

H. C. SMITH A BASEBALL MILLIONAIRE

In view of the fact that Iron Man McGinnity was negotiating for the Montreal franchise some time ago, the following story will be of interest. It concerns the deal whereby Joe McGinnity purchased the Newark Club of the Eastern League, and reveals the identity of Mr. Smith and portrays the rise of a penniless man to a millionaire, who remained true to his first love in the baseball world. H. C. Smith, now known as a leader of a Chicago manufacturing company, was station agent for the Chicago and Alton railroad at Auburn, working on a modest salary, with nothing better to show for twelve years ago. He had been a resident of that part of the country since about 1870, and it was in those days that he learned to admire Joe McGinnity as a ball player.

It was the time when McGinnity earned the sobriquet of "Iron Man." He would work six days a week, pitching for country teams all over central Illinois, and on Sunday would go to Springfield and play with the Springfield team since become famous and not a few of whom have since passed away. President Kincaid, of the local club, was a member of this team and remembers the connection between H. C. Smith and Joe McGinnity in the olden days. Smith was one of Joe's staunchest and most consistent admirers, and from the time he first knew him until the present day, his admiration has not abated. In 1895 Smith left Auburn and became engaged in a brokerage business, at which he prospered. Later he became connected with his present company, gradually working his way to the top, until he was a man of wealth.

Learning that the New York Giants were going to release McGinnity, Smith at once arranged with Joe to get hold of some team for which Smith was to furnish the money. The result was the purchase of the Newark Club, the dream of an ardent baseball fan and admirer brought to reality. Smith, and a home assured the famous Joe McGinnity, all through the year, which a station agent in a country town felt for a ball player whom he considered the best he had ever known.

And now comes the "Salome twist," the latest wrinkle in the tender line is said to be the creation of Billy Campbell, the southpaw twerler of the Cincinnati Reds. Campbell practiced the curve last fall. He said nothing about it until the team went to Cuba, then he surprised his team-mates by springing it. The "Salome" is an unheard "spitter," delivered with the left hand.

Bunny Pierce, who caught Campbell when the latter introduced the "twist," says that it is the hardest ball to hit he ever saw. "Talk about your wild and woolly winks, this Salome's has them all beaten a block," says Bunny. It comes up to the plate in a business-like manner, so easy that the batter gets ready to knock it a dozen miles off. He swats away like a good fellow, but he generally hits where the ball isn't, for the sphere performs a sort of Salome dance just before reaching the plate, and twists out of the reach of the bat so easily that the batter says:

LATEST IS SALOME TWIST

"Salome is crazy," said Nelson, when told of the letter. "Anybody ought to know that the book was written by me. Of course I did not round the typewriter myself. I paid Finnigan to do it for me. But every sentence in the book was framed by me, and he took it down just as I dictated it to him. He hasn't got a cent coming from me. I took him around with me and paid him in all about \$1,000, and he got more from me than I got from him."

NELSON LITERARY FAKE?

But Nelson insists he is a real literary lightweight. J. Ignatius Finnigan, St. Louis newspaper man, declares that is not so. There is a heated controversy between the two as to the authorship of the "Life, Career and Battles of Battling Finnigan." The St. Louis man says that he wrote every word of that book, while Nelson comes back with the telling assertion that Finnigan was only his stenographer and was paid about \$100 a week to write the thrilling and entertaining story as it was reeled off by the champion himself.

Finnigan Says Nix. In a letter to a local sporting editor, Finnigan says that Nelson did not write, originate or compose one paragraph of the entire book. "I secured most of the early dope on his career from dear old George Siler, who knew him well when he was the chopping block for all dubs around Chicago," says the letter. "He never paid my expenses while I was with him and secured possession of the story." Finnigan says he was to have received half the receipts from the sale of the book, but since the delivery of the manuscript to Nelson he has been totally ignored. Finnigan says he has turned the case over to his lawyers and will ask for an injunction stopping the publication of the book.

ALLEN SHOULD MEET ALF. LYNCH

An Ottawa person, i. e. Billy Allen, is posing as the Canadian featherweight champion, and actually receiving credit for holding that honor, a fact which one Alf Lynch, who hails from Quebec but now lives in St. John rises to loudly protest. "Why is Allen champion?" Lynch loudly wants to know. "Why?" echoes the sporting public, who knows some little matters of ring history, affecting this issue. The little Quebecer has already issued another challenge to the Ottawa fighter, Lynch is willing to meet Allen at the featherweight limit, giving away eight pounds at that, for Lynch's fighting weight is only 114 pounds against Allen's 122. Very, before Billy Allen can lay hands on the featherweight championship, he must defeat Lynch—and he'll go some to get away with the shy little Quebec lad, who carries with a fine line of sleep-punches in either hand—Moncton Transcript.

FOUR TEAMS IN HANDBALL LEAGUE GAMES

A lively handball league is now playing on thout at the Exmouth gymnasium on Russell St. A number of men well known in athletic circles are taking part. Four teams have been formed and are playing schedule series. Dr. D. B. Macdonald, Mr. Arthur Carlous form the present in the league. This club is now seven out of the eight games they have played. The other teams are composed of W. B. Tappin and D. B. Donald; Frank Whitford, Halie Clawson; Sidney Kurr and George Shaw; Messrs. Korr and Sh are in second place. Handball the elements of a first class game, is excellent exercise and very popular for amateurs. The game is played on a fast passage with two well matched teams is exciting a thing as any sport would be to witness. The game is played much more generally played, has the advantage that one can play it until well up in the evening, and is of bodily contact are eliminated in the speed is left. At Mount Allison and St. Joseph's colleges, handball very popular, both indoor and outdoor courts being kept at all seasons of the year.

At Harvard fame also is popular. Perkins, of Mount Allison, was the Harvard champion during his career there.

BELATEL ACTIN OF M. A. A. A.

Saturday's Halifax order in an official M. P. A. A. A. Actin announced the following regulations which have local interest attached to them: B. is hereby retained to amateur standing. Arthur Finigan, of C. B. A. A. U. is hereby retained to amateur standing.

Both Finnimore and others are well known to the sportsmen of St. John. Titus as a hockey player, and Finnimore as an all round athlete. It is remarkable that reinstatement has been so long delayed in view of the way in which the M. P. A. A. A. Actin of the Fredericton Glasgow hockey players were held.

It has been decided to a meeting in Calgary during the week for the purpose of organizing a six-team professional hockey league for next winter. It is expected, delegates will be present from Edmonton, Strathcona, Moose Jaw, St. Paul, Nelson, and of course, Calgary.

The Brantford professional hockey team went \$500 behind on a season just passed. As compared with the Berlin Toronto showing Brantford's losses are apparently small. Berlin incorporated stock company is valued \$5,100 in the hole, while Alvine is said to have dropped \$1,500. Irvin's Galt, a team that picked up to win, made \$1,000 for the In Galt, however, the salaries not as high as in other places. Hockey isn't all "beer and skis."

Stanley Ketchel's victory over O'Brien last week in New York, the big western middleweight position for Jack Johnson, and who must be reckoned with. Jeffries does not enter the ring that, the Philadelphia veteran a great bout, and apart from his condition at the finish, made a showing, as his skill would show. Those who bet on these bouts are minded that there is no public opinion according to reference to newspapers, except, of course, a man who scores a knockout is the winner.

The Hamilton Tigers, Canadian by Football champions of Ontario Quebec intend to own their grounds next fall. The club will hold an athletic in May for the purpose of raising funds to send Bobby Kerr to England to compete in the English championships.

CONCERT ON SHIP FOR THE MISSION HERE

The following is the programme of the entertainment given on board of the C. P. R. steamer Lake Champlain last Friday night in aid of the Seaman's Mission by the passengers and officers:

Part I.
Pianoforte Solo—Mrs. Languedoc.
Coon Song and Chorus—"The Ring Tailed Coon" Mr. H. A. Meyrick.
Solo—"The Road to Yesterday" Miss J. Dowling.
Recitation—"The Arabs Farewell To His Steed," Mrs. Meyrick.
Solo—"The Veteran's Song," Mr. S. J. Carter.
Solo—"The Beautiful Land of Nod," Miss Avenall.
Recitation—Selected, Mr. E. P. McDowall.

Part II.
Mrs. Jarley's Waxworks—Misses Mackenzie, Dickerson, Fraser, Minchin, Peterson, Feltham, Lindsley and McDowall.
Solo—"When the Heart is Young," Miss Avenall.
Solo—"Lu-Lu" Miss Dickinson.
Recitation—Selected, Mr. E. P. McDowall.
Solo—"The Arab's Love Song," Miss J. Dowling.
Solo—"The Deathless Army," Mr. J. Carter.
Coon Song and Chorus—Mr. H. A. Meyrick.
God Save The King.
Chairman—Mr. Hlanett.
Accompanist—Mrs. Languedoc.

DELEGATES WILL FILL MASSEY HALL

Special to The Standard. Toronto, Mar. 29.—Next week Toronto will be for three days the evangelistic centre of the North American continent. The movement that started in St. James' school house eighteen months ago and spread all over Canada, culminates next week in the National Congress at Massey Hall, where four thousand delegates, hailing from Sydney to Victoria, will meet in Massey Hall, at the sessions of the Canadian National Missionary Congress. In addition to the central programme at Massey Hall, the various other denominations are going to have separate sessions of their own. For the accommodation of delegates, special trains are being run from Montreal, Halifax, New Brunswick and Winnipeg, and there will be no less than sixty enthusiasts from the southern republic present. So thoroughly aroused is the country to the importance of the congress in Toronto next week that Massey Hall will hardly be able to accommodate delegates to the three days' meetings alone, and even now Mr. Caskey is obliged to refuse requests for seats from clergymen and others who would like to be present. It is expected that the Methodist Church will send fully 500 delegates to the congress, and the Baptist contingent is expected to number more than that, while the other denominations will be quite as strongly represented.

NEW TURKEY IS LOOKING TO EUROPE

BOSTON, Mass., March 28.—"Americans gave modern education to the people of Turkey" and while "New Turkey is looking to Europe for help in reorganizing her army and navy, she turns to America and Americans for help in constructing a system of general education and in perfecting her institutions of peace." These were the summing up of Rev. James L. Barton, D. D. in an address today on "The New Birth of Turkey and America's Part in Producing It." Dr. Barton, who is secretary of the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions, spoke in the hall of the Twentieth Century Club in a course on "The Brotherhood of Nations."

"The well-established and widely patronized American colleges," Dr. Barton said, "with a magnificent history of a generation or more, have wielded a mighty influence over the multitude of students that have thronged their halls, while they have impressed their principles upon large numbers outside who were never enrolled as pupils." "While other nations have been in conflict with Turkey, wrangling over spheres of influence and territorial aggressions, we of America, through our missionaries and our missionary institutions have been exalting the arts of peace, purity of life, freedom of the press, general education, persistent industry and the common brotherhood of all."

Will Declare Dividend. Toronto, Mar. 29.—"The first dividend will be declared in November or shortly afterwards." That is the statement that the National Trust Corporation Limited, liquidators of the York County Loan and Savings company, is now issuing to enquiring shareholders.

EXPRESSION ON TARIFF IN MAINE SENATE

Augusta, Me., March 28.—After a bitter fight in which Senator Staples endeavored to secure the indefinite postponement of the memorial to the Maine delegation in Congress, protesting against the reduction of existing duties on lumber, pulp and paper, the Maine Senate has gone on record officially as being opposed to their being put on the free list or the duty being lowered. Senator Staples' motion for indefinitely postponed was lost by a vote of 18 to 8. The memorial was then given a passage and will at once be forwarded to Washington.

A telegram has been received here from Senator Hale, asking for the passage of the memorial or for some official expression of how the Legislature felt in regard to the new tariff bill reported by the ways and means committee at the national capital. Senator Warren, who is at the head of a large paper manufacturing concern, made a speech in which he favored the free list and a reduction of the duty on pulp and paper.

The memorial was introduced in the Senate by Senator Eaton and specially assigned for consideration from the table and paper on pulp and paper. He said there was no difference of opinion in Maine as to whether or not the lumber should be put on the free list. Personally, he didn't believe any duty was needed. He thought paper and pulp ought to be free too. He doubted the wisdom of memorializing Congress at this time and said he wanted to go on record as favoring free lumber. He declared that the Maine Congressmen and Senators were capable of voting on the tariff bill without any instructions from home and asked the Democratic Senators to join with him in support of his motion for indefinite postponement.

Important Question. Senator Eaton said the question was of paramount importance to the State. The Legislature had been in session for the past three months without having given any expression as to how they felt on the subject and the memorial ought to be passed without delay. "We all remember how the Wilson-Gorman tariff bill stopped the wheels of industry here in Maine and set the running over in New Brunswick," he said. "Senator Hale sent a telegram last night asking that we pass something of this sort or give some official expression of our views. This memorial should go through that our Congressmen and Senators and the country at large may know how Maine feels."

Senator Staples thought that the memorial wouldn't express the views of the people of the State. He said that 40 or 50 men owned all the timber lands and that they would derive all the benefit from a duty on lumber. "What we want to do," said he in a final burst of oratory, "is to put duty on necessities and let luxuries be free. We want—"

But the Senators and spectators who filled the chamber commenced to laugh uproariously and Sen. Staples sat down in high dudgeon. Later someone explained to him that he had inadvertently twisted things and with the quiet dignity for which he is noted he asked that the record be corrected. "I of course meant to say that we should have a duty on luxuries and let necessities be free," he explained. The correction was made with more laughter and the debate continued.

Opposed Memorial. Senator Warren spoke in opposition to the memorial, and although he is largely interested in the manufacture of paper, he came out flat footed for free trade. The duties on pulp and paper also ought to be largely reduced, he thought. There is none too much lumber in Maine, he said, and as raw material, it ought to be admitted without duty. He declared the new tariff bill to be admirable on the whole and seconded the Staples motion for indefinite postponement of the memorial.

Prices of Lumber. Senator Reynolds said he should feel badly to see Maine go on record as favoring free lumber. Pine is no higher, he said, than 30 years ago. Spruce and hemlock are but little higher. Canadian lumber can be shipped into the state at present, in one of the native product. He said that 31 years ago he was in the lumber business and got \$13 per m. for pine. The price today was only \$13.50. Senator Eaton declared that spruce was but very little higher today than in '72 and '73. The vote was then called for and the motion for indefinite postponement was lost, 8 to 18.

Will Be Removed. Prescott, Ont., Mar. 29.—The fulminate of mercury plant operated here by F. K. Brewster, New York, will be removed to Prompton Park, N. J., as a result of the proposed United States tariff changes. The plant is an extensive one, and its removal means a big loss to Prescott, as it gave employment to a large number of men each spring and fall when other work was scarce.



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CANADIAN PRODUCE QUOTATIONS

Toronto, Mar. 29.—Grains dull, but prices held firm as dealers appeared to be holding for higher quotations. Ontario Wheat No. 2 white and red \$1.05 to \$1.06; No. 2 mixed \$1.05 to \$1.06 outside. Manitoba wheat No. 1 northern \$1.20 to \$1.21. No. 2 northern \$1.17 to \$1.18, on track lake ports. All rail No. 1 northern nominal at \$1.26 to \$1.26 1-2. No. 2 northern \$1.22 to \$1.23 1-2 delivered at Ontario points.

Montreal, Mar. 29.—Receipts of eggs today were 271 cases. For the week 2851, compared with 1954 for the previous week and 456 for the corresponding week last year. The arrivals by freight since May 14 were 215,121 cases as against 190,926 for the same period a year ago. The market is steady at the decline as a result of the Easter demand and prices are quoted at 20-12 to 21c. per dozen.

Millfeed is firm under a good demand and small supplies. Manitoba bran \$22 to \$23, do shorts \$24 to \$25. Ontario bran \$23 to \$24, do shorts \$24.50 to \$25, do middlings \$25 to \$25.50, pure grain mouille \$33 to \$35 mixed mouille \$28 to \$30. The improved foreign demand was the feature of the flour market today and as the prices bid were higher than those offering on the domestic market, some fair sales were recorded. Trade is still quiet on local and country account.

Manitoba spring wheat patents firsts \$5.50 to \$5 do seconds \$5.30 to \$5.50, do strong bakers \$5.10 to \$5.30. Winter wheat patents \$5.40 to \$5.50. Straight rollers, \$5 to \$5.10, do in bags \$2.35 to \$2.45. Extra in bags \$1.90 to \$2.05.

Oats—Firm, but the volume of business passing is not heavy. Canadian western No. 2, 51 to 51 1-2; extra No. 1 feed 50 1-2 to 51c. No. 1 feed 50 to 50 1-2c. Ontario No. 2, 50 to 50 1-2c. No. 3, 49 to 49 1-2c, do No. 4 48 to 48 1-2c.

Badminton Club's Officers.

At the Badminton Club's rooms on Fort Howe, Saturday evening, the season was brought to a pleasant close with the presentation of the prizes to their winners. Col. G. Ross White, D. O. C., handed them to the owners. The mixed doubles championship, carrying with it a cup and a photo frame, went to Mr. J. G. Harrison and Mrs. George Jones.

Mr. F. W. Fraser captured a beer mug in the consolation round of mixed doubles, and his partner, Mrs. W. E. Foster was presented with a photo frame. Mrs. H. C. Schofield and Miss Katie Hazen won the ladies' doubles prizes, two photo frames.

Charlie Digs the well known retailer of smallwares was the cause of a miniature riot on Church street, Saturday afternoon. A small crowd of newsboys, who were waiting for the evening papers assembled, and gave Charlie an ovation. The noise attracted a curious crowd of grown-ups who gathered at the lower end of the street. A few well-directed snowballs induced them to move on.

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