

Gossip and Comment

Those who journey to the Woodbine this afternoon to witness the twenty-first running of the Cup will see among the entries Sam Hildreth's King James and F. A. Forester's High Private. Both horses are on the grounds, and are good in any going. King James arrived yesterday morning by express in good condition, having worked a mile at Belmont Park before leaving in 1.41. High Private has been at the track since Thursday, and is in tip-top shape. These two have done some remarkable racing on the coast. Note some of their performances.

King James on Jan. 30th, won the Burns Handicap, valued at \$10,000, over Oakland track in mud in 2.13.5, carrying 124 pounds. Won the California Handicap at Los Angeles, 3.4 mile, in 1.14.5, carrying 142 pounds.

King James' latest victory was the Metropolitan Handicap, opening day at Belmont Park, at 1 mile, in 1.40, with 125 pounds.

High Private has also done some remarkable racing this winter, among his principal wins being the California Derby on Feb. 22nd, over a muddy track, in 2.18, carrying 119 pounds. Ran third in the Los Angeles Derby, won by Joe Madden, with Guy Fisher second, carrying 124 pounds. In this race High Private was cut off badly, losing many angles, thereby losing a race he should have won. High Private has been a constant winner all winter, and can run just as well on a heavy track as a fast one.

Parson Davies, one of the best known of sporting men of a few years ago, and a man who was interested in boxing, and, in fact, in almost all sporting events, who managed Peter Jackson in his prize ring battles and later on in his theatrical trip over the country, is close to death's door in Chicago. He lived in the Windy City for years, but during the last five or six was interested in various business adventures in New Orleans, and made that city his home. When he was told he could not live but a short time longer, Davies requested that he be sent back to Chicago again, and he arrived there on Wednesday. Davies officiated at a banquet in the Grand Opera House here about 15 years ago.

Battling Nelson will meet Dick Hyland this afternoon at Colma, Cal., in a fight supposed to be for the lightweight championship. If Dick Hyland is the fighter that we have been led to believe from his past scraps in the ring and is in as good condition as he is reported, he will come so near beating Nelson that there will be no fun in it for the Danish mite man. When Nelson was in Buffalo recently he showed beyond the shadow of a doubt that something was the matter with him mentally.

Jim Barry, who won a bout in Paris, France, last night, formerly lived in Toronto. He went to Chicago from Toronto. He is a graduate of the Crescent A. C. amateur tourneys.

Colin, the greatest United States racehorse at present on the hoof, is rapidly becoming acclimated in England. He now drops the h when he whinnies, it is said.

And His Gracious Majesty Edward VII. took Minora by the bridle, petted him gently and proudly in the evening neck and led him away from the scene of his triumph, just the same as a long line of owners of Derby winners did before him, says the Chicago Tribune.

No monarch ever did what he did. No monarch ever had the chance. It had been his proud privilege to do so when he was the Prince of Wales, but then he merely was the heir presumptive, but the royal subjects stood agape awaiting what he might do as a king, and prepared to shout "Bravo!" no matter which way the turn came a precedent was to be established, no matter which way it broke. And the precedent was to remain a precedent for all time.

Would His Majesty sit snugly in the royal box and allow his chief equerry to do the royal honors, or would his royal person take Minora by the muzzle and lead the perspiring beast back to the paddock?

Well, to make a short story of a long 'un, it was a question of the sportsman or the king, and the grand old chap showed he was both of them.

Billy Sherring, of this city, will run against Alfred Shrubbs at the baseball park in Buffalo to-night. The distance is fifteen miles—Shrubbs' distance.

This afternoon at Chicago a "\$10,000" Marathon will take place. Among the starters advertised are: John J. Hayes, the winner of the last Olympic Marathon; Henry St. Yves, winner of the two big New York races; Tom Longboat, the Canadian Indian; Fred Simpson, the Finnish Indian; John Svanberg, the Swedish champion; Matt Maloney, the New York runner; Fred Appleby, holder of the fifteen-mile record; Alex. Thibault, of Chicago.

Wouldn't you rather see the saddle off a Derby winner than kill all the lions in Africa, Teddy Roosevelt?

Chicago exchange: The press agent informs us that the following prizes prevail in Saturday's Marathon: Loughboat, 3 to 5; Hayes, 4 to 5; St. Yves, 3 to 5; Svanberg, 5 to 2; Thibault, 8 to 1. The bookmaker seems to be afraid that he is going to Dutch himself. Or does he imagine he is making a show 'un out of a trotting race?

THE FERNLEIGH B. C. SKIPS.

The following have been elected skips for the Fernleigh-Bowling Club:

R. M. Cassels, Dr. A. B. C. Dando, W. L. Frick, W. M. Findlay, B. Griffin, E. Healey, H. Hennessey, W. S. Jackson, Dr. W. J. Leitch, E. Mowick, A. E. Manning, Dr. W. J. Nicol, A. Pace, R. B. McGregor, J. P. Morton, J. H. Turner, Dr. L. Weing, R. B. Wallace, J. S. Thompson, L. F. Stevens, Dr. H. A. Robertson, H. A. White, Wm. White, J. H. Satter and Dr. F. Roseburg.

The skips will meet in the club room on Monday night and select their players.

In consequence of a quarrel, Deputies Malik and Baron Rolsberg, of Vienna, fought a duel with pistols. The first exchange of shots was ineffective, and then the duel was stopped because one of the pistols had got out of order.

HIGHFIELD S. SPORTS.

R. A. Higgins Won Senior Championship.

Junior Title Went to W. Clark.

Runner Suspended For Competing at Kerr Meet.

Old Sol shone brightly on the annual sports of Highfield School yesterday afternoon, just as he did at the seven previous meets. The meet was held as usual at the Cricket Grounds, and was attended by a large gathering of parents and relatives of the youths. While the weather was pleasant, it was a little cold for the contestants, and as the track was heavy, no records were broken. Many of the events were keenly contested and on the whole the meet was first class. A pleasing feature of the meet was the fine sportsmanlike feeling exhibited by the lads, and the best of feeling seem to exist. This was exemplified in one event, in which two of the lads were tie for the prize. They were told to decide between them as to who should take the prize. One lad took it and handed it to his rival. The best work of the afternoon was done, perhaps, in the pole vaulting competition. This competition finally narrowed



R. A. HIGGINS.

Who won the Highfield School A. C. championship. This picture was made from a snap shot taken at the Cricket Grounds.

down to two lads, Higgins and Turner, and they were unable to break the tie. One new event was added to the card this year—a race for Highfield—old boys. Following is a summary of the 220 yards race, between 15 and 16 years—Colquhoun, 1; Gibson, 2.

High jump, under 12—L. Ferrie, 1; Mills, 2. Distance, 3 1/2 feet.

Broad jump—G. Fraser, 1; Higgins, 2. Distance, 18 feet 6 inches.

120 yards handicap—G. Collinson, 1; J. Ferrie, 2.

Broad jump, under 13 years—G. Lynch-Staunton, 1; M. Burns, 2. Distance, 12 feet, 5 inches.

Broad jump, between 13 and 15 years—Merrick, 1; Clarke, 2. Distance, 15 feet 6 inches.

Quarter-mile open—Fraser 1, Higgins 2. Time 1.01 1/2.

220 yards handicap, under 12—J. Ferrie 1, G. Collinson 2.

High jump, 13 to 15 years—W. Clarke 1, Wallace and Young tie. Height, 4 feet 4 1/2 inches.

Pole vault, open—R. Higgins and Turner tie.

Quarter-mile handicap, under 15 years—S. Nicholson 1, O. Dunn 2.

100 yards, under 11 years—J. Ferrie 1, L. Ferrie 2.

100 yards, open—G. Ferrie 1, R. Higgins 2. Time, 11.2.5 seconds.

100 yards, 11 to 13 years—Wardrope 1, Lynch-Staunton 2.

100 yards, 13 to 14 years—L. Washington 1, O. Dunn 2. Time, 13.2.5 seconds.

100 yards, 14 to 15 years—J. Merrick 1, W. Clarke 2. Time, 11.1.2 seconds.

100 yards, under 10 years—G. Collinson 1, W. Bruce 2. Time, 16.1.4.

100 yards, 15 to 16 years—W. Boddy 1, H. Washington 2.

220 yards, open—G. Fraser 1, Grant 2. Time, 28.2.5.

High jump, 15 to 16 years—Gibson 1, W. Boddy 2.

High jump, open—L. M. Hope 1, R. Higgins 2. Height 4 feet 11 inches.

Half-mile handicap—G. Mathieson 1, H. Collinson 2.

Four-legged race—Storms 1, Mathieson and Dixon.

Consolation race—M. Vallance 1, Martin and Merrick tie for second.

Highfield Old Boys' sprint—Murray 1, Daw 2.

The officials for the meet were:

Judges (old Highfield boys)—G. P. Atwell, D. K. Baldwin, G. S. Balfour, E. Bristol, J. D. Beasley, A. H. Gibson, C. V. Grantham, F. A. Gates, T. A. Malloch, F. G. Malloch, K. A. Murray, J. D. Moodie, S. W. C. Scott, C. H. Watson, H. W. Vallance.

Starter—A. J. Taylor.

Timekeepers—R. S. Morris, E. V. Wright.

Stewards—G. C. Ferrie, L. S. Hope, J. D. Scott, J. A. Turner, N. Y. Bartlett, J. C. Sutherland, M. W. Walker, A. H. Dixon, A. L. Carpenter, R. H. Gilbert, M. A. Vallance, G. K. Fraser, F. M. Gibson, J. G. Ebel, R. S. Fitch, R. A. Higgins, E. R. Leather, J. N. Dalley.

At the conclusion of the sports the gathering adjourned to the beautiful grounds at Highfield, where the presentation of prizes took place on the lawn.

The prizes were mostly silver cups and were exceedingly handsome. Mrs. John I. A. Hunt, of London, a daughter of the late Senator Turner, presented all the prizes, except the Mrs. Ferrie cup and George E. Best trophy, emblematical of the union championship. These two were presented by Mrs. Ferrie and Mrs. Bristol.

The championship cup was won by Robert A. Higgins, a fine type of a lad. Higgins is not yet 16 years old and weighs 165 pounds. In addition to be-

ing a good athlete on the field, he is a clever boxer. This is the senior table:

	1st.	2nd.	3rd.	Pts.
R. A. Higgins	3	5	0	30
G. Fraser	5	0	1	25
G. Ferrie	4	0	0	20

The junior championship went to Clark, who made 19 points. J. Merrick was second, with 15 points, and Nicholson third with 9.

The Whitney cup for cross-country running, won last year by G. K. Fraser, was not awarded, as A. K. Boddy only tied the holder—he did not beat him. Therefore the names of Fraser and Boddy will be engraved on it for 1909.

The proceedings were closed by an address by Geo. E. Bristol, who congratulated Principal Collinson on the good work being done at Highfield, in developing the minds and bodies of the boys. Following is the record of the championships:

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JIM JEFFRIES

BOXED BERGER.

Chicago, May 29.—Jas. J. Corbett, former heavyweight champion, acted as referee for the Jeffries-Berger three round bout last night at a theatre in which Jeffries is appearing.

Corbett called time for the first round and said: "I'll make them go some."

Jeffries, apparently spurred on by Corbett's presence, rushed at Berger and pommelled him all over the ring. He used every jab, swing and punch in his repertoire and his defensive tactics hardly could have been improved. Corbett was so amused at Jeffries' cleverness that he forgot to call time for the round and Berger ceased hostilities by going to his corner.

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FOR THE YOUNG AMATEURS



BASEBALL

BASEBALL IS THE favorite summer sport in Detroit, the home of the Tigers, who have won the American championship in 1907 and 1908. From 5,000 to 20,000 people attend the championship games in the frontier city, and give the closest attention to the game. The games are played at Bennett Park, which was named after Charlie Bennett, one of the world's greatest catchers, and who lost both his legs in California. The park is built on modern plans, the grand stands extending nearly around the four corners of the diamond. The stands sometimes fail to hold the crowds and then the field is used. Grand stands known as the "wild cats," erected by property owners outside of the grounds, afford a fine view, and are generally filled, too. The stands are built of steel and the seats are of the kind used in some theatres. The bleachers are all that could be desired, compared with higher priced seats. The park is well laid out, giving every one a chance to see the plays. For the benefit of those who cannot get out to the game electric devices are installed over the newspaper offices and in different wet goods establishments, where each play is shown almost as soon as it is made. These electric score boards are watched by as many people as attend the games. It is a brilliant scene—the stands on a bright day, such as last Sunday was. Ladies wearing Merry Widows, Directoire gowns, sheath gowns, or some other fashionable covering, are seen here and there in the grand stand, which is filled with fashionably dressed men and some who are not so well dressed. But all are in good humor—and munching peanuts or popcorn or drinking pop through a straw from a bottle. These bottles are sometimes used as missiles to throw at the umpire. But Detroit crowds have the reputation of being good natured, because they have a winning team, and generally confine their throwing to epithets, such as "Come on, Tyus!" "Hit the ball, you big stiff!" "Get a board!" "How are you, Wild Bill!"

But it's different at a losing game. The visiting players, as well as the home team, umpire and the club officials, have it handed to them right off the bat. The home team always takes the field first, and in the course of the game give signals with both hands and feet.

The Detroit Tigers are the fastest team in the league again this season. It is a well balanced team and all players seem to understand their own game, and their work is well nigh perfect. Every player when catching a ball is backed up by two or three others, no chances being taken if it is possible to make a play a certainty. Much responsibility rests with Captain Schaefer, who directs the plays when in the field. The most prominent player is "Ty" Cobb. He is now getting back his lightning eye, and will be a tower of strength to the Tigers. "Ty" when on bases, is very amusing. He keeps the pitchers worrying. The players have two suits for playing. At home they play in white and on tour they play in grey.

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