

Sporting World.

Capron of Canada Leads in the
Billiard Contest.

William Daily Loses on Account of Foul
Fighting.

THE WHEEL.
Stearns' "Yellow Fellow" was well represented at the recent six days races at Madison Square Gardens, New York city. The list of Stearns' riders was as follows: Six day riders, Major Taylor, Peter Golden, Albert Kosmer, Geo. Van Emberg, F. Asher, E. C. Moore, J. A. Glitch and Red Reading. Professional short distance, Charles M. Murphy and Teddy Goodman. Amateurs, Arthur S. Lee, J. W. Jones, C. S. Henshaw, A. T. Jenkin, W. A. Brown, Wm. Harbeau, Chas. Hadfield, Babcock and Tomlinson. It was generally conceded by all the fast track and road riders present that the Stearns is the easiest running wheel manufactured.

OUT A WORLD'S RECORD.
Denver, Col., Dec. 30.—A. L. Hatchberger, brother of the well-known professional cyclist, yesterday made the world's road record for 200 miles, riding it in 14 hours and 2 minutes.

PEDESTRIANISM.
THE COLORED MAN AHEAD.
St. Louis, Mo., Dec. 30.—Frank Hart, the negro pedestrian, led all the six day men at the Natatorium in the first day's trip. Hart has 57 miles and 9 laps to his credit. John Ody, the Englishman, is a close second, and Gus Guerrero, the Mexican, third. Wm. Hoagland, of Auburn, N. Y., fourth. The others walkers are strung out. The affair is a six day heel-and-toe walking match. Twelve men started.

THE CANADIAN LEADS.
Chicago, Dec. 30.—In the afternoon game for the Benninger-Siler tournament, Matthews (260) defeated Hatley (260) by a score of 300 to 118. Averages: Matthews, 11 3-27; Hatley, 4 11-27. High runs: Matthews, 54 1-3; Hatley, 21.

In the evening game Capron (260) and Sutton (260) were the contestants. Capron won by a score of 260 to 135. Averages: Capron, 6 32-38; Sutton, 5 3-37. High runs: Capron, 41; Sutton, 28.

PLAYERS.
W. L. H. R. A. V.
Capron (260) 6 1 74 15
Sutton (260) 5 3 121 17
Hatley (260) 4 3 81 13
Sutton (260) 4 3 81 13
Gallagher (400) 4 4 134 15
Thatcher (260) 3 3 87 15
Matthews (260) 5 3 87 15
Perkins (260) 3 5 74 9
Harrison (260) 1 1 48 8

Joe Capron (260) defeated William Hatley (260) by six points on Saturday afternoon in the Chicago handicap billiard tournament, after one of the most desperate contests of the series. The score was 260 to 294, and it took 55 minutes.

Curiously enough, George Sutton (260) defeated Frank Maggioni (260) in the evening game by exactly the same number of points that Capron won with.

DIAMOND GOSSIP.
Frank Selee believes that Boston and Washington, year in and year out, are the best patrons of the game. Buck Ewing says the pennant next year will go between Baltimore, Cincinnati, Cleveland, Boston and New York.

Ed Deleahanty's desire to play ball under Pat Tebeau will never be realized. It is doubtful if he would outplay Deleahanty from Philadelphia. Old Jim Mutrie, the best manager of the hurrah and circus, says that baseball has ever seen, and emerge from retirement next season and hustle for a berth in a minor league.

Connie Mack, Charley Comiskey, Jimmy Manning, Richard Glenavlin and Walter Wilmet make a quintet of former major league players, who became magnets in the Western League.

James Ryan says it's a base fabrication that he is trying to get away from the Chicago club. He says he will stay there as long as Anson will keep him.

The Louisville club claims to have spent \$18,000 in salaries, and \$3,000 for new players last season.

Joe Quinn, the hardy little second baseman who was let out by Chris Von der Ahe in the middle of the season, and who was immediately snapped up by Ned Hanlon, will in all probability guard second for the Colonels.

FLY.
The supervisor of umpires should not be a firebrand or a back number.

The Pittsburgh club has already leased the Mobile grounds for its spring training in April.

Dexter, of the Louisville, is a member of the reportorial force of the Louisville Courier-Journal.

Brodie has accepted the terms of the Pittsburgh club, but Donnelly still holds out for more money.

The Springfield club of 1897 will have a strong representation of New England League material.

Pittsburg has its eye on Goeckel, the ex-Pennsylvania player, who was with Wilkes-Barre last season.

The time for the drafting of minor league players by the big league expires on Thursday evening next.

Pitcher Frank Dwyer will coach the University of Virginia boys for next season. An excellent choice, surely.

Herbauer, of Pittsburg, for McFar-

land, of St. Louis, is one of the possible deals before next season opens.

Anson insists that the abolition of the trapped ball put a penalty on skill, and would like to see the play resumed.

O. P. Caylor, the able baseball writer of the New York Herald, has been taken to the hospital at Thomasville, Ga. Sullivan will probably again be found in Texas next year, as he is considering an offer to manage the San Antonio club.

Sam Wise speaks in the highest terms of Boston's new outfielder, Stahl, and prophesies that he will have a regular place on the team.

The backers of the Portsmouth club of the Virginia League have thrown up the sponge, and declared that they are out of baseball for good.

THE TURF.
TIPS.
Ideal Park has issued a list of its stake events for the season of 1897. The aggregate value of the 12 stakes is \$26,500. Individual values range from \$5,000 in the Ideal Park handicap to \$1,000 in several other events. The meeting will begin in May, nominations for the events closing March 1.

The French Jockey Club has given the ground and a sum of \$30,000 for the purpose of building a hospital for jockeys. A further grant of \$20,000 will be made from the profits of the mutual betting machines. There is a fund for disabled jockeys in this country, but the jockeys have looked in vain for it.

In 1892 12,707 American horses were exported to Great Britain, and in 1894 the figures rose to 22,865. In 1895 it was 23,000, while for the first nine months of this year it totals up to 36,542, so that it is safe to say that when the year's statistics are footed up, close upon 40,000 will have been exported. These horses have been shipped principally from New York, Montreal, Philadelphia and Baltimore.

ATHLETICS.
FOUL FIGHTING.
Dartmouth, Conn., Dec. 30.—Music Hall was well filled last night to witness a fight that was scheduled for 15 rounds, to take place between Johnny Ryan, of Lowell, and Wm. Daily, of Boston. In the middle of the fourth round the referee threatened to give the decision to Ryan, because of Daily's foul. In the fifth Daily continued his foul fighting, and the decision was given to Ryan. As a certain-ty, John Regan, of Lowell, and Patsy Haley, of Buffalo, fought three rounds. The referee decided it a draw.

HOCKEY.
AN INTERNATIONAL MATCH.
New York, Dec. 30.—The St. Nicholas hockey team, consisting of Malcolm Macce, W. A. Larned, J. W. Callender, Thomas Barrow, H. W. Sloum, R. D. Wrenn, and Erskine Hewitt, will leave New York on Thursday night for Toronto. They will play an all-Toronto team on Friday evening at 8 o'clock, and on Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock they meet the combined banks team.

MUNICIPAL NOMINATIONS.
Alisa Craig.—The nomination of reeve and councilors passed off very quietly. All the members of the council are in by acclamation: Reeve, R. J. Robinson; councilors, John H. MacArthur, Thomas Stephenson and John H. McKay.

Bracebridge.—Mayor, S. Brown, S. H. Armstrong.
Bowmanville.—R. R. Loscombe is elected mayor for the coming year. Councilors: Mayor, J. D. Hayden and H. G. Harley.

Carlton Place.—Mayor, A. H. Edwards.
Embro-Reeve, John McLeod, John W. Gordon, D. R. Ross, G. M. Creighton, councilors: R. Duncan, James M. Munroe, S. Hodgkinson, J. W. Duncan, Jas. Bowles, John Douglas, Geo. Royall, Dr. Adams, Andrew Bain, Ferguson-Reeve, Charles C. Groves (acclamation).

Gravenhurst.—Mayor, J. J. McNeill.
Gananoque.—Mayor, C. E. Britton and W. W. Carroll.

Harrisonville.—Mayor, R. G. Lambert and J. L. Eddy.
Milverton-Reeve, Messrs. W. Appleton and George Goodall; councilors, Messrs. Wedderhold, Spencer, Schaffer, Couss, Schmenker.

Travlersville.—Mayor, Charles C. Cole (acclamation).
Orangeville.—Mayor, Thos. Stevenson, Henry Endacott, Elgin Myers, J. Lindsay, Harry Gillespie and Dr. Lewis.

Perry Sound.—Mayor, J. W. Fitzgerald (acclamation).
Port Hope.—Mayor, J. M. Rosevear and J. W. Quinlan.

St. Catharines.—Mayor, Alex. Taylor, Samuel C. Nicholas; councilors, Clarence Cromwell, Geo. Thorne, Alexander C. Brown, W. C. Mackay, Chas. Goodhue, James Ferguson, Benj. Hough, John Newman.

TELEGRAPHIC BREVITIES.
The Ontario Government has decided to investigate the Sudbury coal fields again, this time using the diamond drill, this time using the diamond drill.

Robert A. Gardner, division foreman of construction of the Michigan Central Railway, shot and killed himself at Detroit Monday morning.

Ex-Queen Liloukalan, who has about decided to remain in and about Boston for a month, has taken up her temporary home in Brooklyn.

The Weekly Publishing Company, Toronto, has assigned to Mr. A. McLachlan, The independent Justice Department is about \$3,000, and the nominal assets are said to be about the same.

Scores of children and many adults in Toronto are victims just now of a peculiar disease that resembles a mild sort of smallpox. The victims break out in eruptions, which have the appearance of vaccination sores, and these are accompanied by colds and slight fever. The disease is "cow-pox."

FIRE BUG'S SENTENCE.
New York, Dec. 30.—Justice Furman, in the criminal branch of the Supreme Court, sentenced Isaac Zucker, who was convicted of arson in the first degree, to 36 years imprisonment.

A TORONTO WOMAN'S FATAL FALL.
Toronto, Dec. 30.—Christina Wasson, wife of Thomas Wasson, Ontario Medical College detective, fell down the elevator shaft in the Ontario Medical Council building last evening, falling from the third floor to the basement. She was picked up unconscious, and was found to have sustained a fracture of the base of the skull. A doctor who had been conversing with Mrs. Wasson a minute before she fell was at hand and rendered what help was possible, but the unfortunate woman died in three hours without recovering consciousness. The deceased woman was about 60 years of age, and leaves a grown-up family. She came from Halifax.

FATAL ACCIDENT AT THAMESFORD.
Thamesford, Ont., Dec. 30.—A fatal accident happened here last night. Mr. John McKay, late of the North American Hotel, Woodstock, and Mrs. McKay were at Woodstock and came

back on the C. P. R. train about 8 o'clock. On arrival here they started to walk home on the C. P. R. track. A bridge fast is at work repairing the bridge across the river, which was about 40 feet above the water. The men were driving piles at the east end and, of necessity, had left an opening, into which Mr. McKay, in the dark, stepped, falling 45 feet.

Mr. McKay's cries were heard at once, and help arrived, but life was extinct.

Three Wives

Claim Fred Puffer — One a London Girl.

Will Be Arrested as Soon as He Is Well.

Now in the Hospital at Toronto — Was Woman Conqueror.

Toronto News, Dec. 23.
Fred Puffer, the young laundry man, whose big adventures with three different women were exposed in the News last Thursday, and who is now confined to the General Hospital with typhoid fever, will be arrested as soon as he leaves the institution. Staff Inspector Archibald having today sworn out an information charging him with bigamy.

Puffer is a fine-looking man, and his acquaintances say that he was very popular with the fair sex, of whom he was a constant associate. After the News had called the attention of the police to the case, Staff Inspector Archibald detailed an officer to make inquiries, and his investigation has developed some extraordinary circumstances, it being claimed that Puffer had not only three living wives, two of them residing with him in the city and each in ignorance of the other's existence, but that he was on the eve of being married to a fourth. The record which the police will endeavor to prove Puffer earned includes these victims:

Miss Fegan, employed in the Domestic Laundry, whom he courted, gave presents and was engaged to be married to.

Kate Limpert, of Scarborough, married in Toronto in 1887.

Minnie McDonald, eloped from Chesley with Puffer in 1893.

Edith Chuter, married in London in 1896.

Puffer, it is alleged, first courted a young girl named Kate Limpert, whose parents resided in Scarborough township. The two came to the city and were married at the parsonage of the Elm Street Methodist Church by Rev. Dr. Sutherland, the latter's wife having acted as one of the witnesses. The two set up housekeeping at the Domestic Laundry on Richmond street. Three children were born to them.

Puffer decided to move out to Chesley, where he went into a laundry business. He had a young wife, named Minnie McDonald, and one morning three years ago the two disappeared. Later on he turned up in London, where he formed the acquaintance of a pretty Salvation Army lass named Edith Chuter, to whom he made violent love.

TWO WAIFS.
Puffer was a Bernardo boy, brought to Canada from England as a waif, and was taken into the family of Joseph Stephens, a farmer near Chesley, where he was brought up. He was a waif, having been brought to this country by Miss Rye. The result of the investigation was that on Jan. 15 last Puffer married Miss Chuter, the ceremony having been performed by Rev. Dr. Sutherland. Six months ago the two came to Toronto and took up house at No. 29 Stewart street. Puffer secured his old employment as driver for the Domestic Laundry. The News has already reported how the young wife, with her three-months' child, was called at the laundry for her sick husband's wages, and made the discovery that he had another wife living in the city, how the "other Mrs. Puffer" had turned up, and how Miss Puffer narrowly escaped becoming a widow.

WIFE NO. 1.
The original Mrs. Puffer, who is living on Queen street east, is prostrated with the news of her husband's perjury, and believes that he has been guilty of bigamy. He had lived with her until recently, but although he was very irregular in his comings and goings, explaining that his work kept him away from his home, and in a few months their fourth baby will be born.

Puffer's attack of typhoid fever is not considered dangerous by the hospital authorities, but the fact that he has been guilty of bigamy is considered a very serious matter.

Some one has said that the three hardest words in the English language to say are these: "I was wrong." If, by force of self-discipline, one could make these words the easiest to say when one knows justice demands them, how peaceful and happy would be our home life with each other.

THE MEDICINE FOR LIVER AND KIDNEY COMPLAINT.—Mr. Victor August, Ottawa, writes: "I take great pleasure in recommending to the general public Parment's Pills as a cure for Liver and Kidney complaint. I have doctored for the last three years with leading physicians, and have taken many medicines that were recommended to me without relief, but after taking eight of Parment's Pills I was quite relieved, and now I feel as free from the disease as before I was troubled."

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RATS have for years been a pest in Paris, but never more so than now. They team everywhere, and are said to issue in thousands from the drains, while in outlying districts they scour the streets in hordes, affording fine sport to the policemen, who spit them on sword-bayonets.

The molition of old houses and stables is supposed to be the cause of the sudden increase in the visible supply of the rodents.

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such a district as this. For the last half hour we have been wandering among houses the possession of which implies wealth. You could not live in such a house for less than \$5,000 or \$10,000 a year, often more, and not a single person you ever saw or heard of lives in any one of them? They have a society of their own, but it is not society. They are important persons in the city, or in whatever department of business or industry will be published in an illustrated weekly paper with the amounts of their fortunes.

The same may be said, and will seem perhaps still more surprising, of literature, art, and science. No one of these by itself and of itself as a guarantee of social admissibility. Nor is rank a society of their own, but it is not society. They are important persons in the city, or in whatever department of business or industry will be published in an illustrated weekly paper with the amounts of their fortunes.

If you read a good many people do read the lists published in the names of the elect. Wealth and rank—these are the two tests or true certificates of position. If you have impure blood you may sometimes society, it does not water for them. From "English Society," by George W. Stanley, in Harper's Magazine for January.

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THE WITNESS SPOKE UP.
"Now, sir, I hope we shall have no difficulty in getting you to speak up," said the lawyer, in a very loud, commanding voice.

"I hope not, sir," shouted the witness, at the top of his lungs.

"How dare you speak to me in that way?" angrily asked the lawyer.

"Because I can't speak no louder," said the hostler.

"Have you been drinking?"

"I should infer so from your conduct. What have you been drinking?"

"Coffee," hoarsely vociferated the knight of the stable.

"Something stronger than coffee, sir; you have been drinking! Don't look at me like that, sir!" furiously. "Look at the fury, sir! Did you have something in your coffee, sir?"

"Yes, sir."

"What was it?"

"Sugar."

"This man is no fool—he is worse!" stormed the counsel.

"Now, sir," turning to the witness, "look at me. What besides sugar did you take in your coffee this morning?"

The hostler collected his forces, drew a deep breath, and, in a voice that could have been heard a half a mile away, belloved out:

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