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## NOTE AND COMMENT

It's pretty nearly even money and take your choice for tonight's Madison-square indoor Marathon. While there has been a conflict of reports about Longboat's fitness, the latest information brings hope from the Longboat camp. The race will start about 8.30, and taking about three hours to run, it will be well on its way to the finish line before the result is known in Toronto.

The Rochester Club, says The Democrat and Chronicle, has delivered its ultimatum, and its final judgment does not vary from the one delivered to the Canadians a short time ago, namely, that it agreed to submit the eligibility of the yacht Seneca to race for the Canada's trophy to the Yacht Racing Union, but it did not intend to bring the deed of gift, which was drawn up by donors of the cup in 1887, into the question at all. The proposition of the Royal Canadian Club's representatives to have the matter placed in the hands of an impartial tribunal was turned down, the reason given being that it would not only establish a precedent, but might also lead to further complications.

In discussing the Rochester Club's position, Secretary Clute Nason said: "The local yachtsmen feel that they have yielded one point, that of putting the whole thing up to the Yacht Racing Union, and they do not intend to yield another."

There is talk of some amateur association handing over their trophies to the winners in a prompt manner, and often not at all. Now, in the very year they won their tokens, the Toronto Lacrosse Club players are receiving theirs—an even dozen gold medals, 18 karate fin, suitably engraved, and with a name on each. The prizes were won at the Quebec territorial celebration, Aug. 24, when the Torontoes walked the Quebec.

The paring of Lou Criger and Cy Young by the sale of the former to the St. Louis Browns reminds us of the story of the old slave days. Old Cy Young was pathetic and downcast over the modern baseball club's method of disposing of its chattels when the sale of Criger was reported to him. The veteran of twenty years' hard service has never taken any reverse more to heart. Asked for his opinion regarding the effect the trade would have on the Boston team, he said: "In Criger St. Louis will get one of the greatest catchers that ever donned a mask. I've pitched to him for years, and he seems a part of me, and I am positive more than I. So confident am I of his judgment that I never shake my head. It means that I will be able to learn a great deal about the batsmen, features to which I had heretofore paid no attention. I have the head-put for me, but I feel equal to the occasion."

Criger, too, like the slave going to the factotum state, was in sorrowful mood. "I never dreamed of such a thing," he said. "I had it all fixed up with Taylor (owner) when I left Boston that I wasn't to be sold or traded to any other team. They have done it without my consent, and I will be some fun. I would rather stay in Boston than return to St. Louis on account of the better climate. It is not so hot, and I can do better work. Then, again, I would not like to leave my old team-mate, Cy Young, with whom I have played so many years."

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There was not much more to find out. The man was fit and he had just covered ten miles in good time. The only possible chance of defeat was in his inability to go twenty miles. But that hardly seems probable, when we remember Longboat's Marathon of 1907 up and down hill, over a course swept by a nasty head wind, accompanied by a blizzard of snow. His time of 2.24.20 4.5 shows that he could have gone twenty-five miles under such adverse circumstances in about 2.32.00, feeling minutes faster than Dorando's indoor performance.

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## Marathon Runners Fit and Ready Both Talk to the World Expert

Marvelous Trial Made by the Indian—Italian Has Trained Carefully on Wine—To-night's Race in Madison Square Garden—Betting is 9 to 10

(By World Staff Representative.)

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—(Special.)—Canadian money has made Longboat the favorite for to-morrow's Marathon, over Dorando, the conqueror of Johnny Hayes. Tons of British money has flooded the city and has forced the odds from even to 9 to 10. A more systematic placing of the Canadian money would have netted a greater profit, for, notwithstanding his two recent defeats, The World representative finds an abundance of Canadian money in New York. Most of the betting here emanates from the Italians, who pin their faith to their countryman. The betting is principally a matter of patriotic sentiment.

Those who believe the rumors that Tom Longboat, the famous Indian distance runner, has gone back to hitting the high places, or is not to-day as good as he was in 1907, when he covered 25 miles, thru sleet and snow, to revise their views on the subject, and do it in a hurry.

I confess to this opinion and I went up to Jerome to watch him take his final plunge over the frozen road. What impressed me most when I saw him make the change in his style of running, the stride that reminded me of the runner of Alex. Grant, another immortal Canadian.

Now he travels low on his feet, heels down, with a shuffling motion as unlike a runner's as a trotter's, and there is no footed, last spring, and there is no doubt that Longboat now has his ideal gait. I didn't succeed in talking first to Longboat, for he was in running togs and would not stir. But Tom Flanagan, his manager, was willing to talk about his protégé.

Flanagan's answer to "Well, your man is moving on ball bearings," I said by way of opening the conversation. "Journalist," he asked, countering. "Amateur athlete," I corrected. "Yes," he then acquiesced. "Tom is moving nicely. He is as fit as a Derby runner."

"Been doing much work?"

"Ten miles twice a day."

"All roadwork?"

"No, indeed, road and track. He is trying out every track in the neighborhood, every day, to get his feet used to the head-put for a few days."

"Has he made any?"

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your lungs so clogged up that it hurts to breathe." "Do you think the time will be faster in the coming event?" I asked. "It ought to," broke in Uliapan. "I have been running Dorando faster than usual. You know I always pace him myself in training, and he is able to take a couple of minutes off his former record if he keeps his head and goes as I have taught him. But he has no brains when it comes to cutting out—peace and you can see by looking at the times employed to cover the individual miles against Hayes, how well he can do. But he ought undoubtedly to break his record."

Train on Wine. "Is it true that wine is the principal thing you Italians train on?" I asked, remembering certain statements in the papers to that effect.

"As much as you Americans train on food," he replied rather scornfully.

The climate in Southern Italy does not permit of the using of much meat, and our foodstuffs are bread, eggs, vegetables, fruit, fowl and only occasional mutton and lamb. Instead of these we drink about one pint of wine daily, while cold water retards it, and it is an assured fact that good wine enriches the blood and makes one strong, snappy and enduring."

"How much work do you do in training?" I said, turning to Dorando.

"I elder held out his hand to me to cut the interview."

"Come and see him win," he said, stripping my hand and doffing his hat in true Latin manner. "I will be there."

"We must get out before this north wind gets too strong; we of Capri used to it, or fond of it. Br-r-r, but it's cold."

MacFarland, winner of the six-day bike race, will, at 9 p.m., fire the starting gun.

## Canadian Curlers For the Big Bonspiel Jan. 11-16 at St. Paul

ST. PAUL, Minn., Dec. 14.—Sixty curling clubs from the Western United States and Canada will compete in St. Paul Jan. 11-16 for an unusually attractive list of trophies, medals and prizes, using twelve covered sheets of ice, lighted by night by powerful electric lamps. Between fifteen and twenty Canadian rinkmen will be in attendance as guests of the Americans, and it is expected that Butte, Detroit, Milwaukee and Chicago will have strong representation in the event. There will be live club and active correspondence in the far western sportsmen who have not in former years appeared in the events of the Northwestern Association. Chicago has a strong team of stalwart Scots, Detroit has several excellent rinks, and Milwaukee has been active in the sport and the days when Col. Pfister used to provide the principal trophies to be contested for are as follows:

St. Paul Trophy and sixteen individual prizes given by the Nushka and individual City clubs; Duluth Curling Club Trophy and individual prizes from that club; Minneapolis Merchants' Trophy and individual prizes from the Minneapolis Curling Club; the Scott's Trophy, furnished by Canadian clubs, and to be contested for by the Americans only, with individual prizes furnished by the Canadian clubs; the International Trophy, going to the winners in a contest between five picked Canadian rinks playing against five picked American rinks.

Among the Canadian clubs which have already indicated that they will be represented are: Saskatoon, Regina, Deloraine, Southampton, Toronto, and the Braden, Rochon and Carson clubs of Winnipeg. It is expected that Milwaukee will send the famous Vail rink, and the celebrated Macaulay rink from Detroit is expected.

Hockey Goals. Lethbridge has organized a hockey club with a Manitoba league, with Macleod, Pincher Creek and Colesburg. The Methodist Young Men's Association wish to announce that all clubs intending to play hockey this season must have their entry by Thursday, Dec. 17, Mail entry to Secretary Thornton Graham, 280 Major-street. Entries have been received from Trinity, Bathurst, Westminster, Sherbourne, Woodgreen and Wesley. Brantford pps. have signed Povey and Tommy Smith of the Pittsburgh League.

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## MARATHON TIMES COMPARED.

Athens '06, 26 miles—W. Sherring.....	2.51.53 3-5
Hamilton '04, 19 miles—S. Mellor.....	1.48.43
Boston '07, 25 miles—T. Longboat.....	2.24.20 2-5
Toronto '07, 20 miles—J. J. Hayes.....	1.41.40
London '08, 26 miles—J. J. Hayes.....	2.54.36
New York '08, 26 miles—D. Pietri.....	2.44.20 2-5

The Athens race was 176 yards over the 26 miles, and at London and New York 385 yards.

## FROM FOUL LINE TO HEAD PIN

Records were broke in tournament at Cuts last night. Eddie Sutherland put in a 94 score in the individual, while in the doubles Andy Sutherland and Bert Neil beat the high mark of 1133 set by Capps and Sutherland earlier in the evening by putting the pins for 122. In the men team Cuts rolled 260 and Royals B 284, they being one, two in the R. Sutherland, 202 168 227 163 182 107.

Doubles—

Bert Neil..... 224 213 201.....

F. Johnston..... 185 184 228 1213.....

S. Root..... 181 187 188.....

J. Jennings..... 163 180 186 1093.....

G. Capps..... 172 184 188.....

E. Sutherland..... 183 240 195 1133.....

R. York..... 202 168 227 163 182 107.....

G. Doran..... 190 164 182 1047.....

Individual—

E. Sutherland..... 242 181 601.....

G. Capps..... 188 177 181 661.....

A. Sutherland..... 176 154 134 468.....

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Class C, City League.

Four games were played in the Class C, City League, last night. Royal Glants winning two from Bruins, and Royals B two from Bruins, and Royals B two from Bruins.

On Royal Royals—

Royal Glants..... 153 182 188 204.....

Ward..... 180 158 202 520.....

Pettie..... 130 202 347 479.....

Howard..... 147 148 181 481.....

Totals..... 756 819 887 2442.....

Bird Bros..... 1..... 2 T.I.

J. Marceau..... 128 134 131 393.....

J. Bolton..... 171 158 135 464.....

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## Toronto City Hockey League Draw Up Their Schedules

Season Opens on January 4—Many Teams Are Entered in the Different Series—The Games.

The Toronto City Hockey League met last night at the Boy's Club, Central Y. M. C. A., when the schedule for the different series was drawn up.

North Toronto are omitted from the intermediate series, as neither the western nor eastern section could agree upon who would take them in. The schedule in the eastern section of the juvenile series shows I.C.B.U. games at home without any dates, as the league did not know their night while the western section was mislaid. The schedule:

Intermediate Series.

Jan. 6—Woodgreen at Norway, St. Paul at Riverdale at St. Paul.

Jan. 12—Riverdale at Woodgreen.

Jan. 18—Woodgreen at St. Paul, Norway at Riverdale.

Jan. 24—Riverdale at Woodgreen.

Jan. 30—Woodgreen at Riverdale.

Feb. 6—Norway at St. Paul.

Feb. 12—St. Paul at Woodgreen.

Feb. 18—Riverdale at Norway.

Feb. 24—Woodgreen at Norway, Kinkworth, Riverdale, North Riverdale.

Jan. 6—Lambton at West Toronto R.C.

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