

Curling Long Ago.

The history of the game is no less interesting. Though tradition gives it an earlier origin, the first authentic proof of its existence dates to about the middle of the sixteenth century, and is in the shape of a curling stone, inscribed 1551, found near Dunblane. It is ten inches broad, eleven inches long, and four inches thick, and is simply a rough block of stone, pierced by holes for finger and thumb. This is called a "finger stone," the addition of a handle to the instrument having been made within the last hundred years or so. In the early days of the sport the stones were not even smoothed. Gradually, however, as the player would become more expert, he would pay more attention to his stone, both in choosing it and in keeping it in condition. So it came, after awhile, that some ingenious player got the idea of fastening a piece of thorn brush to his stone and using it as a handle. Some of the stones were of enormous size, weighing more than a hundred pounds. Even with these crude implements, players, we hear, have been known to hurl a 75-pound stone across a mile of loch ice. It is in the precision, possible only with the modern stone, that the game of to-day is chiefly superior to the game of a century ago. An expert curler has the control over his stone that a billiard player possesses over his ball. He can make it curl a distance of eight feet in forty-five yards, and can place it nine times out of ten within a foot of his objective point. Nowadays strength does not enter very largely into the game, for the mere force required to send a stone from one end of a rink to the other, on smooth ice, is no more than a child can exert. This is one reason why curling should be an excellent winter sport for women. There are 48 other reasons, equally good, which any curler will be pleased to supply.

Holiday Goods.

Lucy & Co.'s goods for the New Year's trade are now in stock and purchasers requiring useful serviceable goods will make no mistake in selecting from our stock. We have mens' youths' and childrens' suits in all sizes and patterns, overcoats, ulsters, reefers, rain-coats, water-proofs, etc. In boots, shoes, etc., our stock is as complete as it is possible to make it. Mens', boys' and childrens' hockey boots, also kid, calf and buffs of the best manufacturers in Canada, moose moccasins, shoe-packs, oil tanned moccasins and leggings, fur caps and for collars, also a large stock of cloth caps in corduroy, plush and astrican, trunks, valises, umbrellas, together with a large assortment of men's and ladies' underwear, silk handkerchiefs, neckties, etc., all at popular prices during the holiday season at Lucy & Co.'s.—d.

THE TOWN BEAUTIFUL.

What an Improvement Society Is Doing for Hamilton, Ont.

Hamilton, Ont., is being made more attractive every year through the efforts of the Civic Improvement Society, which awards prizes for the best kept lawns, flower boxes and gardens, says The Toronto Mail and Empire. The idea is so excellent that it is remarkable that it has not been more generally adopted.

The natural tendency of all centres of population is toward ugliness and untidiness. To resist this and aspire toward "the town beautiful" is a worthy effort. We are influenced more than we are generally willing to acknowledge by our surroundings. The power of beauty to cheer and purify human nature is immeasurable. Why, then, should all the natural beauty of a city be confined to its parks or its boulevards, which are visited only on rare and exceptional occasions. Here and there, it is true, efforts are made to beautify the daily surroundings. In Toronto some of the modern factories are adorned with flowers and clinging ivy. For this and the consequent appearance of cheerfulness the public, we believe, is sincerely grateful. It is a contribution to the comfort of every one. The splendid lawns and the gardens of our residential quarters also appeal to public appreciation.

But there are districts of the city in which the sun of beauty seldom shines. Prominent among these are the business quarters, where the tire-some monotony of brick walls is rarely relieved by the presence of any green thing. It is here that the people spend most of their time, and here it is that beauty and freshness are most required. In the more humble quarters, too, though there is many a homely garden and many an effort to catch an inspiration from nature, the lack of beauty is often painful and depressing.

Anything that will awaken an interest in the adornment of a town and stimulate effort along that line is a wholesome and valuable influence. By all means let us beautify our towns, and if Hamilton has shown us how to do it thoroughly and well we shall be grateful.

For Stomach Troubles.

"I have taken a great many different medicines for stomach trouble and constipation," says Mrs. S. Geizer, of Duckerton, Iowa, "but never had as good results from any as from Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets." For sale by all druggists.

Galileo's Caustic Humor.

In a biography of Galileo some stories are told of the caustic humor of that bold investigator. Lotario Sarsi, a writer on science, having said that the Babylonians used to cook eggs by whirling them in a sling, Galileo replied: "The cause of such an effect is very remote from that to which it is attributed, and to find the true cause I shall reason thus: If an effect does not follow with us that one thing is the true cause. Now we have eggs and slings and strong men to whirl them, and yet they will not become cooked; nay, if they were hot at first they more quickly become cold, and since nothing is wanting to us but to be Babylonians it follows that being Babylonians is the true cause why the eggs became cooked and not to the friction of the air, which is what I wish to prove."

Shorthand 2,000 Years Ago.

It is no doubt a surprise to most to learn that shorthand was known and practiced 2,000 years ago. Manilius, a contemporary of Caesar and Cicero, Virgil and Horace, asserts that some system of reporting very similar to our shorthand was in vogue in his days. Writing these words under the influence of Virgo and Mercury, he says they are—

In shorthand skilled, where little marks comprise
Whole words, a sentence in a single letter lies,
And while the willing hand its aid affords,
Prevents the tongue to fix the falling words.

It is certainly a novel conception that Cicero's grand orations were committed to paper with as much skill as our modern stenographers boast.

A Question of Time.

"Do you take this woman for better or worse?" began the clergyman, but before he could proceed further he was interrupted.

"It's too early to tell yet," answered the groom. "You'll have to give me time, sir."—Boston Post.

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Tendency of the Times.

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No. 2 Express for Halifax, the Sydneys and Campbellton	7.00
No. 4 Express for Point du Chene	10.15
No. 26 Express for Point du Chene, Halifax and Pictou	12.15
No. 8 Express for Sussex	17.10
No. 134 Express for Quebec and Montreal	18.00
No. 10 Express for Halifax and Sydney	23.25

TRAINS WILL ARRIVE AT ST. JOHN

No. 9 Express from Halifax and Sydney	6.20
No. 7 Express from Sussex	9.00
No. 133 Express from Montreal and Quebec	13.50
No. 5 Mixed from Moncton	15.20
No. 3 Mixed from Point du Chene	16.50
No. 25 Express from Halifax, Pictou and Moncton	17.40
No. 1 Express from Halifax	18.40
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6.50 a. m.—Mixed, via Gibson Branch, for Woodstock, Presque Isle, Edmundston, River du Loup. Leaves St. M. 7.30 a. m.	
9.45 a. m.—Express for Fredericton Jct. connecting with Express for St. John and points east. Palace Sleeper Car Fredericton Junction to Halifax. Dining Car Fredericton Junction to Truro.	
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9.00 p. m.—Express for St. John and points east.	

ARRIVE AT FREDERICTON

9.05 a. m.—From St. John and points east.	
11.45 a. m.—From Boston, Montreal, St. Stephen, Houlton and Woodstock.	
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