

THE EVENING TIMES, ST. JOHN, N. B., SATURDAY, APRIL 8, 1905

THE NEWS OF THE SEASON'S SPORTS.

"POP" ANSON GETS OFFICE.

Well Known Baseballist Elected City Clerk of Chicago.

Chesbro Receives a Good Offer to go on the Stage—Interesting Ball Gossip.

Chicago, April 8.—Captain Adrian C. Anson—"Pop" Anson, "Old Uncle Anson"—dear to the baseball fans for 36 years, was swept into office in the Municipal Ownership wave. He is to be City Clerk during the Dume administration.

Captain Anson retired from baseball more than four years ago, but he displayed no signs of having a political bee in his cap until just before this municipal campaign.

His friends urged him to run, predicting an easy triumph for him, and arguing his personal popularity, but "Pop" Anson did more to commend himself to the voters than that.

He is a student of affairs and a trappy man, as well as an all-round sportsman, billiardist, trap shooter, etc.

"Pop" Anson is a man of means. He was thrifty, although generous, in the days of his income as big ball player, and when he retired from the game he opened a billiard parlor in Madison street. Patronage was good, and the Captain added to his already good-sized bank roll.

Captain Anson carried the name of Chicago into all quarters of the globe. He was one of the men and things that made the city famous.

He will be 63 years old next month, has been in baseball since 1871, and became a member of the Philadelphia Athletics in 1873.

He first played with the Chicago in 1876, and was with it consequently for 24 years. Twenty years of that time he was manager and captain. Under his leadership the Chicago won the championship pennant several times.

Chesbro on the Stage.

Atlanta, Ga., April 4.—An offer of \$600 a week to go on the stage has just been received by Chesbro, the crack pitcher of the New York Americans. The offer comes from the manager of a New York road garden, who thinks Chesbro will be a great hero the coming season. Chesbro is wanted to do a monologue, and he says he can get off one that will make him as conspicuous behind the footlights as on the diamond.

At Moncton.

Advisers from Moncton indicate that the baseball season, there, will be a very successful one. Among the players who are spoken of as being willing to play are—Way, Burns, Weir, McKie, Smith, Fries, Stultz, Morison, Melish, Burns, McBeath, Weir and the two Bolsters. It is expected that a local league will be formed and one of the teams probably enter the provincial league.

Some Toronto Youngsters.

Toronto expects to have a strong aggregation of players on their team this season. The following new players have been signed: Catcher M. J. Sullivan of Villa Nova College; Pitcher "Conny" McGeehan, right-hander, Harrisburg; Infielder Hooper, Philadelphia.

Pitcher "Billy" Read, Toronto. In addition, Mr. Harley has made arrangements with the Philadelphia Athletics for a catcher, shortstop and second baseman. He does not know who they will be, but he is hoping to get Barton, O'Brien and Seale. Sullivan played last year with Brandywine. He is a good thrower and batsman. He was wanted by the Philadelphia Nationals. Hooper is the youngster who was with Toronto last year at Chester, and comes strongly recommended by Frank Hough of the Philadelphia Inquirer.

Jack Miller, the Flying Dutchman, will try to throw Prof. Daoust, and Luttinger will take any third base weight wrestlers in Montreal, barring Tremblay.

ST. JOHN MEN DRAW IN MAINE.

Fred Flaherty and Kid Winslow Box at Millinocket.

Mike Ward and Battling Nelson May Meet in Michigan—Boxing as a Fine Art.

Millinocket, April 8.—An athletic and boxing exhibition was given in the pavilion Thursday night, and the management of J. E. McCormick before a good sized crowd.

The principal event of the evening was the wind-up between Tom Kelley of Bangor who was introduced as "the 125 pound champion of Maine," and Fred Flaherty of St. John, "the champion lightweight of lower Canada."

They went eight rounds to a draw. Kelley did the most of the work and appeared somewhat faster than his opponent.

Walter Dwyer of Millinocket and Jack Sutherland, "the Pride of Cape Breton," went four rounds to a draw.

Joe Haddock of Millinocket and Kid Winslow of St. John mixed it up quite lively for four rounds, which was declared a draw.

Jack McCormick of Millinocket and Chas. McCuskey of Houlton were down on the bills for a wrestling match, but the Houlton man failed to appear and Jack Sutherland went in. McCormick won in two straight falls.

Tan Wilson was the referee of the events.

Ward and Nelson. Sarnia, Ont., April 8.—The Waverly Athletic Club, of Lansing, Mich., has offered Mike Ward, of Sarnia, and Battling Nelson, of Chicago, a purse of \$5,000, with the privilege of 6 per cent. of the gate receipts, to box before the club on June 15. Weight to be 135 pounds. At present Manager Ward is corresponding with Nelson, and thinks there will be no trouble in securing the latter's signature to a set of articles to meet the Canadian lightweight champion.

Boxing as a Fine Art.

"Boxing is a fine art," said James White, the English lightweight champion, in a talk with a newspaper man at San Francisco Tuesday night. "Not only that, but it is very valuable as a character builder. Self-confidence, temperance, endurance and an even temper are some of the psychological benefits derived from knowing how to box well."

Ah, James, how few people understand how beneficial to the soul is the noble art of self-defence!

Who ever saw a prizefighter organizing a wicked merger or eloping with the savings of trustful depositors?

Who ever knew a successful pug to mix coal tar dye with pumpkin-pulp and call it "Mother's Delicous Jam"? Or wood alcohol with whiskey and call it soothing syrup?

What missionary society ever refused to accept \$100,000 from a prizefighter?

The answer to all of these is obvious, and in clear tones, James cries a negative to them all!

O! pugilism, pugilism, what iniquities are committed in thy spoliae names!

Has ever O reader, sat beside the ring and watched the easy grace with which the Newburg Coffee Cooler or the Akron Giant burned up the price of baby's new shoes?

Has ever wept in sympathy with the pikers who borrowed car fare of you and told how the Barberton heat and been set down for not fighting to you?

O Tommy Ryan, chivalrous scion of the house of Freimherup, what brutal epithets wrenched thy gentle heart at that last six-round "fight" with Jack O'Brien at Philadelphia!

But will the heedless public take advantage of James's kindly information and admit pugilism to the ranks of the learned professions? Ah, no—for a pugilist is held without honor, save among would-be

Ring Notes.

Baltimore, Md., April 8.—Kid Murphy, of New York, on Tuesday won the 105-pound championship by knocking out Kid Egan, of Washington, in the fourth round. It was a clean, hard fight while it lasted.

New York, April 8.—Willie Lewis was matched to fight Mike Ward, the Canadian lightweight, at Detroit, for ten rounds, on the 19th of April, and McKetrick says that any time a week after that fight he will agree to take on Gans for the title.

In referring to the White-Britt fight the other day, Charley Mitchell had the nerve to say: "White'll jaboz 'ed hof."

HORSE NOTES

J. R. Cowan, Springhill, N. S., has purchased, through his buying agent in Boston, the pacing mare Carina, by The Czar, 2:12, and Fred Warren should ride pretty much in front of the free-for-all races down east this season.

Fred sold Helen in the early winter to Ottawa parties, but she was not a success as an ice performer. He has Lady Bingen and Claudine, which very fast mares, in Claudia Hal, I think he has one of the fastest and best campaigners ever owned in Nova Scotia, which is saying lots.

I hear that Frank C. Murchie has decided to send his three-year-old gelding, Murchie, by Frodual, dam by Clay King, to Lou McDonald at Roadville. Murchie has wintered finely, and is a colt of great promise, and it is good news to hear that he is to be given a chance to get a low record in the hands of the greatest colt developer in the country.

Sadie Mac is a sample. (St. G. W. Fowler, M. P., of Sussex, has purchased Sphinx B., 2:13, which horse has been ridden with considerable success in Ontario.

THE OAR.

Sullivan, speaking re articles received from Durnan, expressed himself entirely satisfied with them, excepting that he asks that the money allowed him for expenses be deposited with the stakeholder when the match is made. The other matter which Sullivan is not entirely satisfied with is the clause in the articles referring to the condition of the water when the race is rowed. Sullivan does not ask that the race be rowed in dead calm, but asks that there be fairly calm water.

Winnipeg Free Press.—Winnipeg rowing enthusiasts will have an opportunity of seeing Lou Scholes, the Diamond Sculls holder, in his boat this summer. The champion has decided to recall his retirement, issued last year, and come out and row again this season. He has, as already announced, received an invitation to row at the coast, all the American cracks including Vesely, Greer and Thew. When he comes west on his way to the Pacific he purposes spending a few days in Winnipeg and will take on the local cracks in a single scull match. Elwood Richards, Soby Henderson and Con Riley will all have a chance to see how much more speed they require to be Diamond Sculls candidates. Soby has a weak Scholes and is already training vigorously in anticipation of the event.

Philadelphia, April 8.—The Vesper Boat Club's eight, soon to start for Hamburg, Germany, regatta when abroad and may try other races before they return home. One thing is sure, that the crew is to row in the national regatta at Baltimore in August.

Frank Gotch, the "russler," passed through Des Moines on his way home to temporary retirement until he regains his lost strength. He will get hard on the farm feeding confident that this will fix him all right for the championship.

IT WILL PAY YOU, IF YOU ARE IN BUSINESS TO ADVERTISE IN THE TIMES.

RUSSIAN WILL MEET JENKINS.

Great Wrestler is a Giant Compared With Other Athletes.

He Talks of His Work and Says Jenkins is the Cleverest Man He Ever Met.

Football.

Howard Gets Busy. "Bill" Reid began the football work at Harvard for next season yesterday afternoon, when 15 men turned out in the rain for the spring practice. The work consisted in passing the ball, falling on it and in getting down the field and handling kicks.

Capt. Hurley took charge of the men out for the back field positions, and Coach Reid spent most of his time with "Charlie" Derby, captain of the freshman team last fall, trying to teach him the rudiments of the kicking game. Reid did some pretty good work at putting the ball over the

New York, April 8.—George Hackenschmidt is in New York. He arrived from Chicago Wednesday and went to the Hotel Astor. He made a match with Tom Jenkins, champion catch-as-catch-can wrestler of America, and spent the rest of the day seeing New York.

Although he is five feet ten inches tall, this wrestler's shoulders are so broad and his chest so bulky that he appears to be short and stubby in build. It is only when one stands close to him that his actual height appears. And the width of those shoulders—words are puny things to describe it. John Flanagan, Jim Mitchell and Bob Edgren, the weightthrowers, are bulky giants, but their bodies seem boyish and immature compared with this giant's torso.

He is 52 inches around the chest, actual measurement, or 54 inches in his clothing. That is, he lacks only six inches of measuring five feet around the chest. His weight is 210 pounds. His neck is 20 inches around; waist, 17 inches; biceps, 10 inches; legs, two inches less; and forearm, one inch and a half less.

Frank Gotch, whom Jenkins recently defeated in Madison Square Garden, is an inch and a half taller than the Russian Lion, but weighs twenty-five pounds less. His neck is three inches less in girth; chest, six inches; thigh, four and a half inches; calf, one inch; biceps, two inches less; and forearm, one inch and a half less.

"I have made a match with Tom Jenkins," said Hackenschmidt. "But now that it's made I'm sorry. Oh, no, no, no—not that I have any doubt of the outcome, but I hate hard work. I think it is possible for a wrestler to work too hard. You see I have worked in three theatres every night for nearly a year in London. I spent three hours each night in cabs between home and these theatres, to say nothing of the time I was at work on the stage. I assure you that on many evenings when I finished my supper I was barely able to drag myself to bed."

"I started on a vacation trip five weeks ago for Australia. I intended next to see San Francisco, Salt Lake City, Kansas City, St. Louis, Chicago, Niagara Falls and New York, then back to London. But I owe something to Tom Jenkins. He was showing in London and making a lot of money. He challenged me and was good enough to go on at my style—Gracco-Roman—to which he was not accustomed. I beat him, and he didn't make any more money after that."

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bar, though it is some time since he has been in the game.

Notes Of Spore

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Mr. Snow—"Uncle Charles is very bitter against stock gambling. He claims it is one of the greatest evils of the business world."

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