



The Sporting World

Hockey, Basketball, Curling, Bowling.



MIDGETS AND WIZARDS DEFEATED

Surprises were the order of the day at the "Y" gym last evening, when the heretofore unbeatable Midgets and Wizards went down to defeat before the "Varsity and Lofters fives."

The contests were the first of the second series, and the results were entirely unlooked for. The lineups: Midgets (21). Varsity (28). Wizards (21). Lofters (21). Duffield Moore, Center. Duffield Moore, Center.

SPORTING GOSSIP

BY SOUTHPAW

IN LOCAL SPORTING CIRCLES THERE IS NOTHING ELSE TALKED ABOUT BUT TONIGHT'S BIG HOCKEY BATTLE, between the Parisians and our own Londoners.

The Paris Greens have a notion stowed away in their thinking apartments to the effect that London will be overwhelmed on fast ice. Well, the ice will be fast enough to suit everybody tonight, and we shall see what we shall see. Here's guessing that London will win.

There are no certainties in hockey, and least of all in a battle between the Curling cup holders and Londoners. The Parisians are fast—don't let that get away from you—and they will give the locals all they want in the way of a battle.

The contest should be one of the very best that has been seen here in years, if last Tuesday's game can be taken as a criterion on the comparative ability of the two sevens.

However, if London can trim the Parisians on their own ice, after having played a game in Tillsonburg the night previous, it ought to repeat at home on familiar ice.

The question of a referee had not been decided this morning, but it is expected that either Waghorne, Livingstone or Hancock will officiate.

The locals will have their regular team on the ice, and there will likely be no changes in the visitors' line-up.

THERE SEEMS TO BE SOME MISUNDERSTANDING AS TO WHEN THE NEXT CITY LEAGUE GAMES WILL TAKE PLACE. The regular scheduled games will come off next Monday night, and the teams will pair off as follows: Waterloos vs. Hermits, St. John's vs. Western University. These contests should prove well worth while, and a big attendance is looked for.

ST. THOMAS HAS YET TO TRAVEL A FEW BEFORE IT CAN HOPE TO COMPETE WITH THE FOREST CITY in the line of athletics. Last night a bunch of caboose-riders brought over a skater named Campbell to race George Crispin, the local speed merchant. Campbell would have been all right had he possessed about two notches more steam, and a few clamps to hold his skates on. The latter kept falling off at critical junctures, and the crowd present didn't like it a little bit.

There have been speed races and speed races, but this is the first time that a skater has lost his skates four or five times in a two-mile race in this city.

Crispin was away in the lead when the shiny things came off first, anyway, so it didn't make much difference whether they stayed on or not, as far as he was concerned.

However, there are those in this city who believe now that Campbell can handle a coupling-pin better than he can a pair of rollers.

At one time they were talking of taking the railroads to Pittsburgh at the time of the championship races there. Wonder what for? Possibly it was to give him an opportunity of seeing the fogs, or to see the famous Wabash railroad bridge there.

DON'T FORGET THAT YOU CAN PURCHASE the novelty hockey score cards at the door of the Princess Rink tonight for a nickel. The complete line-ups of the both teams are there, in clear type, as well as a complete schedule of games played and to be played, with spaces for keeping the scores for the games yet to be played. The cards are just the size for one's pocket. Bring your pencils along.

THE STORY THAT A BILL will be introduced at the next session of the Ontario Legislature to limit racing at the Fort Erie track to fifteen days, has created much discussion in Canadian sporting circles. Writers on sporting subjects are a unit in declaring that the present style of conducting protracted meetings is injurious to the game at large, and should be stopped.

The Hamilton Times says: The announcement made by the Cella-Condon-Madigan syndicate which has secured control of the Fort Erie track, that a 40 days' meeting will be conducted at the border plant next summer is enough to make the officers of the O. J. C., H. J. C., and the Blue Bonnets directors to sit up. With such men as Condon, Stuart & Co., in control, racing will soon get "the hook" in Canada, as it has received it in many places where these gentry have operated. For the most part the running turf in Canada has been dominated by real sportsmen, not gamblers, yet there have been made loud protests, against it.

The sporting editor of the Toronto Mail and Empire, a sporting man of wide experience, has this to say about the matter today:

A forty days' meeting at Fort Erie this summer is the announcement made by the new owners of that plant, Cella, Stuart, Madigan and Condon. Racing will begin right after the Buffalo meeting.

Continuous racing or protracted meetings like Fort Erie have injured the turf, and in many sections of the country aroused so much hostility that legal enactments closed the tracks. Chicago, St. Louis and Hot Springs are examples of this harmful policy. With these tracks the present Fort Erie combination was associated, and in fact controlled them. These gentlemen killed the game in the cities named, and they are going to do so in this country, too, if they are not stopped.

If a law was ever needed, to limit racing in this country, it should be on the statute books now. And it is announced that a bill will be introduced at the next session of the Ontario Legislature to limit race meetings in Ontario to fifteen days.

The announcement that Chaucer or Elliott, the well-known football and hockey expert, will shortly settle down in Montreal, where he is said to have accepted a position as physical director, has created no stir in this end of the country, or any other for that matter. As a matter of fact Chaucer couldn't content himself five minutes in a stuffy gymnasium teaching the younger element how to swing Indian clubs around their craniums, or to walk a la Gibson girl, while "the call of the wild" was emanating from the gridiron or the hockey-ice.

Chaucer will be "there" when the whistle blows for the opening of hostilities on the gridiron next season, and he'll be very much there as usual. "You can't teach an old canine new tricks."

MR. W. J. REID, owner of Tecumseh Park, this morning informed The Advertiser that he had heard nothing from Mr. F. Paige, the baseball promoter, since that party was here last. However, Mr. Reid is in receipt of a communication from Mr. A. Reese, a New York capitalist, who informs him that the international league is now almost an assured matter. Mr. Reid stated that the option on the park expired the last of February. He had no wish to hamper the movements of the city league, he said, and unless he heard something definite by that time the park would be open for city local baseball, as of yore.

T. S. ANDREWS, OF MILWAUKEE, WIS., sporting editor of the Evening Wisconsin, has published his 1908 Sporting Annual Record Book, containing records of all the noted fighters, trotting, pacing, running, athletic, bowling, baseball, automobile, etc. The book contains many fine illustrations of the world's prominent fighters, and all the up-to-date records. It is now the leading sporting annual of the country. Copies can be had for 12 cents, by addressing the publisher.

Famous Bookmaker Dies Penniless

Joe Ullman Passed Away Yesterday

Was Most Spectacular Operator—Lost and Won Many Fortunes on the Turf.

Chicago, Jan. 24.—Joseph Ullman, who died at Amityville, L. I., last night, was probably better known in Chicago than anywhere else, because of his long connection with Edward Corrihan, which covered practically the entire period of racing activity in this city.

He started in life as a butcher in St. Louis, in company with two brothers, Coley and Alec Ullman, but deserted that business early to become a bookmaker. He was a contemporary of Leo Mayer and George Wheelock in the slot-writing profession.

Ullman became associated with Corrihan first in the days of Garfield Park race tracks, before the days of Hawthorne. Afterward he went to Hawthorne along with Corrihan in 1889, and his business was the operation of the foreign book, which was reputed to have won over \$500,000 in six months.

With the close of the Hawthorne track

in the war with Garfield Park, Ullman engaged in the poolroom business. After the resumption of Chicago racing in the nineties, Ullman ran the famous book at the Saratoga track which was known as "The Big Store," where bets as large as \$100,000 were accepted without hesitation.

A year ago last winter Ullman financed the San Carlo Grand Opera Company, of which Miss Alice Nielsen, known as "The Danish Girl," was a star. While conducting this enterprise, in which he lost money on the Pacific coast, Ullman had his first attack of temporary insanity, and was placed in a Los Angeles sanatorium.

During his confinement there he was reported to have won a lot of money in the nightclubs, and was making a fortune against the advice of friends, and which he afterward claimed to have no recollection of having made. His health continued to fail from that time.

PLAY FOR THE ONTARIO TANKARD

St. Marys, Jan. 24.—The primary competition of the Ontario tankard of group No. 7 will take place at Stratford on the 24th of this month. Play begins at 10 o'clock.

The entries are as follows: Bright, St. Marys, Guelph Royal City, Guelph Union, Seaforth, Stratford, New Hamburg, Waterloo, Plattsville and Listowel.

THE LIBERALS WIN ON IDEAL ALLEY

The Liberal bowlers moved over to the Ideal Alleys last evening for their weekly contest, and succeeded in taking two out of three games from the Idealists.

The bowling was very good.

Mr. Vic. Brock was the real star of the evening, during the second spasm.

Some remarks have been made regarding the "Denver shover" invented by Mr. Brock, but last evening he demonstrated that it was a good one.

In this memorable frame, he knocked over 207 pins, more than any other person did last evening, and got best score, which is going some. McMurray gave Bobbie Burns a fierce run for cellular honors, but Bobby was good.

Some of Bobbie's side pins were cruel enough to say that if he only hit the side pins they would win, but Bobbie did not care. Stone and Murray thought they would go the clip just to frighten the Idealists, but they faced a very like boozie before a thirsty tramp, and finished badly. Worrall was there or thereabouts, which is something.

Sutcliffe did not mind Brock getting the high individual but he just showed the bunch what steady bowling will do when it is worked. He got

the high aggregate with ease. John Martell laid off to see the juveniles working, so did not qualify for the honours, but Simpson and McLaughlin bowled steady.

The Stratford bowlers will be at the Ideal Alleys tonight, and will bowl a game against Martell's trundlers. The game will commence at 8 o'clock, and should be a good one. The London team will show up as follows: L. Sutcliffe, C. Sheere, B. Finchamp, C. Scott and R. Graham.

The score of last night's game is as follows:

Liberals.

Stone154 162 119— 435

Brock127 207 127— 461

Worrall125 133 146— 404

McMurray157 121 108— 386

Murray175 152 124— 452

738 796 624 2,158

Ideals.

Thompson107 156 147— 410

R. Burns106 100 102— 308

McLaughlin137 142 126— 405

Sutcliffe142 175 174— 491

Martell125 149 165— 439

617 722 714 2,053

NEW TORONTO-HAMILTON RECORD

Toronto, Jan. 24.—A new record for running between Toronto and Hamilton was established yesterday, when Claude Pearce, of the Irish-Canadian Club, made the distance in 7 hours and 29 minutes. The distance is forty-two miles.

When it is considered that the roads were covered with snow and that the weather was wintry, the feat seems marvellous.

President Tom Flanagan objected to the young man setting out on such an unfavorable day, but the latter was

confident that he could break the record, and started out yesterday morning from the city hall.

For a good portion of the long journey, Pearce had to face a snowstorm, which retarded his progress not a little, and frequently caused him to lose time by running off the road.

At the time the famous Longboat attempted the trip the weather was comparatively warm, and the footing fair. Yet he had to give up before he had completed the distance. Longboat will try it over again in the spring.

The Famous Pilgrim Soccerites May Visit Canada Again Shortly

Famous Englishmen Contemplating Another Tour of Canada and United States.

Toronto, Jan. 24.—Mr. Fred Miles, captain of the Pilgrims, the famous English football club, which made a tour of Canada in 1905, writing to a friend here, ridicules the idea of Mr. Parker, the football promoter, who announced some time ago that he was going to bring the Civil Service team to Canada next season. "In the first place," says Mr. Miles, "Mr. Parker has no football standing here and his influence and efforts will only be of a very moderate character."

Unpleasant Split. "Recently," continues Mr. Miles, "there has been an unpleasant split between a very few amateurs and the Football Association, but I am glad to say the huge majority of amateurs are still loyal to the Football Association, and if arrangements are made for a club to visit Canada it should be made with a club affiliated to the Football Association and not the Amateur Football Association. The latter represent only a very small fraction of players, most of whom are practically unknown."

"The Pilgrims Football Club who toured in America in 1905, have under consideration a second tour this spring or summer, but I must, as a friendly warning, point out that they will get play any club, or against any players who take part against any club from England which is affiliated to the Amateur Football Association. The

Amateur Association only embraces a few known players, whereas the principal body, the Football Association, embraces the Amateur International players, and also arranges the international games. It would be a great pity for my Canadian friends to fix up games through paid and practically unknown agents with clubs outside the Football Association, and thus innocently bar games in the future with the best clubs here."

Awaiting a Game.

"The valuable Cochrane cup is still awaiting a game against America, and there is every chance of this taking place this year, for it is quite likely the Pilgrims will revisit Canada with an even much stronger side than before."

"As I have previously said, this letter is just a warning for my Canadian friends and clubs not to be misled about the Football Association, which stands at the head of the association football and of which the Pilgrim Football Club are members."

"Kindest regards and best wishes for 1908, Yours sincerely, "FRED H. MILES, "Captain Pilgrim F. C."

WINNERS YESTERDAY.

At New Orleans.—Tony W. 6 to 1.

At Oakland.—Lord Provost 7 to 1.

At San Francisco.—Bourbon 12 to 1.

At Los Angeles.—Hidden Hand 6 to 1.

At Chilla 15 to 1, Marlon Rose 7 to 1.

At Avontellus 7 to 5, Senator Beckman 5 to 1, Billowy 7 to 2.

LAST NIGHT'S HOCKEY SCORES

Northern League.
Harrison 11, Lucknow 7.
O. H. A. Junior.
St. Michaels 12, Corticelli 9.
Port Hope 6, Picton 3.

BURNS KEEPS POLICE BUSY

Cops Have To Fight Back the Crowds in Old London.

London, Jan. 24.—Tommy Burns is making his presence felt in London. He is very artful and knows how to play to the gallery. Tommy arranges to have his business meetings in "the Sporting Life office, in Fleet street, at the busiest time of the day—just at 1 o'clock, when all the big houses are being emptied for dinner. No wonder the London metropolitan police have to turn out in extra full force to move on the surging crowd which clamors around the office of the great London sporting paper to get a glimpse of the champion as he passes in.

The other afternoon Tommy, accompanied by Manager Bill Neale, swung up to the Sporting Life office in a taxi-meter, just as the clock struck one. All the nationalities and weights had congregated, and Fleet street was black with people in a few minutes. "There goes Tommy Burns," was the cry. Policemen temporarily forgot their duty and were as anxious as anybody else to get a glimpse at the Canadian. Tommy, wearing a frock coat and a well-polished silver, alighted from the "taxi" and was loudly received.

LONGBOAT TO RUN AT BOSTON SOON

Toronto, Jan. 23.—Tom Longboat will run an exhibition ten-mile race at Boston on Thursday, Feb. 13, with Pearce, Green and Sellen as pacemakers. The race will be in conjunction with an amateur bicycle meet and roller-skating tournament. All who take part will, of course, be suspended by the American union for having participated at the same meet as the Indian, who is now under suspension.

The Canadian Amateur Union has granted a permit for him to go.

It is the beginning of the carrying of the war into the camp of the American union, and with this breaking the ice other clubs will bid for the Indian, suspension or no suspension by the A. A. U.

THE ICE RACES AT PETERBOROUGH

Peterborough, Jan. 23.—The track was in terrible condition for the second day of the Peterborough ice meet yesterday, great pitching The Pilgrim completely spoiled, much to the disappointment of a large crowd. The 2:22 class failed to fill, and Planet, an added starter, won the free-for-all. The owners of Orilla Belle and Doris B. refused to start either after looking at the track. The summary:

Planet, J. McDowell, Toronto .1 1 1

Harry D. F. Montgomery, Toronto .2 2 2

William C. J. McDowell, Toronto .3 3 3

Time, 2:58, 2:46, 2:45.

CURLING FOR THE CUP IN NO. 5 DISTRICT

Gait, Jan. 24.—The results in the opening matches for the Curling cup in district No. 5, which were played yesterday, are as follows:

Dundas. Preston.

L. Davidson.....20 W. Pickup.....3

J. M. Stockip.....12 A. N. W. Cake.....35

Total.....32 Total.....31

Gait. Grimsby.

J. Bloomfield.....22 A. E. Phillip.....14

Dr. McKendrick.....35 W. Mitchell.....7

Total.....57 Total.....21

Brantford. Plattsville.

J. Scott.....11 W. Randall.....16

J. O. Gilroy.....19 W. Pratt.....14

Total.....30 Total.....30

WAGNER CANNOT SEE DONOVAN'S GREATNESS

Detroit, Jan. 23.—Charley Wagner, of the Boston Americans, cannot see why Bill Donovan of the Tigers, accounted a great pitcher. The Pilgrim lambasted Bill of the Grin for a pair of homers in Detroit last summer, and on his home diamond came to time with a triple against the Smiling One that accounted for one of Donovan's four defeats of the season. Wagner does not know the secret of Donovan's success.

More potatoes are eaten in Belgium than in Ireland.

A History of the Prize Ring Great Battles of the Past

The history of the prize ring is one of the most interesting stories that was ever told, and we are informed that in the "good old days" when the bare knuckle reigned supreme, the ocean of both American and British society attended the batteries on the turf.

To many the records of the famous men of the ring are fairly familiar, while to others they will prove a distinct novelty.

Today The Advertiser will publish the list of champions, British and American, from 1719, when bare knuckle fighting was first recorded, until 1889, when the English prize ring rules gave way to the modern Marquis of Queensberry style of boxing with gloves. Other records will follow each day.

The list of champions from 1719 to the present time, with bare knuckles, is as follows:

England.

1719—Tom Figg.

1739—Pipes and Greeting.

1734—George Taylor.

1740—Jack Broughton.

1750—Jack Slack.

1759—Bill Stevens.

1761—George Meggs.

1762—George Milson.

1763—Tom Juchan.

1764—Bill Darts.

1765—Tom Lyons.

1777—Harry Sellers.

1780—Jack Harris.

1785—Tom Jackling.

1790—Ben Ryan.

1792—Dan Mendoza.

1793—John Jackson.

1803—Jem Belcher.

1805—Henry Pearce.

1808—John Gulley (declined the office).

1809—Tom Crib beat J. Belcher, 35 rounds. (Received a belt, not transferable, and cup).

1814—Dan Donnelly beat George Cooper, 11 rounds, 22 minutes, Curagh, Kildare, Ireland, Sept. 14.

1824—Tom Spring (received four cups) beat Dan Donnelly, 11 rounds, 22 minutes, Curagh, Kildare, Ireland, Sept. 14.

1825—Jem Ward received a belt, not transferable.

1832—Deaf Burke (claimed the office).

1832—Bendigo (W. Thompson) beat Deaf Burke, claimed championship, and received a belt from Jem Ward.

America.

1816—First ring fight in America—Jacob Hyer vs. Thomas Beasley.

1841—Tom Hyer defeated John McCluster in 101 rounds, at Caldwell's Landing, N. Y., Sept. 9.

England.

1819—Dan Donnelly beat Tom Oliver, 34 rounds, 1 hour 10 minutes, Crawley, England, July 21.

1841—Nick Ward (brother to Jem) beat Ben Count Feb. 2. Count beat Nick Ward and received a belt by subscription; the belt was transferable.

1842—Charley Freeman beat W. Perry, "Tipton Slasher," 108 rounds, 2 hours 3 minutes, 3 rings, England, Dec. 14, 16, 20.

1845—Bendigo (W. Thompson) beat Ben Count and got the belt.

America.

1849—Tom Hyer defeated Yankee Sullivan on Feb. 7, at Rock Point, Md., 16 rounds, 17 minutes 18 seconds; \$10,000.

England.

1850—Bill Perry (the Tipton Slasher), after his fight with Paddock, claimed the office.

1851—Harry Broome defeated Perry for the title.

1852—Bill Perry again claimed the office, Harry Broome having forfeited \$100 to him in a match and retired from the ring on Aug. 13.

America.

1852—John Morrissey beat George Thompson (Bot McLaren), 11 rounds, 15 minutes, Mary Island, Cal., Aug. 31.

1853—Nat Langham beat Tom Sayers, England, Oct. 18.

1853—John Morrissey defeated Yankee Sullivan, Oct. 12, in 37 rounds at Boston Corners.

1854—Bill Peel beat John Morrissey, rough and tumble, New York, July 27.

England.

1856—Tom Paddock defeated Harry Broome.

1857—Tom Sayers beat Bill Perry for \$1,000 a side and a new belt.

America.

1857—Barney Aaron beat J. Monaghan, 30 rounds, 3 hours 22 minutes, Providence, R. I., Sept. 28.