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A' ye that lo'e auld Scotia's name
A' ye that lo'e auld Scotia's fame
A' ye that lo'e auld Scotia's game
Here's health and wealth to thee, boys.
Here's three times three for curlin' scenes
Here's three times three for curlin' freens
Here's three times three for beef and greens
And the marin' rink and thee, boys.

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1907

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ROYAL CALEDONIAN CURLING CLUB

FOR

1906--1907

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The Right Honourable The Earl of Northesk.

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PREFACE.

The Association during the current season, 1907-8, celebrates the tenth anniversary of its founding. This epoch in its history, alone suggests the publication of an Annual in which its records and history—otherwise liable to be forgotten—may be preserved.

But beyond this, the late assumption by the Association of a Provincial title, its affiliation with the Royal Caledonian Curling Club of Scotland, and the changes recently made in its Constitution and Rules of the game, render the issuance of a revised manual almost a necessity.

With the first mentioned thought in mind, and for the reasons referred to, this volume is now issued with the authority of the Association.

The Constitution and Rules revised to date have been reprinted, with new diagrams showing "The rinks" with six-foot rings, instead of seven, as formerly, incorporated therein.

The volume will also be found to contain, it is hoped, useful information and much general literature of interest to curlers.

Canada, which is a Scotland in physical features, and in area a Scotland multiplied many times, is already eminent for her love of the "Grand Auld Game," and is destined to be pre-eminently a Curling Nation.

As do the Scots, so should we endeavor to keep alive the literature which belongs to and is inseparable from this favorite sport. A humble effort, directed to this end, is made in the issuance of this volume.

The Association hopes to be able to publish in the future at regular intervals, volumes, of which the present one is the beginning, similar in scope to those issued by the Manitoba Branch, through the medium of which the names of our curlers and their achievements will be preserved for all time to come.

The Association is indebted to W. J. Nelson, Esq., of Rossland, for the general design of the present volume and

the literary and much of the other work incidental to its compilation. The article by this gentleman on "The Game of Curling, its Origin and its Rise and Growth on the American Continent," will be found to be a valuable contribution to the curling literature of Canada.

The Association is also indebted to Mr. Nelson for the design of a coat-of arms, a cut of which appears in the volume; also for the "Hints to Secretaries," the draft "Constitution and Rules" for affiliated clubs, and other like useful matter scattered throughout the pages of the Annual.

Indebtedness is also acknowledged to Mr. G. O. Buchanan, of Kaslo, for the "History of Curling in British Columbia," which is incorporated with Mr. Nelson's article above mentioned; also for the collection of part of the material concerning B. C. clubs, which has been utilized in the preparation of the volume.

The Association is also indebted to Dr. Gomm, of Sandon, for the short but interesting history of the well-known Cordwood trophy.

The task of collecting the material for the volume, especially such as appertains to matters connected with this Association and its affiliated clubs, has been great. The information in respect to some matters, considering the short time given for the compilation of the volume, is conceded to be meagre and fragmentary, but rather than delay longer, in an effort to obtain more complete information, it was deemed expedient to go to press, with the hope that in future editions, the groundwork herein laid may be made to sustain a more perfect edifice.

Much of the difficulty in procuring information would be obviated in the future by the election of a permanent secretary to the Association, agreeable to the practice of the Ontario and Manitoba Branches of the Royal Club.

In conclusion, to borrow the words of Lord Byron,

"What is writ is writ;—
Would that it were worthier."

If any errors have crept into the volume, let it ever be remembered that "Nothing is so difficult as a beginning."

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(FORMERLY KOOTENAY)

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A. B. MACKENZIE

Patron of the Association 1907,
and an Ex-President

A POPULAR AND ENTHUSIAST KOOTENAY CURLER

PAST OFFICE-BEARERS

OF THE

BRITISH COLUMBIA

(FORMERLY KOOTENAY)

CURLING ASSOCIATION

Should auld acquaintance be forgot
And never brought to min'
Should auld acquaintance be forgot,
An' the days o' auld lang syne?

1898

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J. B. McArthur, Rossland.

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1899

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James Waugh, Kaslo. W. M. Lawrence, Revelstoke.
R. D. Morkill, Jr., Rossland. J. G. Main, Sandon.

1901

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1903

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G. S. McCarter, Revelstoke.
D. M. Rae, Revelstoke.

1905

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G. O. Buchanan, Kaslo.
Alex. Crawford, Trout Lake.

1906

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CHAPLAIN

The Rev. H. R. Grant, Rossland.

SECRETARY-TREASURER

H. P. McCraney, Rossland.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

L. A. Campbell, Rossland.
Dudley Blackwood, Nelson.
C. H. Parsons, Golden.
William McQueen, Rossland.
H. A. Brown, Revelstoke.
I. Crawford, Phoenix.

LIST OF CLUBS

THAT HAVE BEEN OR ARE IN AFFILIATION WITH THE B. C. CURLING ASSOCIATION

WITH DATES OF ORGANIZATION AND AFFILIATION, AND NAMES OF PRESIDENTS AND SECRETARIES

KASLO CURLING CLUB.

(One of the Charter Clubs.)

Organized January 1st, 1896.

1896 to 1901.—President, G. O. Buchanan; Secretary, Horace W. Burke.

1902 to 1905.—President, G. O. Buchanan; Secretary, Harry E. Douglas.

1906.—President, G. O. Buchanan; Secretary, James Anderson.

SANDON CURLING CLUB.

(A Charter Club.)

Organized Winter 1896-7.

Present Secretary, E. M. Sandilands.

GOLDEN CURLING CLUB.

Organized 1894. Affiliated 4th December, 1903.

Office Bearers 1906-7.—President, J. N. Taylor, M. D.; Vice-President, James Henderson; Second Vice-President, George Sanborn; Chaplain, Rev. C. F. Yates; Secretary-Treasurer, Thomas King.

This club has a present membership of 40. It affiliated with the Manitoba Branch of the Royal Caledonian Curling Club, but on the formation of the Alberta Curling Association, it withdrew from the Manitoba Branch and became affiliated with the nearer Association.

ROSSLAND CURLING CLUB.

(A Charter Club.)

Organized November, 1898.

1898-9.—President, W. A. Carlyle; Secretary, J. S. Patterson. (Resigned 14th June, T. S. Gilmour succeeding him.)

1899 to 1902.—President, J. S. C. Fraser; Secretary, T. S. Gilmour.

1903.—President, Dr. D. Campbell; Secretary, H. R. Townsend.

1904 to 1905.—President, A. H. MacNeill, K. C.; Secretary, H. R. Townsend.

1906.—President, A. B. MacKenzie; Secretary, H. R. Townsend.

1907.—President, His Honor Judge Wilson; Secretary, H. R. Townsend.

NELSON CURLING CLUB.

(A charter Club.)

Organized 5th December, 1898.

1898-9.—President, His Honor John A. Forin; Secretary, Thos. Little.

1899-1900.—President, A. H. Buchanan; Secretary, Thos. Little.

1900-1.—President, Norman McLeod; Secretary, C. D. J. Christie.

1901-2.—President, F. A. Tamblyn; Secretary, S. G. Campbell.

1902-3.—President, J. H. Wallace; Secretary, A. T. Walley.

1903-4.—President, His Honor P. E. Wilson; Secretary, E. G. Smyth.

1904-5.—President, J. A. Turner; Secretary, E. G. Smyth.

1905-6.—President, J. A. Turner; Secretary, G. A. Hunter.

1906-7.—President, A. T. Walley; Secretary, G. A. Hunter.

"A social brotherhood are we,
And after we are deid and gane,
We'll live in literature and lair
In Annals o' the Channelstane."

HIS HONOUR JUDGE FORIN

PATRON OF THE ASSOCIATION

1903 & 1904

WINNER OF MANY BONSPIEL TROPHIES

ONE OF THE FOUNDERS OF THE ASSOCIATION

REVELSTOKE CURLING CLUB.

Organized 30th November, 1900.

1900-1.—President, H. A. Brown; Secretary, H. R. B. Heam.

1901-2.—President, Geo. S. McCarter; Secretary, A. E. Phipps.

1902-3.—President, H. A. Brown; Secretary, Dr. J. F. Carruthers.

1903-4.—President, C. B. Hume; Secretary, F. B. Lewis.

1904-5.—President, W. M. Lawrence; Secretary, F. B. Lewis.

1905-6.—President, A. E. Kincaid; Secretary, John H. Jackson.

PHOENIX CURLING CLUB.

Organized November, 1901. Affiliated 24th February, 1902.

1901-2.—President, G. W. Rumberger; Secretary, I. Crawford.

1902-3.—President, J. A. Morrin; Secretary, Ed. Birnie.

1903-4.—President, Thos. Hardy; Secretary, O. B. Smith, Jr.

1904-5.—President, Dr. R. B. Boucher; Secretary, I. Crawford.

1905-6.—President, Geo. L. McNicol; Secretary, A. B. Hood.

1906-7.—President, C. H. Reeves; Secretary, W. D. Lawson.

GREENWOOD CURLING CLUB.

Organized 22d January, 1902.

1902-3.—President, J. A. Russell; Secretary, J. M. Humphrey.

1903-4.—President, H. C. Shaw; Secretary, H. W. Falconer.

1904-5.—President, J. S. Birnie; Secretary, H. W. Falconer.

1905-6.—President, E. G. Warren; Secretary, Wm. Allison.

1906-7.—President, Wm. G. McMynn; Secretary, Wm. Allison.

THE NELSON LACROSSE, HOCKEY AND CURLING CLUB.

Organized 1904. Affiliated 12th December, 1904.

This club has since been merged in the Nelson Curling Club. It took part in the Bonspiel held at Nelson in 1905.

THE LARDEAU THISTLE CLUB OF TROUT LAKE.

This club was organized by the Crawford family, who had temporarily taken up their residence at Trout Lake, in 1904. It entered a rink at the Revelstoke Bonspiel in that year; also at the Nelson Bonspiel in 1905. It has not since been heard from, but as no club fathered by a Crawford can possibly die, we will no doubt hear from it again. Fred C. Elliott was the last known President, and E. Saunders the last known Secretary.

"Better lo'ed ye couldna be;
Will ye no' cam' back again?"

ASHCROFT CURLING CLUB.

Organized 1903. Affiliated Dec. 4th, 1903.

This club was organized in 1903. It competed in the Revelstoke Bonspiel in 1905. Since that date it has not been heard from. Rumor has it that it has been, or is about to be, re-organized, and will ask for re-affiliation with the Association. We would be glad to again receive it into the fold.

CRANBROOK CURLING CLUB.

Organized Oct. 15th, 1906. Affiliated Dec. 5th, 1906.

1906-7.—President, His Honor Judge P. E. Wilson; Vice-President, J. G. McCallum; Secretary, A. C. Nelson; Treasurer, Jas. A. Arnold; Executive Committee, R. E. Beattie, George Hoggarth, and G. T. Rogers.

OTHER B. C. CURLING CLUBS

ATLIN.

Jas. L. Stavers, President.

Atlin has a curling club, and it is hoped that it will in the coming year apply for affiliation.

"There draw a shot; there lay a guard;
And here beside him lie, man.
Now let him feel a gamester's hand;
Now in this bosom die, man.
There fill the port, and block the ice—
We sit upon the tee, man!"
—The Ettrick Shepherd.

GENERAL REMARKS.

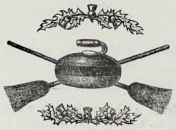
In 1905-6 there were nine clubs affiliated with the Association, with a total membership of four hundred and twelve, made up as follows: Revelstoke, 24; Golden, 32; Phoenix, 28; Greenwood, 60; Sandon, 30; Kaslo, 18; Trout Lake, 10; Nelson, 130; and Rossland, 80;—in all, 412.

In 1904, at the Revelstoke Bonspiel, 24 rinks entered, namely: Trout Lake, 1; Phoenix, 1; Sandon, 3; Rossland, 2; Nelson, 2; Calgary, 1; Greenwood, 1; Ashcroft, 1; Golden, 2; and Revelstoke, 10.

In 1905, at the Nelson Bonspiel, 25 rinks entered, namely: Nelson Lacrosse, Hockey and Curling Club, 3; Phoenix, 2; Greenwood, 2; Sandon, 2; Kaslo, 1; Rossland, 5; and the Nelson Curling Club, 10.

These, in point of rink entries, were the largest Bonspiels held under the auspices of the Association.

In 1903, at the Rossland Bonspiel, 22 rinks were entered, by six clubs.



J. S. C. FRASER, OF ROSSLAND

and "Paddy", his favorite Irish Terrier.

An Ex-Patron and Ex-President of the Association

A Veteran Curler and an Earnest Devotee of the Grand Auld Game

PAST BONSPIELS

HELD UNDER THE AUSPICES OF THE ASSOCIATION WITH PLACES AND DATES OF HOLDING SAME

1899—January 10, 11 and 12. Bonspiel held at Rossland.

Fourteen rinks entered, as follows:

Nelson, 4. Skips: Grant, Tamblyn, Peters and Anderson.

Kaslo, 1. Skip: Waugh.

Sandon, 2. Skips: Grimmett and Hood.

Revelstoke, 1. Skip: Brown.

Rossland, 6. Skips: Fraser, Morkill, Cranston, Beamish, Carlyle and Smith.

1900—February 13 to 17 inclusive. Bonspiel held at Rossland.

Eleven rinks entered, as follows:

Nelson, 2. Skips: F. A. Tamblyn and John Rae.

Sandon, 3. Skips: W. Wilson, M. L. Grimmett and A. Crawford.

Rossland, 6. Skips: D. B. Bogle, T. M. Beamish, H. H. Smith, A. B. Cranston, C. J. Ross and D. E. Kerr.

1901—February 12 to 16 inclusive. Bonspiel held at Rossland.

Rinks—Nelson, Sandon, Revelstoke, Kaslo and Rossland. Number of rinks, or names of skips, not known. No official record kept.

1902—February 17 to 22 inclusive. Bonspiel held at Sandon.

Rinks entered—Sandon, Phoenix, Kaslo, Revelstoke, Nelson and Rossland. No official record kept.

1903—January 20 to 24 inclusive. Bonspiel held at Rossland.

Twenty-two rinks entered, as follows:

Greenwood, 2; Nelson, 3; Phoenix, 1; Revelstoke, 2; Sandon, 3; and Rossland, 11.

1904—January 25 to 29 inclusive. Bonspiel held at Revelstoke.

Twenty-four rinks entered, as follows:

Lardeau Thistle Club of Trout Lake, 1; Phoenix, 1; Sandon, 3; Rossland, 2; Nelson, 2; Calgary, 1; Greenwood, 1; Ashcroft, 1; Golden, 2; Revelstoke, 10.

1905—January 23 to 28 inclusive. Bonspiel held at Nelson.

Twenty-five rinks entered, as follows:

Nelson Lacrosse, Hockey and Curling Club, 3; Phoenix, 2; Greenwood, 2; Sandon, 2; Kaslo, 1; Rossland, 5; and Nelson, 10.

1906—January 22 to 27 inclusive. Bonspiel held in Rossland.

Eighteen rinks entered, as follows:

Nelson, 4; Sandon, 3; Kaslo, 1; Greenwood, 1; and Rossland, 9.

1907—January 21 to 26 inclusive. Bonspiel held in Cranbrook.

Particulars not as yet entered in official books.

N. B.—It is to be regretted that fuller particulars cannot at present be obtained in regard to the winning rinks at the different Bonspiels, as the insertion of such information would undoubtedly add much to the value of this Manual. The names and skips winning the different trophies would also have been given, but the compiler has been unable to obtain this information. A permanent secretary, keeping full and complete records, would in future permit of such information being readily obtained.

"Will ye no' come back again
At tail end o' the year, John;
Mak' snell winds blaw, wi' frost and snaw,
Gi'e ice baith keen and clear, John?

"Leal-hearted, loyal to the core,
Your praises aye we'll sing, John.
Wi' stones and kowes we'll mak' a throne
An' crown ye 'Curlers' King', John."

LIST OF THE ASSOCIATION TROPHIES FOR COMPETITION AT THE ANNUAL BONSPIELS

1.—THE GRAND CHALLENGE CUP.

Open to all rinks entered at the Bonspiel and affiliated with the British Columbia or any other Curling Association.

Presented by

Messrs. Harvey McNair Co.,
12 Great Tower St., London, Eng.

This trophy remains the property of the Association, and is held by the winning club for one year.

2.—THE B. C. CURLING ASSOCIATION TROPHY.

Open to all rinks entered at the Bonspiel and affiliated with the Association.

3.—THE OLIVER CUP.

Open to all rinks entered at the Bonspiel and affiliated with this or any other Curling Association.

Presented by

W. T. Oliver, Esq.,
Banker, of New York City, formerly of the Bank of B. N. A., Rossland.

4.—WALKERVILLE COMPETITION.

Open to all rinks entered at the Bonspiel and affiliated with this or any other Curling Association.

Four trophies presented annually by

Hiram Walker & Sons, Ltd.,
Walkerville, Ont.

The trophies become the absolute property of the members of the winning rink in each year.

THE GRAND CHALLENGE CUP

—AND—

B. C. CURLING ASSOCIATION TROPHY

Won by Thos. S. Gilmour's Rink, Rossland Bonspiel, 1906

F. E. ARMSTRONG, Lead. *HUGH R. GRANT, 2nd.*

T. G. CHALLONER, 3rd.

5.—THE HUDSON BAY CUP.

Open to one rink from each club affiliated with the Association.

Presented by
The Hudson Bay Company.

Four individual trophies are also presented annually by the Company.

The individual trophies become the absolute property of the members of the winning rink, each year. The cup remains the property of the Association, and is held by the winning club for one year.

6.—THE TUCKETT DISTRICT TROPHY.

Open to one rink from each club affiliated with the Association.

Presented by
Geo. E. Tuckett & Sons Co., Ltd.,
Hamilton, Ont.

Four individual trophies are also presented annually by the Company, which become the absolute property of the members of the winning rink.

The cup remains the property of the Association, and is held by the winning club for one year.

7.—THE FIT-REFORM CUP.

Open to all comers.

Presented by
The Fit-Reform Clothing Co.,
of Montreal.

Four individual trophies are also annually presented by the Company, which become the absolute property of the members of the winning rink.

The cup remains the property of the Association, and is held by the winning club for one year.

8.—THE SPRING CUP

For Grand Points Competition.

Open to all curlers entered at the Bonspiel.

Presented by

J. W. Spring, Esq.,
late of Rossland, Jeweller.

The trophy remains the property of the Association, but is held by the winning club for one year.

9.—THE P. BURNS CUP.

(Consolation.)

Open to all rinks competing in the Bonspiel that have not won a prize in the B. C. C. A., Grand Challenge, Oliver or Walkerville competitions.

The firm annually presents four individual trophies, which become the absolute property of the members of the winning rink.

THE MACKINTOSH CUP, THE NEW YORK LIFE CHALLENGE CUP AND THE CORDWOOD TROPHY.

The first named cup, presented to the Association by Hon. Charles H. Mackintosh in 1899, and the second cup, presented by the New York Life Insurance Company, once important cups of the Association, were withdrawn by the executive on the 27th December, 1904, from competition under their old names, through the omission of the donors to supplement them from time to time with individual prizes. The last named is now competed for, and is known as the "B. C. Curling Association Trophy." The first named will no doubt be in active competition in the not far distant future.

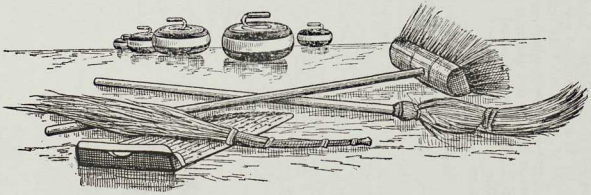
The Cordwood trophy has also been an interesting trophy at many a past Bonspiel, even though it received no

active official recognition by the Association. Its history has been well related by Dr. Gomm in another column.

In connection with all, or nearly all, of the nine cups or trophies of the Association in active competition, other prizes are added, the gifts of the different donors or of the Association or its friends, at each annual Bonspiel. These, in every instance, became the absolute property of the members of the winning rinks.

N. B.—In case of a second edition of this Manual, an effort should be made to give a history of each trophy, including the composition of the teams winning same, from year to year. The compiler has not space this year for such interesting particulars, even were the same available.

"Ae day, ere long, we may hae rinks
Laid doon in polished granite,
And then we'll hae the roarin' game,
In kilts and tasselled bannet."



You've been my freen at ilka spiel,
You've polished up the howe.
You've mony a stone brocht owre the hog.
My bonny, broomy kowe.

INAUGURAL MEETING

—OF—

THE BRITISH COLUMBIA

(FORMERLY KOOTENAY)

CURLING ASSOCIATION

NOW IN AFFILIATION WITH THE ROYAL CALEDONIAN CURLING CLUB

Minutes of a meeting held at the Hotel Allan in the City of Rossland, B. C., on the 12th day of February, 1898, of the representative curlers of the Kootenays:

Moved by F. W. Peters, of Nelson, seconded by W. H. Grant, of Nelson: "That this meeting of representative curlers of Sandon, Kaslo, Nelson and Rossland, agree to form an Association, called the 'Kootenay Curling Association'; that the officers of the Association be President, three Vice-Presidents, Secretary-Treasurer, and that an Executive Committee of six members be appointed." Carried.

Moved by F. W. Peters, of Nelson, seconded by H. H. Smith, of Rossland: That the following be the officers:

President—J. B. McArthur, Rossland.

Vice-Presidents—G. O. Buchanan, Kaslo; M. L. Grimmett, Sandon; F. W. Peters, Nelson.

Secretary-Treasurer—A. W. Strickland, Rossland.

Executive Committee—Jas. Waugh, Kaslo; J. G. Main, Sandon; W. H. Grant, Nelson; J. S. C. Fraser, Rossland; C. A. Warren, Golden; D. M. Rae, Golden.

Moved by F. W. Peters, of Nelson, seconded by G. O. Buchanan, of Kaslo: "That the President of any club affiliated with this Association shall be ex-officio a member of this committee, provided that such club is not already represented thereon."

Moved and seconded: "That the President and Mr. F. W. Peters be a committee on the Constitution."

CONSTITUTION

OF THE

BRITISH COLUMBIA CURLING ASSOCIATION

(FORMERLY THE KOOTENAY CURLING ASSOCIATION)

IN AFFILIATION WITH

THE ROYAL CALEDONIAN CURLING CLUB

CHAP. I.—THE CONSTITUTION.

1. The Association shall be called the British Columbia Curling Association.

2. Its object shall be to promote the game of Curling, particularly in the Province of British Columbia; to unite all the Curling Clubs therein into one organization; and to hold fraternal intercourse with other Curling Associations.

3. Its membership shall consist of the members, Regular and Honorary, of all Curling Clubs which may be received into the Association, and conform to the rules thereof, as adopted.

4. The affairs of the Association shall be managed by a Representative Committee, composed of two representatives appointed by each affiliated club, as hereinafter provided, which shall have power to elect the office-bearers of the Association and to appoint committees for the business thereof.

5. An Annual General Meeting of the members of the Representative Committee shall be held on the first Wed-

nesday in December in each year, to receive the Annual Report of the Executive Council of the Association, and take action upon the same; and to transact such other business as may be necessary.

6. No new law shall be enacted, and no existing law shall be altered or repealed, until approved of by at least two-thirds of the members present at the Annual General Meeting of the Association, and unless notice of such alteration or addition shall have been previously given at the preceding Annual or Semi-Annual Meeting.

CHAP. II.—CLUBS.

1. Any Curling Club shall be eligible to be received into the Association which has a membership of not fewer than eight persons; and which has a constitution and staff of office-bearers, including President, Vice-President, Treasurer and Secretary and two Representative Members.

2. Clubs may be received into the Association at any meeting of the Representative Committee, and at any meeting of the Executive Council, if given power to do so at any regular meeting of the Representative Committee.

3. Every club desiring admission into the Association shall furnish a list of its office-bearers and members, and name of club; and shall agree to be governed by the Rules of the Association, and must be proposed by one member of the Representative Committee and seconded by another, and two-thirds majority of votes of those present shall decide the question.

4. Every club shall elect annually, and not later than the first Wednesday in November, before the date of the Annual Meeting, two persons as its delegates on the Representative Committee; and no person shall, at any meeting of the Representative Committee, represent more than one club. In the event of any Representative being unable to be present at any meeting of the Association, a proxy may

be appointed by the executive of the club he represents, or by the President thereof.

5. It shall not be lawful for any curler to play in any one season for or on behalf of more than one club for prizes allocated by the Association, or given under its auspices. Any club playing an Association Prize Match with one or more curlers in its ranks not properly qualified as members, shall forfeit all right to the prize if it shall have been successful in the contest.

6. Clubs must classify their members, as Honorary and Regular. Entrance Fee and Annual Dues shall be payable for each regular member returned as belonging to the club, and only regular members shall be entitled to take part in the Association games, and be eligible to the Representative Committee as delegates.

CHAP. III.—THE REPRESENTATIVE COMMITTEE.

1. The Representative Committee, composed of two Representatives from each affiliated club, shall hold one regular meeting each year, as provided in Sec. 5, Chap. I, of the Constitution, which shall be known as the Annual General Meeting of the Members of the Association. The Semi-Annual Meeting shall be held on the Saturday previous to the date of the opening of the Annual Bonspiel. Special meetings may be called by the proper office-bearers. At all such meetings, five shall be the quorum.

2. At said Annual Meeting the Representative Committee shall elect for the year ensuing, the office-bearers of the Association, who shall come into office immediately upon their election, and continue until their successors are appointed. They shall consist of a Patron, a President, three Vice-Presidents, a Chaplain, and a Secretary-Treasurer. At the same meeting there shall also be selected six members, who with the office-bearers, shall be the Executive Council and manage the affairs of the Association. The Presidents of all affiliated local clubs, not otherwise

represented on this Council, shall be ex-officio members thereof.

(a) The duties of the President shall be to preside and maintain order at all meetings of the Association, of the Representative Committee, and of the Executive Council; and he shall sign the minutes of such meeting, 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 deliberate vote.

(b) 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 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.

(c) The Secretary-Treasurer shall keep full and correct minutes of all the meetings of the Association and of the Executive Council, 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 audited at the close of each fiscal year.

(d) The Executive, consisting of the officers and six members, shall have full management of the affairs of the Association.

(e) Auditors shall examine and certify the Treasurer's accounts from year to year.

3. No complaint or appeal will be received unless sent in 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 no complaint or appeal shall be decided until all parties thereto shall have been given an opportunity to state their case; and any party failing or neglecting to show cause within one week after being notified to do so by the Council, shall thereby be held to have departed from his claim, and to forfeit all rights to any further hearing.

4. At the Annual Meetings of the Representative Committee, the order of business shall be as follows:

1. Calling Meeting to Order.
2. Report on Credentials of Delegates.
3. Reading Minutes of Previous Annual and Special Meetings.
4. Admission of New Clubs.
5. Communications.
6. Accounts.
7. Annual Reports of Clubs.
8. Reports of Standing Committees.
9. Reports of Special Committees.
10. Semi-Annual Report on Clubs.
11. Unfinished Business.
12. Reports of District Umpires.
13. Fixing Place of Bonspiel.
14. Election of Office-bearers.
15. New Business.
16. Alteration of the Constitution.
17. Miscellaneous Business.

5. At special meetings no business shall be transacted other than that for which the meeting was convened, and which has been clearly set forth in the circular calling the meeting. The President, the Secretary, and any three members of the Executive Council, may convene a special meeting of the Representative Committee at any time.

CHAP. IV.—ENTRANCE AND ANNUAL FEES.

1. The fees payable by clubs shall be an entrance fee, club fee, and annual dues.

2. The entrance fee for any club shall be $5, which must accompany application, together with annual club fee and other dues.

3. The annual dues shall be paid in advance, as follows: A club fee of Two Dollars each year from each club, and an additional sum of Fifty Cents in respect of each regular member of the club. Members can be registered up to the 31st day of December in each year, and new clubs admitted up to the same date.

4. From these sources shall be formed a common fund to be under the control of the Executive Council, and from which shall be defrayed the printing, advertising and incidental expenses of the Association, including necessary running expenses of the Bonspiel.

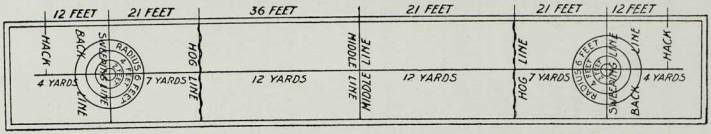
5. No club in arrears shall be entitled to compete in the District Matches or for any prize of the Association at the Annual Bonspiel.

6. If any club shall fall two years in arrears in the payment of its annual dues, it shall be struck off the list of the Association, and shall not be re-instated except as a new club, unless the Association shall decide to the contrary by a two-thirds vote.

CHAP. V.—THE GAME.

1. The standard length of the rink for play shall be 42 yards from hack to tee. No important match shall be commenced if the ice be not in a condition fairly to test the curling skill of the competing players; and it shall be stopped and declared "off," if, after it has been begun, the condition of the ice, by reason of thaw setting in or snow

THE RINK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HOG LINE
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4 YARDS

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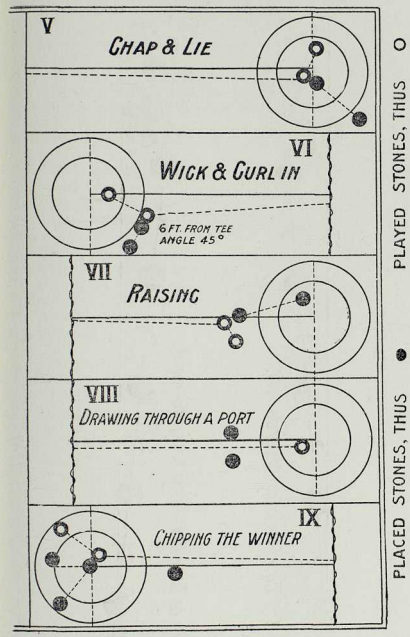
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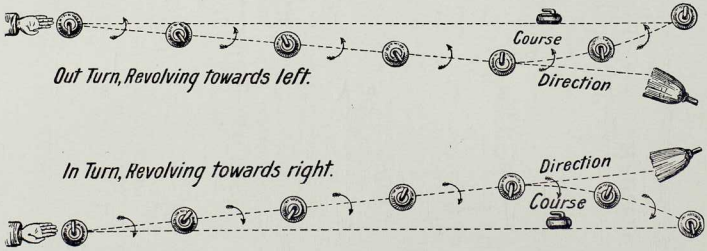
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falling, becomes such as not to afford a fair test of the curling skill of the competing players; or darkness comes on sufficient to prevent the stones at the tee from being distinctly seen from the further hack; and in all cases of stopped matches, the postponed game shall be commenced de novo. The umpire's decision, regarding the condition of the ice and atmosphere, shall be final in all cases.

2. The tees to be 38 yards apart, and around each, as a centre, shall be described a circle of six feet radius, which shall be called the "Home," or "Ring." To facilitate measurements, intermediate circles may also be described around the tee. Every stone within, or resting upon the outer ring, shall be entitled to be counted in the game; no stone shall be considered without a circle, unless it is entirely clear of that circle, nor shall a stone be considered over a line unless it has crossed and entirely cleared it. In every case this is to be decided by a square placed upon the ice.

3. From, and in exact alignment with both tees, a line, called the centre line, shall be drawn to a point four yards behind each tee; at this point a line shall be drawn, at a right angle to the centre line, on which the hack shall be cut. The hack shall not exceed six inches in length, nor shall the inner edge thereof be more than three inches from the centre line, so that all stones shall be delivered with their centre upon the centre line.

4. Other lines, called the Middle Score, the Hog Score, the Sweeping Score and Back Score, shall also be drawn on the ice at right angles to the centre line. The Middle Score shall be drawn at midway between the two tees, to point out the place at which sweeping may ordinarily be commenced. The Hog Score shall be drawn at a distance from each tee of one-sixth of the length from hack to further tee; and shall indicate the point, which if a played stone fails to pass, it shall be counted

a hog, and removed from the ice unless it has been prevented from passing by striking another played stone resting inside said hog score. The Sweeping Score shall be drawn across the tees, for the guidance of the skips in sweeping. The Back Score shall be drawn just outside and behind the 12-foot circle around the tee (the home); all stones having passed this score must be removed from the ice.

N. B.—For method of laying out rink, see diagram.

5. All matches to be the majority of shots won, after playing a certain number of ends, or definite period of time, to be agreed upon 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.

6. 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.

7. The two skips opposing each other shall settle by lot, or in any other way they may agree upon, which party may lead in the first end, after which the winning party, shall lead.

8. 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 tee-head as skips.

9. Players during the course of each end, shall be ar-

ranged 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 12-foot circle, or home; 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.

10. Every player to be ready to play when his turn comes, and shall 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.

11. 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 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.

12. 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.

13. 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, and the opposing skip shall have the option to add one to his score and allow the game to proceed, or

to call the end null and void; 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 it. If displaced by any neutral party, both skips to agree upon the position to which it is to be returned, and if they fail to agree the umpire shall decide.

14. The sweeping shall be under the direction and control of the skips. Upon all occasions a stone may be swept from the Hog Score nearest the point from which the stone is delivered, and may be swept by the party to whose side it belongs until it comes to the Sweeping Score; but all stones when they have passed the Sweeping Score 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 in front of the stone being swept, and at one side thereof; and 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 shall be dealt with as a "running stone" marred by the party to which it belongs. (See Sec. 13.)

15. 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.

R. W. GRIGOR

OF ROSSLAND

A Curling Enthusiast and a Familiar Figure at all Bonspiels

"He plays for the love of it."

16. 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.

17. Should a played stone roll over, or stop on its edge or top, it shall be put off the ice. 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.

18. No measuring of shots allowable previous to 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 centre of tee to nearest point of stone, after removing stones intervening.

19. 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.

20. No rink shall be eligible to enter for any competition or match under the jurisdiction of the Association, unless in the first game they have four bona fide active players. If, however, after starting in any event, any member, through sickness or other unforeseen circumstances, is unable to play, then the following rules apply:

(a) If the skip be absent, then the third man becomes skip, and the second man plays his own and the third pair of stones.

(b) If third player be absent, the second man shall play second and third place.

(c) If the second player be absent, then the lead plays first as well as second place.

(d) If the lead be absent, the second player shall play his own as well as the lead stones.

(e) A sweeper will be allowed for the absentee, but no rink shall continue play with less than three men.

CHAP. VI.—ICE RINKS.

1. All District matches, as well as those played at the Annual Bonspiel, and general competitions at the Points' Game, must be played on new or virgin ice, or upon neutral ice.

Ice for curling shall be deemed new or virgin ice:

(a) When it has not previously been played on.

(b) 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.

(c) If, after being last used for curling, the ice shall have been re-faced 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.

(d) Shaving of 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, intended, or calculated, or having for its object to facilitate the making of any particular shot, or to otherwise pervert the ice surface from the true and correct level.

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

CHAP. VII.—THE POINTS' GAME.

1. Rinks shall be laid off in accordance with the enclosed diagram. Within the 12-foot circle, a circle 8 feet in diameter shall be drawn around the tee, and a centre line or score, from the hack to the hog score; and the length of the rink, from hack to tee, shall be 42 yards.

2. 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.

3. 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:

(a) Striking.—A stone placed on the sweeping score, and with its inner edge two feet from the tee; if struck, to count 1; if struck out of the 12 feet circle, to count 2.

(b) 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.

(c) Drawing.—If the stone played lies within or on the 12 feet circle, to count 1; if within or on the 8 feet circle, to count 2.

(d) 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, but not touch the stone to be guarded.

(e) Chap and Lie.—If the stone placed on the sweeping score, with its inner edge one foot from the tee, be struck out of the 12 feet circle, and the played stone rest within or on the same circle, to count 1; if struck out of the 12 feet circle and the played stone rest within or on the 8 feet circle, to count 2.

(f) Wick and Curl In.—A stone being placed with its inner edge 6 feet distant from the tee and its fore-edge on a line making an angle of 45 degrees with the central line; if the stone is struck and the played stone curls on or within the 12 feet circle, to count 1; if struck and the played stone rests on or within the 8 feet circle, to count 2.

(g) Raising.—A stone placed with its centre on the central line and its inner edge 8 feet distant from the tee; if struck within or on the 12 feet circle, to count 1; if struck within or on the 8 feet circle, to count 2.

(h) 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 12 feet circle, to count 1; if within or on the 8 feet circle, to count 2.

(i) 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.

(j) 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 6 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 12 feet circle, to count 1; if struck within or on the 8 feet circle, to count 2.

4. 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.

5. In the Points' Game the rinks 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.

Note.—It will save much time if, in playing for local prizes, two rinks be prepared lying parallel to each other, the tee of 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 is scored; in case of a miss, both hands to be kept down.

Far frae the busy haunts o' men
We revel in the grand auld game,
And never fash, tho' far frae home,
Away up in the mountains.

THE GAME OF CURLING

ITS ORIGIN, AND ITS RISE AND GROWTH ON THE AMERICAN CONTINENT

[COMPILED AND WRITTEN BY W. J. NELSON]

"There's music in the curling stone,
And singing on the rink,
And sweeter echoes know I none
Than stones that meet and clink."

The influence of climate on sports is as little understood as that of climate on character. The notion that people in the latitudes of extreme frost have invented vigorous amusements merely to keep warm is a southern one. If this idea had been the ruling one in our northern country, would the Pilgrim Fathers have been so set against dancing? If exercise is a mere matter of climate, would it be true that "when the sun goes down all Africa dances"? If ever there was a climatic excuse for dancing pretty much all the year round, surely New England and Scotland offer it And yet we know that the inhabitants of these countries preferred amusements less graceful than dancing, even when they had to be enlivened with rum and usquebaugh. We can only say in a general way that the successful colonizing

races who are accustomed to an aggressive and defensive warfare against frost, take naturally to rough sports. We never hear of the students of El Azhar, in Cairo, playing at foot-ball, or taking a degree in rowing. Base-ball, foot-ball, cricket, golf, skating, curling, and the like vigorous athletics, have never been popular in tropic or semi-tropic countries.

The Northerner wants a sport that brings out the muscle and taxes all his powers, and makes him hungry and thirsty.

A game peculiarly adapted to do all these is the Scottish national game of Curling, which is a passion with all classes in Scotland, and has now taken deep root in England, Canada, and in some of the northern States of the Union. The idea that the game was invented to keep Scotchmen from freezing to death is conveyed in a poem written in the last century, beginning:

"Auld Daddy Scotland sat ae day
Bare-legged on a snawy brae;
His brawny arms wi' cauld were blae,
The wind was snelly blawing.
As icicles froze at his snout,
He rowed his plaid his head about,
Sin raised to Heaven a roupet shout,
Auld Albyn's Jove misca'ing.

CHORUS.

"Oh for a cheery, heartsome game,
To send through a' the soul a flame,
Pit birr and smedden in the frame,
And set the bluid a-dingling!"

That may have been the reason of its ancient origin—for it is a very old game—but we infer from a large and very entertaining volume on Curling, by James Taylor, D. D. (William Paterson, Edinburgh, 1884), that it has been sustained by hunger as well as by cold.

In this twentieth century, we presume there are few who are not to some extent acquainted with the game. It is no longer confined to Scotland, but now finds patrons in all parts of the world where the needed climatic conditions exist. It is everywhere pursued with supreme enthusiasm, zest and glee. As one writer pithily remarks: "It creates the keenest excitement and competition; it eschews castes—in other words, excludes social distinction; promotes extreme sociability, and is productive of a superabundance of hilarity and humor."

It is called the "roarin' game," not on account of the noise made by the players, but on account of the roaring sound made by the stones as they speed along the ice. This roaring may not at all times be in evidence in a game played in a curling rink, except it may be during a February thaw (when there is both a rush and a roar), but it can certainly be heard at quite a distance on an open pond or lock, or where the ice is made on a raised floor. Though the game is now generally known, the following slight reference to it may not be uninteresting, even to curlers:

The centre of the ring is called the "Tee." The stone may be delivered with an "in turn" or an "out turn"; that is, bringing the elbow in towards the body, which gives an "English" to the right or left, and which makes the stone "curl" in or out, and hence comes the name of the game—"Curling."

Four men on each side make a game, and the captain is called the "skip."

There is no limit to the variety of the shots played, and in this it is very different from quoits and is more like billiards. Sometimes the player must "draw" a quiet shot to place the stone on the tee; sometimes he is called on to "guard" or "lay" a stone in front to protect a winning stone; again, he may be asked to play a "running" shot to break off the guards or for other purposes, or to run a narrow port, and then he may have to inwick or outwick (carom) off a stone on the side, and "curl" in upon the tee

or chip a winner. The game can hardly be made intelligible by a printed description, so our advice is, learn it.

To an uninitiated onlooker, the game appears uninteresting, even stupid; but to the players it is the very opposite, and gives opportunities of exercising skill, nerve and judgment in various ways. Many, who as onlookers condemn it, become its most ardent devotees after their initiation into its secrets.

The game was played in the Land of Cakes away back in the fifteenth century. Scotchmen contend that it had its origin in Scotia, but it is asserted with equal confidence by some writers who have spent much time in research that the game was introduced into Scotland from Flanders. Other writers, with greater positiveness, assert that there is no authentic evidence to be found that it ever existed on the continent of Europe. Be that as it may, and it matters little, there is no doubt that the game as a national game was cradled, nurtured and brought forth into healthy "gamehood" in the land of the brawny Scots.

"Way back in the airly days," as James Whitcomb Riley would say, the knights of the "besom an' the stane" used stones of various sorts, shapes and sizes, each curler probably possessing a set of stones especially devised for special shots, instead of the two polished kettle-shaped ones of beautiful finish that are generally in use today.

In olden times, too, the brooms were made out of brush, instead of the corn brooms that are in general use today.

In those ancient times, kings, lords and commoners joined in the healthy outdoor sport. It was a sport common to all. There is a tradition that James IV., who fell at Flodden, was a keen curler, and that Darnley, the husband of Mary, Queen of Scots, in the winter of 1565 enjoyed many a game at Peebles. In any event, it is certain that the game has been practiced in Scotland for at least four centuries, for a curling stone bearing the date "1531" was found early in the nineteenth century in a pond which was drained near Dunblane. It was not dressed, but was just

as it was taken from the bed of the river, and has two holes in it where the handle has been. Another stone, with the date "1611," was found near the village of Torpichen, and a third was found at the bottom of Sheil's Loch, with the date "1613" distinctly cut into it. Several stones of great age were dug out of a pond on the estate of Mr. Drummond Moray, near Ardoch, which are of very primitive appearance and have handles like those which appear in the cuts accompanying this article.

As Bridie says in his Centenary Ode:

"In early days the implements were coarse;
Rude, heavy boulders did the duty then.
And each one had its title, as 'The Horse';
And one was 'Cockit-hat,' and one 'The Hen,'
The 'Egg,' the 'Saddle,' 'President' and 'Soo,'
The 'Bannock,' 'Baron,' 'Fluke' and 'Robbie Dow'."

The stone shown in Fig. 2 is dated "1700" and is lettered "W. H. M." It was one of the number found, and was used in matches over two centuries ago. It is unique in its way, having a three-legged handle inserted in it, the one handle having been used probably for the in-turn and the other for the out-turn.

Curling is the only game which has an extensive and varied literature of its own. Poets and historians in their writings have in very early times referred to it.

"Allan," in his epistle to Robert Yarde of Devonshire, makes this interesting reference:

"Frae northern mountains clad with snaw,
Where whistling winds incessant blaw,
In time now when the Curlin' stane
Slides murmuring o'er the icy plain."

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Fig. 1—'The Soo"

Fig. 2—"W. H. M."

Fig. 3—"The Baron"

Fig. 4—"The Egg"

Fig. 5—"The Fluke"

Fig 6—"Robbie Dow"

EXPLANATORY NOTES

RE CUTS

As in a building
Stone rests 'gainst stone, and wanting the foundation
All would be wanting, so in curling
The "Home" is only made secure, by like construction.

Figures 1, 3, 4, 5 and 6 represent some of the most ancient curling stones. They are now in the possession of the Delvine Club of Scotland. They are some of the stones referred to in the metrical account found in Mr. Bridic's Centenary Ode to the Blairgowie Club.

Fig. 1.—"The Soo," weighs 79 pounds, and measures 16x11 inches.

Fig. 2.—From Ardoch, Scotland.

Several stones were dug out of a pond on the estate of Mr. Drummond Moray some years ago. The one shown in this figure is dated 1700 and is lettered "W .H. M." It was used in matches over two centuries ago, and is unique in its way, having a three-legged handle inserted in it.

Fig. 3.—"The Baron," weighs 88 pounds, and measures 14x14 inches.

Fig. 4.—"The Egg," weighs 115 pounds and measures 17x12 inches.

Fig. 5.—"The Fluke," weighs 52 pounds and measures 12x11 inches.

Fig. 6.—"Robbie Dow," weighs 34 pounds and measures 17x12 inches.

Pennecuik, in his "Description" (published in 1715) of the customs of Peebleshire, says of curling:

> "To curl on the ice doth greatly please,
> Being a manly Scottish exercise.
> It clears the brains, stirs up the heat,
> And gives a gallant appetite for meat";

and James Grahame, in his poem, "The Sabbath," gives a most excellent description of the game. The above lines quoted in "Description" were penned many years ago by Doctor Ruthven, a Scottish practitioner, and a most enthusiastic curler. It exemplifies the praise of curling in a nutshell. "Curl," says the doctor, "and throw physic to the dogs," and Canadians as a people, are following the doctor's injunction, and Canada is rapidly becoming a curling nation, and the New England and Northwestern States are following in its train. In truth, the brotherhood of curlers is day after day receiving new augmentations to its fold—Russia, Switzerland and New Zealand being the latest additions. The Royal Caledonian Curling Club is becoming a mighty organization, with its seven hundred and twenty-eight affiliated Associations scattered over the world, and curlers may indeed year by year become prouder of their brotherhood. The following lines will appeal to the curlers of to-day even more strongly than they appealed to the curlers of a couple of centuries ago, when written by J. Usher, a curling enthusiast:

> "It boots not whence the curler hails
> If curler keen and staunch he be,
> Frae Scotland, England, Ireland, Wales,
> Or colonies ayont the sea;
> A social brotherhood are we."

A visit to any Kootenay Bonspiel will convince the onlooker more forcibly than words, that the curlers form in truth a great social brotherhood! The observer will also readily discern how truly democratic a game it is. The

village parson (the Sky Pilot of the West), the lawyer, the doctor, the miner, the banker, the humblest laborer, honest men of all ranks of life, may be found curling together in happy fellowship, for as the above poet has truly said, "It boots not whence the curler hails, if curler keen and staunch he be." Men of wit, men of wealth, men of brawn, men of muscle—every rank and condition of life (for a man's a man for a' that), congregate each year at such events, to compete in the various matches for the beautiful cups, trophies and prizes that are annually offered by the Association for competition.

In these struggles for supremacy, none are more active, none keener, than the clergy.

It is an old tradition in Scotland,

> "Frae John o' Groat's to Maiden Head
> Na' curler's like the clergy";

and the same thought has been voiced in Ontario in these lines:

> "From Chatham town to Parry Sound
> The Church in every club is found."

If this Association had a bard at its command, we might call upon him to improvise a couplet in regard to the clerical curlers of Yale and Kootenay, but failing the assistance of a curling poet-laureate, we make use of the following words roughly put together:

> "Sky-pilots curl, in every camp
> From Revelstoke to Fern-ay;
> Aye, truth to tell, they curl durn well
> In either Yale or Koot'nay."

The mingling of the pastor with his flock is a great feature of the game in our Association. In some local clubs the roaring game is such a favorite with the pillars of the church that the clergy, regardless of belief or denomination, foregather at the rink, and there throw their

stones and sweep them with a zeal that is not surpassed by their parishioners. In one of our Kootenay towns, we have seen upon the same ice the Roman Catholic priest, the Methodist parson, the Anglican clergyman, and the Presbyterian minister. "Their liberal souls with every sect agreed." Need we mention such names as the Rev. Mr. Sanford, the Rev. Hugh R. Grant, the Rev. Mr. Hedley, the Rev. Father McCullough,—of each and every one of whom it may be said:

> "A truer, nobler, trustier heart,
> More loving, or more noble, never beat
> Within a human breast."

There is probably no cleaner or more manly game in the world, and woe to him who, in the game, is detected acting in the least bit shady. Honor and honorable conduct are inseparable from the game, and among its devotees, no matter how humble the player may be in the ranks of life, if he possesses such qualifications he stands on an equality with nobility.

There is nothing which better shows up the man to be what he really is—good, bad or indifferent—than to put him on the curling rink, where all classes take their places on the same level,

> "The tenant wi' his jolly laird,
> The pastor wi' his flock, man."

When the curling season is on, the dulness of the winter evenings is forgotten and the happy feasts of good fellowship that follow them, coupled with the pleasant memories of closely contested matches, make winter in this country lose much of its bitterness.

Long life to the noble game!

W. G. McMYNN, OF GREENWOOD

PRESIDENT GREENWOOD CLUB

An Ex-President of the Association

A Curling Devotee.

CURLING CLUBS IN SCOTLAND

When winter stern and cold, with clouds and storms
Subdues the world, and chilling tempests roll;
In flowing beard, with hoary frost bedecked,
Jack Frost arrives, and cheers the curler's soul.

The oldest Curling Club in existence is the Dudingston Curling Society of Edinburgh, instituted January 17th, 1795.

The Royal Caledonian Curling Club of Scotland, however, is the mother of all curling clubs. It is "the fountain head" (fons et origo) of the modern game. Established in 1838, it codified the rules of the game, and harmonizing many widely diversified practices, it is everywhere looked up to as the honored parent of curling, to whom the game is indebted for its laws and its high standing, if not also for its very existence.

Under its auspices, matches of the most exciting interest take place in Scotland annually, if there is ice, not only between parishes, but between counties, and sometimes the North and South of Scotland play against each other for the curling championship, the Forth being the dividing line. The last grand match was held at Carsbreck last year. There were four hundred and eleven rinks entered for the North, and three hundred and thirty-five for the South, making a total of three hundred and forty-six rinks, or two thousand nine hundred and eighty-four players.

In the international match between England and Scotland, held at Lochmaben, England entered fifty-two rinks, and Scotland one hundred and forty-three.

There are seven hundred and twenty-eight clubs now

associated or affiliated with this grand old curling organization. Our own B. C. Curling Association, under its old name of "Kootenay," was admitted into affiliation by the Royal Club last year, and its name and office bearers appear in the Annual for 1906-7.

The Royal Club this year passed the following motion, which must be regarded as a compliment to Canada and its Curling Associations:

"On motion of the Chaplain, Rev. J. Kerr, Dirleton, seconded by Bailie Husband, Dumfermline, the Committee agreed to nominate as next President-elect the Right Hon. Lord Strathcona and Mount Royal."

Lord Strathcona, among his many valued services rendered to the Dominion and his home country, Scotland, has ever done all in his power to advance the interests of curling.

CURLING CLUBS IN QUEBEC.

The history of curling in Canada dates back to the year 1807, when the game was first played on the St. Lawrence River at Montreal, under the auspices of a Curling Association which has since been known as the Montreal Club, and which last year celebrated its centenary.

During the succeeding years the game was played to some extent every winter between local clubs formed in the city at the foot of Mount Royal, the matches being played on the river. In 1821 a number of sons of the "brown heath and shaggy wood" residing in Quebec City formed a curling club and in due time issued a challenge to the club in Montreal to play them a match. The first match played between those two clubs of which any data was kept was in 1835, the contest taking place at Three Rivers.

From that match a friendly rivalry resulted, which

gave a great impetus to the game and brought it prominently before the Canadian people as a game that furnished a popular winter pastime.

Last year, as we have said, the Montreal Club celebrated its one hundredth birthday, beginning on January 22d. The celebration, as was natural, consisted of a grand Bonspiel and a centenary banquet. Curlers from all parts of Canada attended. There were also clubs from the United States Associations. It was a grand success. The event is perpetuated by the establishment of a trophy to be competed for during the anniversary week each year by the clubs affiliated with the Canadian or Quebec Branch of the Royal Caledonian Curling Club. During the Bonspiel the annual international contest between Canada and the United States also took place, Canada being again victorious. Canada was represented by rinks from the St. Lawrence Club and the Thistle Club, and the United States by the Utica Club and St. Andrews Club of New York. The game was hotly contested, the score being 35—31. In the match in the prior year, held on February 3d, Canada was also victorious, the score being 35—33. The previous year, 1905, the score was 34 to 32, also in favor of Canada, showing how evenly matched were the competing teams.

CURLING CLUBS IN ONTARIO.

After the game had been popularized in Canada, through the formation of many clubs in the Province of Quebec, curling spread through the sister province of Ontario. A curling club was formed in Kingston in 1859, Ottawa in 1862, Belleville in 1867, and in Arnprior and Toronto in 1868. The Ontario Curling Association is now one of the most successful curling organizations on the continent. Some ninety-one clubs are affiliated with it, and its annual Bonspiel is an event eagerly looked forward to by all the curling clubs of the banner province.

The Ontario Silver Tankard competed for at each Bonspiel and held by the winning club for a year, is the great trophy, and is keenly fought for by representative rinks from all the affiliated clubs.

Last year it was won by the Galt Club. In this contest seventy-five clubs entered, and fifty-three clubs actually engaged in the competition. At the head of this organization is the Rev. R. M. Burns, B. A., D. D., of Brampton, one of the most eminent divines of the Methodist church, and a most enthusiastic curler. It was the first time in the history of the Association that it bestowed its highest office upon a reverend gentleman. The writer and "Bobbie Burns," as he was familiarly called in his youth, were students together at the High School in Brampton for a number of years, and even in his youth the reverend gentleman exhibited a great liking for legitimate sport. He now presides over an Association whose membership exceeds four thousand.

CURLING CLUBS IN MANITOBA.

In the exodus of young and old to Manitoba and the Northwest in the early 80's, was included some of the best curlers of old Ontario. During the hustle and bustle incident to pioneer life on the prairies, these settlers were forced for a time to neglect their old favorite pastime. The strenuous life attendant on the settling of the new country absorbed all their time. It was not till 1888 that a convention of curlers was called at Winnipeg, at which it was decided to form a branch of the Royal Caledonian Curling Club in Manitoba. Many of those who attended that meeting are still active curlers. Among them, we notice the name of the late Mr. H. H. Smith, formerly known to the members of this Association as "Harry," and referred to by Dr. Gomm in his short history of the "Cordwood" trophy. Harry, during his sojourn at the Hub of the Golden Kootenay, was one of the most popular curlers, and great was the regret when he left Rossland to again take up his

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"THE FATHER OF CURLING IN THE WEST."

residence at "the Peg," and greater the regret when we learned of his death, a few days ago. Also the name of Mr. J. P. Robertson, the Provincial Librarian and the popular Secretary of the Manitoba Branch of the R. C. C. C., who is justly entitled to the pseudonym of "The Father of Curling in the West." The game has no greater or more enthusiastic devotee than this fine old Scottish gentleman.

In the succeeding years curling clubs were formed in various parts of the province, until now nearly every hamlet has its local curling club, with members old and young. The Association has now ninety clubs on the roll, with a membership of 2885. The game is increasing in popularity year after year. About one hundred clubs are in existence in the province at the present time.

The annual Bonspiel in Winnipeg is one of the big events of the year, and clubs from Port Arthur to the Yukon take advantage of the opportunity of comparing their skill with that of other rinks at the Hub of the Golden Prairies.

Last year's event was a most successful one, if not the most successful in the history of the Association. The entry list passed all previous records, except for the memorable winter when the Scotch curlers visited the Hub. The Secretary, Mr. J. P. Robertson, was more than kept busy. He received a total of 150 entries. The four City clubs made 35 entries, so that about 115 of the entries were from out-of-town points, ranging from Lindsay to Klondyke, and including seven rinks from the United States.

Eastern Ontario had seven rinks—two from Chatham, two from Lindsay, and one each from Collingwood, Owen Sound, Toronto and Waterloo. They arrived in a special coach on the trans-continental.

There were eleven rinks in all from Ontario, counting two rinks from Kenora and one from Fort William. Among

them were such crack skips as Flavelle of Lindsay and Rennie of Toronto. The redoubtable Dunbar skipped a rink from St. Paul, and Skip Myron had a quartette from Duluth. The feature of the Bonspiel was the presence of a rink from Dawson City, ably handled by Skip Strickland. The weather was propitious, the ice in good condition, and, as a result, some fine curling.

The programme and prizes were exceptionally good, and evoked the keenest rivalry in the several competitions. The record made by Braden, the Winnipeg Thistle skip, was undoubtedly the great feature of the meeting. He captured the Dingwall, Royal Caledonian and Tetley Tea cups and the gold medal for the Grand Aggregate, involving the championship of the Spiel. He played twenty-seven games and only lost two. This record is unique from the fact that it was attained despite the fact that over a score of the best skips in America were pitted against him. Flavelle captured the International, Matheson of Russell the Empire, and Carson and Youhill of Winnipeg Thistles won the Tuckett. The Whyte cup went to Black of the Winnipeg Assiniboines. The Blue Ribbon went to Verner of the Winnipeg Granites. The McMillan cup was won by Young of Saskatoon, and this being the final year for this cup, five clubs had to compete in a special competition for the absolute ownership. The clubs competing were: The Winnipeg Granites, Gladstone, Cypress River, Saskatoon and Hamiota. William Ferguson of the last named club won the cup.

It was a grand gathering, and marked Winnipeg as the great curling centre of this continent. The visitors received the kindliest welcome from their brothers at the Hub, who are noted for their cordial hospitality.

CURLING IN THE NEW PROVINCES OF SASKATCHEWAN AND ALBERTA.

It was natural that the Northwest, particularly those districts now included in the above provinces, should catch

the curling fever from the adjoining Province of Manitoba, especially when the severity of the winters produces ice for the purposes of the game, for five months of the year, of the best quality. A few years after the game became popular in Manitoba, curling clubs were established in Regina, Moose Jaw, Indian Head, and half a dozen other places in the old District of Assiniboia, now the Province of Saskatchewan. Curling clubs now exist in twenty-one towns, and the Assiniboia Curling Association is a branch of the Royal Scottish Club.

With the advent of curling into Assiniboia, the game spread to the District (now the Province) of Alberta. Though the climatic conditions in this province are not at all times favorable to the making of ice, yet there are six clubs affiliated with the Alberta Branch of the Royal Caledonian Club, one of which is the Golden Club in British Columbia, once affiliated with the B. C. Association. The other clubs are the Calgary, Banff, Lacombe, Preddis and Bankhead Curling Clubs.

YUKON CURLING CLUBS.

Curling has even spread as far as the distant District of Yukon. The old Eastern curling devotees who had settled in Dawson City were not slow to form a club, in order that they might enjoy themselves at their old favorite pastime. The result is that in Dawson City there are two clubs, and clubs also exist in other parts of the district, though the exact location of the same are unknown to the writer. Dawson City sent two rinks to the last Winnipeg Bonspiel, which was a striking evidence of their curling enthusiasm, and they carried back with them to their distant home in the Northwest a fair quota of Bonspiel trophies, including the Brandon Bonspiel, which they also attended; and this is all the more to their credit when we remember that in the Bonspiel all of the best rinks in Manitoba and some of the best rinks in Ontario were partici-

pants, and when we further remember that the best clubs from the Northwestern Curling Association of the United States also entered at the Bonspiel.

CURLING ASSOCIATIONS IN THE UNITED STATES.

In the year 1866, twelve of the curling clubs of the United States organized the "Grand National Curling Club of the United States," of which G. B. Allen of Utica, N. Y., is President, and Geo. W. Peene of Yonkers, N. Y., is Secretary. The game so steadily increased in popularity that it was not long until some forty clubs, some in the State of New York, became affiliated with it. So many of these affiliated clubs were in the Northwest, in the State of Minnesota and adjoining states, that it was deemed advisable in 1892 to organize a Northwestern Association covering all the territory Northwest of Ohio. An Association was accordingly formed and called the Northwestern Curling Association, U. S. A., of which Mr. A. H. Smith of Duluth is the President, and S. H. Jones of the same place is the Secretary-Treasurer. It is now a most thriving Association, and annually sends rinks to Winnipeg and Montreal to compete in the Bonspiels.

The history of curling in the United States, in so far as its extension westward is concerned, is similar to that of Canada. The game spread westward from Minnesota to the State of Montana. The city of Butte has now, and has had for some time, a good healthy curling club, with a fair membership. True, it is somewhat isolated from the curling world, and no doubt finds difficulty in entering any of its rinks in the Manitoba or Minnesota Bonspiels; yet the members of the club, we are informed, get every enjoyment out of inter-club matches. It would be no more than an international courtesy if the B. C. Association would arrange a series of matches with our Montana brethren. There is no doubt that the curlers of Butte would extend a right royal welcome to any visiting team or teams from

British Columbia, and it goes without saying that if the Butte Club sent a team or two to this Province the welcome would be more than reciprocated.

Again, as in Canada, the grand auld game crept still further westward, and has at length reached the Pacific coast, a club having been recently organized in the city of Spokane, in the Pacific State of Washington. While it may be difficult to get ice in Spokane for lengthy periods during the winter, yet there are times when the degrees of frost are sufficient to provide very good ice for a week or so. We believe, however, that the club is endeavoring to combine art and nature in the formation of sheets of ice for curling, and we trust it may be successful in its efforts.

The B. C. Association should not be slow to invite their Spokane brethren to affiliate their club with the B. C. Association. The presence of one or two Spokane or Butte rinks at the Bonspiels would do much towards rendering the Bonspiels more enjoyable, if not more successful. No international boundary line exists as between curlers. We are brithers a', and our Montana and Washington brethren know, or should be made to feel, this. An invitation should be extended to them at once, to send rinks to our next Bonspiel.

Yes, let us haste these bonds to knit,
And in the task be handy,
So we can blend "God Save the King"
With "Yankee Doodle Dandy."

CURLING IN NOVA SCOTIA.

As might naturally be expected, the hardy and progressive Scotch race which settled in Nova or New Scotia were not long in organizing curling clubs in that Province and providing rinks wherewith to pursue their old and favorite pastime. Scarcely had the settlers gained a footing in the Maritime Provinces ere many curling clubs were formed. We are not able to say positively whether curling

in the Arcadian Provinces had been in vogue prior to the historical game played at Three Rivers, in the Province of Quebec, in January, 1807. It was, however, played at a very early date, Halifax being the pivotal point. Many years ago the Maritime Province Branch was in affiliation with the Royal Caledonian Curling Club. Some years ago it ceased to maintain its standing in the Royal Club, but nevertheless, good live curling clubs continued to exist in different parts of the Provinces of New Brunswick and Nova Scotia, not the least of which was the Halifax Curling Club and the St. John's Thistle Club. Last year the Nova Scotia Branch was affiliated with the Royal Club, on motion of the Rev. John Kerr, the Chaplain of the Royal Club and the Author of a very excellent work on Curling. In proposing the Toast, the reverend gentleman expressed the great pleasure it afforded him in moving that the Nova Scotia Branch, with headquarters at Halifax, and with a membership of ten clubs, be admitted on the roll of the Royal Club. "As a matter of fact," continued the reverend gentleman," it is not entirely new, because the Maritime Province Branch, covering part of the same jurisdiction, had in years past been affiliated with the Royal Club."

The Thistle Club of the City of St. John, of the Province of New Brunswick, is now one of the largest and most active clubs in that Province, having among its members many of the most prominent and successful citizens of that prosperous maritime city.

CURLING CLUBS IN BRITISH COLUMBIA.

It will thus be seen that curling, beginning in the old Province of Quebec in the year 1807, has gradually spread over the whole of Canada, and the northern and northwestern portions of the adjoining Republic. Nor was this western province slow in introducing the roarin' game, for in the early part of January, 1896, the first club was organized at the City of Kaslo. It was in that year that Mr.

Hamilton Byers of Kaslo sent to the Hingston-Smith Arms Company of Winnipeg for stones. Upon their arrival, the Kaslo Curling Club, with sixteen charter members, was formed, and curling, under the tutelage of Mr. Waugh, began in a temporary structure erected in the old river bed at Kaslo.

The new club soon afterwards affiliated itself with the Manitoba Branch of the Royal Caledonian Curling Club.

This body immediately constituted the "District of Kootenay," and sent a medal for competition, with the proviso that until the organization of another club, the medal might be annually awarded to the individual member of the Kaslo Club making the highest score at points.

James Waugh was named District Umpire. The match, at points, was held in February, 1896, on Mirror Lake, two miles from Kaslo, and the medal was won by Horace W. Burke, with a score of 19. The match was finished by the light of bonfires built on the ice.

Mr. Waugh, now a resident of Winnipeg, and who still interests himself in curling, has many pleasant recollections of this first British Columbia game on the "lock."

"I have a fairly good photograph in my imagination of that first competition for the district medal, played on Mirror Lake on a glorious afternoon. How we cleaned, as well as possible, the surface of the ice, and after trying a few shots the Umpire (the writer) concluded that the condition of the ice required a shorter lead, and accordingly the rings were scratched at much shorter distance than ordinary; and even then, Horace Burke's "winning" score was less than a "score." Although forced to be an onlooker and officiate as score-keeper, I enjoyed the game immensely, and while Mr. Buchanan played, my memory ran back to school-days and curling scenes at the foot of the Eildons, within sight of Sir Walter Scott's home, where I saw the Earl of Dalkeith playing lead and his coachman

skipping the game. What a jolly crowd they were! Shopkeepers, 'keen on the siller,' had left their shops to their wives. The dominee had 'skaled' the school. The blacksmith and the painter, the laird of the neighboring farm, the parish minister, Dr. Hendman (an uncle of Dr. Hendman of Calgary), frozen out masons and plasterers,—the whole town, to the cry of 'The ice holds,' had left their respective businesses, and with a clothes-basket full of bread and cheese, a few bottles of ale and some coffee, had wended their way to the pond.

"The latter was formed in a clump of trees, on a clay bottom, where a few inches of water, protected by hills and trees from the sun, rapidly froze with a few degrees of frost.

"I wish you could have seen the curios in the shape of stones,—lumps of whinstone, roughly shaped by some village mason, with a handle like a gate crook, run, with lead, into the stone. Curling-stone makers could not have been very many in those days, or rather, every man must have been his own stone maker, as almost all who curled had home-made stones.

"Brooms were readily improvised, because the hillside was covered with heather, and a round pole served for a handle.

"To be sure, a few players had stones just as fine as the stones of to-day, yet many a head was filled with what made an odd-looking cairn.

"The game was not played as scientifically as the game of to-day. Besides this, it was easier for a skip to draw into a head which was depressed in the centre with the weight of stones within the ring, and it was easier to get on the tee if you had weight, than to get off it. Yet the game of to-day does not develop such enthusiasm in the players, as I can recollect in connection with the games thirty years ago."

During the same season, the Kaslo Club sent all the

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stones and two rinks of players to Nelson for a game. The old skating rink below Vernon Street afforded two sheets of ice about 199 feet in length. Four or five veteran curlers and plenty of non-members were available to make up the Nelson rinks. It was a delightful day's sport, and the play was not wholly in favor of the visitors.

In the winter of 1896-7 the Sandon and Golden Clubs were organized.

The Sandon Club afterwards won the district medal from Kaslo. Also the first trophy, a cup, awarded by Wm. Bostock, Esq., M. P. The medal and trophy are still in the possession of the Sandonites.

OTHER RINKS.

The Kaslo Skating and Curling Rink building of 74x150 feet floor space was built in 1896.

In February, 1898, a Bonspiel was held in Rossland, in its commodious curling and skating rink, the largest and best west of Winnipeg. Rinks from Kaslo, Sandon, Nelson and Rossland were present and took part in the game.

During this gathering, at a luncheon at the Hotel Allan, the Kootenay Curling Association was formed. Mr. J. B. MacArthur, since deceased, was elected first President.

In 1899, largely through the efforts of the Rossland Club, a splendid programme of events, with a magnificent array of trophies, was provided, and the first of the regular Bonspiels was held. The commodious new Rossland rink building, with six or seven sheets of ice, was used. It has since been enlarged, and now, with the smaller rings, can easily provide eight rinks.

Eighteen rinks, representing Rossland, Nelson, Sandon, Kaslo and Revelstoke, competed, and the honors were fairly distributed. A feature was the achievement of H. A. Brown of Revelstoke, who, with two curlers and two boys

from the hockey team, and with borrowed stones, captured the Hudson Bay Company's cup.

The annual Bonspiel of this Association is now an event of great interest, eagerly looked forward to by the members of all the affiliated clubs.

The last Bonspiel was held at Cranbrook, and was a success. The President of the Association, His Honor Judge Wilson, and Dr. King and other resident curlers of the city were untiring in their efforts to provide for the entertainment and comfort of the visiting rinks. His Honor was the soul of the Bonspiel, and much of its success is to be attributed to him.

Since the formation of the Association, there have been in all nine Bonspiels. Five have been held in Rossland, and one in each of the following cities and towns: Sandon, Revelstoke, Nelson and Cranbrook. Fuller particulars regarding same appear elsewhere in this Manual.

Year after year, however, the conviction is being forced upon many curlers that the best results will be secured in connection with this annual event by holding it, as is done in the Provinces of Quebec, Ontario and Manitoba, at a fixed central point, with a permanent Secretary in connection therewith. Rossland has been suggested as the permanent place for the holding of the same. It is centrally located and easy of approach from all points. Beyond this, it has a most spacious curling rink, capable of accommodating eight rinks at one time. And, in addition, of all places in the interior it has the best ice. The truth of the assertion will be doubted by none, although the ice has been unfortunately bad at the time chosen for the holding of some of the Rossland Bonspiels.

All that is required, however, to rectify this grievance, is to hold the Bonspiel at a more favorable time of the year—a time which past experience will suggest to every keen observer of weather conditions in Rossland.

At the annual meeting of the Association held in Rossland on the 5th of December, 1906, it was decided to change the name of the Association to that of the "British Columbia Curling Association."

At the same meeting two officers were authorized to apply for affiliation with the Royal Caledonian Club. The affiliation was duly accepted by the parent body, and the organization appears, under its former name of the "Kootenay Curling Association," in the Annual of the Royal Club for 1906-7.

At the same annual meeting some amendments to the Constitution were made. The most important were: First, the increase in membership dues payable to the B. C. C. Association by the affiliated clubs, the fees being raised from 15 to 50 cents per capita; second, the diminution in the size of the rings from 14 to 12 feet.

In making this last change, the Association followed the example of the Manitoba Branch of the R. C. C. Club.

The argument, among others, in favor of the change was the economy effected in the size of the building required to cover a certain number of sheets of curling ice.

The increase in dues was made with the object of providing a fund to assist in defraying the expenses of the annual Bonspiels. All of such expenses have heretofore been borne by the curlers of the town in which the Bonspiel was held, and it was often a heavy burden upon them.

It is hoped that in future the assessments w'll provide ample funds for carrying on the Bonspiels.

Should Fortune smile anither year
An' we are blessed wi' routh o' gear,
Tae distant Butte a team we'll steer
To hae a game o' curlin'.

THE ORIGIN OF THE "CORDWOOD" TROPHY

When the Sandon Bonspiel of 1898 had ended, with the throwing of the last stone in the finals for the Bostock Cup, the devotees of the sport were still unsatisfied. Grimmett was there; good old Sanford, the Sky Pilot; and Wilson and Mairn; and the only "Harry Smith," and others—all equally insatiable. One and all longed for just another trial of skill—"anither end or twa, afore partin'."

Enthusiasm acquired a semi-religious aspect, and a sudden idea, emanating from the fertile brain of the genial Harry, brought about, to the satisfaction of all, a "final of finals"—in connection with which the furnishing of a "ready-to-burn" cord of wood to the local parsonage was at stake.

The losers in the contest were to purchase the wood, the winners to cut and split it.

A trophy of unique design, minus silver and gold, was then and there designed and constructed. It was to be awarded to the winning rink. So originated the "Cordwood" Trophy.

A description of it would be superfluous; it speaks for itself. It must be seen to be appreciated.

Inscribed on one of its faces, we can read the words:

"His first, was narrow;
His second, went through;
With third, to the right;
What could poor Harry do?"

This verse refers to the difficulty which confronted Skip Harry, with the score even, and his last stone yet to be played. He saw two adverse stones counting, and seemingly well guarded. Nothing daunted, the redoubtable Harry studied, consulted, studied again, then backed up to the hack. A grip of the handle, a pose of the broom and body, a swing of the stone, and down the perfect ice sheet scudded the "Ailsa Craigh."

How the trick was turned only Harry Smith knows; suffice it may be to say, the opposing rink bought the wood. The early morning train carried Harry, the conquering hero, with his non-metallic trophy, far, far away from the saw-buck, towards his home at the Hub of the Golden Kootenay. As we bade him good-bye,

We sang his praises loud and lang,
We ca'd him "freen an' brither";
We nick-named him the "Cordwood King,"
An' since, he's had nae ither.

Two years later, in 1900, the trophy was turned over to the K. C. A., and is now one of its most interesting and valued trophies.

A rink, composed of uproarious Sandonites, shortly afterwards challenged the ever-ready-to-play Harry. He accepted, but, sad to say, in the battle he was defeated, horse, foot and artillery; youth and brawn prevailed over superior science.

Later Frank Tamblyn won it from the Sandonites. Recent rumor has it that some Boundaryites have obtained possession of it surreptitiously. Be this as it may, the "Cordwood Trophy" will ever remain one of the most coveted trophies of the Association, and one which has produced more innocent merriment than all other trophies combined.

"When I on former winters think,
How on the ice we met wi' glee,
And cheerfu' swat, to clear the rink,
It gars me sigh, right heavylie."

CURLIANA SONGS AND LITERATURE

SONGS

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THE CUNNING AULD CURLER.

Tradition tells us of an old curler who was anxious to have his grave adorned with the broom kowe, but he was afraid that his wife would hinder his desire. They never could agree. Jean "aye contradickit" him, and knowing she would do it until and beyond death, he gave her this dying charge:

"When I am dead and gane, Jean,
A stane put ow'r my grave,
And dinna let a blade, Jean,
O' grass upon it wave.
Ye mauna let a flower, Jean,
E'er shed on it its bloom;
And oh, jist mind, 'boon a', Jean,
The ne'er a bit o' broom.

"Ye ken I never liked them, Jean,
Nor where the wild flowers dwell,
But loved the whins and briars, Jean,
(They're thrawn things like yersel),
Sae let them ow'r me twine, Jean,
As in the winds they grew;
And when I'm lying cauld, Jean,
They'll mind me aye o' you."

The old curler judged rightly. Jean did as she was *not* told. But in death, he did what he could not do in life—he got the better o' his wife.

"And weel he judged, for ow'r his grave
Is mony a flower in bloom;
And what he liked the best o' a'—
A bonnie buss o' broom."

"LIFE IS A GREAT BONSPIEL."

A Curler's Reflection.

Companions in the roarin' game,
  Dear Brithers o' the broom,
This life is but a long Bonspiel,
  Frae cradle to the tomb.
The slippery rink we a' maun tread,
  Wi' prudent, tentie care,
Or we may find, ere weel begun,
  Our lowest level there;
And on the "prickles" in our turn
  We each maun tak' our stand,
And try to "draw straught up the lead"
  Wi' firm and steady hand:
For wae betide us, if we swerve
  Owre far to either side,
Or lag ahint "the hoggin' score,"
  Or "owre the ice" should glide.
The cautious e'e, the prudent head,—
  Gude faith, we sairly need it!
And nane the less, the friendly "scope,"
  And neibor's "cowe" that gi'ed it.

And should we get a worthy shot
  Within the sma' ring planted,
O, then, for "guard and angle-guard,"
  For baith, we'll find, are wanted
To "close up ilka port" through which
  Our foe, perchance, may rin,
Or, by some wily, crooked shot,
  May "wick-an-curl" within.
Thus warily in Life's great match,
  Aye "keepin' what we hae,"
Let's ever play the slipp'ry game
  Wi' all the skill we may,
And when our "score" is totted up,

The handle o' the broom
May show a "nick or twa" for us
Against the day o' doom.
What matter, then, the cruel "rubs"
That scarce could be withstood, Sir,
If but the Master Skip can say:
"Ye've done the best ye could, Sir."
—R. Burns Begg.

THE CURLER'S APPEAL TO JOHNNIE FROST.

Air—"The Lassies o' the Kerry."

Och hey, Johnnie Frost,
Ye're no sae kind 's ye should hae been;
Winter's come and winter's gane,
An' scarce a day was clear an' keen.
We waited lang to feel your grip;
The ice was hardly worth a preen:
Och, hey, Johnnie Frost,
Ye're no sae kind's, ye should hae been.

We airted to the broomy kowe,
An' waled oor cows wi' mickle care;
We dreamed o' birlin' up the howe,
And fandly thocht to meet ye there;
But aye the rain kept dribblin' on,
The air was saft, an' Yule was green;
Och, hey, Johnnie Frost,
Ye're no sae kind's, ye should hae been.

Noo this is winter number three
Ye've hardly looked the road we're on,
An' though ye've fairly ta'en the gee,
An' pruived sae camsheugh an' sae thrawn
We lo'e ye still; oor hearts are leal;
We look for you wi' wistfu' een:
Och, hey, Johnnie Frost,
Ye're no sae kind's, ye should hae been.

An' noo, it is the month o' Mairch,
  The plewin' matches maist are by,
The verdant tassels o' the lairch
  Will sune be wavin' i' the sky;
At last ye've ta'en a thocht and come,
  And made a bonnie winter scene:
Och hey, Johnnie Frost,
  Ye're no sae kind's, ye should hae been.

Oor pond by this is nearly toom,
  We thocht the season fanrly done;
There's hardly room for deuks to soom,
  An' play at keek-bo wi' the sun.
We ettled at a game the day,—
  We gaed through a' ice to the green:
Och hey, Johnnie Frost,
  Ye're no sae kind's, ye should hae been.

But we maun seek some ither way
  To court a lad that is so blate.
We'll try the aishphalt an' the spray
  An' for oor Ailsas mak' a gait.
Till then, wi' brave an' patient mind,
  We'll tak' the tallow wi' the lean:
Och hey, Johnnie Frost,
  Ye're no sae kind's, ye should hae been.
—The Rev. A. Gordon Mitchell, D. D.

THE NOBLE GAME OF CURLING.

Air—"Castles in the Air."

The King is on his throne, wi' his sceptre an' his croon,
The elements o' cauld are the courtiers stannin' roun';
He lifts his icy haun', and he speaks wi' awe profound,
He chills the balmy air, and he binds the yielding ground;
He calms the raging winds when they moan and loudly rave,

He stops the runnin' stream, and he stills the dancin' wave;
He calls the Curlers on, to the fields of hope and fame,
An' the spreading lake resounds wi' the Noble Curling
Game.

The hedges an' the trees are a' hung wi' pearlies braw,
An' the rinks are glancing clear 'mang the heaps of shinin'
snaw;
The wee birds in the blast are a' tremblin' wi' the cauld,
The sheep are lyin' close in the safely-guarded fauld;
The farmer leaves the plough, an' the weaver leaves the
loom,
Auld age goes totterin' by, wi' the youth in manhood's
bloom;
The miseries o' life are banished far frae hame,
When the Curlers meet to play at the Brave Old Curling
Game.

It makes the auld folks young, and the crimson tide to flow,
It gars the pale face shine, wi' a fresh and ruddy glow;
The rich forget their state and the charms o' wealth and
power,
When the bosom swells wi' joy, in the bright triumphant
hour.
The wise may laugh and sneer, and the unco guid may
gloom,
At the happy, happy man, wi' his curlin' stanes and broom.
The melody to charm, is the sport we love to name,—
Ah! there's music in the stanes, at the Rare Old Curling
Game.

The warm and glowin' clime will subdue the manly form:
The Curler's happy hame is the land o' mist and storm,
Where the dreary winter reigns, wi' a wide extended sway,
An' the healthy moors are clad in a robe o' white array,
Till the gentle breath of spring blaws the icy fields awa',
To woo the springin' flowers, and to melt the frozen snaw.
When the curlin' days are o'er, a' the days o' life are tame,—
There's naething warms the heart like the Noble Curling
Game.

CURLING.

Ye may bounce ower yer billiards, grow great ower yer gowf,
Or craw crouse ower yer cribbage in some cosy howf;
Ye may whimper for whist an' for loo ye may grane,
But for me let me curl wi' the auld channel stane.

There the whirr o' the stane, an' the whisk o' the cowe,
An' the jokes an' the shouts, set my heart in a lowe;
It's a potion, a tonic, a cure for a' ills;
Auld John Frost, believe me, supplies the best pills.

Hear the skip shouting winningly, "Lay me ane there.
Noo just be ower the collie, I'm wantin' nae mair;
Noo watch her, noo nurse her, noo help her awee.
Weel play'd, sir! weel play'd, sir! Oh, she's ower,—let her dee."

What words half sae cheering: "It's a perfect pat-lid,"
Or, "Man, you're a player, but losh! it's ower guid";
"A great shot, sir! Great shot, sir!" rings ower the pond.
"You play like a book, sir!" the echoes resound.

"Tak' an inwick on that, or an outwick on this;
Now mak' sure o' yer stane—I don't want ye to miss."
An' to do it,—ah man, sir! a kingdom is won
When, "Hoora!" shouts the skip, "ye've played it, my son."

Yes, gae bounce ower yer billiards, grow great ower yer gowf,
Or craw crouse ower yer cribbage in some cosy howf;
Ye may whimper for whist, an' for loo ye may grane,
But let me to the ice, wi' the auld channel stane.

THIS AWFU' WEATHER.

(A Curler's Wail.)

John Frost's a tantalizin' chiel;
At nicht we think him freezing well,
Syne when next morning up we get
We find the roofs an' street are wet.

Last week we started snell an' keen,
An' ice on ilka loch was seen;
Bue wae's me! ere the week was gane
Plumb doon cam' the perpetual rain.

A fickle loon is John Frost noo,
I've seen him freeze two lang months through;
But half a week noo an' he's dune,—
The rest's made up o' rain an' win'.

Nae doot the winter's young as yet;
It's but December—we may get
A freezin' month or two for this,
An' curlers syne will be in bliss.

For where is there beneath the sky
A game that wi' oor ain can vie?
Oh, for the humming of the stanes,
The ringing cheers that wake the plains!

The rapture in ilke e'e that's seen,
The excitement where the match runs keen;
I ken it weel, I ken it a'.
Oh, come, John Frost, an' end this thaw.

Oh, come an' let's see Hogganfiel'
A bonnie stretch o' burnished steel;
My flask is primed, I've a' thing richt;
Come on, Come John, this very nicht.

—The Baillie.

CURLING SONG.

By Alexander Maclagan.

Hurrah for Scotland's worth and fame,
A health to a' that love the name;
Hurrah for Scotland's darling game,—
  The pastime o' the free, boys.
While heid an' heart an' arm are strang,
We'll a' join in a patriot sang,
And sing its praises loud and lang,—
  The roarin' rink for me, boys!
    Hurrah, hurrah, for Scotland's fame,
    A health to a' that love the name;
    Hurrah for Scotland's darling game,—
      The roarin' rink for me, boys!

Gie hunter chaps their break-neck hours,
Their slaughtering guns amang the muirs;
Let wily fisher prove his powers
  At the flinging o' the flee, boys.
But let us pledge ilk hardy chiel,
Wha's hand is sure, wha's heart is leal,
Wha glories in a brave bonspiel,—
  The roarin' rink for me, boys.
    Hurrah, Hurrah, etc.

In ancient days, time tells the fact
That Scotland's heroes werena slack
The heids o' stubborn foes to crack,
  An' mak' the feckless flee, boys.
Wi' brave hearts, beating true and warm,
They aften tried the curlin' charm
To cheer the heart and nerve are arm—
  The roarin' rink for me, boys.
    Hurrah, Hurrah, etc.

May love and friendship crown our cheer
Vi' a' the joys to curlers dear;
We hae this nicht some heroes here
We aye are blythe to see, boys.
A' brithers brave are they, I ween;
May Fickle Fortune, slippery queen,
Aye keep their ice baith clear and clean —
The roarin' rink for me, boys.
Hurrah, Hurrah, etc.

May health an' strength their toils reward,
And should misfortune's gales blow hard,
Our task will be to plant a guard,
Or guide them to the tee, boys.
Here's three times three for curlin' scenes,
Here's three times three for curlin' freens,
Here's three times three for beef and beans—
The roarin' rink for me, boys.
Hurrah, Hurrah, etc.

A' ye that love Auld Scotland's name,
A' ye that love Auld Scotland's fame,
A' ye that love Auld Scotland's game—
A glorious sight to see, boys.
Up, brothers, up, drive care awa';
Up, brothers ,up, ne'er think o' thaw;
Up, brothers, up, and sing hurrah—
The roarin' rink for me, boys.
Hurrah, Hurrah, etc.

SONG OF THE CURLER.

Winter once more is with us,
The summer heat is past;
The hoar frost lies on the bush and shrub.
Pray that the tack may last;
For what is fame to the roaring game,
When the stones are hurling fast?

Then drop all cares of business,
  And take the handles down;
Take up the broom and hurry off
  To leave the foggy town.
Who'd take a throne for a curling stone,
  Or barter it for a crown?

The day is bright and frosty,
  The ice is fast and good.
Then toss the stones and play the game
  When Nature's in her mood.
We'll raise a shout e'er the day is out
  That will startle the frost-bound wood.

The game is o'er and done with,
  The sun is setting low;
We take our stones and make for home,
  And o'er the white fields go.
Though the trees are bare, we forget our care,
  As we trample through the snow.
—Cunningham Cuthbertson.

THE KING O' GAMES IS CURLING.

By John McMaster, Wheeling, W. Va.

The stars are oot, the nicht is clear,
  The frost is biting keen.
The loch is near, oor skip is here—
  Mine what we did yestreen.
Noo, brave men, steady,
Brooms all ready—
  It's victory we mean.

The joy o' every curler's heart
  Is winnin' near the tee;

Each man will surely do his part
  To get up near the tee.
The kindly strife dies curlers good—
It lightens many a gloomy mood,
An' every man gangs hame richt prood
  For lyin' near the tee.

"Just haud yer stane wi' steady grup,
  And aim straucht for the tee.
Noo men, stan' by tae soop it up,
  An' bring it to the tee.
Just draw in canny by this stane—
You've duen't before—just try't again —
I'll pit ye against ony ane
  For getting near the tee."

But there's a time for every side
  To rest upon the tee.
It wudna do for ane to bide
  Ower long upon the tee.
"Noo lift this pat-lid—canny there!
Soop hard, my lads, he's got it fair'
It's coming richt. He'll pass the gair!
  Aha! he's on the tee!

So is it in life's busy strife—
  All striving for the tee;
Some giving health, and wealth, and life
  To win up near the tee.
But some get hoggit at the score;
A guaird keeps ithers oot the door;
Some through the port come wi' a roar
  An' drive richt past the tee.

The warl' is better for the moil
  O' fechting for the tee;
It lightens many a care and toil—

This wrastle for the tee.
But when we're there, it's noble gran'
To gie a freen a liftin' haun'—
The sooper is a better man
For helpin' to the tee.

MY BONNY BROOMY KOWE.

In summers past I've seen the bloom
On mossy bank and knowe;
I've revelled 'mid thy sweet perfume,
My bonny broomy kowe.
I've garlanded thy yellow flowers,
I've lain beneath thy bough;
I'll ne'er forget thy youthful prime,
My bonny broomy kowe.

You've been my frien' at ilka spiel,
You've polished up the howe,
You've mony a stane brocht owre the hog,
My bonny broomy kowe.
As memory noo recalls the past
My heart is set alowe;
Wi' moistened een I gaze on thee,
My bonny broomy kowe.

Time tells on a'; your pith has gane,
And wrinkled is my brow;
We're no sae fresh as we hae been,
My bonny broomy kowe.
You're wizzened sair, and maist as thin
As hairs upon my pow;
I doubt our days are nearly dune,
My bonny broomy kowe.

When death comes o'er me let my grave
Be sacred frae the plough;

For cypress, plant a golden broom
  That yet may be a "kowe."
Nor rest or peace shall e'er be yours—
  A' curlers hear my vow—
Unless there grow abune my head
  A bonny broomy kowe.

BEEF AND GREENS

The Scottish Curler's Delight.

The doughty game of curling is nothing, unless it is followed by a huge supper of "beef and greens" and whiskey toddy. These are essentials of the game, and the praise of beef and greens and whiskey is dwelt on with an enthusiasm that is given to nothing else in literature except the Homeric fodder of ambrosia and nectar. We can understand that in order to enjoy beef and greens and whiskey it may be necessary to bring one's self to the famine point by curling, but it passes belief that anywhere else than in the land of Scott and haggis could such viands be an inducement to sport. The game is a passion with the Scotch, as we have said elsewhere,—a passion for which the minister will shirk his preparation for the pulpit, the judge desert the bench, the lawyer neglect his client, the blacksmith quit his forge, the navvy drop his spade, and the laborer let the cupboard of his wife and children go empty. The game is a passion, but the supper only is worthy of the paean of the poet: "The table is all alive with hot animal food. A stream of rich distilled perfume reaches the roof, at the lowest measurement of seven feet high. A savory vapor! The feast takes all its name and most of its nature from beef and greens; the one corned, the other

crisp; the two combined the glory of Martinmas. The beef consists almost entirely of lean fat rather than of fat lean, and the same may be said of the bacon. See! how the beef cuts longwise with the bone, if it be not, indeed, a sort of sappy gristle. Along the edges of each plate, as it falls over from the knife-edge among the gravy-greens, your mouth waters at the fringe of fat, and you look for the mustard. Of such beef and greens there are four trenchers, each like a tea-tray, and yet you hope that there is a 'corps de reserve' in the kitchen. And then the whiskey! Oh, Saint John! From such a feast even the clergyman curler found it difficult to tear himself away, though it might be late Saturday night. Dr. Wotherspoon, minister of Beith in the last century, was supping with his fellow-curlers at Shand's Inn one Saturday night as late as eleven o'clock. The innkeeper's wife, a douce and pious matron, afraid that the minister's good name might be evil spoken of, patted his shoulder and whispered in his ear a hint about his public duty, the next day being the Lord's day. He replied aloud, "A minister who could not shake a sermon out of his coat-sleeve is a silly cuif." The late Dr. Adamson, of Cupar-Fife, colleague to Dr. Campbell, father of the Lord Chancellor, at a similar late Saturday night supper, was about to depart, alleging that he must prepare for the Sunday service. For two previous Sundays he had been holding forth on Judas Iscariot, and a member of his congregation who sat at the table detained him with, "Sit down, doctor, sit down; there's nae need for ye to gang awa'; just gie Judas another wallop in the tow."

We think it well to add that it is not now universally true that Scotsmen are so fond of whiskey as is generally asserted. There are plenty of curlers who are tee-totallers. There is a great decrease of drinking in Auld Scotia in recent years. In Canada, too, there is far less drinking, at or after the game, than there was twenty years ago. Our statements, however, in this regard might seem untrue when the undermentioned menu is perused.

The Glasgow Cronies' Club, at a dinner lately given by it, has done its level best to maintain the traditions of the whiskey-loving Scotch. This is what faced the members at their annual dinner recently:

MENU.

(A wee drappie before dinner clears the road fine.)
Kail.

Fush: Caller herrin'. (To eat herrin' without Whusky is sheer temptation o' Providence.

Second Coorse: Minced Collops and Champit Tatties. (Whusky gangs better wi' Collops than ony freevolous drink.)

Third Coorse: Haggis. (A drap o' Auld Kirk here is a releegious duty.)

Fourth Coorse: Bubbly Jock and Sassingers. (He's but a fusionless body who leaves Whusky out o' this coorse.)
Kebbuck and Bannocks.

(After this maist folk begin tae drink Whusky.)

WHERE CURLING STONES COME FROM.

Curling stones come mostly from Ailsa Craig, Ayrshire. Of attributed volcanic origin, the lonely crag is famous the world over for the excellence of the stones that are taken from its quarry, which is the property of the Earl of Ailsa. Something like a thousand pairs are produced annually, and dispatched to those quarters of the globe where the "roarin' game" holds favor. Curling stones are, by reason of the place that begets them, frequently called "Ailsa Craighs." They are so called by Dr. Gomm, in his short history of the "Cordwood Trophy."

THE OLIVER CUP

Won by W. G. McMynn's Rink, of Greenwood

Revelstoke Bonspiel 1904

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THE ORIGIN OF ARTIFICIAL ICE RINKS.

The chaplain of the Royal Caledonian Curling Club is in possession of an interesting and valuable autograph letter written by the poet, Allan Cunningham, to Sir Richard Broun of Coulstoan. Sir Richard had evidently sent the poet a copy of his "Memoribilia Curliana Mabenensia." It was a work (since well known to all who take an interest in the game) mainly concerned with the doughty deeds of renowned curling clubs in Dumfriesshire, such as Lochmaben, Sanquhar, Wanlockhead, etc. The publication would thus be of great interest to "Honest Allan," who was himself a Dumfriesian, born in the parish of Keir, December 7, 1784. The love of the game to which he refers would be an inheritance from his father, who had many a merry game on the loch, on which the first steamboat is said to have been launched. Allan was in his early years apprenticed to a stonemason, who, no doubt, like most of his class, would be a keen curler. It will be remembered that as a boy of twelve Allan was at the funeral of Robert Burns, whose farm of Ellisland adjoined Cunningham's home at Dalswinton, and that he afterwards wrote the poet's life. The following is the letter addressed to Sir Richard, which we publish with the knowledge that it will be read with interest by the curlers of British Columbia:

Belgrave Place, 26 March, 1832.

Sir:—Your little clever work on Curling has many charms for me; it is the production of a land I love; it is written in a very graphic manner, and moreover it treats of a game of which I am passionately fond. I have played from morning till midnight and sometimes by the light of candles, often by the light of the moon; and I once had the supreme satisfaction of, I may say, leading a rink of tradesmen who for a period of eighty years had been always beat and sometimes soutered by the Farmers, but who were on that day victorious. You must not, however, think from this that I esteem myself worthy of ranking with the ac-

complished Skips of Closeburn or Lachmaben; in truth, though I sometimes play miraculous shots, I was anything but a siccar hand. When I go again into Scotland, I shall make it winter, and wind my way to Lochmaben, of which borough my father was a burgess, for he lived long at Ramerscales, and seek admission among the worthies of Queen Marjory.

Artificial rinks owe their existence to the wisdom of a citizen of the Friars Vennel, Dumfries—I say what I know to be true. That ingenious person, I forget his name, having a bonspiel to play in 1794, selected and swept and made his rink on the Nith the evening before; but to his confusion he found it occupied in the morning by a cloud of Souters who refused to leave it. Upon which he swore he would have a rink of his own. This he made by laying clay all along the wall line of his garden and continuing through two frosty days to pour in water drawn by Jimmy Connel the Burn drawer. He made a capital rink, I was told by one who saw and played on it.

With regard to the quality of the stone, we reckoned the Sanquhar the best, and with respect to the shape something approaching the Closeburn, because the friction was little and the stone could be played on any ice. A broad sole is not easily laid fair on, is apt to follow the bias of the ice, and when the rink is drug or moist, is the mischief to put over the hog score. I once played a game with nine men on a side and for three ends running my stone alone passed the hog. I soled it fair and delivered it freely.

For the names of old curling stones which belonged to the lochs, and were no one's property, let me add that of "Lockerby Hill," played by Alexander Johnstone of Lockerby, alias Pavior Sawney. It was some 90 lbs. weight, and once caused blows on Halleath Loch. Some one, when Lockerby Hill was running dead to the mark, threw shot lead in before it and stopt it in mid rink. On Dalswinton Loch we had the "Cocket Hat," a brown stone and

keen. "Sleeping Maggie," a gray stone and dour, some 70 lbs. weight, and the "Gray Goose," so called from the color and from the handle being curved like the goose's neck. We had another, a lobshaped or sugar-loaf-shaped stone, being high and narrow, and capital at running posts. —I remain, my dear Sir, yours very truly,

ALLAN CUNNINGHAM.

CURLING AS A WINTER SPORT, AND SOME OF ITS LESSONS.

By James Wallace, of Lindsay, Ont.

"One moment now may give us more
Than years of toiling reason;
Our minds shall drink at every pore
The spirit of the season."

That man needs recreation, if his work is not merely to be done, but to be done with zest and pleasure, is now an undisputed fact. The axiom that where there is an expenditure of energy, provision must be made for what is expended, else speedy decay follows, has come to be recognized as a universal law. The Joseph Chamberlains who can work from morning to night without recreation, are few and far between, and even in their case, if the collapse is long delayed, it is inevitable; for if the debit side is constantly increasing without a corresponding increase on the credit side, there can be only one result. We need recreation, not only that we may not become dead men, but to guard against becoming half dead men, who may do their work, but whose work lacks the element of rounded out completeness, and gives no pleasure to the worker while performing it. We hear of certain productions that "smell of the lamp"; if the author or manufacturer had

come out into the open air, that disagreeable odor would have been absent.

Some people, sad to say, find themselves so situated that they cannot give recreation its rightful place in their program, but

> "Our life is turned
> Out of her course, wherever man is made
> An offering, or a sacrifice, a tool
> Or implement, a passive thing employed
> As a brute mean."

And for those who have the opportunity, loyalty to themselves and to their work demands that they duly apportion their time and give recreation its own place. "How do you grow old so gracefully?" asked a lady of Alexander Dumas. "Madam," replied that brilliant writer, "I give all my time to it." This witty reply suggests no lop-sided development, but a proper adjustment directed toward the greatest of arts, the art of living. Recreation contributes its share toward the element of gracefulness in the art of living, and no season of the year presents greater opportunities for recreation than winter, with her "frosty breath that pierces garments thick and thin." So we welcome her because we are likely not only to have more time for recreation during the winter season, but because of the manly sports she brings in her train, and as sturdy men and women we hail her with the Canadian poet, John Reade, who sings:

> "Oh winter! if thy anger
> Affrights the poor of heart,
> Best humored and most cheery
> Of play-fellows thou art.
>
> "E'en summer cannot rival
> Thy many-sided glee;
> For young and old, for maid and boy
> Thou hast a store of healthy joy
> To bind our hearts to thee."

And with her advent winter brings no sport more delightful than curling. Without disparaging any of the other winter sports in which Canada abounds, there is none stands on a higher plane than the game of curling. There is no sport better suited for old and young, more democratic, more delightful, or more health-giving; and none so free from the undesirable adjuncts that are found, not only in many of our professional, but also in many of our amateur sports. True, at one time the curler's ideal was:

"Wad Fortun' grant me what I want
I'd pray for health o' body,
A healthy mind to sang inclined,
An' nae distaste for toddy!"

The toddy, to "wat your whustle," was one of the indispensables at the game, and some of us can remember seeing old curlers go up to their opponents, when the latter were playing exceptionally well, and as they extracted a cork, saying, "here's a wee drap to steady your haun'." The "wee drap" is now seldom either seen or tasted at matches, and though to some "auld Scotsmen" this may seem to mark a general decline and deterioration in the modern exponents of the "roarin' game," curlers generally regard the change in a different light. We are glad to know that most clubs not only discountenance "its consumption on the premises," but also have taken steps to prohibit profanity in their clubs, even though this may be a very great inconvenience to some of "the brethren" when they miss an easy shot.

Curling is not too violent an exercise to prevent anyone from indulging in it, yet it affords all the exercise anyone needs, if he will only follow the stones from end to end and be ready to

"Sweep distemper from the busy day,
Run o'er with gladness."
And make the chalice of the big round year

But, if we are to get all out of the game that it has for us we must aim to become artists at it. A recent writer says that "to turn work into play is the highest achievement of active life." If so, then play when properly played must be a real art, for as the writer continues, "a full nature, putting itself forth with ease and power, and expressing that which is distinctive and individual in it, in the work of mind and hand,—this is what the worker becomes when he is transformed into the artist." So we ought to aim to play the game with ease and freedom, that through it a delicacy of touch and grace might be added to our whole life, and thus get from the game all that it has for us. It has been well said that a man may get to his journey's end by the light of a lantern, but he is less secure than the man who travels by daylight, and he loses the landscape; so in like manner there are many fine features of the game that we may miss, if we go into it half-heartedly or with our eyes shut or even half shut.

The game has much to teach us about the art of living, the great game of life. We are taught, for example, that we must face the problems of life calmly and soberly with a clear eye and steady hand; that only where there is coolness, combined with definiteness of aim and directness of application, need we hope for satisfactory results. It reminds us that we must learn the lesson of adaptability and be ever able to adjust ourselves to new and varying conditions; that we must develop the qualities of generalship, be quick to size up a situation and to take advantage of an opportunity. If you are a skip you must learn to estimate correctly the ability of yourselves and of others. When a possible shot presents itself, in balancing up playing ability as over against the difficulties of the situation, you will learn to know whether it is better to attempt the brilliant but difficult thing, or something easier that might bring surer results.

Curling affords us splendid opportunities for cultivating self-control, not only in refraining from unseemly ex-

plosions when our side plays badly, but in denying ourselves an undue manifestation of delight when our opponents are playing for us rather than for themselves. The curler learns, too, that to play well he must play unselfishly—each must play for all and all for each; and he must sweep his fellow-player's stone as if it it were his own; in short, the curler must learn to "look not only on his own things, but also on the things of another"; and he who has fully learned this truth will never go very far wrong in any of the relationships of life.

Let us, however, remember that "no deep, great productive quality or power," to quote from the same writer again, "comes to a man by accident, for while the capacity for developing such a quality or power must be inborn, its unfolding depends not only on skill, but also upon character," and we must show our character in our play; in other words, we must play fairly. Any injustice or unfairness on the rink shows a moral defect that will undoubtedly make trouble in other social relationships.

"Him only pleasure leads and peace attends,
Him, only him, the shield of Jove defends,
Whose means are fair and spotless as his end."

Let it never be forgotten that it is the enjoyment we have and the training we receive in playing the game, not in winning, that constitutes its real worth. As the Rev. R. W. Burns, the President of the Ontario Curling Association, aptly says, "Let us play up and play the game. Play for the jolly sport of it; for the strengthening of muscle and nerve; for the genuine good fellowship there is in it. Let us play to win, and if we do, let us be fair and chivalrous victors. If defeat is our lot, let us be gentlemanly and thoughtful losers."

Let us meet at all times as brothers, and may

"All ills that flesh is heir to
Be banished from our train;
And may the pleasure of the scene
Keep in each heart its memory green
Until we meet again."

A FEW ANECDOTES AND STORIES ANENT CURLERS AND CURLING

SELECTED BY W. J. NELSON

Let me play the fool;
With mirth and laughter let old wrinkles come;
And let my liver rather heat with wine,
Than my heart cool with mortifying groans.
Why should a man whose blood is warm within,
Sit like his grandsire cut in alabaster?
Sleep when he wakes? and creep into the jaundice
By being peevish?

—Mer. of Venice.

In the course of centuries a great many anecdotes, stories and sayings have gathered about the game illustrative of its fascination, its development of the virtues, and its superior attraction over everything else in life, except, it may be, "Beef, greens and whusky."

We have gathered together a few of them—most probably not the best, but yet the best at our command—and trust they may amuse a few of our readers during an idle moment.

"GANG WHAR THERE'LL BE NAE ICE."

The presence of the 'meenister" on the ice generally restrains—if restraint is necessary—anything approaching profanity. Even with the minister present, one old curler could not entirely control his indignation at the play of a stupid "lead," but did not like to tell him to go to "Hades." He, however, got over the difficulty by exclaiming: "Mon, there'll be nae ice whar ye're gaun."

"FOR G——'S SAKE, SWEEP."

A doughty skip of the Fraser clan had been restrained from the free gift of speech for several seasons, through the presence of a "sky pilot" on his rink. The third year he had upon his rink an Anglican clergyman

"Of manners gentle, of affections mild!
In wit a man, simplicity a child."

The poor parson had the heart to sweep when occasion required it, but not the physical strength to perform the duty long. A stone had been thrown, at the skip's request, for the purpose of guarding a port. Much depended upon guarding this entrance from the enemy. The stone in its course was a little slow. The excited skip shouted to the parson, "Sweep! Sweep! Sweep her up!" The poor clerical did as he was bid with a zeal and energy that deserved praise, yet he did not sweep in a manner that satisfied the skip. The latter, exasperated beyond silent endurance, at length shouted in despair, "Sweep, Parson, Sweep! For G—d's sake, sweep!"

EVEN DEATH MUST BE POSTPONED TO CURLING.

An enthusiastic curler absorbed in the game from day to day during favorable weather, expressed the earnest hope that his wife, who was ill and at death's door, "wouldna' dee till there came a thaw, else he would no' be able to attend the funeral."

WOULD DENY HIM THE SACRAMENT.

A couple of servants saw the minister going to the curling pond. One of them criticised him, and said that instead of curling every day he ought to be making sermons and visiting the folk. But the other defended him, and

thought he should take every chance he could get at curling the stone. "If I were a minister," said he, "and there was ony man in the parish who wouldna' tak' at least one day's guid curling every winter, I can tell you what it is, I would deny him the sacrament."

THE MEENISTER'S SCRUPLES O' CONSCIENCE.

The Rev. Adam Walderstone, minister at Bathgate, was an excellent man and curler, who died in 1768. Late one Saturday night one of his elders received a challenge from the people of Shotts to the curlers of Bathgate to meet them early Monday morning; and after tossing about half the night at a loss how to convey the pleasing news to the minister, he determined to tell him before he entered the pulpit.

When Mr. Walderstone came into the session house, the elder said to him in a low tone, "Sir, I've something to tell ye: there's to be a parish play with the Shotts folk the morn, at ——"

"Whist, man, whist!" was the rejoinder. "Oh, fie shame, John! fie shame! Speaking to-day about warldly recreation!"

But the ruling passion proved too strong for the worthy clergyman's scruples of conscience, for just as he was about to enter the inner door of the church he suddenly wheeled round and returned to the elder, who was now standing at the plate in the lobby, and whispered in his ear, "But whan's the hour, John? I'll be sure and be there."

The Reverend gentleman then mounted the pulpit, and with thoughts of curling predominant, he absentmindedly exclaimed, "Let us all join heartily in singing:

"'Tis music dear to a curler's ear—
Enjoyed by him alone—
The merry clink of the curling rink
And the boom of the roarin' stone.'"

WOULD GIVE UP THE MEENISTRY.

A Kootenay "sky-pilot" became so absorbed in the game that, it was alleged, he neglected his sermon-making and folk-visiting. On Saturday night he would curl till twelve o'clock; in fact, he often broke the Sabbath by a minute or two, in order to conclude an end.

A portion of his flock objected to his preference for the roarin' game, to the alleged neglect of his Kirk duties. Nothing daunted, the curling enthusiast never lost an opportunity of indulging in his favorite pastime.

The breach on this account grew wider between the parson and a part of his flock, until he at length resigned. Writing back from F——, his new charge, to friend Grigor, of his old congregation, he said: "You will observe that I was at the last Bonspiel at Cranbrook. You see, I still continue a curler, and take no good lesson from past experience. I will curl as lang as I can wiggle, and if it came to a question of my giving up the meenistry or curlin', I think I'd give up the meenistry."

NEITHER A CURLER IN THIS WORLD NOR THE NEXT.

A story very much on a par with the story first told, occurred at a curling match in a rural district in Scotland.

The minister, an enthusiastic but poor curler, chanced to be on the side skipped by the local mason. At a critical period of the game, the minister put in a very bad shot, whereupon the mason exclaimed, in angry tones:

"Ay, I tell ye, sir, ye'll never mak' a curler in this world, and I am dootin' if there'll be ony ice in the neist ane ye gang till."

THE AULD CURLER ACCOUNTS FOR WEELLUM'S GUID PLAY.

A young minister (who was known to use his predecessor's sermons) was skipping a rink in which Tammas, the old grave-digger, and Weellum, the beadle of the church, were playing. Tammas had taught Weellum much about curling—in fact, all he knew.

Weellum had just delivered his stane when the minister shouted: "Soop her up, Tammas, soop her up!"

Poor old Tammas, whose days at curling were drawing to an end, plied his broom as vigorously as his age and rheumatism would allow him, and puffing and blowing with the greatest effort, brought Weelum's stane to the desired spot.

"Well played, Weellum, vera well played!" shouted the minister.

"Aye," said Tammas, who, with his advancing age, was jealous of the beadle's playing; "it was weel played, but it mightna' hae been, had he no' gotten his knowledge frae ane that gaed afore, like some young meenisters I ken."

THE KIRK AND THE MEENISTER.

On the day of a match at R——, it was found that the two opposing rinks were each a man short. It was finally agreed that the Rev. Mr. Blank should fill the vacancy on one side, while Surveyor Kirk took the absent man's place on the other. The rink which took on the reverend gentleman was admittedly the best rink, and had won in many a prior contest. The minister, however, was an indifferent player, and undoubtedly weakened it. Surveyor Kirk, on the other hand, was a first-class player, and added much strength to the rink he joined. At any rate, the side which took on the surveyor won in the contest; whereupon the victorious rink, rejoicing in its unexpected victory, ban-

tered their defeated opponents, one of them ejaculating: "Oh ay! ye were very guid to gie us the meenister, but ye took guid care to tak' the 'Kirk'."

DISESTABLISHED THE KIRK.

During the Yule holidays some years ago, two rinks in a local curling club were holding a match. The last man to play was the leading Liberal in the district. When he threw his stone, it struck the minister's and sent it spinning; then, rebounding, it knocked the laird's stone, which was the "shot," out of its place, and lay "shot" itself.

One of the rink thereupon exclaimed:

"Grand, mon, grand! Ye've dune't noo, ye've dun't noo. Ye've disestablished the Kirk, turned out the Laird, and ta'en his place yoursel'."

"Aye," replied the leading Liberal, who had made the erratic shot, "aye; but I'm dootful if ye'll pay me the rents."

A FORTUNE IN COPPERS.

The curlers had finished a game, and were carrying their curling stones to the club house. One very rich and proud gentleman requested an old worthy, called Dauvit, to carry his stone, at the same time handing him a tip. A friend of Dauvit's, desiring to know how much he got, slipped up to him and began by adroitly asking him if he knew the gentleman.

"No, I dinna ken wha he is ava. Ken ye?" returned Dauvit.

"Well," said his friend, "they tell me the mon is worth thousands."

"Eh mon!" ejaculated Dauvit, "he must keep it a' in coppers."

THE CURLING TANGS.

During the severe spell of frost almost all outdoor work suspended, Jeems Dorbie, the mason, resolved one morning to have a day's sport at the curling pond. On leaving, he informed his wife that he was going to start curling. She made no reply, as she did not know exactly what was meant. However, when he had gone, she burst into her neighbor's house, with the exclamation:

"Weel, Mrs. MacCaltter, what d'ye think Jeems has ta'en in his heid noo?"

"Na, what ava?"

"He says, says he, gaun oot at the door the day, 'I'm goin' to start curlin'.' "

"Weel, Mrs. Dorbie, I pity ye, for thae twa lassies o' mine are at it, twa or three times a day; I've been perfectly he'rtbroken sin' thae curlint tangs came into the hoose."

"Eh, but I'll put ma licht in't, whanever he comes hame," exclaimed Mrs. Dorbie; "I'll burn them."

JOCK'S AS GOOD AS HIS MAISTER."

The Earl of Eglington was a keen curler, as was also his head gardener. On one occasion when they were both playing in an important match, the gardener was skip of the rink, in which the Earl was third player. It was the Earl's turn to throw his stone, and a good deal depended on his shot to put the "house" on the right side, and the skip was greatly excited over the probable result.

"Jist lay on for that," said he, placing his "kowe," or broom, near the edge of the opponent's stone that he wished removed, "an' I'll gie ye the shot."

But the Earl was not very sure of the gardener's directions.

"Don't you think," he suggested, "I should play ——"

"Jist ye play as I tell ye," cried the skip, forgetting whom he was addressing, "or else gang off the ice."

LET THE WATER SIPE DOWN.

A few curlers one day arrived at a pond, to find the ice covered with water.

"No curlin' to-day!" they ejaculated, in dismay.

"Toots, what are ye haiverin' about?" cried an ingenious rustic near by. "Can ye no' bore holes i' the ice an' let the water sipe doon?"

WOULDNA' CURL IN SEED-TIME NOR HAIRST.

At a Bonspiel once, an old farmer appeared on the ice for the first time to witness the game. He was much delighted with the sport, and a neighbor said to him:

"Man, Andra, you should join our Club, and become a curler."

"Weel," said Andra, "I've nae objection to joining your Club and paying onything that is to be paid in connection wi' it, but ye maunna expect me to come here an' curl either i' the hurry o' the seed-time or o' the hairst. It's vera guid i' the noo, when there's naething can be dune at hame."

THE DUKE AND THE DEUKS.

While playing one day, the Duke of X had the misfortune to send one of his curling stones some distance beyond the tee, and into a marshy part of the loch. He was a very wealthy duke.

"Come, Jamie, get that stone for me, and I'll give you a penny," said the Duke, addressing a well-known half-wit, who was watching the game.

"Na, na," answered Jamie; "jist soom in for't yersel. Deuks aye like to babble wi' water. I'll keep my feet dry and save ye the penny."

LYIN' TWA.

Two worthies were returning home from a curling match, more elevated with Scotch than with their success at the game. They had not proceeded far on the way when they both fell headlong on the slippery road, one on top of the other.

"'Od," said Tammas, who was the first to find his voice, "that drink's nae to be meddl'd wi', for it aye proves a doonfa'."

'Well, maybe it does," replied the other, "but we've made mair success wi't than we had wi' the curlin'. It's the best score we've made the day, for we lie twa this time."

A DEEVIL OF A SLIDE.

Another old worthy who had spent the day at the curling pond and the evening over "the beef and greens" that are so much relished by all lovers of the roaring game, at length set out for home, "setting his staff wi' a' his skill to keep him siccar."

When he reached a steep incline leading to Glenhowe Mill, which was from top to bottom a sheet of ice, Andra lost his balance when half way up and went straight to the bottom without a halt. On rising, he was accosted by a stranger, who asked, "Is this the road to Glenhowe?"

"Nae," replied Andra, "there's nae road to Glenhowe, but there's a deevil of a slide."

FROZEN HARD.

Like the worthy Andra of the foregoing, Dauvit Anderson had indulged too freely after the curling match, where he had won the medal.

During his absence from hame, at the curling game, Mrs. Anderson had cleaned the kitchen, and stained the

jambs and mantelpiece with patent black varnish. Dauvit arrived home, and, leaning against the mantelpiece, viewed his trophy with much pride and pleasure, and, at the same time, lit his pipe.

"Come awa' t' yer bed, Dauvit," cried his better half; "It's baith cauld and late."

"Aye, aye, Janet, my woman," responded Dauvit, roused from his revery, "but losh! this is an awfu' nicht; I never saw the ice sae keen, and here I'm frozen to the very jamb—frozen hard, Janet, my woman, frozen hard."

A RAINY CURLING SEASON.

It haint no use, as I can see,
  For mortals such as us to be
A-faultin' nature's wise intents,
  Or lockin' horns with Providence.

It haint no use to grumble and complain;
  It's just as cheap and easy to rejoice.
When God sorts out the weather
  And sends rain, then rain's my choice.

—Riley.

There are mony I could name
Can handle besom, handle stane
Wi' ony son o' Scotland's ain,
  At the gran' auld game o' curlin'.

As mem'ry green recalls the past,
  My heart is set alowe;
Wi' moistened een I gaze on thee,
  My bonny broomy kowe.

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H. Acaster, Regina.
A. Blair, Lumsden.
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Number of Affiliated Clubs, 21.

5.—KOOTENAY BRANCH.
(Now B. C.)

Year 1906.

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Number of Affiliated Clubs, 12.

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Number of Affiliated Clubs, 10.

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SECRETARY-TREASURER
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The compiler concludes that these two affiliated organizations are local clubs under the jurisdiction of one or other of the two great American Associations below mentioned, neither of which are as yet affiliated with the Royal Caledonian Curling Club.

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L. A. Barnes, Duluth, Minnesota.

THE TUCKETT TROPHY

Won by J. S. C. Fraser's Rink, of Rossland

Sandon Bonspiel 1902

Wm. McQUEEN, 3rd. F. W. PRETTY, 2nd. JAMES LAWN, Lead.

BAGNALL-WYLD SYSTEM OF DRAWING.

One object of the Bagnall-Wyld system of drawing is to avoid byes after the first round. The advantage of a bye is less in value to the club drawing it at this early stage, than it is later in the competition. If the number of entries be a power of 2, such as 4, 8, 16, 32, 64, 128, 256, etc., there will be no byes. If, however, the total entries are not one of these numbers, then a preliminary or extra series must be played between part of the clubs, so that in the next round all the surviving competitors may be reduced to the next lowest of these powers of 2. A simple method of ascertaining the number of byes is to deduct the number of entries from the power of 2 next above, while the number of preliminary games is found by deducting the power of 2 next below from the number of entries.

For example, if the entries are 9, subtract 9 from 16, and we find that 7 draw byes; and taking 8 from 9, we find that 1 preliminary game must be played.

If the entries are 7, taking 7 from 8 gives 1 bye only, while 4 from 7 gives 3, the number of preliminary games.

Another object of this system is to make one draw suffice for the whole competition, and this is done by making the pairs follow some simple rule. One of the simplest methods is to make 1 play 2, 3 play 4, 5 play 6, and 7 play 8, and then in the next round the survivor of 1 and 2 to play the survivor of 3 and 4, and the survivor of 5 and 6 play the survivor of 7 and 8, leaving two to play off in the finals.

To take a complete example, where there are 7 entries there will be, as indicated above, 3 preliminary games and 1 bye. Let the umpire take seven pieces of paper and number them as follows: Two with the figure 1 on them, two with 2 on them, and two with 3 on them, and one with 4 on it. These when shaken in a hat the skips can draw, after which the two 1's will play together, so the two

2's and so the two 3's, while four will have the bye. In the second round, the surviving 1 will play the surviving 2, and the surviving 3 will play 4, and so on.

Number of Entries	Number of Ballots				
1	1	1			
2	1				
3	2	2			
4	2				
5	3	3			
6	3				
7	4	Bye	4		

Again, in the case of 9 entries, it will work out 1 preliminary game and 7 byes:

Number of Entries	Number of Ballots					
1	1	1				
2	1					
3	2	Bye	2			
4	3	"	3			
5	4	"	4			
6	5	"	5			
7	6	"	6			
8	7	"	7			
9	8	"	8			

AN AULD CURLER'S SONG.

Tune—"Scotland Yet."

Gae fetch tae me my old grey plaid,
My cowe and channel stane ;
For I maun hirple tae the loch,
And try my haun' again.
Wi' gaird, and wick, and draw,
We'll lilt a sang tae Scotland's fame,
And hills clad o'er wi' snaw—
A rousin' theme tae Scotland's game,
Her cowes, her cramps and a'.

HINTS BY THE B. C. CURLING ASSOCIATION TO SECRETARIES OF AFFILIATED CLUBS.

The orderly and successful carrying out of the work of the Association depends so much upon the Secretaries of the affiliated clubs, that we take the liberty of inviting their hearty co-operation towards keeping their respective clubs in closer touch with the Association.

First.—If your club has not a code of by-laws for its government, see that one is adopted without delay, similar to the form next hereinafter given.

Second.—Hold your yearly meeting for the election of officers, etc., not later than the third Wednesday in October. Elect your representatives to this Association, and instruct them fully and place before them all questions and matters which you desire to be brought before the annual meeting of this Association, which is held on the first Wednesday in December in each year. Lastly, elect your club skips, so that pending the arrival of Jack Frost, they may make up their rinks. This done, everything will be ready for the first ice.

Third.—See that your returns of office bearers and members are sent to the Secretary of this Association immediately after the annual club meeting in October; also your club's annual and membership fees. Should further members join after your first return, it is easy to make a supplementary list.

Fourth.—Preserve a record of all matches played by your club with other clubs, as well as those played within the club for prizes, and at the end of the season, after the semi-annual meeting, send a record of the same to the Secretary of this Association, with a view to publication in the next Annual.

Fifth.—In all matches in the points' game, scoring cards should be used, and the score of each one of the four stones played at each point should be carefully registered; when this is done both the club and the individual players will discover where they are weak, and where strong, and can thus know how to make themselves strong all around.

Sixth.—See that your "Rinks" for ordinary games as well as for set matches, are laid out in perfect accordance with the diagrams in this Manual, and when you have to play on the ice of other clubs, see that all the Rink Lines are properly marked. Remember that the circle in rinks has now a radius of 6 feet, instead of 7, as formerly.

Seventh.—Abide strictly by the Rules of the game in all matches, and insist that your opponents do the same.

Eighth.—Be sure and collect your club fees in advance. This benefits your club beyond estimation. It benefits this Association, in that it enables you to make prompt returns to this Association of the annual dues and membership fees. Read Chapter IV. of the Constitution carefully.

It is an excellent plan to have a general club match at the very commencement of the season, to which no one shall be admitted unless his fees have been paid; another good rule is to allow no one to vote whose fees are unpaid.

Ninth.—A word to Presidents: Let the President of every club direct and assist the Secretary in all his work, encouraging him when despondent, stimulating him when dilatory, and aiding him when overburdened, and both officers will feel amply rewarded when they see their club flourishing under their guidance.

Tenth.—Work for the work's sake!

Who works for honor misses oft the goal;
Who works for money coins his very soul.
Work for the work's sake then, and it may be
Honor and wealth shall be given unto thee.

CONSTITUTION AND RULES

FOR CLUBS IN AFFILIATION WITH THE BRITISH COLUMBIA CURLING ASSOCIATION

The underwritten Constitution and Rules for the government of all clubs affiliated with the B. C. Association, are printed with the approval of the Association for the guidance of such clubs. By filling in the blanks and formally ratifying the same, each affiliated club can have a Constitution and By-Laws without the expense of printing the same. The chief object, however, in printing them, is to create harmony and uniformity in the management of the different affiliated clubs; the holding of meetings at the same fixed dates, etc., etc., so that the affairs of the parent organization may be the more easily directed, and the labor of the Secretary lessened. Clubs already having Constitutions and By-Laws are requested to alter or amend the same so as to conform to the following:

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS.

NAME.

Article 1.—This Club shall be known as the..... Curling Club, of.....and the curling rules of the Club shall be those hereunder given and approved by the British Columbia Curling Association.

Article 2.—The object of the Club shall be to promote the game of curling, to inculcate fraternal intercourse among its members and with other Clubs in the Association to which it is affiliated.

MEMBERS.

Article 3.—The members of the Club shall consist of two classes—regular and honorary—who shall be duly proposed and elected, upon condition of complying with the Constitution and By-Laws provided for the government of the Club.

OFFICE BEARERS.

Article 4.—The office bearers shall consist of a Patron, President, two Vice-Presidents, Secretary, Treasurer (the two latter may be filled by one person), Chaplain, and an Executive of five regular members. The President, Vice-Presidents, Secretary and Executive shall be a Board of Managers to attend to the business of the Club, and five members shall constitute a quorum.

REPRESENTATIVES.

Article 5.—The Club shall elect annually, at its Annual General Meeting, when electing the other officers, two persons as its representative delegates to the B. C. Association. They must be regular members of the Club, or of some other Club in good standing in the Association.

Should any member so chosen be unable to attend a meeting of the B. C. Association, then the President or Executive may name a proxy.

MEETINGS.

Article 6.—The Annual General Meeting of the Club shall be held on the third Wednesday of October for the election of officers, payment of annual fees, election of skips, and making necessary preparations for the curling season, A report of this meeting, with list of officers and members finally revised, and fees due the Association, must be forwarded to the Secretary of the Association not later than the third week in November in each year.

The Semi-Annual General Meeting of the Club shall be held on the first Wednesday of April, for the reception of financial and other reports of the previous curling year, and for general business. Seven members shall form a quorum, at all regular and special meetings of the Club. The Secretary must forward to the Secretary of the B. C. Association, not later than the first day of May in each year, a synopsis report of this meeting.

Special meetings of the Club may be called at any time, after due notice, by the President, upon the request in writing of five regular members of the Club; but this request shall state the object of the meeting, and the Secretary, in notifying members of such meeting, shall set forth the business to be transacted at such special meeting.

SKIPS.

Article 7.—Every Club, at the Annual Meeting in in October, shall elect one skip for every seven members upon the revised roll, who shall be called club skips, and they shall form their rinks on the voluntary principle, or in such other way as may be decided by a majority of the members in attendance at such meeting.

DUTIES OF OFFICERS.

Article 8.—The President shall preside at all meetings and shall have a casting vote, in the event of a tie, in all equal divisions of the vote of the club. He shall have power to convene meetings as provided in the Constitution. He shall take charge, when elected, of all medals and other trophies of the Club, and shall be responsible for their safe keeping.

The Vice-Presidents, in the absence of the President, shall, according to their order of seniority, be vested with the powers and duties of the President.

The Secretary shall keep correct minutes of all meet-

ings, a register of members and a record of all Club matches and medal competitions, it being obligatory upon skips to furnish him details of such matches, and shall submit same at the Semi-Annual General Meeting of the Club in April. He shall conduct all correspondence, notify new members of their election, and attend to such other duties as shall pertain to the office.

The Treasurer shall, from a certified roll by the Secretary, collect all subscription fees due by members, and other monies payable to the club. A roll once prepared must have no names taken therefrom, except by death, removal from the locality, and resignation, in writing, and this must be done at the semi-annual meeting of the Club in April, called, among other things, for the final revision of the roll. The fiscal year of all Clubs begins on the first day of April and terminates on the 31st day of March of the succeeding year. He shall make all necessary disbursements on account of the Club, on the order of the President. He shall keep an account in detail of the receipts and expenditure, and submit the same at the Annual General Meeting of the Club in April, when provision can be made for auditing the same.

The Board of Managers shall have the superintendence of the affairs of the Club, and may appoint sub-committees from their number. They shall have full control of the rink and preparation of the ice, and may make regulations for the management of games and competitions of the Club, not already provided for under the Constitution. They shall arrange the dates and places at which matches with outside Clubs are played, and notify skips of same, and may appoint umpires when requisite. They shall report the result of their work at the annual and semi-annual meetings of the Club. They shall meet at least once a week during the curling season, but only once a month the rest of the year.

FEES AND PENALTIES.

Article 9.—The prompt payment of fees is the essential

requisite. The fees of every member of the Club are expected to be paid in advance on the day of the annual meeting. The subscription fee shall be such as may be determined at any annual meeting of the Club.

Any member whose fees are not paid by the third Wednesday in November in each year, shall be debarred from playing in any Club matches, and shall not be allowed to take part in any proceedings of the Club, or to vote on any subject connected therewith, or be eligible for election as an officer or skip, until such dues are paid. It shall be the duty of the Executive to take cognizance of any default herein, and enforce the rule.

FOREIGN MATCHES.

Article 10.—In all outside or foreign matches with other Clubs for trophies, medals or other consideration (not monetary), the President shall summon a meeting of skips for the selection of the skips to play in any of said competitions. The mode of election shall be by ballot from among themselves, when those having the plurality of votes shall be chosen, and the rinks built up to the best possible advantage with the assistance of the Board of Managers.

RULES OF CURLING.

Article 11.—The play in all matches or competitions shall be governed by the existing rules of the British Columbia Curling Association, as published from time to time in the Annual.

Article 12.—The former Constitution of amendments shall be made to this Constitution except by a two-thirds vote at an Annual Meeting of the Club, and thereafter must have the sanction of the B. C. C. A. before being finally adopted. Notice of any change must be given not later than the Semi-Annual Meeting in October.

CURLERS' SIGNAL CODE.

For In-turn.—Righ 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."

QUOTATIONS, ANENT CURLERS AND CURLING.

Suitable for Menu or Toast Mottoes.

"The Devil can cite scripture for his purpose."—Shak.

(Selected by W. J. Nelson.)

THE GAME.

"When winter binds in frosty chains,
the fallow and the flood,"
The curler's heart rejoiceth still,
and owns his Maker good.

"Pleasure and action make the hours seem short."
—Othello.

"The labor we delight in physics pain."—Macbeth.

"These meetings make December, June."—Tennyson.

(The Winners.)

Who wins the trophy in life's little game,
The envy gains, of them unknown to fame.
—Nelson.

"He who surpasses or subdues mankind,
Must look down on the hate of those below.
—Byron.

(The Losers.)

"A poor player who struts and frets."—Shak.

"He that is valiant and dares fight,
Though drubbed, can lose no honor by't."
—Butler.

"Still bear up, and steer right onward."—Milton.

"Wise men ne'er sit and wail their loss,
But cheerily seek how to redress their harm."
—Shak.

THE ICE.

"In thrilling regions of thick ribbed ice."—Shak.

"The sweetest ice that ever froze."—Byron.

"To smooth the ice, is wasteful and ridiculous excess."
—Shak.

THE STONES.

"Like stones of worth, they thinly placed are."—Shak.

"Finds * * * * * sermons in stones,
And good in everything."—Shak.

(Hogged Stones.)

"Their every parting was to die."—Tennyson.

"Oh say, 'tis tardy in its flight."—Eliza Cook.

"He dies, and alas how soon he dies."—Dr. Johnson.

(A Through Stone.)

"I have shot mine arrow through the house."—Shak.

"Found no end, in wandering mazes lost."—Milton.

"No reckoning made, but sent to my account
With all my imperfections on my head."—Hamlet.

(A Draw.)

"By vig'rous effort and an honest aim,
At once he draws."—Young.

(Lucky Shots.)

"O many a shot at random sent
Finds mark the player little meant."—Scott.

THE GRAND CHALLENGE AND OLIVER CUPS

Won by Dr. R. B. Boucher's Rink, of Phoenix,

Rossland Bonspiel, 1903

O. B. SMITH, Jr., Lead. *T. J. HARDY, 2nd.* *I. CAMPBELL, 3rd.*

(Bad Shots.)

"Errors upon the surface flow."—Dryden.

(Guard Stones.)

"Once more unto the breach, dear friends, once more."
—Shak.

(Chap and Lie.)

"When I remember something which I had,
But which is gone, I sigh to think on't."
—Jean Ingelow.

"Each changing place, with that which goes before."
—Shak.

"A lie; upon my soul, a lie; a wicked lie."—Shak.

"These lies are like the father that begets them,
Open palpable lies."—Shak.

"I didn't do it, did I?"—Grigor.

(In-turn or Out-turn Stones.)

" 'Tis good in every case, you know,
To have two strings unto your bow."—Churchill.

"They run in separate channels."—Dryden.

"Follow 'their' envious courses."—Shak.

"On the smooth expanse of crystal lakes,
The 'gliding' stone at first a circle makes."—Pope.

(A Running Shot, and the Result.)

"Look round, the wrecks of play behold."—Gay.

"Inestimable stones, unvalued jewels all scattered."
—Shak.

(Raising.)

"To raise the dead to life."—Longfellow.

(The Lead Stones.)

"Nothing's so difficult as a beginning,
Unless perhaps the end."—Byron.

"Amid the encircling gloom,
Lead thou me on."—Newman.

"Would I were safe at home."—Gray.

THE END.

"This is the true beginning of our 'end'."—Shak.

"There is a divinity that shapes our 'ends,'
Rough hew them how we will."—Hamlet.

"Attempt the 'end,' and never stand to doubt."
—Herrick.

"The 'end' crowns all."—Shak.

"Our last great 'end'."—Churchill.

"What I will, I will, and there an 'end'."—Shak.

THE SKIP.

"There's a method in his wickedness,
It grows up by degrees."—Beaumont and Fletcher.

"Behold the great image of authority."—King Lear.

"A stoney adversary."—Shak.

"Full of wise saws and modern instances;
And so he plays his part."—As You Like It.

"In form and moving, how express and admirable."
—Hamlet.

"Within that circle, none durst walk but he."—Dryden.

"He builded better than he knew;—
The conscious stones to beauty grew."—Emerson.

His "deeds are known,
In words that kindle glory from the stone."—Schiller.

THE VICE-SKIP.

"Ah, Vice, how soft are thy voluptuous ways."—Byron.

"A good old gentlemanly Vice."—Byron.

"Dressed in a little brief authority."—Shak.

"The post of honor now is thine."—Gray's Fables.

"Our pleasant 'Vices' made instruments to plague us."
—King Lear.

"Vice, sometimes, is by action dignified."
—Rom. and Jul.

"There is no 'Vice' so simple but assumes
Some mark of virtue on his outward parts."
—Mer of Venice.

"Content thyself to be obscurely good
When 'Vice' prevails, and impious men bear sway."
—Addison.

THE SWEEPERS.

The task of one who goes before to find
The way for such as follow swift behind,
Is thine, sweet Sweep.—W. J. N.

"Sufferance is the badge of all our tribe."—Shak.

"Sweep on, ye fat and greasy citizens."
—As You Like It.

"His feet have wings."—George Elliot.

"They also serve, who only stand and wait."

"Hey day, what a 'Sweep' of vanity comes this way."
—Shak.

"Heralds high before him run."—Emerson.

"The first great law is—to obey."—Schiller.

"Our little life is rounded with a 'sweep'."
—Shak. (E.O.E.)

"Sweep, Sweep, don't hesitate! He who hesitates is lost."—Nelson.

"Sweep, Sweep, for G——'s sake, Sweep."—Fraser.

"And as he knew not what to say, he swore."—Byron.

THE HOUSE.

"When we mean to build,
We first survey the plot, then draw the model;
And when we see the figure of the house,
Then must we next 'protect our proud' erection."
—Shak.

"We figure to ourselves the thing we like,
And then we build it up."—Taylor.

A man who builds a house oft provides
A home for his adversary.—Nelson.

"You take my house, when you do take the prop
That doth sustain my house."—Shak.

THE POINTS' GAME.

"Here I lay, and there I bear my point:
Three knaves in buckram let drive at me."—Falstaff.

THE AULD CURLER.

"My age is as a lusty winter—
Frosty, but kindly."—Shak.

The gay old grandsire, skilled in curling art,
Still loves the gallant sport, and plays his part.
—W. J. N.

"Age that melts with unperceived decay,"
And all unconscious, plays its favorite play.
—W. J. N.

"Then why should those who pick and choose
The best of all, the best compose,
And join it by mosaic art,
In graceful order, part to part,
To make the whole in beauty suit,
Not merit as complete repute
As those who, with less art and pains,
Can do it with their native brains."—Butler.

N. B.—In making the above selections (save the few which are original, or part original) we have avoided borrowing from the Scotch poets, Burns, Thomson, Hogg or Scott (save one from the latter), in whose writings many more appropriate expressions may be found directly applicable to the game, its play and players.

IN MEMORIAM

THE LATE J. B. McARTHUR.

The members of the Association will recall with profound regret the untimely demise of Mr. McArthur at his home in Toronto, some years since.

He was one of the pioneers of Kootenay, and in the early nineties practiced law in Kaslo, and subsequently in Rossland.

He was the promoter of many of the mining companies operating properties on Red Mountain, as also of the West Kootenay Power and Light Co.

He was one of the best known residents of the District, and was held in high esteem.

As one of the founders of the Association and its first President, he will ever be held in affectionate remembrance by every curler of "ye olden time."

We deeply regret our inability—though every effort was made—to secure a photo of the ex-President, so that an engraving from the same might have found a place in this Annual.

As Mem'ry green recalls the past,
Our hearts are truly sair.
'Tis vain to greet, yet sad to think
We ne'er may see ye mair.

THE LATE "HARRY" SMITH

AN OLD TIME CURLER

One of the Founders of the Association and a General Favorite in Past Bonspiels

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"His memory long will live alone
In all our hearts as mournful light
That broods above the fallen sun,
And shines in heaven half the night."

THE LATE H. H. SMITH

We feel assured that every curler in the Kootenay will learn with the deepest regret of the death of "Harry," as he was familiarly called by his intimate friends. His face was familiar at every Bonspiel from 1898 till he left Rossland in May, 1905, to again take up his residence in Winnipeg.

"Harry" curled for the love of it. The thought of winning a prize scarce entered his mind. Win or lose, mattered little to "Harry." Yet in curling he was a careful player, ever acting on the principle that whatever is worth doing is worth doing well. No one better obeyed, in the playing of the game, the scriptural injunction, "Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with all thy might."

Harry was present at the formation of the Manitoba Branch of the Royal Club in 1888, at Winnipeg, and at the meeting in 1898, at Rossland, which brought into existence the Kootenay (now B. C.) Curling Association.

Our deceased brother, while curling last year at the Hub, fell on the ice and injured himself. Complications afterwards set in, which resulted in his death on the 4th day of September, 1907.

Of a social, genial and kindly disposition, he acquired numerous friends by whom he was much beloved. In his death an interesting link, which bound us to the past, has disappeared. May he rest in peace.

Death is but a little space,
For dreamless sleep, to mortals given.
The grave is but a resting place
On the road from earth to heaven.

—W. J. N.

EXCERPTS FROM THE ANNUALS OF THE MANITOBA BRANCH OF THE R. C. C. C.

OF INTEREST TO B. C. CURLERS

[*Through the courtesy of J. P. Robertson, Esq., the Secretary of the Branch*]

From the Annual of 1897-8, Vol. 9, page 162, we borrow the following item, which will be of especial interest to the curlers of British Columbia:

"THE EARLIEST RECORD OF CURLING IN THE WEST.

"The first game of curling was played in the Northwest Territories in November, 1839, on the east side of the Rocky Mountains, at Boak Encampment, about a mile above the junction of the Clark and Lewis rivers. The curlers were the members of the Hudson's Bay brigade, waiting for the overland transport from Vancouver. The skips were Dugald McTavish, brother of the late Governor McTavish, and Alexander Simpson, brother of Thomas Simpson of Arctic fame. James Steele, Roderick Finlayson, Wm. Spencer and Edward Spencer were the other players. Flat stones were used in the match."

FIRST CURLING CLUBS IN BRITISH COLUMBIA.

The first curling club established in British Columbia was at Golden, B. C. It was organized in 1894, with the following officers:

Patron—Lt. Gov. Dewdney.
President—Capt. F. P. Armstrong.
Vice-President—Capt. G. F. Parson.
Secretary-Treasurer—D. M. Rae.
Chaplain—Rev. W. R. Ross.

It affiliated with the Manitoba Branch of the Royal Caledonian Curling Club in the same year. It was known as District No. 17—Columbia.

In the Manitoba Annual for 1895-6, Vol. 7, the following report appears:

"There is as yet only one club in this District, the Golden Curling Club. An effort is, however, being made to get another organized at Donald, B. C. The club played for the Royal District Medal at points, and the ten highest scores were as follows: P. J. Russell 18, D. McRae 17, J. Lake 15, C. A. Warner 13, W. R. Hamilton 10, M. Dainard 10, W. Dainard 10, J. Rae 9, P. R. White 9, J. Henderson 8, and G. H. Brock 8. The medal was awarded P. J. Russell.

"This club for its first year has done exceedingly well, and a number of keen local competitions for handsome prizes took place.

WM. McNEISH, Umpire."

In the Annual for 1896-7, Vol. 8, this report appears:

"DISTRICT No. 17—COLUMBIA.

"The club at Donald having failed to materialize as yet, we are without rivals to contest with us for the District Medal and Bonspiel primaries.

"The Royal District Medal was, however, competed for at points, and resulted as follows: J. Rae 19, D. M. Rae 15, T. Todd 14, C. Pearce 13, G. Brock 13, O. P. Thompson 12, M. Dainard 11, G. Woodley 11, W. L. Hamilton 10.

"The ice was in poor condition, and, in consequence, the scores are low. J. Rae captured a medal with a score of 19 points. The winner at other times has scored as high as 30 points.

H. G. PARSON, Umpire.

"Golden, B. C., 13th January, 1896."

In the Annual for 1897-8, Vol. 9, this report appears:

"DISTRICT No. 17—COLUMBIA.

"The District Medal match for this District took place at Golden, B. C., on the 19th January, 1897, and was won by Wm. McNeish, with a score of 18 points.

"The low score is attributable to the fact of the ice being in very bad condition, a cold snap having heaved it in various directions. Much higher scores have been made before at ordinary practice.

"The ten highest scores were: Wm. McNeish 18, H. G. Parson 16, A. C. Warren 15, D. McDonald 14, G. Brock 14, J. Lamontague 14, James Henderson 13, H. Woodley 12, P. R. White 12, and W. Houston 11.

"The Galt and other club primaries were played in the usual way.

H. G. PARSON, Umpire.

"Golden, B. C., 29th January, 1897."

KASLO CLUB.

The Kaslo Club, organized in 1895 (erroneously stated on page 15 to have been organized in 1896), was the second club organized in British Columbia. It affiliated with the Manitoba Branch in the year of its formation. The following were the officers of that year:

Patron—Lt. Gov. Dewdney, B. C.
President—G. O. Buchanan.
Vice-President—James Waugh.
Secretary-Treasurer—Hamilton Byers.

In the Annual of the Manitoba Branch it was known as District No. 18—Kootenay. In Vol. 8, 1896-7, of said Branch, this report appears:

"Kaslo as yet is the only club in this locality, but one is under way at Nelson, and may be a rival next year. Living as we do, in a semi-tropical position, ice does not always hold in this banana belt. Twice during the season

did the opportunity offer for play. A cold snap struck us about the first of March, and it was decided to play points for the District Medal. We took a steamer out about three miles till we got a sheltered nook on Mirror Lake, where we got lots of ice, but rough and crooked. The ice was laid out and hacks cut. A fire was lit to prepare hot water for pebbling. It was not so bad, but the wind blew such a terrible gale that lots of borrow had to be taken. It reminded me of auld Scotia, and right lustily we souted, and the echoes resounded from hill to hill. The wind went down with the sun, and we built a huge bonfire, and curling was kept up by this light, resembling very much one of the scenes in Faust. It looked more like a dance of demons than a curling match. The medal was won by Horace Burke, but not until the last stone was thrown was it decided who was the winner. Later we had a game with Nelson, one rink a side, loaning them half our stones. Having left our stones there, a return match was played, when they beat Kaslo, having been at practice day and night with our stones.

JAMES WAUGH, Umpire.

"Kaslo, 20th March, 1896."

In the Annual of the next year, Vol. 9, 1897-8, this report appears:

"DISTRICT No. 22—KOOTENAY.

"Having failed to get weather fit to make ice, the preliminary District stage of the Tuckett Trophy competition failed to come off until last Thursday, the 18th of February, when Sandon won by one point. The scores aggregated respectively 27 and 28. Kaslo curlers are, however, proud of themselves, even in the midst of defeat. Only two of their eight men could play an out-turn, while the Sandon callants had many who graduated in Manitoba, even figuring in the great Bonspiel.

"At a joint meeting of the two clubs held in the even-

ing, I awarded the medal, as umpire of the District, which, by the way, is the most westerly protege of the Branch. At a spread given it was freely ventured that one rink would represent Kootenay at the Bonspiel of 1898, if not two, one from each club.

"Since that match, the rinks in both clubs turned out well, and we are looking forward to another year with great hope. Curlers whose old proclivities prevent them losing sight of the game, and new men who begin to see something in it, will be out in greater numbers another season. We will also try and get Nelson to join, where Frank Peters, Billy Grant and W. A. Macdonald, late of Brandon, all veterans, would form the nucleus of a good club.

JAMES WAUGH, Umpire.

"Kaslo, B. C., 22nd of February, 1897."

In the Annual of the next year, Vol. 10, 1898-9, the following report appears:

"DISTRICT No. 22—KOOTENAY.

"The primary matches were played concurrently at Sandon, on Friday, the 21st day of January, between Kaslo and Sandon, two rinks from each club. The score was as follows:

SANDON.		KASLO.	
A. R. Hall, skip	16	Jas. Waugh, skip.....	13
Wm. Hood, skip	14	D. W. Moore, skip	14
	30		27

Points in favor of Sandon, 3.

"The game was well contested, the ice in splendid condition, and the players on each side full of determination to win. It was a thoroughly enjoyable game.

JAMES WAUGH, Umpire.

"Kaslo, 26th January, 1898."

GRAND CHALLENGE, OLIVER AND K. C. ASSOC'N CUPS

Won by A. T. Walley's Rink, of Nelson. Rossland Bonspiel, 1906

JOHN BUNYAN, 2nd. A. CARRIE, 3rd. B. N. OUIMETTE, Lead.

SANDON CLUB.

The Sandon Club was the third club organized in British Columbia, and the third to affiliate with the Manitoba Branch. It was organized in 1896, as we have said elsewhere, and was one of the charter clubs of the Kootenay (now B. C.) Curling Association. Its first officers were:

Patron—Hewitt Bostock, M. P.

President—M. L. Grimmett.

Vice-President—E. R. Atherton.

Secretary-Treasurer—W. W. Fallows.

We had not received the necessary information from that club to insert the names of the Presidents and Secretaries of the club since its formation in 1896 under the proper heading at page 15 of the Manual.

We have since obtained the names of the present officers, who are as follows:

President—William Bennett.

Vice-President—Geo. Bruder.

Secretary—W. T. McClurg.

Committee of Management—L. Pratt, W. T. McClurg, E. R. Atherton, N. Tattrie, and Mr. Ward.

From the same Annual for 1898-9, Vol. 10, we make the following extract:

"KOOTENAY CURLING ASSOCIATION.

"A new Branch has been organized during the past year, to be known as the 'Kootenay Curling Association.' It has affected the Manitoba Branch to the extent of taking away two clubs, Kaslo and Sandon. Nelson had not affiliated, neither had Rossland, and consequently did not materially affect this Association. Golden did not leave us. They were just as well in the old as in the new Association. Representatives of the Nelson, Rossland, Sandon and Kaslo Curling Clubs have organized the Kootenay Curling Association. J. B. McArthur was elected temporary President, A. W. Strickland temporary Secretary,

and Messrs. Peters, Grimmett and Buchanan Vice-Presidents. An Executive Committee was appointed, consisting of J. E. Bain, James Warcastle, Sandon; W. H. Grant, Nelson; J. S. C. Fraser, Rossland; and Messrs. Warren and Rae of Golden. Messrs. McArthur and Peters were appointed as a committee to draft the constitution of the Association."

N. B.—It will be observed that the names of the Executive here given differ materially from those appearing in the minutes of the inaugural meeting, appearing elsewhere in this Manual. (See page 31.)

In the report of the Executive Committee of the Manitoba Branch of the R. C. C. C. for the year 1899-1900, Vol. 11, these words appear:

"Seventy clubs were in affiliation with the Association during the past year, of which sixty-six were in good standing and active operation. This number would have been larger, but for the fact that Nelson, Kaslo, Rossland, Sandon and Revelstoke 'withdrew' to form a new association in British Columbia."

This clause in the Annual suggests to the mind that the Nelson, Revelstoke and Rossland Clubs had actually been affiliated with the Manitoba Branch. We can not, however, after a careful perusal of the Annuals of 1896-7, 1897-8, and 1899-1900, find any other evidence corroborating the inference that might be conveyed by the above clause.

On enquiry from old members of the Rossland Club, nothing could be learned that would establish the fact that any one of these three clubs had actually affiliated with the Manitoba Branch, though the year prior to, or the year of the formation of the Kootenay Curling Association, these clubs may have had some correspondence with the Branch looking towards affiliation. Upon the formation of the Kootenay Association in 1898, as a matter of course, all desire for affiliation would end.

ORIGIN OF THE ROYAL CALEDONIAN CURLING CLUB OF SCOTLAND

This organization, with which the B. C. Association is affiliated, was first called the Grand Caledonian Curling Club of Scotland. A mystery hangs over one part of its origin, which will probably never be unveiled: The name of its founder, like that of the projectors of other great undertakings ,is doomed to remain forever in obscurity.

This much is known: A number of curlers assembled for the first time in the Waterloo Hotel, Edinburgh, pursuant to an advertisement in the North British Advertiser, dated 16th May, 1838, on the 26th of the same month. At this gathering a grand court was formed, to which all Provincial ones were subject, and a grand President and other Office-bearers were elected.

An adjourned meeting was held in the same hotel on Wednesday, the 20th of June, 1838, at which one John Cairnie, Esq., of Curling Hall, Largs, was in the chair. Deputations from various clubs were present, and approved a resolution to prepare a code of regulations applicable to the whole of Scotland.

A further adjournment to the 25th of July, 1838, took place to permit of a fuller representation of the different clubs throughout Scotland. This meeting was largely attended, and from it really dates the organization of the Royal Caledonian Curling Club.

The Club has made steady progress ever since. Its prosperity may be best judged from the present strength of the organization. In all 728 clubs are directly or indirectly associated with it, and these are scattered over England, Scotland, Ireland, Norway, Switzerland, Russia, New Zealand, Newfoundland, Canada and the United States.

ADDITIONAL CURLIANA SONGS AND LITERATURE

IF YOU WANT TO BE A FIRST-CLASS CURLER.

By Fred J. Boswell, Banff, N.W.T.

Tune—Dae yae ken John Peel.

My freens, I'm gaun tae tell you how, if you would curl
quite right:
You must learn to sup on parritch an' drink hot Scotch at
night.
Ye may tak' a dram i' the mornin' too, but you never maun
get tight,
If you want to be a really first-class curler.

Chorus.—For the skip may shout elbu' in or elbu' out,
Sandy gie us a gaird here, or knock that deil out;
But if you chance to make a hog, oh how they'll
roar and shout;
Then hurrah! for the roarin' game o' curlin'.

You must handle yere besom quick and well, if ye'd hae
ony gains,
And just keep one eye on the skip, the ither on the stanes;
But the most important thing of all, is tae play wi' hert
and brains,
If you want to be a really first-class curler.
Chorus—

You must learn to be obedient to what the skip shall say,
For he's the man's responsible how good or bad ye play,
But dinna shove your stane too hard, or it'll go beyant
the tee,
If you want to be a really first-class curler.
Chorus—

The skip he is the maister, awhiles he's on the rink
And you should do whate'er he wants, whene'er he tips the wink,
And if you chance to win an end, you may go and tak' a drink,
If you want to be a really first-class curler.
Chorus—

When you meet a curler out, why just tip him the sign,
And tak' him doun to the nearest tap and gie him a sup o' wine,
You should always look on curlers as good cronies of thine
If you want to be a really first-class curler.
Chorus—

SCOTLAND'S BONNIE BROOM.

By Doctor Sidey.

Air—"Bonnie Bessie Lee."

Oh, mony, mony fairy sichts in other climes I've seen,
And mony a bonnie flower I've pu'd wi' a' its rich perfume;
But naething yet has cheered my heart, in a' the lands I've been,
Like the bonnie draps o' yellow gowd on Scotland's bonnie broom.
On Scotland's bonnie broom,
Auld Scotland's bonnie broom,
Like the bonnie draps o' yellow gowd on Scotland's bonnie broom.

I mind fu' yell in days gane by, when callants wild we ran,
An' pu'd the bonnie gowan, and the scented hawthorn's bloom,

How aft was hush'd our merry laugh, to list the lintie's sang,
Mang the bonnie draps o' yellow gowd on Scotland's bonnie broom.
On Scotland's bonnie broom,
Auld Scotland's bonnie broom,
Mang the bonnie draps o' yellow gowd on Scotland's bonnie broom.

But a' my kith and kin, and my friends o' former days,
Like withered leaves hae passed away and sleep within the tomb,
And tho' I'm left my lane, yet I dearly love to gaze
On the bonnie draps o' yellow gowd on Scotland's bonnie broom.
On Scotland's bonnie broom,
Auld Scotland's bonnie broom,
On the bonnie draps o' yellow gowd on Scotland's bonnie broom.

CURLER'S RITUAL AND PASSWORD.

Whatever may be the practice among modern curling clubs, the fraternities in the days long gone by had a kind of ritual, with secret signs and a password. Regarding the Sanquhar Curling Club, Dr. Taylor informs us that a dispute had arisen among the members as to which was the true curler's word and grip, and the society found it necessary to issue an authoritative declaration on the subject in the following terms: In order to prevent all disputes concerning the curler's "word and grip," the master, who is always present during his office, and the rest of the scoiety have agreed that the following shall be held and reputed the curler's word and grip of this society for the future:

"Gripping hands in the common manner of shaking hands is gripping the hand of the curling stone. The thumb of the person examined or instructed thrust in between the thumb and forefinger of the examiner or instructor, signi-

fies 'Running a port.' The little finger of the person examined or instructed linked with the little finger of the examiner or instructor, means an 'inning'."

THE CURLER'S GRIP.

By Doctor Sidey.

Air—"Auld Lang Syne."

Losh man! I'm glad to see yoursel',
I'm glad to meet a frien',
But, man, the pleasure's greater still
When he's a curler keen.

Chorus.—Sae gie's the curler's grip, my frien';
Sae gie's the curler's grip.
Losh man! I'm gral to see yoursel';
Sae gie's the curler's grip.

We've played thegither many a time
Around the curlin' tee;
I've sooped ye aften up the ice.
You've dune the same to me.
Chorus—

Man! when I feel a grip like that
I'm unca sweir'd to pairt;
The blood rins dim'lin up my airm,
An' warms my very heart.
Chorus—

But as the nicht is gye weel thro',
Let's hae anither "nip,"
An' drink success to ilka ane
That kens the curler's grip.
Chorus—

"WICK AN' CURL IN."

By J. R. Foulden.

Air—There's noe Guid Luck aboot the House."

When luck's again' ye, an' the hoose
  Is blockit up wi' stanes,
An' yer opponents, awfu' crouse,
  Are countin' up their gains;
There's aye a shot, a bonnie shot,
  A shot that's sure to win—
To draw up till an orra stane,
  An' wick an' curl in.

An' sae ye'll find it a' thro' life,
  When failure nips yer pride,
An' disappointment's cruikit form
  Comes hirplin' where ye bide;
There's aye a way to fortune's smiles,
  An' takin't is nae sin,
A bonny shot for mense an' skill—
  To wick an' curl in.

Yon judge that wags his curly pow
  Sae sagely ower a plea,
Yin better stocked wi' law an' lair
  Ye'd think there could'na be;
But losh! he's just been wide awake
  When ither folks were blin',
An' never let a chance gang by
  To wick an' curl in.

Then, brithers, let us bide oor time,
  An' cautious let us play
Each ticklish shot in life's big game—
  That's hoo to win the day.

Dame fortune irate shows here claws
  To drivers down the rin,
But smiles on him wha gently draws
  A wick an' curl in.

MY CHANNEL STANES.

Air—"Jock o' Hazeldean."

Gae bring to me my channel stanes,
  The stanes that were my pride,
Anld justly feared by every man
  That curled upon the Clyde;
I'll gie them just one other look,
  Before I'm taen awa
To land where "soopit's" never heard,
  Or curlers fear a thaw.

Ah, mony a happy hour I've spent,
  When it was freezin' keen,
And we had met upon the loch
  To play some weel kent frien',
The cunnin' way that you could gaird,
  Or inwick to the tee,
Made me the proudest man on earth,
  The saddest one my fae.

Nae doubt our Meg would often say
  My heart was a' your ain,
That o' my thought you got far mair
  Than her or our wee wean;
That empty creel or poorith bairn,
  Or cheerless ingleside,
Were a' forgotten when wi' you
  I played upon the Clyde.

But though she gloomed and grudged the time
  I spent to keep ye braw,
And sometimes when I sang your praise
  Would let the tear doun fa',
When frae the loch I had returned
  Wi' shouts o' victory,
She seemed a prouder being far
  Than either you or me.

O, waes me, but it's hard to think
  I hae to lay ye by,
And ne'er again on pond or loch
  A pat lid see ye lie,
Or watch wi' pride ye firmly ride
  The winner to the snaw,
While victor ye were heralded
  Amid a wild huzza.

Ah, me! but life's a little thing,
  Sometimes as thrawn's the ice,
And though I haena played it weel,
  Been hoggit once or twice,
I hope that through Death's narrow port
  I'll cuddle quietly ben,
And rest within the bosom o'
  The Man that died for men.

A CURLER'S SONG.

By T. S. A., of Waverly, Scotland.

Ance mair the bitin' norlan' wind
  Comes blawin' doun the glen,
Ance mair we feel a joy is near
  That only curlers ken.

Nae langer is our bonny loch
  Wi' wavelets dimpled o'er,
Nae langer do ye hear them break
  Wi' music on the shore.

Her bosom noo is frozen hard,
  The hills are clad wi' snaw;
The trees aroun' have shed their leaves,
  And stillness reigns o'er a'.

But soon the hills resound wi' cheers,
  And wi' the bonnie soun'
O' channel stanes, which on the howe
  Gang roarin' swiftly doun.

And see the men ranged doun the rink
  A' watchin' for the cry,
"Come, bring him, lads, soop a' your micht,
  Haud up! noo let him die."

The cautious draw, the bonnie gaird,
  The skillfu' wick an' curl in;
The strikin' shot or chap and lie,
  That sets the winner birlin'.

Oh, keen the roarin' game is played,
  And wi' untirin' zest,
Until the settin' sun proclaims
  The time has come for rest.

But be it days or be it weeks
  That John Frost holds levee,
At early morn a' curlers keen
  Are found around the tee.

O may we play life's game as weel!
  And happier will we be
Each time we sweep wi' friendly hand
  A neebor to the tee.

AN AULD CURLER'S SANG.

Tune—"Scotland Yet."

Gae fetch tae me my auld gray plaid,
  My cowe and channel stane;
For I maun hirple tae the loch
  And try my haun' again.
And when the roarin' game begins,
  Wi' gaird, and wick, and draw,
We'll lilt a sang tae Scotland's fame,
  And hills clad o'er wi' snaw—
A rousing theme tae Scotland's game,
  Her cowes, her cramps and a'.

The day is breaking in the lift,—
  The sun keeks o'er the brae,—
The air is snell, the frost grips hard;
  We'll hae some famous play.
And when we buckle tae our work,
  Wi' strike, and raise, and draw,
We'll lilt a sang tae Scotland's fame,
  And glens deep wreathed in snaw—
A rousing theme tae Scotland's game,
  Her cowes, her cramps and a'.

The cranreuch cleeds the woods in white—
  Ilk lea and broomy knowe;
The rink is true, the ice is keen,
  My heart's a' in a lowe.
For as the game gangs roarin' on,
  Wi' soop-up, hauns, and draw,
We'll lilt a sang tae Scotland's fame,
  And burns choked up wi' snaw—
A rousin' theme tae Scotland's fame,
  Her cowes, her cramps and a'.

THE GRAND CHALLENGE CUP

Won by J. A. Turner's Rink of Nelson. Nelson Bonspiel, 1905

Dr. W. B. CLAYTON, 2nd. R. M. BIRD, Lead. J. F. WEIR, 3rd.

ANOTHER "KING O' GAMES IS CURLIN'."

By John McMaster, Wheeling, W. Va.

The joy o' every curler's heart
  Is winnin' near the tee;
Each man will surely do his part
  To get up near the tee.
The kindly strife does curlers good—
It lightens many a gloomy mood,
An' every man gangs hame richt prood
  For lyin' near the tee.

"Just haud yer stane wi' steady grup,
  And aim straucht for the tee.
Noo men, stan' by tae soop it up,
  An' bring it to the tee.
Just draw in canny by this stane—
You've done't before—just try't again—
I'll pit ye against ony ane
  For getting near the tee."

But there's a time for every side
  To rest upon the tee.
It wudna do for ane to bide
  Ower long upon the tee.
"Noo lift this pat-lid—canny there!
Soop hard, my lads, he's got it fair'
He's coming richt. He'll pass the gair!
  Aha! he's on the tee!

So is it in life's busy strife—
  All striving for the tee;
Some giving health, and wealth, and life
  To win up near the tee.
But some get hoggit at the score;
A guaird keeps ithers oot the door;
Some through the port come wi' a roar
  An' drive richt past the tee.

The warl' is better for the moil
  O' fechtin' for the tee;
It lightens many a care and toil—
  This wrastle for the tee.
But when we're there, it's noble gran'
To gie a freen a liftin' haun'—
The sooper is a better man
  For helpin' to the tee.

THE GRAN' AULD ROARIN' GAME.

O' a' the wintry sports and plays,
That gar ane lo'e the holidays,—
An' put ane in a merry frame,
Gie me the gran' auld roarin' game.

I mount the skates wi' unco dreed,
Lest I may fa' an' split my heid,
But oh! I'm fearless an' at hame
Playin' the gran' auld roarin' game.

Billiards an' skeetles lead to vice,
But no saloons infest the ice;
We gang as sober as we came,
To play the gran' auld roarin' game.

Lassies an' bairns may play in-doors,
An' dames feel fine on carpet floors;
A' parlor joys are puir an' tame
Beside the gran' auld roarin' game.

Na game sae forges friendship's link,
"We're brithers a' " upon the rink;
Tory or Grit, 'tis a' the same,
Playin' the gran' auld roarin' game.

Nae bad surroundin's near it lurk:
The guid o' every creed an' kirk,
The clergy without thocht o' blame,
Join in the gran' auld roarin' game.

Come ane an' a' wi' stane an' broom,
Awa wi' anxious care an' gloom;
Forget ambition, wealth an' fame,
An' play the gran' auld roarin' game.

THE GATHERING OF THE CURLING CLANS.

By the Late Rev. A. Grierson.

Tune—"And are Ye sure the news is True?"

And are ye sure the ice is true?
An' is it strong and keen?
Is this a time to think o' wark?
Mak' haste and mak' me clean!
Is this a time to think o' wark,
When Johnny's at the door?
Rax me my plaid, I'll to the loch,
As in the days o' yore.

For there's nae luck about the toun,
There's nae luck ava;
There's little sport in winter days,
When Johnny Frost's awa'.

Gae warn the curlers, young and auld,
To meet the morn at ten;
That nane o' a' our social band
May say they "didna ken";
To yark their besom snod and tight,
Mak' gleg their curlin' stanes,

And see their cramps be sharpit right,
For fear o' broken banes.

For there's nae luck about the toun,
There's nae luck ava,
When men creep round the ingle cheek
To girn at frost and snaw.

Let poets sing o' May and June,
When starlight there is nane;
Cauld January's the month for me,
When clinks the channel-stane!
Firm i' the north the win' is stell't,
The lift is calm and blue;
Sae spades may tak' the play a while,
As weel's the canny plew.

For there's nae luck about the toun,
There's nae luck ava,
When folks abuse the gude hard frost,
And lang for blashy thaw.

CURLING SONG.

By Doctor Sidey.

Air—"John Grumlie."

John Tamson was a souter gude,
As ever waxed an end,
And folk frae a' the countryside
Brought him their shoon to mend,
For John he was a canty carle,
That worked frae break o' day,
And liked fu' weel to hae a crack
Syne bored and chap't away.
Singing, fal de ral, etc.

Ae day the curling keen began,
He thocht he'd like to gang;
"Gude wife," quoth John, "rax me my broom,
I'll no be very lang."
But John he wasna hame till nicht,
Sae keen was he on play.
"Gude wife," quo' John, "it's awfu' fine,
I'll gang the morn tae."
Singing, fal de ral, etc.

Now John next morning kept his word,
The first time in his life,
And soon forgot his trysted wark,
His bairnies and his wife;
And aye he played the better played,
Ilk day for mony a week,
And a' the while ne'er crapt a nail,
Nor yet put in a steek.
Singing, fal de ral, etc.

Ae day he rose up early,
And played from morning licht,
And neither bite nor sup he took
Till he came hame at nicht;
Sae John he lookit in the pat,
For a hungry man was he;
"What kind o' kale are these?" quo' John,
"They're unco thin o' the bree."
Singing, etc. (a melancholy chorus.)

"Nae doubt," quo' Jean, "the kale are thin,
There's neither beef nor banes,
And ye may sup as best ye can
On broo frae curling stanes;
And ye may learn that while ye play,
Your bread ye dinna win;
For tho' there's plenty gaein' out,

There's naething comin' in."
Singing, fal de ral, etc.

John stood amazed, syne loudly swore,
For an angry man was he;
"Gude wife," quo' John, "as sure as death,
This day you'll dearly dree."
But better thochts cam in his head,
As supperless he lay;
Sae he rose up and took his wark,
And bored and chap't away.
Singing, fal de ral, etc.

CURLER'S SONG.

By Norman MacLeod, LL. D.

A' nicht it was freezin', a' nicht I was sneezin',
"Take care," quo' the wife, "gude man, o' yer cough."
A fig for the sneezin'! hurrah for the freezin'!
This day we're to play the bonspiel on the loch.
Then get up, my auld leddy, the breakfast get ready,
For the sun on the snawdrift's beginnin' to blink;
Gie me bannocks or brochan, I am off for the lochan,
To mak' the stanes flee to the tee o' the rink.

Chorus.—Then hurrah for the curlin', frae Girvin to Stirlin'!
Hurrah for the lads o' the besom and stane!
"Ready noo!" "Soop it up!" "Clap a gaird!"
"Steady noo!"
O! curlin' abune every game stan's alane.

The ice it is splendid, it canna be mended—
Like a glass ye can glower on't and shave off yer beard.
And see how they gether, comin' o'er the brown heather,

The servant and maister, the tenant and laird;
There's brave Jamie Fairlie, he's there late and early,
Better curlers than he or Tam Conn canna be,
Wi' the lads frae Kilwinnin, they'll send the stanes spinnin',
Wi' whirr an' a curr till they sit roun' the tee.
Chorus—

It's an unco like store, that both Whig and Tory
Maun ape collyshaugh like dogs ower a bane;
And a' denominations are wantin' in patience,
For nae kirk will thole to let ithers alane;
But in the frosty weather, let a' meet thegither,
Wi' a broom in their haun' and a stane by the tee;
And then, by my certes, ye'll see how a' parties,
Like brithers will love, and like brithers agree.
Chorus—

ANOTHER SONG.

By Henry Shanks, of Bathgate, Scotland.

Air—"A Man's a Man for a' That."

Old England may her cricket boast,
Her wickets, bats, and a' that;
And proudly her eleven toast,
Wi' right good will and a' that.
For a' that, and a' that,
It's but bairns' play for a' that;
The channel stane on icy plain
Is king o' games for a' that.

And Erin's sons, at wake and fair,
Wi' roar and yell, and a' that,
May toss shillelahs in the air,
And crack their croons, and a' that;

For a' that, and a' that,
  And better far than a' that,
Our roarin' game aye keeps the flame
  O' friendship bright for a' that.

When biting Boreas, keen and snell,
  Wi' icy breath, and a' that,
Lays on the lochs his magic spell,
  And stills the streams, and a' that;
For a' that, and a' that,
  Cauld winter's snaw, and a' that,
Around the tee, wi' mirth and glee,
  The curlers meet for a' that.

But see yon cauldrife Southron coof,
  Wi' chitterin' teeth, and a' that,
In muffler, coat, and glove on 's loof,
  Wi' draps at 's nose for a' that;
For a' that, and a' that,
  As warm's a pie and a' that,
The hardy Scot will cast his coat
  And play his game for a' that.

CURLING.

By Thos. Tod, of Russell, Man.

When ye first start in life,
  An' join in its strife,
Where ilk ane is climbin' an' speerlin',
  What e'er your lot be,
  Gang straught to the tee,
Just the same as they dae at the curlin'.
  An' ye'll find every day,
  As life's game ye play,
Ye'll no' help it by snappin' an' snarlin',

H. A. BROWN, OF REVELSTOKE

One of the Oldest Officers of the Association
and for five years Vice-President

But help every man
As much as ye can,
"Soop him up" as ye dae at the curlin'.

If ye dae get a fa',
As maun happen tae a',
Dinna gang aboot growlin' and gurlin',
But pick up yere stane,
An' at it again;
That's the way that they dae at the curlin'.

Keep yere mouth an' yere think,
As clean as yere rink,
Nor gauge everything by the pund sterlin',
Or that time's thrown awa',
Gin ye dae tak 'a day
Wi' yere freen's on the ice at the curlin'.

When life's voyage is o'er,
An' ye're nearin' the shore,
Grim death a' yere top sails a' furlin',
The Skip up above
Will withhold not His love,
'Cause ye hae been addicted tae curlin'.

AN "END" AT A CURLING MATCH.

THE RINK.

Dauvitt, (Leading Stone).	The Schoolmaster, (Leading Stone).
George Brown, (Second Stone).	Sandy, (Second Stone).
Dr. M'Queen, (Third Stone).	Rev. Mr. Duthie, (Third Stone).
Simon Loudon, (Skip).	Carberry, (Skip).

Simon (lighting his pipe)—Dauvit, ye ken the road.—Nev-er a [puff, puff] kowe!—Verra guid stane, Dauvit.

Carberry (his besom at the tee)—Noo, schulemaister, doon the soo's back, and mind it's gleg ice.—Huts! man! you're owre hard! you're owre hard!—Dinna touch'm. Let'm alane.—You're through a', Schulemaister! [Aside] Him a curler!

Simon.—Same as last, Dauvit, same as last.—You're like it! Cannie! up hands!—Up—hands!—Weel, weel, you're in the parish yet, Dauvit!

Carberry.—See an' keep your haund in this time, Schulemaister. Leave something to the besom. Stand by to soop, Sandy.—He's coming brawly.—Soop! soop!—So! Pat-lid—Wha said you couldna' curl, Schulemaister!

The Rink.—Pat-lid! Weel played, sir! Pat-lid!

Simon.—George Broun, d'ye see that! It's a pat-lid! Aff wi't! Plenty o' pouther!—Weel laid doon, sir, weel laid doon!

The Rink.—Will we bring that ane on? He's on't—He's aff't!—He's on't!

Simon.—He's on't!—Na! He's aff't! He's aff't! Up haunds! E—h! Missed it!—Man, that's a peety!

Carberry.—Oh! for a gaird, Sandy! Oh! for a gaird! Creep doon centre ice; we'll soop ye! Brawly! Brawly! It's a hog? Oh! see'd owre!—Soop! Soop! See'd owre? See'd owre!! See'd owre!!! See'd owre!!!! Is't owre? Ay? Let'm dee, then! There!—It's no a gaird after a'—H'm!

Simon.—Hoo muckle d'ye still see o' this pat-lid, George Broun? The hale o't? Tak' your wull o't, then! Plenty o' pith, an' awa' wi't this time. I dinna want to see'd again!—I like ye, George, I like ye. Gie'm lugs. He's comin' straucht for it!—Soop! Soop! Chap an' lie! [Bump]—That's—the curl, Geordie. You for a medal player.

Carberry.—Noo, Sandy, follow George Broun.—Huts, man! You're awa' sooth, you're awa' sooth! Let'm gaun! Man! man! Sandy! Sandy!—

Sandy (on his stomach in front of the brander).—See that ane up, lauds! See that ane up!

Carberry.—Soop! He'll get a wick aff that ither stane! Soop!—up kowes! He's far eneuch! [Bump] [Bump]—the winner!

The Rink.—Weel played, Sandy!

Carberry.—The shot? You for a curler, Sandy! Tee high and deid gaurded. Shake haunds wi' your luck, Sandy, man!

Simon.—D'ye see onything o' this stane, Doctor?—No; weel, we lie second. This is owre ain stane. A canny draw doon to here for a gaird. So!—I like this ane—it's comin' fine, man! Let'm dee! Thank ye, sir! A braw gaird! Thank ye!

Carberry.—Noo, Maister Duthie, I want ye tae gaird this port to the tee. Come awa' tae my besom, an' ye'll fa' tae't!—Oh! man! you've a fine deleevery!—See'm owre the hog an' he's plenty!—Canny, Schulemaister! Up kowes!—It's no' the bairns you're licking! Up kowes!—That's better, noo! Weel played, Maister Duthie.

Simon.—Doctor! ye maun redd the ice!—What—Na! Na! It's owre narrow a port.—Break up their gaird. There's breeks for ye! But dinna throw awa' your stane. Play for my besom!—Watch this ane, George Broun. I'm no sure o' ye, Doctor.—Dinna middle'm, Dauvit! He's hard eneuch.

The Rink.—He's got them baith.

Simon.—No, he's no'! He's through the port! Let'm dee! Let'm dee!—Never mind, Doctor, we'll pu' their teeth the next time.

Carberry.—That's better!—Noo, Maister Duthie; you're accustomed comin' in whaur the doctor's failed!—Fill up!—A tee-high wecht. If ye promote this ither stane a yaird it doesna' matter. Come quietly doon for a draw—ane o' yer insinuatin' kind that gets at the hairt.—Dag on't, you're like it, man!—Bring him owre the hog!—Leave'm to me! Up kowes!—Capital, Maister Duthie, cap-ital!

Mr Duthie (jubilant)—You're not in great form today, M'Queen.

Dr. M'Queen.—Come, sir! Come, sir! Who lost the last end? Tell me that, sir! Tell me that!

Simon.—It's not looking verra braw, Doctor. I'll hae tae break up their gaird. Eh? An inwick aff that stane? Weel, I'll see what I see o't!

Dr. M'Queen.—What d'ye see o't, then? Half o't? Will ye try the inwick? All right!—Keep oot ahin' the tee, Mr. Duthie, an' let the man see what he's playin' on—I'll gie ye my besom to play to, Simon.—Weel laid down! That should find her!—Kittle 'm up, lauds.

Simon.—Soop, lauds, soop!

Dr. M'Queen.—Up wi' 'm! Up wi' 'm!—That'll do!—Let'm dee. [Bump]—Verra bonny stane, sir!—Just missed being shot.

Mr. Duthie.—Noo, Carberry, we're a' playin' on ane side.—D'ye see this stane? Crack an egg on't, then, and you'll lie another.—What? Well, it's dangerous; but take your own shot.

Carberry.—Put doon your besom on the stane. Stand by to soop, Sandy!

Mr. Duthie.—He's got it!—Never a kowe! Never a kowe! Oh, man, I like ye! Oh, man, I like ye!—Fine, man, fine!—[Bump. Bump.]—There's my hand tae ye, sir; there's my hand!—Better gie Simon safety, Doctor.

Dr. M'Queen.—What d'ye mean, sir?

Simon.—Whaur there's life there's hope, Doctor. Which is the shot?

Dr. M'Queen.—My besom's on't. It's against ye. Can ye come doon on the back o't? You'll lie shot.

Simon.—I'll try't.

Dr. M'Queen and the Rink.—Fine laid doon!—It's ragin':—Na! Na! It's a dull stane. See'd up!—Soop! Soop!—That's a' the curl!—Come on wi' ye! Come on wi' ye!—It's fair on't!—Shot! Shot!! Shot!!! You're sing-

in' sma' now, Mr. Duthie.—Gie me a shake o' your hand, Simon.

Mr. Duthie.—Now, Carberry, there's nothing for't but to lift this stane a foot. Take plenty time.—So!

The Rink.—Hoo d'ye like that ane. Is he on't?

Mr. Duthie.—Soop! Soop! Gie'm every inch o't!—Oh! he's on't! No, he's on the gaird! No, he's all right!

The Rink.—He's on't! He's on't! [Bump] Got'm! Soop! Soop!—Awa' wi' that ither ane.—Soop!—That's the twist!—You for a curler, Carberry!—I'll gie ye a snuff for that ane, laud! Shot! Shot!!

Mr. Duthie.—One for Carberry.

What is writ is writ.
Would it were worthier.
—Byron.

Life's poor-play is oer
And here an end

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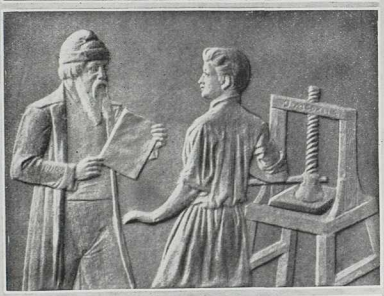

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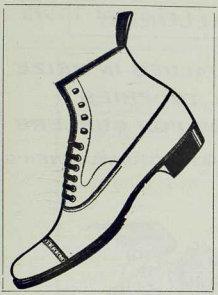

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