- 8. In sitting down do it gradually. Don't be too sudden you might break the ice.
- 9. When you fall headlong, examine the straps of your skates very carefully before you get up.
- 10. Wear a heavy overcoat or cloak till you get thoroughly warmed up, and then throw it off and let the wind cool you.
- 11. After you get so that you can skate tolerably well, skate three or four hours—skate frantically—skate till you can't stand up.
- To skate swiftly, skilfully, and surely, use Barney and Berry's American all Clamp Skates.

ICE REPORTS.

Information as to where good ice is to be found, and periodical reports as to its state are received by Hill & Son, and posted on their notice Board.

Such reports reach them from the London Skating Club, Crystal Palace, National Skating Association, Warner's, Welsh Harp at Hendon, &c.

H. & S. gladly post any notices concerning skating sent to them from gentlemen in London or elsewhere.

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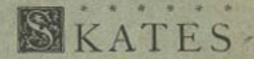
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A remittance must accompany all orders from Strangers, and H. & S. beg respectfully to state that they cannot open accounts for skates, all prices being calculated for cash transactions, although they allow the following cash discounts, viz.: during the months of March to November inclusive, 10 per cent. (2/- in the £); and from December to February inclusive, 5 per cent. (1/- in the £). Cheques should be crossed "Union Bank of London," and Post Office Orders made payable at 132, Jermyn Street, London, S.W.

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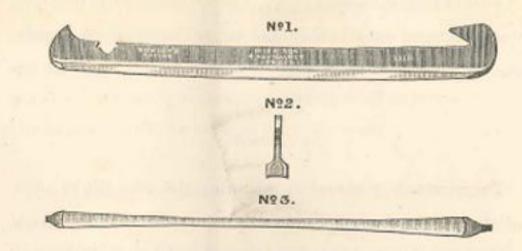
In issuing their new Skate Catalogue, Messrs. Hill and Son have endeavoured to make it as complete as possible, and in every way to bring its contents up to present requirements. The goods manufactured by Messrs. Hill and Son, and bearing their name and address, are warranted, and they are justified in asserting that they have been sent during the past eighty years to nearly all parts of the world where ice is to be found.

Hill and Son's name is associated with several universally acknowledged improvements in the manufacture of Skates, and amongst others may be mentioned the backward extension of the heel of the blade, contemporary with the founding of the London Skating Club—the improved shape of the front part consequent upon the abolition of the old and dangerous turn-up toe—the substitution of a steel plug for the uncertain conical heel screw, the placing of a true radius, effected by machinery, upon the faces of all Skate blades, together with several others which have been duly recognised and appreciated. It now remains but for them to express their deep gratitude for the confidence reposed in them, and to assure all that that personal and practical superintendence which has existed so long will continue to be given, and they still hope to deserve a kindly and gracious recognition of their efforts.

December, 1880.

THE DOWLER BLADE

With all the latest Improvements.



The invention of Captain Dowler ("The Skating Club," London) may be described as follows:—The blade is ground upon the two side concavities to a 14 feet radius, and upon the face to a 7 feet radius. These radii have been found to answer better than any others. It is absolutely necessary, however, that the radius, both upon the cheeks and face, should be accurate, and to effect this H. & S. have erected special machinery. See copy of report from the Field appended.

Hill & Son beg to state that the above diagrams represent the Dowler blade with all its latest improvements. No. 1 is the elevation; No. 2 the section showing the peculiar pattern of metal rolled expressly for these blades; and No. 3 gives the face or bottom. As originally made, the Dowler blade was very heavy, and in addition, the disposition of the side concavities was less advantageous than at present. Acting upon Mr. Maxwell Witham's ("The Skating Club," London) suggestion, the irons were lightened considerably and the radius upon the cheeks thrown back.

ADVANTAGES.

The curvature produced by hollowing the sides allows more of the blade to come in contact with the ice—in other words, a much larger bearing surface is attained without any diminution of the turning power given by the 7ft. radius on the face. The fatigue in skating figures is therefore very much less with the Dowler than with the old form of blade. H. & S. grind the edges of these irons to a true right angle, thus strengthening them and very considerably increasing their duration.

EXTRACT FROM THE Field REPORT.

"Although machinery of a very primitive description has been used for many years by the leading skate manufacturers, for the purpose of truing skate blades, the credit of perfecting a real machine by which skate blades may be ground to a radius of accurate truth is due to the energy of Messrs. Hill & Son.

When Captain Dowler invented the new form of blade which bears his name, it was found that the radii, both of the side concavities and of the face of the blade, must be absolutely true before the full advantage of the skate was apparent, and we then suggested a machine in the nature of a slide rest of a lathe. Messrs. Hill & Son, after great expense and trouble, have at last succeeded in perfecting such a machine, and with it they are now enabled to turn out the Dowler blade with the radii perfectly accurate.

It will appear almost incredible that up to the advent of Messrs. Hill & Son's machine, skates have been ground to the required radius by hand, and although a very highly skilled grinder can turn out by handwork a blade that is more or less true, such workmen are very rare; and we look on Messrs. Hill & Son's endeavour to supply an acknowledged want as a great boon to figure skaters."

With regard to the statement contained in the foregoing report, viz., "the credit of perfecting a real machine by which skase blades may be ground to a radius of accurate truth is due to the energy of Messrs. Hill & Son," H. & S. beg to say that, its truth having been challenged, they think it as well to state that it is perfectly correct, their skate-truing machine being the first and only one ever made.

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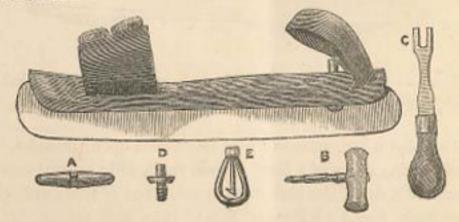
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SKATE CATALOGUE.

No. 1 .- Hill and Son's Plug Peg Club Skate, in polished oak, with double buckle front straps and broad back ones, with one pair of Dowler and one pair of ordinary blades, giving the purchaser the benefit of always having spare ones when one pair requires grinding. A folding barrel gimlet, with which to make a hole of the right width and depth in the boot heel, together with an oak-mounted fork turnscrew, for removing the blades from their oak beds, are included in the price quoted, viz.: £1 18s. 6d.



A-Portable Barrel Gimlet.

B-Ordinary Stand open ditto.

C-Fork Turnscrew for removing the plug peg D when dismounting the

D-The Plug Peg.

E-Tow Hook for removing tow from the holes made in boot heels for reception of the plug pegs.

Accessories and Repairs. In connection with THIS SKATE ONLY.

Polished Oak Beds, 9/6 per pair ; phipuppinumithumithum

Ebonized ditto, made to order, only 9/6 per pair.

Single pairs of blades, 16/- per pair; Dowler blades, 1 per pair.

Portable Gimlets, 3/- each.

Stand-open Gimlets, 1/- each.

Double Buckle Front Straps, 3/- per pair.

Broad Back Straps, 3/- per pair.

Oak-mounted Fork Turnscrews, 2/- each.

Small Three-square Steel Front Pegs, for preventing the boot from slipping on the beds, 1/- per dozen.

Steel Punch, for fixing these in the beds, 1/6.

Steel Plug Pegs (D) 1/- each.

Steel Nuts, into which the plug pegs screw, 6d. each.

Fogg's Patent Strap Buckles, 2/- per dozen.

Tow Hook (E), for withdrawing tow from the plug peg holes made in boot heels, 2/-; ditto in combination with Button hook, 2/6.

Waterproof Skate Bags (See Illustration), 3/-; with sling straps, 2/- extra.

Anti-corrosive Paste, for dressing the blades with when put away for the summer, 1/- per can.

Polished Oak Skate Box, with lock and key, lined with baine clo the and divisioned, 18/0.

REPAIRS, &C.

Grinding Skate Blades, 2/- per pair.

Altering the Radius, 1/- per pair additional.

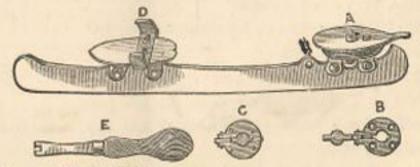
Bevelling the Edges of Skate Blades, 1/ per pair.

Rounding the Ends of Blades, 2 ends, only 1/- and 1/6.

French Polishing, or Staining and French Polishing Skate Beds, 2/6 per pair.

No. 2 .- Hill and Son's Club Skate, with lace fronts, is precisely the same in other respects as No. 1. It is now but little used, as the double buckle front strap with which the foregoing is provided is far superior. We only make it to order. Price, £1 19s. 6d.

No. 3 .- HILL'S PATENT SKELETON REVOLVING HEEL PLATE SKATE.



A-The revolving heel plate.

B-The plate which has to be let into the boot heel.

C-The same with the door closed to prevent entrance of dirt when walking.

D-The blued steel cramp made to the width and depth of the sole. E-Small fork turnscrew for dismounting and changing the blades.

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No. 3.—Hill and Son's Patent Skeleton Revolving Heel Plate Skate is the most popular strapless one we produce. The principle of fastening requires that a pair of boots should be kept solely for use with these Skates. The iron Cramps (d) have to be specially made to each pair of boots; the T plates (b) being sunk in their heels. The perfection of front fastening is thus combined with what has always been considered the ne plus ultra for the back of the boot. The foot plates and the cups are nickel plated, and altogether the Skates have a very handsome appearance. They have now been before the public for the past twelve years, and we feel justified in saying they are the best strapless Skates made. The blades are drilled to take a pair of broad strap holders, but these are hardly ever required unless the ankles of the user are very weak. In the opinion of many this addition rather tends to spoil the tout ensemble of the Skate, and consequently they are only added when specially ordered.

Price complete, including all fittings, with one pair each, sordinary and Dowler blades, and a small Fork Turnscrew for dismounting them, £3 3s. 0d. Strap Holders and Screws, 4/- per pair extra.

ACCESSORIES.

Blades, 160 per pair; Dowler ditto, 21/-

Blued steel screws with nuts for fastening the blades in the mounts, 6d. (screw and nut).

Small fork turnscrews for dismounting, 1/0.

Cramps, 7/6 per pair.

Revolving T's, 12/0 per pair.

Shut-up T plates, with screws, 7/6 per pair. to the Polished oak Skate box with lock and key, being lined and

divisioned, 18/0.

No. 3a.

This Skate is the same as No. 3, but mounted on polished oak beds. It is not so sightly as the other, which is far more generally preferred. The beds can be ebonised if desired, but polished oak is recommended, as its wear is superior. Price complete with all fittings, services 60/.

ACCESSORIES.

Blades, 12/0 per pair. Dowler ditto, 14/0. Blued steel nuts for blades, 1/- per pair.

Polished oak beds with brass plates, 12/6.

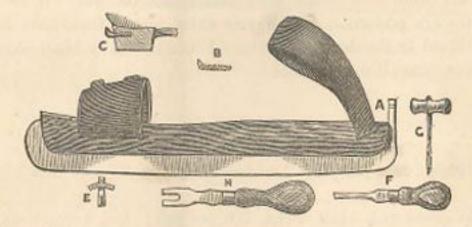
Cramps, 7/6 per pair.

Revolving T's, 12/- per pair.

Shut-up T plates with screws, 5/6 per pair.

Preparing boot heels for reception of T plates, and fixing same, 2/0.

No. 4.—THE BACK SCREW SKATE.



- A-The termination of the blade, drilled for hooking on to the screw C
- B-The back screw.
- C—The back screw shewn in the back of the boot heel, and projecting about 3-16ths of an inch.
- E-Shut-up back screw-box for letting in to the boot heel.
- F-Turnscrew for turning in the back screw B.
- G-Gimlet for drilling back screw hole.
- H-Fork turnscrew for dismounting and changing the blades.

These deservedly popular Skates were made about the year 1868, by Hill and Son, from suggestions contained in a letter published by the Field. The heel fastening is extremely simple, and thoroughly reliable. It consists of a small hook screw (b), which has to be fixed in the back of the boot heel, as (c). The Skate blade terminates at the back, as shewn in the cut. To fasten, it is only necessary to hook the Skate on to this small projection, and then to buckle up the straps. The hook should project about ³/₁₆ of an inch from the leather, and care should be taken to screw it in so as not to produce a strain upon the fixing of the boot heel. If preferred, "back screw" boxes (c) for fixing in the boot heel, similar to spur boxes—can be supplied, these of course allowing the screw to be pushed in.

Price complete, in polished oak, with one pair of ordinary and one pair of Dowler blades; with forked turnscrew for dismounting the blades; small turnscrew for fixing in the hookscrew; gimlet; six blued back screws and double buckle front and broad back straps, £2 0s. 6d. If heel boxes are preferred, \$7- per pair extra, and if these have to be fitted in the heels, 2/- extra additional. Any bootmaker can let them into the heels.

ACCESSORIES.

18 - 24 - Blades, Mar per pair; Dowler ditto, 180-

Polished oak skate clogs, 9/6 per pair; fork turnscrews, 2/0; small turnscrew, 1/0; blued back screws, 1/6 per doz. shut-up back screw boxes, 5/0 per pair; anti-corrosive paste for the blades, 1'0 per canister; gimlets, 4d. each; double buckle front straps, 3/- per pair; broad back straps, 3/- per pair.

Oak skate case, with lock and key, 18/0. Flush heel pegs, 2/0 per pair; small front pegs, 1/0 per doz.

Waterproof Skate Bag, 4/0; with Sling Strap 2s. extra.

REPAIRS.

Grinding, 2/0 per pair.
Other repairs same as No. 1.

No. 5 .- DUTCH PATTERN RUNNING SKATES.

These Skates possess very long, narrow, and low blades, in polished oak, with 2 pairs of special blades, fork turnscrew, portable gimlet, double buckle front, and broad back straps, £2 1s. 6d.

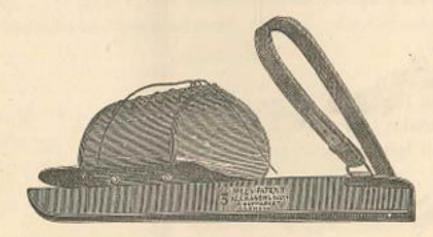
ACCESSORIES

Blades, 16/0 per pair.
Other accessories same as No. 1.

REPAIRS.

Grinding, 3/0 per pair.

No. 6.-HILL'S PATENT ALEXANDRA SKATE FOR LADIES AND CHILDREN LEARNING.



Complete with lace fronts, back strap and gimlet, 15/0.

This Skate possesses a double blade, giving great stability, and a heel peg, which can be lowered so as to form a drag, in the event of a back fall becoming imminent.

FROM The Field, MARCH 5, 1864.

"Skating, if not yet so general among ladies as with the sterner sex, is very fashionable among them. Every year sees a great increase in the number of fair Skaters, who are to be found on our ponds; and really skating is as much entitled to be considered a lady's pastime as a gentleman's. All that is required is, that ladies should make it their own, and this they seem inclined to do. We draw attention to the fact for the purpose of introducing to the notice of our readers a lady's new Skate, called the 'Alexandra.' They have two narrow blades instead of one, and a pin at the back, which comes below (it can be screwed up or down at pleasure with the greatest ease), and can be used for the purpose of stopping (by throwing the heel back) at any moment. Moreover, the irons are not so deep; and altogether they are, for learning, the best Skates at present obtainable, and they are dainty little things, exactly fitted for the dainty little feet for which they are designed. I believe much as skating has progressed during the last few years among ladies, that they will be the means of increasing it still further, which is the result the inventor hoped to see when he took the subject in hand."

ACCESSORIES.

Calf back strap, 3/0 per pair.

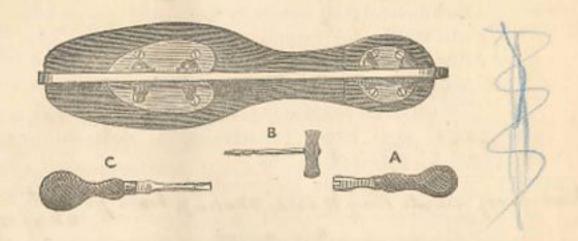
Portable gimlet, 3/0; stand open ditto, 1/0.

Calf lace fronts, 5/0 per set.

REPAIRS.

Grinding, 2/0.

No. 7 .- THE MOUNT CHARLES SKATE.



A-Small fork turnscrew for dismounting and changing the blades.

B-Gimlet for making holes in the soles and heels of the boots for fixing on the plates.

C-Turnscrew for screwing in the sole and heel screws.

Hill & Son's "Mount Charles" Skate has now been before the Skating world since the year 1840, and as a light, strapless, and elegant one—yet suited for very hard work—it has gained a reputation which, more particularly within the last ten years, has caused it to be imitated extensively both here and in America. Particularly Hill & Son have send large numbers of these skates, and the suite with the suite of these skates, and the suite of the send large numbers of these skates, and the suite of the send large.

Price, complete, with one pair of ordinary and one pair of Dowler blades, mounted on nickel plated frames—with fork turnscrew for dismounting them, and one for screwing the skates to the boots, set of blued screws, and a gimlet, £1 18s.

With ordinary blades only \$ 28/- (including sole berews 33/- 5 theresees If the boots are sent to us for fixing on these skates, 2/-

extra.

ACCESSORIES.

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21/-

Blades, W. per pair; Dowler ditto, E/-.

Nickel-plated front mounts, 8/- per pair.

Nickel-plated heel mounts, 8/-.

Blued steel screw and nut, 6d.

Small fork turnscrew, 1/-.

Turnscrew for screwing in the sole screws, 1/-.

Blued steel screws for screwing the skates on to the boots, 6d. per set of 16.

Waterproof Skate Bag to hold skake & broto 7/6 tothe sting stap 2-extra

Grinding, 2/- per pair.

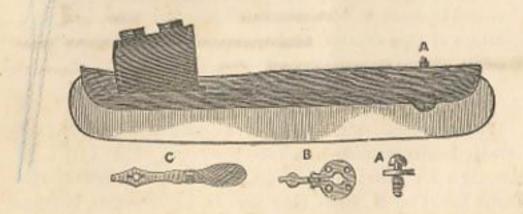
Bevelling, 1/- per pair.

Altering the radius, 1/- per pair.

Rounding the ends of blades, 1/- and 1/6 per pair.

Nickel-plating mounts, 5/ per set.

No. 8 .- HILL & SON'S T SKATE.



A - The T shewn as fixed in the skate, the underneath cut of it representing front view.

B-The heel plate (provided with a closing door) into which A fits.

C-Combined tool for dismounting and changing the blades.

A. De T' besestiging hak be hevestigen (geopen)
B. Plankje om hidli hak be hevestigen (geopen)
C. Schroevendraier

This very old skate was originally introduced as one presenting a perfect heel fastening without the requirement of back straps. It will be seen, however, that front ones are necessary, as cramps cannot be used—and it may be said that this skate fully maintained its reputation until it was superseded by our No. 3, as this latter allows both cramps and T's to be used—the T's being set upon revolving plates.

The T plates (B) have of course to be fitted in the boot heels the openings being protected with hinged spring doors.

Price, in polished oak, with one pair each, ordinary and Dowler blades, pair of shut-up T plates and screws, and combined tool for dismounting, £2 9s. 6d. Cutting boot heels and

With ordinary blades only 39/6. With Dowler blades only 44/6

Blades, 184; Dowler ditto, 1/-

Polished oak beds, 9/6.

Combined tool for dismounting, 2/-

Shut-up T plates, which per pair.

T's and small screws, 46

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Double buckle front straps, 3/0 per pair.

Waterproof skate bags, 4/-, with sling, 2/- extra.

Anti-corrosive paste (for the blades), 1/- per canister. Oak case, with lock and key, for Skates, only, 18/-

REPAIRS.

Same as No. 1.

No. 9.

Hill's square heel peg and cramp Skate. This Skate consists of a square peg with a notch in its front face, and falls into a plate having a square opening in it, the square notch being the exact depth of the heel plate and the forward or sole fastening consisting of a cramp. The spring of the boot is supposed to keep the heel peg in its place, but as an irregularity in the ice would in all probability displace it to a certain extent, a back strap has to be worn loosely buckled.

This form of heel fastening was introduced previous to the appearance of the T Skate (No. 8), this latter one being an improvement upon No. 9.

It is only made to order.

Price, in polished oak, with ordinary and Dowler blades, shut up heel plates, and broad back straps, all necessary fitting, and with combined tool for dismounting the blades, £2 11s. With Darler blades only 46/. Chick back straps

Accessories.

Blades, 2- Dowler ditto, 5/- 21/-

Polished oak beds, 9/6 pair.

Shut-up heel plates, 5/6 pair. Cramps, 7/6 pair.

Square cut pegs, 4/- pair.

Broad back straps, 3/- pair.

Combined tool for dismounting, 2/- Anti-corrosive paste, 1/per canister.

Waterproof Skate bag, 4/- With sling, 2/- extra.

REPAIRS.

Grinding 2/- per pair.

No. 11.—HILL'S FLUSH HEEL PEG AND CRAMP SKATE.

This is also an old pattern. The Skate, which is an oak clogged one, is strapless, and fastens permanently on the boot by means of the usual heel peg which is carried through both the oak clog and the boot heel, only in this case the head of the heel peg is left flat, and this, therefore, sets flush under the leather sock, the front fastening being a cramp. To those who prefer permanently fixed Skates, and who do not object to carry both Skates and boots together to the ice, yet like such a fastening upon wood, this one offers an

alternative to No. 7. On account of the cramp arrangement, it cannot be altogether kept ready. Strap holes can be cut in the back of the woods if desired.

Ordinary Blades, #- Dowler, #- per pair. Polished oak clogs, 9/6 per pair.

Long Flush heel pegs,4/- per pair.

Steel nuts for same, 6d. each.

Fork turnscrew, 2/-

Waterproof bag, 7/6 If with sling strap, 2/- extra.

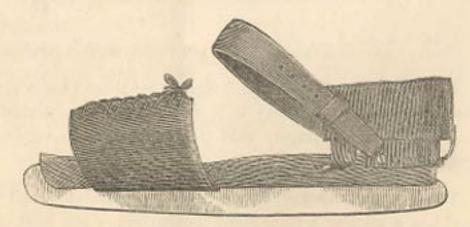
Oak case with lock and key, 18/-

Anti-corrosive paste, 1s. per canister.

REPAIRS.

Same as No. 1.

HILL'S LADIES' CLOG SKATE.



This pattern was first made for the use of various members of the English Royal Family, since which time it has steadily increased its reputation as a Skate well suited to a lady's requirements. It consists of a polished oak clog, with a laced front fastening, the leather work at the back presenting a comfortable reception for the heel and giving, in addition, support to the ankle, and the benefit of a soft broad calf strap for the instep.

Price, in polished oak, with one pair of ordinary and one pair of Dowler blades, and fork turnscrew, complete, £2.

ACCESSORIES.

Lace Fronts, in prepared calf, 5/- per set. Back Fittings 6/- per set.

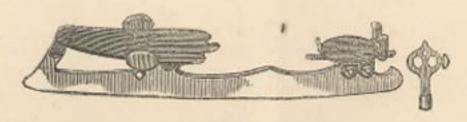
Waterproof Skate Bag, 4/-; with Sling Strap, 2; extra.

Other Accessories, same as No. 1.

REPAIRS.

Same as No. 1.

AMERICAN SKATES.



BARNEY AND BERRY'S Strapless All Clamp Skates (G).

H. & S. accepted the English Agency for these Skates about the Tan cight wearenand they have given so much satisfaction and have been so largely sold that they are now very well known.

The front fastening consists of an adjusting clamp, and the heel has a similar arrangement, but grasping the back and front of it. Both are worked with a key.

Price per pair, £1 1s. 0d.

Nickel Plated, £1 8s. 6d.

The above can be had with blades ground to a 7 feet radius with bevelled edges, and the height slightly reduced to Skating Club requirements, at an additional cost of 7/6.

Or they can be had as imported, but with a 7 feet radius upon them, at an additional cost (upon 21/-) of 3/0.

For reducing the height only to English pattern the cost is 4/0.

ACCESSORIES.

Keys, 1/- each. Front Clamps, 1,- each; screws for same, 1/0. ,, ,, ,, 1/0. Heel Clamps, 1/- each; Screws for large heels, 1,0. Hill's Blades for B. & B. Skates, 18/- per pair. Waterproof Skate Bags, 4/-; with sling, 2/- extra. Anti-corrosive paste, 1/- per canister.

REPAIRS.

Same as No. 1.

BARNEY AND BERRY'S SKATES.

WITH DOWLER BLADES.

B. & B. Strapless All Clamp Skates, with their original blades and a pair of Dowler ditto, both pairs being made so as to allow of their alternate use, and furnished with steel nuts and screws, and a small fork turnscrew for dismounting

If Dowler blades are regimed they cannot be sold with the original blades being as Hos are obliged to emport och sources. excles with the original blades in them.

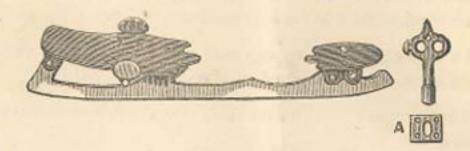
Dowler Blades, 21/- per pair. Blued Steel Nut and Screw, 6d. Small Fork Turnscrew, 1/0.

REPAIRS.

Ordinary Grinding, 2/0.

Should the cheeks of the Dowler Blades require re-grinding 2 - extra.

AMERICAN SKATES.



BARNEY AND BERRY'S Strapless "Club" Skate.

This Skate is the same as the foregoing, with the exception of the heel fastening, which is similar to No. 8. The heel plate openings are not protected by doors, as in No. 8. A little tow or cotton wool should therefore be placed in the holes.

Price, per pair, £1.

Nickel Plated, £1 8s. 6d.

The remarks which follow after the price of the former Skate apply to this one.

Accessories.

Heel Plates, with screws, 1/- per pair. Hill's Gun Metal ditto and ditto, 3/- per pair. Other Accessories, same as foregoing.

REPAIRS.

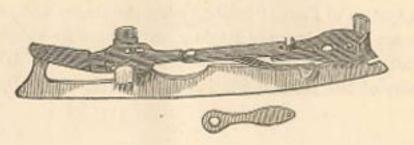
Same as No. 1.

BARNEY AND BERRY'S "CLUB" SKATE,

WITH DOWLER BLADES.

These can also be had with Dowler blades, exactly the same in all respects as the All Clamp Skates.

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- Sit down occasionally, no matter where. There is no law to prevent a new beginner from sitting down whenever he has an inclination to do so.
- 4. When you meet a particularly handsome lady, try to skate on both sides of her at once. This is very pretty, and sure to create a sensation.
 - 5. Skate over all the small boys at once.
- If you skate into a hole in the ice take it coolly. Think how you would feel if the water were boiling hot.
- If your skates are too slippery buy a new pair. Keep buying new pairs till you find a pair that are not slippery.

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