

Cricket

Note and Comment

They will continue to curl for fun according to the resolution adopted at the annual meeting of the Queen City Club last night. The executive of the O.C.C. asked affiliated organizations to go on record concerning the practice that is prevalent in the curling world, especially at bonapetes, and the men of the bonnet up decided that playing for prizes is highly commendable.

Red Walker leaves his comfortable quarters in Beach-avenue to-day for far off California, where the winter racing season at Los Angeles on Nov. 15. He takes eight good horses, including St. Edward, Responsible, Apolozie, Belle of Kingston, Stanley Fay, Chepotuc and his two-year-old winner.

St. Louis spring writers are going on record with explanations and charts concerning Lajoie's alleged base hits on Sabath last, the none of them elaborate on Corridon's theory of standing back on the grass for eight straight bunts. However the record says so, the umpire says so and Lajoie himself declares he was robbed of a ninth base that the taller counted as a sacrifice. Thus there would be little left but to accept the explanation were it not that the general baseball public is genuinely dubious about the honesty of the performance.

Fred Clark, manager and captain of the Pittsburgh Pirates, the team that defeated Detroit in the world's series a year ago, was interviewed on the outcome of the approaching conflict between the Chicago Cubs and Philadelphia Athletics. He said:

"The Pittsburgh team, in my opinion, if they were playing the Cubs this series would stand a better chance of winning than the Athletics. Each time we play them we think we discover something new in their method and style of play. We invent means or try to forestall and prevent the success of the tricks they use. We anticipate, and I must say we are busy all the time. They undoubtedly try to do the same thing to us and other clubs, but the difference is that the Cubs are often right than we have been in anticipating our intentions and keep them guessing as to their moves often than they do with ours. Their actions, manners and plays have a tendency to confuse and mystify an opposing manager. Keep them constantly on the alert and anxious state, while their own brilliant dash, execution and abandon on top of the men, going after the most reckless daring, is the keynote of their success."

Clark claims a team that knows their style from long experience against them has the better chance, and that the Cubs rely to do an opposing team into a knot if they are unused to that system of play. Fred claims then to the fighter who always on top of the man, going after him all the time, never allowing him to get set, continually feinting, and who, at the proper time, is there with the necessary and telling wallop.

The racing track the Grand Circuit this year was characterized by the highest uniform speed rate ever recorded for that great series of harness racing meetings. Every one of the nine meetings in the big chain had a time average below 2.10. The following table shows the average for both the trotters and the pacers, and the complete average for both:

	Trotters	Pacers	Grand
Kalamazoo	2:05.26	2:07.46	2:06.43
Detroit	2:05.20	2:07.42	2:06.31
Cleveland	2:05.22	2:07.40	2:06.31
Buffalo	2:05.26	2:07.38	2:06.32
New York	2:05.27	2:07.32	2:06.30
Indianapolis	2:05.28	2:07.35	2:06.32
Harford	2:05.28	2:07.35	2:06.32
Syracuse	2:05.28	2:07.35	2:06.32
Columbus (2 wks)	2:05.29	2:07.36	2:06.33

The old-time favorite of harness racing who can remember when Goldsmith Maid was the world's champion trotter, with a record of 2:11, and when Smuggler held the stallion championship, with a record of 2:15, will appreciate the meaning of these figures, and realize the great advance made in harness speed in more than 40 years. The younger generation of horsemen, who look upon any trotter or pacer slower than 2:10 as too ordinary to pay much attention to.

A.A.U. at New Orleans.

NEW ORLEANS, Oct. 13.—The annual meeting of the national amateur athletic union here Friday and Saturday, the first held in the Southern States, were taken up to-day. There are 120 men entered.

Early to-day numerous representatives of athletic organizations from nearly every section of the country began to arrive. The delegations had been previously arrived.

Altho heavy rains have for several days interfered with the work on the track, it is believed it will be in good condition to-morrow.

A Rost for Hamilton.

The Tiger Trotting Club, which lasted for 30 minutes. Since the game on Saturday the team has been out for a brief half hour, and the work indulged in during that short spell was no light that fan who was at the cricket grounds last evening, dubbed it "shadowy Rugby," like it to the shadowy cricketing scene by the boxers. The Tigers have some hard game ahead of them, and a 20-minute workout in three days will hardly carry them thru, despite the yell by some of the supporters that "it's the best team ever."

The Tigers must get down to real work without delay. Surely Saturday's lesson should prove enough? Why wait until defeat is encountered to enforce the fact that the team is not at the cricket field should be conducted with the same seriousness and vigor as the team would be experienced in a game? It's time the players and the management got down to business—Hamilton Spectator.

If the Montreal backs are as sure in Ottawa as they were against the Argos last Saturday, they will turn out to be champions on Saturday. They made only one bad fumble against the Argonauts.

Art. Brophy was the whole works on the Grandstand team last year. It looks as if he is to be an important piece of the Montreal mechanism this season.

Hotel Kraumann, ladies and gentlemen. German grill open till 12 p.m. Music.

Metropolitan Racing Association

7 RACES DAILY

Rain or Shine

DUFFERIN PARK

45TH HIGHLANDERS BAY IN ATTENDANCE

Admission 50c. First Race 2.30 p.m.

Baseball

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The standing in detail of the clubs in A division is as follows:

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Pts.
McGill	12	9	1	2	22
Lachine	12	9	1	2	22
Westmount	12	9	1	2	22
Verdun	12	9	1	2	22
Valleyfield	12	9	1	2	22
Montreal	12	9	1	2	22

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Yorks Society	12	6	2	4	18
Lachine II	12	6	2	4	18
Westmont II	12	6	2	4	18
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