

TIMES SPORTING PAGE

VICTORIAS WON TWO MATCHES.

The East Side Curlers Did Well Yesterday.

Burlington and Milton Tie in a Rough Hockey Match—Ald. McBride's Horse Made a World's Record at Pittsburg.

Yesterday was a big day for the Victoria Curling Club. In the afternoon four rinks defeated four rinks from the Prospect Park Club by 24 shots, and in the evening three rinks of Victorias won the second game of the series for the Ferguson trophy. The ice yesterday was sticky, and real good curling was impossible. Following are the scores in the afternoon game:

T. Prospect Park. H. Victorias.
McAllister, S. Jones.
D. Carley, J. Clarke.
D. B. Wood, W. Ballantyne.
Chas. Bulley, W. Dixon.
skip 12 skip 9

W. Purvis, F. R. Newberry.
H. Beaver, H. E. Hawkins.
H. Currie, W. White.
W. Lewis, W. R. Davis.
skip 6 skip 13

B. H. Morehouse, R. C. Ripley.
A. Poucher, G. Price.
B. George, T. Kilvington.
A. Matthews, W. Peters.
skip 9 skip 13

W. H. Smith, Dr. Hilder.
W. T. Murphy, H. E. Hawkins.
J. Cruikshank, M. Battle.
Q. D. Day, T. Upton.
skip 3 skip 17

Total 30 Total 54
Majority for Hamilton Victorias, 24 shots.

The scores in the Ferguson Trophy event were:
Victorias, Thistles.
A. R. Whyte, Spence Case.
Tom Upton, Dr. Langs.
G. Shambrook, Dr. Coleman.
J. B. Turner, Dr. Wardell.
skip 12 skip 11

G. R. Judd, S. R. Ripley.
G. Stevenson, G. F. Crawford.
R. A. Milne, Jas. Thomson, sen.
A. M. Cunningham, Jas. Thomson, jun.
skip 12 skip 15

Dr. Hunt, C. S. Wilcox.
skip 16 skip 13
Total 40 Total 13

Majority for Victorias, 1.
Each club having won a game, the deciding game will be played at an early date, at the Thistle rink.

WORLD'S RECORD

Made by Toronto Horse on the Ice at Pittsburg.

Plattsburg, N. Y., Feb. 26.—During the Plattsburg Driving Club's races last week two new world's ice records were established for a half-mile track over ice. In the named race on Saturday Anita, owned by Frank Matty, of Syracuse, N. Y., paced the first mile in 2:15 flat; first half in 1:08½. The trotter Johnny, owned by Coulter & Hunt, of Brantford, Ont., held the ice record for trotting gelding of 2:21½, at Ottawa ice meeting in 1907, which held good until to-day.

This is the first time that Canadian horses have invaded the United States to compete in the ice trotting meetings, and judging by the way they cleaned up the money, they will be annual visitors here. Following is the summary of the record-breaking races:

Named race.
Anita, b. m.; Frank Matty, Syracuse, N. Y. (Amos Rathburn) 1 1 1
Johnny K., b. g.; Ald. S. McBride, Toronto, Can. 3 2 3
Gretchen, L. r. m. 2 3 3
Time—2:15, 2:16½, 2:19.

2:18 class.
King Bryson, b. g.; Ald. S. McBride, Toronto (R. J. McBride) 2 1 1 1
Cyclone, b. g.; James Farley, Plattsburg, N. Y. 1 2 2 2
Queen Alexandra, b. m. 3 3 3 3
Time—2:20½, 2:19½, 2:22½, 2:23½.

Free-for-all.
Miss Syracuse, b. m.; Frank Matty, Syracuse, N. Y. (Amos Rathburn) 1 1 1
Pure Gold, ch. h.; H. Hudson, Montreal (H. Hudson) 2 2 2
Time—2:15½, 2:17, 2:15½.

SPILL AT NEW ORLEANS.

New Orleans, La., Feb. 26.—The heavy programme at City Park yesterday was greatly reduced by the numerous scratches which came after a sudden change in track conditions, due to heavy showers early in the morning. Listerine, a 20 to 1 shot, in the fifth race, came home an easy winner, with Florence N., at 8 to 1, second. King Cole, in the second race, fell and threw Jockey Minder, but the rider was not injured.

SADDLE AND SULKY.

Jack Atkin has been declared out of the Brooklyn and Suburban handicaps. The well-known trainer John W. Rogers is reported to be dying of pneumonia at Allen, S. C., when he was in charge of Harry Payne Whitney's horses.

A match between the Montreal stallion Pure Gold, 2:10½, and Cas, Willoughby's Blackbird, 2:11½, will be decided at Delorimer Park, Montreal, to-day.

In New Zealand the jockey clubs are compelled by law to allow bookmaking.

and cannot impose a license fee of over £30, while in South Australia the club officers or servants are employed to expel bookmakers from the club property, with a penalty of £30 or two months for such as return after being once warned in this way.

BERLIN BEATEN.

Toronto Professionals Defeated the Dutchmen 9 to 1.

Berlin, Feb. 26.—What faint hope the Berlin professionals had of tying the Toronto for the Canadian League championship honors was smashed into nothingness last night by the poor bluff made by the Kaisers. They were trimmed to a crisp by the league leaders, who won in a romp by 9 to 1. At half-time they led 7 to 1.

There are no excuses to offer. The losers were beaten by a team that was in every way its superior. They were far speedier in breaking away. They worked in a puzzling two and three-man combination that drew out the home defence. They checked back harder than the Dutchmen ever did. Their shooting was deadly, and in all-around efficiency they led all the way. The Germans were off color. Not in the best of condition, they could not stand the gruelling contest, and their lamentable poor argument was a bitter disappointment locally.

THE INTERMEDIATE FINALS.

The O. H. A. has decided to have the winners of the London-Collingwood intermediate semi-finals meet Midland at London or Collingwood, as the case may be, on Tuesday, March 3, and back at Midland on the following Friday, March 6. With these dates allotted, the final game in all three series of the big association have all been arranged for.

ROUGH GAME AT BURLINGTON.

ton refused to play off. The score at hockey was played here last night between Burlington and Milton, resulting in a tie game of 3 to 3, which Miltoniskaming League—Cobalt at Half-time was 0 to 0. The game was played with only six men on each side. The play was at times very rough and at no time during the match did the referee have the game under control. He penalized two or three players, but allowed almost anything to go. Fleming and Lewis for the visitors, scored much the best, Fleming's shooting being a feature of the game, while Dalton, Filman and Colton played particularly well for the losers.

YESTERDAY'S SUMMARY.

Ontario Professional League.
Toronto 9 Berlin 0
Brantford 6 Guelph 0
Oxford-Waterloo League.
New Hamburg 6 Ayr 3
N. St. C. and T. Trophy.
Niagara Falls 5 St. Catharines 4
Southern Counties League.
Cayuga 4 Hagersville 3

TO-DAY'S SCHEDULE.

O. H. A., senior—First of final home and home series for the championship—Stratford at 14th Regiment, Kingston.
O. H. A., intermediate—First of home and home semi-finals—London at Collingwood.
Eastern Canada League—Montreal at Victorias.
Temiskaming League—Cobalt at Half-bury.

MISTAH JOHNSON

Wants to Fight Burns in U. S. Territory.

New York, Feb. 26.—Sam Fitzpatrick, manager of Jack Johnson, was inclined to regard dubiously the cablegrams which were received yesterday from England, purporting to make a match between Jack Johnson and Tommy Burns.

Fitzpatrick, when shown the cablegram, said:

"Of course, Johnson is anxious to fight Burns, but we'd rather have something a little more definite. The cablegrams are probably all right, but they don't tell anything. For instance, they do not specify the club that will hold the fight. Burns knows very well that it would be a piece of folly, of which I would be a piece of folly, to accept anything so indefinite as this cablegram."

"We want to know what we are doing. In the first place, Burns knows very well that Jimmy Coffroth has a standing offer of a purse of \$25,000 for a fight between Burns and Johnson, and Tex Rickard is anxious to bid for the fight in case a match is made. Johnson would be foolish to chase over to England for a \$5,000 purse when he might make a whole lot more right here at home."

"If they will let me know a little bit more about the affair I'll be glad to do business. If Burns insists on fighting in England Johnson will be glad to accept his proposition. But it's got to be a more definite one. And Johnson isn't particular about the division of the purse. He will fight Burns winner take all, or on any other kind of a division that Burns wants. Tommy can dictate terms in the money matters. Another thing, they'll have to agree to have

someone else referee in case Jeff refuses to act."

A later report from England was to the effect that a syndicate of English sportsmen have offered the purse for the fight between Burns and Johnson, and that Burns has accepted their terms. Tommy is said to be quite elated by the offer and is quoted as saying that the terms are better than any ever suggested in America.

WINNIPEG LOST.

Hamilton Bowling Club Won Here Last Night.

Last night the Winnipeg bowling team, which will take part in the C.B.A. at Toronto to-morrow, played a friendly game at the Brunswick-Alleys with the Hamilton B. C. The visitors were defeated by 37 pins, the score being as follows:

Hamilton—
Green 171 135 210—516
Moon 173 166 189—524
Mitchell 165 185 198—539
Laird 145 141 186—471
Nelson 146 162 187—495

Total 800 789 956—2545
Winnipeg—
Rasario 136 166 182—478
Dranyan 167 148 177—492
Yorker 107 161 168—536
Gibson 173 165 168—506
Erick 156 171 180—496

Total 833 811 864—2508
After the game the visitors were entertained at supper at the Palace Hotel. In the City Bowling League series last night the Brendas took three games from the Pick-Ups. The scores:

Pick-Ups—
J. Williamson 128 126 132—386
Tracey 190 167 138—495
Torrance 108 140 128—376
Allen 124 137 131—392
A. Williamson 154 161 125—440

Total 704 731 652—2087
Brendas—
McQuillan 253 163 175—591
Barclay 139 129 100—368
Roadhouse 137 155 170—462
Leckie 166 181 109—456
Gray 143 126 173—442

Total 838 854 722—2314

INDOOR BASEBALL.

Niagara Falls, N. Y. Nine Will Play Here To-night.

The game of indoor baseball was invented in Chicago in 1887, and is now played throughout Canada and the United States, being governed by the same rules in both countries. The Alexandria rink is an especially fine place for play in, and the spacious floor and gallery will give lovers of the game a grand opportunity to witness the play without in any way encroaching the players' field. Some excellent players have been developed here, and the following teams will play the 42nd Separate Company team, of Niagara Falls to-night at the Alexandria rink.

D. Campbell, c.; McMahon, p.; J. Male, lb.; W. Smith, 2b.; S. Robbins, 3b.; F. Hughes, ss.; P. Sheridan, rf.; J. Bowles, lf.; S. Campbell, cf. The spare men are Brydges, Jackson and Horning.

SINGLE MEN WON.

At the Y. M. C. A. gymnasium two teams from the Spectator newsroom played a game of indoor baseball. The single men defeated the married men by a score of 21 to 7, turning the tables on the married men, who won the previous game. The teams:

Married—Stead, c.; H. Hawkins, 2b.; Lithgow, lb.; Hawkins, lf.; McKelch, p.; Finbow, rf.; Harper, 3b.; Cross, ss.; Pryke, cf.

Singles—Slaughter, 2b.; R. Brunston, c.; Wait, rf.; Reid, lb.; Jones, 3b.; Geiss, lf.; Arnold, p.; Reymann, ss.

POLICEMEN WON.

An indoor baseball match took place yesterday afternoon between nine policemen and a team of alleged seven paper reporters. The policemen won by a score of 30 to 11. The press bunch put up a very inferior brand of baseball and the only good thing about the police rink was the good "stick work."

Blobs—"Blessing often come disguised." Slobs—"Yes, and the cleverest disguises in the world."

SOME SNAPSHOTS AT SPORTS AND SPORTSMEN

Twelve or fifteen years ago "Mike" Bell, the colored man, who was buried yesterday, had quite a reputation as a fighter, and at that time he figured in a good many bouts in the old Star Theatre. Bell was not very scientific, but he was a glutton for punishment and generally managed to be on his pins when the going sounded at the finish. On account of his aggressiveness he was quite a favorite with the local ring followers. His last important engagement in public was in the Grand Opera House, at an entertainment managed by the late A. D. Stewart. He was stacked up against a Detroit colored man named Bud Johnson, and what Mistah Johnson did to Bell was almost a sin. Bell announced his retirement from the ring that night. Although he has resided in the city nearly all the time since then, very little was heard of him.

It's needless to say that no Times men were on that baseball aggregation which was so badly defeated by the policemen at the Drill Hall yesterday afternoon.

The Cockneys will have to mind their Ps and Qs, as well as their Hs, when they play Collingwood.

Toronto Telegrams—Of course there is no danger, but that Hamilton will receive fair play at the hands of the Olympic committee. No power in Canada or in the republic to the south could keep her own Bobbie Kerr off the Olympic team. And if she has others of his ilk they will go too. But still Ham-

HOMING PIGEON FEDERATION.

A Toronto Publication Endorses Suggestion Made by a Times Correspondent.

The suggestion made some time ago by Mr. Robt. Young, the organizer of the Hamilton Homing Pigeon Club, that a Provincial or Dominion Federation be formed, has been taken up by the Canadian Fancier. In the last issue of that publication the suggestion was dealt with at some length, and the following are extracts from the article:

"A fancier, writing in the Hamilton Times, has suggested that a Canadian Federation of Homing Pigeon Fanciers be formed. This, to our idea, would be a grand arrangement, and with so many good racing fanciers throughout the country could be accomplished and made a complete success if a few fanciers in each city would be so unselfish as to work up the idea in their own respective towns or cities. Of course we realize that it will take considerable time to bring about this organization, but we are sure that with proper thought, work and energy we could have a grand federation in Canada in 1909."

"In such a federation we would have a complete record of races flown in Canada. District diplomas could be distributed to the respective winners in districts, and grand national diplomas for the birds making the best speed in the different racing stations—one each for the 100, 200, 300, 400, 500 and 600 and more miles in old birds, and the same up to 300 or 400 miles in young bird races—in other words, a special diploma of merit for the best bird in Canada at the different distances flown. Such a bird, winner of such a diploma, would be worth having. Then we would have the hand counting simplified. We could have our own hands with our own lettering, which would bring a certain amount of

funds to help to carry on the federation, and also keep a record of bands, so that each member could, in case of a bird being lost or found, know who is to forward it or to write to.

"Then, again, first class librarians could be secured, who would know their business, and in case of the birds being held over for bad weather, would properly look after them and see that the birds got right treatment. The financial part of this arrangement is about the hardest, but still there is nothing that is not possible, and we think that with a fee of \$1 per year membership it would cover all expenses, as we are sure that there are many fanciers who would in the interest of the fancy spare much of their money and time to see such a project through."

"These are a few of the suggestions that such a federation would give to the fancy. A meeting could be held some time during the fall fairs, when cheap rates are at their best, and between now and then it could be worked up among the different clubs."

"We would like to hear from fanciers throughout the Dominion in reference to a grand Canadian National Federation, and invite fanciers in Montreal, Hamilton, Vancouver, Hespeler, London, Ottawa, Kingston, Halifax, Winnipeg, Toronto and other centres to state their views."

Mr. Young intends communicating with fanciers in different parts of the Province with a view to holding a convention or organization meeting on Friday, Feb. 27. He is confident that the time is ripe for the formation of a Canadian Federation.

A regular meeting of the Hamilton Homing Pigeon Club will be held in Arcade Hall on Friday evening. All fanciers in the city and vicinity are invited. At Portsmouth, Eng., recently a man was fined \$2 and costs and ordered to pay \$15 to the owner of a messenger pigeon which he shot. He claimed he thought the pigeon was a sea gull.

THESE INJUNS ARE NOT LIKE LONGBOAT.

Pop Warner, athletic director at the Carleton Indian School, answers in the Van Norden Magazine some questions which he says he is often asked about the Indian as an athlete.

"How does he like it? Is he faithful to his work? Is he ambitious to win? Is he quick to learn? Are there any peculiarities common to his race which are not perceptible in the white athletes?"

According to Mr. Warner, the rules at Carleton are such that the candidates for athletic honors practically keeps in training all the time. There have been cases when the Indian has trained just as faithfully when not under restriction.

"He will practice much longer and more persistently than white boys and can do things with his body that the average white boy cannot because the Indian is used to a rough and ready outdoor life and has had to help himself out when a football left-footed."

"I notice that Indians generally are ambidextrous. They may write right-handed and throw a ball left-handed, or they may be able to throw either right or left-handed. Some throw right-handed and kick a football left-footed."

"Hudson, who probably kicked more goals from the field in games than any football player who ever played, used to kick about as well with one foot as the other."

"In other respects they are as any other race of people, and I can't see much difference between them and white boys. They are just as game and there are some quitters, just as among white boys, but I think on the whole they do better than white boys when they are up against a rough proposition."

"That is, I have often been surprised myself to see them do things in close competition that they couldn't do in the open."

AFTER ROGERS.

Gotch Issues a Sweeping Challenge to Joe.

New York, Feb. 24.—Frank Gotch, the American wrestling champion, yesterday issued a defi which he thinks will cut Joe Rogers short in his widely asserted desire to take on the best in this country at the catch-as-catch-can game. Rogers recently arrived from England, where he made such a sorry showing against Hackenschmidt, who is matched to meet Gotch in this country in April.

Gotch is desirous of showing just what a poor sample of wrestler Rogers is, and his presumption at representing America in an international match with the Russian Lion. Gotch and his manager, called at a local newspaper office to-day and deposited \$500 for a match with Rogers and delivered himself of the following:

"I have a proposition to make to Rogers, which I think is the fairest he could expect. I will meet Rogers before any club that thinks well enough of the match to offer a purse, and will contract to throw him five times in one hour. If I succeed I shall want all the purse or gate money. If I fail, he can have it all."

THE BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT.

Toronto, Feb. 26.—The first annual basketball tournament will be held in Alexandra Roller Rink, Hamilton, commencing Monday night, March 9, when all the crack teams of Western Ontario will compete for the western honors. Arrangements will be made for the winners to clash with the eastern cracks. Hamilton look like the winners of the

western section, but the Toronto teams should make a good showing. The West End Y. M. C. A. are going into active training until the date of play.

HARTLEY STILL IN THE WALKING.

Kansas City, Mo., Feb. 26.—But twelve men were on the track at midnight last night, the close of the twenty-fourth hour in the six-day walking match at Convention Hall. This does not mean necessarily that the others are out of the race entirely, as they are privileged to return at any time. The men finished to-day as follows: Hoagland, 108 miles, 9 laps; Messier, 102 miles 7 laps; Player, 101 miles, 4 laps; Slater, 100 miles; Hartley, 93 miles 4 laps; Blake, 91 miles; Simpson, 79 miles; Stokes, 56 miles; McLinn, 74 miles; West, 69 miles; Mitchell, 62 miles; Pratt, 61 miles.

Hartley is the only Canadian in the race.

SKATING RACE.

Sandy McMaster, holder of the city roller skating championship for both one and two miles, has accepted the challenge of George Crispen, of London, the roller skating champion of Canada, to skate a one-mile race on roller skates. The race will be held at the Britannia Roller Rink on Friday night, and much interest is being taken in it. McMaster is undoubtedly the champion of Hamilton, having won both the gold medals given by the Britannia Rink management for the one and two-mile championships of the city. He is faster than Daniels, and he has many friends and supporters who are sure he will be able to defeat the Cockney on Friday night.

HARPER'S CORNERS.

Mr. R. A. Harper accompanied Rev. Mr. Laidman to the church services at Brook Road Church, and called to see his brother and parents in the vicinity. Master Walter Morden returned from visiting his sister in Rochester, and called at his parents' residence on his way to resume his work with the Bell Telephone Company in the vicinity of Orangeville.

Mrs. J. Morden, who was visiting her daughter, Mrs. Wilson, of Hamilton, has returned home.

Mrs. Wm. McFarlane, who went to pay a visit to her parents at Mountsberg and was detained on account of an attack of grip, has recovered and returned to her home again.

Mr. A. Dunbar, of Hamilton, is visiting his sister, Mrs. P. Stewart. Miss Grace Stewart, school teacher, is laid off with a severe attack of grip.

Mr. C. Cust and family, of Hamilton, were calling on relatives on Sunday.

Mrs. Hunt, widow of the late Rev. David Hunt, former pastor of Millgrove circuit, who is visiting friends in the vicinity of Millgrove, called on Mr. C. Harper on Sunday.

CAISTORVILLE.

The annual oyster supper will be held in the Methodist Church on March 12. Brough, of Toronto, will be the feature of the evening.

Cheese-making will be held on March 2 in this place. The patrons are requested to attend.

Rev. Mr. Springer left for Toronto on Tuesday to attend a convention held there.

The men of this neighborhood are very busy attending camp here these days. Rev. Mr. Springer and Mr. Curwen put in a good supply of ice on Monday.

James Grant and Arthur Edwards are spending this week with relatives.

CAMPDEN.

Campden boys and girls are enjoying themselves immensely these evenings skating. The ice has never been better.

This has been a rather quiet month around and in Campden as far as business is concerned.

Sleight parties and surprise parties are the go at present.

There is some sickness in and around Campden yet. The village blacksmith was laid off from his work for a few days, and others have been complaining. Quite a few are sick with colds.

Most of the business men here are looking and hoping for more lively times soon, as all feel the need of a business revival. A religious revival would come in all right, too. Still Campden is as religious as any of its neighbors.

TWELVE JURYMEN FINED.

New York Men Decided a Case by a Flip of a Coin.

New York, Feb. 25.—Justice City in the New York Supreme Court yesterday the verdict of a jury to-day and fined twelve jurymen \$30 each for receding the verdict by the flip of a coin. The case was a suit brought against the New York City Railway Company for damages in causing the death of a child.

The jury brought in a verdict in favor of the railway company. The evidence of the case seemed to Justice Guy to be so much apart from the verdict that he asked the foreman of the jury how such a verdict had been arrived at. The foreman told the Justice that they had agreed on their finding by the toss of a coin. The Justice told the jurors that they had violated their oaths and committed contempt of court. He imposed the fine and ordered their names stricken from the jury list.

One of the jurymen, explaining the verdict, said that the jury was hopelessly divided, and that one of its members had \$6,000 in his pocket to close a business deal and was anxious to attend to his business.

CASTORIA.

Beats the Signature *Chas. H. Hilditch*

TEN MEXICANS KILLED.

Accident at Power Company's Plant Caused Little Property Damage.

Montreal, Feb. 25.—The office of the Mexican Light & Power Company has received word that the accident reported in connection with the works in Mexico was more disastrous to native life than to the company direct. It consisted of a cave-in of the railway, by which ten Mexicans lost their lives. The company suffers little, if any, monetary loss.

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