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IN THE SPHERE OF SPORTS.

Winter Baseball Gossip. News of the Boxers and Notes of a General Nature.

Tenpin games to-night: Toronto Rowing Club at Highlanders', Q. O. R. B. C. at Athenaeum North.

Teddy Hale has ridden his hundredth consecutive century in his effort to accomplish the feat of riding a century every day.

Harry Forbes is now in New York, where he is to meet Terry McGovern in a 25-round contest before the Broadway Athletic Club, Dec. 22.

Articles of agreement have been signed by Gus Ruhlin, the Akron giant, and Stockings Conroy of Troy for a 25-round bout at New York, Dec. 19.

Joe Leonard, the Buffalo bantam, has been offered a substantial purse to box Jimmy Smith 15 rounds at 118 lbs., providing he wins his bout to-morrow night with Kid Schook at Black Rock.

A scheduled game of basket ball will be played at the Central Y. M. C. A. to-night between teams captained by J. E. Hewitson and J. Powell. The game will start at 9 o'clock. The gallery will be open to visitors.

The Canadian Amateur Hockey League elected the following officers: President, J H Wilson, Victorias; 1st Vice-President, H E Scott, Quebec; 2nd Vice-President, J F Dixon, Ottawa; Secretary-Treasurer, G R James; Member of Council, Harry McLaughlin, Shamrocks.

Tenney has had a record of 10 assists in 15 consecutive games this season, and another of 15 assists in 12 consecutive games. Billy Goeckel made one of the greatest records ever known at first base when he had 6 assists in a single game.

The Buffalo Whist Club has begun negotiations to have a series of games with Toronto, Hamilton, Rochester, Syracuse, Cleveland and perhaps several other cities within easy reach during the winter, when the silent sport attracts the most.

The Queen City Bicycle Club will hold their second pedro party of the season on Friday, Dec. 15. Six good prizes will be given and light refreshments will be served. Tickets may be had for 25c from any of the Executive Committee or at the club rooms, Parkdale.

Joe Choynski has been matched to fight Walcott 25 rounds at catch weights. The pair meet at the Broadway A. C. on Jan. 12. pair meet at the Broadway A. C. on Jan. 12.

Among the Guards killed at Belmont were Private St. John, the champion boxer of Wales, and Private Hickling, who played back for Walsall.

Baseball in Syracuse ought to be thoroughly rehabilitated during 1900, with the club in the hands of the business men of that city. There are many gentlemen identified with its interests, and, with Jake Wells at the head, the Stars should be a success in every respect.

McHale, who played with the Bristol Club last season, is now in the California League, where he is holding down left garden for the Sacramento Club. There is certainly great merit in McHale's work in the field, as the New Havens learned to their sorrow last season.—Exchange.

Of the 175 cases on the docket at the recent sitting in New York of the Board of Review of the National Trotting Association all were new cases with the exception of 15 or 20. They were for the most part cases of ringing and non-payment of entrance money. Many were continued to the spring meeting at Chicago to meet the convenience of many who live West.

Scotland is threatened with an invasion from America of at least two amateur golfers who are worthy representatives of Uncle Sam. The pair who contemplate an onslaught on the ranks of the best Scottish and English talent are Herbert M. Harriman, our first home-bred champion, and James A. Stillman, the well-known Newport and Meadow Brook player.

The Lacrosse Association of the University of Pennsylvania has been formally organized. A number of students were present. Thomas, 1903 M., was elected president, and Mr. Smith, chemistry, was elected secretary. It was decided to apply for admission to the Inter-University Lacrosse Association. This Association is composed of Harvard, Cornell and Columbia.

The second annual smoking concert of the Argyle Club will be held in Masonic Hall, Parkdale, next Friday evening. An excellent program of both vocal and instrumental music has been arranged, including Eddie Piggott, jumpest; also La Tremo, the daring trapeze performer, and the following boxing bouts: Jimmy Smith v. Olcott, Blakey v. Wright, Nichols v. Hall and Erne v. Rowntree.

Twenty-five terrific rounds were fought at the Broadway, New York, Friday night between the lightweights, George McFadden and Tim Kearns. It was a most exciting contest, McFadden winning. First one would have the better of it and then the other. McFadden did most of the leading. He cut and marked Kearns' face badly. McFadden did not display much damage, though he had been well banged on the face and body.

A despatch to The New Yorker Staats Zeitung from Berlin says that Dr. Max Lange, the famous German chess master, theoretician and problemist, is dead at Leipsic. Dr. Lange was born in Magdeburg on Aug. 7, 1832, and was known as a chess player in 1849, when he founded a chess club among the boys of the Magdeburg gymnasium. He also edited a chess periodical at the same time. Lange made a great name for himself by his numerous chess publications.

The following are the winners in the different classes of the last Athenaeum Club billiard tourney, the prizes for which were presented by the president, Mr. C. B. Jackes, last week: Special English, J. H. Anger; second class English, T. H. Bayles and H. Yarnold; three-ball billiards, special, Charles White and S. R. Higgins; first class, G. Newton and W. Knowles; second class, W. L. Dugan and E. E. Walker. The Beefsteak Board of Directors meets tonight at 8 o'clock.

Jack Bennett of McKeesport, Pa., won the decision over Owen Zeigler of New York after six rounds of fairly fast fighting before a North Side club last night. Malachy Hogan refereed. Bennett had the better of the first four rounds, with the exception of a part of the third round, when Zeigler rushed him and sent him to the floor with a right to the head. Bennett was not hurt and was up and fighting in an instant. The house was a slim one, but those present were satisfied with the decision.—Chicago Inter-Ocean.

The Western football championship goes to Chicago. Before at least 12,000 persons at Madison, Wis., on Saturday, the eleven of the University of Chicago defeated the University of Wisconsin team by a score of 17 to 0, in a game that, for desperate playing and for clean, scientific football, has probably never been equalled on a Western gridiron. No flukes marred the victory of the sturdy Chicago players, and for the first time in years the Maroons can lay claim to an undisputed title to the championship.

Eastern Hockeyists Try Goal Nets.

Montreal, Dec. 10.—The Canadian Amateur Hockey Association held its annual meeting here on Saturday, the four clubs being represented, Victorias, Montreal, Ottawa and Quebec. The suggestion made by Quebec that a net should be adopted for goals was also approved of, with the provision that the net should be looked at in an experimental sort of way. It was decided that the Shamrocks and Victorias were to try off for the first time. Schedules for senior and Eastern series were adopted.

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COUNSELL ELECTED PRESIDENT

Secretary McMurrich Beat Tommy Church—Annual Meeting of the Rugby Union.

The sixteenth annual meeting of the Ontario Rugby Football Union was held Saturday afternoon at the Rossin House, with President Mowat in the chair, all the committee and these 13 clubs represented: Kingston Nationals, Gananoque, R. M. C., Ottawa, Peterboro, Toronto, London, Kingston Limestones, Hamilton, Varsity, Petrolea, Kingston Granites and the Argonauts. Secretary McMurrich's report was rosy, congratulating the three champions, Granites (senior), Peterboro (intermediate) and London (junior). The work was put through in good style, with one or two exceptions—once, when Mr. Church appealed against the ruling of the chair, and again when Mr. Church took objection to Mr. McMurrich having $100 voted to him for his work.

Cross-Country Running.

The West End Y.M.C.A. Harrier Club held one of its most successful cross-country races on Saturday afternoon. The course was a good one, and one calculated to bring out the very best qualities of all contestants, starting from the West End Y.M.C.A., corner of Queen and Dovercourt-road, up north of Bloor, north of Toronto Junction, and through the hilly and sandy country around Indian-road. The course home was optional to the contestants, they being allowed to take the easiest and shortest route. The distance was about five and a quarter miles. The following is the order of the finish, and the time made by each runner: R. Cummings, 1st, 37 minutes 43 seconds; Wm. Cecil, 2nd, 37 minutes 46 seconds; M. Allen, 3rd, 37 minutes 50 seconds; Wm. Durand, 4th, 37 minutes 51 seconds; Erve Hambly, 5th, 37 minutes 55 seconds; Fred. Quinn, 6th, 37 minutes 58 seconds; Percy Roberts, 7th, 37 minutes 59 seconds; Wm. Crealock, 8th, 37 minutes 59½ seconds; Harry Blott, 9th, 38 minutes; Sam. Crealock, 10th, 40 minutes; Geo. Craig, 11th, 40 minutes 50 seconds; Art. Johnston, 12th, 41 minutes. There were twenty entries for the race. The club also ran off a disputed five-mile road race on the Lake Shore for the Wanless (time) Trophy, which was won by Reg. Burnhardt, with Chris. Quinn second.

Whist Experts Tie.

After a hard and stubbornly-contested fight, the first Inter-League whist match ended in a draw, as the following score will show:

—Athenaeum—		—Varsity—	
Saunders	0	N. Shenstone	1
Freeland	1	Hunter	1
Braithwaite	½	S. Shenstone	½
Taylor	1	Barlow	0
Muntz	1	Hutton	0
Bussee	0	Bradley	1
Eddis	1	Morgan	0
Woods	1	Keith	0
Boulthee	1	Mavor	0
Adams	0	Brown	1
Watson	½	Clappern	½
Butler	0	Hodson	1
Total	6	Total	6

Grens. Beat Body Guards.

On Saturday night, with one man short, the Body Guards were beaten in the officers' Indoor Baseball League by 3 runs by the Grenadiers. The crowd was unusually large, and included many ladies. The score:

Grenadiers	3	9	6	4	3	10	1	1	2	—39
Body Guards	5	2	3	1	4	9	6	3	3	—36

Grenadiers: Adams lf, Kingsmill c, McKay p, Craig 3b, Heward rf, McInnis ss, Douglas 1b, Kirkpatrick 2b, Law lf.

Body Guards: Cameron c, Smith p, Denison 1b, Denison 3b, Warren rf, S. Warren lf, Cockburn cf, W. Denison ss.

—Standing of the Teams.—

	Won.	Lost.
36th Battalion	2	0
Q. O. R.	1	0
Grenadiers	1	1
Highlanders	0	1
Body Guard	0	2

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WHO PUNCTURED THE TIRES?

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MILLER AND WALLER WINNERS.

Week's Bicycle Grind Finished Sensationally at 10 o'Clock Saturday Night.

New York, Dec. 9.—Charles W. Miller of Chicago, the long-distance champion of the world, and Frank Waller, the Dutchman, won the six-day bicycle team race, which began at midnight last Sunday at Madison-Square Garden. They finished at 10 o'clock to-night, first, by two laps, with 2733 2-5 miles to their credit, with Otto Maya of Erie, Pa., and Archie McEachren of Toronto, second. Louis Gimm of Pittsburg and Burns Pierce of Boston were third, one lap behind the second men. Fischer and Chevalier, the Frenchmen, were fourth, only two laps behind, and Earl D. Stevens of Buffalo and Charley Turville were fifth, separated from the Frenchmen also by two laps.

The first big excitement of the afternoon occurred at 3.20 o'clock. The contestants were in a bunch, going around the track at a great pace. Suddenly, at the turn, Fischer and Babcock went down. Miller, Maya, Stevens and Walthour were in the first row, and Gimm and Schineer and the others behind. Miller saw his advantage, and set a wild pace, with the crowd after him. He sprinted a terrific gait, amid the excited yells of the large crowd present. The first bunch gained one-third of a lap by this spring. Three minutes afterwards, to add to the excitement, the changes were made. Miller gave way to Waller, Gimm to Pierce, and Maya to McEachren. Waller took up the sprint, and, for four miles, there was the wildest kind of a pace, amid the greatest excitement.

At the end of this spurt Pierce had lost a lap, making him two laps behind Maya and McEachren, and four laps behind the leaders. It was not known how much Babcock had lost. Fischer lost two laps. The referee, after the smash-up, judged a lap against Babcock, claiming that he had fouled Fischer purposely. Pierce and Gimm were given the lap they lost by the action. This decision was taken in bad grace by some of the riders.

The scene at the Garden at 10 o'clock to-night was exciting, when the winners swept by the line, ending one of the most sensational contests of its kind ever seen in this country. Ten thousand people saw the finish.

A Sunday paper to-day says: "Maya and McEachren suffered again from the hard luck, which followed them persistently. Maya's tire punctured yesterday afternoon, and Waller, seeing that he was riding on a flat rim, jumped out and soon gained a lap. McEachren cut in then, and shut off further gains. The loss was disheartening, but the boys rode on steadfastly. This team of sprinters would have tied Miller and Waller except for the long chapter of accidents, which made their persistent progress, under the circumstances, little short of marvelous. It's mighty queer that all the punctures should happen to this team, which pressed Miller and Waller so hard all along. The boards were clean, and no screw or nail protruded. Therefore, it is hard to understand why the tires on Maya and McEachren's wheels were forever getting holes in them. No other wheels punctured. Several gave way, but this was through their own weakness, and not through cuts or punctures. At any rate, the Canadian sprint team rode grandly."

Bobby Walthour won the individual prize by completing 1402 miles and 2 laps at 7.44 o'clock. He could not then be caught, and was ahead of Gimm's 72-hour record, made in 1898. Walthour only rode 71 hours, which was his half of the 142 hours for the week. He was cheered for his plucky race, which he rode alone, after Jay Eaton, his partner, had stopped. The second heat of the Tommasselli-Kimble race resulted in a win for Tommasselli. Time 2.57 2-5. The third heat was also won by Tommasselli. Time 2.40 3-5. The unlimited pace race between John King of Newark and Walter Torrence, Riverside Wheelmen, was won by King, after going 11 laps. Time 2.37½. Score at the finish:

—Team Scores and Prizes.—

	Miles.	Laps.	Prizes.
1—Miller-Waller	2733	4	$1000
2—Maya-McEachren	2733	2	700
3—Gimm-Pearce	2733	1	400
4—Fischer-Chevalier	2733	0	300
5—Stevens-Turville	2732	7	200
6—Babcock-Stinson	2732	5	100
7—Schneer-Forster	2385	4	100

—Individual Scores and Prizes.—

	Miles.	Laps	Prizes.
1—Walthour	1402	2	$500
2—Turville	1397	9	300
3—Stevens	1334	8	200
4—Pierce	1379	3	100
5—Fischer	1373	7	50
6—McEachren	1369	5	...
7—Maya	1363	7	...
8—Chevalier	1359	2 1-10	...
9—Gimm	1356	3	...
10—Babcock	1352	4	...
11—Miller	1348	2	...
12—Waller	1385	2	...
13—Stinson	1379	8	...
14—Forster	1233	5	...
15—Schineer	1231	9	...
16—Aronson	1099	8	...

There was a marked contrast in the condition of the bicyclists who finished in the six-day race to their exhausted condition at the finish of the race last year. To-day saw all of the riders in excellent physical condition, and several of them took long walks this afternoon. Gimm and Pierce, the winners of third prize, seemed to be the only dissatisfied riders to express their feelings openly. Pierce said that his team had been unjustly deprived of a number of laps, which accounted for their not winning.

EVA RICE WON PALMETTO HANDICAP.

Duke of Middleburg Was Favorite and Would Have Finished First in Another Jump.

New Orleans, Dec. 9.—The Palmetto Handicap, at a mile and a sixteenth, valued at $1000, was the event of to-day's card. Duke of Middleburg was favorite in the betting, and in two or three strides more would have won the prize. As it was, he faltered, and Eva Rice, who had made most of the running, lasted just long enough to beat him out by a short neck. Lady Callahan, who was figured to have a chance, was left at the post, and Benneville, another likely candidate, was anchored. J. Lucille and Col. Cluke were the only winning favorites. Mizpah, the winner of the Inaugural Handicap, broke down at exercise this morning, and will be retired for the winter. Weather cloudy; track heavy. Summaries:

First race, 6 furlongs—J. Lucille, 99 (Boland), 7 to 10, and out, 1; Havelock, 113 (McCann), 7 to 2 and even, 2; Swamp Angel, 109 (Michaels), 10 to 1, 3. Time 1.20¾. Turney, Cheerl, Match Box and Schleyette also ran.

Second race, selling, 5½ furlongs—Macio Maree, 103 (Mitchell), 5 to 1 and 2 to 1, 1; Belle of Orleans, 105 (Boland), 7 to 5 and 3 to 5, 2; Water Bottle, 100 (Moody), 12 to 1, 3. Time 1.12½. Caloocan, Russell R., Fiyletta, Rodd, May Tevis, Scota, Saide Burnam, Muey Chica and Add Ran also ran.

Third race, selling, mile and a half—Our Nellie, 96 (Slack), 5 to 1 and even, 1; Jackanapes, 102 (Boland), 4 to 1 and 7 to 5, 2; George Lee, 109 (Shepard), 6 to 5, 3. Time 2.45. Pancharm, Towanda, Rida and Tonto also ran.

Fourth race, Palmetto Handicap, mile and a sixteenth—Eva Rice, 95 (Weddenstrand), 12 to 1 and 4 to 1, 1; Duke of Middleburg, 110 (Mitchell), 7 to 5 and 3 to 5, 2; Laureate, 102 (Dupee), 5 to 1, 3. Time 1.53½. Benneville, Barataria and The Burlington Route also ran. Lady Callahan left at post.

Fifth race, mile—Col. Cluke, 101 (Harshbergen), 2 to 1 and 4 to 5, 1; Acushla, 102 (Boland), 5 to 2 and even, 2; Frank McConnell (T. Thompson), 6 to 1 and 2 to 1, 3. Time 1.46½. Manlius, Trimmer, Bill Jackman, Lillian Reed, Elidad, Very Light and Seaport also ran.

New Orleans—Entries for Monday:

First race, selling, 6 furlongs—Trust Me, 98; Juanetta, Bulgarian, 100; Sir Blaze, 100; Tobe Payne, Chancery, Red Cidd, Jim Gore II., 103; Judge Wardell, 107; Tom Collins, La Grange, 108; Jackman, 111; Debride, 114.

Second race, 6 furlongs—Big Pat, Polly Bixby, Eva Mae, Ophelia, Budd, Pythia, Vain Glory, 105; Chamberlain, Scota, Wandering Minstrel, Depouan, Crane, Silver Conn, 108; Julia Rose, 110; Ben Chance, 113.

Third race, selling, mile and twenty yards—Prospero, Harry Preston, 92; Miss Dooly, 98; Eridorphia, 100; Dr. Wittbroy, 102; Jennie F., Forbush, Good Order, Samivel, The Brewer, Chantilly, 102; Everest, 104; John Shelby, Elidad, Lexington, Pirate, 105.

Fourth race, selling, mile and twenty yards—Col. Cluke, 96; Brown Vail, 97; Evelyn Byrd, 99; Lillian Reed, 101; Strangest, 102; Koenig, 103; Kisme, Nekarnis, 104; Hampden, Traveler, 105; Astor, Jimp, 106; Moncreith, 111; Glenoine, 113.

Fifth race, selling, 7 furlongs—Belle of Holmdel, Swamp Angel, McAlbert, Reefer, Sedan, Kilt, Nannie Davis, Tom Kingsley, 100; Lord Neville, 103; Jim Hogg, Sallie Lamar, Can-I-See-'Em, Cavallo, Trebor, Jim Conway, 107.

Zoroaster Won the Stake.

San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 9.—Zoroaster, with 118 pounds, won the Spring Valley Stakes, the feature at the track to-day. The betting was 2 to 1. Granger annexed the Hurdle Handicap easily. Summaries.

First race, handicap, 5 furlongs—S. Cassimir, 106 (Vittitoe), 2 to 1, 1; Decoy, 107 (Spencer), 6 to 1, 2; Yellow Tail, 118 (Jones), 7 to 10, 3. Time 1.03½. F. W. Brode, Constellator, Norford and Champion Rose also ran.

Second race selling, 5 furlongs—Racivan, 104 (Bergen), 7 to 5, 1; Zurich, 104 (Bullman), 3½ to 1, 2; Romany, 101 (Hennessy), 12 to 1, 3. Time 1.03¼. Sugden, Strongoli, The Miller, Midia and The Offering also ran.

Third race, selling, 1 1-16 miles—Imperious, 104 (Jones), 3½ to 1, 1; Tom Calvert, 94 (Postel), 12 to 1, 2; Daisy F., 103 (Vittitoe), 4 to 5, 3. Time 1.52. Ringmaster, Grady, Castake, Red Pirate, Judge Wofford, Personne and Glengaber also ran.

Fourth race, hurdle handicap, 1¼ miles—Granger, 155 (Glover), 8 to 5, 1; Major S., 135 (Rouillier), 5 to 1, 2; Rossmore, 133 (Mattier), 3 to 1, 3. Time 2.27. Una Colorado, J. O. C. and P. F. also ran. Lord Chesterfield fell.

Fifth race, Spring Valley Stakes, 1¼ miles—Zoroaster, 118 (Spencer), 2½ to 1, 1; Silverton, 104 (Jones), 8 to 1, 2; Temple Reed, 100 (Devin), 4 to 1, 3. Time 2.12. Olinthus, Casdale, Montanus, Stuttgart and Senora Caesar also ran.

Sixth race, handicap, 7 furlongs—Anjou, 97 (Walsh), 3 to 1, 1; Hohenzollern, 104 (Doss), 6 to 1, 2; Rossormonde, 115 (Spencer), 9 to 5, 3. Time 1.30¼. Ben Lodi, Montallade, Sweet William, Wallenstein and New Moon also ran.

Monday's Tanforan entries:

First race, ¾ mile, selling—Pongo, Hohenlohe 115, Duke of York II., Tom Smith, Miss Soak 112, My Dear, Croker, White Fern, Cymona, Blooming Chance, St. Isidor, Furia 107, Caesar Young, Urchin 87, Tom Sharkey, Leipzig, March Seven, Sisquoe 84.

Second race, 1¼ miles, selling—Meadowthorpe 113, Rapids, Alicia 107, Ledaea, Cwyhee, Espionage 101, Defiance, Stuttgart, Stromo 98.

Third race, ⅝ mile, purse, 2-year-olds—Giro, Tar Hill, F. W. Brode, Constellator, 108, Ziska, Racetto, Sardine, Silver Tail, Juketto, Antoinetta 105, Bohardine 100.

Fourth race, 1 mile, owners' handicap—Napamax, Timemaker, Geyser 105, Dr. Nembula, Lothian 100.

Fifth race, 1 mile, selling—Dare II. 112, Meddow Lark, Inverary II., Tom Calvert 109, First Call, Tom Cromwell 107, Merons 98.

Sixth race, 5½ furlongs, purse—Silver Maid 112, Geyser 107, Sister Alice, Lady Heloise 102, Ventoro 99, Yellow Tail 95, Southern Girl 92.

LOCAL TOPICS.

The Young Liberals will discuss the question of transportation in St. George's Hall to-night.

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The Young Men's Municipal Club of Ward 2 have sent out invitations for a meeting to be held in St. George's Hall, Queen and Berkeley-streets, to-morrow night. Many prominent men have been asked to speak, and a rousing time is looked forward to.

The semi-annual communion in all Christian Science branch churches was held yesterday. At First Church, corner Simcoe and Caer Howell-streets, the occasion was marked by a large attendance both morning and evening.

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