

CONSTITUTION, RULES AND REGULATIONS

OF THE

Granite Curling Club OF TORONTO.

Instituted June 30th, 1875.

(Adopted at the Annual Meeting of the Club, held on the evening of 10th October, 1894.)

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Preface

A LTHOUGH an organization young in years, the Toronto Granite Curling Club may be said to have established itself in the regard of Canadian curlers. While surpassed in age by many clubs, it has yet attained such a position, both in respect of numbers and of the exposition of a noble game, as causes it to be regarded a not unworthy exemplar of the king of winter out door sports.

For this, among other reasons, it has seemed to the Committee of the Granite Curling Club a desirable thing to frame, at this period, a fresh set of by-laws and rules for the government of members. Especial care has been bestowed upon these, in the hope that the experience of this Club, largely attained through very delightful contact with curlers from all parts of Canada and the United States, may be thus rendered of service to other like organizations. To our own members this little book is commended not less as a vade mecum of information about the game itself, than as a record of a body whose members have made progress in other field sports. The love of Canadians for out-door recreation is proverbial, and as a nation we may well be proud of the fact, for—

Sweet recreation barred, what doth ensue But moody and grim melancholy, Kinsman to grim and comfortless despair.

This Club was founded in 1875, during which year a wooden curling shed was erected on St. Mary street, and five

years afterwards, the smaller of its present sheds on Church street was built. The securing of larger grounds and premises is a matter of more recent years, as, indeed, are the formation of bowling, tennis, hockey and whist clubs, and the provision of the comforts and conveniences of an uptown social club house.

The lengthening list of curling past presidents renders some allusion to these, perhaps, not inappropriate. For the first three years the presidency of the Club was held by the late Mr. Lamond Smith, whose memory is warmly cherished by our earlier members. To him succeeded Mr. William Ramsay, now of Bowlands, Midlothian, in Scotland, and in 1880 and 1881 respectively, Mr. W. F. Davison and Mr. T. McCraken. To the enthusiasm of Mr. Donald McEwen. president for 1882-3, is due the credit of establishing what have been termed "unofficial branches" of the Granite at Brandon, Manitoba, and at Cornwall, Ont. He was also the donor of the Club Tankard in 1884. In the two following years the Club was under the presidency of Messrs. Walter G. P. Cassels and Robert Jaffray, whose joint memorial is seen in the handsome curling picture of the members of 1884, which finds place on the walls of the Club parlor. Next came Mr. Walter Taylor, whose lot has since been cast in Vancouver, which, however otherwise delightful, cannot give him such curling as we rejoice in. Dalton, Wilkie, Hedley, Bethune, Badenach, were successively the choice of the members as presidents from 1887 to 1891. The last named, looked upon as the deus ex machina of this organization, has just been honored by Canadian curlers at large, in being raised to the presidency of the Ontario Branch of the Royal Caledonian Curling Club of Scotland. Mr. Dalton, who has served long and faithfully as chairman of committee, and who was the associate skip with W. Badenach in the winning of the Ontario Tankard for the Granites in 1886,

had the grace to present the Club with a handsome silver cup. The entertainment given to his fellow-curlers and friends by Mr. Bethune, in the shape of a smoking concert, is not likely soon to be forgotten. The present occupant of the chair, Dr. Adam H. Wright, is in every way worthy to preside over a body of curlers numbering now between two and three hundred.

It has been the custom since the Club was founded that the vice-president of one year becomes president the next. An exception is found, however, in the case of Mr. Alexander Nairn, who was chosen vice-president in 1885-6, but whose absence in Scotland the next year doubtless precluded his election to the presidency.

It is proper here to make the acknowledgment that to the present vice-president of the Club, Mr. Adam R. Creelman, his fellow curlers are indebted for much of the labor of compiling the regulations which follow, as well as the attractive form in which they appear. The skill he has shown in framing these rules is only exceeded by his generosity in making so acceptable a gift to the Club as the present volume.

Mr. Ralph K. Burgess has been for a number of years the president of the Granite Club, which organization embraces all the others that appear in these pages.

TORONTO, January, 1892.



Officers of the Club

AND OF THE

Various Organizations within it



Granite Club

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R. K. Burgess

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CLARENCE H. BADENACH

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W. M. MERRITT

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W. H. BLEASDELL

COMMITTEE

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HON. SECRETARY

W. O. THORNTON

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VICE-PRESIDENT

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1875-77 J. Lamond Smith Thos. McCraken 1877-79 Wm. Ramsay Thos. McCraken 1880-81 W. F. Davison Thos. McCraken

PRESIDENTS

1881-82 Thos. McCraken

1882-83 Donald McEwen

1884-85 Robt. Jaffray

1885-86 Walter Taylor 1886-87 C. C. Dalton

1887-88 D. R. Wilkie 1888-89 James Hedley

1889-90 R. H. Bethune

1891-92 Adam H. Wright

1890-91 W. Badenach

D. McEwen W. G. P. Cassels

VICE-PRESIDENTS

1883-84 W. G. P. Cassels Robt. Jaffray Walter Taylor Alex. Nairn D. R. Wilkie

> James Hedley R. H. Bethune W. Badenach

Adam H. Wright A. R. Creelman





LIST OF SECRETARIES

CHAIRMEN OF COMMITTEE

1877-85 Wm. Badenach T. O. Anderson

1885-87 James Hedley "

1887-88 T. G. Williamson C. C. Dalton

1888-89 E. E. Hargreaves

1889-90 W. H. Bleasdell

1890-91 C. Dempsey

1891-92 W. J. McMurtry T. G. Williamson



HONORARY SKIPS

J. H. Richardson, M.D. W. G. P. Cassels

SKIPS, 1892

Wright, A. H. Hedley, J. Creelman, A. R. Hodgson, J. E. McMurtry, W. J. Hornibrook, J. T. Williamson, T. G. Jaffray, R. Jennings, B. Allan, A. A. Lawrence, W. Anderson, T. O. Badenach, E. A. Littlejohn, W. A. Badenach, W. Matthews, W. C. Merritt, W. M. Bertram, Alex. Bethune, R. H. Musson, Geo. Bleasdell, W. H. McClain, R. Brown, Harry McEachern, P. Bruce, Jos. Nairn, A. O'Grady, G. de C. Carlyle, Dr. Crawford Geo. S. Pearson, J. Creelman, Wm. Sparling, F. Crooks, W. Spence, R. Dalton, C. C. Thornton, W. O. Dempsey, C. Van Vlack, D. S. Edwards, C. H. Wilkie, D. R.

List of Curlers, 1892

Aird, John Alexander, G. T. Allan, A. A., skip Anderson, Geo. Anderson, T. O., skip Armstrong, Thos.

Badenach, C. H. Badenach, E. A., skip Badenach, W., skip Baird, G. H. Baird, H. N., Jr. Baird, James Baird, J. H. Baird, R. S. Barclay, D. S. Baird, C. H. Beatty, S. G. Bertram, Alex., skip Bethune, G. S. C. Bethune, R. H., skip Biggar, W. H., M.P.P. Blackburn, H. M. Blackwood, A. E. Bleasdell, W. H., skip Boomer, J. Boon, C. S. Boeckh, C. Bolte, A. Boyd, E. W. Boyd, M. Boyd, W. T. H. Boulton, H. R.

Brodie, J. L.
Brown, C. A. B.
Brown, Harry, skip
Bryce, T.
Bruce, John
Bruce, Jos., skip
Buck, E. A.
Bull, S. G.
Bull, T. H.
Burgess, R. K.

Caesar, Dr. G. S. Candee, C. N. Capon, F. J. Carlyle, Dr., skip Carpmael, C. Carter, J. H. Carmichael, P. G. Carmichael, T. Carruthers, J. Carrick, J. Carrie, R. Carrie, T. Carroll, J.W. Cassels, W. G. P., Hon. Skip. Catto, J. Chillas, G. Christie, R. G. Christie, W. Clarkson, A. M. Cook, J. S. Cooper, James Crawford, Geo. S., skip

Creighton, J. B. Creelman, A. R., skip Creelman, Wm, skip Crooks, W., skip Cuningham, G. C. Curry, J. W. Curry, S. G.

Dalton, C. C., skip Davidson, W. Davies, R. Davies, H. P. Dempsey, C., skip Dick, N. B. Dignum, E. J. Dixon, Fred. Donogh, J. Donald, R.

Edwards, C. H., skip Elliot, G.P. Elliott, J. E., M.D. Ellis, J. F.

Fletcher, John Fletcher, E. A.

Gale, W., Jr.,
Galt, John
Garvin. J. S.
Garrow, J. A.
Geddes, Gamble
Gibb, J. L.
Gooderham, Geo. H.
Gooderham, Hy.
Gowans, J.
Grant, R. A.
Gray, R. M.
Green, H.

Hall, W. M. Hargraft, G. R.

Harris, J. A.
Harris, A.
Harris, A.
Hedley, J., skip
Helliwell, A. A.
Henderson, J. D.
Henderson, Jos.
Henderson, John B.
Higginbotham, G. M.
Hill, T.
Hipkins, Dr. H.
Hodgson, J. E., skip
Hornibrook, J. T., skip
Hubbell, W. H.
Hughes, J. L.

Irving, G. J. Irving, John Irving, Jos.

Jaffray, R., skip Jennings, B., skip Jennings, W. J. Johnston, A. T. Johnston, T. Johnston, W. R.

Kemp, J. C. Kerr, Geo., Jr., Kilgour, J. R. Kilmer, Geo. King, Dr. Kirk, J. F. Knox, John

Lawrence, W., skip Laidlaw, J. D. Laidlaw, J. T. Lamont, H. Lander, J. C. Lawson, J. D. Laing, J. B.
Lillie, G. W.
Littlejohn, W. A., skip
Lowndes, H.
Love, S.
Love, R. W.
Lee, A. B.
Lee, A. B., Jr.
Lee, T. H.
Lee, C. W.
Lennox, E. J.
Littlejohn, J.

Littlejohn, J. E. Mackie, A. Macdonald, B. Macdonald, J. Fraser Macdonald, J. M. Macintyre, J. M. Mackenzie, A. Massey, J. Masten, C. Masten, C. A. Mathews, A. E. Mathews, J. T. Matthews, W. C., skip Maughan, H. J. May, S. Meharg, W. E. Meharg, John Merritt, W. M., skip Millar, D. Millar, J. B. Mitchell, W. A. Morison, J., Jr. Morison, R. Morrison, T. Morrison, Thos. Muloch, W., M.P.

Musson, Geo., skip

Myles, R. McClain, R., skip

McCormack, W. J. McDonogh, Dr. McEachren, N. McEachern, P., skip McHarrie, R. C. McHenry, C. A. E. McLaren, J. J. McMurtry, W. J., skip

Nairn, A., skip Nairn, J. Nelson, C. H. Nicoll, A. F.

O'Grady, G. de C., skip Oliver, J. Osler, E. B. O'Reilly, H. R. Orr, G. H. Ormiston, W. S.

Paton, J. Patton, J. C., M.D. Patterson, R. L. Pearson, J., skip Pinkerton, W. Polson, F. B.

Rice, O. F.
Ridout, A. W.
Richardson, J. H., M.D., Hon.
Reed, J. B. [Skip.
Ross, C.
Ross, Hon. A. M.
Ross, W.
Rundle, W.
Ryan, R.

Sanson, J. Schofield, H. S. Schofield, H. C. Scott, A. H. Scott, A. P. Scott, T. M. Sewell, H. E. Shepley, Geo F. Smith, A. W. Smith, C. B. Smith, E. J. Snelgrove, Dr. C. V. Snow, A. J. Somerville, A. J. Sparling, F., skip Spence, R., skip Stanway, G. Strachan, J. Street, Hon. W. P. R. Suckling, J. Suckling, W. J.

Taylor, M. J. Todhunter, J. T. Townsend, C. J. Toye, G. B. Thompson, T. C. Thompson, J. H. Thompson, W. C. Thornton, W. O., skip

Van Vlack, D. S., skib

Walker, D. Walker, Dr. H. Walker, Jos. Walker, F. W. Walker, R Warren, H. D. Watt, J. Lockhart Webb, Frank Webster, Dr. A. F. Webster, H. C. Wellington, W. E. Willoughby, W. B. Williamson, T. G., skip Williamson, H. W. Wilkie, D. R., skip Wilson, C. Wright, A. H., skip Wright, John



Rules and Regulations.

NAME

1. This Club shall be called the Granite Curling Club, of Toronto, and the Curling Rules of the Club shall be those of the Ontario Branch of the Royal Caledonian Curling Club.

OBJECT

2. The object of the Club is to promote the game of Curling.

MEMBERS

3. The Club shall consist of members of "The Granite Club." Any member who shall withdraw, resign or be expelled from the Granite Club, shall cease to be a member of this Club and shall forfeit *ipso facto* all right or claim therein.

OFFICERS

4. The Officers of the Club shall consist of a President, Vice-President, Honorary Secretary-Treasurer and two representative members, who, with seven other members, shall form a Committee of Management (five being a quorum), and they shall continue in office until their successors are appointed.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS AND SKIPS

5. The election of Officers and Skips shall, when more than a sufficient number has been nominated for any office, be by ballot as follows: -Within ten days before and at any time thereafter up to nine o'clock in the evening preceding the annual meeting or any special general meeting called for that purpose, any member may, by written communication to the Honorary Secretary-Treasurer, or by posting in the Club, nominate one member for each of the offices of President, Vice-President and Honorary Secretary-Treasurer, and two members as representative members, and seven other members to form the Committee of Management, and one or more members to act as Skip or Skips. The Honorary Secretary-Treasurer shall from day to day, as received by him, post up in the Club the names of all members so nominated, with the names of their respective nominators subscribed thereto. In case no nomination, or not a sufficient number of names have been posted, the meeting may elect Officers, Committee and Skips, who must include those posted, if any. Printed lists of such nominations shall be distributed by the Honorary Secretary-Treasurer amongst the members prior to the ballot being taken.

HONORARY SKIPS

Any member who has been a Skip of the Club for seven years or more, and who retires, shall upon his retirement, be placed by the Committee of Management upon the roll of Honorary Skips. Members whose names are on such roll shall thenceforward be entitled to attend all meetings of Skips and to act as Skips in matches with other Clubs.

ANNUAL MEETING

6. The annual general meeting of the Club shall be held in the Club Building on the second Saturday of October of each year, at 7.30 p.m., and should this day fall on a legal holiday, then on the following Saturday, for the election of Officers and of such number of Skips as may be determined by the meeting and for general business. At this meeting it shall be the duty of the Committee of Management to present a report and a detailed statement of the accounts of the Club for the past year, which statement shall be certified by the Chairman of Committee.

SPECIAL MEETINGS

7. Special meetings of the Club may be called at any time after due notice by the Committee, and it shall be the duty of the Committee to call a special meeting when requested to do so by written requisition, stating the object of the meeting and subscribed by not less than twenty members of the Club.

QUORUM

8. At all meetings of the Club twenty members shall form a quorum.

FEES

9. Every member of the Club who during any year uses the ice for curling shall pay the following fees, viz.:—

Skips\$3	00
Vice-Skips 2	00
Other members 1	00

Such fees shall become payable on the evening of the annual meeting in each year, and shall be paid to the Honorary Secretary-Treasurer of the Club.

PENALTIES

Any member whose fees are not paid on or before the first day of January following the annual meeting may be debarred from playing in any of the Club matches, and he 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 all arrears are paid. It shall be the

duty of the Committee of Management to take cognizance of all members in default and to enforce the rules against them.

DUTIES OF PRESIDENT

ro. The President of the Club shall take the chair at all meetings of the Club, and in the absence of the Chairman of Committee, at all meetings of the Committee of Management and of Skips. It shall be his duty to see that the Rules and Regulations of the Club are strictly adhered to and that the affairs of the Club are properly conducted, and he shall ex-officio be guardian of all trophies belonging to the Club. In his absence his duties shall be performed by the Vice-President, and in the absence of both of them from any meeting, the meeting may elect a Chairman. At all meetings the Chairman shall have a deliberative vote, and in case of a tie a casting vote.

DUTIES OF HONORARY SECRETARY-TREASURER

the Club and of the Committee of Management and of Skips, as well as of all matches played under the auspices of the Club. He shall keep a register of all the trophies of the Club, and shall

conduct its correspondence and carry out the instructions of the Committee of Management. He shall (aided by the Assistant Secretary-Treasurer) collect the fees that may become payable by members, and he shall pay all accounts after they have been passed by the Committee of Management. He shall also keep a correct and distinct account of the receipts and expenditures, and report the same from time to time to the Committee of Management and to the annual meeting. It shall also be his duty to post up in the Club at least ten days before the annual meeting a blank nomination paper for nominations under Rule 5, and containing a notice of the meeting, and to give at least three days' notice by circular of such meeting to each of the members.

POWERS OF COMMITTEE

12. The Committee of Management shall at their first meeting from their own number elect a Chairman, who shall preside at all meetings, and (if himself a Skip) at all meetings of Skips. They shall appoint all sub-committees and shall have all the powers of the Club except the rescission or alteration of By-laws, the fixing of the amount of the annual fees, and the election of Officers and Skips. When any Skip elected at the annual meeting shall die, resign, or shall

in the opinion of the Committee be incapable of acting as a Skip, a successor may be elected at a meeting of the Skips for the remainder of the year. The President, Chairman, and Honorary Secretary-Treasurer shall be a sub-committee to act in cases of emergency as an Executive Committee. It shall also be the duty of the Committee of Management to confer from time to time with the House Committee and Directors of the Granite Club upon matters pertaining to the welfare of this Club.

MEETINGS OF COMMITTEE

13. The Committee of Management shall meet weekly during the curling season on a stated day, to transact current business, including the arrangement of matches, whether between the rinks of the Club or with outside rinks.

REPRESENTATIVE MEMBERS

14. The Representative Members elected at the annual meeting shall act for the Club in the Ontario Branch of the Royal Caledonian Curling Club.

NOTICES

15. At least one week's notice shall be given of all special meetings of the Club by the posting of such notice in the Club, signed by the Secretary, and by circular addressed to each member.

VISITING MEMBERS

16. Subject to the approval of the Committee of Management, any person who may be admitted to the privileges of the Granite Club as a visiting member shall, during the time such privileges have been extended to him by the Granite Club, be admitted to the curling privileges of the Club.

POSTING MEMBERS

17. The name of every member failing to pay his annual fees before the first day of January, after the time fixed for payment by Rule 9, shall be posted in the Club; and if such fees are not paid within one month therefrom, he shall pay an additional sum of \$1.00 for each month or portion thereof he is so in default, unless the non-payment be explained to the satisfaction of the Committee of Management.

VACANCIES

18. The Committee of Management are empowered to fill up any vacancies that may occur during the year in their own number or in the office of the Representative Member or Honorary Secretary-Treasurer. Should a vacancy occur in the office of President, the Vice-President shall immediately become President for the remainder of the year, and the Committee may thereupon elect a Vice-President. Should vacancies occur in

the offices of both President and Vice-President, a special meeting of the Club shall be called for the election of officers to fill such vacancies.

ABSENTEES

19. Should any member of the Committee of Management be absent for three consecutive regular meetings of that body, without an excuse satisfactory to a majority of the other members, he shall cease to hold office and his place shall be filled in the manner provided by Rule 18.

ASSISTANT SECRETARY-TREASURER

20. The Committee of Management may appoint an Assistant Secretary-Treasurer of the Club, who shall, under the direction of the Honorary Secretary-Treasurer and the Committee, perform such duties as may be assigned to him by the Committee from time to time. But such Assistant Secretary-Treasurer need not be a member of the Committee.

CURLING FACILITIES

21. It shall be the duty of the Committee of Management to see that proper arrangements are made whereby the members of the Club may have suitable facilities for curling, and to confer from time to time with the House Committee of the Granite Club as to the proper preparation of the ice and other matters pertaining to the

welfare of the Club; to arrange practice days and fix the hours of playing; to appoint times for all inter-rink and other matches within the Club as well as matches with other Clubs; to select the Rinks to play in such matches, and generally to regulate the same; to provide refreshments for visiting Clubs, and generally to carry out the work of the Club. Ice Rules shall be prepared and promulgated by the Committee from time to time as occasion may require. The Ice Rules now in force are appended hereto, but may be amended, modified and added to from time to time by the Committee. Due notice of such amendments, modifications and additions shall be given to the members.

SELECTION OF RINKS

22. A day shall be fixed by the Committee of Management for a meeting of the Skips for the selection of the Regular Club Rinks for the season and for other business. At least three days' notice of such meeting shall be given by posting the same in the Club and by circular addressed to each Skip. The Club Rinks shall be made up in following manner:—Prior to, or at this meeting, and before the drawing commences, each Skip having by private arrangement selected his own Vice-Skip, shall notify the Honorary Secretary of his selection, and the Skips shall then draw

numbers for priority of choice, the Skip drawing the lowest number having first choice, and they shall then proceed in order to the party drawing the highest number, who shall have last choice; they shall then under the same drawing, but in reverse order, choose their next players, the Skip drawing the highest number having first choice. and proceeding downwards in order to the Skip drawing the lowest number, who shall have last choice, and so on in reverse order, until all the playing members have been selected. The Skips and their players then chosen shall constitute the Rinks of the Club for the season, and be entered as such in numerical order on the minutes of the Club, the President's Rink being No. 1, the Vice-President's No. 2, the Honorary Secretary-Treasurer's No. 3, that of the Chairman of the Committee of Management No. 4, and those of the others from 5 to 40 in alphabetical order. As new members join the Club they may be assigned by the Committee of Management to one or other of the Rinks. Members may, with the consent of both Skips interested and the Committee of Management, exchange from one Rink to another. The Committee may for good cause at the request of any member transfer such member from the Rink upon which he has been placed to any other Rink.

TROPHY MATCHES

23. In matches with other Clubs for trophies of any kind, the Skips for each match shall be chosen by the Skips of the Club at the meetings provided for by Rule 22, or at a special meeting duly called for that purpose.

REPEALS

24. The former Constitution of the Club is hereby repealed and all former Rules and Regulations are hereby rescinded; no additions or amendments shall be made hereto except upon a two-thirds vote at an annual meeting or at a special meeting duly called for that purpose, and unless notice thereof in writing specifying the proposed change shall be posted up in the Club, and be given to the Honorary Secretary-Treasurer at least one month before the meeting.

Rules of Order at Meetings

- 1. The order of proceedings at each meeting of the Club or Committee shall be as follows:—
- (1) Reading of minutes of preceding meeting, which, after approval, shall be signed by the Chairman.
 - (2) Receiving and reading of correspondence.
 - (3) Business arising out of the minutes.
- (4) Receiving and considering reports of committees or sub-committees.
- (5) Business remaining over from preceding meeting.
 - (6) New business.
- 2. At the annual meeting of the Club new business may be disposed of in the following order:—
- (1) Reading nominations made pursuant to Rule 5.
 - (2) Election of President.

- (3) Election of Vice-President.
- (4) Election of Honorary Secretary-Treasurer.
- (5) Election of Representative Members.
- (6) Election of Committee of Management.
- (7) Resolution fixing number of Skips for the year.
 - (8) Election of Skips.

The first meeting of the Committee of Management shall be called by the President, and the first order of business at such meeting shall be the election of a Chairman.

- 3. All motions and notices of motion must be in writing, bear the names of the mover and seconder, and must be read aloud by the presiding officer before being discussed.
- 4. Reports of Committees must be in writing and bear the signature of the Chairman.
- 5. No member shall speak on any subject more than once, except the introducer of the subjects under discussion, who shall be entitled to one reply. Every member, however, shall have the right to explain himself, having first obtained the leave of the meeting and subject to the direction of the chair.

- 6. No member shall speak on any subject which has not been committed to writing, and moved and seconded, and which he does not intend to make the subject of a motion.
- 7. If two or more members rise to speak at the same time, the Chairman shall decide who is entitled to the floor, and his decision shall not be questioned.
- 8. After the question has been submitted by the Chairman, no member shall be entitled to speak.
- 9. A motion to adjourn shall be in order at any time.
- 10. In all cases not specially provided for, the Order of Procedure and Rules of Order shall be the same as in the Ontario Legislative Assembly.

To Curlers

The attention of members is especially invited to the Ice Rules, and to the Curling Rules which follow them.

Much of the pleasure of the game depends upon the observance by players of the regulations which experience has shown to be necessary. One of the rules of curling most constantly violated is that which prescribes the positions of players during a match. None but skips should stand within the rings; and the place of sweepers is somewhere between the two hog scores, but off the middle ice, when not engaged in sweeping a stone. The ice rules and the extracts from R. C. C. C. curling rules are deserving of every attention by those who wish to curl properly.

Ice Rules

- 1. A member of the Committee will be present each evening to draw for ice and have general charge of the Rink. Members desiring to play are requested to apply to him.
- 2. Ice will be drawn for the Skips who are present at 7.45 p.m., sharp, each evening. Preference will be given (1) to Skips present prepared to play Club matches, and (2) to those who have their own Rinks.
- 3. Saturday Afternoon Ice.— Skips are entitled to ice in rotation according to schedule on the blackboard. Ice will be drawn for by the Secretary at 2 o'clock and 4 o'clock, sharp. Skips who are scheduled to begin play at 2, may, if they desire, commence play at 1.30, and they shall be entitled to ice until 4. Skips who are scheduled to begin play at 4 shall be entitled to ice during the remainder of the afternoon. A Vice-Skip being present with three other members of his Rink, shall, in the absence of his Skip, be entitled to all his privileges.

- 4. In practice matches, Skips are expected to play five a side, if necessary, in order to give play to all members present.
- 5. No member shall use curling stones belonging to another without the owner's consent.
- 6. Throwing burnt matches, tobacco, or any other substance upon the ice is positively forbidden.
- 7. No cap, handkerchief or other article, except a broom, shall be placed on the ice when giving directions or during play.

Extracts from Royal Caledonian Curling Club Rules

Players, during the course of each end, shall be arranged along the sides, but well off the Rink, as their Skips may direct, and no party, except when sweeping according to rule, shall go upon the middle of the Rink.

Skips alone to stand within the 14-feet circle or home, the Skip of the party playing to have the choice of place; he shall not be obstructed by the other in front of the Tee, while behind it the privilege of both as regards sweeping shall be equal.

SWEEPING RULES

The sweeping shall be under the direction and control of Skips.

Except when snow is falling or drifting over the ice, a stone shall not be swept until it has passed the middle score, when it may be swept by the parties to whose side it belongs until it comes to the Sweeping Score; and all stones, when they have passed the Sweeping Score, may be swept by either Skip, but by them 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 in front of a stone "at rest."

It shall not be allowable for the party to whom a running stone belongs to place their brooms in front or behind it, to screen it from the wind, unless with the 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 it is to be dealt with as a running stone, marred by the party to which it belongs.

MEASURING RULE

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 the centre of the Tee to nearest point of stone, after removing stones intervening.

Summary of Parliamentary Rules and Usages

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Motion to adjourn ı a * B a II x
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Motion to amend 3 a † A a II x
Motion to amend an amendment 3 a * A a II x
Motion to amend the rules 3 a \dagger A b II x
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Call to order \dots 1 a * A b III y
Motion to close debate on question $\dots $ r a † A b II x
Motion to commit
Motion to extend limits of debate on question $x = a + A$ $a = x$
Leave to continue speaking after indecorum. 1 a * A a II x
Motion that do lie on the table $x = C a II x$
Motion to limit debate on question $r a \dagger A a II x$
Objection to consideration of question $1 a * A b III y$
Motion for the orders of the day $\dots 1 a * A a III y$
Motion to postpone to a definite time $4 a \dagger A a II x$
Motion to postpone indefinitely 3 b * A a II x
Motion for previous question 1 a * A b II x
Questions touching priority of business I a † A a II x
Questions of privilege 3 a † A a II x

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Μo	tion to reconsider a debatable question 3 b * B a II x
Μo	tion to reconsider an undebatable question 1 a * B a II y
Μo	tion to refer a question 3 b † B a II x
Μo	tion that committee do not rise I a * B a II x
Qu	estion whether subject shall be discussed. 1 a * A b III y
Μо	tion to make subject a special order 3 a † A b II x
Го	substitute in the nature of an amendment. 3 a † A a II x
Мо	tion to suspend the rules 3 a † B a II x
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Rules of Parliamentary Procedure Condensed

- 1. Question undebatable; sometimes remarks tacitly allowed.
- 2. Undebatable if another question is before the assembly.
- 3. Debatable question.
- 4. Limited debate only on propriety of postponement.
- a. Does not allow reference to main question.
- b. Opens the main question to debate.
- *. Cannot be amended.
- †. May be amended.
- A. Can be reconsidered.
- B. Cannot be reconsidered.
- C. An affirmative vote on this question cannot be reconsidered.
- b. Requires two-third vote unless special rules have been enacted.
- a. Simple majority suffices to determine the question.
- II. Motion must be seconded,
- III. Does not require to be seconded.
- x. Not in order when another has the floor.
- y. Always in order though another may have the floor.
- z. May be moved and entered on the record when another has the floor, but the business then before the assembly may not be put aside. The motion must be made by one who voted with the prevailing side, and on the same day the original vote was taken.
- 5. Fixing the time to which an adjournment may be made;
- 6. To adjourn without limitation; second. [first.

- 7. Motion for the Orders of the Day; third.
- 8. Motion that do lie on the table; fourth.
- 9. Motion for the previous question; fifth.
- 10. Motion to postpone definitely; sixth.
- 12. Motion to commit: seventh.
- 13. Motion to amend; eighth.
- 14. Motion to postpone indefinitely; ninth.
- 15. On motion to strike out words, "Shall the words stand part of the motion?" unless a majority sustains the words they are struck out.
- 16. On motion for previous question the form to be observed is, "Shall the main question be now put?" This, if carried, ends debate.
- 17. On an appeal from the Chair's decision, "Shall the decision be sustained as the ruling of the house?" the chair is generally sustained.
- 18. On motion for Orders of the Day, "Will the house now proceed to the Orders of the Day?" This, if carried, supersedes intervening motions.
- 19. When an objection is raised to considering question, "Shall the question be considered?" objection may be made by any member before the debate has commenced, but not subsequently.

"OUR SKIPS."

A rhyming disquisition about the twenty skips of the Club, written for the annual dinner of the Granite Curlers, by the Secretary of the Dinner Committee, March, 28th, 1884, Mr. Walter Cassels in the chair.

Here's Cassels, we hail him "the King o' the Corps."
Our President, rather, since kings are no more—
For curlers are democrats, ice is a leveller,
Rank goes for naught—be he Roundhead or Cavalier,
Tory or Grit, one's no use without skill;
Having that, and good nature, we'll give him good will.
So, with skill and good-fellowship wanted, My Troth!
You'll have found the right mixture; and Cassels has both.

There's JAFFRAY, our Vice, with a plume in his bonnet, Who plays as if millions depended upon it; "Fetch him!" "fetch him!" he cries; and if vict'ry be won He will credit his men with the most of the fun.

For he knows, and admits, what deny if you can: The success of a rink depends on no one man.

McEwen comes next, and his Tuque Bleue we hail; With the calm of the Southron, the fire of the Gael, He sat, twelve months since, in the President's chair, And now, more's the pity, he leaves us for—where?

Where there's prairies and frosts, but no hills and no curling,

The Nor' West, as remote as Mac's Highlands from Stirling.

Now, our old representative member, McCraken,
In knowledge of points and of rules is not lackin'.
He has curled in the West, in the North, in the East,
In all the "Three Rivers" they know him, at least.

From the East comes his wisdom, the North gave I

From the East comes his wisdom, the North gave him mettle,

And the Western men find there's a sting in his nettle.

Nairn was born somewhere 'yont o' the Tweed, south of Tain,

Or, may be, like 'ta 'Fershon, he's "a toon o' his ain,"
He belongs to us, now; may he long be retained,
For what Rockwood has lost, 'tis Toronto has gained.
Should you ask for his faults, since a record I'm keepin',
I wad venture to gie him a skelp for poor sweepin'.

Here's a bumper to Badenach; lame though he be, He's the pluck of a dozen, the skill of thrice three. Since of medals he's got all his lapel will hold, Give him sinews of silver, a knee-cap of gold; If, in spite of all this, his game leg still is achin', He can safely entrust Number Four to bold Lacon.

Nemo me impune lacesset—You'll smile
When I say that this motto suits Doctor Carlyle,
With a smile on his face, and his foot on the Tee,
He'll translate, if you like, "wha daur meddle wi me"—
But wherever you place him, a bargain upon it,
You'll find both his head and his heart are true Granite.

Modest Davison, "Old Probabilities" named,
But if he is not "one of the boys" I'll be blamed;
Weather-beaten he may be, yet who else can beat him?
If a stranger should venture, and win, why, we'll treat him.
Send him down to all Carnivals; solid or fluid,
He knows the St. Lawrence, he's sailed on the "Druid."

Hail! stentorian Bruce, ever noisy and spunky,
If a fault he admits, Faith! 'tis not that he's funky.
He must have been taught in the queerest of colleges,
For the more he is beaten the less he acknowledges.
Should the ice fail for curling, his songs set us all astir;
If his clan were not Bruce, it should be clan McAllister.

R. H. Bethune for skip, Doctor Richardson Vice,
"That's a strong rink," you say, "all they want is good ice."
With the skip's silent caution, the Doctor's fierce vim,
Their chances are good, and their enemies' slim.
However, 'tis always a pleasure to play them,
As curlers and gentlemen, none will gainsay them.

You classical fellows may know what came o'er him, Who described the perfervid ingenium Scotorum; Some would call our friend Brodle that kind of a spirit, But I've found he's a different "order of merit."

If ahead, he is calm; if behind, calmer he;
If you tie him, Be hanged! but he'll draw to the Tee.

For all-round utility, Dalton's my toast,
As skip, ice-committee-man, steward or host;
To carve when we dine, or draw corks, he does gaily,
(I wish we might count on our list his friend Bayly.)
He deserves two lines extra—the Tankard he's won,
And I name all his men; give them each a currant bun;
Harris leads, Dick is second, and Matthews plays third—
Let your cheers for these champions be instantly heard.

To draw Wilkie's portrait the job's rather tough, For in truth we don't see him half often enough. You can certainly ne'er make him aught but good-lookin' Whatever description of head-gear he's "took" in; If variety of brains governed curling stone statics,
The triumph of mind over matter's their chance,
For, of four men, the skip is well known in finance,
The three others boast medicine, commerce, mathematics.

Married skips, take a rest, give the bachelors a place;

Vive l'amour! vive jeunesse! Norman Dick shows his face.

If he's cocky, and bold, in his game or his plan,

Remember, like Pitt, he is still a young man.

A Canadian born, in his play or his art,

He asks odds of none—he can take his own part.

Should your first stone be "hog," and your second a "sailer,"
No reproaches you'll hear from your skip, if he's TAYLOR.
He's as pleasant a fellow to meet as is living,
And only to slovenly play unforgiving.
For twenty-end matches, 'twould be a relief,

For twenty-end matches, 'twould be a relief, If he'd borrow John Hornibrook's good English beef.

Tom Anderson hails from old Forfar or Fife,
But which of the two I can't tell, for my life;
Be it Arbroath, or Brechin, Dunfermline or Kettle,
At curling or counting he's "a lad o' some mettle."
You, the choosing committee, your list overhaul,
Put Tom down for the next year's Bonspiel, Montreal.

Here's the last of the skips' names beginning with "B,"
But in pluck he's not last, whosoever may be.
He's a fine Perthshire bantam, is BERTRAM; and mind ye
He'll crow, on what dunghill so e'er he may find ye.
He always plays better the more you may dare him,
And whatever the state of the game, you can't scare him.

But who is this lad, Tam O'Shanter on head, With fire in his eye and an athlete's firm tread? With broom on the ice, or lacrosse on the green, Sam. Hughes is "the darlin' for Galway," I ween; His lead and his third man are modest enough, But Robins, for blowing, 's the genuine stuff.

They say we've an Old-Country player in Hedley; Let him bring a rink over, to test them; we'll readily Try them as the President's group tried the "Thistles," With their weapons or ours; Whatsoe'er be the missiles, The war will be "short, sharp, decisive,"—you bet. (Don't bet much on results, or you're in Hedley's debt)

Here's LILLIE's been twice to the Montreal spree,
And come home none the worse o't, so far as we see.
When we've dined, let George go with our Montreal friends
And play, below stairs, half-a-dozen of ends,
Give him Craig, William Cassils, and good Col. Sandy,
Iron stones and short brooms, he must win then, quite
handy.

JAMES HEDLEY.

The references in the closing lines are to Col. Alexander Stevenson, of the Montreal Curling Club, and to William Cassils and E. F. Craig, of the Montreal Thistle Club, The death, on Christmas day, 1891, of Mr. Cassils, who was a past president of the Thistle Club, and long a non-resident member of the Granite, has caused wide-spread regret in curling circles in Canada.

LAMENT FOR JOHN FROST.

The following song, composed for the occasion, and sung by the author after dinner, "brought down the house," the chorus being taken up with great enthusiasm. The allusion to Church versus Kirk, in the sixth stanza, is to a match played by Church of England against Presbyterian curlers with the result graphically stated by the Laureate of the Club.

March 28th, 1884.

Cheery winter's noo awa', Johnnie Frost far North has gane; Gane is a' the ice and snaw, Rink and brooms and curling stane.

CHORUS.

Will ye no come back again, Will ye no come back again; Better frien's ye canna hae Than *Granite Rink* o' curling men.

We'll build for you a Palace grand, And ride ye on Toboggan Train; Hae Carnivals o'er a' the land, If ye'll just come back again.

—Chor.

And then there's Bruce, that canny man, Wi' no a word out o' his wame;
And Hedley, ready wi' a han',
At oyster feed, or curling game.

— Chor

There's Jaffray, Dalton, bringing a' Their trophies fine frae mony a toon; But their success had been but sma', Wer't no for Carruthers' busy broom.

-Chor.

Here's Badenach wi' sage advice, For every man and mother's son; And Richardson wi' temper nice, His very e'en brim o'er wi' fun.

-Chor.

And last, the Church against the Kirk, The Kirk a Waterloo did mourn; But when we see your face again, The Church shall mourn a Bannockburn.

--Chor.

But Oh! McEwen's gane awa'—
To make a fortune he would fain;
May luck attend his efforts a',
And quickly bring him back again.

-Chor.

JOHN DOUGLAS.