

LIVE TOPICS OF SPORT AT HOME AND ABROAD

FIREMEN'S
SPORTS ARE
SUCCESSFUL

The Queens rink was crowded with spectators last night when the firemen were much engaged. The races were keenly contested and there was plenty of fun when some of the five ladies who were not used to roller skates, tumbled about on the floor of the rink. The different events were quickly run off and the night's programme was not in any way fireproof.

The following are the winners of the different events:

Boys, Under 18 Years.
Fleming, 1st; Rink, 2nd, Time, 2:10.
Firemen's Half Mile.
McBrine, 1st; Sprout, 2nd; Chisholm, 3rd, Time, 2:10.

Society Relay Race, 2 Miles.
Olive and Dixon, F. M. A., 1st; Ring and Fleet, St. Joseph's, 2nd, Time, 7 minutes.

H. and L. Race.
McBrine, 1st; Sprout, 2nd; Dalton, 3rd.

Match Race, Mile.
Alward, 1st; Olive, 2nd, Time, 4:10.

Drivers' Race.
Donohue and Lenz, tie.

Hose Race.
No. 1 hose Co., 1st; No. 3 Co., 2nd; No. 2 Co., 3rd, Time, 39 sec.

Half Mile, Open.
Alward, 1st; Dixon, 2nd.

Salvage Corps Race.
Shaw, 1st; Walker, 2nd; Donohue, 3rd.

One Mile Open.
Olive, 1st; Alward, 2nd; Nixon, 3rd, Time, 33:22.

Hose Coupling Race.
McBrine and McBrath, 1st; Walker and Lawton, 2nd; Salvage Corps team, 3rd, Time, 35 sec.

Half Mile Backward.
Emery, 1st; Alward, 2nd, Time, 2:15.

Hurdle Race.
Fleet, 1st; Bridge, 2nd.

Cover Race.
Salvage Corps No. 1, 1st.

Tug of War.
Hose Co. No. 1 defeated H. and L. Co. No. 1.

Two Mile Open.
Olive, 1st; Alward, 2nd; Ring, 3rd.

Smoking Race.
Sprout, 1st; Walker, 2nd; Lawton, 3rd.

James McBrine won the prize for winning the most points.

The five dollar gold pipe was won by ticket 2927, while a pipe was won by ticket 2273.

The prizes will be given to the winners on a date to be arranged next week.

The officials at the sports were: Carter, K. J. MacRae; Referee, H. Ervin; Judges, S. Gregory and W. Case; Timers, E. L. Jewett and Martin Dolan; Clerks of course, Geo. Barker and Harry Blake.

ROTHESAY GYM DISPLAY.

The boys of Rothesay Collegiate School will on Saturday afternoon hold a gymnastic display in the school gymnasium commencing at three o'clock. The C. P. R. train going west will stop at Rothesay for the convenience of visitors returning to the city.

MCGRAW REDUCES TEAM.

New York, N. Y., April 10.—Manager McGraw, of the New York National League baseball club, reduced his team to the 25 player limit today, by releasing infielder Milton Stook, pitcher Dave Robertson, and outfielder Jacobson to Mobile.

NEW PRESIDENT OF THE CHAMPION GIANTS WATCHING PLAYERS IN PRACTICE STUNTS.



DOYLE, MCGRAW, MATHEWSON

H. N. HEMPTHEAD WATCHING GIANTS AT PRACTICE.

SNODGRASS AND SHAFER

Of all those interested in the Giants none is more so than H. N. Hemptstead, the club's president. In the accompanying photographs he is shown standing near McGraw, intently watching the batting practice. "Larry" Doyle has just finished pounding one out and "Christy" Mathewson is waiting for his turn. Snodgrass, the "native son," is also shown. In the other picture "Jeff" Tesreau is revealed taking one of the few rests that he takes when trying to work himself into condition to do the big share expected of him in the quest of the club for a third successive National League pennant.

N. B. AND MAINE LEAGUE
SUCCESSFUL MEETING YESTERDAY

Special to The Standard.
Frederickton, April 10.—The N. B. and Maine Baseball League at its adjourned meeting here today authorized secretary D. B. Donald to make formal application to Secretary J. H. Farrell of the National Association of Professional Baseball Leagues, at Auburn, N. Y., for admission of the league to the association with class D classification.

This action was taken pursuant to correspondence which Mr. Donald had been carrying on with Secretary Farrell.

The Calais-St. Stephen joint franchise was granted to Ernest M. Doyle, of Biddeford, Me., who has been one of the successful managers of independent clubs in the western section of the State of Maine in past years.

Walter F. Mason, who has been granted the Bangor franchise, was not present at the meeting having missed the train from Bangor, but he sent a telegram authorizing Frank J. Leonard, who has reorganized the league, to represent him by proxy at the meeting.

Mr. Leonard did. Bob Ganley, who is to be the manager of the Bangor team, and a number of the local executive were the representatives of the Bangor club, while Secretary Donald looked after the St. John interests.

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Frank Chance has some good looking material to build up his machine this season. Besides the veteran twirlers he has some promising recruits in Schultz, Hoff, Keating and Green.

The club has been most favorably impressed with the work of Green. For a youngster he has shown more dived in the wool baseball sense than any of the other new men. Green is a spit-baller and a big fellow, about six feet tall and weighs 190 pounds. He came from Holyoke in the Connecticut league, where he lost 14 games and won only 9, but struck out 215 men.

GAMES POSTPONED.

Baseball postponements: (National) Chicago vs. St. Louis, no game, rain. Cincinnati vs. Pittsburgh, no game, wet grounds.

American—Cleveland vs. Chicago, no game, rain.

BOXING BILL KILLED.

St. Paul, Minn., April 10.—The senate of the Minnesota legislature today killed the Moeller bill legalizing limited boxing contests in this state.

MISS WAGNER IS TENNIS CHAMPION

The basketball match played between St. Andrew's and the St. John (Stone) Church last evening in the St. Andrew's gymnasium, resulted in a victory for the St. Andrew's team by a score of 28 to 14.

The line-up follows: Stone Church, St. Andrew's.

Forwards: Stone Church, M. White, G. Lane, E. Dykeman, R. Johnson, Centre.

Defence: E. Stokes, E. Fairweather, J. Johnson, J. McIntosh, A. Gray, G. Kuhring acted as referee.

Heroes of Peace.

It is only when a locomotive engine saves a whole train load of passengers by quick action in the face of deadly danger that we stop to think how much we owe him. There ought to be some tangible expression of gratitude to Engineer John Eastman, of the Boston-Montreal train, who, with his fireman, engine and tender, plunged forty feet through a weakened bridge into a swollen river after jamming on his emergency brake and saving the rest of his train. An action half as heroic in war time would have won him the Victoria Cross.

Miss Marie Wagner is the new holder of the women's indoor tennis championship. Miss Wagner also held the title last year.

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SPORTOGRAPHY
BY
"GRAVY"

John Farrell, Big Chief of the Minor Leagues.

Since the first of the month three of the big minor leagues have opened their regular seasons and before another month has passed the smaller circuits all over the United States and Canada will be engaged in pennant races. All of these organizations are banded together in an association, and the leader, director and one of the founders of this far-reaching body is John H. Farrell, to whom more than any other person the present prosperity of minor league ball is due. Mr. Farrell is nearing the half-century mark in age, and was born in Auburn, N. Y., where he still maintains his headquarters. As a young man he was a player of more than usual ability, usually covering third base, but he never attempted to break into the professional ranks. It was while engaged in newspaper work that he was first attracted to the possibilities of minor league baseball. He fathered the New York State League, with an original circuit of small towns in the vicinity of Auburn, and as its president built up the present flourishing circuit, which includes eight of the larger cities of New York and Pennsylvania. It was about a dozen years ago that he broached the scheme of organizing the National Association of Professional Baseball Leagues. The first season was attended by representatives of the New England, Eastern, Pacific Northwest, New York State and Texas leagues. Mr. Farrell was chosen president, a job he has held ever since. With the opening of the 1902 season the national association's membership included, besides the leagues originally represented, the Pacific Western, Western, Southern and Connecticut leagues and the Western Association. During the last few years the average membership has been about fifty leagues. Mr. Farrell is paid a salary of \$5,000 a year. In addition to his other duties, Mr. Farrell is chief justice of the Supreme Court of minor league baseball, and in that capacity decides all controversies between the minors, except when major leagues are interested in the outcome of the dispute.

AMERICAN
LEAGUE
GAMES

WASHINGTON, 2; NEW YORK, 1.

Washington, April 10.—President Wilson fought about the tariff and matters of state for more than two hours today and watched Washington defeat the New York team in the American League by a score of 2 to 1 in the opening baseball game of the season here. He tossed the first ball from the grandstand, according to custom.

Vice-President Marshall, members of the cabinet, senators, representatives and a great number of official folk were there—a notable part of a crowd that filled the park. The weather was raw and the skies cloudy. Mr. Wilson has always been a baseball fan, being a frequent visitor at the college games at Princeton, and himself a player in his youth. Charles Starratt, who played first base for Princeton three years ago, McConnell of New York, was hit less frequently than Johnson, but the latter had the better support. Score: Washington, 2; New York, 1.

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