

# WARD'S ISLAND WEEKLY



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## PARAGRAPHS

After a few incidents that might possibly have produced a more acute interest in the W.I.A. elections, the nominations were about as usual in number. It may be taken for granted that the great majority of Ward Islanders are perfectly satisfied with the manner in which their representatives have handled affairs.

The Ebony Minstrels certainly gave the boys at Euclid Hall an interesting evening, while the niggers themselves had a pretty good time, and were certainly treated right by Miss Jones and her staff.

Coming down Yonge street, traffic was nearly blocked, and when the whole troupe appeared in Prince's for refreshment, why the guests were astonished. The management are going to make these Minstrels a very liberal offer to appear two nights a week at this establishment.

Harry Hudson was the host.

One of the most popular Ward's Island girls was enjoying a light lunch with a friend at Prince's; when the Minstrels

discovered her presence, they waved a friendly salute and adjured her not to miss the last boat.

You fellows that have found it on Sunday morning "nicer still to lay in," will do well to finish the season by going to church, and thus insure a record attendance at the end of the season.

The Ebony Minstrels would never have made much progress but for the assistance of Mrs. Hillock, Mr. Guest, Mr. Stewart and other assisting musicians, to whom thanks are publicly tendered herewith on behalf of these colored gentlemen.

Saturday is to be the occasion of our Annual Land Sports. Let's all get together for one big day.

We are glad to welcome Bill Brown and Dave Wightman back from their vacation, and we will again hear the familiar phrase, "It's a Beauty" and "Hi like it," down on the Bowling Green.

## BOWLING NOTES

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Both the Ladies' and Gentlemen's Schedules have ended, but there are still some postponed games to be played in each section, and only those games which will have any bearing on the final result as to winners of sections will be played. The others will be cancelled by the committee.

The following is the standing of the Ladies' Section up to August 20th, with a few games still to play:

	Won.	Lost.	To play.
Section A.			
Mrs. J. B. Mill . . . . .	5	2	0
Mrs. J. Lackie . . . . .	2	2	3
Mrs. Cambridge . . . . .	3	4	0
Mrs. E. Howard . . . . .	2	5	0
Mrs. Peirce . . . . .	2	5	0
Mrs. F. Cutler . . . . .	2	4	1
Mrs. S. Staughton . . . . .	2	4	1
Section B.			
Mrs. Adams . . . . .	6	1	0
Mrs. A. Knight . . . . .	5	2	0
Mrs. W. Bowman . . . . .	5	1	1
Mrs. T. Pockington . . . . .	4	3	0
Mrs. J. Carter . . . . .	3	3	1
Mrs. F. Rowley . . . . .	2	2	3
Mrs. J. Woods . . . . .	2	5	0

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Mrs. Knight and her daughter, Mrs. Cambridge, had a hard game Saturday last, and although Mrs. Cambridge was six up and one to go, Mrs. Knight almost tied the score in the last end.

Counting five and a measure for six, some narrow escape for Mrs. C. The games have been all well contested and some close games have been played. We hope to play the finals in both Ladies' and Gentlemen's before the end of August.

The committee are desirous of closing the green about 15th of September, and if funds are available, they propose to have the gardener top dress and seed the lawn this fall, but before this is done we want all the bowlers to come out and

help us remove all the weeds we possibly can from the green, so as to give the grass a chance. To raise funds for the improvement of the green, we purpose holding a dance on Monday, August 30th, and a euchre on August 31st. Please procure your tickets from members of the executive, or the Bowling Committee.

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## EBONY ECHOES

The Dago's prices were high  
 And the Islanders would not buy,  
 When his waggon got stuck  
 He cried, Tougha da luck,  
 I feel jus' lika could cry.

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I love to live in a tent,  
 It's cheaper than paying out rent,  
 It really is ripping,  
 But when the rain's dripping  
 I don't feel quite so content.

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Since you are spilling the jingles,  
 I'd say this regarding Al Ingles,  
 When he crossed to Charlotte  
 He almost forgot  
 To carefully remove all his wrinkles.

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Jim Wilson he puff a cigar,  
 And, Oh, you could smell it afar!  
 The ladies beside him  
 Immediately chide him,  
 Which make him hot 'neath the Call-ar!

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Bert Adams met a girl in distress  
 On the beach, with no place to undress!  
 Being a good-natured fellah,  
 He secured an umbrella,  
 Which helped her a lot, I should guess.

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Bob Grennis is a terrible smoker—  
 In his young days he used to play poker;  
 But it must be consoling  
 To know that bowling  
 Is now the worst vice of this joker.

## CONGRATULATIONS!

Sir Thomas Lipton has tried a good many times to lift the America Cup from the Yanks. Bill Reilly would not stand for any such delays in capturing the Emerson Cup. It must be a source of satisfaction to Canadians, and particularly to residents of Ward's Island, to have one of their sailors take this trophy from our Rochester friends. It will certainly add a great deal of interest and zest to the contest next year when the Genessee Club tries to recover their laurels.

Frank E. Ward was the skipper of the final race that brought "Ouija" to a successful finish, so that the credit for this victory must be shared with him.

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When the freight train keeps you waiting,

With the motorman debating,  
And the engine hesitating  
Twixt a halt and a retreat,  
And your heart is all a-thumping  
And your nerves are just a-jumping  
From a-hurrying and a-scurrying in the heat,

When that vessel so alluring  
Has departed from her mooring  
Ere you've panted in and past the ferry gate,

Can a man of mildest bearing  
Be reproved for vilest swearing  
At a beastly trick like that, from Fate?  
—Sweet Marie.

The Ebony Minstrels received a warm welcome at the recent concert, and their fame has very rapidly spread, so that they were asked to repeat the offence at the Euclid Hospital. This they were glad to do, and on Tuesday evening last some twenty-five Ward Islanders, comprising a Jazz Orchestra and the Ebony Minstrels, together with their own Orchestra and a few soloists, journeyed up

to the hospital, where many maimed war veterans lie, and there they had a fine time. The patients at the hospital enjoyed the concert no more than the artists themselves, and accepted the jokes in good faith, notwithstanding their antiquity.

The Minstrels were accompanied by Aunt Dinah, who whistled to the edification and delight of the boys. It is conceded by the Ebonyites that she was the most handsome nigger in the bunch.



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## AIMS AND OBJECTS OF THE ASSOCIATION

- To promote clean, healthy sports for all members.
- To provide recreation and amusements for all members irrespective of age and inclination.
- For protection of and to secure such service as will benefit all members.
- To make Ward's Island the most enjoyable summer resort for all members.

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## EDITORIAL

There is probably no organization of the size of the W.I.A. in Canada or the U.S.A. where sports are kept on such a high level and cost the participants so little, as in the W.I.A. A great deal of credit is due the men who have for many years taken their turn in working for the interests of this Island. Each year the Executive has profited by the experience of its predecessors. To-day the W.I.A. affairs are in splendid shape. We have an office, a certain amount of furniture, own the piano and folding chairs, and a fairly good Bowling Green has been placed at the disposal of Ward Islanders. The Editor of this paper has confined his efforts this year entirely to running this publication, and so feels perfectly free to draw the attention of Ward Islanders to these facts, and also to re-

mind them of the immense amount of work that has been done by their representatives. None but those who have thus served can quite appreciate what a sacrifice it is to come to this Island for a vacation loaded up with executive responsibilities. In the three years that the writer has served there has been nothing but harmony and a splendid spirit of co-operation existing amongst members of the Executive. The interests of Ward's Island have at all times been paramount, and no section or class of Islanders has been allowed to dominate things. There is a tendency to-day for some people on this Island to be hyper-critical. The officers of this association have always invited constructive criticism, such as where a fellow comes to you and suggests some way of improving things. On the other hand, carping criticism, made behind your back and of the destructive type, is always objectionable and not in the interests of the Island, nor fair to those who give their time to serve its residents.

Many a soldier in France, amidst shot and shell and great danger, was caused more discomfort by the cooties than by the carnage. Right here on Ward's the fellow who continually crabs is not a big man, but rather a great nuisance. Let us resolve that the incoming Executive will receive our whole-hearted support, and that next year if we can find nine crabbers on the Island that we put them all on one team, and let them devour one another. We don't think, however, that we are infested with any such number.

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A few articles addressed to the Editor have arrived too late after the events they record, to be eligible for admission into these columns. Others suspected of having a hidden sting were debarred, as this publication tries to be a journal of optimism and good will.

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We appreciate hearing so often from Sweet Marie. We still await that invitation to a steaming bacon breakfast.

## BASEBALL

ALL OVER FOR 1920.

Ward's journeyed to Hanlan's on Wednesday evening and brought back the Ward Cup, by defeating Hanlan's 7 to 2. Great credit is due to Walter Windeyer, as he pitched a wonderful game, only allowing 3 hits, while we collected 12.

Every player was on his toes and none could be improved. Don Abbott had two 2-baggers and a single, just to prove he has not lost his batting eye. Bert covered 1st just like he pitches, always there when needed. "Fat" had little to say, but, oh my, didn't he work! In fact the boys played like a real ball team and helped to squelch all chronic kickers. We certainly must not forget to thank our loyal rooters who came to help us, and believe me, the players took on a happy smile when the old boatload landed. The rooters were all there, and we sure were pleased and appreciated their support.

The winning of this game finishes the Inter-Island series for 1920, and the Frank Ward Cup comes back home again. Had Ward's lost, the three teams would have been tie, and started all over again. We have the double satisfaction of being the only team in the series to win a game away from home.

The Playgrounds League umpires again justified their selection. Critical situations cropped up on both sides that would have meant nothing less than a riot had the umpires been connected with any team. They were absolutely fair in their handling of the series, but, of course, one of the ethics of the baseball game is that the umpire is always wrong when he decides in favor of the other side.

The thanks of the Islanders are hereby tendered to Mr. Solman and the Toronto Ferry Co. for courtesies extended in the matter of special boats to and from the game.

How few there are who have courage enough to own their faults, or resolution enough to mend them.

## SOME CONCERT

The Entertainment Committee are certainly deserving of the thanks of the residents of Ward's Island for the very excellent programme they presented on Friday, August 20th. The orchestra was fine, the Minstrels made a real hit with their local jokes and limericks, and Mr. and Mrs. Oldfield, with their marvellous Mannikins, had both young and old thoroughly delighted with their entertainment. The general impression was that Mr. Oldfield had three or four assistants behind the screen with him, and it is hard to realize that one man with only two hands could possibly perform the wonderful stunts that were presented. Mrs. Oldfield presided at the piano during her husband's part of the entertainment.

That the fame of our Ebonyites has gone abroad is evidenced by the fact that several invitations have been received to put on their show elsewhere, reference to which will be found in another column.

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## HIS OWN ROOF-TREE

The other fellows at the office had heard such a lot about Jennins' new bungalow that they were all keenly interested in it and wanted to see it. But Jenkins had been living in it some time before the first batch of visitors were invited.

As they walked up the garden-path towards the "little wooden hut," one of them paused in astonishment.

"What a curious creeper you have growing over the place, Jenkins, old man!" he exclaimed. "And hasn't it got on quickly?"

"Well, that's hardly a creeper!" said Jenkins sadly.

"Then what is it?"

"Er—I think the timber must have been rather too new!" stammered Jenkins, with flushed face. "Anyway, the confounded thing's started to grow!"

## CONSTITUTION

### Wards Island Association

1. ASSOCIATION. The association shall be called Wards Island Association.

2. LOCATION. The home of the association shall be that portion of the island of Toronto, beginning at the west end of lot No. 1, and extending east to the westerly pier of the channel at the easterly end of the island.

3. OBJECTS. To provide the members thereof with suitable accommodation, means and appliances for the pursuit and promotion of aquatic and other amateur sports or pastimes, and to promote the general interests of the residents of Wards Island.

4. MEMBERSHIP. There shall be four classes of membership, viz., (A) Senior, (B) Intermediate, (C) Junior, (D) Privileged.

Section (A) *Senior Members* shall consist of ordinary members eighteen years of age and over, residents of Wards Island, who shall be entitled to all the privileges of the association.

Section (B) *Intermediate Members* shall consist of ordinary members, fifteen, sixteen and seventeen years of age, residents of Wards Island, who shall have all the privileges of the association.

Section (C) *Junior Members* shall consist of ordinary members fourteen years of age and under, residents of Ward's Island who shall have all the privileges of the association except the right to vote.

Section (D) *Privileged Members* shall consist of temporary residents of Wards Island, or visitors, who shall have temporary privileges of the association for a period not to exceed that sanctioned by the executive committee; they shall not have the right to vote, compete in association scheduled games or contests, or participate in the annual aquatic or field day events.

5. PROPOSITIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP. Application for membership shall be made in writing accompanied by the annual fee, and endorsed by a proposer and a seconder, who shall be members of the association in good standing. All applications shall be finally dealt with by the executive committee.

6. FEES. The annual fees shall be payable in advance and must be paid not later than the fifteenth of June in each year.

The annual fees shall be as follows:

(A) Senior, gentlemen .....	\$2.00
(B) Senior, ladies .....	.50
(C) Intermediate, boys .....	1.00
(D) Intermediate, girls .....	.50
(E) Junior, boys and girls .....	.25

7. OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES. The officers of the association shall be: Past Presidents, President, Secretary-Treasurer, Vice-President, and an Executive Committee of eleven active members of the association, two of whom shall be ladies, one for senior ladies' sports and one for juniors.

Two Auditors shall be appointed at each annual general meeting, to make an inspection and report on the books and affairs of the association at the next ensuing general meeting.

8. NOMINATION AND ELECTION. (A) Nomination and election of officers shall be held annually; nominations shall be made on official form supplied by the association, one week prior to the elections, and such nominations shall be posted on official notice board.

(B) Elections shall be held on the day of the annual general meeting, by ballot, and all but junior members shall be allowed to vote.

9. DUTIES OF OFFICERS. *Honorary Presidents* shall be the Past Presidents of the associa-

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tion, and as such, shall be members of the Executive Committee.

*President*, shall be the chief executive officer of the association, he shall preside at all the meetings of the association and of the executive committee, he shall enforce all the rules and regulations, he ex-officio a member of all committees, he may call a meeting of the association at his pleasure, and shall do so at the request of ten senior members of the association, within three days of the receipt of such notice.

*Vice-President*, shall assist the President in the discharge of his duties, and in his absence act in his stead.

*Secretary-Treasurer*, shall keep a true and correct record of all meetings of the association, and of the executive committee, shall keep a correct roll of all association members, conduct all correspondence, receive all moneys due the association and deposit same to the credit of the association in an approved chartered bank, he shall pay by cheque, on certificate of the President, all bills or claims against the association, which have been approved and certified correct by the executive committee. All cheques to be signed by Secretary-Treasurer and countersigned by the President.

*Executive Committee*, shall consist of the Past Presidents, President, Vice-President, Secretary-Treasurer and committee of nine, who shall be elected annually, and shall hold office for one year, or until their successors shall have been elected or appointed: Their duties shall be to act as a membership committee, establish and enforce penalties for infringement of this constitution, shall have control of all the property and assets of the association, shall have power and authority to expend in improvements, alterations or additions to the association's property, or for other purposes by them deemed advisable, and in the interest of the association, such sum or sums as may from time to time be required, provided, however, that the annual expenditure shall in no case exceed the annual revenue; they shall settle all disputes referred to them, shall appoint from their own body an assistant secretary-treasurer. For the different sports or amusements elected chairmen may select from the ordinary membership, sub-committees to promote and control, subject to the approval of the general committee, such games, sports or amusements assigned to them.

10. **VACANCIES IN EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.** The executive committee are authorized and empowered to fill any vacancy which may occur in their ranks, or those of the officers, at a special meeting to be called for that purpose, and of which two days' posted notice must be given.

11. **QUORUM.** Seven members of the executive shall constitute a quorum, any member who shall, without good and sufficient cause, of which the executive committee shall be the judge, absent himself from three consecutive committee meetings, shall cease to be a member of the executive committee.

12. **MEETINGS.** The annual meeting of the association, of which one week's notice must be given, and at which the election of officers shall take place, shall be held during the last week in August; *twenty-five members* present forming a quorum.

The Secretary shall call a general meeting at any time at the direction of the President, or on a requisition signed by not less than ten senior members of the association. In all such cases, matters to be dealt with or discussed, must be specifically stated, and three clear days' notice given.

The executive committee shall meet at least once a week during the summer season, and not less than once in every two months during the balance of the year.

13. **AMENDMENTS AND APPEALS.** This Constitution may be amended or repealed by a vote of two-thirds of the members present at a general meeting of the association, provided that the proposed amendments or repeals have been submitted to the executive committee, and a notice of the general character of such changes, posted on the notice board one week previous to the meeting at which action is to be taken.

14. **MISCONDUCT.** Should the conduct of any member of the association be, in the opinion of the executive committee after investigation, injurious to the character and interests of the association, or should any member refuse to conform to any rule or regulation of the association which from time to time may be made by the executive committee, or who should be guilty of unfair or unsportsmanlike action, in any association contest, he shall be requested to resign. Should this request not be complied with within one week, his name shall forthwith be struck from the membership roll.

**COLORS.** The official colors of the association shall be ROYAL BLUE and CRIMSON.

A Children's Day Service will be held at the Wiman Shelter on Sunday, August 29th. Service of Song—7.30—7.45 p.m. Service for Children and Adults—7.45—8.45 p.m. Simple congregational singing. Offering for Star Fresh Air Fund.

Mrs. Bubbub: "Men are so aggravating."

Mrs. Dosay: "What is the matter now?"

"My husband saw Lady Dashleigh yesterday, and I asked him what she had on, and he replied, 'Oh, clothes!'"

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### TIME TABLE

Bay St. to Ward's Island.		Ward's Island to Bay St.	
6.50 a.m.	3.40	7.05 a.m.	3.55
7.20	*4.20	7.30	4.35
7.50	5.00	8.00	5.15
8.20	5.20	8.35	5.35
9.00	*5.40	9.15	5.55
9.40	6.15	9.55	6.25
10.20	7.20	10.35	7.35
11.40	8.00	11.50	8.15
12.20 p.m.	8.40	12.30 p.m.	8.55
1.00	9.20	1.25	9.35
*1.40	10.00	1.55	10.10
2.20	10.30	2.35	10.40
*3.00	11.00	3.15	11.10

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