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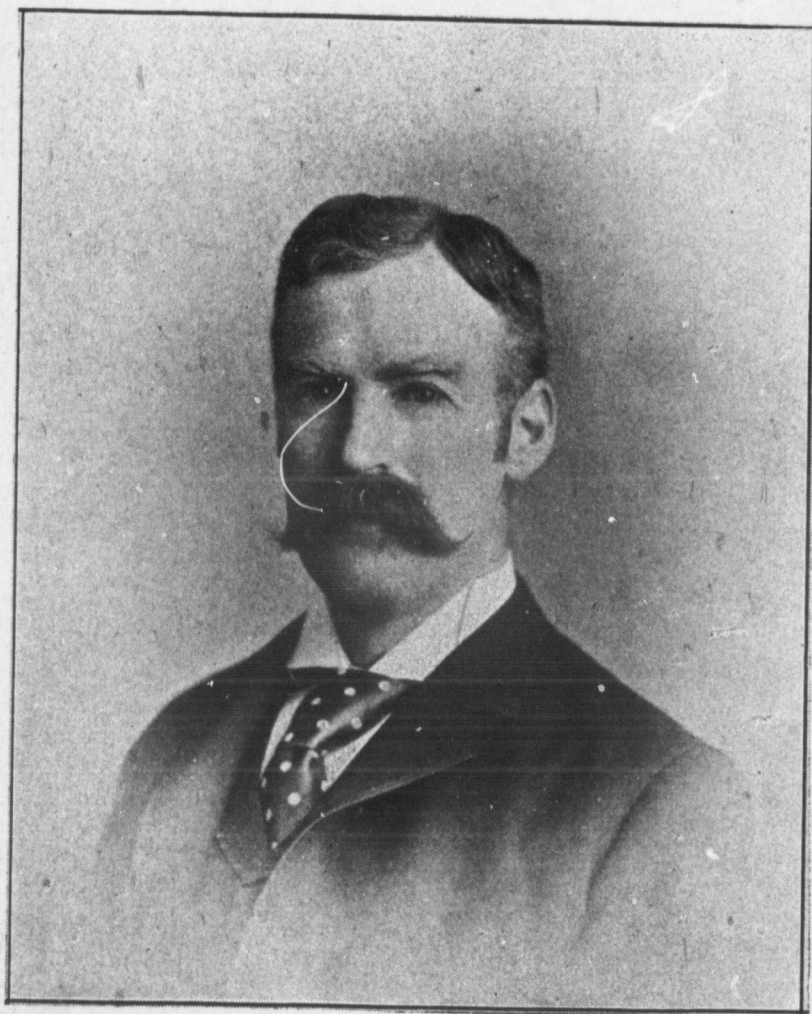
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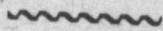
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PREFACE

In **THE ANNUAL** of the O. C. A. it has been our constant endeavor to present to the members of the Association the condition of curling in Ontario, up to date ; with lists of the Office Bearers of the Royal Caledonian Curling Club, and its several branches, thereby keeping us in touch with each other.

We would gladly devote a much larger portion of the volume to **CLUB RECORDS**, were they furnished to us ; and we would recommend every club to see that, in the future, a record of its matches is kept, and that it is sent in to the Secretary of the Association, for **THE ANNUAL**, including matches within the club as well as with other clubs.

We devote one page this year to the "**SKIPS' BALANCE SHEET** of the **TORONTO CLUB**," and submit it as a good lead, to be followed by every club with great advantage.

The minutes of the semi-annual meetings of the Representative Committee are given in full, also the reports of the principal general competitions, and they exhibit an amount of activity and progressive development not excelled by any other Curling Association ; and this high position we must all unite in maintaining and improving, by each club, and every individual member cherishing the thought that it is an honor to belong to the Ontario Curling Association.

The original and selected literary matter will be found interesting, and the portrait of our President is a fitting embellishment to the volume for 1895.

And the Committee on the Annual respectfully submit another, and that the twentieth volume, to the kind consideration of their fellow members.

TORONTO, St. Andrew's Day, 1894.

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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 upon 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.

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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. 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.
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 from 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 first 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. 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 30th November, and shall contain a list of the office-bearers of the Association, with lists of the office-bearers and members of the clubs in connection therewith, the rules and regulations of the Association, the minutes of meetings of the Representatives, the financial condition of the Association from year to year, reports of competitions for prizes allocated by the Association, along with records of other matters affecting curling, and calculated to promote the game in Canada.

15. At the semi-annual meetings of the Representatives the order of business shall be as follows, viz.:

- I. Examining credentials of representatives present.
- II. Reading of minutes of previous meeting, which, after approval, shall be signed by the chairman.
- III. Correspondence.
- 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.

FEES AND DUES.

25. The fees payable by clubs shall be an ENTRANCE FEE and ANNUAL DUES, both payable in advance.

26. The ENTRANCE FEE shall be according to the following scale, viz. :—

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

27. The ANNUAL DUES shall be a CLUB RATE of two 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 lists, but *shall be doubled for names of members sent in at other times.*

28. Clubs in arrears shall be held to be *not in good standing*, and shall not be eligible to compete in any match played under the auspices of the Association.

29. Clubs will be held as continuing in membership of the Association until all arrears have been paid up, and a formal notice of withdrawal made to and accepted by the Executive, but they may be struck off the Roll when they are two years in arrears.

RULES OF THE GAME

1. The standard length of the rink for play shall be 42 yards from Hack to Tee. If the ice is found to be wet or soft before a game commences, or after it has been begun, the Umpire, after hearing the Skips of both parties in the match, shall decide whether the rink shall be shortened, and to what extent; but in no case shall it be shortened to less than 33 yards.

BY-LAWS, REGULATIONS, ETC.

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*.

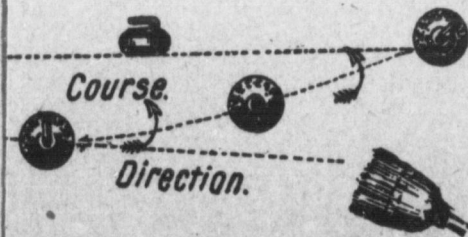
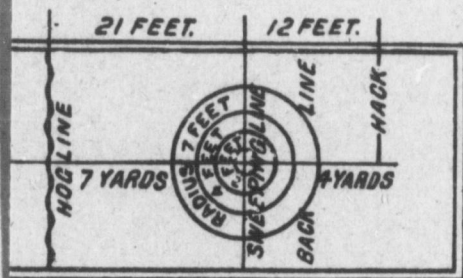
3. The Tees to be made 38 yards apart, and around each as a centre shall be described a circle of seven feet radius, which shall be called the "Ring." To facilitate measurements, inner circles may be described around the Tee. Every stone within, or resting upon the outer ring, shall be counted in the 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



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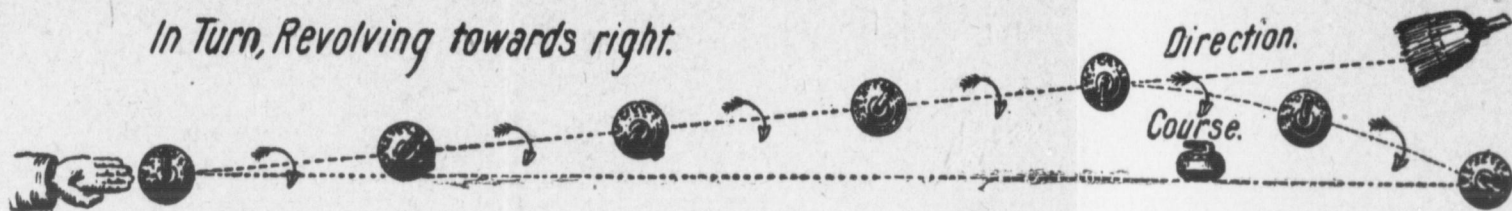
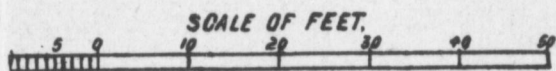
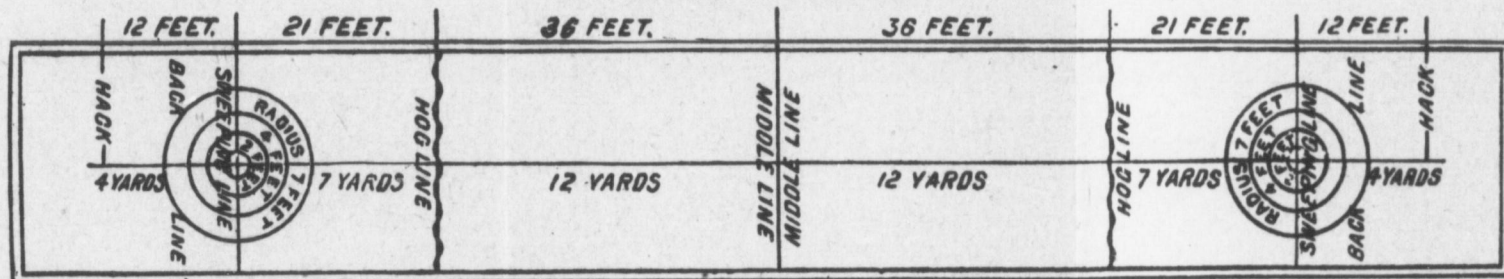



Diagram to be drawn on the ice previous to playing and referred to throughout the rules as "THE RINK."



Out Turn, Revolving towards left



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.

 For method of laying out Rink, see diagram.

6. All matches to be the majority of shots won after playing a certain number of ends, or definite period of time, to be agreed on by the competing clubs before beginning to play. In the event of both parties being equal at the conclusion of the match, play shall be continued, under the direction of the umpire, by all the rinks engaged, for another end, or for such additional number of ends as may be necessary to decide the match.
7. Every rink to be composed of four players a side, each using two stones, and playing one stone alternately with his opponent, and the rotation of players observed in the first end shall not be changed during the match.
8. The two Skips opposing each other shall settle by lot, or in any other way they may agree upon, which party shall lead in the first end, after which the winning party shall lead.
9. The Skips shall have the exclusive management and direction of the game for their respective parties, and may play last or in any part of the game they please, but are not entitled to change their places when once fixed. When their turn to play comes, they shall each appoint one of their players to act in their places as Skips of the game, and must take the position of ordinary players, until they have played and returned to the Ring as Skips.
10. Players, during the course of each end, shall be arranged along the sides, but well off the Rink, as their skips may direct ; and no party, except when sweeping

according to rule, shall go upon the middle of the Rink. Skips alone to stand within the 14 feet Ring ; the Skip of the party playing to have the choice of place, and must not be obstructed by the other in front of the Tee, while behind it the privileges of both, as regards sweeping, shall be equal.

11. Every player shall be ready to play when his turn comes, and not take more than a reasonable time to play. Should he play a stone belonging to another player, any of the players may stop it while running; 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 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 facilitate the making of any particular shot, or to otherwise pervert the ice surface from the true and correct level.

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

MATCHES.

24. All matches between clubs shall be played with at least two Rinks a side.

25. In matches for Association Trophies only members regular shall play; any club violating this rule shall be declared to have lost the match, and shall be debarred from continuing in the competition for the season.

26. In all matches, the place and time of playing, the number of Rinks to be engaged, and the duration of the game, either a certain number of Ends or definite period of time should be agreed upon beforehand, by written correspondence between the Secretaries.

27. In all important matches an Umpire shall be appointed by mutual agreement of the competing Clubs or Skips, unless otherwise provided for, and present.

28. The Duties and Powers of the Umpire shall be to appoint a time and place for the match, the number of Rinks to be engaged, and the duration of the game, unless these matters have been agreed upon previously; he shall see that the Rinks are properly laid out, and that the Rules of the Game (see above) are observed by all the players, and shall determine all matters arising in the course of the game upon which the competing Skips fail to agree; he shall make up the scores of the competing Rinks at the close of the game, and declare the result; and he may appoint a Deputy to act in his place, who shall have equal powers.

29. Complaints and appeals regarding the conduct of Clubs, Players or Umpires* must be sent to the Secretary of the Association in writing within one week from the date on which occurred the matter of the said complaint or appeal, and shall be at once forwarded to the chairman of the proper committee; before a decision is declared, all parties shall be given an opportunity to state their case; and parties failing or neglecting to show cause within one week after being notified to do so by the committee, shall be held to have dropped their claim and forfeited all right to any 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.

* Except in the Tankard Competitions, which are otherwise provided for.

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 immediately 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 strike the latter on the inside to count 1; if it perceptibly move 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 Sweep- ing 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.

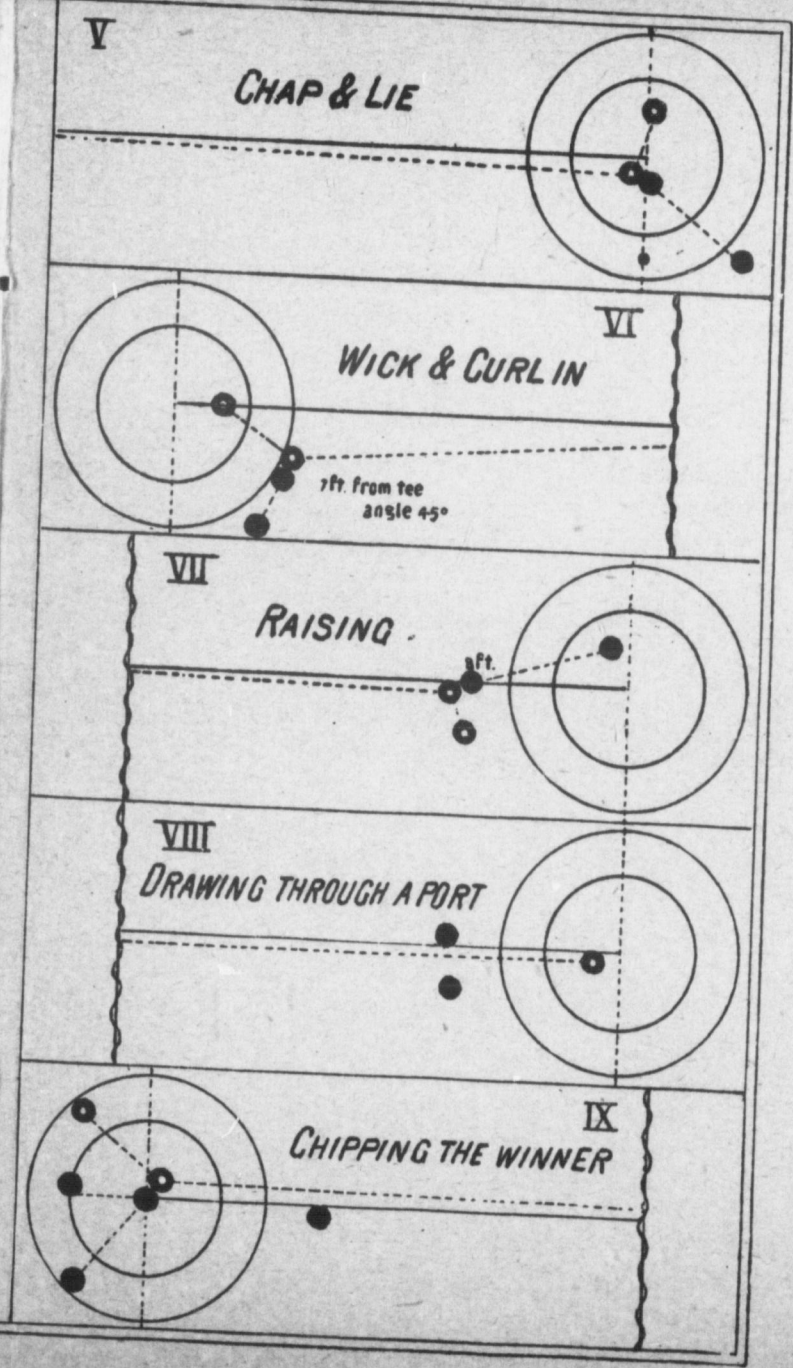
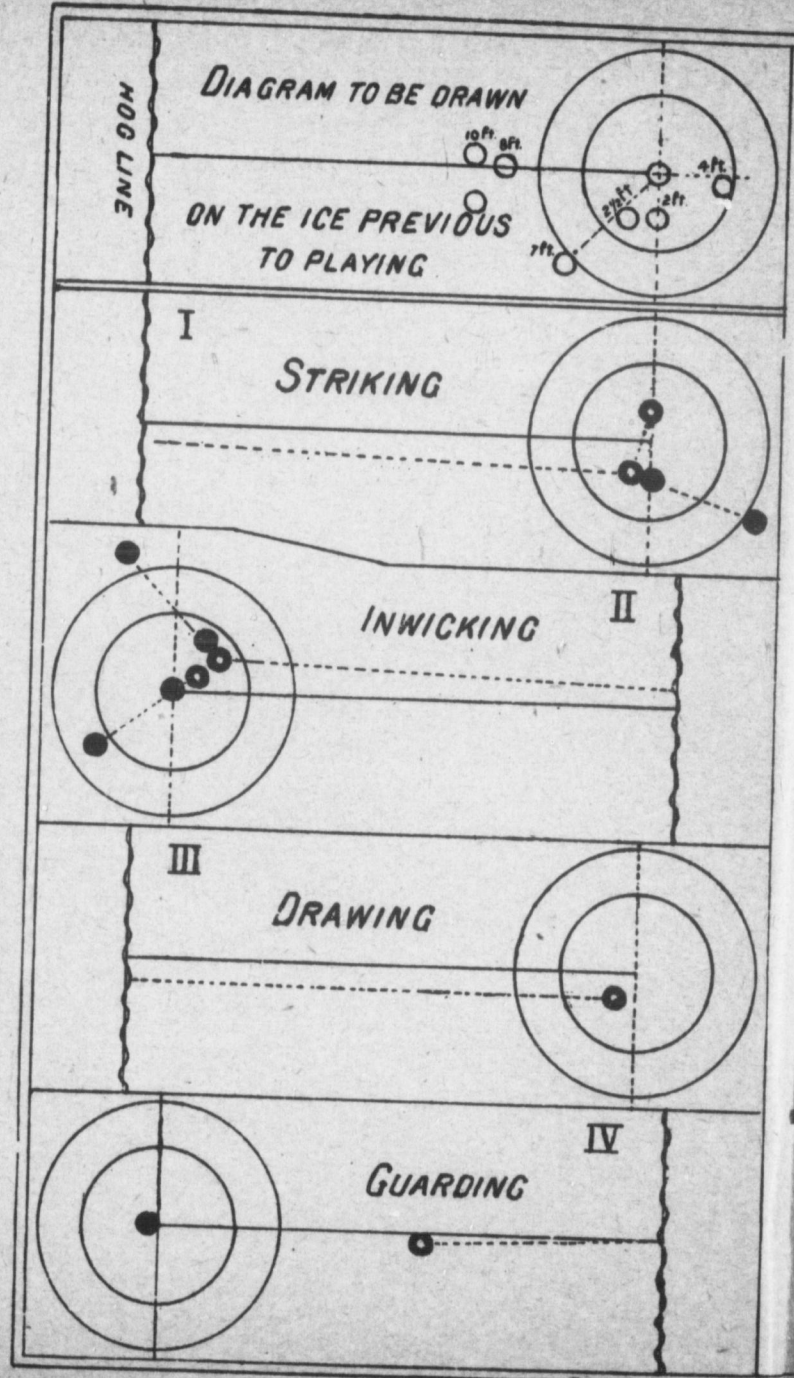
VII. *Raising*.—A stone placed with its centre on the Central Line and its inner edge 8 feet distant from the Tee; if struck into or on the 14 feet Ring to count 1; if struck into or on the 8 feet Circle to count 2.

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.



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

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

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

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

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.

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No.	NAME OF CLUB.	Instituted.	Joined the O.C.A.	NAME OF SECRETARY.	P.O. ADDRESS.
1	Aberdeen	1894	1894	P. P. Lynch	East Toronto
2	Ancaster	1851	1862	D. Butter	Carluke
3	Ancaster Thistle	1856	1863	Jas. Russell	Carluke
4	Aurora	1885	1886	A. E. Taylor	Aurora
5	Aylmer	1882	1886	J. M. Cole	Aylmer
6	Ayr Union	1878	1879	C. McGeorge	Ayr
7	Belleville	1867	1878	T. W. R. McRae	Belleville
8	Berlin	1883	1885	C. E. Hoffman	Berlin
9	Bobcaygeon	1884	1884	R. Ventress	Bobcaygeon
10	Bowmanville	1851	1868	M. McTavish	Bowmanville
11	Brampton Exc'lsr	1892	1892	Jas. Golding	Brampton
12	Brantford	1879	1879	R. A. Watt	Brantford
13	Bright	1876	1879	Geo. Evans	Bright
14	Brussels	.....	1879	W. D. Hart	Brussels
15	Buffalo	1859	1894	Dr. H. C. Frost	Buffalo
16	Campbellford	1886	1886	F. J. Smith	Campbellford
17	Chatham	1862	1863	G. P. Scholfield	Chatham
18	Chesley	1876	1887	J. M. Stewart, M.D.	Chesley
19	Churchill	1878	1887	D. W. Lennox	Churchill
20	Cobourg Waverly	1893	1893	E. A. McNachtan	Cobourg
21	Coldwater	.....	1892	J. H. Wells	Coldwater
22	Collingwood	1881	1882	A. D. Knight	Collingwood
23	Detroit	1888	1889	F. Weber	Detroit, Mich US
24	Dundas	1859	1860	H. F. Powell	Dundas
25	Durham	1890	1891	W. Calder	Durham
26	Embro	.....	1887	R. A. Duncan	Embro
27	Fenelon Falls	1892	1893	W. L. Robson	Fenelon Falls
28	Fergus	1834	1867	H. S. Michie	Fergus
29	Forest	1884	1886	W. D. Griggs	Forest
30	Galt	1838	1866	Chas. Blake	Galt
31	Galt Granite	1881	1881	T. E. McLellan	Galt
32	Guelph Union	1838	1869	J. A. Lillie	Guelph
33	Guelph Royal City	1888	1888	R. McKenzie	Guelph
34	Hamilton Asylum	1893	1891	Dr. T. W. Reynolds	Hamilton
35	Hamilton Thistle	1853	1868	Jno. B. Young	Hamilton
36	Hamilton Victoria	1867	1867	W. F. Montague	Hamilton
37	Harriston	1878	1880	J. Meiklejohn	Harriston
38	Ingersoll Aberde'n	1894	1894	H. Irwin	Ingersoll

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40	Kincardine.....	1875	1877	J. E. Magee.....	Kincardine.....
41	Lakefield.....	1882	1884	E. A. Tanner.....	Lakefield.....
42	Lindsay.....	1876	1877	J. M. McLennan.....	Lindsay.....
43	London.....	1872	1872	D. B. Dewar.....	London.....
44	London Forest City	1879	1879	W. J. Logie, M.D.	London.....
45	Lucknow.....	1870	1883	P. A. Malcomson..	Lucknow.....
46	Markham.....	1875	1876	Jas. J. Gleeson...	Markham.....
47	Meaford.....	1876	1877	J. S. Wilson.....	Meaford.....
48	Millbrook.....	1887	1888	J. A. Vance.....	Millbrook.....
49	Milton.....	1857	1872	Duncan Dewar.....	Milton.....
50	Niagara Falls.....	1891	1892	Wm. Baker.....	Niagara Falls.....
51	North Bay.....	1892	1892	J. Hannan.....	North Bay.....
52	Orangeville.....	1888	1888	W. S. Waugh.....	Orangeville.....
53	Orillia.....	1873	1874	Dr. Ardagh.....	Orillia.....
54	Oshawa.....	1884	1884	T. G. Ryley.....	Oshawa.....
55	Owen Sound.....	1873	1875	Geo. P. Creighton	Owen Sound.....
56	Paris.....	1843	1857	David Brown.....	Paris.....
57	Parkdale.....	1893	1893	W. Wedd, Jr.....	Parkdale.....
58	Peterborough.....	1876	1877	C. McGill.....	Peterborough.....
59	Petrolea.....	1880	1881	Jos. A. Jackson...	Petrolea.....
60	Plattsville.....	1888	1888	G. H. Milne.....	Plattsville.....
61	Port Perry.....	Jas. L. Forman...	Port Perry.....
62	Preston Speed.....	1879	1879	O. Nispel.....	Preston.....
63	St. Catharines.....	1869	1881	Wm. Thomson.....	St. Catharines.....
64	St. Mary's.....	1866	1872	G. H. McIntyre...	St. Mary's.....
65	St. Thomas Gr'n'te	1894	1894	L. E. Tate.....	St. Thomas.....
66	Sarnia.....	1873	1874	Jno. W. Hamilton	Sarnia.....
67	Sault Ste. Marie..	1893	1894	R. M. de Gex.....	Sault Ste. Marie
68	Scarboro'.....	1839	1869	David Brown.....	Brown's Corners
69	Scarboro' Maple Lf	1874	1877	R. Forfar.....	Ellesmere.....
70	Seaforth.....	1876	1877	John Weir.....	Seaforth.....
71	Simcoe.....	1873	1875	W. E. Tisdale.....	Simcoe.....
72	Sudbury.....	1893	H. D. Leask.....	Sudbury.....
73	Stouffville.....	1885	1885	Jas. O'Brien.....	Stouffville.....
74	Stratford.....	1887	1887	Wm. Dick.....	Stratford.....
75	Thamesville.....	1866	1869	R. Ferguson, MPP	Thamesville.....
76	Thorold Lorne.....	1878	1878	D. J. C. Munro...	Thorold.....
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H. Rowe,	W. Fairfax,	Jas. Hamilton.

HONORARY MEMBERS

H. J. Woodroofe,	H. P. Brown.
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Jas. Canfield,	W. C. Wilson,	S. J. Cole,
J. H. Nellis,	W. Gregg,	Fred. Millman.

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Ontario Curling Association

TORONTO, 17th April, 1894.

Met, the Representative Committee of the Ontario Curling Association; Geo. N. Matheson, Esq., President, in the chair, called the meeting to order, and appointed Mr. G. R. Vanzant and Mr. Thos. Woodyatt the committee on credentials, who reported the following clubs present by duly accredited representatives, viz. :—

CLUB	REPRESENTATIVE	CLUB	REPRESENTATIVE
Ancaster Thistle	W. F. Miller	Orillia	Dr. Beaton
Ayr	James Pringle	Oshawa	P. H. Punshon
Buffalo	John Wright	Paris	J. H. Hackland
Bobcaygeon	W. T. C. Boyd	Parkdale	J. B. Perry
Brantford	Thos. Woodyatt	Petrolia	G. N. Matheson
Chatham	John Wright	Plattsville	Thos. Woodyatt
Coldwater	Geo. McMurrich	St. Mary's	T. O. Robson
Detroit	C. C. Dalton	Sarnia	W. F. Davison
Dundas	T. A. Wardell	Sault Ste. Marie	J. S. Russell
Elora	W. F. Davison	Scarboro'	Geo. Elliott
Embro	Geo. N. Matheson	Scarboro' Maple Leaf	..... Andrew Fleming
Fenelon Falls	J. D. Flavelle	Seaforth	T. G. Williamson
Forest	Thos. McCracken	Stratford	T. O. Robson
Hamilton Thistle	Alex. Turner	Thamesville	R. Ferguson
" Victoria	W. F. Miller	Toronto	Geo. McMurrich
Harriston	G. R. Vanzant	Toronto Caledonian	..... W. D. McIntosh
Keene	J. S. Russell	Toronto Granite	W. Badenach
Lindsay	J. D. Flavelle	Toronto Prospect Park	..... D. Carlyle
London Forest City	..... W. B. McMurrich	Waubauskene	W. H. Bleadell
Markham	G. R. Vanzant	Woodstock	M. C. Wilson
Meaford	J. S. Russell		
Milton	Jno. Head		
North Bay	Dr. Carruthers		

The Chairman called for the reading of minutes of last meeting, and it was moved by Mr T. O. Robson, seconded by Mr. M. C. Wilson, and carried, that the minutes of last meeting having been published in the Annual, they be held as read and that they be confirmed.

The Secretary reported that since last meeting four clubs had been received provisionally into the Association, and that they should now be received formally; they are Sudbury, Sault Ste. Marie, Aberdeen, and Ayr.

Mr. J. D. Flavelle moved, seconded by Mr. Geo. Thomson, that Sudbury club be received into the Association, and it was carried.

Dr. Beaton moved, seconded by Mr. W. D. McIntosh, that the Sault Ste. Marie club be received into the Association, and it was carried.

Mr. D. Carlyle moved, seconded by Mr. George McMurrich, that Aberdeen club be received into the Association, and it was carried.

Mr. M. C. Wilson moved, seconded by Mr. T. O. Robson, that Ayr club be received into the Association, and it was carried.

The Secretary then read letters of application for admission into the Association from the Buffalo Club, and the St. Thomas club, and moved that the Buffalo club be received into the Association, which was seconded by Mr. John Wright, and carried.

Mr. W. F. Davison then moved, seconded by Mr. M. C. Wilson, that the St. Thomas club be received into the Association, and it was carried.

A letter was read from Mr. McIntyre, Secretary of St. Mary's club, owners of the Western Ontario Tankard, announcing the conditions for the competition for the trophy, and drawing special attention to the following clause: "It is not intended to make this competition conflict, in any way, with that for the Ontario Tankard Championship, but rather to supplement it, and care will be exercised in choosing dates to allow all who wish to be able to compete in both."

The Chairman voiced the sentiment of the meeting by declaring, that such an arrangement, conceived in the true curling spirit, was just what might have been expected from St. Mary's club.

Another letter was read from the Port Hope club, announcing that it had decided to sever its connection with the Ontario Curling Association; it was laid on

the table, pending the reading of the report of the Executive Committee.

The Secretary then read the report of the competitions for District Medals.

That a Medal had been played for between Durham and Orangeville clubs, and had been won by Durham club ; that the match was played at Owen Sound, Mr. Geo. Inglis being umpire ; and a very pleasant time had been enjoyed.

That another had been allocated to be played for between North Bay, Sudbury, and Sault Ste. Marie clubs ; that Mr. Cormack of North Bay had been chosen by mutual consent of all the clubs, to be the umpire ; the match had been played at Sudbury, and had passed off pleasantly, North Bay being the winner ; and that both medals had been appropriately engraved, and forwarded to the winning clubs. The report was approved, and confirmed.

The Secretary next read the report on District Championships, as follows, viz. : These contests were completed in every one of the sixteen districts in which the clubs forming the Association are grouped, and only five clubs of those entitled failed to take part in them.

Of the sixteen winners, fourteen followed up their initial success, by taking part in the final Tankard Competition, two only defaulting, viz. : Galt Granite in No. 12, and Harriston in No. 15, and while Toronto Granite club, the winner of the Tankard, received the highest awards, and Dundas club the next highest, as the last competing club, the other twelve will receive the medals commemorative of their being the champion clubs of their respective districts for the year 1894 ; they are :

Peterboro club in No. 1, Oshawa in No. 2, Orillia in No. 3, Waubaushene in No. 4, Meaford in No. 5, Hamilton Thistle in No. 6, Hamilton Victoria in No. 7, Toronto Prospect Park in No. 9, Galt in No. 10, Seaforth in No. 13, Sarnia in No. 14, and Chesley in No. 16.

The report was confirmed.

The Secretary then read report of Competitions for the Ontario Tankard for 1894. For detailed report see Index.

The Secretary then read Report of the General Competition at the Points' Game, as follows, viz. :

Although we have received only eight reports of games played in this competition, we have ample reason to be satisfied with these as the record of the first year of this addition to our Provincial Competitions, which promises to do as much in promoting skill among individual curlers as the Tankard has done among clubs ; a considerable number of clubs deferred playing just a little too long, they wished to get the benefit of the whole season's practice before playing this important match, and when they were ready to play there was no ice. We may also note that the highest score occurred in the first return, received on the fifth of February, and the second highest in the third, received on eighth February. The changeable weather, and the too rare possession of ice fit to play such an important game on, had much to do with the small number of returns made, and the unfrequent appearance of high scores ; we recommend that all scores of thirty and upwards made in games played in this competition, be published in the Annual.

For detailed report, refer to index or page 123.

Mr. Flavelle will be congratulated upon the winning of another curling prize, indicative of his personal skill in the game he has done so much to promote, and interesting, as being the first of what we hope will be a long series of annual prizes given by the Association for skill in the Points' Game.

The committee recommend that the following clause be added to the second rule governing this competition :
 "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 Secretary of the club competing."

The report was confirmed and adopted.

The report on the Annual was then read as follows :

REPORT ON ANNUAL FOR 1893-94.

Copies from Printer		700
Charged to clubs, and sold	613	
Complimentary, and to advertisers	42	
On hand	45	
		<hr/> 700

The Annual Ac't Dr.

To Mail Job Printing Co.	\$183.50	
" Electrotypes, new Diagrams	7.00	
" Electrotypes and Photo of Banner	5.25	
		<hr/> \$195.75

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By sales to clubs and others	\$153.25	
" Advertisements	35.00	
" Manitoba Branch	3.50	
		<hr/> 191.75
Debit Balance.....		\$1.00

Against which we have on hand forty-five copies, and electrotypes for diagram of rink, and Points' Game.

We cannot urge too strongly upon clubs the obligation that lies upon them to take decided action to extend the sale of the Annual; it is a perennial testimony to the Association and to every club connected with it, and secures recognition for curlers and curling which could not be otherwise obtained. It exhibits our numbers, our constitution and by-laws, and annual deeds done on the ice; and the more fully it is distributed in the clubs and studied by the members, the better curlers will they become, the more fully enthused with the spirit of the game will they be, and more attached to the Association with which they are connected.

The orders for next volume should be increased at least one-fourth.

The report as read, was received and adopted.

The Financial Statement was then read as follows :

Treasurer Dr.

To Balance on hand, 1st April, 1893.....		\$200.25
" Entrance Fees.....	\$ 42.00	
" Club Dues.....	579.80	
" Annual.....	193.15	
" Deficit Ac't.....	16.35	
" Entries for Final Competition Tankard.....	112.00	
" Stationery Ac't.....	4.30	
" Special contribution towards Tankard Competition.....	30.00	
		<u>977.60</u>
		\$1,177.85

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By Champion District Medals, '93.....	\$90.00	
" " " " '94.....	98.00	
" Gold Medal, Points' Game, '94.....	11.00	
		<u>\$199.00</u>
" Annual, 1893.....	208.90	
" " on account 1894.....	12.25	
" Printing, part of two years.....	52.00	
" Secretary-Treasurer, balance 1893.....	100.00	
" " on account 1894.....	200.00	
" " office.....	40.00	
" Postage and Telegrams.....	55.99	
" Stationery.....	13.70	
" Interest and Exchange.....	7.95	
" Banner for Tankard 1894.....	\$40.00	
" Sundry charges Tankard 1894, on account.....	44.40	
		<u>84.40</u>
" Tankard Competition 1893.....	8.65	
" Balance on hand.....	195.01	
		<u>\$1,177.85</u>

The following abstract showing the position :

Balance on hand.....	\$195.01	
Arrears of Dues.....	187.36	
Deficit Account unpaid, about.....	120.00	
		<u>\$502.37</u>
<i>Due by O. C. A.</i>		
Mail Job Printing Co.....	\$183.50	
Secy.-Treas., Balance.....	100.00	
Tankard Competition, Victoria Club, about.....	25.00	
		<u>308.50</u>
Balance.....		\$193.87

Showing a balance to the good of one hundred and ninety-three dollars and eighty-seven cents, provided that all the arrears are collected, and all the deficit assessments paid up.

Audited and found correct.

(Sgd.) JAS. PRINGLE,
T. G. WILLIAMSON, } Auditors.

TORONTO, 14th April, 1894.

The report was received and adopted.

The Secretary then read the general report of the Executive Committee, as follows:—

Your committee are pleased to be able to report another year of fairly satisfactory progress.

Including the two clubs whose applications for admission into the Association were passed upon to-day, nine clubs have been received into membership during the year. Of these, five are new clubs started in localities where none have previously been; three we welcome as former members restored to activity, viz., Ayr, Cobourg Waverley, and St. Thomas; the other, intimately connected with the early history of curling in Ontario, and the United States, the Buffalo club, which thirty years ago not only established the Grand National Curling Club of the United States, but also did much to foster and promote curling in Ontario. We welcome them all as brothers, and feel assured that they all will unite with us, the older members of the Association, heart and hand, in promoting the game of curling, and in maintaining its high character as the king of games, and the game that develops kingly men, and in which nothing mean finds a lodging, and everything that is manly, honorable, and progressive finds a home.

The following clubs, being three years in arrears, may be dropped from the roll, and a formal motion to that effect will be submitted:—They are Barrie, Clarksburg, Goderich, Midland, Niagara, Shelburne, Thornbury, Warton, and Wroxeter. Of these, the greater part have

lost their rinks, and in other cases active curlers have left and gone to reside in other places. We have reason to hope that Clarksburg and Thornbury will unite and form one strong club, instead of continuing to struggle along as two weak ones.

One club, viz. Port Hope, has resigned without giving any reason, but the correspondence of the last two years and the recent action of that club in seeking to inaugurate a secession movement, sufficiently indicate the existence of two parties in the club, the one favorably disposed towards the Association, the other hostile, and for the present the hostiles have obtained the ascendancy. We recommend that the resignation be accepted, and hope that our loyal friends will shortly regain supremacy in the club.

The circular of the Port Hope club, advocating secession, was remitted to a sub committee of your Executive, who issued a letter to all the clubs, dealing kindly with the erring club, while effectively exposing the erroneous character of the charges made, and the absurdity of expecting that any good could be obtained from separation from the Association; and recommending all clubs to unite in improving the management of the Association, wherever it was found defective.

There are ninety-eight clubs on the list of last Annual. Nine to be dropped for arrears and one resigned, reduce the number to eighty-eight, and the two clubs added today make a total of ninety clubs, all of which, with but a very few exceptions, are active and full of enthusiasm in the game, and in every way prosperous.

The prevalent commercial depression and the closing or removal of industrial works, sufficiently account for the difficulties under which many clubs have been laboring, and we can only express our hope that the period of depression will soon pass away, and that returning prosperity will bring with it the revival of many curling clubs, which at present have great difficulty in maintaining themselves in existence.

We are happy to report that our Association matches have been generally carried out. Shelburne, and Howick

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Thistle clubs having failed to respond to the offer of the Association to compete for District Medals with Orangeville, and Durham, one of the medals was allocated to be played for between the last-named clubs. It was played for at Owen Sound, and won by Durham club.

The visiting clubs were hospitably received by the Owen Sound club, and had a pleasant time.

Another District Medal was put up to be played for between North Bay, Sudbury, and Sault Ste. Marie clubs; it was duly played for at Sudbury, and won by North Bay. Both of these medals were appropriately engraved, and presented to the winning clubs.

The Tankard primaries were completed in all the groups, and were taken part in by nearly all the clubs qualified. We are pleased to observe that there was not one protest this year, on the point that caused three last year; and while we regret the one protest of this year and deprecate the controversy in the public press that followed it, we would direct attention to the fact, that no one on the ice was sufficiently conversant with the by-laws, as to be able to point out the rule that applied to the case, and if this rule had been known and acted upon, the matter would have been settled there and then, and all the after unpleasantness avoided; as a case, exactly similar, occurred in the closing match of the Tankard Finals, between Dundas, and Toronto Granite clubs, the Toronto player frankly acknowledging that, in the excitement, he had possibly swept a few inches in front of the sweeping line; the umpire pointed out the rule, and the Dundas skip placed the "marred" stone where he thought fit, and the matter ended.

We would urge upon every member of the Association the necessity of possessing a copy of each Annual published, and of studying the by-laws and their application in the history of the Association, so that all may know what their own rights are, as well as the rights of others, and protect their own, while respecting those of other players. We would, in this connection, refer to rule 30 as expressing a sentiment that should be cherished by every curler as the supreme law in governing all intercourse between curlers.

In accordance with the rules governing the Tankard Competition, the protest, along with the statements of all parties concerned, was submitted by the Secretary to the President and decided finally by him. The final competition for the Tankard was carried out with customary success, under most favorable conditions of weather and ice, with all the eclat added by the presence of His Excellency the Governor-General, and the interest he showed in the matches, visiting all the rinks while the games were in progress, watching with the appreciating eye of an experienced curler the directions of the skips, and the skill of the players in fulfilling the directions; vigorously applauding a judicious shot well played, and sometimes inclined to point out a port unwisely left open, or a valuable stone left unguarded, and in every way showing a possession of a fine knowledge of the game, both of the brain work required of the skip, and the deftness of hand expected of the player, and through it all that "on the ice," he was a curler among brother curlers; deeply interested, he watched the progress of the closing match, witnessed the tragic disaster of the loss of a big end by the Dundas club, and when all was over, and the result declared, he presented the trophy to the President of the Granite Curling club, in simple kindly words that touched the hearts of all who heard them, remembering those who had fallen in the earlier contests, as well as those who had so nobly contended in the later struggles, of what he called, this grand competition. We cherish the wish that his hope of being with us next year, on the like occasion, may be realized.

The match City of Toronto vs. the rest of the Province of Ontario was not played. Circulars of invitation were sent to every club in the Association, but only three responded, offering six rinks in all, and the idea of carrying out the match was abandoned.


The adoption of the by-law providing for the registration of new members of clubs by means of supplementary lists on the first of December, January and February, at the ordinary membership rate, seems to work very well, quite a number of clubs availing themselves of the

opportunity afforded them. We are hopeful that the evil practice of reporting only a portion of the actual membership of a club, and representing such portion to be the complete membership, has ceased, and that it will never arise again in the Association, as it is utterly repugnant to every instinct of honesty and honor.

The Annual has again become self-sustaining, and the best thanks of the Association are due to the members of the committee for their valuable and laborious services, in providing such an admirable compendium of everything of importance in connection with the Association. In a modest preface to the last volume the committee point to several matters, which, if duly attended to by the office-bearers of affiliated clubs, would greatly facilitate their labors, and we express our hope that these matters will be attended to in the proper quarters; and, further, we would refer to several incidents occurring last season, causing unpleasantness, which would not have happened had the Annual received the study which it deserves, and been, as it is well worthy to be, the pocket companion of every curler. A vigorous effort should be made to increase its circulation in every club; the duty should be laid upon every secretary to see that a copy be possessed by at least every third member of each club.

The financial position of the Association continues to improve, and by another year we may fairly expect to have surmounted our difficulties in this regard. The continuance on our roll of clubs until they are three years in arrears, places in our books a large nominal asset, which often proves of little value. We are of the opinion that a shorter period of indulgence will be in the interest of waning clubs, as well as of the Association, and we recommend that By-law 29 be altered to read "two years in arrears," in place of "three years," as at present.

We have the pleasure of reporting that His Excellency, the Earl of Aberdeen, royally fulfilled the promise he made to your committee last fall, to look into the conditions laid down by his predecessors, for governing the



competition for the Governor General's prizes, and that he had seen fit to alter them, by providing that when only one Central Association enters a club for the competition, it shall have the privilege of entering a second competing club also; and under this modified regulation, the Ontario Curling Association was called upon to appoint a second club to compete for the Governor-General's prize, against the Toronto Granite club, which, by winning the Tankard, had acquired the right to represent the Association in the contest. As no rule had been made to meet the contingency, and as prompt action was necessary to secure that the match should be played during the season then nearly ended, your committee decided to select a second club, the choice falling on the Dundas club, which accepted the proffered honor, but we regret that, owing to circumstances, the match was not played.

After years of persistent but unavailing effort with his predecessor, we had succeeded in impressing our new Governor-General with the justice of our claim, and had secured for the stone-playing associations the same privilege as had been enjoyed, for years, by the one iron-playing association in regard to these prizes, and further, had obtained the concession of permission to play the match near home, instead of having to undertake the long and costly journey to play it at Ottawa; which privilege would probably have been continued to us in future years, and the result is most disheartening.

Some plan will have to be adopted, for determining what club or clubs shall have the right to the position of second competing club, in the match for these prizes.

There seems to be the danger of the outbreak of an epidemic of airing, in the public press, the little misunderstandings and tiffs which now and again crop out in the curling intercourse of clubs. We do not think the general public takes much interest in, or is well qualified to form an opinion on these matters, regarding which experienced curlers have sometimes difficulty in coming to a satisfactory decision. The practice, while being a means of letting off the surplus steam of some correspondents, may sometimes add a little to the circulation

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of a newspaper, but it is of little value or influence, and is apt to degenerate into a personal squabble. A far more satisfactory judgment may be obtained, by submitting the difficulty to the consideration of a capable committee, such as the Association appoints annually.

Our Patron, The Earl of Aberdeen, Governor-General of Canada, was graciously pleased to accept the office of Patron of the Association, to which he was unanimously chosen at the meeting in October, and kindly granted a special interview to a large number of prominent curlers, on the occasion of his first official visit to Toronto. The meeting was made very pleasant to the curlers, His Excellency expressed his pleasure at knowing that the game of curling had made such progress in Ontario, and throughout the Dominion; he informed them that he had long taken an active part in the game, that he had a club at his place, Haddo House, Aberdeenshire, that he had hoped to find here a Branch of the Royal Caledonian Curling Club, of which he had been President, but could readily understand that the conditions of ice and climate being so different to those in Scotland, different rules might be necessary for the proper conducting of matches and affairs. He would look into the conditions, established by his predecessors, for governing the competitions for the Governor-General's Curling Prizes, and might see his way to make alterations, and hoped to meet the curlers of Ontario "on the ice," bye and bye.

When His Excellency visited Toronto in January, a very interesting match was got up in his honor. The competitors comprising six rinks a side, were made up of the Patron and the office-bearers of the Association, against six rinks of Toronto curlers, headed by the Presidents of the four oldest clubs in the city; the match came off under most satisfactory conditions, and was a very pleasant meeting. His Excellency proved himself a really good player, although not so conversant with the advantages to be gained by a skilful use of the IN and OUT turns, as he will be with longer experience. He was accompanied by Lord Ava, eldest son of our first patron, Earl Dufferin, who also is a good curler, and

fond of the game. His Excellency goes into the game with great spirit and enthusiasm, and on this occasion, with players he had never seen before, he held his own against a rink made up of the Presidents of the four oldest clubs in the city, viz. : The Granite, Toronto, Caledonian, and Prospect Park, a strong quartette.

The unfavorable state of the weather on the morning of the day appointed for the match, deterred many of the office-bearers from coming to take part in the game, but fortunately a slight frost set in, and was sufficient, under the skilful management of caretaker Birley, to produce capital ice, and the friendly game was greatly enjoyed by all those taking part in it.

His Excellency was also present at the final competition for the Ontario Tankard, took a warm interest in the various contests and presented the Tankard to the happy winners, the Toronto Granite Curling club. He appears to regard the position of Patron as an office with duties attached, and sets himself conscientiously to discharge those duties.

We are pleased to note in another high quarter, a tribute paid to the influential position occupied by curling associations in the Dominion.

Some time ago your Association directed the attention of the Government to the effect that curling stones could not be made in Canada, because suitable rock was not found within its boundaries, and suggested that they might appropriately be placed on the free list in the tariff, the same as had been done in the United States many years ago, and continued in all the successive tariffs that had been adopted there; the Government seem to have taken the matter into their serious consideration, and finding curlers a very deserving class of people, and the game of curling a desirable recreation, worthy of public recognition and extensive development, have wisely adopted the suggestion, and ordered that henceforth curling stones shall be admitted into Canada free of customs duties. As the largest curling association in the Dominion, we cannot fail to be highly flattered by such complimentary recognition, in so high a

quarter, and accompanied by so important a concession ; we think that, while party politics are absolutely excluded from curling circles, this Association should acknowledge by resolution, the compliment paid by the Government to curlers, and the game of curling.

We have to report that the difficulties, experienced in arranging for a visit of curlers from Scotland, have not been overcome. We first sent our invitation for a friendly visit from curlers in Scotland, to the Royal Caledonian Curling club in 1877, and since that time have kept it steadily before the "mither club," but regret that it has not met with the response we expected ; we still entertain the hope that the visit will be made at no far distant day, and that the visitors and hosts will alike be benefited, and that once made it will be repeated frequently.

On motion duly made and seconded, the general report was received and adopted.

Mr. Russell moved that the clubs of Barrie, Clarksburg, Goderich, Midland, Niagara, Shelburne, Thornbury, Wiarton, and Wroxeter, being three years in arrears, be dropped from the roll. It was seconded by Mr. McIntosh, and carried.

Mr. Badenach moved that by-law No. 29 be amended by striking out the word "three" in the fifth line, and inserting the word "two" in its place, which was seconded by Mr. Russell, and carried.

Mr. Badenach moved, seconded by Mr. Wright, that a playing-off match be instituted, to determine what club shall have the honor of competing with the winner of the Tankard for the Governor-General's prize, when this Association is called upon to enter both clubs for said competition. That all clubs entering for the final competition for the Tankard shall be eligible to take part in this playing-off match, and shall be included in the drawings as they fall out of the Tankard competition; the final winner to have the honor, and if it declines to play, the last competing club to take its place, and if it declines, the Executive Committee to select any of the clubs taking part in this playing-off match. It was carried.

Mr. Wardell moved, seconded by Mr. Williamson, that the Executive Committee report at the October meeting, a plan for celebrating the twenty-first year of the Association. Carried.

Mr. Russell moved, seconded by Dr. Beaton, that the thanks of this Association be sent to Finance Minister Foster, of the compliments paid by him to curlers and the game of curling, when introducing the resolution of the Government to place curling stones in the tariff on the free list. Carried.

The President then proceeded to the distribution of prizes, presenting the silver medals to the representatives of the District champion clubs, the gold medal for the winner of the General Competition at the Points' Game to Mr. Flavelle, the banner and the President's gold medal to Mr. Dalton, representative of the Toronto Granite Curling Club, and the Vice-President's silver medal to Mr. Wardell, representative of Dundas Club. Messrs. Flavelle, Dalton and Wardell made suitable acknowledgments.

Dr. Beaton moved, seconded by Mr. Ferguson, that the thanks of the Association be tendered Mr. Wright, of the Walker House, for his kind continuance of such a convenient and comfortable place of meeting, and for other favors conferred upon the Association. It was carried, Mr. Wright making a neat reply.

Mr. Woodyatt moved a vote of thanks to the press, for faithfulness in reporting the business meetings of the Association, and the matches of the clubs during the curling season, and, remarking that the press representatives with us to-day had occupied the same position at many of our meetings, he moved that they be elected honorary members of the Association, their names being Mr. Frank Nelson of *The Globe*, Mr. Frank Elmore of *The Mail*, Mr. Garrett of *The World*, and Mr. Huston of *The Empire*. Seconded by Mr. Dalton, and carried.

Mr. Badenach moved, seconded by Mr. Carlyle, that the chairman leave the chair, and that it be taken by ex-President Dr. Beaton. Carried.

Dr. Beaton having taken the chair, Mr. Badenach moved, seconded by Mr. Flavelle, that the thanks of the meeting be paid to the President, and Vice-President for their valuable services, and the handsome prizes they had presented to the Association. The motion was carried, and replied to by President Matheson, and the meeting adjourned.

GEO. N. MATHESON,
Chairman.



OCTOBER MEETING.

TORONTO, 16th October, 1894.

Met, the Representative Committee, W. H. Biggar, M.P.P., 1st Vice-President, in the chair, called the meeting to order, and appointed Messrs. Woodyatt and Carlyle, the Committee on Credentials, who reported the accredited attendance, as follows:

CLUB	REPRESENTATIVE	CLUB	REPRESENTATIVE
Aberdeen.....	Geo. Erpingham	Markham.....	G. R. Vanzant
Aurora.....	E. T. Lightbourne	Meaford.....	J. S. Russell
Ayr.....	Jas. Pringle	North Bay.....	S. A. Huntington
Belleville.....	W. H. Biggar	Orillia.....	Geo. Thomson
Berlin.....	H. J. Hull	Owen Sound.....	Geo. Inglis
Bowmanville.....	W. J. McMurtry	Paris.....	A. H. Baird
Brampton.....	Jas. Golding	Parkdale.....	J. B. Perry
Brantford.....	Thos. Woodyatt	Peterboro'.....	Dr. R. P. Boucher
Buffalo.....	Dr. H. C. Frost	St. Catharines.....	Wm. Thomson
Campbellford.....	G. G. Eakins	St. Mary's.....	T. O. Robson
Chatham.....	Dr. J. L. Bray	Sault Ste. Marie.....	J. S. Russell
Churchill.....	D. Carlyle	Sarnia.....	W. F. Davison
Cobourg.....	G. R. Hargraft	Scarboro'.....	A. Fleming
Detroit.....	C. C. Dalton	Scarboro' Maple Leaf.....	A. Fleming
Dundas.....	Ed. Collins	Seaforth.....	D. D. Wilson
Fenelon Falls.....	J. D. Flavelle	Stratford.....	T. O. Robson
Forest.....	Thos. McCracken	Thamesville.....	R. Ferguson
Galt.....	G. A. Graham	Toronto.....	Jno. Wright
Galt Granite.....	T. E. McLellan	Toronto Caledonian.....	Jno. Wright
Hamilton Thistle.....	M. Leggatt	.....	W. D. McIntosh
Hamilton Victoria.....	D. McPhie	Toronto Granite.....	W. Badenach
Harriston.....	Jno. Saunders	Toronto Prospect Park.....	.....
Ingersoll.....	L. K. Cameron	.....	D. Carlyle
Keene.....	J. S. Russell	Walkerton.....	J. R. Shaw
Lindsay.....	J. D. Flavelle	Whitby.....	Judge Dartnell
London Forest City.....	.....	Wingham.....	Hugh Millar
.....	W. B. McMurrich	Woodstock.....	Jno. Wright

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

The Secretary read a letter from Ingersoll Aberdeen Club applying for admission into the Association. It was moved by Judge Dartnell, seconded by C. C. Dalton, that it be received. The motion was carried.

The Executive Committee reported that they recommend that the arrival of the twenty-first year, in the

history of the Association, be celebrated by a Bonspiel on Burlington Bay, on the 10th January, 1895, weather permitting, on the plan of a match East vs. West; and that the two clubs in Hamilton be requested to take charge of it, on behalf of the East, and West sections respectively.

Judge Dartnell moved that the report be adopted, which was seconded by W. D. McIntosh, and carried.

On motion of G. R. Vanzant, seconded by John Saunders, His Excellency the Governor-General was unanimously elected Patron.

On motion of J. D. Flavelle, seconded by W. Badenach, W. H. Biggar, of Belleville club, was elected President.

On motion of John Wright, seconded by Dr. R. P. Boucher, Thos. McGaw, of Toronto Club, was elected First Vice-President.

On motion of Dr. J. L. Bray, seconded by C. C. Dalton, Thos. Woodyatt, of Brantford club, was elected Second Vice-President.

On motion of A. H. Baird, seconded by Dr. J. L. Bray, the Rev. Robert McCosh, of Chatham club, was elected Chaplain.

On motion of Geo. Inglis, seconded by R. Ferguson, M.P.P., J. S. Russell was re-elected Secretary-Treasurer, with remuneration the same as last year.

A ballot having been taken, the following were elected as the Executive Committee, viz. :—

John Wright, C. C. Dalton, Geo. Thomson, D. Dexter, T. A. Wardell, and an equal vote having been given for D. Carlyle and W. D. McIntosh, Mr. Carlyle withdrew in favor of Mr. McIntosh, who thus became elected.

On motion of Geo. Thomson, seconded by S. A. Huntington, Thos. McCracken, Judge Dartnell and W. B. McMurrich were re-elected the Committee on Complaints and Appeals.

On motion of W. Badenach, seconded by Dr. J. L. Bray, Jas. Hedley, J. S. Russell, and W. F. Davison were re-elected the Committee on the Annual.

On motion of D. Carlyle, seconded by W. D. McIntosh, Jas. Pringle and T. G. Williamson were re-elected Auditors.

The plan of grouping, as revised by the Executive Committee, after receiving suggestions of alterations from the clubs, was then submitted, and after being considered group by group, was finally arranged as follows, viz.:

GROUP NO. 1.

(To be played mainly at Cobourg.)

Umpire, J. A. VANCE, of Millbrook Club.

Belleville Club,
Cobourg Waverley "
Bowmanville "
Oshawa "
Whitby "

GROUP NO. 2.

(To be played mainly at Peterboro'.)

Umpire, G. F. HALL, of Waubaushene Club.

Campbellford Club,
Keene "
Lakefield "
Millbrook "
Bobcaygeon "
Peterboro' "

The Umpire to be instructed to see that the ice is new or virgin ice, and neutral.

GROUP NO. 3.

(To be played mainly at Lindsay.)

Umpire, W. GIDLEY, of Bobcaygeon Club.

Lindsay Club,
Fenelon Falls "
Uxbridge "
Waubaushene "
Orillia "
Port Perry "
Coldwater "

GROUP NO. 4.

Own Umpire.

North Bay Club,
Sault Ste. Marie "
Sudbury "

If only North Bay and Sudbury compete, the match to be played at North Bay, with W. Cormack as Umpire.

GROUP NO. 5.

(To be played at Collingwood.)

Umpire, GEO. THOMSON, of Orillia Club.

Churchill Club,
Collingwood "
Meaford "

GROUP NO. 6.

Umpire, C. TURNBULL, of Galt Granite Club.

Dundas Club,
Galt "
Hamilton Thistle "
Paris "

GROUP NO. 7.

(To be played at Hamilton.)

Umpire, T. A. Wardell, of Dundas Club.

Hamilton Victoria Club,
Brantford "
Ancaster "
Woodstock "
Milton "
Hamilton Asylum "
Simcoe "

GROUP NO. 8.

(To be played at Toronto)

Umpire, DR. CARLYLE, of
Toronto Granite Club.

Toronto Prospect Park Club,
Toronto " "
Scarboro " "
Brampton " "
Aurora " "
Aberdeen " "

GROUP NO. 9.

(To be played in Toronto.)

Umpire, JOS. WRIGHT, of
Prospect Park Club.

Markham Club,
Toronto Granite " "
Toronto Caledonian " "
Parkdale " "
Scarboro Maple Leaf " "
Stouffville " "

In Groups 8 and 9, when, in the first draw, a Toronto club is drawn vs. a club in the country, the match to be played in the country.

GROUP NO. 10.

Umpire, JAS. CANFIELD, of
Woodstock Club.

London Club,
Embros " "
Bright " "
St. Thomas " "
Plattsville " "
Aylmer " "
Ingersoll Aberdeen " "
Petrolia " "

GROUP NO. 11.

Umpire, W. SOUTHAM, of
Hamilton Thistle Club.

Niagara Falls Club,
St. Catharines " "
Thorold Lorne " "
Buffalo Caledonian " "
Ancaster Thistle " "
West Flamboro " "

GROUP NO. 12.

(To be played at Detroit.)

Umpire, ROBT. REID, Sr., of
London Forest City Club.

Sarnia Club,
Forest " "
Thamesville " "
Chatham " "
Detroit " "
St. Marys " "

GROUP NO. 13.

Umpire, GEO. MOORE, of
Berlin Club.

Stratford Club,
Seaforth " "
London Forest City " "
Guelph Royal City " "

GROUP NO. 14.

Umpire, D. D. WILSON, of
Seaforth Club.

Lucknow Club,
Kincardine " "
Wingham " "
Brussels " "
Walkerton " "

GROUP NO. 15.

(To be played mainly at Guelph.)

Umpire, JOHN KENNEDY, of
Guelph Royal City Club.

Fergus Club,
Guelph " "
Berlin " "
Preston " "
Galt Granite " "
Ayr " "

GROUP NO. 16.

Umpire, W. A. RICHARDSON, of
Walkerton Club.

Harriston Club,
Owen Sound " "
Chesley " "
Durham " "
Orangeville " "

It was moved by Mr. Woodyatt, seconded by Mr. McCracken, and carried, that the plan of grouping, as finally revised, be adopted; and that hereafter all proposed changes in the plan of grouping must be sent to the Secretary of the Association, not less than one day before the October meeting of the Representative Committee.

Moved by Ed. Collins, seconded by John Saunders, that in the final Tankard competition, the entrance fee shall be reduced to four dollars for each club, and that it be intimated to all the clubs, that meals will not continue to be furnished to the winning players by the Association, but that all visiting curlers will be made members *pro tem.* of the clubs at which they play, and be entitled to all the privileges of regular members; all as recommended by the Executive Committee; and it was carried.

The Secretary reported that during the year the following members of the Association had been removed by death, viz.: John Ferguson, Thamesville Club; Dr. Hunt, Clarksburg; F. Malloch, Hamilton Thistle; Col. Moffat, London; George Eastland, Bobcaygeon; Captain Douglas, W. A. Shepard, and Chas. Burns, Toronto Club; J. L. Brodie, Toronto Granite; Jas. Duncan, Brantford; D. Pitceathly, Belleville; Jas. Greenfield, Prospect Park; E. G. Burke, Campbellford; and A. Bruce, Guelph Union Club; most of whom were prominent as curlers, and all of them deservedly esteemed as citizens.

On motion duly made and seconded, the report was received, and the names of the deceased were ordered to be entered on the minutes.

The Secretary reported that the Executive Committee recommend, that 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 the competition; and moved accordingly. The motion was seconded by Mr. Wright, and carried.

Mr. Inglis moved, seconded by Mr. Saunders, that the Executive Committee devise some plan to lessen the time occupied by reading minutes of April meetings. Carried.

The Secretary then moved that Mr. Biggar leave the chair, and that it be occupied by Dr. Beaton, which was carried.

He then presented to the Chairman, Mr. W. H. Biggar, of Belleville club, M. L. A., as President-elect. Dr. Beaton congratulated him on his election, also the Association on their good fortune to have such a President, and welcomed him to the chair of office.

Mr. Biggar replied briefly, acknowledging his deep sense of the honor conferred on him, and expressing his desire to follow, to the best of his ability, the able men who had preceded him in office. He represented an eastern club, approved of this high honor being distributed regularly throughout the Province, and hoped that all jealousy of one section being more favored than another would cease, as there was no ground for it, and he would endeavor to eradicate any such feeling.

Mr. Woodyatt, of Brantford club, the Second Vice-President, was then presented to the Chairman, who welcomed him to his honorable and promising position, Mr. Woodyatt making a happy reply.

A vote of thanks to Mr. Wright, of the Walker House, for continued kindness and courtesies, was proposed by Dr. Beaton, and heartily accorded. Mr. Wright made a pleasant reply, after which the Chairman declared the meeting adjourned.

W. H. BIGGAR, *Chairman.*

THE COMING SEASON.

Even if we be favored with a good steady winter, one of the olden time, the curlers of Ontario will be well able to fully occupy the standard of one hundred days of curling weather, during the coming season.

In addition to the numerous prizes which are played for in every club and locality, we have, this year, the pleasure of giving publicity to the Western Ontario Tankard, and to the Guelph Trophies, which are made open to clubs in widely extended districts; and as we believe they have been given to promote the game of curling in Ontario, and to supplement the grand contest for the ONTARIO TANKARD, we wish them all success.

The competitions for the Ontario Tankard, primary and final, open to all affiliated clubs, form still the noblest competition known to the curling world, and they are becoming more popular every year; the Consolation Match in connection with the final will add a new and interesting feature to that famous contest.

The following list will fill up a long and busy season :

1.—The Patron and Office Bearers of the O.C.A. vs. Six Rinks selected from the Members of Toronto Clubs; (probably very early in January).

2.—The Grand Open Air Bonspiel, to celebrate the opening of the Twenty-first Year in the history of the Association, to take place on Burlington Bay, Hamilton, on Thursday, 10th January, 1895 (weather permitting); open to all curling clubs in Canada and elsewhere, whether connected with the O.C.A. or not.

The occasion is unique and will never occur again, the place of meeting is most central, and can be easily reached from all parts of the Province, and it rests with the curlers of Ontario to make this the grandest gathering of curlers that has ever assembled on the Continent of America. The management is in the hands of a Joint Committee of the Hamilton Thistle and Victoria clubs, who will in good time send out invitations, and we may be assured

that everything possible will be done to secure the comfort and convenience of visiting curlers.

3.—The Western Ontario Tankard, open to all clubs west of, or on the line of railway from Buffalo to Warton, via Stratford. See page 112.

4.—The Guelph Trophies, open to all curling clubs west of Toronto. The conditions of the competition for these prizes have not reached us, but they will doubtless be published in good time.

5.—The General Competition at the Points' Game, open to every member of the Association, (for rules see page 123).

6.—The Primary Competitions for the Ontario Tankard, open to all clubs in the Association; beginning in the several groups about middle of January, and to be completed before 10th February.

7.—The Final Competition for the Ontario Tankard, between the champion clubs of the sixteen groups; about middle of February.

8.—The Match to determine club to compete *vs.* Winner of Tankard for the Governor-General's Prize for stone-playing clubs; to be played as a consolation match of the Tankard final.

9.—The Competition for the Governor-General's Prize for stone-playing clubs; (probably about end of February).

10.—The Scottish Counties' Match for the A. M. Stewart Medal, now held for Lanarkshire by Mr. M. Leggat, Hamilton; might be arranged to be played for as a part of the big bonspiel on 10th January. Who will challenge Lanarkshire?

WESTERN ONTARIO TANKARD

REGULATIONS.

This Tankard was originally presented by the curlers of London, for competition among certain western clubs.

It was finally won in the season 1892-3 by the St. Marys Club, and by them again put up for competition.

To be held permanently, it must be won three times in any five successive years.

It is played for in a system of primary and final games, and is open to clubs west of, or on the line of railway from Buffalo to Warton, via Stratford.

The final games will this season be played in London. The dates for the games will not clash with those for the Ontario Tankard.

Mr. G. H. McIntyre, Secretary of the St. Marys Club, will answer communications.

THE GUELPH TROPHIES

FIRST.—The Sleeman Trophy, presented by George Sleeman, Esq., to promote the game of Curling in Guelph and vicinity ; to be competed for as a Club Trophy.

SECOND.—The Guelph Tankard, furnished by the Guelph Curlers ; to be competed for as a Rink Trophy. Mr. J. A. Lillie, Guelph, is Secretary to the Board of Trustees in charge.

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THE ONTARIO SILVER TANKARD

REGULATIONS FOR THE COMPETITION.

1. The Ontario Tankard shall be competed for annually; and all clubs connected with the Association, and in good standing, will be entitled to take part in the competition.

2. The Competition shall be in two parts; the first called the Primary, between the clubs arranged in sixteen groups, and as nearly as possible an equal number of clubs in each group; and the second, called the Final, between the winning clubs in those groups; and all the games shall be of 22 ends.

3. In the Primary Competition, the clubs in each group which notify the Umpire of their intention to take part in the contest, shall be drawn against each other in pairs, on the Bagnall Wyld System*, and the survivors of each of the matches shall continue the competition until one club has become the winner. In the Final Competition, the clubs winning in the Primary shall meet in Toronto, or elsewhere, as may be arranged at the October meeting, each with two rinks, and carry out the contest in like manner as in the Primary, until one has become the victor and winner of the Tankard for the year; and the club playing the last match with the winner shall be recorded as "the last competing club."

4. At the meeting of the Representatives in October, the clubs shall be arranged in groups, and an Umpire from another group appointed to conduct the matches

* Three clubs in, make two byes, which play off, leaving an even two.

Five clubs in, make two byes, which play off, leaving an even four.

Six clubs in, make four byes, which play off, leaving an even four.

Seven clubs in, make six byes, which play off, leaving an even four.

Nine clubs in, make two byes, which play off, and leave an even eight.

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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 10th day of February, as survivors in the Primary, can take part in the Final Competition, the winner in each group should take care that the report of its success is duly made before that date.

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

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

12. A Silver Medal, emblematic of the District Championship for the year, will be presented to each Club winning in the Primary, which also takes part in the Final Competition.

13. A fee of four dollars shall be paid by each Club entering for the Final Competition, towards defraying the expenses thereof.

X REPORT OF THE COMPETITION OF THE ONTARIO TANKARD FOR 1894. X

This unrivalled curling contest was opened in the sixteen groups, with two rinks from each of sixty-seven clubs, making in all one hundred and thirty-four rinks, with five hundred and thirty-six curlers, who took part in the Primary Competition; these were ultimately reduced by the disappearance of the weaker in the numerous contests which ensued, until only one club in each group survived, the Champion of the District for the year.

GROUP No.	UMPIRE.	CLUBS			WINNER.
		In Group	Quali- fied	Com- peted	
1	J. D. Flavelle	6	5	5	Peterboro'.
2	J. E. Gauld	5	5	5	Oshawa.
3	C McGill	6	4	4	Orillia.
4	Dr. Beaton	5	2	1	Waubauskene.
5	J. McL. Stevenson	4	2	2	Meaford.
6	W. G. Reid	6	6	6	Hamilton Thistle.
7	Jno. Harvey	6	5	5	Hamilton Victoria.
8	W. D. McIntosh..	6	5	5	Toronto Granite.
9	D. Brown	6	5	5	Toronto Prospect Pk.
10	J. Canfield	5	5	5	Galt.
11	T. Woodyatt	7	6	5	Dundas.
12	W. D. Hepburn ..	6	6	6	Galt Granite.
13	T. O. Robson	6	3	3	Seaforth.
14	Robt. Reid, Jr. ...	6	6	5	Sarnia.
15	W. A. Richardson	6	4	2	Harriston.
16	Walter Moore	5	3	3	Chesley.
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The number of clubs entering the competition was larger than in any previous year, which gives pleasing evidence of the growing popularity of this important contest, also of the appreciation of the honor of striving for the group championships, and the higher honors of the final competition.

The appointment of umpires from clubs outside of the groups in which the competitions are being carried out, has been found an improvement over the former method, and we are pleased to be able to report that only one protest was made in the many matches played. The number of clubs entitled to take part in the Association matches was seventy-seven; of these five preferred to compete for district medals, as reported, and thus only five clubs in good standing failed to enter the Tankard Competitions.

The one protest arose in group No. 12; in the excitement of a closely contested game, the vice-skip of one of the rinks trespassed upon the ice of the other party, and swept one of their running stones before it reached the sweeping line, thus "marring" it.

A claim of "foul" was made at once and admitted, but no one present seemed to know what rule applied to the case, or what penalty was attached to it, and the game proceeded under protest, the umpire meanwhile looking up the rules to ascertain the specific error and its penalty, which, however, he failed to discover, or at least did not announce; an appeal was made to the President, who after hearing from all parties, ordered the match to be played over, *de novo*, and it was so played.

Of the sixteen group winners, only two, viz., Galt Granite and Harriston clubs, did not follow up their success in the primary by going forward to the final competition, thus losing their chances of becoming Tankard winners, forfeiting their group championship medals, and depriving their groups of the honor of being represented in the final competition.

The rinks made up for the final contest, by the clubs winning in the primary, were composed as follows, viz. :

Peterborough Club

Toronto Granite Club

G. W. Hatton.
R. S. Davidson.
C. McGill.
W. G. Ferguson, Skip.

J. W. Gale, Jr.
E. A. Badenach.
W. C. Matthews.
T. G. Williamson, Skip.

A. E. McNeil.
R. H. Kells.
S. Ray.
T. Rutherford, Skip.

J. W. Carroll.
G. de C. O'Grady.
W. J. McMurtry.
C. C. Dalton, Skip.

Oshawa Club

Toronto Prospect Pk. Club

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

Geo. Clappison.
Q. D. Day.
J. G. Gibson.
Q. D. McCulloch, Skip.

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

Mark Hall.
Robt. Watson.
J. P. Rogers.
J. C. Scott, Skip.

Orillia Club

Galt Club

Geo. Thomson.
J. B. Henderson.
W. M. Harvey.
Jno. McCosh, Skip.

G. A. Graham.
R. Hunter.
T. McDougall.
R. Veitch, Skip.

Jno. Scott.
C. E. Whiten.
A. B. Perry.
T. A. Main, Skip.

A. McAuslan.
T. McAuslan.
A. G. Gourlay.
T. Allison, Skip.

Waubauskene Club

Dundas Club

P. Schissler.
W. A. Wright.
C. P. Stocking.
C. P. Fisher, Skip.

W. D. Herald.
W. H. P. Fisher.
C. Wilson.
T. A. Wardell, Skip.

H. Ames.
C. Y. Millard.
C. C. Wallace.
G. F. Hall, Skip.

E. Collins.
J. J. Steele.
M. S. Wilson.
Dr. Bertram, Skip.

Meaford Club

W. McIntosh.
A. Thompson.
J. Douglass.
J. Gibbons, Skip.

J. Milligan.
Jno. Lang.
J. Stewart.
J. S. Wilson, Skip.

Seaforth Club

W. O. Reid.
A. Wilson.
J. M. Lyon.
A. Young, Skip.

J. Turner.
J. S. Roberts.
W. Pickard.
Jno. Weir, Skip.

Hamilton Thistle Club

J. Thompson.
C. W. Dean.
Jno. Kerner.
W. Vallance, Skip.

S. Read.
T. C. Hazlitt.
J. B. Young.
W. Southam, Skip.

Sarnia Club

J. M. Gibb.
J. C. Symes.
J. McGibbon.
A. Crawford, Skip.

R. W. Scott.
Jas. King.
Capt. Robertson.
Jno. Chester, Skip.

Hamilton Victoria Club

T. Kilvington.
G. Stevenson.
D. McPhie.
W. A. Miller, Skip.

J. Morton.
J. D. McKay.
F. K. Howell.
D. Dexter, Skip.

Chesley Club

D. A. Murphy.
W. Halliday.
C. C. Simpson.
Jos. Adams, Skip.

J. Edgar.
R. Halliday.
D. McLean.
Dr. Stewart, Skip.

The drawing was made on the evening before the opening of the eventful contest, after it was known what clubs were to be present, and resulted as follows:—

Sarnia		vs	Chesley	
J. Crawford, Skip23		Jos. Adams, Skip21
J. Chester, "25		Dr. Stewart, "13
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Total48		Total34

Toronto Granite vs Toronto Prospect Park

T. G. Williamson, Skip30	Q. D. McCulloch, Skip15
C. C. Dalton,	"21	J. C. Scott,	"18
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Total51	Total33

Seaforth vs Peterboro'

A. Young, Skip27	W. G. Ferguson, Skip20
Jno. Weir,	"19	T. Rutherford,	"17
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Total46	Total37

Waubauskene vs Hamilton Victoria

C. P. Fisher, Skip24	D. Dexter, Skip21
G. F. Hall,	"21	W. A. Miller,	"21
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Total45	Total42

Oshawa vs Orillia

P. H. Punshon, Skip21	Jno. McCosh, Skip23
J. A. Sykes,	"21	T. A. Main,	"17
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Total42	Total40

Galt vs Hamilton Thistle

R. Veitch, Skip17	W. Vallance, Skip18
T. Allison,	"26	W. Southam,	"16
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Total43	Total34

Dundas and Meaford had byes.

In the second round.

Dundas vs Meaford

T. A. Wardell, Skip26	J. Gibbons, Skip20
Dr. Bertram,	"24	J. S. Wilson,	"7
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Total50	Total27

Sarnia vs Waubauskene

A. Crawford, Skip25	C. P. Fisher, Skip16
J. Chester,	"11	G. F. Hall,	"17
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Total36	Total33

Toronto Granite vs Galt

C. C. Dalton, Skip12	R. Veitch, Skip22
T. G. Williamson,	"27	T. Allison,	"15
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Total39	Total37

Oshawa		vs	Seaforth	
J. A. Sykes, Skip	24		A. Young, Skip	16
P. H. Punshon, "	20		Jno. Weir, "	15
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Total	44		Total	31

In the the third round.

Dundas		vs	Oshawa	
T. A. Wardell, Skip	15		J. A. Sykes, Skip	15
Dr. Bertram, "	19		P.H. Punshon, "	13
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Total	34		Total	28

Toronto Granite		vs	Sarnia	
C. C. Dalton, Skip	25		A. Crawford, Skip	14
T. G. Williamson, "	22		J. Chester "	21
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Total	47		Total	35

And in the closing match.

Toronto Granite		vs	Dundas	
C. C. Dalton, Skip	19		T. A. Wardell, Skip	20
T. G. Williamson, "	21		Dr. Bertram, "	16
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Total	40		Total	36

DETAILED SCORE :

Dalton	0	2	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	6	1	—	19	
Wardell	1	0	2	0	1	3	0	2	0	2	0	1	2	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	—	20
Williamson	2	0	1	0	0	3	0	3	1	0	0	2	0	2	1	1	1	0	1	2	1	0	—	21
Bertram	0	1	0	1	3	0	4	0	0	1	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	1	—	16

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At the close of the match the large and excited throng of curlers mustered in a vast semi-circle on the ice in front of the Governor-General, Patron of the Association, and the umpire having reported the result of the competition, His Excellency presented the famous Tankard to Mr. R. McClain, President of the Toronto Granite Curling Club; in a few happily expressed sentences he congratulated the players of the Granite club on their well-won victory, and the Dundas club on the admirable game they had played against their more for-

fortunate competitors ; then making his remarks more general, he said : You are all curlers, and as such have taken a lively interest in the competition just completed ; both of the clubs which met this afternoon in the closing match of this grand contest, had to qualify by defeating strong opponents, and the curlers who suffered defeat, even in the primary matches, fought out throughout the whole province, in the group competitions, or in those of the past two days, have therefore no reason to feel ashamed of themselves. Curlers will cherish no heart-burnings, but will come here again next year equally eager for the fray. As Patron of the Ontario Curling Association, I feel happy to be with you to-day, and trust I may be with you again next year.

Mr. McClain, President of the Toronto Granite Curling Club, gracefully admitted the pride with which he accepted the honored trophy, the proof of the skill and endurance of the representative curlers of the club of which he had the honor of being President in this happy year, when for the first time in the history of the Association, our illustrious Patron had not only done us the honor of witnessing and of joining with us in our games, but of making the presentation of the trophy to the winning club ; he added that the Granite club had striven hard in the past to win this most honored curling trophy, and would strive as hard in the future, and he hoped, not less successfully.

After three cheers for His Excellency, our Patron, for the Toronto Granite club, the winning, and Dundas, the last competing club, another and memorable tankard competition was ended.

The weather was most favorable, the ice in splendid condition, and the skill of the skips and the play of the curlers were worthy of the occasion, which is, beyond compare, the most interesting competition known in curling.

As usual the two days' play passed off smoothly and satisfactorily, and the successful labors of the management were duly appreciated.

The report was declared carried.

HONOUR ROLL

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.....

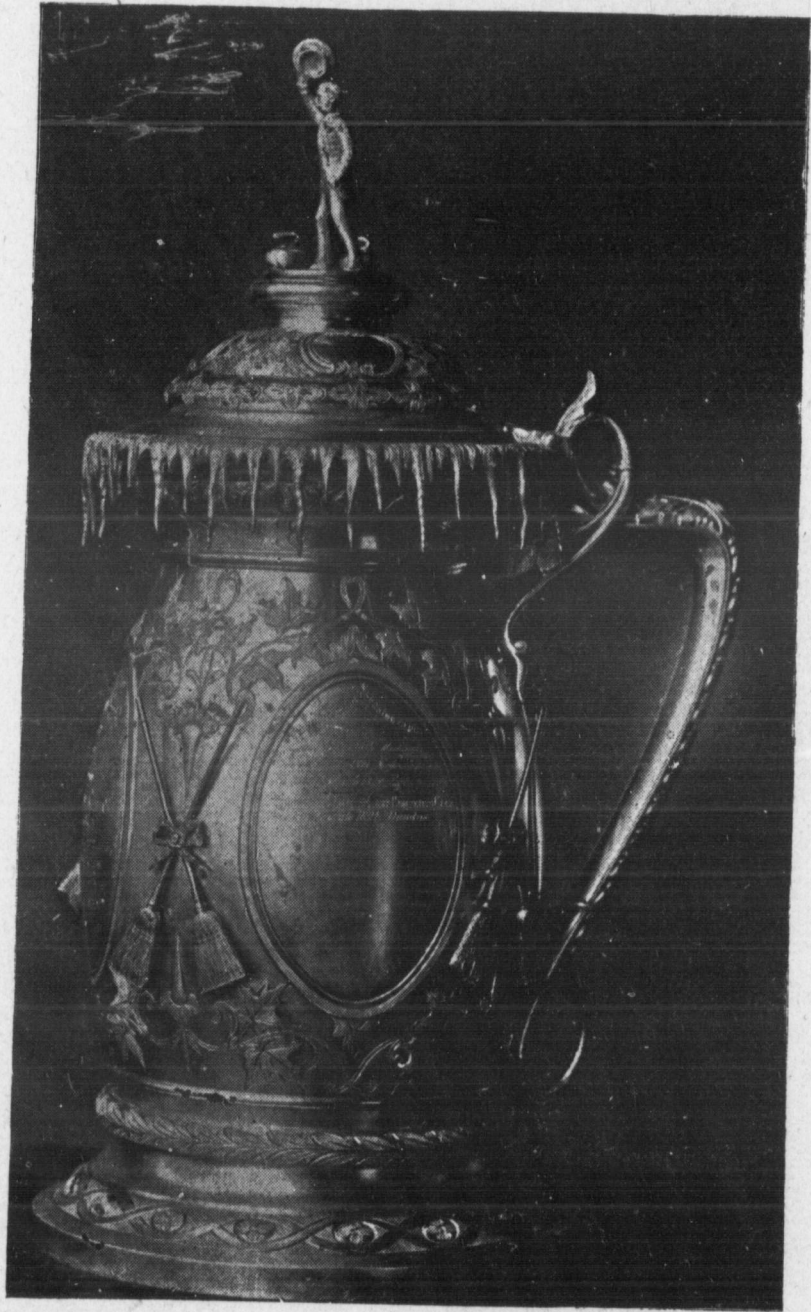


THE
ONTARIO TANKARD
1894



TORONTO GRANITE
CURLING CLUB

JAMES G. ...
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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 February in each year, on the evening of which day he shall make up the record for the season.

The returns for season 1893-94, are :

42	made by	J. D. Flavelle, Lindsay club.
37	"	C. P. Stocking, Waubaushene club.
37	"	W. T. Thomas, Sarnia club.
36	"	John Kennedy, Guelph Royal City club.
36	"	C. E. Maddison, Toronto club.
35	"	G. A. Strickland, Lakefield club.
34	"	W. G. Ferguson, Peterboro' club.
33	"	J. B. Pentland, Peterboro' club.
32	"	W. B. Smith, Toronto club.
32	"	Geo. C. Biggar, Toronto club.
30	"	John Malloy, Hamiton Thistle club.

Club Records, 1893-94

BRANTFORD CLUB

<i>vs.</i>	R.	W.	L.
Paris.....	2	6	..
".....	4	9	..
Plattsville.....	2	18	..
Ancaster.....	2	9	..
Woodstock.....	2	9	..
Walkerton.....	2	..	7
St. Mary's.....	2	..	5
Hamilton Thistle....	2	..	34
Galt Granite.....	3	..	44
Guelph Royal City, for Robertson-MacDon- ald Trophy.....	4	6	..
Dundas Club, for Wil- son-Neill Trophy ..	4	18	..
			75 90

Points' Medals.

1st, H. T. Westbrooke.
2nd, J. H. Scott.
Juniors—H. T. Wilcox.

DUNDAS CLUB

<i>vs.</i>	R.	W.	L.
Hamilton Asylum...	2	24	..
".....	2	..	15
West Flamboro.....	2	15	..
".....	2	..	7
Toronto Granite.....	2	..	4
Galt Granite.....	3	37	..
Hamilton Victoria...	3	..	6
".....	3	40	..
".....	3	9	..
Ayr.....	2	7	..
Preston.....	2	6	..
Hamilton Thistle....	6	18	..
".....	5	27	..
Meaford.....	2	23	..
Oshawa.....	2	6	..
Ancaster.....	4	41	..
".....	4	9	..
Brantford, for Wilson- Neill Trophy.....	4	..	18
			262 50

Points' Medals.

Senior—Won by H. F. Powell.
Junior— " E. Baker.
Club Cup—Won by A. Bertram's
Rink.

GALT CLUB

<i>vs.</i>	R.	W.	L.
Galt Granite.....	4	18	..
".....	4	3	..
Toronto.....	3	..	6
Toronto Granite....	3	..	9
".....	2	..	2
Hamilton Thistle....	4	9	..
".....	2	9	..
Hamilton Victoria. .	3	12	..
Woodstock.....	4	3	..
".....	2	..	2
Paris.....	3	..	21
St. Mary's.....	2	15	..
Guelph Union.....	3	18	..
			87 40

HAMILTON VICTORIA CLUB

<i>vs.</i>	R.	W.	L.
Thorold Lorne.....	2	42	..
Dundas, Victoria Cup	3	..	62
".....	3	35	..
".....	3	..	65
".....	3	..	40
Hamilton Asylum....	2	42	..
".....	2	..	41
St. Catharines.....	2	43	..
Waubashene.....	2	..	45
Hamilton Thistle, Galbreath Trophy.	3	41	..
Hami'ton Thistle, Galbreath Trophy.	3	47	..
Hamilton Thistle, Ferguson Cup.....	2	..	47
Galt.....	3	..	63
Toronto Caledonian, Reid Cup.....	3	..	61
			250 424

PARIS CLUB

	<i>vs.</i>	R.	W.	L.
Woodstock	2	..	6	
Brantford	4	..	12	
Galt	3	21	..	
Woodstock	4	20	..	
Ayr	3	22	..	
Galt Granite	3	14	..	
Hamilton Thistle	4	..	1	
Brantford	2	..	6	
		77	25	

Points' Game, for Adams' Cup—
 Won by Scott Davidson—
 Score 27.

PARKDALE CLUB

	<i>vs.</i>	R.	W.	L.
Fergus	2	3	..	
Toronto Caledonian	2	14	..	
“ Prospect Pk.	6	32	..	
“ Caledonian	2	..	7	
Brampton	3	5	..	
“	4	46	..	
Guelph Royal City	2	7	..	
Galt Granite	2	..	5	
Toronto Granite	3	6	..	
Toronto	3	..	5	
		113	17	

PETERBOROUGH CLUB.

	<i>vs.</i>	R.	W.	L.
Lindsay	4	16	..	
“	4	..	20	
Lakefield	2	23	..	
“	2	..	5	
“	2	18	..	
“	3	..	26	
Whitby	2	..	3	
Campbellford	2	28	..	
“	2	..	2	
“	2	15	..	
“	2	9	..	
Seaforth	2	..	9	
Bobcaygeon	2	15	..	
Toronto	6	10	..	
Toronto Granite	12	..	49	
		134	114	

Club Cup, won by W. G. Ferguson.
 Kendry Cup, won by J. H. Connal's Rink.
 Innes Medal, won by D. Belleghem.

ST MARY'S CLUB

	<i>vs.</i>	R.	W.	L.
Forest	2	11	..	
“	2	..	2	
Thamesville	2	..	19	
Seaforth	2	8	..	
London	2	1	..	
Galt	2	..	15	
Stratford	1	7	..	
London Forest City	2	..	5	
“	2	20	..	
Brantford	2	5	..	
Woodstock	2	21	..	
Walkerton	2	15	..	
Sarnia	3	41	..	

Points' Trophy, 129 41
 won by S. Spalding, score 33.

NORTH BAY CLUB

	<i>vs.</i>	R.	W.	L.
Sudbury	2	..	16	
“	2	15	..	
		15	16	

THAMESVILLE CLUB

	<i>vs.</i>	R.	W.	L.
St. Mary's	2	19	..	
London	2	33	..	
London Forest City	2	16	..	
		68	..	

For curling stones presented by
 Geo. N. Matheson, at opening
 of New Rink, Sarnia.

TORONTO CALEDONIAN CLUB

	<i>vs.</i>	R.	W.	L.
Buffalo, for Davies' Cup	3	8	..	
Hamilton Victoria, for Reid Cup	3	3	..	

TORONTO GRANITE CLUB

<i>vs.</i>	R.	W.	L.
Detroit	6	33	..
Galt	2	9	..
" Granite.....	3	9	..
Toronto Prospect Pk. City Trophy.....	8	37	..
Toronto, City Trophy	8	44	..
Brampton	4	1	..
Cobourg.....	2	..	7
Scarboro', Ontario Tankard.....	2	35	..
Brampton, Ontario Tankard.....	2	11	..
Toronto Prospect Pk. City Trophy	8	91	..
Peterboro'.....	12	49	..
Toronto, City Trophy	8	3	..
Toronto Prospect Pk. Tankard Final....	2	18	..
Galt Granite, Tankard Final.....	2	2	..
Sarnia, Tankard Final	2	12	..
Dundas, Tankard Final	2	4	..
Hamilton Thistle ...	8	Tie	
			7
			361

**TORONTO PROSPECT
PARK CLUB**

<i>vs.</i>	R.	W.	L.
Brampton	4	..	3
"	4	32	..
Toronto Caledonian ..	5	1	..
"	2	14	..
Cobourg	3	6	..
Hamilton Thistle	8	4	..
Galt Granite.....	2	15	..
Oshawa	3	..	1
Parkdale	6	..	32
Scarboro' Maple Leaf	2	14	..
Toronto Granite	6	5	..
"	8	..	37
"	6	4	..
"	8	..	84
"	2	..	18
Toronto	6	6	..
"	8	..	19
"	8	..	30
			101
			224

Club Rink Match—

For the Lamb Cup, won by
D. Carlyle's Rink: last competing rink, R. B. Rice's.
Doubles, for Vice-Pres. Medal,
Wm. Forbes and Q. D. Day.
Singles, for President's Cup.
Winner E. L. Forbes.
Points' Game, for the Donogh
Cup, winner Joseph Lugsdin.

WALKERTON CLUB

<i>vs.</i>	R.	W.	L.
Chesley	8
Durham	14	..
Brantford.....	..	7	..
St. Mary's.....	15
			21
			23

WAUBAUSHENE CLUB

<i>vs.</i>	R.	W.	L.
Coldwater	2	9	..
Orillia	2	..	9
"	2	2	..
Coldwater	2	15	..
"	2	12	..
Hamilton Victoria ...	2	3	..
Sarnia.....	2	..	3
Orillia	2	11	..
			52
			12

WOODSTOCK CLUB

<i>vs.</i>	R.	W.	L.
Paris	4	..	20
"	2	6	..
London.....	2	11	..
London Forest City..	2	..	1
Embro	3	18	..
Plattsville	2	20	..
St. Mary's	2	..	21
Galt	2	2	..
"	4	..	3
Brantford	2	..	9
Hamilton.....	6	..	1
Aylmer	2	11	..
Galt Granite.....	4	..	23

Woodroffe Cup, 68 78
won by Jas. Canfield's Rink.

GRAND CURLING MATCH.

The Patron and Office Bearers of the O.C.A. vs **Six Rinks of Toronto Curlers**

Presidents of four oldest City Clubs

Lord Aberdeen, Skip..... 7	R. McClain, <i>Granite</i> , Skip.... 8
W. H. Biggar,	W. A. Wilson, <i>Toronto</i> ,
Thos. McGaw,	J. C. Scott, <i>Prospect Park</i> ,
W. G. P. Cassels.	Robert Rennie, <i>Caledonian</i> .

The Granite Club

J. S. Russell, Skip 12	D. R. Wilkie, Skip..... 7
W. C. Matthews,	Dr. Adam Wright,
Lord Ava	A. B. Lee,
Q. D. McCulloch.	W. G. H. Lowe.

The Caledonian Club

W. F. Davison, Skip..... 5	Donald Gibson, Skip... .. 13
R. Ferguson,	D. Prentice,
W. Badenach,	R. H. Ramsay,
Dr. A. H. Beaton.	William Ross.

The Toronto Club

John Wright Skip 9	John Bain, Skip..... 5
C. C. Dalton.	C. E. Maddison,
Hon. L. M. Jones,	L. A. Tilley,
W. D. McIntosh.	E. T. Lightbourne.

The Prospect Park Club

D. Carlyle, Skip 7	Jos. Lugsdin, Skip..... 16
Thos. McCracken,	Jos. Wright,
R. Watson,	J. W. Corcoran,
Judge Dartnell.	Alex. Wheeler.

The Parkdale Club

J. Hedley, Skip 11	J. B. Perry, Skip 8
T. G. Williamson,	Geo. Duthie, Jr.,
Dr. Richardson,	A. Harris,
Alex. Nairn.	Dr. A. M. Lynd.

Total.....51

Total.....57

The City clubs winning by 6 shots.

BONSPIEL AT SARNIA

The curling match held at Sarnia on the 10th and 11th January, 1894, to celebrate the opening of the new rink of the Sarnia Curling Club, was one of the great events of the season.

It was under the management of Mr. Matheson, President of the Ontario Curling Association, and also of Sarnia Club, and everything possible was done, to promote the comfort and enjoyment of the visitors, by the members of the local club.

On the first day the ice was in excellent condition, but on the second day it became a little sticky, although still good for curling, and the occasion was greatly enjoyed by all, especially the Thamesville players, who carried home with them an elegant pair of Red Hone Curling Stones with ivory handles, the prize of the contest, and the gift of President Matheson.

St. Marys		vs	Forest	
W. Andrews, Skip	.....18		A. Steel, Skip	..... 17
S. Sparling, "	.....21		G. Vanvalkenburg, "	.....11
Total.....			Total.....	
	39			28
London		vs	Embros	
C. W. Andrus, Skip	..... 15		J. Bowles, Skip	.....20
T. Gillean, "	.....29		R. A. Duncan, "	.....13
Total.....			Total.....	
	44			33
Detroit		vs	Chatham	
J. J. Dodds, Skip	..... 17		Dr. Bray, Skip	.....13
J. Williamson, "	..... 22		Rev. R. McCosh, "	.....11
Total.....			Total.....	
	39			24
London Forest City		vs	Petrolia	
Dr. McDonald, Skip	.....17		J. McKee, Skip	.....12
W. T. Strong, "	.....23		E. A. Archer, "	.....16
Total.....			Total.....	
	40			28

Thamesville vs London Forest City

Jas. Ferguson, Skip.....	22	W. T. Strong, Skip.....	10
R. Ferguson, ".....	19	Dr. McDonald, ".....	15
Total	41	Total.....	25

London vs Detroit

C. Andrus, Skip.....	13	J. Williamson, Skip.....	16
T. Gillean, ".....	23	J. Dodds, ".....	18
Total.....	36	Total.....	34

Thamesville vs St. Marys

Jas. Ferguson, Skip.....	18	W. Andrews, Skip.....	9
R. Ferguson, ".....	26	S. Sparling, ".....	16
Total.....	44	Total.....	25

Thamesville vs London

Jas. Ferguson, Skip.....	21	C. Andrus, Skip.....	14
R. Ferguson, ".....	32	T. Gillean, ".....	6
Total	53	Total.....	20

A short special friendly game was played between Thamesville, the winners, and Sarnia, the hosts.

Thamesville vs Sarnia

Jas. Ferguson, Skip.....	7	Jno. Chester, Skip.....	8
R. Ferguson, ".....	9	Jas. King, ".....	9
Total.....	16	Total.....	17

TORONTO CLUB

Skips' Balance Sheet in Matches with other Clubs

SKIPS	MATCHES		LOST	TIED	SHOTS		BALANCE	
	TOTAL	WON			UP	DOWN	CR.	DR.
A	6	3	2	1	25	15	10	..
B	1	1	0	0	13	0	13	..
C	7	5	2	0	43	29	14	..
D	2	..	2	..	..	8	..	8
E	9	5	4	..	29	18	11	..
F	1	1	..	..	12	..	12	..
G	1	1	..	..	1	..	1	..
H	3	..	3	..	..	22	..	22
J	3	2	1	..	12	4	8	..
K	1	1	..	..	9	..	9	..
L	1	..	1	..	..	4	..	4
M	5	2	3	..	14	33	..	19
N	10	4	6	..	33	47	..	14
O	1	..	1	..	..	17	..	17
P	1	..	1	..	..	9	..	9
Q	8	6	2	..	69	14	55	..
R	3	..	2	1	..	14	..	14
S	2	1	..	1	9	..	9	..
T	4	2	1	..	25	4	21	..
U	8	6	2	..	32	11	21	..
V	1	1	..	..	4	..	4	..
W	2	1	1	..	5	11	..	6
X	2	2	..	..	7	..	7	..
23	82	44	34	4	342	260	195	113
Balance		10	..	..	82	..	82	..

Obituary

LIEUT.-COL. JAMES MOFFAT.

James Moffat, Lieutenant-Colonel, and Brigade Major, No. 1 Military District, Ontario, was a native of Lanarkshire, Scotland, where he was born in 1820. He came to New York in 1841, moved to Toronto in 1844, and finally settled in London in 1845, and made his home there for 49 years, until his death on Thursday, 13th September, 1894.

Col. Moffat was no ordinary man; he had a talent for public life, took great pains to acquire a thorough knowledge of the duties of every position he was called upon to fill, and set himself to discharge those duties with intelligence, zeal, and industry.

After being in London a few years, he went to Montreal to obtain a knowledge of military drill, in the 47th Regiment of Regulars, and in 1856, he raised a Highland Regiment in London, which he took great pleasure in training. In 1862 he was appointed Brigade Major, and in 1872 was promoted to be Lieut.-Col., which rank he continued to hold until the close of his life.

In 1855, when London became a city, he was elected an alderman for the first ward, and in 1860 he was chosen to be mayor, and had the honor of presenting the civic address to H. R. H. the Prince of Wales, on his visit to Canada in that year.

He took much interest in educational matters, was on the Board of School Trustees for several years, and chairman in 1880.

In Masonic circles, Col. Moffat was one of the most eminent and useful of the brethren in Ontario, and he labored diligently in that field, filling with honor not only the highest positions in many subordinate lodges,

but was Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Canada for two years, and Grand Master for one term.

He had been President of St. Andrew's Society, and up to the time of his death he was an active member of the Presbyterian Church.

Among curlers he was greatly esteemed, he was a keen curler, and a good skip, and his clear discernment, sound judgment, and large experience well fitted him for the office of President of the Ontario Curling Association, to which he was elected in 1881, and his firmness and courtesy contributed largely to the safe guidance of the Association through the stormy time, which preceded its attaining the position of a self-governing institution.

He had reached the ripe age of 74 years, after a long life much occupied with important public duties, discharged with rare fidelity and intelligence; and he now rests in an honored grave, while his memory remains treasured in the hearts of many surviving friends.

ALEXANDER BRUCE, GUELPH UNION CLUB,

Was born at Wick, Scotland, in 1831, whence at an early age he accompanied his parents to Guelph, where he died 20th April, 1894. He was one of the best known and most popular men of the city, a prominent Free Mason, an active member of St. Andrew's Society, and a most enthusiastic curler. His genial presence, and hearty greeting will long be held in affectionate remembrance by his brother curlers of the Royal City.

GEORGE EASTLAND, BOBCAYGEON CLUB.

The Committee on the Annual have received the following from Bobcaygeon Club.

We regret to have to chronicle the death of George Eastland, who was not only one of the first inhabitants of our village, but also one of the first to join our curling club at its inception.

He was greatly attached to the game, and was a regular and frequent player, until about two years ago, when he was warned by his medical adviser against the danger of unusual excitement inseparable from the game; and since that time he has played only at rare intervals, although still maintaining a strong liking for the game, and a deep interest in the club, of which he had been elected an Honorary Member.

His decease was sudden, and almost tragic; during a game in which he was playing on 19th January last, he was struck with apoplexy, had to be carried off the ice, and shortly afterwards expired; his last words being those of a skip directing his player.

His decease is much regretted by his brothers of the Brooms and Stanes, and by a large circle of friends, to whom he had made himself endeared by his quiet and unassuming life.

TRAVELLING FACILITIES

The GRAND TRUNK and the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAYS have granted to Curling Clubs, associated with the Ontario Curling Association, special rates of fare when travelling, in bodies of not less than EIGHT PERSONS, to and from curling matches.

These rates are a *single trip fare* of TWO CENTS A MILE from station to station, and a *return trip fare* at the rate of ONE AND ONE-THIRD the ordinary single fare, and include the handling and carriage of stones and brooms.

For the GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY, rate orders, entitling clubs to the above named reduced fares for the season, can be obtained upon application to the GENERAL PASSENGER AGENT of the G. T. R. at Montreal.

For the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY, applications may be addressed to GENERAL PASSENGER AGENT, C. P. R., Montreal, or to DISTRICT 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.

A FEW WORDS TO PLAYERS AND SKIPS.

The Committee on the Annual have great pleasure in enriching its pages, with the following valuable paper by Mr. J. D. Flavelle, of Lindsay, who, in a modest preface, says "a few hints to beginners may not be considered amiss from one who has been curling for over 20 years, accepting, during that time, a great many defeats, and also being fortunate enough to participate in some important victories."

A WORD TO THE PLAYERS.

ObeY your skip implicitly. Even though it may seem to you he is directing wrong. No success can be obtained, unless, for the time-being, strict loyalty is maintained to your skip. If you think he is not skipping you properly, speak to him quietly between the heads, suggesting where you think he is in error; if you fail to convince him, waive your judgment, and carry out his instructions to the best of your ability.

United action on the part of the rink is the only possible way of ensuring success; individual brilliancy will never succeed, if coupled with insubordination. If your skip proves a failure, depose him when the proper time comes, but, while he occupies that position, give him your unqualified and cheerful support.

When not playing yourself keep in your proper position along the rink, ready to sweep when called upon, and, above all things, do not loaf around the tee. It is contrary to the rules of the game, annoying to your skip, demoralizing to discipline, and may be the means of losing the match, through not being in your place sweeping an important stone when called upon.

Never call out to your skip challenging the shot he is giving you, or argue with him so that the same is audible to onlookers. If he is not self-confident it tends to rattle him, and in any case must necessarily ruffle him;

and no curler, be he skip or occupying any of the other positions, can do himself justice in playing if he loses his temper.

A FEW WORDS TO THE SKIP.

Never abuse your player for making a bad shot. The worst punishment is his own feeling of annoyance with himself. When a man makes a mistake in any sport, it never improves matters to rub it into him, and this is especially the case in curling.

Encourage your players as far as you can consistently do so, particularly those who are not inclined to be bumptious.

When commencing a match watch very carefully the run of the ice, both when your own and your opponent's men are playing. It is of great importance to learn the ice thoroughly, early in the game. Try and ascertain from the play any weakness that may develop in any one of the opposing rink, and if you find such weakness, try and force him, as far as possible, to play from that standpoint. For instance, if you see that one of the players cannot play the out-turn well, try and arrange your head so that when it comes that player's turn to play, he will be compelled to play the out-turn, and the same reasoning will apply to any other weak spot that may appear as the game progresses.

Again, if you find, after playing a draw game (which is generally the safest), your opponents are outdrawing you, change your tactics, and play some running shots, which, if successful, very often upsets your opponent's hitherto strong play.

A very important matter is to know the run of all your own player's stones, also what kind of shot he plays best, and when there are several shots of about equal advantage, always try and give him that one you think he prefers. A player will naturally play with greater certainty if he feels assured the shot given him is the right one.

In fact, the motto to follow is "Use your head as well as your hands," particularly the former. I have often

seen a very brilliant curler, who displayed poor judgment as skip, defeated by a very ordinary player, who was a good skip. It simply resolves itself into a miniature battle on ice, and, as in real war, a great deal depends upon the generalship.

Finally, let neither skip nor players ever forget that the game of curling is strictly an amateur sport, and is only one of the many factors in developing manhood; therefore, keep in mind that it is a game for gentlemen, to be carried out in the most courteous and gentlemanly spirit, whether as victors or vanquished; and when a curler finds that, in playing the game, it does not conduce towards fostering that spirit, my advice would be—better stop curling.

When playing, strive with all your might to win. A man is worth very little who has no ambition to excel; but, if defeated, accept the same gracefully, and, if you win, let it be as far as possible a victory on the ice, the result of skill displayed. Very little countenance should be shown to the player who adopts the course to win at all hazards, whether by fair means or doubtful expedients. Indeed, in my experience, I have generally found that the pot hunter is left, and the larger measure of success is accomplished by the generous player.

While certain rules are very properly made for our guidance and to prevent disputes, still, in my opinion, the true sportsmanlike spirit is to exercise the broadest possible latitude in interpreting the same, and when, through an honest oversight or unavoidable accident, your opponent is placed at a disadvantage, enabling you, in strictly legal sense, to profit by the same—waive such right, and do your utmost to defeat him on the ice; but, if otherwise, never regret defeat that is accompanied by maintaining your self-respect.

A victory obtained at the cost of our own self-respect, and the esteem of our opponents, would, to me, prove a very hollow victory.

J. D. FLAVELLE.

Lindsay, Ont.

AN "OLD TIME" RECORD.

What a deal of curling lore must exist among the older dwellers in Western Ontario. What stories must be treasured in the memories of many a veteran. How keen must have been the encounters of that day when life was simple, if it was rugged, and when amusements, scarce as they were, had a zest that later and less lovely years cannot give. Fifty years ago, when clearings were fewer than now in Ontario, when, as Laidlaw tells us in his idyll of *The Old Concession Road*, settlers called on each other, or went to mill in the starlight of a winter morning, riding in a wooden sleigh drawn by a patient ox while the trees all about them in the lonely forest were cracking with the intense frost, the spirit of sport still drove men to curling. The ponds cracked with the tread of cantie chieles, and, in the absence of curling stones, the whirr-r-r of wooden blocks along the ice made music to the ears of players at the roarin' game.

Scenes such as these we are at liberty to picture for ourselves; descriptions of them by word of mouth are not often to be had, and records of them are rare. The editors of the Annual are glad, therefore, to have been supplied with the manuscript of a paper upon the Early History of the Paris Curling Club, prepared by Mr. D. Brown, Secretary, for the jubilee of that club, which was held in 1893, and trust that this may prove the forerunner of a series of similar papers, from other curlers elsewhere.

"Fifty years ago this night," Mr. Brown's narrative begins, "a most important meeting was held in the then little village of Paris," the occasion being the formation of a curling club. No less than thirty persons, enthusiasts with the besom and stane, responded to the call, and the Paris Curling Club was formed, with Dr. McCosh, President; Adam Robertson, Vice-President; Jno. McCosh, Treasurer; Geo. Macartney, Secretary; and with four skips; who were Jno. McCosh, Robert Cairns, Wm. Arbuckle and A. Robertson. A quaintly worded agreement was drawn up and signed by 23

members, agreeing to pay 5/- each, toward furnishing stones for the use of the infant club. But should an individual member purchase any of these stones, the money he paid for them was to be returned *pro rata* to the 23 subscribers, "according as their names stand upon the list." Of those who signed their names, fifty years ago, to this agreement, only three are yet alive, namely, Robt. Barclay, Geo. Burswell and Hugh Walker, Sr.

The new club being fully organized and equipped, looked about for some rival, and naturally gravitated northward towards the Galt club, which had been organized in 1838, some five years before. A friendly challenge was accordingly sent in January, 1844, asking for a game of 3 rinks a side, on February 3rd. The Galt club's secretary, W. B. Gordon, sent an acceptance, and the clubs accordingly met in what proved to be the first of a series of exciting contests, year by year. The Paris men won their first contest, beating Galt by 48 shots. The return match, fixed for February 20th, was a draw, the game not being finished because of bad weather. Again and again the Paris players proved the victors over Galt, and in 1847 they defeated a rink of Toronto players, 37 to 11. "The year 1851 seems to have been a red-letter year with the Paris club," says Mr. Brown's narrative. "Carried away by their successes of the previous two or three years, they issued a challenge to the Province, and inserted the same in the Toronto papers, as well as in the *Galt Reformer* and other journals, dated 23rd December, 1850, and throwing down the curling gauntlet to any club in Canada West. They were not long in getting responses. First came one from their old rivals, the Galt Club, in January, and next came one in February, from the Toronto Curling Club, of which Angus Morrison was at the time President.

"The Galt Club's date was fixed for Burns' birthday, the 25th January, and the game came off according to appointment. But how shall I declare the result? Publish it not in Galt, nor tell it in the streets of Paris, how the proud Paris Club came out 9 shots behind! Surely this was but another sad illustration of how pride goeth

before destruction, and a haughty spirit before a fall. * * I recollect a rather humorous incident in connection with this Galt victory. At the noted Swan Inn of the olden days, which was situate midway, on West River Road, between Galt and Paris, there were many after gatherings of curlers, at which all the shots of the day's match were played over and over again, and bumpers drunk until most of the players were 'fou and unco happy.' Of course, the defeat of a club which had had the audacity to challenge a whole province, was an event that called for more than usual celebration, and so the Galt men tarried longer than usual, telling the many wonderful snots by which the victory had been won. Every man was treating his brother indiscriminately, and unremittingly, and at last a bright idea seemed to dawn upon three of them who were steadying each other. One of the curlers had a small French pony which was a great favorite. Some one said: 'Let's bring in the puir beastie, and gie't something tae warm him up as weel's oorsel's.' The pony was soon taken from the cutter, and led into the bar room amid cheers. At length he was got up to the bar, and a glass of ale gravely set before him, but all the arts of the befuddled crowd failed to make the animal drink. Some proxy, however, took good care that no such fragment as the unused glass of ale should be lost. Oh, these were the wild nights of curling in the olden days."

Toronto was beaten by 23 shots in February, but this was deemed poor consolation, for as one of the Paris men said sadly, when being congratulated on winning: "What's the odds o' winnin' frae thae Toronto chieils when thae Galt callants gied us sic a stab i' the wame last month." Fisher's Mill was the scene of the Paris Club's first encounter with the Fergus Club (organized in 1834) in the same year, 1851. Fergus brought wooden blocks and Paris stones, and half played with each sort, Paris winning. At the annual meeting, 4th November, 1851, Mr. John McCosh presented the club with the McCosh medal, to be competed for annually. During

1852 and 1853, the record shows six games played against West Flamboro, Ayr and Galt, all of which Paris won except the last two, when Galt defeated them by 33 and 8. But in February they were 'laid out' handsomely by Ancaster Club, whom they encountered at Brantford, 2 rinks a side. "Desirous of wiping out the stain," says the narrative, "a return match was asked by Paris, and Wm. Calder, the Ancaster Secretary, said they had tried several places, but could find no ice fit to play on. They had, however, he wrote, cleared the snow off, two rinks wide, on a pond in the 5th Concession of Ancaster Township, if the Paris curlers were willing to come to it. Minute directions were given in the letter so that the Paris chaps would not go astray. Our curlers were to 'leave the Brantford and Hamilton road and take to the right hand at Duff's, 3 miles west of Ancaster Village—travel about a mile and a half eastward, when they would arrive at Fiddler's Green, where they would turn southward to Little's steam sawmill—and here they would be met at 10 o'clock Friday morning and escorted to the ice.' That Paris found the spot is clear, for the record reads that "they lost the game by 11 shots."

In 1858 the Paris Club connected itself with the Royal Caledonian Curling Club, and next year played for its first R. C. Medal, its opponent being London Club. The district medal was won by Paris, but in 1861 and 1863, London beat Paris, and carried off the medal. "I should have liked" says Mr. Brown, "to sketch the eccentricities of a number of the Paris players as I have heard them related, but I forbear. It was a sad day for the old veterans when snow and ice ended for the winter."

When Mac was tell'd the frost was dune
 A muckle grane gaed he.
 The President sat doon and grat
 In perfect miserie.

"Whatever others may think, it has always seemed to me that the covered rinks, comfortable as they are, have taken away many of the idiosyncrasies that always seem to attend the game, when played upon the different

ponds and streams that witnessed so many tough battles
in the days long gone-bye. However, no matter what
changes may take place, we all feel it to be true, that

As lang as winter brings us cauld
And hauds the ice thegither,
The curler's grip will aye receive
A welcome frae a brither.

TA GREAT CURLIN' MATCH—FIFE AND TA NORTH.

PHAIRSHON frae ta North,
Left his milestanes whirlin',
Cam' awa' tae Fife
Tae play a match at curlin'.
For he did resolve,
Wi' three ghillie-callants,
Tae pruve they couldna play
At curlin' in ta Lawlands.

A' ta way they blawed
Loud an' warlike lilties,
Phairshon marched afore,
T'en ta bare-legged kilties.
In ta cairt ahint
Trov py Tugald Chisholms,
Were ta curlin' stanes,
Ta whisky cask, an' besoms.

They their pheelabegs
Did wi' tacks repleenish,
For tae stap ta stanes
In case ta ice was keenish.
They'd a mouthfu' tak',
If naebody saw them,
An' afore ta stane
Doun like pepper blaw them.

But when Leven Loch
Near tae they were drawin',
Tae their mickle dree,
They saw that it was thawin'.
But Phairshon tuk a dram,
Said it didna matter,
Swore that he wad play
Tae ta kilts in watter.

Roond about ta rink
 Michty crouds were seethin'
 O' ev'ry pairt o' Fife,
 Frae Craill to Inverkeithin'.
 Which had Phairshon kenned
 Afore he left his hillies,
 He wad wi' him fetched
 Twice ten thousand ghillies.

Tae ta game they went,
 Phairshon brawly skippin',
 While along ta ice
 The stanes went briskly slippin',
 Till ta ice grew dull,
 A' their muscle needin';
 Then ta fecht began.
 For Fife was ae point leadin'.

Noo ta play grew wild,
 Noo ta men grew frisky,
 Fast poured out ta oaths,
 Faster poured the whisky;
 Till ta Phairshon's "lead"
 Swore his foe was cheatin';
 Asked him tae ta shore,
 An' he wud knock his heid in.

Which he would have done,
 But Phairshon made him come back,
 Lifted up a stane,
 An' drapped it on his stumjack;
 An' insisted then
 On ta game proceedin'—
 Jist twa ends to play,
 And Phairshon seeven leadin'.

Ta next end they played,
 Fife was lyin' seeven;
 Ta game was yet tae win,
 For the sides were even.
 Said Fife, "Deed aye! we'll win,
 Lawfu' or unlawfu',"
 An' among ta Kilts
 Ta language was maist awfu'.

'Twas noo sae dark an' wet,
 They played by licht o' can'les.
 An' o' ta curlin'-stanes
 Saw naethin' but ta han'les.

While ta croud grew wild,
 Yellin' howlin', crushin',
 An' ta fierce-thrown stanes
 Doun ta ice cam' rushin'.

Gin ye hadna speered,
 Mair A wadna spoken.
 For ta play was such,
 A' ta stanes were broken.
 An' when they were a'
 Fechtin' for't an' fumin',
 Did ta ice gi' wa',
 An set them a' a-soumin'.

In this vera way
 Played ta valiant Phairshon,
 Till that he had got
 His very cold immersion.
 Then did he return
 Hame wi' Tugald Chisholms,
 But he left behind
 Ta curlin'-stances an' besoms.

D. S. GORDON,

In Edinburgh Evening Dispatch, February 18th, 1892.



CURLERS' SIGNAL CODE

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

- For **In Turn**—Right arm to be held close to body.
- For **Out Turn**—Arm to be extended horizontally.
- For **Striking**—Broom to be held vertically, and passed rapidly backwards over stone to be struck.
- For **Inwicking**—Broom to be waved "off and on" the inside of the stone to be inwicked off, showing the place on which the strike should be made.
- For **Drawing**—Broom to be held vertically at the place where it is desired the stone should come to "at rest."
- For **Guarding**—Broom to be held transversely on the ice, at the place where the stone should rest.
- For **Chap and Lie**—Broom to be held vertically and moved up and down over the stone to be struck.
- For **Wick and Curl In**—Show place as in DRAWING where it is desired that the stone should rest, then as in INWICKING.
- For **Raising**—Broom to be held vertically and slowly passed over the stone crosswise of the rink, and the length of the raising to be indicated by the space between the two hands holding the broom horizontally.
- For **Drawing Through a Port**—As in DRAWING.
- For **Chipping the Winner**—As in INWICKING.
- For **Outwicking**—As in INWICKING, only indicating the outside of stone to be struck.

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

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 16th April, 1895.

DECEMBER, '894.

D.M	D. W.	
		When Johnnie Frost rules o'er the land, And dons his robe o' snaw, There's naething like the channel-stane To drive dull care awa'.
12	W.	.....
13	T.	.....
14	F.	.....
15	S.	Look for notice of arrangements for big Bon-
17	M.	spiel on Burlington Bay, about this date.
18	T.	.....
19	W.	.....
20	T.	Matches, President vs. Vice-Pres., now in order,
21	F.	bringing every member into line.
22	S.	.....
24	M.	.....
25	T.	.....
26	W.	.....
27	T.	.....
28	F.	.....
29	S.	.....
31	M.	.....

JANUARY, 1895.

D.M	D. W.	To "draw," "to guard," to chap an He," An' whiles to "clear the Ring." There's glorious fun upon the ice, When Johnnie Frost is King.
1	T.	.....
2	W.	.....
3	T.	.....
4	F.	.....
5	S.	Look for notice of Primary Competition for
7	M.	TANKARD.
8	T.	.....
9	W.	.....
10	T.	Big Bonspiel at Hamilton to celebrate the 21st
11	F.	year of the O. C. A., make it a success.
12	S.	.....
14	M.	.....
15	T.	.....
16	W.	Good time for Scotch Counties' Stewart Medal
17	T.	Match.
18	F.	.....
19	S.	.....
21	M.	Third Monday, New Councils meet.
22	T.	.....
23	W.	.....
24	T.	.....
25	F.	.....
26	S.	.....
28	M.	Fourth Monday, County Councils meet.
29	T.	.....
30	W.	.....
31	T.	.....

FEBRUARY, 1895.

D.M	D. W.	What other sport by field or flood, However high in fame, Can cheer the heart and stir the blood, Like Curlin's glorious game ?
1	F.	.....
2	S.	.....
4	M.	.....
5	T.	.....
6	W.	Lose no time in playing off Medal Matches.
7	T.	.....
8	F.	.....
9	S.	.....
11	M.	Last day for receiving returns of Group Com-
12	T.	petitions for Ontario Tankard.
13	W.	Good time for general competition Points' Game
14	T.	.....
15	F.	.....
16	S.	.....
18	M.	.....
19	T.	.....
20	W.	Final Competition for Tankard about this date
21	T.	.....
22	F.	.....
23	S.	.....
25	M.	.....
26	T.	.....
27	W.	.....
28	T.	.....

MARCH, 1895.

D. M.	D. W.	Our daily troubles, cares and gloom, All vanish as we play; The curling stones, the curler's broom Have swept them all away.
1	F.	Now for challenge matches.
2	S.	.....
4	M.	.....
5	T.	.....
6	W.	.....
7	T.	.....
8	F.	.....
9	S.	.....
11	M.	.....
12	T.	.....
13	W.	Return friendly matches may be made now.
14	T.
15	F.
16	S.
18	M.
19	T.
20	W.
21	T.
22	F.
23	S.
25	M.
26	T.
27	W.
28	T.
29	F.
30	S.



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