

TIMES SPORTING PAGE

T. I. C. A. C. CLEAN UP AT PETERBORO.

Hilton Greene First in the Long Race.

Montreal Ill. Here on Saturday for Game With Tigers—A Dead Heat at New Orleans Yesterday.

Peterboro, Dec. 4.—The first indoor meet under the auspices of the Peterboro Y. M. C. A. harriers was a grand success. Over 1,500 saw the events, which were tightly contested and provided a great evening's sport.

The feature event of the programme, the three-mile invitation race, furnished a surprise, Jack Tait, of the West End Y. M. C. A., Toronto, winning it in handy fashion in 16:14 4-5. Tait went out ahead at the start, and at the beginning of the second mile had a lead of a lap. Wilson, of Peterboro, was second, after a duel all the way with Galbraith, who dropped out three laps from the finish. Sellen quit at the end of the first mile.

Hilton Greene, of the Irish-Canadians, and Ben Howard, of Hiawatha, put up a good race in the three-mile handicap. Fred Simpson, of the Y. M. C. A. harriers, and A. W. Haddleton, of the Irish-Canadians, were neck and neck in the last lap of the mile, when they collided, and Haddleton won out after the spill. Tom Longboat was presented to the crowd, and was given a bouquet of flowers. Following are the results:

50 yards handicap—First heat—D. Hillier, Peterboro, 1; L. Dobson, Peterboro, Y. M. C. A., 2. Time, 6 seconds.

Second heat—N. Darling, Peterboro, Y. M. C. A., 1; P. Adamson, Peterboro, Y. M. C. A., 2. Time, 5 3-5 seconds.

Third heat—McMurray, I. C. A. C., Toronto, 1; Baker, Y. M. C. A. Harriers, 2. Time, 5 3-5 seconds.

Fourth heat—Fred McGrath, Peterboro, 1; J. Leary, Peterboro, 2. Time, 5 1-5 seconds.

Final—F. McGrath, Peterboro, 1; Darling, Peterboro, harriers, 2; McMurray, I. C. A. C., 3. Time, 5 4-5 seconds.

One mile, open—A. W. Haddleton, I. C. A. C., 1; Fred Simpson, Peterboro, Y. M. C. A., 2. Time, 5:16 4-5.

880 yards handicap—Dobson, Y. M. C. A., Peterboro, 1; Darling, Y. M. C. A., Peterboro, 2. Time, 2:21 2-5.

220 yards handicap—First heat—Hillier, Peterboro, 1; Greenwood, Central Y. M. C. A., Toronto, 2. Time, 30 2-5 seconds.

Second heat—McMurray, Irish-Canadians, Toronto, 1; Leary, Peterboro, 2. Time, 30 seconds.

Final heat—McMurray, 1; Hillier, 2. Time, 30 seconds.

Three mile handicap—Hilton Greene, Irish-Canadians, 1; Ben Howard, Hiawatha, 2; Chas. Thorpe, Peterboro, 3. Time, 17:09.

Three mile special—Jack Tait, Toronto West End Y. M. C. A., 1; Ernie Wilson, Peterboro, Y. M. C. A., harriers, 2. Time, 16:14 4-5.

Galbraith and Sellen did not finish.

AMERICANS TO RAISE \$50,000.

New York, Dec. 4.—The Executive Committee of the American Olympic Committee of the Olympic Games to be held in London next July decided tonight to raise by subscription \$50,000 to defray the expenses of the American team.

The committee also voted to hold two "Olympic try-outs," one in the east and one in the west, and places to be selected later.

All events on the Olympic programme, except the Marathon race and the ton-mile walk, will be on the try-out programme, and the winners will, in general, be selected as members of the American team, but the committee reserves the right to reject any preliminary winner should circumstances warrant.

A fifteen-mile run will take the place of the Marathon in the try-outs, and the committee will pick its men from this on form. To hold a full 25-mile run a short time before the games, the committee thought, would be likely to bring the chances of the American contestants.

An entry fee of \$2 will be required from all contestants in the try-outs, and no medals will be given, diplomas to those finishing first, second and third being substituted.

It was also decided to re-enact the rule of the last games, that the members of the American team will not be allowed to represent universities, athletic clubs or other organizations, but must go simply as members of the American team. No professional trainer will be employed or permitted.

The committee has received acknowledgment from Lord Desborough, President of the British Olympic Committee, regarding the nationality of contestants, which rules that American contestants must be American citizens. The ruling was made in the case of Con Lehey and Dennis Murray, Irish athletes, who desired to register from America.

INDUCEMENTS DO NOT COUNT.

Winnipeg Free Press: Replying to a letter sent Tom Longboat, the Indian runner, by F. Nelson Smith, asking if he could be induced to run here, T. C. Flanagan, President of the Irish-Canadian Athletic Club, Toronto, writes:

"Impossible to make a date before Longboat's return from England. We will be glad to hear from you then."

"With regard to your inducements, our club is an amateur club, and we want no inducements of any kind. If you can make a date for August, a race from five to twenty-five miles for a cup, with C. A. U. sanction, the chances are very bright that I will send a team, including Longboat."

SATURDAY'S GAME.

Tigers 11. Confident of Winning Dominion Honors.

That there is a lot of interest being taken in Saturday's rugby game for the intermediate championship of Canada is

evidenced by the reports from Montreal that Chaucer Elliott is working about night and day with his team, getting it in shape, and that a large number of Montrealers are coming up with the team on Saturday. Notwithstanding the snow last night, the whole team turned out for practice, and went through a stiff two hours' drill of signal work and running and punting. It is likely some new plays that have never been tried here before will be pulled off by the Tigers, and these are counted on as great ground gainers.

"It doesn't seem right that Montreal should think of annexing two Dominion championships and the Tigers this year to go without any, and the second team is going to look after that part of the question on Saturday, and at least one championship will as usual come to this city. While the present weather does not look just as good for football as might be, still there is a chance that Saturday will be, and the continued run of good Saturdays will continue. There is one thing the local football club has been favored with—splendid weather all season, and it is hoped their luck will not go back on them for the last game.

The season of 1907 has been a successful one for the Tigers, and though it has been considerably drawn out, it has not been a bit too long for the thousands of Rugby lovers in this city, who have stood by the club and supported it in every way. That the second team is almost as popular with the crowds as the seniors has been evidenced by the great crowds which have always been present at their matches, and the innovation of Rugby players playing a game for the Dominion championship on their own grounds will no doubt be heartily appreciated.

Peterboro, Dec. 3.—On their return from Montreal yesterday the local Rugby team were greeted with all kinds of gifts and were the subjects of a general laugh from the citizens.

Opinion is very much divided as to the course the team should have pursued although the majority of the townspeople were indifferent as to what happened to the team, and from present appearances Rugby is a thing of the past in Peterboro.

Before the team went east there was considerable difference of opinion among the officers and players, but the prospects of facing a deficit of \$175, with no ultimate relief, forced all to think alike

and the game was played. In defence of the club's step Secretary MacDonough stated to The News this morning that the officers of the club did not feel like putting up the deficit out of their own pockets, and when the offer of \$500 for a game came from Montreal the club was left but one course to pursue.

"However, in addition to the money offer, we were guaranteed by Dr. Irvine, president of the Montreal club, that in the event of our expulsion from the O. R. F. U., we would be well looked after by the Inter-provincial next year and placed in the Western district, which Dr. Irvine said would be formed, as the long jumps had proved too expensive for the Argos and Tigers, and it was the intention of the Union to divide into eastern and western sections. From present indications there will not be a local team here next year, and the boys are not waiting any time with needless worry.

"The Montreal team was greatly tickled over the result of the game, as they regarded it as a bit of sweet revenge on the Westmount aggregation for the latter's action in going into the O. R. F. U.

"I suppose we are regarded pretty foolish by the Toronto bunch, but we are a little ahead of the game now, and we are not worrying very much," concluded Mac.

A DEAD HEAT.

Fast Tight Finish of the Season at Orleans.

New Orleans, Dec. 4.—The first dead heat of the season occurred at City Park track yesterday when two imported horses in the third race—Hans at 2 to 1 and La Jeunesse at 11 to 10—after a struggle that lasted through three furlongs finished nose and nose, and so close together the judges could not separate them and hung up the dead-heat sign. Many in the grand stand thought that Hans had led by the narrowest margin. In this same race there was almost a dead heat for third place, Albert Star getting the money over Polar Star.

SADDLE AND SULKY.

Rapid Water made a world's record of 1:44 1-5 for a mile and 100 yards at San Francisco.

Clem Croveling, formerly Secretary of the outdoor meeting at Newport, Ky., has been returned to good standing by the Western Jockey Club.

A race meeting of thirty days is proposed for Tampa, Florida, next February. Fred Burlew offers \$12,000 for Pinkola if the colt, passed to the United States, is a breeding and racing thoroughbred and standard-bred horse.

Hon. H. R. Emerson, it is rumored, may become general manager of the Intercolonial Railway.

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WHO BURNED THE CHURCH? FOUND IN WELL.

An Odd Suit Heard at the Welland Assizes by Justice Teetzel.

Welland, Dec. 3.—Judge Teetzel yesterday and to-day tried a case here in which the Methodist Church is suing the town of Welland for the burning of the church, which took place four months ago. The plaintiffs claim that the fire was caused by the bursting of the gas main, which was caused by the own negligence of a road roller over it. This set the gas on fire, badly burning the roller. The church was burned at the same time.

The claim is for fifteen thousand dollars and costs. G. T. Blackstock, Toronto, and J. F. Gross, of Welland, were for the plaintiffs, and Messrs. Pettit and German, of Welland, for the defendants. The suit was really by an insurance company, although they could not sue. Evidence was taken and a decision reserved for a week.

MOTHER DESERTED BABE.

Two-Weeks-Old Girl Found on Toronto Church Steps.

Toronto, Dec. 4.—As Hugh O'Connell, 572 King street west, was coming out from choir practice last night at about 9:20 he was amazed at the discovery of a bundle on the steps of the Metropolitan church, which proved on investigation to be a baby girl not more than two or three weeks old. The infant was warmly wrapped up and had apparently not been long enough in the frosty night air to be chilled, for no injury was, it is believed, done to the child.

O'Connell at once borrowed a shawl, and, taking the advice of the constable on the beat, the patrol wagon was sent for, and the child taken to the Infants' Home, where it will be taken care of until claimed. The baby is a well-nurtured little girl, and there are absolutely no marks on the clothes to aid in identification. The foundling has dark hair.

New Publications.

The Christmas issue of Woman's Home Companion is a sumptuous magazine, with several pages in color. The cover is reproduced from an exquisite painting by Jessie Wilcox Smith, of a mother and babe. The number is full of Christmas atmosphere—rattling good Christmas stories, Christmas pictures by prominent artists, and hundreds of Christmas suggestions of all sorts—practical, fanciful, unique.

Laura Spencer Porter and Jeannette S. Porter contribute "Cinderella," a little family Christmas play. A feature is a theatrical reminiscence by Clara Morris, "Christmas on the Road." Dr. Edward Everett Hale writes of "How to Use the Christ-Mass."

The stories in the Christmas number include: "A Wild Boar Rampant," by Robert Barr; "An Undiscovered Siddons," by Claire Wallace Flynn, and others by Marguerite Campion. There are scores of articles, in addition, and the departments are full of Christmas ideas and suggestions.

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