

News and Gossip From the World of Indoor and Outdoor Sports

Schedule of East End League Calls For a Double Season

The East End Baseball League season this year will be divided into two series, a la city league. Twenty games will be played in each series, and the winner of the first series will meet the winner of the second for the championship. The schedule as adopted is as follows:

The Schedule.

April 25—Rambler vs Stars; Anchors vs. Oriens.
May 2—Somerville vs Rambler; Stars vs. Anchors.
May 9—Oriens vs Somerville; Rambler vs. Stars.
May 16—Anchors vs. Oriens; Somerville vs. Rambler.
May 23—Stars vs. Anchors; Oriens vs. Somerville.
May 30—Rambler vs. Stars; Anchors vs. Oriens.
June 6—Oriens vs. Somerville; Rambler vs. Stars.
June 13—Anchors vs. Oriens; Somerville vs. Rambler.
June 20—Stars vs. Anchors; Oriens vs. Somerville.
June 27—Rambler vs. Stars; Anchors vs. Oriens.
July 4—Oriens vs. Somerville; Rambler vs. Stars.
July 11—Anchors vs. Oriens; Somerville vs. Rambler.
July 18—Stars vs. Anchors; Oriens vs. Somerville.
July 25—Rambler vs. Stars; Anchors vs. Oriens.
Aug. 1—Somerville vs. Rambler; Stars vs. Anchors.
Aug. 8—Anchors vs. Oriens; Somerville vs. Rambler.
Aug. 15—Stars vs. Anchors; Oriens vs. Somerville.

CURRENT SPORTING GOSSIP

BY SOUTHPAW

I care not for the halls where art is spread before the eye;
I care not for the mummies smart, with mimic laugh or sigh.
I care not for the statesman's speech, nor for the poet's scrawl;
I want to hear the bleachers screech when some one says, "Play ball!"

The sacrifice a statesman makes—To be most frank and blunt—in my small interest awakes.
I want to see a hunt.
The fearless motorist and bold.
Sets not for me the pace,
I'm simply yearning to behold
A slide to second base.

IT BEGINS TO LOOK NOW as though the East End Baseball League fans would have to stand up again this year if they would see the games at Queen's Park. For a time there seemed to be an excellent prospect of a stand being erected on the ball-ground; now the chances look rather slim. The proposition to lay out a field in the center of the track is ridiculous. With three representatives in the city council, it would seem that the East End should receive some consideration at the hands of the city daddies.

IT IS BEING WHISPERED AROUND that the East End League is open for a trophy that is not perpetual. Certainly there is little glory in winning a piece of tinware and then having to give it up again the following season. The cup out east which has been competed for the last two years promises to be as perpetual as Rip Van Winkle and Uncle Tom's Cabin.

TONIGHT THE PREMIER ARTISTS of the mat, Hack and Gotch meet in the Windy City. As usual the press agent reports state that both men are highly confident of victory and in the pink of condition. Tomorrow the loser will be quoted as saying that he was suffering severely from a threatened pimple on the left ankle.

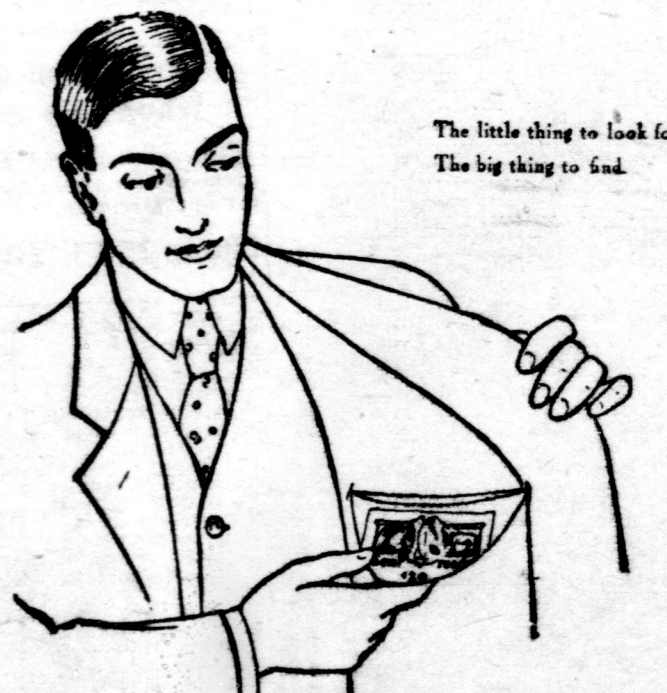
THE HAMILTON SPECTATOR DOPE ARTIST is rapidly becoming a strong rival to the Telegram in the mad race for the championship of Saragasso. His latest effort is as follows:
Up in London they apparently have the International League pennant already clinched. London puts its name in mind of a town by the name of Buffalo, which every year has the Eastern League pennant won before the season opens. London always was inclined to be cocky, but visions of a certain rugby team not many months ago, and a hockey team which had the O. H. A. Intermediate honors under their hat, leads one to believe that the hotel merchants must all hail from the western town.

JENNINGS' VOICE MAY GIVE OUT

Little Rock, April 3.—The voice of "Wee-ah" may be silenced. The greatest of baseball coaches may some day be forced to take to the bench or do his coaching in the language of the deaf and dumb. Jennings went through the season last year using his voice to urge his Tigers on to the championship. After the season was over he found that he had weakened his vocal cords by his "gingeritz" monologue.

This year he has the same cheering voice to brighten up his tired athletes, but he complains of a hoarseness at times. Some of his band are urging him to hold in his energy, more for fear he will hurt himself. But Hughie smiles and says there is no danger. "I don't yell from my throat," he says, "but from some place deeper down. If I had to sit on the bench and quit coaching, I guess I'd blow up."

Nearly 50 suffragettes who raided the British House of Commons recently were next day fined or sentenced to one month's imprisonment. All but two preferred jail.



¶ The Pocket's the Point where you must look to see the "Signet of Surety" and the price. No need to ask the salesman the price of a "Semi-ready" garment. Look for yourself.

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"PROS" BARRED BY EAST ENDERS

Only Bona Fide Amateurs Will Be Permitted to Play in East End League.

The final meeting of the East End Baseball League was held last night at the Duke of York Hotel. Forfeits were posted by each of the five teams, the schedule was adopted, and in fact everything in the matter of arrangements, with the exception of a grandstand, settled.

Professionals Barred.

One of the most important subjects up for debate was the matter of local players being tried out by the International League and then coming back to the East End League upon failing to make good in fast company. It was finally decided to leave the matter in the hands of the executive. However, it is practically understood that if a local man is tried out and fails to make good before he has signed an international contract, that he will not be barred. No professionals, though, will be permitted to perform in the East End, as many of the players there are athletes and do not want to take chances on being suspended or expelled by the C. A. A. U.

Question of Umpire.

An application from Mr. Michael O'Hagan for the position of umpire was left to the executive, as was also the question of securing a scorer to take the place of Mr. Moorhead, who has retired.

WIZARD BASKETBALLERS NOSED OUT MIDGETS.

Tailenders Prove Best in Senior Series at Y. M. C. A.

The tables at the "Y" last night were reversed, the tailenders proving best in the senior basketball contests.

In the opening game the Wizards nosed out the league leaders, the Midgets, by five points, and in the wind-up the Lofters annexed one more point than the Meds.

The Wizards will have a chance to tie for second place, while the Meds still retain an opportunity of evening up with the Midgets. Each team has one more game to play yet. Summary:

First Game.

Wizards (29) Midgets (24)
Crosby.....Forward.....Glen Henderson.....Center.....Duffield Stevens.....Defense.....Wood George.....Defender.....Brock

Second Game.

Lofters (16) Meds (15)
H. Wood.....Forwards.....Smith Michael.....Center.....Ross McBride.....Center.....Moore Butcher.....Defense.....Jepson Wickett.....Defender.....Follinsbee Referee—Brent.

LONDON DOG LOVERS IN ANNUAL MEETING

The following are the officers elected at the annual meeting of the London Canine Association last night in the Western Fair board rooms:

President—Col. McEwen.
First Vice-President—Dr. Niven.
Second Vice-President—Dr. Drake.
Secretary—Treasurer—Dr. Fred L. Wood.

Executive Committee—R. Oke, Dr. E. P. McCarroll, Capt. Smith, William McNeill, Dr. Rossbury, T. Biggs, A. Blackburn, A. Saunders, H. M. Graydon, Dr. Tillmann and G. B. Gerrard.

Patrons—Hon. Sir John Carling, Hon. Senator Thomas Coffey, Hon. Adam Beck and Hon. C. S. Hyman.

Auditors—W. Saunders and O. Ruse. The statement of the secretary showed that the cash on hand amounted to over \$36, and that the year ended was a most successful one in every way. A vote of thanks was then extended to Dr. Fred L. Wood for his services as secretary during the past year.

The thanks of the association were also tendered the local press for its efforts in helping along the movement, and copies of the resolution will be forwarded to them at once.

In the future the business of the association will end on Dec. 31, and the annual meeting will be held the second week in January.

MAPLE LEAFS LOAF

Richmond, Va., April 3.—Stranded far from home amid strangers and unaccustomed surroundings, with the walking band, and the weather worse, the Toronto ball team stands on its uppers awaiting more favorable skies and a check from home. Two days and two nights of this sort of going, the players growling and grumbling at their enforced inactivity, the fat boys putting on the little weight they inveigled off at Charlottesville, and the thin ones wearing holes in the hotel seats.

There is nothing doing in the camp in a baseball way except faultering, though the pitchers are warming up, worked for an hour and half in the big horse show building this afternoon with a space 250 feet long to pound away in. The men had some useful work, but this indoor, speeding is a bad second to outdoor pitching. Besides the weather was damp and raw.

The association at Monroe, Mich., writes Secretary F. M. Peabody, is thinking of giving two \$1,000 stakes, one for 2:20 trotters and one for 2:15 pacers. The meeting will take place the week of Sept. 15, and will be characterized by a well-arranged programme, with regular class races for 2:35, 2:27, 2:24, 2:16 and 2:12 trotters; free-for-all, 2:13, 2:17, 2:20, 2:23, 2:27 and 2:35 pacers.

LATEST CANADIAN TURF NOTES

Miss K. L. Wilks, owner of Cruickston Farm, Galt, Ont., has again offered a stake of \$600 for 3-year-old trotters, bred in the Dominion, to be raced for in Preston, Ont., the week of July 7-9.

The progressive little town of Seaford, Ont., has a splendid light harness meeting booked for June 16-18. Chatham will set the bikes a-buzzing May 26-28. Then comes London, Wingham, Seaford, Listowel, Stratford and Preston.

The Eastern Ontario Trotting Association was formed at Gananoque, Ont., recently, the following officers being elected: Honorary president, Charles MacDonald; president, Mayor J. A. McCann; vice-president, W. J. Gibson; secretary, W. E. Stevens; treasurer, G. A. Lewis; executive committee, B. Shields, W. R. Acton, N. McCann, W. A. Robertson, W. Reid, W. Farland, George Genge. The circuit races will be held in Gananoque on June 2 and 3.

The good pacing horse Deveras, 2:11 3/4, by Direct, has been sold by W. R. Acton, of Gananoque, Ont., to J. J. Black, of Winchester. For a number of years this "black racer" was owned by Antoine Wendling, of Brockville, Ont., and won many important races. Antoine Wendling was a conspicuous figure at the Dominion race meetings for a long time, is now considered wealthy and a hale gentleman well met.

Brantford Ont., a splendid Canadian city, a short ride from Buffalo, is one of the progressive horse towns in the Dominion, and the old guard are all getting ready for the races. Mr. John Coulter has the crack trotter, Johnny McAdams, Jun., Electa C., and others in training, and how they can step! Mr. R. McEwen pins his faith in the good qualities of Ethel Mac and Robert Mac, two hummers right out of the shell. Mr. Philip Buck, a gentleman who loves a good race and a square meal, has three crack steppers in Abe Johnson's stable that will be hard to beat when the bell tinkles for the word "Go!"—Horse World.

American Turf.

The Hamburg Road Drivers' Association, suburban Buffalo, a new organization, has a membership of nearly one hundred. The track at the beautiful fair grounds is in fine condition already, and matinee races will soon be held weekly. Over 40 box-stalls have been engaged at Tonawanda, too (the other side of Greater Buffalo), and the bikes will commence to buzz there in a week or so.

Horsemen in Alberta, Canada, are negotiating for the crack pacing stallion Leland Onward, 2:04 1/2, raced so successfully by Thomas Murphy, of New York, last year. An equine prize package.

Whew! Kalamazoo! Twenty-three thousand dollars for stakes, closing on April 9. That's enough to make the hair curl on all of the old Goldsmith maids! And Wm. P. Engleman, the handsomest man in Michigan, is secretary.

W. W. Collier, of the Elmdale farms, Pontiac, Mich., has sold the black stallion Axtara, by Axtell, 2:12, dam Miss Kendall, by Alcantara, 2:23, to C. H. Mabey, of Tillsonburg, Ont., for \$2,000. Axtara paced a mile in 2:16 last season and will be raced this year.

EASTERN LEAGUE BASEBALL SCHEDULE

Toronto, April 3.—At the special meeting of the Eastern Baseball League in New York next Monday, arrangements will be completed for the opening of the season, the correct dates being:

Toronto at Jersey City, April 23, 24, 25.

Montreal at Baltimore, April 22, 23, 24, 25.

Buffalo at Newark, April 22, 23, 24, 25.

Rochester at Providence, April 22, 23, 24, 25.

Toronto and the Skeeters thustart a day late, on April 23, which is just three weeks from today. Toronto's opening home is on Tuesday, May 12, the first series in the west being as follows:

Jersey City at Toronto, May 12, 13, 14.

Providence at Montreal, May 11, 12, 13, 14.

Newark at Buffalo, May 11, 12, 13, 14.

Baltimore at Rochester, May 11, 12, 13, 14.

As the schedule will not be given out until next Monday, nothing can yet be said about the Saturday and holiday games, but it is understood that the Toronto are given plans in keeping with their dignity, as champions, all the clubs in the circuit being anxious to secure the best attractions.

THE TURF.

Winners Yesterday.

At Benning—Giles 11 to 5, Odur 9 to 20, Servile 5 to 1, Jubilee 1 to 4, Billy B Van 7 to 5, Berkeley 5 to 2.

At New Orleans—Plinion 5 to 2, Uneasy 4 to 1, Ben Double 12 to 1, Carthage 6 to 1, Pinkola 4 to 5, Bertha E. 15 to 1, Teo Beach 13 to 2.

At Los Angeles—John Lyle 7 to 5, Frieze even, Summer Cloud 9 to 10, Botanis 3 to 5, Sam Bernard 9 to 10, Kerry 9 to 5, Charles Green 5 to 2.

At Oakland—Frolic 11 to 5, Tom Hayward 2 to 1, Ellered 11 to 2, Sugar Maid 6 to 5, Wap 11 to 20, Cloudlight 18 to 5.

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The Toronto ball team is a cosmopolitan one. They hail from coast to coast. Sam Mertes comes from San Francisco as his home; Gettman hails from Hastings, Neb.; Grimshaw from Canajoharie, Neb.; Kelley from Minneapolis; Schaffy from Beach City, O.; Frick from Oklahoma; Jennings from Minneapolis; Phyle from Youngstown, O.; Cockman from Guelph, Ont.; Brown from Pittsburgh; Pearson from Chicago; Mitchell from near New York; the two Rudolphs are from New York; Kilroy from near Minneapolis; Connelly and Blatchford from Massachusetts, as is McGinley.

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MONTREAL LOST.

The Montreal hockey team lost \$1,400 last winter, and had a deficit of \$1,000 from the previous season. The professional ventures of the Montreal A. A. are so far from profitable that the movement to return to amateurism is likely to prevail. The original argument for running its teams on the professional basis was that with the other teams professional the M. A. A. would lose a lot of money by remaining amateur.

FREAK TRIPS.

When those "freak training trips" assay a month of healthful exercise, natural history and geography, an idea of the extent and possibilities of the country in which we are privileged to live, and seven thousand meg in actual money, the conclusion is compelling that there is method in some things.

JEFFRIES TO REFEREE

Champion Will Have Charge of Final Naval Bouts.

Magdalena Bay, April 2.—This is the first port touched by the Atlantic fleet since reaching Hampton Roads, where social duties did not weigh on the officers. Occasionally Lieut. B. A. Weaver, fleet athletic officer, takes parties ashore for practice in baseball and field events. Lieut. Weaver has decided to put on at Los Angeles the finals in the championship boxing events of the fleet.

The announcement that the big pugilistic events will be refereed by Champion James J. Jeffries has aroused the keenest interest among the sailors. The heavy-weight champion of the fleet is Altieri. Semi-finals will be finished between now and the time of arrival at Los Angeles.

The following officers have been elected by the Princess Avenue Baseball Club:

Hon. president, Mr. F. Love; hon. vice-president, Mr. Thos. Gillean; president, Dr. Bryant; vice-president, Mr. G. MacRoberts; manager, Mr. Copeland; secretary-treasurer, Mr. E. McCallum; scorers, Mr. H. Taylor and Mr. H. Granger.

The socialistic spirit must be rife in the ranks of the Detroit Tigers. Otherwise Ty Cobb would not have been hailed with so much delight by his teammates. With a bomb in his hand Ty got what he thought was coming to him. Go thou and do likewise—Chicago Tribune.

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FORT HAMILTON!

To race in Fort Hamilton—Listen to the Boston Journal: If betting is stopped in New York it is going to affect horse racing throughout the east. Buffalo will not suffer greatly, as the race meets can be shifted over to Fort Hamilton, in Canada. But Poughkeepsie, Providence, Hartford and Readville will be hit heavily, as the owners of the fast ones will refuse to send the horses to the New England circuit, where there is an absence of pools and betting. It really looks bad for horse racing during the summer months if the bill abolishing the game becomes a law in the State of New York.

BASEBALLS GO UP

Rubber Trust Advances Prices on Popular Diamond Article.

New York, April 3.—With the price of high grade baseballs advanced, and whispers in the air that another advance is contemplated by the manufacturers, young America will have reason this year to be "real sore" on the so-called rubber trust. One of the principal reasons given by the manufacturers is the advance in the price of rubber, a large percentage of which is employed in the composition of the first-class ball. The cheaper grades of balls will retail for the same prices as formerly.

MEMPHIS VS. TIGERS

Tigers Greeted by Cold Clear Weather, in Sunny Tennessee.

Memphis, Tenn., April 2.—The Tigers arrived here tonight from Little Rock to play one game if the weather will permit. The Yankigans, under charge of Schmidt

LIKES BOXING.

Presenting the trophies to the winners at a boxing tournament in a Drury Lane club about ten days ago, the Lord Chief Justice of England said he was glad to see the highly sporting manner in which the contests had been conducted. Over 40 years ago he had had a great deal to do with the Queensberry Cups, so that he considered he had some claim to know something about boxing. He was glad to see the progress the sport had made. The better men were able to defend themselves with their fists the better it was for everybody. He thought the last man to be a bully is the man who can box well. Clean, straightforward fighting, combined with perfect sportsmanlike temper, was required, and he was pleased to have seen those qualities so pronounced on this occasion.

TO GIVE THREE BALLS.

Charles Hickman, of the Naps, is an advocate of a rule to pass a batter to first on three balls instead of four. He would like to see the number of strikes and balls that count on a batter evened up. "If a batter was passed to first on three balls instead of four, the pitchers wouldn't walk any more than they do now. That's the way I look at it," says "Cheerful" Charles. "With a rule like that the pitchers wouldn't waste so many balls, and they would be compelled to get the pill over the plate. And it would cut down the use of the spitball. If a pitcher knew he was allowed only three balls he would lay off the spit-ter and get 'em over the plate. There would be more hitting that way. Cutting down the use of the spitball would make it better for the batters."

were left at Little Rock to play one game with Mickey Finn's tribe before leaving for Evansville, where they play a Sunday game.

Jennings has the regulars here with him, and Malloy and Summers for young pitchers. The rest of the cot twirlers were left with Schmidt. For tomorrow game, Jennings plans to work Donovan, Mullin and Summers. The Tigers will jump out of town immediately after the game.

Final practice at Little Rock was made impossible by the heavy rains. It is barely possible that the Yankigans will not be played, either, on Friday, because of the weather.

Rain and sleet greeted the Tigers. It is cold but clear here tonight, and a game will most likely be played.

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