all pleased to see the faces of the members of the Rennie Rink of the Toronto Caledonian Club, which has won, for two successive years, the golden vase put up for competition among the Rinks of Toronto, winning twelve games in succession in the greatest Curling centre of the world; they look as if they might live long enough to do it again.

The Club Records are somewhat more numerous than they have been ; the blank schedule sent out to every club for such returns appears to be proving effective ; but there is great room for further improvement ; we hope that we shall soon see in each issue of the Annual the record of the games of every club in the Association for the previous season.

The papers on the Ancaster Thistle, Bright and Lindsay Clubs will be found interesting ; they are types of papers which have often been called for, and they will be prized more highly as time rolls on. The committee hope to receive many other similar contributions.

They note with regret the large addition made during the past year to the names registered in our Westminster Abbey, names of members who were eminent and useful, and who will be long remembered with affection and respect.

They congratulate the Association upon its prosperous condition, and upon the extension of the grand old game all over the Dominion, and commit their efforts to the kindly consideration of their fellow members of the O.C.A.

TORONTO, Dec., 1897.

THE COMMITTEE.

The first part of the document
 discusses the general principles
 of the system and its
 objectives. It is intended to
 provide a clear understanding
 of the scope and purpose of
 the project. The following
 sections will describe the
 methodology and the results
 of the study.

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CURLING SONG.

THE wintra wins begin tae blaw,
The rain is noo turned intae snaw,
John Frost has come tae gie's a ca'—
Hurra', we'll soon be curling.

Chorus—For curling is a grand auld game,
The King o' sport and Scotlan's ain,
Then fill your glass and drink wi' glee,
Tae a' that meet aroun' the tee.

The minister on Sunday morn,
His sermon studies in his home,
But a' his mind begins tae roam,
His thochts are bent on curling.

Cho.—For curling, etc.

The merchant leaves his desk behind,
And casts his business to the wind,
The folks a' say he's out o's mind,
About a game ca'd curling.

Cho.—For curling, etc.

The smith his bellows stops tae blaw,
And flings his apron tae the wa',
And up he rins amang the sna'
To be in time for curling.

Cho.—For curling, etc.

ANDREW BULLOCH.

THE CANTY CURLERS.

Air—"Green grow the rashes, O."

NAE care hae they for ought ava,
They're never dull nor eerie, O,
For when the *channel stane* they ca',
They're canty and they're cheerie, O.

Chorus—They're canty chaps the Curlers, O,
They're cheerie chieils the Curlers, O,
There never met a rarer set
Than Scotland's keen keen Curlers, O.

What tho' auld age should bare the pow,
And mak the e'e sae bleerie, O,
Just let them haud the *curling cove*,
They're canty and they're cheerie, O.

Cho.—They're canty chaps, etc.

Or gin misfortune e'er they meet,
And things gang tapsy-teerie, O,
Whene'er the *Rink's* aneath their feet,
They're canty and they're cheerie, O.

Cho.—They're canty chaps, etc.

Frae skreich o' day amang their freen's,
They never tire nor weary, O,
And syne at nicht ower *beef and greens*
They're canty and they're cheerie, O.

Cho.—They're canty chaps, etc.

Then here's a toast, as gude, I ween,
And sound as ony peerie, O,
Success to Scotland's Curlers keen,
Sae canty and sae cheerie, O.

Cho.—They're canty chaps, etc.

DR. SIDEX.

BRITHERS O' THE BROOM.

Keen's the ice on Loch Ardinning,
 Where frae snaw it's soopit bare,
 Whether losing games or winning,
 Merry are the curlers there.
 Birds that sit and cower in sadness,
 On the cheerless snaw-wreathed tree,
 May be lonely, yet there's gladness
 Glistening in the curler's e'e.

 Come awa', then, curlers a' men,
 Ither pleasures are but tame,
 When compared wi' joy that's shared, men,
 At the royal, roarin' game.

Peer and peasant meet and mingle,
 When the game o' curlin's played,
 Frae bright ha', or cheery ingle,
 A' are on an equal grade.
 See them shakin' hands so hearty,
 Speerin' for each ither's health;
 Gone the petty spite o' party,
 Laid aside the pride o' wealth.

Listen to their cheery laughter
 As the game goes briskly on—
 Crackin' jokes but mak's them dafter,
 And adds brightness to the fun.
 See them handin' roon the bottle—
 When abused, oh! whit a curse—
 'Mang them there's no ane teetotal,
 Yet there's no' a man the worse.

Kindly thochts are aye prevailing,
 When in winter curlers meet,
 And the flow o' fellow feeling
 Keeps their heart in summer heat.
 Watch the skip hoo lang he lingers
 Ere he lets the stane awa';
 A' his soul is in his fingers,
 For his skill maun settle a'.

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On the ice he'll nearly tumble
 As he hurries ower to ken
 If the stane will roll and rumble
 Just where wanted by his men.
 Then, when cheers proclaim he's done it—
 Won the game by skilful play—
 Up goes besom, up goes bonnet,
 And he's "king o' men" that day.
 Come awa', then, etc., etc.—*The Bailie.*

THE BROOM AND CHANNEL STANE.

BY THE LATE REV. G. MURRAY, BALMACLELLAN.

'MID Balmaclellan's bonnie braes,
 Where flows the Silver Ken,
 And lofty mountains kiss the skies,
 John Frost has routh of men ;
 They love the Queen, the State, the Laws,
 And Land of Cakes, right weel,
 And weel they love auld Johnnie Frost,
 Who brings the roaring Spiel.

With hound and horn o'er mountain wild
 Let Huntsmen sportive stray,
 By winding stream and lonely loch
 Let Fishers pass the day ;—
 But better far, when skies are blue,
 Is yon brave icy plain—
 Where Curlers meet to ply the broom,
 And hurl the Channel Stane.

High in the lift the laverock loves
 To greet the rosy morn,
 And sweet the mavis pours her lay
 From out the scented thorn ;—
 But sweeter far than song of bird,
 Or Lady's melting strain,
 The music that the Curlers love—
 The booming Channel Stane.

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O green 's the Isle within the wave,
 Wherein the shamrock grows,
 And bright the lands that proudly boast
 The lily and the rose ;
 But dearer far the rugged land,
 Far in the northern main,
 That claims the thistle and the heath,
 The broom and Channel Stane.

 GOLFING'S SEVEN AGES.

All the world's a link !
 And all the men and women merely golfers !
 They have their "teeing-grounds" and "putting-greens,"
 And one man in his time plays many rounds
 And tackles many "hazards."—First the tyro,
 Bruising and cutting up his mother earth,
 And then the anxious plodder, with his handbook
 And pack of brand-new clubs, coaxing the first-flights
 Out of a "captive ball."—Then the enthusiast,
 Grudging the daylight, with a miniature golf green
 Made in his mother's garden,—Then a match player,
 With keen "links' eye" and long "St. Andrew's" swing,
 Mighty at "driving," steady and sure at "holing,"
 Fighting the "bogey" record-holder
 Even at the "bunker's" mouth.—And then the veteran
 In gay red coat with bulky pockets lined—
 With monstrous boots and hose of weird design—
 Fond of "short holes" and easy "wrist-iron shots"
 And so he plays his round.—The sixth age shifts
 Into the kindly critic looker-on,
 Field-glass in hand and sage advice on lip,
 His bag of clubs, well used, a world too weighty
 For his old arm ; and his great feats of yore
 Told and retold with keen enjoyment still—
 Not losing in the telling.—Last of all
 (Lame end to such a striking history !)
 In futile dreams he "puts" the "winning hole"—
 Sans "style," sans "eye," sans skill, sans everything.
 —*London World.*

SWEEPINGS FROM THE RINKS.

"WE were strangers, and they took us in," was the mournful lament of the curlers from south of the border line, who crossed besoms with their Canadian brothers at the Toronto rinks last January.

A GREAT bonspiel was the gathering of the Royal Caledonian Curling Club, on the loch at Carsebreck, on 26th January, 1897. The ice was four inches thick, and the weather frosty. The match was North versus South of Scotland, the River Forth being taken as dividing line. Over 2,300 players entered for the match, making a record for the Club, but only 227 rinks a side turned up, making 1,816 players in all. The South won by 906 shots. It is said that 5,000 spectators were assembled to witness the game.

IN the international match played at Toronto last January, Mr. Woodyatt, President of the Ontario Curling Association, had a hard tussle with a rink skipped by Mr. Metzger of Buffalo, and came out of the contest well pleased to be ahead by one shot, which was a result wholly unexpected on either side, and it seemed utterly inexplicable, until it was discovered that Mr. Denzinger, playing second on the Buffalo team, had a powerful mascot stowed away in his inner pocket, viz., the left hind foot of a jack rabbit, caught at the full of the moon, and carefully tied with a knot of blue ribbon; and then a new mystery appeared. Why did the influence of the mascot, which kept Buffalo in the lead throughout the game, cease towards the last, and allow Canada to win by one shot? After a most rigid investigation a satisfactory explanation of this enigma was found. During the game the mascot became impressed with the idea that the United States Alien Labor Act had been adopted in Canada, and that if he was discovered in *flagrante delicto*, as the law has it, he would be subjected to dire penalties, and so he suddenly quit work.

THE Royal Caledonian Curling Club, at its formation in 1838, dealt vigorously in regard to the limitation of the weight of curling stones, and set it at fifty pounds, which has been accepted as satisfactory, almost universally, wherever curling is practised. But at the time it caused much trouble in Scotland, the Coupar-Angus Club having had to discontinue the use of several famous curling stones, such as Black Meg, weighing 66 pounds; the Fluke, 72 pounds; the Cog, 80 pounds; Suwaroff, 84 pounds; and the Saut Bucket, 116 pounds. What kind of men must they have been who could play such stones up to the Tee, when the ice was rough, or soft, or covered with water?

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THE celebration of curling triumphs does not appear to be greatly on the wane. When the Lindsay curlers arrived home after winning the Ontario Tankard, in February last, the whole town turned out to welcome them; every business interest was represented in the procession. The Citizens' Brass Band marched in front, followed by the eight members of the winning rinks and the office-bearers of the Curling Club. Then came the members of the Town Council, and crowds of citizens, the rear portion of the procession enlivened by martial airs played by the Harmony Band. Arriving at the rink, congratulatory telegrams were read from Hon. A. S. Hardy, Premier of the Province; Dr. Mackay, Member for the Riding; Rev. Robert Johnston, of St. Andrew's Church, London, and others. The St. Andrew's Church social was being held the same evening, and the lady managers sent a pressing invitation to the curlers to partake of their hospitality in the church parlors. Bonfires blazed at the corners of the principal streets, and the entire community was glowing with enthusiasm at the success of their curlers, and feeling proud of them, not only as skilled experts in the game, but because, that, wherever they go, they secure the respect and friendship of all the clubs they come in contact with.

A RETURN match at curling came off on the covered rinks of the Hamilton Club, between the Toronto and the Ancaster Curling Clubs, two rinks, eight players a side. After some excellent play on both sides, time was called, when it was found that the men of Ancaster were the victors by 18 shots. This is the fifteenth match played this season by the members of the Toronto Club, in all of which, with this one exception, they have been victorious. Six of the brothers Calder, the crack curlers of Canada, played on the side of Ancaster.—*Toronto Globe, 3rd March, 1862.*

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IN the R. C. C. C., a committee reported in favor of permitting to sweep a stone as soon as it crosses the hog line nearest the player; but the proposal was defeated, and the middle line still indicates, with them as with us, the place at which sweeping may ordinarily be commenced.

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COMPARISON of ten consecutive matches at the points' game, played by the Toronto Curling Club between 1859 and 1872, and a like number of the same, played by the same club between 1873 and 1877.

Period.	No. of Players.	SCORE.		
		Total.	Average.	Highest.
First.	137	673	4.91	17
Second.	168	1259	7.50	18

Equivalent under new system of scoring:

Highest.	Average.
42.50	12.28
45.00	18.75

The comparison extends over a considerable length of time, includes a large number of players, and may be looked upon as a fair indication of the better curling brought about by better methods of preparing ice, and by improved curling stones. The net result is a gain of nearly fifty-three per cent.

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JOHN MENZIES had for years been recognized as the most reliable skip of the Burnfoot Curling Club; he was also an elder in the kirk, and a very worthy man, held in great respect in the community. One time, the occasion being the annual match between the Burnfoot Club and their old rivals of the Braehead, he was very unwilling to take his place in the rink, as one of his children was dangerously sick; but being hard pressed by his curling friends, and urged to go by his wife, who told him "it would do him guid, and she could manage fine hersel," he reluctantly took his place at the Tee-head, to contend with his old opponents of the Braehead Club. The game opened well, the two rinks were finely matched, and every man seemed to be in his best playing form, and it was a neck to neck struggle all the way through; now the one was up by a shot or two; many times they were even, and the issue of the game was quite uncertain, when, just as John was about to play his stone in the last end but one, Jeanie, his wife, came on the ice, looking half distracted, and said to him, "Come awa hame, John, oor wee Jamie's deid." John paused in swinging his stone, he rested it on the ice at his foot, and without relaxing his grip of the handle, looked up to his wife, saying calmly, "Hoots woman, dinna mak sic an ado; yae bairn mair or less in a faimily is neither here nor there; gang yeer wa's hame, I'll no be lang." She quietly withdrew, and he, taking another searching glance at the ice and at the directing broom, shot his stone with perfect aim, and proper force. It grazed the outlying stone, swung round inwards at the point of contact as on a pivot, and counted one more shot in that end.

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THE old notion, so prevalent in England, that the Scot puts business and the getting of money before all other earthly interests, gets a severe shock when the wind is north, and the ice "hauds." It takes a terrible amount of self-denial to keep a curler off the ice on a Sunday, but nothing short of his own burial can keep him off it, any other day of the week.

A PHENOMENAL SHOT.—In a match between a Merchiston and a Whitehill rink, Mr. Plenderleith, skip of the latter club, had played his last stone, and his side lay five shots. Mr. Laird, skip of the Merchiston Rink, was directed to send up his last stone with "a yard of running on," and did so, clearing out the five shots of Whitehill, and leaving five shots to be counted for his own side.

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THE Tournament at Lindsay opened on the morning of Tuesday, the 19th January, 1897, and was continued through the week on fine ice; but on the preceding Saturday the mercury rose many degrees above the critical 32, and on Sunday the rain poured the whole day long, and the curlers' hopes fell away down below zero. One enthusiast sat up Sunday night, and began to whistle for a change of weather, as soon as the town clock had rung out the long midnight hour, and continued his musical incantations till 3 o'clock, when, as the rain was still falling, he lost hope, and, repeating the celebrated Waterloo despairing cry, "*tout est perdue*," tumbled into bed. When he got up, some time after daylight, and looked out, he could scarcely believe that he was not still in his dreams, for every puddle in the street was sheeted with ice, every house-eave glistened gaily with pendant icicles, and John Frost was blowing his coldest with hurricane speed from his northern stores, all to save the reputation of Lindsay as a good place for curling weather. The Lindsay lads had already established their own reputation as curlers.

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It is only a few years since the time when a lady golfer was a *rara avis*, even in Scotland, the great home of the game of Golf; but now, there, during the season, they are to be seen daily, often in groups, at every railway station, with their outfits of clubs, cleeks and nip-licks, and glowing cheeks and sparkling eyes bespeaking the invigorating healthfulness of the exercise found on

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the Links. The ladies of America have also taken to the game, and it has become a very passion in society circles throughout the United States and Canada. Last year we had the pleasure of announcing that a Ladies' Curling Club, established in Fife-shire, Scotland, had been received into the R. C. C. C., and now we are authorized to announce that a Chicago Golf Club has organized the first Ladies' Curling Club in America; that a full set of best improved curling stones, of special weight, is being made for the members of the club, and that they expect to begin practice early in January.

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THE advantages of these games involving pluck and skill, strange as it may seem to those who have not observed and thought of the matter very carefully, are unquestionably chiefly moral in their nature. Physical energy is worked off that formerly was apt to be turned into other and dangerous directions. They call into activity all a man's strength, all his sagacity, all his coolness, all his resources of dealing with emergencies, and all his abilities of self-control. Games then that assist in the cultivation of these attributes and virtues—attributes and virtues that are necessary to good citizenship and clean government—ought not to be called down or sneered at. Rather let us as spiritual workers, working for the future of our country and our race as well as for the present, see to it that we ever aid by our wholesome Christian influence all our young people thus engaged.—
REV. R. J. M. GLASSFORD, Chaplain O. C. A., 1895.



THE
Ontario Curling Association

CONSTITUTION.

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 office-bearers, 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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BY-LAWS.

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 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.

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.

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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 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.

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- III. Correspondence.
 - 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.

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.

FEEES 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 dollars 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.

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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 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.

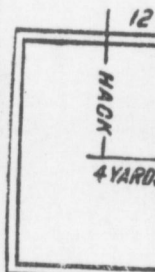
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6. All matches to be the majority of shots won after playing a certain number of ends, or definite period of time, to be agreed on by the competing clubs before beginning to play. In the event of both parties being equal at the conclusion of the match, 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.



Diagram



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In Turn, Reverse.

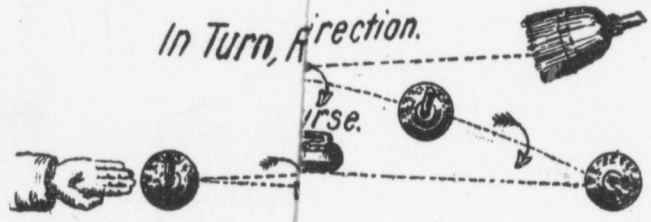
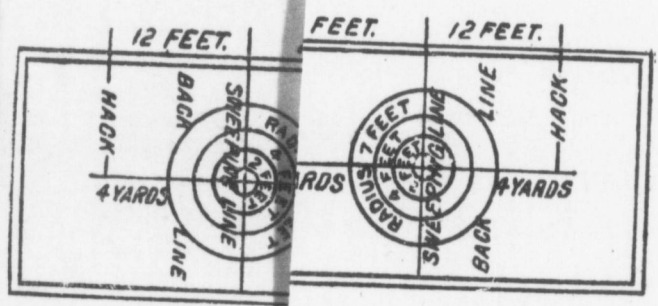


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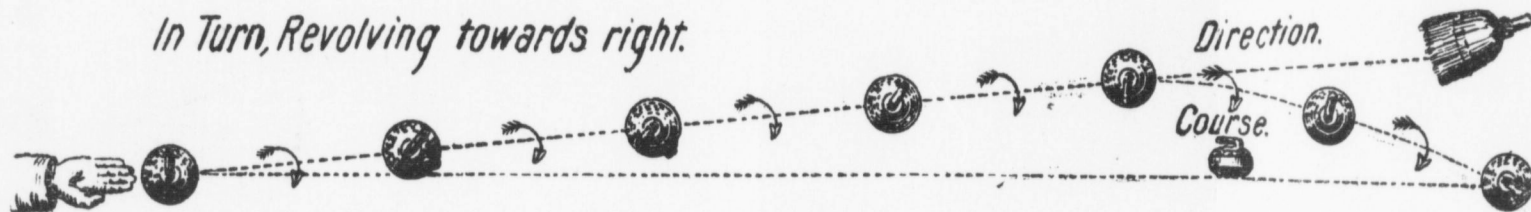
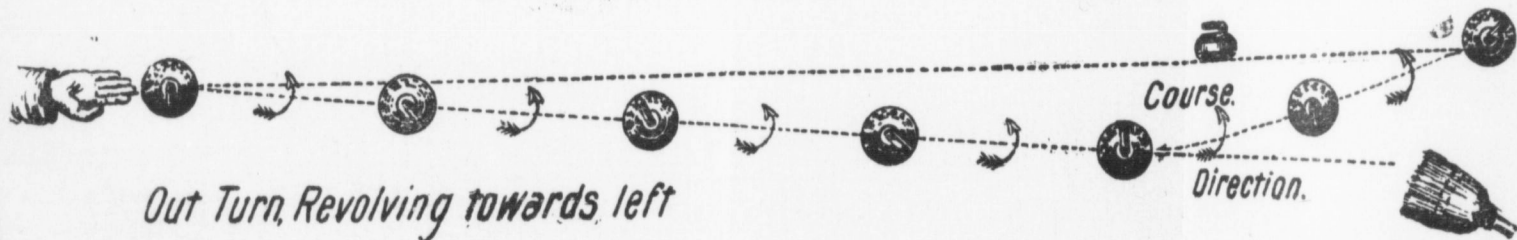
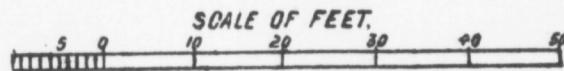
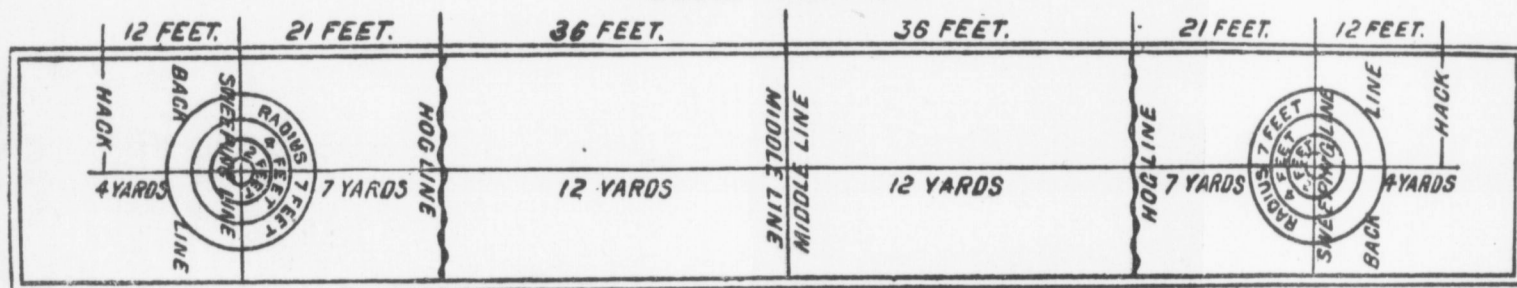


Diagram to be drawn on the ice previous to playing and referred to throughout the rules as "THE RINK."



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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 the 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

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 will 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

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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 will 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 facili-

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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.

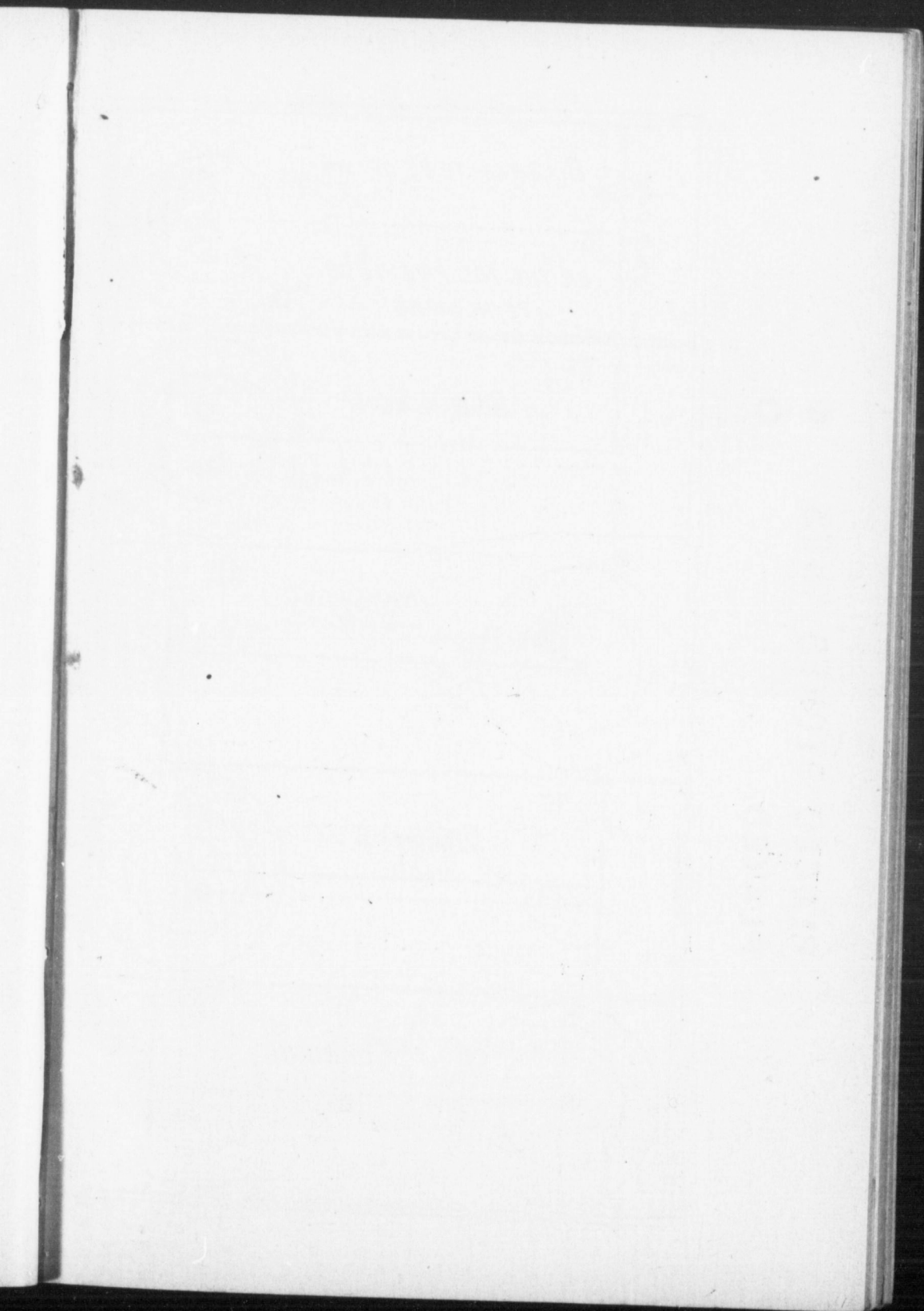
30. While the main object of matches between clubs is to determine their relative skill in the game, it should ever be borne in mind that the ultimate object of curling is to develop a manly recreation, and to promote good will, kindly feeling and honorable conduct amongst those who take part in it, and this sentiment should influence both the interpretation and the application of all the rules.

THE POINTS' GAME.

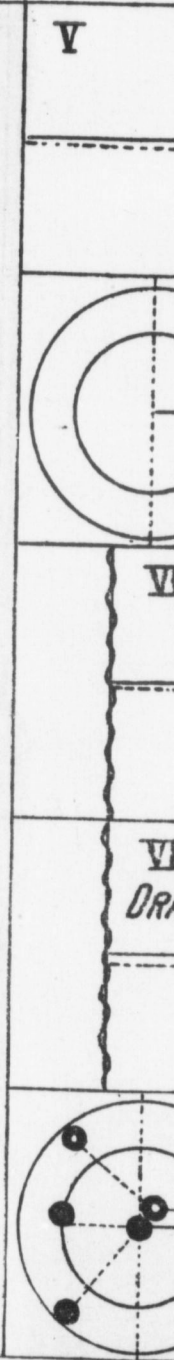
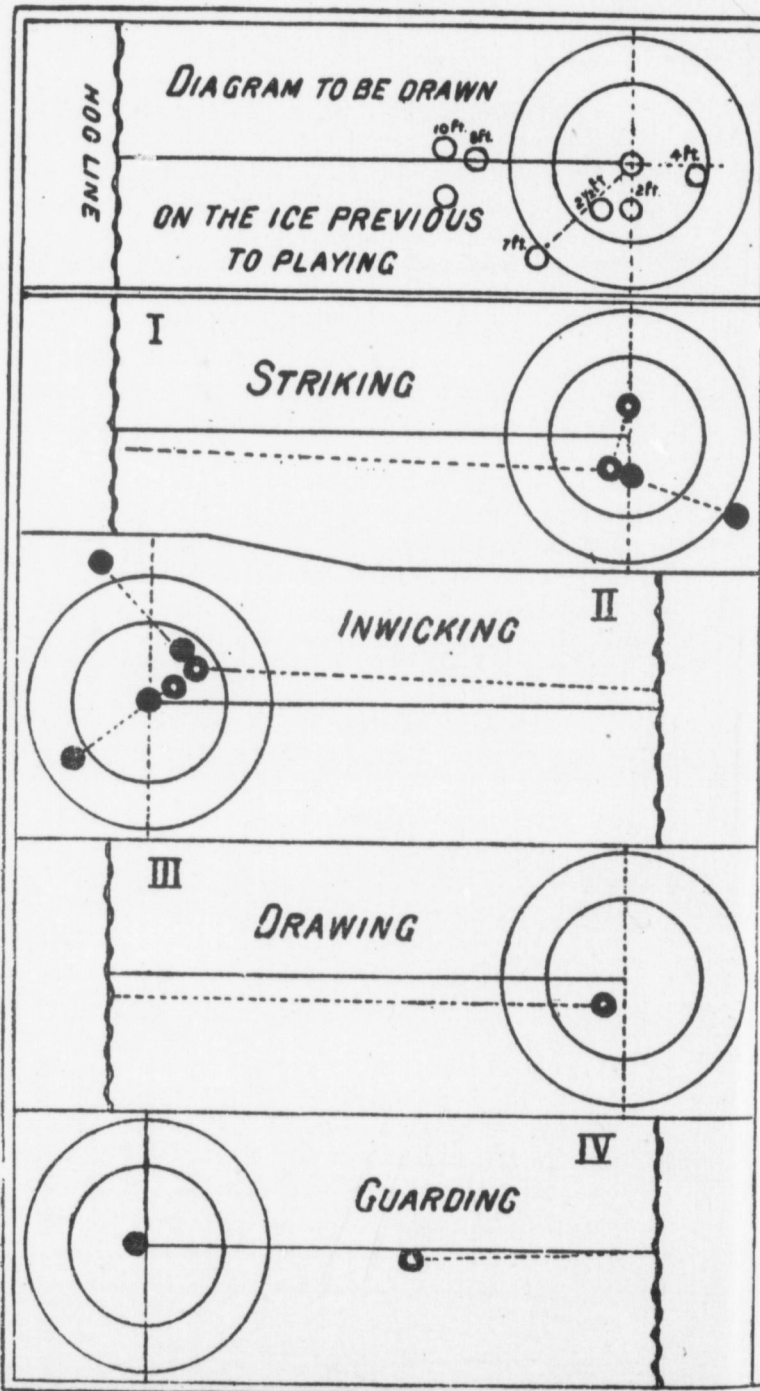
31. Rinks shall be laid off in accordance with the diagram given for this game in the last published Annual. Within the 14 feet Ring, a circle 8 feet in diameter shall be drawn around the Tee, the Central Line shall be extended to the Hog Line, and the sweeping line shall be drawn; the length of the Rink from Hack to Tee shall be 42 yards.

32. Lots shall be drawn for the order of playing; each competitor 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-

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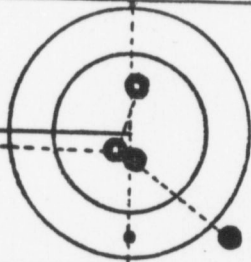


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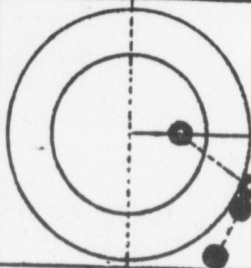
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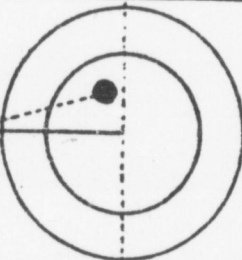
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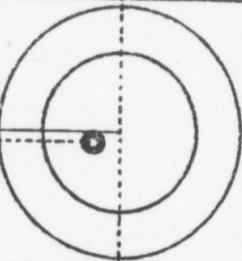
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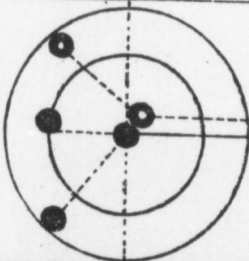
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mediately after the other, and shall not during the competition change the side of a stone, or the stone itself, unless it happens to be broken.

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 as hereinafter provided:

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.

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 forty-five 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,

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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.



Ontario Curling Association.

APRIL MEETING.

WALKER HOUSE, TORONTO, 29TH APRIL, 1897.

Met, the Representatives of the Ontario Curling Association. Thos. Woodyatt, President, in the chair, called the meeting to order, and appointed D. Dexter and G. G. Eakins the Committee on Credentials, who subsequently reported the following Clubs present by duly accredited representatives, viz.:

<i>Club</i>	<i>Representative</i>	<i>Club</i>	<i>Representative</i>
Aberdeen..	Geo. Empringham	Peterboro' Thistle	C. McGill
Brantford.....	Thos. Woodyatt	Scarboro.....	A. Fleming
Campbellford.....	G. G. Eakins	Stratford... ..	A. F. McLaren
Churchill.....	D. Carlyle	Sudbury	Dr. Gordon
Detroit	B. W. Yates	Thamesville	R. Ferguson, M.P.P.
Galt	Charles Blake	Toronto Caledonian... ..	W. D. McIntosh
Hamilton Asylum...	Dr. Russell	" Granite...	C. C. Dalton
" Victoria...	D. Dexter	" Lakeview...	R. Hunter
Harriston	G. G. Eakins	" Pros. Park...	D. Carlyle
Keene	J. S. Russell	" Queen City	J. W. Corcoran
Lindsay.....	J. D. Flavelle	Whitby.....	Judge Dartnell
Meaford.....	J. S. Russell	Woodstock... ..	D. W. Karn
Orillia.....	Dr. Beaton		
Peterboro' Granite... ..	E. B. Edwards		

Mr. Dalton moved, seconded by Mr. Ferguson, " That the minutes of last meeting, having been published in the Annual, be held as read, and that they be confirmed," and the motion was adopted.

A letter from His Excellency the Governor-General was read, expressing regret that it would not be possible for him to be present at this meeting, but sending his cordial greetings; and it was ordered to be placed on file.

Mr. A. F. McLaren moved, seconded by Mr. B. W. Yates, "That Windsor Club be received into the Association," and it was carried.

Mr. D. Carlyle moved, seconded by Mr. J. D. Flavelle, "That Queen City Club be received into the Association," and it was carried.

Judge Dartnell moved, seconded by Mr. A. F. McLaren, "That Preston Club be received into the Association," and it was carried.

Moved by Mr. J. D. Flavelle, seconded by Mr. J. W. Corcoran, "That Lakeview Club be received into the Association," and it was adopted.

The Secretary then read REPORT OF PRIMARY AND FINAL COMPETITIONS FOR THE ONTARIO TANKARD. *See page 48.*

It was moved by Mr. D. Dexter, seconded by Mr. A. F. McLaren, "That the reports of the Tankard Competitions, primary and final, now read be received, and that they be approved," and it was adopted.

THE REPORT OF THE COMPETITIONS FOR THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL'S PRIZE, PRIMARY AND FINAL, was then read. *See page 58.*

And it was moved by Judge Dartnell, seconded by Mr. C. C. Dalton, "That the report of the double competition for the Governor-General's Prize for stone-playing clubs be received, and that it be adopted; and that the thanks of the Association be conveyed to His Excel-

lency, our Patron, for his continued liberal support of the game," and it was carried.

The report of the competition for the District Medal allocated to be played for by the North Bay, American Soo, and Sudbury Clubs was then read. The match was played at Sudbury, Mr. D. Bole, of the Soo, acting as umpire. In the first draw Sudbury defeated North Bay by 43 to 35, and in the second Sudbury made 47 to 35 made by the American Soo Club, and thus won the prize.

It was moved by Mr. Eakins, seconded by Dr. Beaton, "That the report be adopted," and it was carried.

The Secretary then read THE REPORT OF GENERAL COMPETITION AT POINTS' GAME, and on motion of Mr. J. D. Flavelle, seconded by Mr. W. D. McIntosh, the report was adopted. See page 59.

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

Circulation Acct.

By Copies from printers.....	700
To charged to clubs.....	567
" Sold for cash ..	11
" Complimentary..	56
On hand	66
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Profit and Loss Acct.

To paid printers..	\$174 05	
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Against which there are 66 copies on hand, and \$22.80 due for Annuals by clubs, the greater part of which we think will be paid.

The Committee are of opinion that in some clubs there is too little effort made to push the sale of the Annual, and that no club should rest content until it secures one copy for every three of its members.

They will also be pleased to receive from every club a report of its matches during the season, with notes of any specially interesting event that may occur in the playing of the game; also curling songs, and papers on ice-making or any other subject connected with the game, and likely to improve or promote it.

Mr. D. Carlyle moved, seconded by Mr. McIntosh, "That the report on the Annual now read be received and approved, and that the hearty thanks of the Association be tendered to the Committee and others who have aided them in their useful labors," and it was carried.

The auditors' report was then read as follows, viz.:

FINANCIAL STATEMENT, ONTARIO CURLING ASSOCIATION, 1ST APRIL, 1897.

Treasurer, Dr.

To balance on hand, 1st April, 1896	\$ 94 63
" Entrance fees	\$ 42 00
" Annual dues and arrears	591 03
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" The Annual	161 87
" Stationery, etc	0 55
" Contribution to Tankard competi- tion	30 00
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" International match, fees and do- nations	239 00

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By the Annual for 1897.....	\$186 65	
“ Returns of issue, 1896....	1 25	
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“ Printing and stationery ..	\$ 28 02	
“ Postage and telegrams....	53 32	
“ District Medal competition	12 68	
“ Tankard competition—		
Banner.....	\$40 00	
Sundry charges..	19 18	
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“ Medals...	126 00	
“ Sec.-Treas.....	\$300 00	
“ “ Office...	40 00	
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“ International match.....	239 00	
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Balance.....		\$ 112 98

Abstract of Present Position.

Balance on hand.....	\$ 112 98
Due by clubs, and supposed collectable	30 00
	\$ 142 98
Accounts due by O.C.A., not exceeding	10 00
Balance.....	\$ 132 98

Audited and found correct, Toronto, 27th April, 1897.

Sgd.) C. C. DALTON.
C. MCGILL.

It was then moved by Mr. R. Ferguson, seconded by Dr. Russell. “That the financial report now read be received and confirmed; and that the auditors be heartily thanked for their services; and that all clubs in arrears for over two years be written to, advising them that their

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names will be dropped from the Roll unless such arrears are promptly paid," and it was carried.

There was then read the report of the International Match. See page 62.

Mr. A. F. McLaren moved, seconded by Mr. D. W. Karn, "That the report on the International Match be received and adopted," and it was carried.

THE GENERAL REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE was then read as follows, viz.:

We have the satisfaction of reporting another year of progress and substantial advancement. Five new clubs were received into connection at the October meeting, and four were received, *ad interim*, during the curling season, and were proposed and formally received to-day, viz., Preston, Lakeview, Windsor and Queen City Clubs, making an addition of nine clubs during the year. Ancaster Thistle and West Flamboro' Clubs are believed to have ceased to exist. Port Perry and Sault Ste. Marie Clubs are now three years in arrears. Southampton, Owen Sound and Fenelon Falls Clubs, under an erroneous idea regarding the terms of membership, decided not to pay dues for the season just closed, and Goderich, Milton, Markham and Aurora Clubs are behind in their payments.

On list in Annual there are ninety-six clubs. Add Windsor, and leave off two believed to be defunct, and there are ninety-five clubs at present in the Association, and of these only five appear to be laboring under difficulties. We hope all of them will be revived and resume their former activity.

Notwithstanding the shortness of the last curling season, all the Association matches have been played, and in every case under the most favorable conditions of weather and ice. In the final competition for the Tankard, the great match of each season, we had an unusual number of clubs engaged who have not been seen there

very often, and we think this speaks well for the fairness of the grouping, and indicates also a growing efficiency among the less prominent clubs embraced in the Association.

We are pleased to note that more clubs took part in the primary competition for the Governor-General's Prize than in former years, and hope that in future every one of the clubs entitled to take part in it will compete. The prize is a valuable one, the honor of winning ranks next to that of winning the Ontario Tankard, and loyalty to our Patron, the donor of the prize, should call out a full field of competitors every year.

While the scores made in the general competition at the Points' game are very creditable, the number of returns sent in by clubs is not so large as it ought to be. Only nine clubs have reported the outcome of their essays in the competition, and we are left in doubt about the others as to whether they have not played the game, or having played it, deem it prudent to suppress the results.

Two players made the same highest score, viz., 42, and as there was no possibility of having the tie played off, from breaking up of season, and as the score was a good one, your Committee decided to award a gold medal to each of the two, viz., Mr. D. H. Douglas of Campbellford, and Mr. Wm. Pickard of Seaforth.

This match is the only test there is of individual expertness in curling, and as it includes not only skill in play, but also skill in the preparation of ice, and in the fitness of curling stones, it may be looked upon as the true index of the state of advancement any club has reached in the essentials of the game. In all the aspects of the game named the O.C.A. stands high, second to none, and the scores made by the players at Points compare favorably with those made by the curlers of any other association. This competition is made by clubs on their own ice, at the minimum expense of

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money and of time, and we think it should be made a prominent feature in the annual programme of every club. In the play, "flukes" don't count; a steady approach to perfect exactness with every stone played is what does count, and this is the true criterion of expertness in curling; and to be the winner of the Points' competition in the O.C.A. is an honor of the very highest rank in the grand old game, well worth striving for.

The Canadian District Medal put up for competition in the Soo and North Bay District, was played for at Sudbury and won by the Sudbury Club. We are hopeful that by another season there will be a sufficient number of clubs in that district to form one Tankard group. The extremely high rates of railway fare in that section form a great obstacle to the development of the game there. We have put the matter fairly before the railroad people, and can only express our hope that they will come to see it advantageous to their interests to stimulate curling travel by special rates, as it takes place at a season of the year when general travel is at its lowest ebb.

The International Match passed off well, the weather and ice were all that could be desired, and our visitors made up for lack of numbers by unbounded enthusiasm and untiring persistence in playing; three games each day did not suffice to appease their curling appetite. We hope to welcome them again, and that soon.

The Annual continues to pay the cost of its production, and the Committee are entitled to the best thanks of the Association for the compact and creditable volume they issue from year to year. Let all assist them by sending in club reports in good season, and by literary contributions, original or selected, as genius prompts, and opportunity offers.

The financial report is satisfactory, and after providing for all obligations there is a snug balance on hand, even after giving up the entrance fee for the final competition for the Ontario Tankard.

Your Committee have also decided to give a group champion medal in future to the last competing club in the Tankard competition, so that the club as well as the two skips will have something to hold as a souvenir of their victory.

We think that some prize should be given to each one of the players in the winning and last competing rinks in the Tankard competition. The President and Vice-President of the Association give gold medals to the skips, and this is probably as much as can be expected from them, and we would not deprive them of this opportunity of displaying their generosity, and of commemorating the year of their occupation of the highest official position, but we think their gifts to the skips should be supplemented by bestowing, from the funds of the Association, fitting prizes upon the other players who have contributed their help to the success of the rinks.

The single rink competitions continue to increase in number, and local bonspiels filled up almost every week of last season, and generally were occasions of much good feeling and pleasant rivalry. While we wish success to all honorable methods of promoting the game, and acknowledge the "edge" given to a competition by a trophy, and the increased extension of the game by the play for trophies, we would not like to see any diminution in "friendly matches" between neighbouring clubs, in which only renewal of friendships, curling skill and friendly rivalry are the sole incentives, and good fellowship the ultimate aim of the contest.

Since our last meeting in October three of the most prominent curlers in America have been removed by death: George McNoe of Buffalo, one of the founders of the G.N.C. Club of U. S., and who had been a member of our Association for several years; Wm. Badenach of Toronto, who since 1879 has been one of the most active and useful office-bearers of the Association, and grandly filled the office of President in 1892, and John Wright of Toronto, who has been a representative since 1876, and a member of the Executive Committee for many years,

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whose manly form and genial countenance bespoke the large and warm heart that beat within, and whose unstinted kindness to the Association has many times been gratefully acknowledged at our semi-annual meetings.

We recommend that a record be entered on our minutes expressive of our appreciation of the services rendered to the game of curling by these three gentlemen, and of our sorrow at their decease, and that a letter of sympathy and condolence be sent to the family of each of them.

Moved by Mr. C. C. Dalton, and seconded by Mr. A. Fleming, "That the report of the Executive Committee be received, that the matter of prizes to all the members of the rinks of the winning and last competing clubs in the Tankard final competition be held over for consideration at the meeting in October, and that with this one exception the report be confirmed, and the recommendations named therein be adopted," and it was carried.

The Executive Committee reported that in accordance with the By-laws they had filled the vacancy in their board caused by the death of John Wright, of the Toronto Club, by the appointment of Dr. J. W. Lesslie of that Club, and Mr. Dalton moved, seconded by Dr. Beaton, "That the appointment be confirmed," and the motion was carried.

Mr. Dalton tabled the following notices of motion ;

1st. That section 4 of the regulations for the competition for the Ontario Tankard be amended to read, "that at the October meeting a committee be appointed to take the entire charge of the final Tankard competition," and that the clause of said section constituting the Secretary of the Association the umpire of the competition be deleted.

2nd. That in both the primary and final competitions for the Ontario Tankard, the number of ends to be played shall be reduced from twenty-two to eighteen.

Mr. Edwards gave notice that at the October meeting he would move that in No. 16 of the By-laws the word "fifty" be deleted, and that either the words "forty-five" or "forty-three" be inserted in its place.

Mr. Carlyle gave notice that at the October meeting he would move that clause No. 2 in the regulations for the competition for the Ontario Tankard be amended as follows: "That each club in the Association who are in financial standing be eligible to enter one rink in the competition, and that the same be played at one time, say about the 15th of January," and that the Secretary of the Association be instructed to notify the clubs in the Association, and ascertain their views in the matter and report at the October meeting.

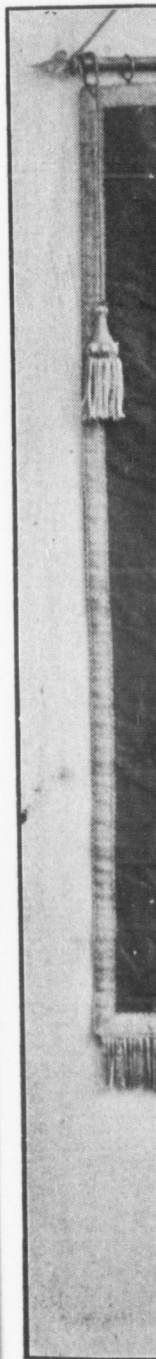
President Woodyatt then presented the Tankard Banner to Mr. Flavelle, the representative of Lindsay Club, and his own gift of two gold medals to the skips of the winning rinks in the Tankard competition. Mr. Flavelle responded.

Vice-President Dartnell presented two gold scarf pins, his gifts to the skips of the last competing club in the Tankard competition, to Mr. Dexter of the Hamilton Victoria Club, who responded.

The group district champion medals were then presented by the President to the representatives of the winning clubs present, and the Secretary was instructed to forward the others by mail to the several clubs.

The Secretary then presented his prize of two gold-mounted curling stone charms to Mr. Flavelle of Lindsay Club, for the skips winning the Governor-General's prize, and Mr. Flavelle responded.

The Secretary was instructed to forward the gold medals awarded for the Points' game to Mr. Douglas of the Campbellford Club, and Mr. Wm. Pickard of Seaforth Club, the equal winners.



THE ONTARIO TANKARD
1897



WON BY

LINDSAY

CURLING CLUB

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Mr. Flavelle moved, seconded by Mr. Corcoran, "That a vote of thanks be tendered to Mr. Walker of the Walker House for his courtesy and kindness in furnishing gratuitously such a convenient and comfortable hall for the meetings of the Association," and it was unanimously adopted.

Mr. Dexter moved, seconded by Mr. McIntosh, "That the newspaper press of Toronto be accorded a warm vote of thanks for the attention they give to the game, for the large space they devote to records of matches during the curling season, and their constant attendance at our semi-annual meetings and the intelligent reports they furnish of our transactions." The motion was supported by the President, and carried unanimously.

The Chairman then declared the meeting adjourned.

THOMAS WOODYATT, Chairman.



OCTOBER MEETING.

WALKER HOUSE, TORONTO, 19TH OCTOBER, 1897.

Met, the representatives of the Ontario Curling Association, President Woodyatt in the chair, who called the meeting to order and nominated Geo. R. Hargraft and T. O. Robson the Committee on Credentials, whose report showed the following clubs duly represented, viz.:

<i>Club</i>	<i>Representative</i>	<i>Club</i>	<i>Representative</i>
Aberdeen...	Geo. Empringham	Peterboro' Granite.....	E. B. Edwards
Ayr Union...	E. T. Lightbourne	" Thistle... C. McGill	
Barrie... ..	W. D. McIntosh	Preston... ..	S. I. Cherry
Bobcaygeon... ..	W. T. C. Boyd	St. Catharines...	H. J. Johnson
Bowmanville... ..	W. C. King	St. Mary's.....	T. O. Robson
Brampton.....	J. Golding	St. Thomas.....	D. McLaws
Brantford.....	T. Woodyatt	Sarnia.....	W. F. Davison
Campbellford.....	G. G. Eakins	Scarboro' Maple Leaf...	Isaac Stobo
Churchill.....	D. Carlyle	Seaforth... ..	T. G. Williamson
Cobourg.....	G. R. Hargraft	Simcoe.....	A. B. Stennett
Dundas.....	E. Collins	Stratford	A. F. McLaren
Embroy.....	W. F. Davison	Thamesville.....	R. Ferguson
Fergus...J. W. Green	Armitage	Thorold Lorne.....	C. Johnston
Galt.....	Chas. Blake	Toronto.....	Geo. McMurrich
" Granite... T. E. McLellan		" Caledonian	W. D. McIntosh
Goderich	A. F. McLaren	" Granite...C. C. Dalton	
Hamilton Asylum...Dr. Russell		" Lakeview...R. Hunter	
" Thistle... M. Leggatt		" Prospect Park...	D. Carlyle
" Victoria... D. Dexter		" Queen City... ..	J. W. Corcoran
Harriston.....	G. G. Eakins	Waubaushe,W. H. Pleasdel	
Keene.....	J. S. Russell	Whitby.....	Judge Dartnell
Lindsay	J. D. Flavelle	Woodstock ..	G. de C. O'Grady
London Forest City..S. Stevely			
Meaford.....	J. S. Russell		
Niagara Falls.....	A. Logan		
Niagara-on-Lake...R. McClain			
Orillia.....	E. A. Doolittle		
Parkdale.....	G. Schofield		

It was moved by C. C. Dalton, seconded by W. D. McIntosh, "That the minutes of last meeting be held as read, and that they be confirmed," and it was carried.

The Secretary reported that he had, as instructed, written to the two clubs more than two years in arrears, and that he had not received any reply from either of them; and it was moved by C. C. Dalton, and seconded by A. Logan, "That the two clubs, viz., Port Perry and Sault Ste. Marie, be dropped from the roll, and that the arrears be collected," and it was carried.

The plan of grouping for the Ontario Tankard, as revised by the Executive Committee after having been submitted to the clubs, was then taken up for consideration, and was finally amended as follows, viz.:

GROUP No. 1.

Belleville Club.
 Cobourg "
 Port Hope "
 Bowmanville "
 Whitby "

Play to be mainly at Co-
 bourg.

H. M. WOOD, - Umpire
 Millbrook Club.

GROUP No. 2.

Millbrook Club.
 Fenelon Falls "
 Bobcaygeon "
 Waubaushene "

J. D. FLAVELLE, Umpire
 Lindsay Club.

GROUP No. 3.

Peterboro' Granite Club.
 Lakefield "
 Keene "
 Campbellford "
 Orillia "

JNO. McCLELLAND, Umpire
 Peterboro' Thistle Club.

GROUP No. 4.

Meaford Club.
 Churchill "
 Barrie "
 Penetang. "
 Aurora "
 Collingwood "

Play at Barrie.

G. F. HALL, - Umpire
 Waubaushene Club.

GROUP No. 5.

Aberdeen Club.
 Brampton "
 Milton "
 Orangeville "
 Scarboro' Maple Leaf Club
 JOHN BAIN, - Umpire
 Toronto Club.

GROUP No. 6.

Toronto Club.
 " Caledonian Club.
 " Lakeview "
 " Prospect Park "
 Oshawa Club.

GEO. R. HARGRAFT, Umpire
 Toronto Granite Club.

GROUP No. 7.

Parkdale Club.
 Toronto Granite Club.
 " Queen City "
 Hamilton Victoria "
 Scarboro' Club.
 Lindsay "
 W. D. McINTOSH, Umpire
 Toronto Caledonian Club.

GROUP No. 8.

Dundas Club.
 Brantford "
 Hamilton Thistle Club.
 Galt Granite Club.
 Ancaster "
 Glanford "
 DR. RUSSELL, - Umpire
 Hamilton Asylum Club.

GROUP No. 9.

Woodstock Club.
 Buffalo "
 Galt "
 Ingersoll Aberdeen Club.
 Plattsville Club.
 Play mainly at Hamilton.
 THOS. WOODYATT, Umpire
 Brantford Club.

GROUP No. 10.

Lorne (Thorold) Club.
 Niagara Falls "
 Niagara-on-Lake "
 St. Catharines "
 West Flamboro' "
 Hamilton Asylum "
 D. McPHEE, - Umpire
 Hamilton Victoria Club.

GROUP No. 11.

Guelph Union Club.
 Ayr " "
 Preston "
 St. Thomas "
 Embro "
 Simcoe "
 JAMES CANFIELD, Umpire
 Woodstock Club.

GROUP No. 12.

Chatham Club.
 London "
 Berlin "
 Bright "
 St. Mary's "
 Play mainly at London.
 G. C. MACFARLANE, Umpire
 Glencoe Club.

GROUP No. 13.

Thamesville Club.
 Petrolia "
 London Forest City Club.
 Sarnia Club.
 Glencoe "
 Play mainly at Petrolia.
 H. J. PETTYPIECE, Umpire
 Forest Club.

GROUP No. 14.

Detroit Club.
 Toledo "
 Bay City "
 Ridgeway "
 Windsor "
 Play at Detroit.
 R. FERGUSON, - Umpire
 Thamesville Club.

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GROUP No. 15.

Fergus Club.
 Guelph Royal City Club.
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 Goderich “
 Seaforth “
 Forest “

Play mainly at Stratford.

T. O. ROBSON, - Umpire
 St. Mary's Club.

GROUP No. 16.

Walkerton Club.
 Harriston “
 Lucknow “
 Chesley “
 Durham “
 Owen Sound “
 Southampton “
 Kincardine “

Play at Harriston.

T. J. HAMILTON, Umpire
 Fergus Club.

Sudbury and North Bay Clubs will have the option of entering one of the groups or of competing for a local medal.

On motion duly made and seconded, the grouping as thus amended was carried unanimously.

Mr. Edwards then moved, in accordance with notice given at April meeting, “That in No. 16 of the By-laws the word ‘fifty’ be deleted, and that the words ‘forty-five’ be inserted in its place.” This was seconded by Judge Dartnell, and a ballot having been taken, the motion was lost, the vote standing 17 for to 24 against.

The recommendation of the Executive Committee, “That a prize be given from the funds of the Association to each of the players in the winning and last competing rinks in the Tankard finals, other than the skips, for whom prizes are already provided,” was carried unanimously by acclamation.

Mr. Dalton then moved, in terms of notice given, “That section 4 of the regulations for the competition for the Ontario Tankard be amended to read, ‘That at the October meeting a committee be appointed to take the entire charge of the Tankard final competition,’ and that the clause of said section constituting the Secretary of the Association the umpire of that competition be deleted.” This was seconded by Mr. A. Logan, and after discussion it was withdrawn.

Mr. Dalton then moved, seconded by Mr. Doolittle, "That in both of the primary and final competitions for the Ontario Tankard, the number of ends to be played shall be reduced from 22 to 18. The motion was lost.

Mr. D. Carlyle then announced that he withdrew the motion of which he gave notice at the April meeting.

The election of office-bearers came next in order, and His Excellency the Governor-General was unanimously re-elected Patron.

By an unanimous vote, His Honor Lieutenant-Governor Sir George A. Kirkpatrick was re-elected Honorary President.

On motion of Mr. Dalton, seconded by Mr. McIntosh, Judge Dartnell of Whitby Club, the first Vice-President, was elected President.

On motion of Mr. Flavell, seconded by Mr. Robson, Mr. A. F. McLaren of Stratford Club, the second Vice-President, was elected first Vice-President.

Mr. Williamson moved, seconded by Dr. Beaton, "That Dr. Jas. Russell, of Hamilton Asylum Club, be elected second Vice-President.

Mr. Dalton moved, seconded by Mr. Davison, "That Mr. David Dexter, of Hamilton Victoria Club, be elected second Vice-President.

There being no other nominations for the office, a ballot was taken, and Mr. Dexter was elected by a vote of 25 against a vote of 23 for Dr. Russell, to the office of second Vice-President.

Mr. Logan moved, seconded by Mr. Chas. Johnston, "That the Rev. John Crawford, a member regular of Niagara Falls Curling Club, be elected chaplain," and it was carried.

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

Messrs. Corcoran, McMurrich, McIntosh, Carlyle, O'Grady, Dalton, Turnbull, Simpson, Karn, and Dr.

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Russell were nominated for the Executive Committee; and a ballot having been taken, Messrs. Dr. Russell, C. C. Dalton, W. D. McIntosh, Geo. McMurrich, D. Carlyle, and D. B. Simpson were found to be elected.

Mr. Dexter moved, seconded by Judge Dartnell, and it was carried, "That Messrs. W. B. McMurrich, Q.C., A. Congalton, and E. B. Edwards be re-elected as the Committee on Complaints and Appeals."

Mr. Dexter moved, seconded by Mr. A. F. McLaren, "That the Committee on the Annual be re-elected," and it was carried.

On motion of Mr. Carlyle, seconded by Mr. A. F. McLaren, Messrs. C. McGill and T. G. Williamson were re-elected auditors.

Mr. E. B. Edwards gave notice that at the next April meeting he would move, "That in No. 16 of the By-laws the word 'fifty' be deleted, and that the words 'forty-five' be inserted in lieu thereof."

The newly-elected office-bearers were then duly installed, and on motion of Mr. Harvey, seconded by Mr. McLaren, a vote of thanks was tendered to Mr. Woodyatt, the retiring President, who made a happy reply.

Mr. Dalton moved, seconded by Mr. Dexter, a vote of thanks to the press, commenting upon the intelligent manner in which they note and report the proceedings at our semi-annual meetings, and upon the elaborate arrangements they make for the collection of reports of matches played during the curling season; and it was carried by acclamation.

On motion of Mr. McIntosh, seconded by Mr. McMurrich, a vote of thanks was cordially conveyed to Mr. Walker, of the Walker House, for the very excellent accommodation provided by him during so many years for our meetings; and Mr. Walker made a neat reply, conveying the acknowledgment that he felt it not only a pleasure but an honor to welcome the curlers of Ontario at all times.

The meeting then adjourned.

GEO. H. DARTNELL, Chairman.

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."

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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 Tankard Competitions 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.

9. As only those clubs which have been reported to the Secretary of the Association by the 4th day of Feb-

ruary, 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. The winning club shall have the right to represent the Association in the Competition for the Governor-General's Prizes.

12. Umpires are enjoined to carry out the Primary Competitions at one meeting, whenever practicable.

13. 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.

14. The President's Gold Medals are presented to the Skips of the winning rinks, and the Vice-Presidents' 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 1896-97.

Report of Primary Competition for the Ontario Tankard, 1896-97, and including also the Group Championships.

The Primary Competitions, in which are included the District Championships, was carried out in each

one of the sixteen groups, sixty-three clubs, with two rinks from each, taking part in the several contests.

No. of Group.	CLUBS.			Winning.
	In Group.	Quali- fied.	Com- peted.	
1	5	5	4	Oshawa.
2	5	3	3	Keene.
3	5	5	2	Lindsay.
4	6	6	5	Collingwood.
5	7	4	3	Scarboro'.
6	7	7	7	Queen City.
7	5	5	5	Toronto Caledonian.
8	7	7	5	Hamilton Victoria.
9	5	5	5	Buffalo.
10	6	5	4	Brantford.
11	6	5	4	Seaforth.
12	7	6	4	London.
13	6	6	4	Chatham.
14	6	6	4	Sarnia.
15	5	5	2	Fergus.
16	6	3	2	Lucknow.
	94	83	63	

There were two protests made in this competition, one in Group No. 3, and the other in No. 8. Both were referred to the President of the Association, as By-laws require, and were decided by him. In Group No. 3 the protesting club objected to play at the place named by the Umpire, which place was approved by the majority of the clubs in the group. The President sustained the Umpire, but the protesting club did not comply with the President's ruling. In Group No. 8 the Umpire

sent out a second order of play, and the protesting club claimed that it had made arrangements to comply with the first order, but had not sufficient time allowed to comply with the second order, and protested against being ruled out under the circumstances. The President allowed the protest, and the protesting club was given the opportunity to play against the club previously declared the winner, which achieved another victory, and the result in the group remained unchanged. Two of the winning clubs, viz., Keene and Lucknow, did not enter the Tankard Finals, and the Runners-up did not find it convenient to fill the vacant places.

FINAL COMPETITION FOR THE ONTARIO TANKARD, 1896-97.

This interesting Curling Competition was conducted in Toronto on the 10th and 11th February, 1897. Only fourteen clubs were engaged in it, as Keene and Lucknow clubs, the winners in group No. 2 and No. 16, failed to put in appearance.

The drawing was made six clubs against six, and Chatham and Brantford clubs came in on the second round. Lindsay club came out the winner, and Hamilton Victoria the last competing club. The weather was fine, the ice in excellent condition, and everything passed off in the most satisfactory manner. Mr. George R. Hargraft was Umpire at the Granite Rink, and Mr. John Bain at Victoria Rink.

The Group Champion Clubs were represented as follows, viz.:

Oshawa Club.

A. G. Lambert,
A. Rankin,
F. J. Lambert,
J. A. Sykes, Skip.

T. M. Luke,
E. J. Rowse,
F. E. Dingle,
P. H. Punshon, Skip.

Caledonia Club, Buffalo.

John Webber,
D. Almas,
J. F. Berrick,
A. A. Berrick, Skip.

R. H. Hoyt,
G. J. Metzger,
P. Heinz,
H. C. Frost, Skip.

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Lindsay Club.

T. McConnell,
M. W. Kennedy,
Geo. Little,
W. McLennan, Skip.

L. McIntosh,
J. G. Edwards,
J. A. McMillan,
J. D. Flavelle, Skip.

Collingwood Club.

J. Brydon,
H. G. Wynes,
W. A. Copeland,
W. T. Toner, Skip.

T. C. Brown,
C. E. Stephenson,
J. Sutherland,
C. Noble, Skip.

Scarboro' Club.

J. Maxwell,
T. Ramsay,
Geo. Elliott,
D. Brown, Skip.

A. Gray,
R. Purdie,
J. Ramsay,
D. Purdie, Skip.

Queen City Club.

R. B. Rennie,
J. Lugsdin,
R. B. Rice,
J. W. Corcoran, Skip.

Geo. Clapperton,
Q. D. Day,
J. C. Scott,
J. P. Rogers, Skip.

Brantford Club.

F. B. Pollard,
A. Bixel,
Fred. Westbrook,
D. Jolly, Skip.

T. S. Wade,
Thos. Evans,
B. J. Wade,
Thos. Woodyatt, Skip.

Seaforth Club.

W. Ament,
W. McDougall,
J. Turner,
A. Wilson, Skip.

F. W. Tweedle,
R. Logan,
F. Richardson,
W. Pickard, Skip.

London Club.

W. J. Walker,
G. B. Harris,
T. Gillean,
R. C. McFie, Skip.

J. Walker,
H. Beaton,
D. B. Dewar,
J. Evans, Skip.

Chatham Club.

J. McCraig,
W. E. Rispin,
W. T. Bray,
Dr. J. L. Bray, Ship.

R. Gray,
J. E. Johnston,
J. D. Lamont,
G. P. Schofield, Skip.

Caledonian Club, Toronto.

W. J. McCormick,
G. J. Keith,
W. D. McIntosh,
D. Prentice, Skip.

A. B. Nichols,
T. Rennie,
J. Rennie,
R. Rennie, Skip.

Sarnia Club.

J. J. Thomson,
R. McKenzie,
A. Crawford,
J. McGibbon, Skip.

W. Hamilton,
E. McGregor,
E. Robertson,
J. Chester, Skip.

Victoria Club, Hamilton.

W. R. Davis,
T. Kilvington,
F. J. Howell,
A. Murdock, Skip.

R. A. Campbell,
J. D. McKay,
D. McPhie,
D. Dexter, Skip.

Fergus Club.

J. B. Bayne,
R. Kerr,
H. S. Michie,
G. A. Reid, Skip.

D. Mennie,
J. Mennie,
W. A. Richardson,
T. J. Hamilton, Skip.

FINAL COMPETITION, ONTARIO TANKARD.

First Round.	Second Round.	Third Round.	Last Round.
Collingwood Club ..18)			
Oshawa Club .....58)	40	24	47
Sarnia Club .....51)	53		
London Club .....25)			
Caledonia, Tor., Club25)			
Lindsay Club .....48)	42	42	
Buffalo Club .....30)			
Fergus Club .....58)	33		
Seaforth Club .....43)			
Hamilt'n Victoria Cl.46)	41	41	31
Scarboro' Club .....36)			
Queen City Club ....44)	39	40	
Brantford Club)	44		
Chatham Club)	34		

ONTARIO SILVER TANKARD.

Lindsay winning, Hamilton Victoria last competing club.

Immediately after the announcement of the result of the last match, President Woodyatt presented the famous Tankard to the Lindsay club, which, in the absence of Mr. Little, the President, was taken in charge by Mr. J. D. Flavelle. President Woodyatt eulogized the Lindsay club, pronouncing their representative curlers true sportsmen, skilful and persevering, and claimed that no club had brought more eclat to Ontario than the club from the east which had won success to-day, and that their victory would be hailed with enthusiasm throughout the entire Province. At one time he cherished the hope that the prize would go to Brantford this year, but noon of to-day found Brantford shut out from the closing match by one shot, and his hopes were thus dispelled. The Hamilton Victoria club won its position as last competing club by fine play, and he hoped that next year it would win the trophy, if Brantford club was absent.

Mr. Flavelle replied, acknowledging that Lindsay club had for a long time had a hungry eye on this the Blue Ribbon Curling Trophy; that it had worked hard for it, and was proud of success. He complimented the management upon the fine weather enjoyed during the competitions, and upon the excellent arrangements under which it had been conducted.





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ONTARIO SILVER TANKARD.

WINNING CLUB.	YEAR.	LAST COMPETING CLUB.
Hamilton Thistle..	1875	Hamilton Mechanics.
Toronto	1876	Orillia.
Toronto	1877	No other competitor.
Hamilton Thistle ..	1878	Port Hope.
Bowmanville	1879	Galt.
Port Hope	1880	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	Galt.
Galt	1889	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. ..	1896	St. Mary's.
Lindsay	1897	Hamilton Victoria.

THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL'S PRIZE.

The Primary Competition for this important and highly valued trophy was carried out in Toronto on the 10th, 11th and 12th days of February, 1897, by the Group Champion Clubs, as they retired from the Tankard Competition, and was won by Sarnia Club.

1st Round.	2nd Round.	3rd Round.	4th Round.	Final Round.
Buffalo Club, withdrew. Tor. Caledonian, withdrew. Seaforth ....41 } Scarboro ....44 } London, withdrew.	Scarboro ...38 } Collingwood 46 } Oshawa, withdrew. Queen City .45 } Chatham ...33 }	Collingwood 29 } Queen C'y 45 } Fergus ...35 } Sarnia .....42 } Brantford, withdrew.	Queen City .41 } Sarnia .....49 }	Sarnia 42 H'm Victoria 37

Sarnia thus became winner and entitled to compete in the Final Match with the winner of the Ontario Tankard.

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.

It is gratifying to be able to report that no less than nine clubs have made their returns in this competition, and that of the twenty-five scores reported, all but two are above the minimum—the maximum score made was forty-two, and this creditable score was reached by two of the competitors, one in the west and one in the east. The season was unusually short, and doubtless many deferred making the competition until too late.

Score.	Player.	Club.	No. of Players.	
			Engag'd	R'port'd
42	D. H. Douglas....	Campbellford.....	16	5
42	Wm. Pickard.....	Seaforth	32	2
41	G. F. Hall	Waubauskene	6	2
38	A. A. Drake.....	St. Thomas.....	26	6
38	C. P. Stocking....	Waubauskene	6	2
38	C. Dempsey	St. Thomas.....	26	6
36	T. J. Smith	Campbellford.....	16	5
36	W. H. King.....	St. Thomas.....	26	6
35	Archdale Wilson..	Hamilton Thistle..	23	1
35	John Scott	Orillia .....	..	1
35	S. C. May.....	St. Thomas.....	26	6
34	Robt. Thomson...	ScarboroMaple Leaf	16	2
34	S. Robinson	Lindsay	18	4
33	M. W. Kennedy..	"	18	4
33	E. W. Gaudrie ...	Campbellford.....	16	5
33	Dr. Macoun.....	"	16	5
32	A. W. Mason.....	ScarboroMaple Leaf	16	2
31	G. A. Little.....	Lindsay	18	4
31	J. A. McMillan...	"	18	4
31	R. Davidson.....	Hamilton Asylum..	18	2
31	J. M. Glen.....	St. Thomas.....	26	6
31	Robt. Lowery ...	Campbellford.....	16	5
31	Wm. Ament.....	Seaforth.....	32	2
30	F. W. Tucker ...	Hamilton Asylum..	18	2
30	W. K. Cameron ..	St. Thomas.....	26	6

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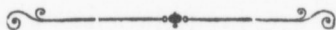
Omitting one score made in a club which could not state the exact number of players engaged, we find that of 155 players who took part in this competition, 24 made a score of 30 or over, and that the 24 made an aggregate score of 826, equal to an average of $34\frac{1}{4}$ each.

Three important factors largely determine the result of this game, viz., the fitness of the ice, the fitness of the stones, and the fitness of the players, and the highest scores are made where these three factors are found in the fittest condition, in other words, the best equipped clubs stand the best chance, and this is as it should be.

FINAL COMPETITION FOR GOVERNOR-GENERAL'S PRIZE.

The Final Match was played in the rink of the Victoria Club, Hamilton, on 26th February, and was won by Lindsay, making a score of 72, versus one of 31 made by Sarnia.

The ice was in excellent condition, the members of the Victoria Club showed themselves adepts in entertaining the players and making them comfortable; and were well supported in their hospitality by the Thistle and the Asylum Clubs.



THE INTERNATIONAL MATCH.

The Third Quinquennial International Match between the Curlers of the United States and those of Canada was played in Toronto on Thursday, the 14th January, under the most favorable conditions of weather and ice. Our brothers from the south expected to have brought up to Canada a force of at least 35 Rinks, but from various causes one club after another found it impracticable to join the visiting party, and when all had assembled it was found that the entire numerical strength of the visitors was 13 Rinks. Under these circumstances a number of Canadian clubs were wired not to send on the Rinks they had entered for the match, and the United States Curlers agreed to play two sets of games so as to give matches to as many as possible of the Canadian Rinks who had prepared to take part in the International Contest, and in this way 26 Canadian Rinks were engaged, of which five were from the Toronto Granite, four from the Toronto, two each from Prospect Park, Parkdale, Queen City and Hamilton Thistle Clubs, and one each from Brantford, Lakeview, St. Mary's, Toronto Caledonian, Toronto Press, Winnipeg Thistle, Lindsay and Montreal Clubs, the latter playing twice. The result was a tie in one game, in five games the visitors were "up" by 20 shots, and in the other twenty games the Canadians were ahead by 203 shots, leaving Canada the winner by 183 shots.

The "Meet," notwithstanding the disappointment in regard to numbers, was very enjoyable; many friends met who had not seen each other since a similar gathering in 1887 or 1892, and glad they were to find each other "hale and hearty," and "able to take a hand at the Curlin."

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The weather was delightful, the glorious sun, an iridescent globe of golden lustre in an indefinite expanse of unbroken azure, charmed the eye, while the clear, frosty air filled the lungs, purified the blood, and exhilarated the whole system. The feeling of joyousness was universal. The visitors were being constantly recognized and hailed as friends by residents who had met them before on the slippery ice-field; and on every hand mutual introductions were given until the entire gathering of curlers from both lands seemed blended together, as if they had been one widely dispersed household drawn together to celebrate some universally gladdening event, and accepting each other as honored members of the one common family.

The competition was as follows, viz. :

CANADA.

UNITED STATES.

Afternoon—Granite Rink.

ST. MARY'S.

J. D. Moore,
W. Somerville,
T. O. Robson,
W. Andrews, Skip27

TORONTO PRESS.

F. H. Elmore,
F. J. Nelson,
A. N. Garrett,
C. W. Taylor, Skip15

WINNIPEG.

W. Ellerby,
C. Corneil,
W. F. Payne,
Dr. Jameson, Skip24

TORONTO GRANITE.

K. Dunstan,
O. F. Rice,
R. C. McHarrie,
G. R. Hargraft, Skip18

N. Y. CALEDONIAN.

Wm. Archibald,
Robt. Archibald,
Thos. T. Archibald,
David Foulis, Skip6

N. Y. THISTLE.

Frank McKay,
Alex. McKay,
John Watt,
Thomas Watt, Skip22

N. Y. JOHN O'GROATS.

J. Waters,
G. Munson,
D. McKaskill,
D. Oag, Skip15

UTICA.

Frank Jones,
A. H. Ballou,
R. Ellin,
J. E. McLoughlin, Skip19

TORONTO GRANITE.		NEW YORK.	
C. Boeckh, jun.,		A. Simms,	
B. C. Webber,		A. J. Fulton,	
R. Watson,		Wm. Hogg,	
C. C. Dalton, Skip	.....27	C. S. Ogden, Skip	.....16
MONTREAL.		N. Y. THISTLE.	
C. H. Whitelaw,		Geo. Turnbull,	
A. J. Hubbard,		T. Watson,	
G. H. McHenry,		James Thaw,	
T. Williamson, Skip	.....24	A. Fraser, Skip	.....16
Total	.....135	Total	.....94

At the Victoria Rink—Afternoon.

TORONTO.		UTICA.	
D. Gilbert,		E. L. Munson,	
A. E. Plummer,		F. J. Cronin,	
H. A. Drummond,		H. I. Johnson,	
Dr. J. W. Lesslie, Skip	...14	A. C. Salisbury, Skip	.....14
TORONTO.		EMPIRE CITY.	
R. Southam,		Geo. W. Peene,	
W. W. Belding,		J. L. Robertson,	
J. Bain,		A. Manwell,	
J. S. Russell, Skip	.....19	Jas. F. Conley, Skip	.....12
TORONTO.		BUFFALO.	
R. Myles,		J. B. Weber,	
R. D. Gamble,		E. P. Smith,	
Hon. A. M. Ross,		P. A. Vogt,	
Col. Sweny, Skip	.....20	L. Kirkover, Skip	.....14
BRANTFORD.		BUFFALO.	
H. W. Bickell,		S. E. Plewes,	
K. H. Cameron,		W. Denzinger,	
A. Cecil Gibson,		W. A. Wilson,	
T. Woodyatt, Skip	.....14	Geo. Metzger, Skip	.....13
HAMILTON THISTLES.		BUFFALO.	
J. Leggatt,		G. McArthur,	
D. R. Dewey,		E. J. Meyer,	
Jas. Thomson,		W. McCracken,	
J. Kerner, Skip	.....29	J. F. Berrick, Skip	.....15

HAMILTON THISTLES.		BUFFALO.	
R. R. Bruce,		J. Krauss,	
J. B. Young,		C. Onink,	
St. C. Balfour,		P. Heinz,	
T. C. Haslett, Skip.....	24	Dr. Frost, Skip.....	14
LINDSAY.		BUFFALO.	
R. A. Miller,		O. Rudolf,	
W. Needler,		J. Weyand,	
J. A. McMillan,		J. A. Uebelhoer,	
J. D. Flavelle, Skip.....	31	Geo. Bleistein, Skip.....	10
Total	151	Total	92

Evening--Granite Rink.

TORONTO GRANITE.		EMPIRE CITY.	
J. B. Miller,		G. W. Peene,	
Jcs. Irving,		J. L. Robertson,	
Geo. H. Gooderham,		A. Manwell,	
W. J. McMurtry, Skip....	17	J. F. Conley, Skip	3
TORONTO GRANITE.		N. Y. THISTLE.	
W. Crocks,		Geo. Turnbull,	
W. T. Jennings,		Thos. Watson,	
C. McGill,		James Thaw,	
Dr. Sylvester, Skip	10	Alex. Fraser, Skip	8
TORONTO GRANITE.		BUFFALO.	
Dr. Richardson,		I. Krauss,	
J. Wilton Morse,		C. Onink,	
T. G. Williamson,		P. Heinz,	
W. C. Matthews, Skip....	11	Dr. H. C. Frost, Skip	4
PROSPECT PARK.		UTICA.	
Thos. Mounce,		A. T. Whiting,	
A. Matthews,		F. J. Cronin,	
N. L. Patterson,		H. I. Johnson,	
J. G. Gibson, Skip	23	A. C. Salisbury, Skip.....	6
PARKDALE.		NEW YORK.	
A. Fraser,		A. F. Fulton,	
Geo. Duthie,		A. P. Roth,	
A. D. Harris,		W. Hogg,	
J. P. Clemes, Skip.....	19	C. S. Ogden, Skip.....	4

QUEEN CITY.		BUFFALO.	
W. N. Eastwood,		J. B. Webber,	
J. W. Flavelle,		E. P. Smith,	
Joseph Lugsdin,		P. A. Vogt,	
R. B. Rice, Skip.....	17	L. Kirkover, Skip.....	7
Total	97	Total	32

Queen City Rink.

MONTREAL.		BUFFALO.	
C. H. Whitelaw,		S. E. Plewes,	
A. J. Hubbard,		Chas. W. Denzinger,	
T. Williamson,		E. L. Thomas,	
G. H. McHenry, Skip....	11	Geo. J. Metzger, Skip.....	6
PARKDALE.		UTICA.	
Geo. Schofield,		Frank Jones,	
H. J. Crawford,		A. H. Ballou,	
J. E. Hall,		Robert Ellin,	
J. B. Perry, Skip.....	12	J. E. McLoughlin, Skip...16	
QUEEN CITY.		JOHN O' GROATS.	
Alf. Haywood,		Geo. Munson,	
Geo. Clapperton,		J. Watson,	
J. I. Rogers,		D. McKaskill,	
R. B. Rennie, Skip.....	14	G. Oag, Skip.....	8
PROSPECT PARK.		BUFFALO.	
R. Lowden,		Oscar Rudolf,	
H. Williams,		John Weyand,	
Q. D. McCulloch,		John Uebelhoer,	
D. Carlyle, Skip.....	23	Geo. Bleistein, Skip.....	5
Total	60	Total	35

Victoria Rink.

LAKEVIEW.		N. Y. THISTLE.	
G. McKenzie,		A. McKay,	
J. Daly,		D. Day,	
W. Scott,		John Watt,	
R. Hunter, Skip.....	7	Thos. Watt, Skip	12

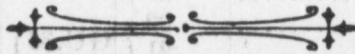
THE INTERNATIONAL MATCH.

TOR. CALEDONIAN.		N. Y. CALEDONIAN.	
W. McKay,		W. Archibald,	
Geo. Vair,		R. Archibald,	
A. Burgess,		T. T. Archibald,	
W. Ross, Skip	9	D. Foulis, Skip	12
TORONTO.		BUFFALO.	
A. H. Baines,		G. McArthur,	
C. J. Leonard,		E. J. Meyers,	
A. Hood,		J. Crusoe,	
T. Edmunds, Skip.....	11	J. F. Berrick, Skip.....	10
Total		Total	
27		34	
Grand total.....		Grand total.....	
470		287	

Majority for Canada, 183 shots.

On Wednesday, the 13th January, the curlers from the State of New York were the guests of the Toronto Granite Curling Club, and played their accustomed match with 14 Rinks a side; one of the games ended in a tie, in one a New York Rink was up by one shot, and in the other 12 the Granites were up by 100, thus winning the match by a majority of 99 shots.

On Friday, the 15th, the visitors from the State of New York were entertained by the Toronto Curling Club, playing a match of nine Rinks a side; of which two were won by the New York Curlers, with 12 shots up, and the other seven by the Torontos, with 52 shots up, and thus winning the match by a majority of 40 shots.



TOURNAMENTS.

THE WESTERN TANKARD. FINAL COMPETITION.

1st Draw.		2nd Draw.		3rd Draw.			
Forest City... 20	}	St. Mary's.... 34	}	Woodstock.. 27			
St. Mary's.... 40							
Woodstock... 34	}	Woodstock... 36	}				
Lucknow.... 27							
Bright..... 37	}	Bright..... 43	}			Bright 42	
St. Thomas... 29							
Sarnia..... 33	}	Sarnia..... 37	}				
Southampton.. 32							

Bright winning.

GUELPH TOURNAMENT. THE SLEEMAN TROPHY—CLUB MATCH.

	1.	2.	3.	4.	
Stratford.....	36	St 28	W. 36	W. 40	
Seaforth.....	27				
Walkerton	Bye	W. 35			
Preston.....	28				
Royal City.....	32	RC. 32			RC. 35
Fergus.....	41				
Brampton.....	25	F. 22			
Guelph Union.....	32				
Berlin.....	21	GU. 38	GU. Bye	G.U. 25	
Brantford.....	41				
Harriston.....	25	B. 33			

Walkerton winning.

THE GUELPH TROPHY.**SINGLE RINK MATCH.**

Twenty Rinks entered, and the final match was between
a Rink from Fergus and **a Rink from Plattsville.**

A. Tobin,	R. D. Ramsay,
H. S. Michie,	A. Harmour,
W. A. Richardson,	G. Grieves,
T. J. Hamilton, Skip—20.	G. H. Milne, Skip—18.

Mr. Hamilton's Fergus Rink winning.

THE SINGLE RINK COMPETITION.**HAMILTON—FOR WALKER TROPHY.**

Twenty-four Rinks entered for this contest. From the Hamilton Thistle Club, 7; Victoria, 4; Galt, Galt Granite and Dundas, each 3 Rinks, and Paris Club and Hamilton Asylum Club sent each 2 Rinks.

The final match was between

a Galt Rink and **a Hamilton Thistle Rink.**

R. McAuslan,	R. R. Bruce,
A. Dennis,	C. W. Cartwright,
A. McAuslan,	R. King,
J. McAuslan, Skip—16.	R. Hamilton, Skip—13.

Mr. McAuslan's Galt Rink winning.

In the Consolation contest, the final match was between
a Hamilton Victor!a Rink and **a Hamilton Thistle Rink.**

R. A. Campbell,	C. Wilcox,
J. Mackay,	G. Glassco,
D. McPhie,	A. Gillespie,
D. Dexter, Skip—21.	St. C. Balfour, Skip—16.

Mr. Dexter's Rink winning.

LINDSAY TOURNAMENT.

MAIN COMPETITION.

1st Draw.	2nd Draw.	3.	4.
Lindsay.....47 } Keene.....11 } Ham'l'n Asylum27 } Lakefield.....33 } Bobcaygeon...30 } Fenelon Falls...32 } Orillia.....52 } Millbrook.....22 }	Lindsay.. .....33 } Lakefield.....31 } Ferelon Falls...22 } Orillia.....44 } Oshawa.....32 } Whitby.....26 } Peterboro' This..29 } Peterboro' Gran.39 }	L. 41 } Or. 20 } Os. 28 } P G.31 }	L. 38 } PG.19 }

Lindsay winning.

SINGLE RINK COMPETITION—FINAL MATCH.

Lindsay.

L. McIntosh,
J. G. Edwards,
J. McMillan,
J. D. Flavelle, Skip—16.

Lindsay winning.

Oshawa.

A. Lambert,
A. Rankin,
F. Lambert,
J. A. Sykes, Skip—9.

CONSOLATION—FINAL MATCH.

Peterboro'.

J. S. Knapman,
G. J. Horkins,
C. McGill,
T. Rutherford, Skip—18.

Peterboro' winning.

Oshawa.

Dr. Plank,
E. J. Rowse,
F. E. Dingle,
P. H. Punshon, Skip—13.

OWEN SOUND TOURNAMENT.

MAIN COMPETITION.

1st Round.	2nd Round.	3.	4.
Owen Sound....31 } Port Elgin.....27 }	Owen Sound....27 } Chesley.....29 }	C. 26 } So. 35 }	So. 36
Southampton...38 } Harriston... ..25 }	.....	
Meaford.....39 } Markdale.....26 }	Meaford.....50 }		M. 28
Orangeville....34 } Wiaraton.....33 }	Orangeville....17 }		

Southampton winning.

CONSOLATION.

1st Round.	2nd Round.	3rd Round.
Harriston ....34 } Wiaraton . ....21 }	Harriston ....37 } Port Elgin...41 }	Port Elgin.... 27
Port Elgin...30 } Markdale....20 }	Orangeville...28 }	Owen Sound.. 29
Orangeville...37 } Chesley .....25 }	Owen Sound..34 }	
Owen Sound .45 } Meaford.... .20 }		

Owen Sound winning.

TORONTO SINGLE RINK COMPETITION.

FOR THE WALKER GOLD VASE.

In the second year of this interesting competition, fifty-three Rinks entered, and the trophy, with accompanying lockets, was won by the Rennie Rink of the Caledonian Club, who were also the winners in the first year's contest.

The final match was between

Drummond's Rink, and **Rennie's Rink,**

TORONTO CLUB.

CALEDONIAN CLUB.

Randolph McDonald, John Rennie,
H. R. O'Rielly, A. B. Nicholls,
G. H. Muntz, Thos. Rennie,
H. A. Drummond, Skip.. 18 Robert Rennie, Skip..... 26

NOTE.—The Committee have much pleasure in adding a photogravure of this very successful Rink to the illustrations in the Annual. An unbroken string of twelve wins in succession in such company is an achievement not easily matched.

DETROIT TOURNAMENT.

CLUB COMPETITION FOR WALKER TROPHY.

1st Draw.	2nd Draw.	3rd Draw.	Final.
Ridgetown .....29	R. 24	S. 35	S. 24
Toledo Burns.....22			
Stratford .....28	S. 26	E. 19	
Woodstock .....27			
Windsor.....41	W. 28	D. 26	D. 26
Grand Rapids .....14			
Embroy.....Bye	E. 32	C. 25	
St. Mary's.....35			
Thamesville .....24	St. M. 24	D. 26	
Detroit .....30			
Sarnia.....25	D. 30	C. 25	
Chatham .....37			
London .....31	Chat. Bye		

Detroit winning.



THE TENNIS CHAMPIONS OF CANADA
WINNERS OF THE WALKER GOLD VASE 1895-96

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TOURNAMENTS.

CLUB COMPETITION FOR CADILLAC TROPHY.

1st Draw.	2nd Draw.	3rd Draw.	Final.
Ridgetown.....46	R. 20	R. 15	E. 24
Grand Rapids.....14			
Chatham.....23	C. 16	E. 18	
Thamesville.....19			
Embro.....33	E. a Bye	S. a Bye	S. 32
Toledo Burns.....23			
St. Mary's.....27	St.M. 31	S. a Bye	
Windsor.....26			
Sarnia.....33	S. 37		
Woodstock.....30			

Sarnia winning.

SINGLE RINK COMPETITION FOR RUSSELL TROPHY.

Nine Rinks competed. Ridgetown Rink, skipped by H. N. Gillies, won.



CLUB RECORDS

For Season 1896-97.

NOTE.—To prevent disappointment the Committee on the Annual have, for this year, included in the Club Records a number of single rink games. They think that in such contests, only the final winners should be recorded in the Annual, and that such record should be in the report of the single rink competition, and not in the list of club matches, which they are not in any proper sense.

BOBCAYGEON CLUB

	<i>vs.</i>	R.W.L.
Fenelon Falls, Lindsay	Bonspiel	2 .. 2
Peterboro, Lindsay	Bonspiel	1 .. 9
Hamilton Asylum, Lindsay	Bonspiel	1 4 ..
Parkdale, Lindsay	Bonspiel	1 .. 9
Lakefield, Lindsay	Bonspiel	1 7 ..
Lindsay, Lindsay	Bonspiel	1 7 ..
Lindsay, Lindsay	Bonspiel	1 .. 10
Peterboro, Friendly		2 4 ..
Fenelon F'ls, "		2 30 ..
Lindsay, "		2 .. 2
"		2 .. 13
"		2 .. 23
Whitby, "		2 .. 7
Fenelon F'ls, "		2 20 ..
"		2 .. 10
Peterboro' "		3 .. 15

Peterboro', Friendly 2 .. 11

Rink Competition, Seniors—
Won by A. E. Bottum's Rink.

Three Pairs of Stones Match
—Won by G. LaCombe.

Points' Game, Club Competition—Won by W. J. Read; score, 69; 3 rounds.

BRANTFORD CLUB

	<i>vs.</i>	R.W.L.
Paris, Western		2 13 ..
Bright, "		2 .. 2
Galt Granite, Ont.		2 13 ..
Guelph R. City, "		2 16 ..
Chatham, "		2 16 ..
Hamilton Vic.		2 .. 1
Chatham, Friendly.		3 16 ..
Harriston, Sleeman.		2 5 ..
Guelph Union "		2 .. 5
Guelph R. City, Robertson-McDonald		
Trophy		3 .. 20

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BRIGHT CLUB

	<i>vs.</i>	R. W. L.
Plattsville, Friendly		2 10 ..
"	"	2 4 ..
Embros, Ross Tro'y.		2 11 ..
Plattsville, "		2 2 ..
"	Western	
Tankard		2 12 ..
Brantford, Western		
Tankard Finals		2 2 ..
St. Thomas, West-		
ern Tankard		2 9 ..
Sarnia, West. T'k'd		2 6 ..
Woodstock "		2 15 ..
Paris, Friendly		4 .. 15
No. 1 Woodstock,		
Plattsville Trop'y		
and pair stones,		
single rink		1 15 ..
No. 2 Woodstock,		
Plattsville Trop'y		1 6 ..
No. 1 Ayr Platt-		
sville Trophy		1 .. 1
Plattsville, Platt-		
sville Trophy		1 8 ..
No. 2 Ayr Platt-		
sville Trophy		1 10 ..
Embros, Plattsville		
Trophy		1 10 ..
No. 3 Ayr Platt-		
sville Trophy		1 1 ..
Embros, Plattsv'e Tro		1 .. 10
Ayr Plattsv'e Tro.		1 .. 1
Points' Game, Club		
Competition—Won by M. Stew-		
art ; score, 34.		

CAMPBELLFORD CLUB

	<i>vs.</i>	R. W. L.
Keene, T'k'd Com-		
petition		2 .. 6
Keene, Dist. Medal		
Competition		2 15 ..

Peterboro	3 20 ..
Norwood	3 8 ..
"	2 24 ..

COLTS

	<i>vs.</i>	
Peterboro Colts		2 .. 1
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Single-handed Competition
—Won by F. J. Smith.
Points' Competition for
Guthrie Medal—Won by
F. J. Smith ; score, 39.
Points' Competition for O.
C. A. Medal—Highest
score, 42 ; made by D. H.
Douglas.

CHURCHILL CLUB

	<i>vs.</i>	R. W. L.
Barrie, Fun		4 34 ..
"	"	2 9 ..
Meaford		2 16 ..
Barrie		2 5 ..
Collingwood		2 .. 18
Rink Competition—Seniors		
—Won by Jas. Allen, Jas.		
Patterson, Edward Sloan,		
D. W. Lennox, Skip.		

DUNDAS CLUB

	<i>vs.</i>	R. W. L.
Hamilton Asylum,		
Tankard		2 16 ..
Hamilton Victoria,		
Tankard		2 .. 8
Hamilton Asylum		2 18 ..
"	"	2 .. 23
Galt		4 .. 10
Hamilton Victoria,		
Cup		5 31 ..
Glanford		2 25 ..

Ancaster Thistles..	2	8	..
Hamilton Asylum..	2	..	12
Chatham	4	38	..
Glanford	2	4	..
Calders	2	..	6

Rink Competition—Seniors
—Won by W. J. Hendry's Rink.

GALT CLUB

	<i>vs.</i>	R. W. L.
Galt Granites.....	4	16 ..
"	4	.. 10
Preston	2	.. 8
"	4	35 ..
Hespeler	2	14 ..
"	3	.. 19
Woodstock	2	6 ..
Toronto Caledon's, Tankard	2	.. 5
For Walker Trophy— Ham. Victoria ..	1	5 ..
" Asylum... ..	1	13 ..
" Thistle	1	7 ..
Dundas	1	.. 4
Paris	1	.. 4
Ham. Asylum... ..	1	4 ..
" Thistle	1	4 ..
" "	1	3 ..
Dundas	4	8 ..
Ham. Thistle	4	11 ..
		126 50

GLANFORD CLUB

	<i>vs.</i>	R. W. L.
Hamilton Victoria..	2	3 ..
Dundas	2	10
South Wentworth Trophy— Ancaster Thistle... ..	won	

For South Wentworth Trophy—
Hamilton Asylum.. won

GLENCOE CLUB

	<i>vs.</i>	R. W. L.
St. Thomas, Donly Medal.....	2	.. 52
London Forest City	2	.. 5
Chatham	2	1 ..
Woodstock, W.T'k'd	2	.. 5
Thamesville	2	.. 16
London Forest City	2	15 ..
Detroit.....	2	2 ..
Windsor	2	.. 5
Chatham	2	.. 4
Petrolia	2	.. 11
Thamesville	2	.. 5
London	3	.. 3
Detroit.....	2	.. 18
Windsor	2	2 ..
St. Thomas.....	3	.. 3

HAMILTON THISTLE CLUB

	<i>vs.</i>	R. W. L.
Buffalo, Internat'l..	2	22 ..
New York.....	4	19 ..
Woodstock	4	.. 6
Lindsay	6	.. 3
Buffalo	2	30 ..
Galt	4	.. 11
Sarnia	2	.. 9
Peterboro	2	.. 6
Chatham	4	23 ..
Peterboro	3	4 ..
Prospect Park, Car- lyle Cup	4	24 ..
Asylum	2	.. 21
Buffalo	5	3 ..
Asylum	4	.. 11
Victoria, Hamilton.	4	4 ..

Ferguson Trophy—

Hamilton Victoria.	3	..	6
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Galbreath Trophy—

Hamilton Victoria.	3	17	..
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11 games won, 10 games lost.

Rink Competition—Seniors
—Won by W. Vallance's Rink.

Rink Competition—Juniors
—“Long Trophy”—Won by W. J. Southam, R. B. Ferrie, Adam Zimmerman, John Leggat, Skip.

Points' Game, Club Competition—Won by Dr. G. S. Glassco; score, 23, junior. Archdale Wilson; score, 35, senior.

HAMILTON VICTORIA CLUB

	<i>vs.</i>	R. W. L.
Ferguson Trophy—		
Hamilton Thistle ..	3	6 ..
“	“	.. 3 .. 4
“	“	.. 3 .. 15

For Reid Cup—
Toronto Caledonian 3 35 ..

Galbreath Trophy—

Hamilton Thistle ..	3	..	17
“	“	..	3 9 ..
“	“	..	3 5 ..

For Silver Cup—
Dundas 5 .. 31

Friendly Games—

Hamilton Asylum .	2	9	..
“	“	..	3 .. 11
Lindsay	3	19	..
Hamilton Thistle .	4	..	4
Glanford	2	..	3
Niagara-on-the-L'ke	2	1	..

Rink Competition—Won by J. D. McKay's Rink.

HARRISTON CLUB

Points' Game, Club Competition—Won by J. M. Moore; score, 34.

LINDSAY CLUB

	<i>vs.</i>	R. W. L.
Peterboro'	6	52 ..
Keene	2	36 ..
Lakefield	2	12 ..
Orillia	2	20 ..
Winnipeg	1	7 ..
Parkdale	1	8 ..
Peterboro' Granite.	2	19 ..
Orillia	2	6 ..
Toronto Granite ..	6	.. 17
Hamilton Thistle .	5	3 ..
“	Victoria	3 .. 20
“	Asylum.	2 6 ..
Toronto Victoria ..	6	28 ..
Buffalo	1	21 ..
Toronto Caledonian	2	23 ..
Fergus	2	9 ..
Sarnia	2	18 ..
Hamilton Victoria.	2	16 ..
Peterboro' Thistle .	2	6 ..
Bobcaygeon	2	23 ..
“	“	2 12 ..
Orillia	3	.. 1
Lakefield	2	13 ..
Peterboro'	6	23 ..
Beaverton	1	.. 6
“	“	1 .. 3

Fenelon Falls.....	2	13	..
Peterboro'.....	6	..	1
Toronto Granite ..	3	12	..
Campbellford.....	1	..	4
Peterboro' Colts ..	2	..	4
Sarnia	2	41	..
Norwood Colts.....	2	19	..
Peterboro' Colts ..	2	..	9

Rink Competition—Seniors
—Won by J. A. McMillan's Rink.

Three Pairs of Stones Match
—Won by J. M. Knowlson.

Points' Game—Club Competition—Won by S. Robinson; score, 43.

Association Competition—Highest score, 37: by S. Robinson.

OSHAWA CLUB

<i>vs.</i>	R.W.L.	
Bowmanville	2	22 ..
Cobourg.....	2	17 ..
Prospect Park.....	3	.. 4
Parkdale	3	.. 22
Collingwood	2	40 ..
Sarnia	2	.. 11
Bowmanville	2	2 ..
"	2	1 ..
Whitby	2	15 ..
Whitby	2	6 ..
Winnipeg	1	.. 1
Hamilton Asylum ..	1	14 ..
Whitby	1	7 ..
Millbrook	1	.. 7
Peterboro	2	.. 3
Lindsay	1	6 ..
"	1	12 ..
"	1	3 ..
Lakefield.....	1	12 ..
Lindsay	1	10 ..

Peterboro	1	4 ..
Lindsay	1	.. 7
"	1	7 ..
Winnipeg	1	.. 3

PARIS CLUB

<i>vs.</i>	R.W.L.	
Ingersoll	3	.. 10
Ayr.....	4	2 ..
Brantford	2	.. 12
Hamilton Victoria ..	2	.. 6
Ingersoll	4	40 ..
Ayr.....	3	10 ..
Galt Granite.....	4	4 ..
Chatham	4	63 ..

Rink Competition—Seniors
—Won by Rink No. 2, Rich. Thompson, Skip.

PARKDALE CLUB

<i>vs.</i>	R.W.L.	
Toronto, City Tro'y ..	8	.. 48
Hoboken, N. J.....	2	11 ..
Empire City, N. Y. ..	1	Tie
N. Y. Caledonian..	1	8 ..
Winnipeg	1	3 ..
Lindsay, Carnival..	1	.. 8
Bobcaygeon " ..	1	9 ..
Lakeview	3	36 ..
Port Hope, O. T. ...	2	.. 14
Hamilton Asylum..	2	12 ..
Oshawa	3	23 ..
Toronto	2	10 ..
Brampton	3	11 ..
Lakeview	8	55 ..
Brampton	4	16 ..
Toronto Granites ..	8	.. 52
Hamilton Asylum..	3	16 ..
Toronto Caledonian ..	2	.. 9
" ..	2	23 ..
Winnipeg	1	10 ..

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PETROLIA CLUB

Rink Competition—1st Series—Won by D. Sinclair, A. Duncan, Jos. Jackson, W. G. Fraser, Skip.
 2nd Series—Won by Chas. Croll, Albert Duncan, W. R. Noble, Robt. Jackson, Skip.

ST. MARY'S CLUB

	<i>vs.</i>	R. W. L.
Walker Trophy—		
Thamesville	2 10 ..
Detroit	2 .. 6
Cadillac Trophy—		
Windsor	2 1 ..
Sarnia	2 .. 6
Russell Trophy—		
Embro	1 7 ..
Ridgetown	1 .. 1
N. Y. Caledonian, Interna'l Bonspiel..		1 21 ..
Stratford, Western		
T. Primary	2 2 ..
Western Finals—		
London Fo'st City	2 20 ..
Woodstock	2 .. 2
London	3 7 ..
London Forest City	3 14 ..
Forest	3 6 ..
Stratford	2 .. 13
"	6 51 ..
London Forest City	3 31 ..
London	4 2 ..

ST. THOMAS GRANITE CLUB

	<i>vs.</i>	R. W. L.
Woodstock, Ontario		
Tankard	2 .. 2

Bright, Western		
Tankard	.....	2 .. 8
Forest City, Malahide Medal	.....	3 18 ..
Forest City	.....	4 .. 3
"	.....	4 .. 23
London Club	.....	8 29 ..
Glencoe, Donly Medal	.....	2 52 ..
Glencoe	.....	3 .. 3
Rink Competition—Seniors—Won by David McLaws' Rink.		
Rink Competition—Juniors—Won by A. A. Drake's Rink.		
Points' Game—Club Competition—Won by A. A. Drake; score, 38.		

TORONTO CURLING CLUB

	<i>vs.</i>	R. W. L.
New York State, Friendly	9 40 ..
Winnipeg, Friendly	1 .. 15
Parkdale, Friendly	2 .. 10
Lindsay, Friendly	6 .. 28
Parkdale, City Trophy	8 47 ..
Prospect Park, City Trophy	8 55 ..
Queen City, City Trophy	8 25 ..
Granite, City Trophy	8 .. 62
Scarboro Maple Leaf, Ontario Tankard	2 21 ..
Lakeview, Ontario Tankard	2 7 ..

Queen City, Ontario
 Tankard 2 .. 1
 Peterborough,
 Davison Boucher
 Medal.....12 5 ..
 Rink Competition — Presi-
 dent's Medals—Won by
 John Bain's Rink.
 Rink Competition — Vice-
 President's Prize — Won
 by F. O. Cayley's Rink.

Toronto, City
 Trophy 8 65 ..
 Parkdale, City
 Trophy..... 8 52 ..
 Prospect Park,
 City Trophy..... 8 52 ..
 Peterboro' Granite,
 Ontario Tankard 2 7 ..
 Toronto Caledonian,
 Ontario Tankard. 2 .. 6

TORONTO GRANITE
 CURLING CLUB

<i>vs.</i>	R. W. L.
Queen City.....	4 6 ..
Lindsay.....	6 19 ..
Brampton.....	4 12 ..
Queen City.....	6 1 ..
Peterboro' Granite.	4 .. 17
Brampton.....	3 .. 3
Lindsay.....	3 .. 12
Queen City, City Trophy	8 44 ..

WALKERTON CLUB

<i>vs.</i>	R. W. L.
Durham.....	2 10 ..
Southampton, West- ern Tankard.....	2 .. 4
Sleeman Trophy—	
Stratford.....	2 7 ..
Guelph City	2 1 ..
Guelph Union.....	2 15 ..
Friendly—	
Chesley.....	3 10 ..
Mildmay.....	2 58 ..
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OBITUARY.**WILLIAM BADENACH, TORONTO GRANITE CLUB.**

A valuable member was lost to the curling community of Canada, when William Badenach died in January last. For twenty years or more he had been identified with the game; and latterly, in particular, had been prominent in the councils of the Association, which elected him its President in 1891. Few men have done more for Curling in Ontario than Mr. Badenach. His work for the Association, which made large demands upon his time, was always cheerfully done, and it was useful work. Indeed, the Committee have acknowledged their great indebtedness to him for much of the clearness and conciseness of the new rules made for its governance. It is to be borne in mind, too, that he took a leading part in the contest which resulted in the independence of the Association, by elevating it from the position of a subordinate branch of the Royal Caledonian Curling Club to the rank of an independent, self-governing body.

A great admirer of athletic sports, Mr. Badenach was especially fond of Curling for its healthfulness, its zest, its freedom from professionalism. He had studied the game, and was a fine exemplar of it; had observed the peculiarities of ice, and had become, indeed, an authority as to buildings and all appliances of this kind of winter sports. But, in addition to skill as a player and marked ability as a skip, Mr. Badenach possessed unusual capacity as an organizer. A man of ardent

temperament, resolute, fearless, well-informed, he was valuable as an inspiring force, whether in council or upon the ice. Cheery, when cheerfulness was necessary, firm when discipline was to be maintained, he could always be depended upon to hold his own either in argument or in battle; knew how to be generous to a foe while unwaveringly faithful to his friends.

Of his prominence in the social life of the community, and of his conspicuous services to his own club, the Toronto Granite, of which he was so long the leading spirit, it is not necessary here to speak. But the editors of the Annual, who knew him long and well, feel that they are only expressing the common sentiment of the many in Canada who knew Badenach, in saying that he was a tower of strength to those who have sought to combine with a generous rivalry in out-door sports, the prudent methods and orderly control that are needed to maintain such recreations in their integrity.

Gallant spirit, a long farewell.

JAMES LANG, OF KEENE CLUB.

A native of Renfrewshire, Scotland, Mr. Lang emigrated to America in 1832, and, after a stay in New York for about a year and a half, came to Canada, settling in the village of Keene, where he carried on the business of shoemaking until 1853, when, his health failing, he betook himself to his farm, a few miles from the village, where he continued to reside until his death on the 11th October last, at the patriarchal age of 92.

Mr. Lang was a keen curler, and in 1861, along with his brother William (still alive and in his 94th year), his brother-in-law, James Anderson, J. S. Russell, now of Toronto, and one or two others, founded the Keene Curling Club, which is to-day the sixth oldest on the rota of the O.C.A., and although somewhat limited in numbers, it is respected and honored in the strong curling district in which it is located.

For many years Mr. Lang was an active and valued member of the club, and when his failing faculties

lessened his usefulness on the ice, he was elected an honorary member, and continued to take a keen interest in the game to the last. He was a man of a quiet and retiring disposition, but of sterling qualities of both head and heart, and his family has profited by his example and instruction. His eldest son, John, also a curler, has been for a number of years the trusted representative of the Riding of Peterborough East in the Dominion Parliament. The honored son of a worthy sire. Farewell, old friend, thou hast passed forward beyond our sight, but we cherish the memory of thine honest worth and thy simple virtues, and recognize in them the traits of character that make the name of Scotland revered in Canada, and in many other lands.

GEORGE MACNOE, OF BUFFALO CALEDONIA
CURLING CLUB.

In the person of George Macnoe, one of the most prominent pioneers of Curling on the American Continent has closed his earthly career.

He was a native of Dumfries, Scotland, came to Canada in early life, and after a short residence in Dundas, Ontario, he took up his abode in Buffalo, N.Y., and continued to reside there until his death in his sixty-third year.

He was intensely Scotch, and a moving power among his native countrymen in Buffalo; he was largely instrumental in founding the Scottish Provident Building and Loan Association of Buffalo, the Richmond Avenue Savings and Loan Association, the St. Andrew's Scottish Society of Buffalo, and was one of the originators of the Grand National Curling Club of America (U.S.), and for some years its active and intelligent Secretary. He was one of the founders of the Buffalo Caledonia Curling Club in 1859, and it is largely owing to him that curling has maintained its popularity in Buffalo. He was one of the players in the first match between Buffalo and Toronto on 26th Jan-

uary, 1864, and skipped a rink in the first grand International Bonspiel at Black Rock on 5th January, 1865, and he was rarely absent from the annual match between the Buffalo and Toronto Curling Clubs for the Thomson-Scoville medal, instituted in 1865, and played for alternately in either city, and still being played for.

In 1873, Mr. Macnoe became stenographer of the Superior Court, and held the position until appointed stenographer to the Supreme Court in 1896.

Mr. Macnoe had a facile pen, and under the nom de plume of "Tam o' the Glen," was a welcome contributor to the Scottish American and other periodicals.

He was a keen sportsman, and frequently visited Canada on fishing and shooting excursions; he had a warm feeling towards Canada, probably because, as compared with the U.S., it seemed a sort of half-way house to his well loved old Caledonia.

HENRY MICHIE, OF THE FERGUS CLUB.

Probably no name was better known to members of the Curling community in Western Ontario, than that of Henry Michie, of the Fergus Club.

Joining that club in 1851, he was elected a skip in 1853, and for many years has been its veteran skip, and to his skill it has been indebted for many victories.

He has filled all the offices of that club, and in 1885 was President of the Ontario Curling Association.

He was fond of all manly sports, and in his youth, being possessed of more than ordinary strength and agility, he took a prominent part in all kinds of athletics, and in maturer age, was ever a zealous patron.

In disposition he was retiring, but by those whom he favoured with his friendship he was admired and trusted. Remembrance of him will long be cherished by the Curlers of Ontario, and his zeal, skill and honor may well be imitated.

Mr. Michie was born in 1823 in Corgarff, Aberdeenshire, Scotland. In 1845, along with his brother James (late of Toronto), he came to Canada.

For five years he was in the employ of his uncle, John Michie, merchant, of London. Removing to Fergus in 1850, he went into business on his own account. After being in business 45 years he retired in 1895. By his sudden death on the 31st Oct., 1897, Fergus lost one of its best known and most respected citizens.

JOHN WRIGHT, OF THE TORONTO CLUB.

A native of Derbyshire, England, came to Canada in 1869, and after a few changes, which introduced him to Chatham, Galt and Toronto, he settled down with his father-in-law, David Walker, of the Walker House, Toronto, and became Manager of that well-known hostelry, a position in which he soon acquired an extensive and rare popularity, and retained it ever increasing to the last.

He brought from old England a thorough acquaintance with the game of Cricket, and was one of the best all-round exponents of the game in Ontario. Tall, muscular, lithe, and possessing the faculty of throwing himself heartily into the occupation of the hour, he was a power in the cricket field, and achieved high honors in that noble sport. His temporary residence in Chatham, Galt and Toronto, brought him into contact with some of the best and keenest curlers in Canada. The keen cricketer betook himself to the game of Curling, and with an eye and arm trained by long practice in the use of the bat, and his power of concentrating his faculties, he speedily acquired eminence in Scotia's grand old game. The honorable, manly, helpful spirit, which is the proud boast of cricket and curling alike, was possessed in rare measure by our deceased comrade and friend, and was the broad and deep foundation of his extensive popularity. He discharged for years the duties of Secretary for the Toronto Curling Club, and was its President for a term, and for twenty years he was a valued member of the Executive of the O. C. A. Physically, Mr. Wright was built on nature's grandest

lines, and his generous disposition was in harmony with his manly frame. He died after a long and painful illness in his 50th year—snatched away, Ah! too soon.

COL. JOHN FASKIN,

Patron of Toledo Burns Curling Club, was one of the organizers of the club, and for many years was a member of the G.N.C.C.; an enthusiastic curler, an ardent promoter of the game—a brave soldier, and a good citizen.

Also at the request of their respective Clubs:

ROBERT BAIRD, Vice-President, PLATTSVILLE CLUB.

JOHN BROW, Ex-President, GALT CLUB.

RICHARD COAD, GLENCOE CLUB.

JOHN COLLISON, HARRISTON CLUB.

COLONEL CUBITT, BOWMANVILLE CLUB.



HISTORICAL.

ANCASTER THISTLE CURLING CLUB.

Last year this Club ceased to exist. It was established in 1856, mainly by the exertions of James Gibson, who was elected its first President, and was re-elected annually to that high office during the whole lifetime of the Club. He was also one of the skips, doing manfully for the Club in "spiels" with the neighbors, and of late years, when many of its members had left the district, it was maintained financially largely by him. A record of forty years as President and forty years as skip is of very rare occurrence, especially in a new country like Canada, where the rising generation is ever pressing eagerly forward to fill the places held by the fathers, whose steps are approaching the descending slope.

But forty years is only one epoch in the curling life of Mr. Gibson. In the paper on "The Curlers of Scarborough" in the Annual of 1893, it is stated that a curling match was played in 1834 between the curlers of the Back Road and those of the Front Road of that township, one rink of eight men each a side, as was the manner in those days. These two rinks were the Scarborough Curlers, and, as such, had frequent matches with the curlers of Toronto, and when James Gibson got other seven young men to join him and form another rink, to be called Scarborough Rink number three, the older Rinks said, "No, there are only two rinks in Scarborough, and we are the Scarborough Curlers," and they refused a place in public matches to Rink number three.

But James Gibson was a true Scot, and shrewdly calculated that if his Rink should make a successful raid upon a neighboring clan, their claim to recognition

could not be withstood ; and accordingly he challenged Toronto Curlers to a one-rink match, played it on the Bay, and won it by a majority of fifteen shots, over a Rink packed with Toronto's best, and including Dr. Telfer, A. Ogilvie, Wm. Henderson, Alex. Badenach, J. O. Heward, Angus Morrison, Geo. Denholm, with Captain Thos. Dick as skip. And so the third Rink was admitted to the full rank of Scarboro' Curlers.

In this connection, I am reminded that to be a curler in those days was very different from what it is in these later days, when all a man has to do is to give his name to the secretary and pay his fees. Then he had to be formally proposed by an initiated *Brother*, and accepted as a man worthy to be made a Brother Curler ; a court of initiation was then held, a duly qualified Brother read a digest of the obligations incumbent upon every keen curler, to which the candidate promised faithful obedience. After this the curler's word (never to be written) was communicated to him *orally*, and the curler's grip *practically*, and then he was received into the fellowship of the Curling Brotherhood ; and this, the orthodox ritual, was in use in Scarboro' sixty-five years ago, introduced directly from the strictest manner of the fathers of curling in Scotland, long before the R.C. C.C. came into existence.

While there is no occasion to question the validity of the early *initiation* practised in Scarboro', and the honorable record of Scarboro' Curlers for nearly seventy years is a standing argument in favor of it being both genuine and effective, we remind the curlers of Canada that the late Rev. Dr. Barclay, chaplain of the O.C.A. for many years, was specially empowered and designated by a High Court in Scotland to admit curlers in Canada, by the rite of initiation, to the rank of Brother Curlers, and that a considerable number were thus dignified.

Our curling brother, James Gibson, still survives, and although in his eighty-third year, feels his pulse beat stronger and his heart feel warmer when the curling season arrives. He recently left Ancaster and has taken up his residence in Hamilton, bearing with him a valu-

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able gold watch, and a handsome easy chair for Mrs. Gibson, presented to them by friends in Ancaster as a testimony of their esteem for him as a neighbor, citizen, school trustee, curler and elder of the kirk, and for Mrs. Gibson as in all things a worthy helpmeet, well proved during their fifty years' residence among them. May the sunset of their lives be still far remote in time, and may it prove the dawning of a grander life.

BRIGHT CURLING CLUB.

The village of Bright is situated in the county of Oxford in the heart of a fine agricultural district, and is not altogether unknown in sporting circles. In the game of lacrosse it has attained considerable notoriety, and for years was the champion of that game in this district, and among the great Brotherhood of Curlers of Ontario the Bright Curling Club has won a well-deserved name and reputation.

Away back in the early sixties the sturdy pioneers of this district, mostly hardy and energetic immigrants from the "land o' lakes" and from "merrie England," whose brawny arms were hewing, out of the virgin forests, homes for themselves and a rich heritage for their descendants, found a relaxation for their toilsome labor, and an occasion of social enjoyment in the "roarin' game."

Certainly the conditions surrounding the game at that time were somewhat different from what they are to-day. No costly edifice—no polished granite—no gleaming electric lights—but under the great ethereal dome, on the frozen surface of some one of the numerous ponds that abound in the neighborhood, sometimes by the light of the full moon, the lovers of the game plied their home-made birch brooms, and "put" their iron-bound wooden blocks with skill and accuracy. And who shall say that the players of that

period, and under such conditions did not enjoy to the fullest the pleasure and exhilaration of the grand pastime?

After a time stones supplemented the wooden blocks—stones laboriously picked and ground out of the rough boulders by the skilful hands of some of the more ingenious of the players, and in 1876 a club was regularly organized and a rink built, and a few years later the club joined the Ontario Association.

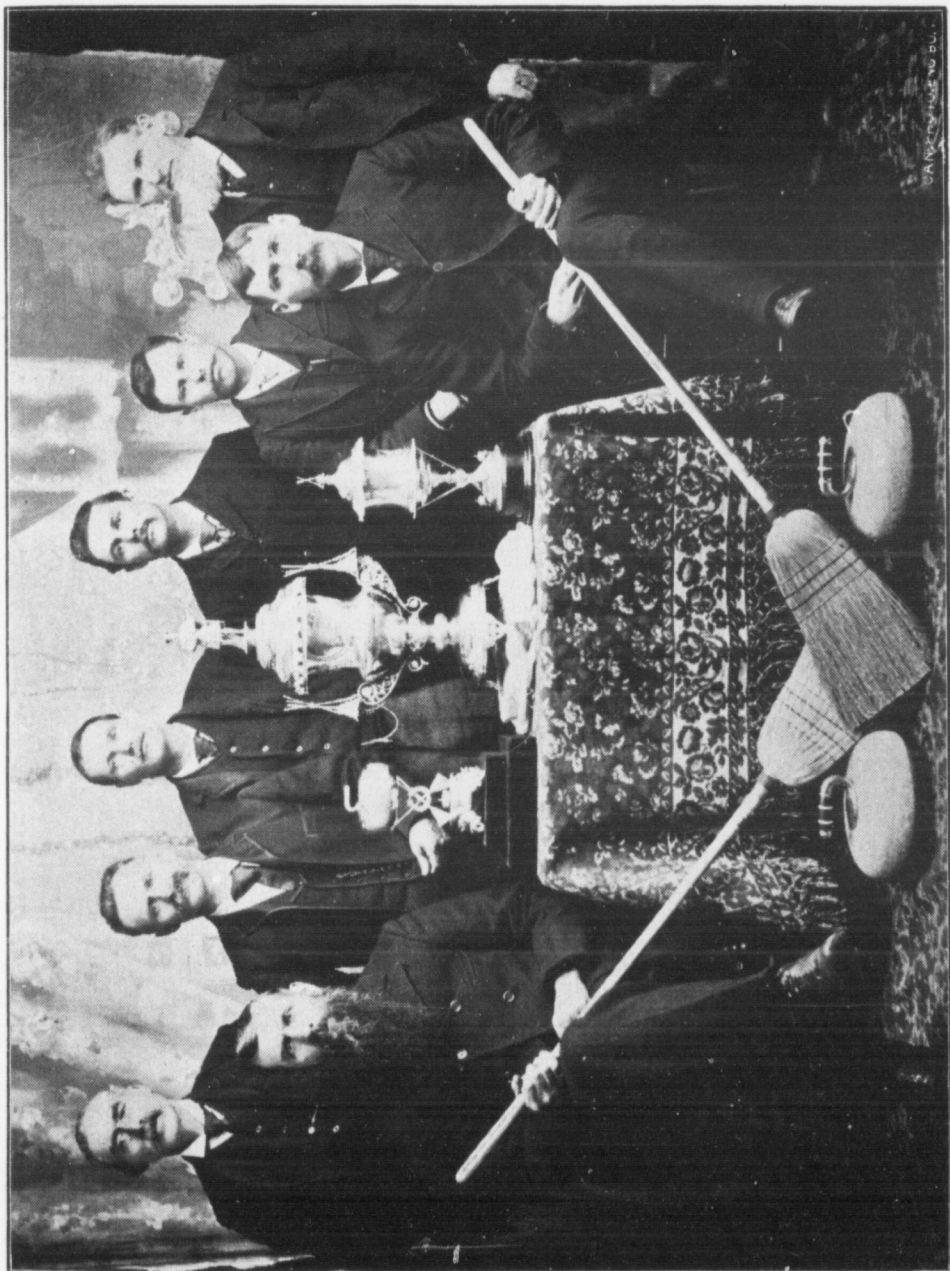
At that date the leading spirits were the Cowans, McKies, Riesberrys, Geo. Buchan, Geo. Thompson, Geo. Middlemiss, and Thos. Baird. Of this list there are several still surviving and taking a lively interest in the club. Among others we might mention the names of Geo. Middlemiss, John Cowan and John McKie. The last mentioned especially is well known among the curlers of western Ontario. Many will remember the dismay and havoc created when it was John's turn to play, and his opponents were lying shot with the shot well guarded, and when it was necessary for him to rub off the guards, with the "out turn, a leetle move nor tee high"—and the look of determination depicted in John's face as he poised his "bullets" and sent them spinning as if shot from a cannon down the ice. These bullets were of John's own manufacture and are still in use.

The two rinks shewn in the accompanying photograph are the winners of the Western Ontario tankard for the present year. They also won the Ross trophy put up for double rink competition among the clubs of the county by Mr. D. R. Ross of Embro.

Stewart's Rink—shewn on right of cut—won the beautiful trophy put up for single rink competition by the Plattsville Club among the clubs in the county of Oxford and the Ayr Club.

Indeed these two rinks won every two rink game they played the past season, and as a single rink Stewart never lost a game.





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The club deserves and receives the support and encouragement of the village, and its members have on several victorious occasions been banquetted by the citizens.

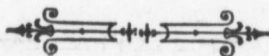
THE LINDSAY CLUB.

The Lindsay Club has been known in curling circles for a good many years as a prominent exponent of the game. For the size of the town the Club is unusually large. There are twenty-four skips in the Club, and a number of the rinks are composed of five men instead of four. The great growth of the Club has been largely due to the systematic way in which the local games are managed. In the end of November every member is furnished with a small book containing full information as to the local games of all kinds that will be played during the season. It gives the dates on which every rink plays, and the name of the opposing skip and the sheet of ice on which the game is to be played; it also gives the dates for points' competitions, and for three pair stone games. This arrangement has given such satisfaction that the Club has no trouble whatever in getting all the members that it can accommodate in its present building.

Three years ago the Club decided to have one day each winter set apart for an excursion of players to some of the large clubs. The object was to give a large number of members an opportunity of taking part in one or more foreign matches. In these games winning or losing was a secondary consideration, and a good day's outing for the Club the only object aimed at. We cannot give our readers a better idea of the popularity of this outing among the members than to state that last winter eighteen full rinks left Lindsay for Hamilton to play against the clubs of that city. Unfortunately the weather was soft, and only thirteen of the rinks could play. In the evening a large number of these same rinks played in Toronto.

The older curlers feel quite sanguine that the Club is going to still further grow, from the fact that the boys of the town have become enthusiasts at the game. Possibly the two keenest curlers of the Club are the two youngest players, Masters S. McAlpine and Ross Harstone, boys eleven years of age; but outside of the Club, among the boys of the town it would not be hard work to pick up twenty-four rinks of boys, all of whom have been curling for one or more seasons. Last winter they held a very successful bonspiel. They play for the most part with wooden blocks fairly well made. Their rinks are on lawns or wherever they can get fifteen to thirty yards of level ground that can be conveniently flooded.

Not a little of the popularity of the game in the town is due to the prominence given by the the Evening Post to curling news. Every day during the season it devotes about half a column giving the results of the matches, local and foreign, of the previous day, and an announcement of the games for that evening, together with any general news of the game of interest to curlers. At the close of last season the proprietors published a special curling edition containing twelve columns of curling matter. The sale was so satisfactory that the publishers announced that they would issue a similar edition in 1898.



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No.	Name of Club.	Instit'd.	J'n'd the O. C. A.	Name of Secretary.	P. O. Address.
1	Aberdeen	1894	1894	J. Richardson.....	East Toronto.
2	Ancaster	1861	1862	J. B. Calder.....	Carluke.
3	Ayr Union	1878	1879	R. Neilson	Ayr
4	Barrie .....	.....	1896	Donald Ross, L.L.B.	Barrie.
5	Bay City .....	.....	1896	L. M. R. Bradley ...	Bay City, Mich.
6	Belleville	1867	1878	M. Wright	Belleville.
7	Berlin	1883	1885	J. Wylie Davidson.	Berlin.
8	Bobcaygeon.....	1884	1884	R. Ventress	Bobcaygeon.
9	Bowmanville ...	1851	1868	M. McTavish	Bowmanville.
10	Brampton Excels'r.	1892	1892	Thos. Thauburn	Brampton.
11	Brantford.....	1879	1879	R. A. Watt	Brantford.
12	Bright	1876	1879	Geo. Evans	Bright. [Bufflo.
13	Buffalo	1859	1894	Dr. J. C. Frost	212 Del'ware av.
14	Campbellford	1886	1886	D. H. Douglas	Campbellford.
15	Chatham	1862	1863	J. P. Dunlop	Chatham.
16	Chesley.....	1876	1887	Dr. J. M. Stewart..	Chesley.
17	Churchill	1878	1887	D. W. Lennox	Churchill.
18	Cobourg Waverley.	1893	1893	A. J. Armstrong	Cobourg.
19	Collingwood	1881	1882	F. H. Nettleton	Collingwood.
20	Detroit	1888	1889	B. W. Yates	Detroit.
21	Dundas.....	1859	1860	B. Racey	Dundas.
22	Durham	1890	1891	W. Calder.....	Durham.
23	Embro .....	.....	1887	R. A. Duncan.....	Embro.
24	Fenelon Falls.....	1892	1893	W. L. Robson.....	Fenelon Falls.
25	Fergus	1834	1867	A. E. Nichols	Fergus.
26	Forest	1884	1886	H. J. Pettypiece	Forest.
27	Galt	1838	1866	C. A. Blake	Galt.
28	Galt Granite	1881	1881	T. E. McLellan	Galt.
29	Glanford .....	.....	1896	Ed. J. Davey	Glanford.
30	Glencoe.....	1895	1896	G. C. McFarlane ..	Glencoe.
31	Goderich	1868	1875	C. A. Humber.....	Goderich.
32	Guelph ...	1838	1869	J. A. Lillie	Guelph.
33	Guelph Royal City.	1888	1888	R. Mackenzie	Guelph.
34	Hamilton Asylum..	1893	1894	Dr. T. W. Reynolds.	Hamilton.
35	Hamilton Thistle. ..	1853	1868	John B. Young	Hamilton.
36	Hamilton Victoria.	1867	1867	A. R. Whyte	Hamilton.
37	Harriston	1878	1880	J. Meiklejohn.....	Harriston.
38	Ingersoll	1894	1894	Jno. E. Gayfer	Ingersoll.
39	Keene	1861	1866	Dr. Shaw	Keene.
40	Lakefield	1882	1884	M. L. Strickland....	Lakefield.
41	Lindsay	1876	1877	J. C. Harstone	Lindsay.
42	London	1872	1872	D. B. Iewar	London.

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43	London For't City...	1879	1879	J. Burnet	London.
44	Lucknow	1870	1883	J. G. Murdoch	Lucknow.
45	Meaford	1876	1877	J. S. Wilson	Meaford.
46	Millbrook.....	1887	1888	H. M. Wood	Millbrook.
47	Milton	1857	1871	Chas. F. Johnson ..	Milton.
48	Niagara Falls.....	1891	1892	W. L. Doran	Niagara Falls.
49	Niagara-on-Lake....	.....	1896	J. H. Burns	Niag.-on-Lake.
50	Orillia	1873	1874	D. Thomson.....	Orillia.
51	Oshawa	1884	1884	E. J. Rowse.....	Oshawa.
52	Paris	1843	1857	D. Brown	Paris. [P'kdale.
53	Parkdale	1893	1893	John E. Hall	153 Dunn ave.,
54	Penetanguishene....	.....	.....	A. B. Thompson.....	Penetang'shene.
55	Peterboro' Granite..	1876	1877	W. L. Allen.....	Peterboro'.
56	Peterboro' Thistle..	1876	1877	D. Davidson.....	Peterboro'.
57	Petrolia.....	1889	1891	J. C. Waddell	Petrolia.
58	Plattsville	1888	1888	G. H. Milne	Plattsville.
59	Port Hope	1861	1862	John H. Magill	Port Hope.
60	Preston	1879	1879	Geo. A. Roos	Preston.
61	Ridgetown	1894	1895	A. F. McKinley	Ridgetown.
62	St. Catharines	1869	1881	Wm. Thomson	St. Catharines.
63	St. Mary's	1866	1872	G. H. McIntyre	St. Mary's.
64	St. Thomas Granite	1893	1894	W. K. Cameron.....	St. Thomas.
65	Sarnia	1874	1874	H. Mann	Sarnia.
66	Scarboro'	1839	1859	D. Brown	Brown's Cor.
67	Scarboro' M'ple L'f.	1874	1877	Hy. Thomson	Ellesmere.
68	Seaforth	1876	1877	John Weir	Seaforth.
69	Simcoe	1873	1875	Frank Reid	Simcoe.
70	Southampton .....	.....	1895	M. A. McAulay.....	Southampton.
71	Stratford	1887	1887	Wm. Maynard, Jr....	Stratford.
72	Thamesville	1866	1869	R. Ferguson	Thamesville.
73	Thorold Lorne	1878	1878	D. J. C. Munro	Thorold. [Toledo
74	Toledo Burns .....	.....	1896	Jas. D. Reid	626 Huron St.,
75	Toronto.....	1837	1845	W. W. Belding	Victoria Club.
76	" Caledonian	1872	1873	W. D. McIntosh	209 Yonge St.
77	" Granite	1875	1876	G. H. Higinbotham.	Granite Club.
78	" Lakeview.....	1896	1896	W. J. Evans	Toronto.
79	" Prospect P'k.	1888	1888	R. L. Johnston	12 Adelaide E.
80	" Queen City.....	1888	1888	R. B. Rice.....	19 Front St. E.
81	Walkerton	1870	1876	W. A. Green	Walkerton.
82	Waterloo	1897	1897	Jas. S. Lockie.....	Waterloo.
83	Waubauskene	1882	1887	G. F. Hall	Waubauskene.
84	West Flamboro'.....	1835	1874	Seton Cockburn	Greensville.
85	Whitby.....	1878	1878	J. E. Willis	Whitby.
86	Windsor	1896	1896	A. M. Stewart.....	Windsor.
87	Woodstock	1868	1870	Jas. Hamilton	Woodstock.

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THE ONTARIO CURLING ASSOCIATION

As on October 20TH, 1897.

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CLUBS COMPOSING ASSOCIATION.

Juniors of Belleville, Campbellford, Cobourg, Kingston, Lindsay, Norwood, Peterboro' and Port Hope.

Group No. 1.—Port Hope vs. Cobourg, at Cobourg.

Group No. 2.—Kingston vs. Belleville. Campbellford a bye at Belleville. Convener, F. W. Ashe.

Group No. 3.—Lindsay vs. Norwood. Peterboro' a bye at Lindsay. Convener, T. W. R. McRae.

Winner of Groups Nos. 1 and 2 to play winner of No. 3 on neutral ice, on a date to be mutually agreed on.

We would be pleased to hear of other like associations of coming curlers.—COMMITTEE ON ANNUAL.

PRINCIPAL EVENTS OF 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; open to all the clubs in the Association; beginning in the several groups about middle of January, and to be completed and reported before 4th February.
- 3RD. THE FINAL COMPETITION FOR THE ONTARIO TANKARD, between the Champion Clubs of the sixteen groups; about the middle of February.
- 4TH. THE COMPETITION to determine what club shall have the honor of competing against the winner of the Ontario Tankard for the GOVERNOR-GENERAL'S PRIZE, for the stone playing clubs of the Dominion, PLAYED IN CONNECTION WITH THE TANKARD FINALS.
- 5TH. THE FINAL COMPETITION FOR THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL'S PRIZE, for stone playing clubs; probably about last of February.
- 6TH. THE GENERAL COMPETITION AT THE POINTS' GAME, open to every member of the Association. For rules of competition, see page 59.
- 7TH. THE COMPETITION FOR THE WESTERN TANKARD, open to all clubs west of or on the line of railway from Buffalo to Wiarion, via Stratford.
- 8TH. THE GUELPH TROPHY MATCHES, open to all Curling Clubs west of Toronto, and including a Single Rink Competition, as well as the Club Competition, with two rinks each.
- 9TH. THE A. M. STEWART SCOTTISH COUNTIES MEDAL MATCH.—Trophy held at present by Dumfries-shire. Mr. T. G. Williamson, Toronto, is Captain, and challenges may be sent to him.

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.

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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 bonspiels, 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.

J. S. RUSSELL,

Secretary-Treas. O.C.A.

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.

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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."

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.

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 19th April, 1898.

DECEMBER, 1897.

D. M.	D. W.	
		The wintry blast is blawin' fast, The snaw is busy swurlin'; Baith young and auld, in spite o' cauld, Foregather at the curlin'.
13	M.	Set the house in order.
14	T.	.....
15	W.	.....
16	T.	Matches, President vs. Vice-President, now in order
17	F.	bringing every member into line.
18	S.	.....
20	M.	.....
21	T.	.....
22	W.	.....
23	T.	.....
24	F.	.....
25	S.	.....
27	M.	.....
28	T.	.....
29	W.	.....
30	T.	.....
31	F.	.....

JANUARY, 1898.

D. M.	D. W.	The distant sound to me is dear (On winter day when frost is clear), O' roarin' stanes, when I do hear The birl o' the curlin'.
1	S.	.....
3	M.	.....
4	T.	Look for notice of Primary Competition for
5	W.	ONTARIO TANKARD.
6	T.	.....
7	F.	.....
8	S.	.....
10	M.	.....
11	T.	Good time for Scottish Counties' Medal Match.
12	W.	.....
13	T.	.....
14	F.	.....
15	S.	.....
17	M.	Third Monday, New Councils meet.
18	T.	.....
19	W.	.....
20	T.
21	F.
22	S.
24	M.	Fourth Monday, County Councils meet.
25	T.
26	W.
27	T.
28	F.
29	S.
31	M.

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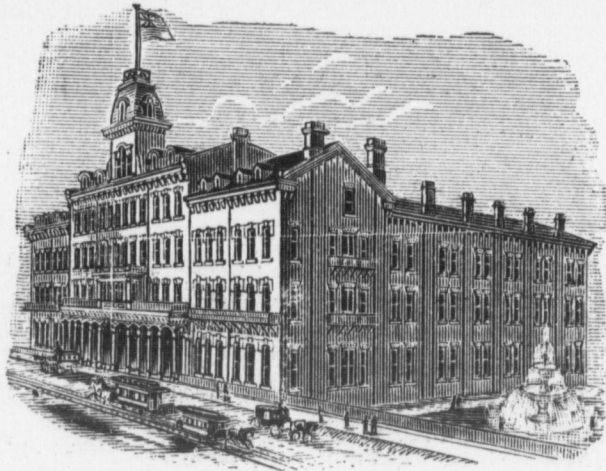
D M.	D.W.	But winter days are short an' cauld, When frost an' snaw come burlin'; Oh then the sport for young an' auld's The jolly game o' curlin'.
1	T.	.....
2	W.	.....
3	T.	.....
4	F.	Last day for receiving returns of Group Competitions for Ontario Tankard.
5	S.	.....
7	M.	Lose no time in playing off Medal Matches.
8	T.	.....
9	W.	Final Competition for Tankard about this date.
10	T.	.....
11	F.	.....
12	S.	.....
14	M.	.....
15	T.	Good time for general competition Points' Game.
16	W.	.....
17	T.	.....
18	F.	.....
19	S.	.....
21	M.	.....
22	T.	Last day for making entries for Governor-General's
23	W.	Prize.
24	T.	.....
25	F.	.....
26	S.	.....
28	M.	.....

MARCH, 1898.

D.M.	D. W.	O' leeze me on the channel stane, The bonnie curlin' channel stane ; It's meat and drink to every ane, That lo'es the game o' curlin'.
1	T.	Now for challenge matches.
2	W.	.....
3	T.	.....
4	F.	.....
5	S.	.....
7	M.	.....
8	T.
9	W.	Return friendly matches may be made now.
10	T.
11	F.
12	S.
14	M.
15	T.
16	W.
17	T.
18	F.
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The Caledonian Curling Club occupies the Mutual Street Rink, and is reached from Yonge Street or Church Street at Shuter or Gerrard Streets.

The Granite Curling Club occupies the Granite Rink, Church Street, and is reached by Church Street Cars or by Yonge Street Cars at Wellesley Street.

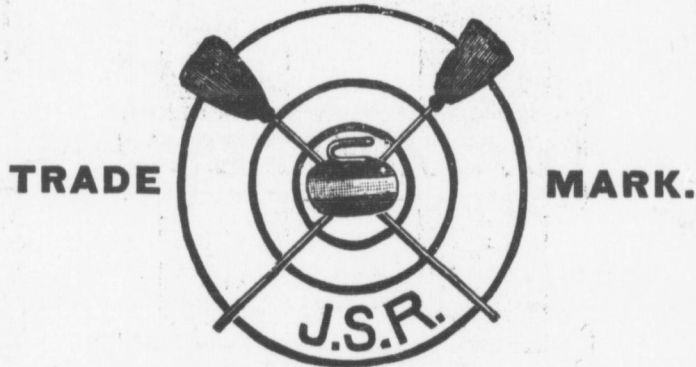
The Lakeview Club Rink is on Harrison Street, off Dundas Street.

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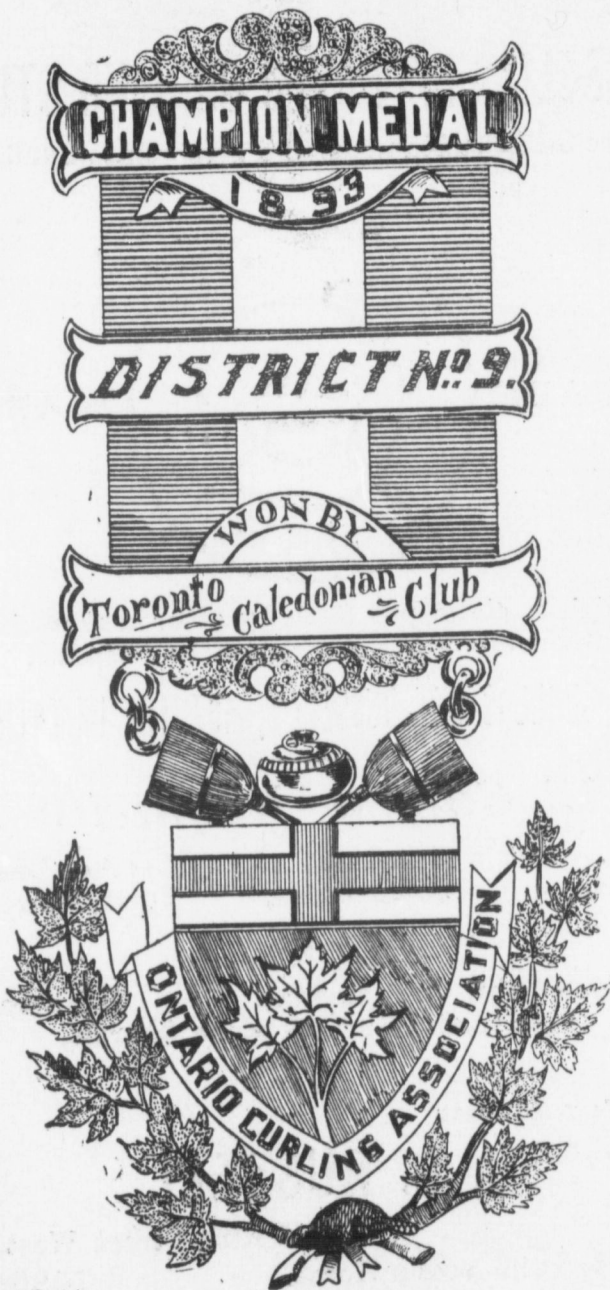
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