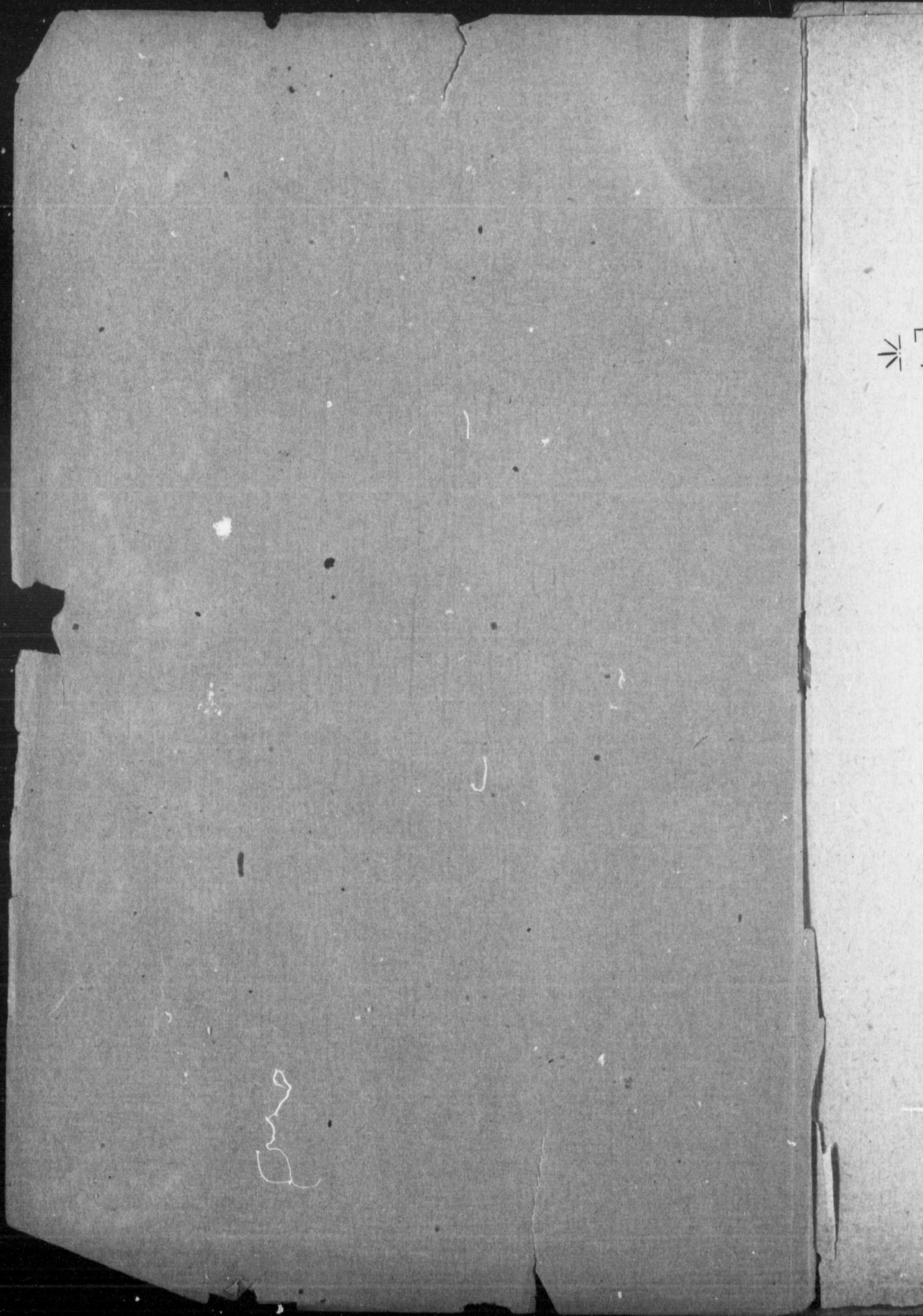


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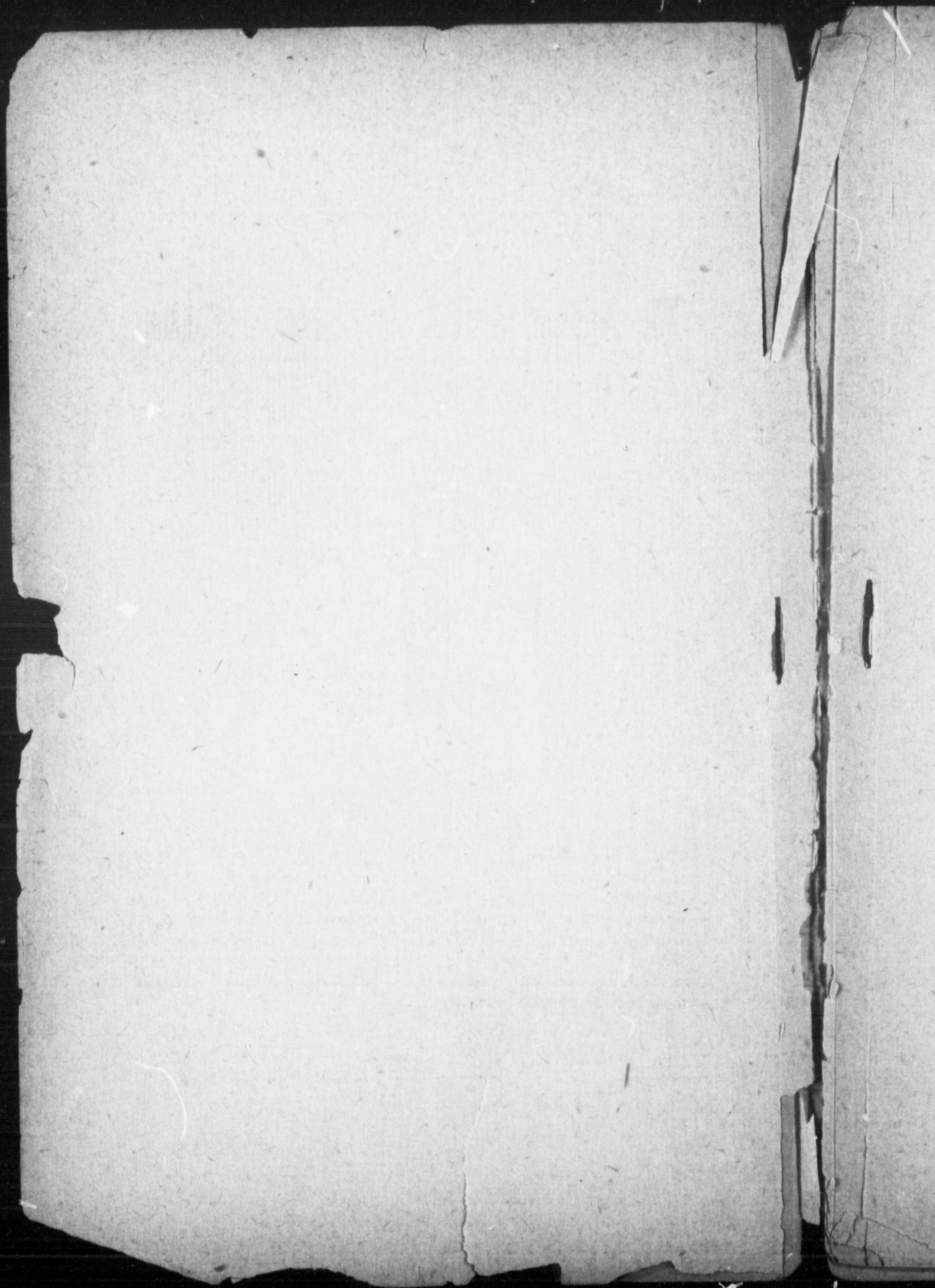
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GENTLEMEN,

In presenting the First Annual Report of the Association, we think it well, before going into the business performed during the season, to give a brief history of the organization of the Association.

On the 3rd of December, 1883, the Montreal Amateur Athletic Association issued the following circular addressed to the Athletic Clubs of the Dominion :

MONTREAL AMATEUR ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION.

MONTREAL, DEC. 3rd, 1883

To the Secretary of the Club :

DEAR SIR,

I beg to inform you that at a meeting of the Association held in the Club Rooms, Mansfield Street, last Monday evening, 26th November, it was unanimously agreed "that we seek the co-operation of the Amateur Athletic Clubs in the Dominion, with a view to the forming of a Canadian National Amateur Athletic Association."

This Association feels that the Clubs are numerous enough to establish such an Association, and would respectfully ask your hearty co operation as well as the presence of three delegates at a meeting to be held in our Club House, Mansfield Street, at 8 o'clock on the evening of the 14th December, 1883. Your early attention is requested, and should you be unable to send a delegate or delegates write us your Club's views as fully as possible.

W. L. MALTBY, *President.*
H. W. BECKET, *Vice-Pres.*
T. L. PATON, *Hon.-Sec.*

In response to this Circular, your Secretary received some 25 or 30 letters from different Athletic Clubs, all heartily endorsing the scheme, and on the 14th Dec., 1883, the first meeting to form the new Association took place in the Montreal Gymnasium, Mansfield Street. There were present the following representatives :

Montreal Amateur Athletic Association, W. L. Maltby, T. L. Paton and H. W. Becket.

Montreal Snow-Shoe Club, G. R. Starke, A. Grant and J. K. Whyte.

St. George Snow-Shoe Club, W. B. Bulling, W. L. Mathews, R. P Adams.

Toronto Lacrosse Club, R. B. Hamilton.

Emerald Snow-Shoe Club, T. E. McKenna and J. G. Tumity.

Twelve in all.

The Metropolitan Athletic Association, Ottawa, wired the appointment of Messrs. G. R. Starke, J. K. Whyte and H. W. Becket as their delegates at the meeting.

At this meeting the letters received were read and the present name of the Association adopted.

A Committee consisting of Messrs. R. B. Hamilton, John Massey and P. D. Ross, of Toronto ; C. W. Martin, Ottawa ; W. L. Maltby, Thos. McKenna, F. C. Henshaw and H. W. Becket, Montreal, was appointed to draft a Constitution and By-Laws to report at a meeting to be called by said Committee.

This meeting took place on 24th March, 1884, in the Montreal Gymnasium, Mr. W. L. Maltby in the Chair, Messrs. T. L. Paton, Thos. McKenna, J. McKenna, J. G. Tumity, W. L. Mathews, Angus Grant, G. R. Starke, J. G. Ross, A. J. Corriveau and H. W. Becket, who acted as Secretary, were also present.

A draft of the Constitution and By-Laws was read and discussed, alterations and amendments were made, and copies ordered to be printed for distribution at meeting of Clubs, which was called by the following Circular :

MONTREAL, March 26th, 1884.

DEAR SIR,

Pursuant to steps taken at the Convention held in Montreal in December last, at which it was determined to form a *Canadian Amateur Athletic*

Association, a meeting of representatives of Amateur Athletic Clubs will be held in Toronto on Friday, the 11th April next, to adopt a Constitution and By-Laws for the Association, and elect Officers for the first year.

It is requested that your Club will send *three Delegates* to the Meeting, which will be held in the Rooms of the *Toronto Fencing Club*, south-west corner of *King and Church Streets*, at 2 p.m.

In connection therewith, we beg to draw your attention to the enclosed draft of Constitution and By-Laws submitted at a meeting held in Montreal, March 24, 1884.

Respectfully,

WM. L. MALTBY, *Chairman.*

H. W. BECKET, *Hon.-Sec.*

In response to this the following Clubs were represented at the meeting in Toronto :

TORONTO.

Roger Lambe, Edward Currie,	-	Toronto Fencing Club.
Harry Suckling,	- - - -	" Lacrosse Club.
Jas. Pearson, L. H. Whittemore. J. McLaren,	"	S. Shoe Club.
W. B. Campbell, H. Burrows, P. D. Ross,	"	Press L. Club.
Capt. McGee, L'ts. Bennett and Brock,		Queen's Own Rifles.
D. C. Little, R. E. Brown, J. N. McKendrick,		Toronto University.

MONTREAL.

W. L. Maltby, H. W. Becket, T. L. Paton,	-	Amateur Ath. Assn.
G. R. Starke, Angus Grant, J. K. Whyte,	-	Montreal S. S. Club.
F. C. Henshaw, W. L. Mathews, T. Gilmour,	-	St. George "
T. E. McKenna, J. McKenna, J. G. Tumity	-	Emerald "
D. J. Fraser, Wm. Cuthbert, Chas. McWood,		Argyle -
W. S. Weldon,	- - - -	Athletic "
Arthur Staveley,	- - - -	Maple Leaf "
A. Lefebvre, G. Ouimet,	- - - -	Le Canadien "
E. Tremblay,	- - - -	Le Trappeur "

HAMILTON.

A. E. Jarvis,	- - -	Leander Rowing Club.
P. D. Ross,	- - -	Fencing and Athletic Clubs.

OTTAWA.

W. C. Cousens, Douglas Stewart, - Metropolitan Ath. Assn.

BRANTFORD.

J. J. Macintosh, - - - Brantford Lacrosse Club.

KINGSTON.

A. McLachlan and Wm. Morris, - - - Queen's College

Mr. Maltby was called to the chair and Mr. H. W. Becket requested to act as Secretary. The Chairman opened the meeting with a few remarks, when the Constitution and By-Laws were read, discussed, and, with a few alterations, were accepted.

The following were elected office bearers for the year 1884 :

President—WM. L. MALTBY.

1st Vice-President—JAS. PEARSON.

2nd Vice-President—W. C. COUSENS, M. D.

Treasurer—W. L. MATHEWS.

Hon.-Sec—H. W. BECKET.

Committee—R. B. Hamilton, Roger Lambe, A. J. Corriveau, A. D. Stewart, Lieut. Henry Brock, F. C. Henshaw, J. McKenna, J. J. Mackintosh, T. A. Bertram.

After these officers were elected the President stated that the object of the Association was to regulate such athletic sports as are not now under the control of other Associations. The Canadian Cricket, Lacrosse, Rowing, Foot-Ball, and Wheelmen's Associations cover these various branches of athletic sports already. The aim of our Association is mainly to regulate amateur competitions on the cinder path.

It was decided to hold the first annual Championship Meeting in Montreal on 27th Sept., 1884.

It was also decided to accept, with a few alterations the "Laws of Athletics" as published by the National Association of Amateur Athletes of America. After which the meeting adjourned.

With these few remarks we will proceed with the report of the season's work :

It is with a great deal of pleasure that your Executive presents this, the first Annual Report of the Association to the Clubs forming the same. While regretting the fact, that comparatively few of the Amateur Athletic Clubs of the Dominion availed themselves of the privileges of membership this year, we hope that next year will double the number of names on the roll.

During the season about 150 letters were answered by your Secretary.

The following applications for re-instatement as amateurs were received and investigated during the season :

D. C. Little,	Toronto, Ont.,	reinstated.
J. N. McNamara,	"	"
N. H. Bethune,	Brockville, Ont.,	rejected.
C. J. Noble,	Parkhill, Ont.	still with Committee
C. W. Kerr,	Cobourg, Ont.,	reinstated.
H. A. Dancy,	Toronto, Ont.,	rejected.
W. F. Winslow,	Paris, Ont.,	"
R. A. Kennedy,	Stratford, Ont.,	reinstated.
Frank Wheeler,	Montreal, Que.,	"

The Annual Fall Championship Meeting of the Association took place in Montreal on Sept. 27th, 1884. Notwithstanding a steady downpour of rain, most of the sports were well contested. We annex a detailed report of the same :

FIRST ANNUAL CHAMPIONSHIP MEETING OF THE ASSOCIATION.

The first Annual Championship Meeting of the Amateur Athletic Association of Canada was held on the Montreal Lacrosse Grounds on Saturday, 27th Sept., 1884. The wretched state of the weather interfered seriously with what otherwise would have been a brilliantly successful meeting, as with few exceptions large fields were entered

for the events, including some of the best men in the country. As it was, only some two hundred spectators assembled, and several good men failed to face the starter. No records were broken, but the running time was generally good, the fine cinder path not being materially injured by the rain, but jumping was almost impossible.

The Field Officers were :

Referee—F. C. Henshaw.
 Time-Keepers—H. S. Tibbs, Angus Grant and James A. Taylor.
 Judges at Finish—Wm. L. Maltby, James Pearson and W. C. Cousens, M. D.
 Starter—Thos. L. Paton.
 Clerk and Assistant Clerks of Course—W. L. Mathews, J. G. Monk, and J. L. Gardner.
 Measurers—J. W. Davis, W. McNab and S. Howard.
 Scorers—A. J. Corriveau and J. McKenna.

THREE MILE WALK.

J. T. McDonald, Westside Athletic Club, New York . . . 1
 Time 24 min. 53½ sec.

McDonald walked over.

THROWING HAMMER.

Geo. W. Woods, Shamrock Lacrosse Club	1
C. W. Trenholme, Montreal "	2
John Hughes, Shamrock "	0

Distance, 78 ft. 3 in.

POLE LEAP.

D. C. Little, Toronto University	1
W. Kerr, Montreal Amateur Athletic Association	2
Jas. Elliott, " " " "	0

Height, 9 ft.

100 YARD RUN.

John T. Belcher, Kingston	1
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C. H. Low, Montreal Amateur Athletic Association....	2
A. W. Waldron, Britannia Foot-Ball Club	0
John Kermode, Shamrock Lacrosse Club.....	0
Time, final heat, 10½ sec. 6 competitors	

880 YARD RUN.

T. Moffatt, Shamrock Lacrosse Club.....	1
J. E. Sullivan, Pastime Athletic Club, N. Y.....	2
W. G. Robertson, Montreal Amateur Athletic Assn....	0
A. J. McDonald, Shamrock Lacrosse Club.....	0
C. E. Gault, Montreal Amateur Athletic Association...	0
Time, 2 min. 5 4-5 sec. 6 competitors.	

PUTTING THE SHOT.

Geo. H. Woods, Shamrock Lacrosse Club.....	1
W. R. Thompson, " " "	2
John Hughes " " "	0
Distance 33 ft. 10 in. 3 competitors.	

TWO MILE RUN.

D. D. McTaggart, Montreal Amateur Athletic Assn...	1
S. D. Jones, Shamrock Lacrosse Club.....	2
R. Wynn, Athletic Snow-Shoe Club.....	0
Time, 10 min. 25 3-5 sec. 3 competitors.	

RUNNING HIGH JUMP.

D. C. Little, Toronto University.....	1
J. C. Austin, Williamsburg Athletic Club, Brooklyn...	2
J. Skaife, Montreal Amateur Athletic Association.....	0
Height, 4 ft. 9 in. 3 competitors.	

220 YARD RUN.

John T. Belcher, Kingston.....	1
F. Sabourin, Rouses Point.....	2
C. H. Low, Montreal Amateur Athletic Association...	0
A. W. Waldron, Britannia Foot-Ball Club.....	0
Time, 24¼ sec. 5 competitors,	

In the first trial heat, Low and Belcher walked over. The second trial brought out Waldron, Sabourin, and Barnheart, of Ottawa, the former leading all the way. In the final, Low took the lead, with Belcher third, but the latter on the turn ran past the leaders winning handily. A protest was entered against Sabourin on the ground of his being a professional.

RUNNING BROAD JUMP.

H. Phillips, Montreal.....	1
D. C. Little, Toronto University.....	2
J. C. Austin, Williamsburg Athletic Club.....	0

Distance, 19 ft. 9½ in. 4 competitors.

The men literally jumped in mud a foot deep. Phillips improved each attempt and won handily, Little covering 18 ft. 7 in.

ONE MILE RUN.

N. Dewar, Toronto Lacrosse Club.....	1
J. W. Moffatt, Montreal Junior Lacrosse Club.....	2
Jas. Baird, Montreal Amateur Athletic Association....	0

Time 4.46¾.

440 YARD RUN.

T. Moffatt, Shamrock Lacrosse Club.....	1
A. Barnheart, Ottawa.....	2
Jno. Kermode, Shamrock Lacrosse Club.....	0
A. W. Waldron, Britannia Foot-Ball Club.....	0

Time, 52½ sec.

120 YARD HURDLE RACE.

L. Skaife, Montreal Amateur Athletic Association....	1
J. C. Austin, Williamsburg Athletic Club.....	2
D. C. Little, Toronto University.....	0

Time, 21 sec.

The prizes were presented at the Montreal Gymnasium in the evening.

It is to be hoped that the incoming Officers will persevere in the good work begun, and that the Athletic Clubs will rally to the support of the Association, for without their aid our efforts to elevate the tone of Amateur Athletics will prove almost useless and render the Championship Meeting anything but a success.

On behalf of the Committee,

WM. L. MALTBY, *Pres.*

H. W. BECKET, *Hon-Sec.*

MONTREAL, 27th Sept., 1884.

The second Annual Meeting of the Association took place on the evening of the 27th Sept. (date of Championship Games), when were present the following delegates :

Montreal Amateur Athletic Association, W. L. Maltby, T. L. Paton and M. Freeman.

Montreal Snow-Shoe Club, D. D. McTaggart, H. S. Tibbs, and J. A. Taylor.

St. George Snow-Shoe Club, F. C. Henshaw, W. L. Mathews, and T. Gilmour.

Emerald Snow-Shoe Club, J. McKeana and J. G. Tumity.

Le Trappeur Snow-Shoe Club, A. J. Corriveau.

Queen's Own Rifles Club, Capt's. McGee and Murray and Lieut Lee.

Toronto Lacrosse Club, R. B. Hamilton, W. C. Bonnell.

" Snow-Shoe Club J. Pearson and J. McLaren.

19 delegates in all.

The President, Mr. Maltby, occupied the chair. In the absence of the Secretary, the Treasurer Mr. Mathews, read minutes, which were confirmed.

The President stated that, owing to the absence from the city of the Secretary, a full report could not be submitted to the meeting, but he proceeded to give an epitomé of the season's work.

The Treasurer's Report shewed a probable deficit of \$190.

After some discussion *re* the ways and means of clearing off the

deficit, Messrs. Henshaw, Hamilton and Maltby spoke in favor of assessing Clubs, when it was

Moved by Mr. Jas. Pearson, seconded by Capt. McGee, "that date of paying fees this year be extended one month." Carried.

The election of Officers for ensuing year was then proceeded with, when the following gentlemen were elected to serve :

JAMES PEARSON, Toronto Lacrosse Club, *President*.

F. C. HENSHAW, St. George S. S. Club, Montreal. *1st Vice-Pres.*

A. D. STEWART, Hamilton, *2nd Vice-Pres.*

HENRY BROCK, Queen's Own Rifles, Toronto, *Hon.-Secretary*.

J. McLAREN, Toronto Snow-Shoe Club, *Treasurer*.

Council—W. L. Maltby, H. W. Becket, R. B. Hamilton, Jas. McKenna, W. Cuthbert, A. J. Corriveau, W. C. Cousens, R. Lambe and McGregor.

After which the meeting was dismissed.

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W. L. Mathews, Hon.-Treas, in Account with The Amateur Athletic Association of Canada.

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1884.			
April 24	—	Subscription Montreal Amateur Athletic Association...	\$15 00
25		“ Montreal Snow-Shoe Club.....	15 00
28		“ St. George “ “	15 00
June 24		“ Toronto “ “ Toronto	10 00
Aug. 5		“ Brantford Lacrosse Club, Brantford.....	5 00
11		“ Metropolitan Athletic Assn., Ottawa. ...	10 00
15		“ Toronto Fencing Club, Toronto.	10 00
22		“ Emerald Snow-Shoe Club, Montreal.....	15 00
Sept. 22		“ Athletic Snow-Shoe Club, Montreal.....	5 00
		“ Le Trappeur “ “ “	15 00
		“ Argyle “ “ “	10 00
27—		“ Queen’s Own Rifles Association, Toronto..	15 00
		“ Toronto Lacrosse Club, Toronto.....	15 00
		“ Montreal Amateur Ath. Assn., Montreal..	15 00
		“ Montreal Snow-Shoe Club, Montreal....	15 00
		“ St. George “ “ “	15 00
		Fees for Investigation into Amateur Standing.....	8 00
		Entry Fees Annual Games.....	34 00
		Gate Receipts.....	44 75
			<u><u>\$286 75</u></u>

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May 7—	By	Becket Bros., Printing, &c.....	\$35 25
		Cash Book.....	0 40
		Postages (Treasurer).....	2 00
October.		Cab Hire.....	0 50
		Becket Bros. (Printing By-Laws, &c.).....	101 00
		John Murray (distributing Dodgers).....	1 90
		Postage (Secretary).....	4 71
		<i>Witness</i> (advertising Races).....	9 00
		Canadian District Tel. Co. (distributing Dodgers)...	5 00
		<i>Star</i> (advertising Races).....	9 53
		Quinn & Co. (Bill Posting).....	4 50
		J. R. Harper, on account of Medals	50 00
		T. A. Adkins, “ “	39 00
		Police (Races).....	8 00
		Boys selling Programmes.....	2 50
		Gate-keepers (five men).....	7 50
		Cash in hand.....	5 96
			<u><u>\$286 75</u></u>

Association still owes	J. R. Harper.....	\$69 00
“ “	T. A. Adkihs.....	75 00
		<u><u>\$144 00</u></u>