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CANADIAN RIDERS SET DOWN

Burns and Songer Offend the Judges on Saturday at San Francisco.

SEVERE PENALTY FOR PIERCE.

Summaries and Entries for the Day —The Holiday Handicap.

San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 30.—Judges Hopper, Price and Murphy of the California Jockey Club indefinitely suspended Jockey Tommy Burns this afternoon for refusal to ride Sly in the last race. These judges are the license committee of the American Turf Congress and they declare that Burns' license shall be revoked.

Jockey Burns came here at the beginning of the present racing season under engagement to J. F. Schorr. Burns & Waterhouse had second call on his services and the trainer of the stable has had placing of all of Burns' mounts. He arranged for that jockey to ride Sly to-day. The judges sent word to Burns to fulfil the engagement, but Burns refused, and escaped from the jockey-room. His suspension was immediate and emphatic.

The judges say Burns' conduct has been far from satisfactory during the last month. It is understood he has been charged with having been living a riotous life, and associating with unsavory characters, and has neglected his business. During his first month here Burns made a great record, but since then his work, to say the least, has been ragged. Turfmen here greatly regret the downfall of a jockey regarded here as the greatest finisher ever seen on the coast, not excepting Spencer or Tod Sloan.

Thorpe did not want to ride Dr. Sheppard in the fifth race, but a peremptory order brought out Charley to the front, and he rode. Songer was suspended for getting left on Scotch Plaid in the third race.

The winners at Oakland to-day were San Mateo, High Hoe, Imperious, Dr. Bernays, Sybaris and Afamada. The upset of the afternoon occurred in the second race, when the 1 to 3 shot, Pat Morrissey, hitherto almost invincible, was beaten by High Hoe, as good as 50 to 1. Morrissey has evidently gone back.

In the sixth race Old Satsuma ran in grand form. He was off 20 lengths behind the other four and closed up a big gap, but could not get inside the money. Sybaris showed himself a great muddler by defeating Dr. Sheppard and Dr. Nembula. The summaries:

First race, 5 furlongs, selling—San Mateo, 121 (L. Turner), 5 to 1; Silver Tone, 118 (Jenkins), 20 to 1, 2; Etta H., 121 (T. Burns), 4 to 1, 3. Time 1.02. Mike Rice, Monrovia, Yarubia, Gusto, Miss Soak and Saul of Tarsus also ran.

Second race, 6 furlongs, selling—High Hoe, 107 (Vittitoe) 8 to 1, 1; Pat Morrissey, 107 (Thorpe), 2 to 5, 2; Rosalbra, 110 (Conroy), 12 to 1, 3. Time 1.13⅘. Sylvan Lass, Yule, Florine II., Chateau and Expedient also ran.

Third race, 1 1-16 miles, selling—Imperious, 107 (G. Jones), even, 1; Einstein, 101 (Bassinger), 12 to 1, 2; Lost Girl, 94 (J. Walsh), 8 to 1, 3. Time 1.49¾. Don Louise, Dr. Max, Judge Wofford and Grand Sachem also ran. Scotch Plaid left at the post.

Fourth race, 1½ miles, fog handicap—Dr. Bernays, 107 (E. Jones), 8 to 5, 1; Meadowthorpe, 108 (T. Burns), 2½ to 1, 2; Lothian, 112 (Spencer), 7 to 1, 3. Time 2.10½. Fannette and Stuttgart also ran.

Fifth race, 7 furlongs, purse—Sybaris, 107 (E. Jones), 3½ to 1, 1; Dr. Sheppard, 110 (Thorpe), 2 to 1, 2; Dr. Nembula, 107 (Jenkins), 3½ to 1, 3. Time 1.28¾. Erwin and Princess Zelka also ran.

Sixth race, selling, 6 furlongs—Afamada, 107 (Jenkins), 6 to 5, 1; Plan, 107 (J. Walsh), 2½ to 1, 2; Faraway, 107 (Thorpe), 3½ to 1, 3. Time 1.15¼. Satsuma and Sister Alice also ran.

Monday Oakland entries: First race, 5 furlongs, selling—Gov. Sheehan, 120; Libertine, Greyhurst, 117, Benemela, Grand Anthem, Mad Antony, 116; Sky Lark, 113; Salado, Loving Cup, 115; Brave Lass, Romany, Antioch, Nora Ives, Ballsta, 113; Modwena, Juva, 111.

Second race, 1 mile and a furlong—Del Paso II., Meadowthorpe, 112; Cromwell, 108; Tom Calvert, 105; Stuttgart, 104; Cuba, Owyhee, 103; Chimura, 102; Fortes, Orabee, 100; Rixford, 85.

Third race, 1 mile, selling—Bishop Reed, 114; Dogtown, 110; Inverry II., 109; Wyoming, Merry Boy, 107; Merops, 105; Ragivan, 102; Scotch Plaid, 101; Sybil, 102; Allenna, 85.

Fourth race, 1 1-16 miles, New Year Handicap—Zeroaster, 119; Topmast, 118; Morinel, Casdale, 109; Potente, 108; Daisy F., 107; Meadowthorpe, Imperious, 106; Chimura, White Fern, 100. (Couple Zoroaster and Topmast, Carruthers & Shields' entry).

Fifth race, short course, steeplechase—Reno, 165; Maj. S., 139; Meddler, 135; Monita, 132; Fifi, 130; Rossmore, 129; J. O. C., Etna, Colorado, 127; Credo, 125.

Sixth race, 6 furlongs, handicap—Geyser, 119; Frank Bell, King Carnival, 115; Ben Lodi, Sly, Sybaris, Rio Chico, 110; St. Cuthbert, 109; Finnora, 108; St. Cassimer, 106; First Shot, 103; Decoy, 101; Sunello, Tar Hill, 100; Bogus Bill, 95. (Couple Geyser and St. Cassimer, Corrigan's entry; Sybaris and St. Cuthbert, Rowell's entry).

Pierce Ruled Off the Turf.

New Orleans, Dec. 30.—The stewards today reached a conclusion in their investigation of the running of the jumper Fred Perkins and ruled Jockey J. Pierce, who rode him, off the turf. In the St. Lorenzo case, also under investigation, the stewards St. Lorenzo in future and restored A. H. Jones, the owner, and A. McIntyre, the jockey, to all privileges. Three favorites finished first to-day. The stake event was the New Orleans handicap at 7 furlongs, which was won by the imported Minting colt, Mint Sauce, bred by the Morrises. Kelly, the favorite, Alpen and Dr. Walmsley, the chief contestants, tired, and Ben pounds. School Girl, who won the first race, was well played. Weather cloudy and cool; track fast on the outside. Summary:

First race, 1 1-16 miles, selling—School Girl, 101 (Harshberger), 3 to 1, 1; Naller, 99 (Wedderstrand), 12 to 1, 2; Musket, 95 (Dominick), 7 to 1, 3. Time 1.51½. False Lead, Towanda, Llewanna, Hill Billy, Eldridge, Main Guy, Howitzer and Lost Time also ran.

Second race, handicap, 5 furlongs—Triadiza, 116 (McJoynt), 7 to 5, 1; Tom Gilmore, 105 (E. Jones), 25 to 1, 2; Gold Or, 118 (Wedderstrand), 3 to 1, 3. Time 1.08½. Minion, Ice Drop, Alex Carrie II., Little Smoke, Ben Pance, Grandeur, Fuller, Commander Miller and Hardig L. also ran.

Third race, selling, 6 furlongs—J. E. Cline, 105½ (McJoynt), 3 to 2, 1; Brown Vail, 100 (J. Waldo), 6 to 1, 2; Tobe Payne, 103 (Boland), 4 to 5, 3. Time 1.14¼. Moltke, By George, Match Box, Manilus, Tyrba, Vic Lamont, Col. Eades and Senator Gibson also ran.

Fourth race, New Orleans Handicap, 7 furlongs—Imp. Mint Sauce, 113 (Foucon), 7 to 2, 1; Andes, 98 (Wedderstrand), 12 to 1, 2; Molo, 108 (Hamilton), 30 to 1, 3. Time 1.28¾. Verify, Alpen, Ben Melville, Lady Callahan, Flying Bess, St. Wood, Dr. Walmsley, Belle of Memphis and Murat also ran.

Fifth race, selling, 1 1-16 miles—Yuba Dam, 108 (Tabor), 5 to 1, 1; Klondyke Queen, 92 (A. Weber), 6 to 1, 2; Joe Doughty, 99 (Dominick), 150 to 1, 3. Time 1.50. Trebor, Prince of Orange, Martha Fox, Miss Patron, Lobengula, Bright Night, Fresco and The Brewer also ran.

Entries for Monday: First race, selling, mile and 70 yards—Chonita 92, School Girl, Miss Dollie, Miss Ross 97, Can I See 'Em, Free Lady 100, Lennep, Elidad 102, Frank McConnell, What Next, Manilus 105, Tranyber 107, Baritaria, Chicopee 110, Debride 116.

Second race, mile—Lunar 95, Miscricordia 100, Frangible 102, The Robby 102, Kitty G. 100, Joddee 102, Little Smoke, Sorrel Rose, Barney F. 105, Chimauga, Magic Light 110.

Third race, selling, 1⅛ miles—Jennie F. 98, False Lead 98, Fresco 102, Shinfane 102, Sunburst 104, Our Nellie 105, Admetus 106, Lobengula 109, Fan Charm 111.

Fourth race, New Year's Handicap, 1 mile—Tickful 96, Silver Coin 102, Tom Gilmore 104, Dissolute 105, Red Cross 111, Florizar, Miss Mae Day 109, Prince of Venoa 119.

Fifth race, selling, 1 mile—Acushla, Juanetta 94, Uhlers, Water House 96, Bright Night 99, Col. Eades, Mouseltoff, Old Fox 101.

Tanforan Park Stakes.

The Western Stakes, the Western Foal Stakes and the Western Produce Stakes, offered by the Western Turf Association, Tanforan Park, San Francisco, are attracting widespread attention among horsemen and breeders in all sections of the country, and the prospects are that the entry to each will be unusually extensive.

Secretary F. H. Green has framed the conditions of the events in such a way that they are more than tempting. Experience has proved that the guaranteed plan of stake fixtures is undesirable, and in consequence of this there has been a definite amount added to each of the events.

To the Western Stakes, for 2-year-olds, which will be run at the meeting next spring, the association adds $1500, thus insuring a good total. As the entrance fee is only $10 there are few owners who possess a promising youngster who will not be inclined to take a chance.

The Western Foal Stakes, which will be run in the spring of 1901, has $2000 added. The entrance is $5, and is the only liability incurred until Dec. 1, 1900.

The full support of the breeders in this country is assured to the Produce Stakes. The conditions are liberal. The nomination of mares calls for only $5, and the goodly sum of $5000 is added by the association. In all probability the event, which will be run during the spring meeting of 1902, will be one of the richest in the United States.

The three events closed Saturday, Dec. 30.

Booming Steeplechasing.

Washington, Dec. 30.—The Washington Jockey Club has concluded that the way to give racing a local interest is to provide events open only to the members of the neighboring hunt clubs. The Hunters' Champion Steeplechase run at the last autumn meeting was a great success, and will be continued annually, and the club has now decided to give a sort of preliminary event at the spring meeting. This will be known as the Spring Hunters' Steeplechase and will be open for 4-year-olds and upward, qualified under the rules of the National Steeplechase and Hunt Association, that have been regularly hunted during the season of 1899-1900, owned and ridden by members of recognized hunts in Maryland, Virginia and District of Columbia. The Washington Jockey Club will add to this event a $100 piece of plate and $250. The only entrance charge is $10, which is play or pay. Subscriptions must be made by Feb. 15, 1900, and horses named on or before March 15, and there is no limit to the number of individual entries. Four-year-olds to carry 148 pounds, 5-year-olds 167 and others 176 pounds. Winners in 1899 or 1900 penalized 3 pounds. Half-breds allowed 10 pounds; half-breds that have never started allowed 15 pounds; half-breds, both sire and dam unknown, allowed 20 pounds. Gentlemen never having ridden a winner allowed 8 pounds. No horse to carry less than 130 or more than 180 pounds. The above conditions ought to satisfy everybody, and Mr. Crickmore must have had his thinking cap on when he arranged them. Now there will be no excuse for hunting men who want to have a try between the hounds from being in an excellent trial for the more lucrative event which comes off in the autumn.

Sale of Clifton Racetrack.

Paterson, N.J., Dec. 30.—George H. Engeman's interest in the Clifton race track was sold by the sheriff this afternoon under foreclosure of a mortgage held by Henry Muhs. Mr. Engeman was present with Michael Dunn, his counsel. Mr. Muhs and his lawyer, James G. Blauvelt, also were present.

There had been many postponements of the sale, caused through negotiations by which it was expected that a land company would be formed by Mr. Engeman for the purpose of protecting his interest. It is believed the company has been formed as Mr. Engeman was well supplied with funds.

The mortgage held by Muhs, together with interest and costs of the sheriff's proceedings, amounted to $12,426.47. There are in all 53 acres of land, besides the grand stand, betting ring, stables, paddock and other buildings. The property is valued at $1000 an acre, and Mr. Engeman's interest was worth $25,000 to-day.

Mr. Blauvelt started the bidding for Mr. Muhs by offering $5000. Mr. Dunn, for Mr. Engeman, went $500 better, and in this way the bidding proceeded until $15,150 was reached. This was $50 more than Mr. Blauvelt's highest bid, and the property was knocked down to Mr. Engeman.

Chicago Agrees Upon Racing Plans.

Chicago, Dec. 30.—R. Fitzgerald, representing the Chicago Jockey Club, and Secretary Nathanson of the Harlem and Lakeside Jockey Clubs, agreed to-day upon plans for the Chicago racing season of 1900. Lakeside will open on May 10 or 12, and race 15 days. On May 30 Harlem and Hawthorne will open and the two will alternate until Oct. 27, Lakeside closing the season with another 15-day meeting. It is agreed to waive claim to 25 days for the Washington Park Club if the latter should decide to race.

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The Rifle Championship.

The rifle match for the off hand championship was shot on the Toronto Off Hand Rifle Association range on Dec. 28. The weather was very unfavorable for real fine shooting. The following are the scores for 20 shots off hand, 200 yards:

Daniel Nelily, Bradford Club	162
Wm. Latimer, Toronto	150
D. F. Macdonald, Parry Sound	156
J. E. Brayley, Toronto	148
T. S. Bayles, Toronto	147

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HOCKEY GOING IN NEW YORK

McGill University Lost Saturday to a Picked Aggregation by 10 Goals to 7.

GOAL NETS CATCH ON IN MONTREAL

Program for the Curlers—Annual Club Matches Billed for New Year's Day.

New York, Dec. 31.—The All New York hockey team defeated the players from Montreal, representing McGill University, at the St. Nicholas Rink last night 10 goals to 6. The game was a fast one and the scoring was fast from the start. The All New York team was composed of the best players of the New York Athletic Club, St. Nicholas Skating Club and the Hockey Club of New York. At the start the New Yorkers began the attack, but the Canadians defended their goal well. For nearly ten minutes neither side scored. Then Barron, who was playing a remarkably good game, got the puck in the middle of the rink. He carried it well into the Canadian territory and passed it neatly to Howard, who shot the first goal of the game. Barron was the assistant in making the next goal scored. He carried the puck up and passed it to Phillips, who shot the goal. This second goal took about three minutes to make. Howard made the third goal unassisted. He took the puck as near as he dared to the goal and then made a long shot which got by Wilson. The first goal for McGill was made by H. Howard unassisted. Barron scored for the New Yorkers and Montgomery scored for McGill. This made the score at the end of the first half 4 to 2 in favor of New York.

In the second half Brannen made the first goal in less than a minute. For a time it looked as though the contest would be close, but the New Yorkers started in to rush things and scored five times in succession. Phillips dribbled the puck almost the entire length of the rink and scored. Then Howard tallied on a clever pass from Fenwick. Barron tried but failed and Phillips, dashing in, caught the puck and sent it between the posts. Howard made the next goal on a pass from Phillips, and then Howard scored unaided.

Brannen broke the monotony by getting the puck from a scrimmage and scoring for McGill. Then the New Yorkers scored again, Howard shooting a goal on a pass from Fenwick. Montgomery and Trihey each made a goal for McGill. The team work of the New York team was very good and O'Donnell at goal stopped several difficult shots. The line-up:

All New York (10): O'Donnell, goal; Hunt, point; Fenwick, cover-point; T. A. Howard, Barron, B. Phillips, Callender, forwards.

McGill University (6): Wilson, goal; Drinkwater, point; Yulle, cover-point; Brannen, H. Howard, Trihey, Montgomery, forwards.

Referee: Howard Drakeley, Crescent A. C. Umpires: W. Russell, Hockey Club of New York; Max Hornfeck, New York A.C. McGill opened the tour against the New York, and after two hours of the swiftest work seen here in many a day the University defeated the New York Athletic Club by four goals to three.

OFFICERS PLAY INDOOR BASEBALL

36th Battalion Beat the Body Guards by 19 Runs.

The 36th Battalion defeated the Body Guards baseball team at the Armouries Saturday night by a score of 53 to 34. The game was rather late in starting, owing to the non-appearance of players. The score:

36th Batt.	A.B.	R.	H.	O.	A.	E.
Heron	12	3	9	4	3	2
Boddy	11	7	4	3	4	1
Howard	9	5	3	2	2	2
Brown	5	5	2	2	1	0
Whitehead	8	5	2	2	2	0
Meredith	9	6	6	9	0	2
Smith	8	5	3	2	3	1
Thompson	8	5	4	2	0	1
Beckett	7	5	3	1	0	1
Total	80	53	44	27	20	11

Body Guards—	A.B.	R.	H.	O.	A.	E.
Cameron	9	7	6	1	2	1
Smith	4	5	2	1	3	3
D. Warren	7	4	4	5	2	3
S. Warren	7	5	4	3	4	1
F. Denison	7	4	2	2	2	2
Peters	6	1	1	2	3	3
G. Denison	6	5	3	2	3	2
Cockburn	6	2	1	2	0	2
Fleming	7	2	2	3	2	1
Total	63	34	28	24	16	18

Body Guards. 6 2 11 0 6 3 5 3 3—34
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Bases on balls—Off Heron, 1; off Smith, 2; off Warren, 1. Two-base hits—Cameron, Brown, Boddy, Meredith, Smith (36th). Three-base hits—Cameron, Brown, Warren, Heron. Home runs—Brown, Whitehead. Double plays—Cockburn to Denison. Struck out—By Heron, D. Warren, Cockburn, Fleming; by Warren, Beckett. Passed balls—Brown 3, Cameron 4. Wild pitches—Heron 1, Smith 3, Warren 3. Umpires—Mr. Campbell and Mr. Cosby.

The Standing To-day.

	Won.	Lost.	To play.
36th Battalion	3	1	4
48th Highlanders	2	1	5
Q. O. R.	1	1	6
Grenadiers	1	1	6
Body Guards	0	3	6

Stanley Gun Club.

The Stanley Gun Club held an open shoot on their grounds Booth and Eastern-avenues, on Saturday, several turkey and sweepstake events being shot for. The attendance was not as large as on Christmas, though the sport was thoroughly enjoyed. The following is a summary of the different events:

Event No. 1, 10 sparrows—Green 8, McCarney 8, O'Leary 8, Edwards 7, A. Hulme 7.

Event No. 2, 5 sparrows—Buck 5, W. Hulme 5, Green 4, Herbert 4, McCarney 3, A. Hulme 3.

Event No. 3, 5 sparrows—McCarney 5, Buck 4, Edwards 4, W. Hulme 4, Herbert 4, A. Hulme 3, O'Leary 3, Green 3, Ellis 3.

Event No. 4, 10 artificials—Lucas 9, Green 8, A. Hulme 8, McCarney 7, O'Leary 7, Buck 6, Ellis 6.

Event No. 5, 10 artificials—McCarney 9, O'Leary 8, Ellis 8, Lucas 8, A. Hulme 7, McDuff 7, Green 7, Herbert 6.

Event No. 6, 5 sparrows—A. Hulme 4, Edwards 4, Green 3, McCarney 3, W. Hulme 3, O'Leary 3, McDuff 3.

Event No. 7, 10 artificials—O'Leary 10, McCarney 8, McDuff 8, Lucas 8, Thompson 7, Green 7, Ellis 6.

Event No. 8, 15 artificials—A. Hulme 13, O'Leary 12, McDuff 10, McCarney 10, Green 10.

Delegates Like Goal Nets.

The goal nets for hockey were given their first trial on Saturday night at Montreal, when they were used in an exhibition game between the Shamrocks and Victorias, the former winning by 5 goals to 3.

The game was witnessed by President John Ross Robertson, Secretary Beaton and F. J. Nelson of the Ontario Association. Afterwards there was a meeting of the five Eastern clubs, and they practically decided to adopt the nets and to use them in all their matches.

The Ontario representatives will recommend their use in the O.H.A. games hereafter. Delegate Nelson thinks that the shape of the nets used on Saturday could be improved on.

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MAHER AND M'COY.

The Irishman Slight Favorite for This Afternoon's Battle at Coney Island.

New York, Dec. 31.—Kid McCoy and Peter Maher practically finished their training yesterday, and will now rest until to-morrow afternoon, when they enter the ring. Their condition, if the glowing reports of their trainers is to be believed, is faultless, and unless the unexpected happens the men will face each other on equal terms as far as health is concerned. Those who have visited the men at their respective quarters believe the fighters are in fine shape. McCoy looks and is in better spirits than he has been for years. Maher says he feels like a 2-year-old. Many guesses and predictions have been made as to how the men will fight. Both have mapped out a certain course.

McCoy told a friend yesterday that he would keep away jab when opportunity offers, and then put in the finishing knock.

Maher's plan, as expressed by himself, is to strike out straight from the shoulder at the start, rush things, and make a mixup of it altogether. He foretells a brief struggle, with himself, of course, the victor. McCoy yesterday showed further confidence by commissioning Vernie Barton, a friend, to place $1000 on him to win. Barton was satisfied to secure even money. Maher has wagered $1500 on himself too. Maher expects to knock out the Kid inside of six rounds.

Scenes about the resorts uptown, where sporting men congregate, was animated. Many of the visitors had letters of introduction to either Sullivan or Corbett, and the two former champions were deluged with requests for "inside information." As the pair are neutral on this fight, the would-be bettors were compelled to use their own judgment. Those who remembered Bob Fitzsimmons' tip several years ago that Maher would be the coming man, and recognized the great hitting powers of the Irishman, plunged on him, and before many hours had elapsed Maher was a favorite at 100 to 95. There was no change in the odds during the rest of the day, and it is likely that this price will rule from now until the battle begins.

From a betting standpoint yesterday was the busiest day since the mill was first broached. Everyone who had an opinion and money was accommodated. The local poolrooms are doing a lively business, and if Maher loses, the bookies will make plenty of money, for he has the call with the followers of the turf.

Despite reports that the encounter would not take place on account of illness in the family of Maher, it is officially announced to-night that it will take place as scheduled at 3.30 p.m.

COMMON SENSE WHIST WON.

Athenaeum System Beat the Toronto Club's Long Suit by 17 Tricks.

The fifth challenge match for the Canadian Whist League challenge cup was played last Saturday evening at the comfortable rooms of the Toronto Whist Club, between the Athenaeum Whist Club (Montreal) and the Toronto Whist Club (holders). The teams lined up as follows:

Toronto—1, R. S. Brown; 2, George Shaw; 3, Harper Armstrong; 4, Ed. Bowden.

Athenaeum—5, J. L. Cox; 6, George M. Verrall; 7, W. Ledger; 8, C. H. Fuller.

The match, according to the rules, was played on the Howell modification of the Mitchell system, the players changing adversaries after every six deals and changing partners after every twelve deals, thirty-six deals in all being played in duplicate. The scores by sections of six deals each were as follows:

Deals.	Athenaeums.	Torontos.
1—6	36 tricks	32 tricks.
7—12	42 tricks	37 tricks.
13—18	45 tricks	36 tricks.
19—24	33 tricks	34 tricks.
25—30	36 tricks	37 tricks.
31—36	34 tricks	33 tricks.
Totals	226 tricks	209 tricks.

With regard to the systems of play the Toronto Whist Club team adopted their usual long suit system, while the Athenaeums played what is known as the common sense game, opening long or short suits, according to their judgment of the possibilities of the hand. The Torontos gained on seven deals—five singles and two doubles—a total of 9 tricks, and the Athenaeums gained on 16 deals—10 singles, 4 doubles, a 3 and a 5—a total of 26 tricks.

The challenge cup will now be held and defended by the Athenaeum Club, the next match to take place on Saturday, Jan. 13 next, when the celebrated Hamilton Whist Club will come up from their mountain fortress to attack the Athenaeum citadel.

MASTERS AT VIENNA.

Maroczy Still Leads and Schlechter is Second in Big Chess Tourney.

Vienna, Dec. 30.—The eighth round of the National Master's chess tournament, which was played in this city to-day, resulted as follows: Schlechter and Brody, Albin and Korte and Marco and Alapin drew. Wolf beat Schwarz, Maroczy beat Zinki and Popiel beat Frock. The adjournments remained as follows: Alapin beat Schwarz, Marco beat Popiel, Maroczy beat Albin and Schlechter and Popiel, Korte and Alapin drew. The record of the tournament follows:

	W.	L.		W.	L.
Alapin	4	4	Popiel	4	4
Albin	4	4	Frock	0	8
Brody	5	3	Schlechter	5½	2½
Korte	3½	4½	Schwarz	2½	5½
Marco	3½	4½	Wolf	5	3
Maroczy	7	1	Zinki	4	4

Dooley After Players.

Philadelphia, Dec. 30.—Charley Dooley, manager and first baseman of the Montreal Baseball Club, was in this city yesterday in search of one or two good pitchers. Manager Dooley called on Col. Rogers of the Philadelphia Baseball Club to see if the Phillies had any pitchers to loan out next season. The local club has 10 twirlers under contract, but the Colonel was unable to say what once the Phillies would part with until they are given a thorough trial in the spring. Before leaving for New York Dooley booked his team for a game with the local club early in the spring.

Chips From the Ice.

The Toronto curlers will play their annual President v. Vice-President match this morning at 10 o'clock.

Caledonian curlers will hold a morning session to-day on the ice in Mutual-street Rink.

The Granites commenced their President v. Vice-President match on Saturday, and will finish it to-day, starting at 10 o'clock.

The Queen City Curling Club play their President v. Vice-President match to-day at the Granite Rink.

The reunion at the Victoria on Saturday night was well attended. An orchestra rendered a first-rate program, and songs speeches and readings were the order of the evening. Among those on the program were H. A. Drummond, J. D. McMurrich, Mr DeS. Wedd, H. Wells and M. Wadsworth. The merry evening was brought to a close shortly after refreshments had been served, about midnight.

Sporting Miscellany.

The Toronto Canoe Club will hold a reception to-day for all visitors.

The New Bedford six days' bicycle race was finished at 11 o'clock Saturday night, and was won by John Dubois, who made 779 miles 15 laps; Munroe second.

The Queen City Homing Pigeon Club will hold their fifth annual show on New Year's Day at 140 West Front-street. The pigeons on show will be of the same type as are used in the Transvaal. This will be the largest show ever held in Canada. The judges will be Messrs. Kenzie, Turvey and De Laporte.

Henry Martin (Skeets, the jockey), who rode so successfully in England last year, is in New York, and intends to leave for California on Tuesday, where he will remain until March, when he will return to England to join his stable. Success has not turned Martin's head.

Kid Parker of Denver knocked out Tom Moriarity of Boston at Leadville, Col., Friday night in the tenth round of a 20-round go. Parker won on his superior hitting powers and the inability of Moriarity to successfully block the terrible right and left jabs. The Boston man, however, was game and took a severe drubbing. Early in the tenth round Parker landed a left hook on Moriarity's wind and the latter went down and out.

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GLAD TO SPEAK FOR THE BOERS.

Talked a Long Time and Made a Touching Peroration Against Kings in General.

New York, Dec. 31.—The United Irish societies of New York and vicinity held a mass meeting at the Academy of Music to-night, which was called to express sympathy with the Boers and opposition to England in consequence of the South African war. Senator Mason of Illinois, Congressman Sulzer and Congressman Cummings of New York and others addressed the meeting. Justice Fitzgerald of the Supreme Court presided and opened the proceedings. Congressman Sulzer, a bright star in the Tammany group, was the orator of the occasion. He spoke at great length, and had much to say that was anyway concerned the subject before the meeting. In opening his address he said he was glad to be able to speak in favor of the Boers, as theirs was a just cause, and to prove it he quoted extensively from the yellowist of the yellow journals, which to his hearers was, of course, conclusive evidence.

Sulzer's Weighty Reasoning.

In the course of his address Mr. Sulzer had this to say: "If the friends and sympathizers of England urge as a reason for British interference, and as justification of this war, the alleged grievances of the Uitlanders in regard to the franchise, taxation and representation in the Government, the friends and sympathizers of the Boers answer that England's rules, laws and regulations regarding aliens in the Klondike are more severe, more grievous and more burdensome. And yet, does anyone here urge a war with England on account of the grievances of American miners in the British Klondike? It is too bad. It is too bad the declaration of independence is not as popular as it used to be. It seems to be in such disfavor in Washington that the present pro-Secretary of State has locked it up in a safe, and the Anglo-American Ambassador to the gilded court of St. James makes after-dinner speeches to tipsy lords and dukes about the beauties of imperialism and the ironclad friendship of England and the United States.

"There is no doubt a secret understanding exists to-day between the White House and Downing-street. It ought not to, but it does.

Dead Agin' an Alliance.

"I am opposed to an Anglo-American alliance, expressed or implied, especially when its object is the advancement of Imperialism, the march of armies, the downfall of republics, the destruction of free institutions, the enslavement of man, and the perpetuity of the power of kings.

"The American people should cry out against this sacrifice of principles, this surrender of rights, before it is too late."

Mr. Sulzer's peroration was indeed touching. Said he: "Shall we tear down our monuments, trample in the dust the constitution, send back to France the statue of liberty and turn to the wall the picture of the great emancipator? If democracy and free institutions find no answer here, then, indeed, is government of the people and by the people, and for the people doomed; republics a thing of the past, and the message of the future an Imperialistic cry of destruction, of oppression and of tyranny."

Strangely enough, the great Tammanyite concluded by reciting a stanza from R