Hockey Upper Canada 6 U. T. S. - - 4 ⁂ Baseball Majors Open On April 15 ⁂ Turf Friday's Results From Two Tracks

CLEVER VICTORY FOR UPPER CANADA

Trounce University Schools in Junior Fixture at the Arena.

Upper Canada College surprised the rail birds by turning in a nice victory over University Schools in a prep. college junior O.H.A. game yesterday. U.C.C. were outweighted, but made up for this by their gameness and checking. The U.C.C. boys played the right kind of a game against U.T.S. They checked like fiends and skated in front of the puck-carrier nearly every time.

Hardaker in goal was in rare form and it was his grand stopping in the last two periods that had a lot to do with the U.C.C. victory. Little Tyrell at centre for the winners, was the bright shining light. He checked at all times and was a dangerous man in close to the net. U. T. S. made the mistake of not passing the puck and each man tried to get right in on top of the goaler himself.

U.C.C. were unselfish with the rubber and every man stood up to his job and checked his heavier opponent with a will that was sure to bring home the verdict.

Upper Canada started right in with the checking and bottled up U.T.S. They simply could not get away and in the meantime the U.C.C. forwards were piling in and giving Sullivan a lot of trouble. Tyrell grabbed one and then U. C. C. collected two more. U.T.S. got one, and U.C.C. came back to make it four to one at the end of the first period.

After the first five minutes of the second round U.T.S. came strong, but good defence work by U.C.C. and Hardaker's grand performance kept them safe. Each club scored a goal in this session.

The last period was a hummer. U.T.S. outscored U.C.C. two to one, but the lighter team had just as much of the play. It ended 6 to 4 for U.C.C.

The teams:

U.T.S. (4)—Goal, J. Sullivan; defence, Boulter, Munro; centre, Aggett; right, Gunn; left, F. Sullivan; sub., Jeffrey.

Upper Canada (6)—Goal, Hardaker; defence, Wright, Ross; centre, Tyrell; right, Todd; left, McDonald; sub., MacIntosh.

Referee—Steve Vair.

The summary:

—First Period—
1. Upper Canada..Tyrell 1.30
2. Upper Canada..McDonald 4.00
3. Upper Canada..Wright 3.00
4. U. T. S. .....Aggett 2.00
5. Upper Canada..MacIntosh 1.00
—Second Period—
6. U. T. S.....Gunn 3.00
7. Upper Canada..Tyrell 14.00
—Third Period—
8. U. T. S. .....Sullivan 7.00
9. Upper Canada..McDonald 11.00
10. U. T. S.....Sullivan 1.00

ST. PATRICKS AND DENTS MEET IN SENIOR GAME

Hughie Fox will not be with the St. Patricks tonight when they meet Dentals in a senior O.H.A. game at the Arena. Fox will leave for Texas this morning with the Royal Flying Corps. This is another blow for the Saints, but they have a real good defence man to fill the gap in Fahey, the former Queens player.

Dentals will use the same team that defeated Crescents on Thursday night, and the only change on the Irish outfit will be Fahey for Fox. Steve Vair has been agreed upon as referee. The Saints gave the Dents a great battle on their last meeting.

Jess Spring of De La Salle and Louie Hudson of Aura Lee went to Detroit with the Crescents yesterday. McCaffery and Merrick were unable to make the trip. The half-moons will play in Detroit again tonight and return to Toronto on Sunday.

Canadiens and Torontos play at the Arena on Monday night. The blue shirts want revenge for the defeat in Montreal last Saturday, and will be in their best form for this important fixture.

Sammy Hebert, the spare goaler of the Torontos, has been released. With Holmes in the nets, Hebert has not been used, and the Toronto Club will engage a new forward instead of carrying an extra goaler.

THIS IS THE WAY THEY DO IT DOWN EAST

Montreal, Jan. 25.—Following the unexpected appearance of three Ottawa players with Lyalls in the Montreal Amateur Hockey League last night, an investigation was inaugurated by the Eastern Canada Hockey Association to ascertain just why these players happened to migrate to Montreal at this particular time. The players in question are Chuck O'Connor and McCullough, members of the Aberdeen team of the Ottawa City League, and Braithwaite, who played with another team in the same organization. In addition to these three, Lyalls also trotted out Bechard, former National defence player, who has been under suspension, and Hayes, who hails from Grand Mere. On top of this, they registered today with the two-team Munition League, which starts a series for the Thomas Arnold Trophy tomorrow night, the name of Joe Matte as being eligible for this series, altho Matte has been plaing regularly with the Hochelaga Club of the Montreal League. With this galaxy of stars, Lyalls would sweep everything before them in amateur circles, but whether they will be allowed to use all of the players seems doubtful.

HOCKEY MENU TODAY'S GAMES

N. H. L.
Toronto at Ottawa.
O. H. A.
—Senior—
St. Patricks at Dentals.
Sarnia at London.
Beaches League.
—Midget—
Centennials at Holy Family Playgrounds League.
—Juvenile—
O'Neill v. E. Riverdale.
Moss Park v. Leslie Grove.

OSHAWA JUNIORS ARE GROUP CHAMPIONS

Gave Port Hope a Trouncing by a Score of Twenty-Three to Four.

Oshawa, Jan. 25.—Oshawa O.H.A. juniors won the group championship here tonight when they defeated Port Hope 23 to 4. The game came easy for the Oshawa boys, altho Port Hope managed to score the first goal. The line-up was as follows:

Oshawa (23)—Goal, Smith; defence, Osborne and Williams; wings, Venini and Southwell; centre, Bone; substitute, Swinyard.

Port Hope (4)—Goal, Coupland; defence, Perry and Dulger; wings, Sherry and Ware; centre, Hills; substitute, Irwin.

Referee—Waghorne.

Peterboro Wins the Group By Defeating Lindsay Team

Peterboro, Jan. 25.—In the final game of the junior O. H. A. group this afternoon the Peterboro juniors defeated the Lindsay Midgets in a very fast and clean game of hockey by the score of 7 to 3, thus winning this group by four goals. Hagerman starred for Peterboro, while Wilford captured the honors for the Midgets. Lineup:

Peterboro.		Lindsay.
Murray	Goal	Oliver
Girard	Defence	Garnett
Hagerman	Defence	Wilford
Cherette	Centre	Lyons
Park	Wing	Rogers
Bartley	Wing	Conley

Lawson Whitehead officiated.

WOODSTOCK DEFEATED

Lost to Galt Curlers by Four Shots on Four Rinks.

Galt, Jan. 25.—The Woodstock Curling Club paid its annual visit to the Galt Granites this afternoon and were defeated four shots on four rinks. The skips and scores:

Woodstock—		Granites—	
G. Adams	12	J. S. Webster	10
F. Holmes	12	W. W. Wilkinson	15
R. E. Longstreet	9	C. H. Dando	6
G. J. Ure	7	C. Knowles	13
Totals	40	Totals	44

CRESCENTS HOLD DETROIT TO A TIE

Detroit, Mich., Jan. 25.—Detroit and Toronto Crescents Hockey Clubs played a three-all tie in the first game of the season at the Arena Friday evening. The visitors did not arrive until late and the game was held up an hour.

The first half count was three to two Crescents up, Johnson, Farlow, Hill, Shaw and Hudson did the scoring. Shaw picked the puck out of scrimmage to score the only counter in the last half and gain a tie for his team.

Detroit (3)—Goal, Hammelefg; right defence, Black; left defence, Johnson (capt.); rover, Holman; centre, Arthurs; right wing, Johnson; left wing, Shaw.

Toronto (3)—Goal, Wilkinson; right defence, G. Smith; left defence, Merrick (capt.); rover, Farlow; centre, Hudson; right wing, Hill; left wing, Hodgins.

Final score—Detroit 3, Toronto 3. First half—Toronto 3, Detroit 2. First half—Goals, Johnson, 10 seconds; Farlow, 2 minutes; Shaw, 5 minutes; Hill, 16 minutes; Hudson, 22½ minutes. Stops—Hammellef 6, Wilkinson 13. Off sides—Detroit 7, Toronto 3. Penalties—Hodgins. Second half—Goals, Shaw, 17 minutes. Stops—Hammellef 2, Wilkinson 15. Off sides—Detroit 5, Toronto 1. Penalties—Black. Referee—Fenwick. Time of halves—15 mins.

UNION JACKS DEFEAT THE SONS OF CANADA

Cornwall, Jan. 25.—The matches in the Cornwall district of the O. H. A. played at the Victoria Rink tonight resulted in a victory for the French Flyers over the Moccasins by 2 to 0, and the Union Jacks defeated the Sons of Canada by 5 to 2. These results leave the French Flyers and Union Jacks tied for first place and their meeting in next week's double-header will decide which team will enter the western section. These teams have not yet met and the outcome is awaited with intense interest. Neither team has been defeated. The Moccasins and Westerns will also meet the same night.

WOLFE THE WINNER.

Cleveland, O., Jan. 25.—Jack Wolfe, of Cleveland, outboxed and outfought Johnny Ertle of St. Paul in six rounds of a ten-round contest here tonight. Ertle got two rounds and two were even. The men weighed in at 117 pounds.

F. OUIMET BACK TO AMATEUR RANKS

Unied States Golf Association Lifts Ban on Great Player.

Philadelphia, Pa., Jan. 25.—The United States Golf Association at its annual meeting here tonight, virtually unanimously adopted a resolution reinstating Francis Ouimet, former national amateur golf champion. There was only one dissenting vote.

The action of the association gave full amateur standing to Ouimet, lifting the ban lodged against him by the executive committee last year, when Ouimet was suspended for alleged professionalism because of the sale of sporting goods in Boston. This decision created widespread comment in golf circles thruout the country.

The resolution, as adopted on the recommendation of the executive committee, explained that the action was taken because of Ouimet's presence in the national army as a sergeant, and the fact that he had severed his personal connection with his sporting goods business.

The association voted not to hold an annual tournament during the period of the war, last year's action by the executive committee having been limited to dispensing with the national tournament during 1917 only.

Frederick S. Wheeler of New York, was elected president of the association, succeeding Howard W. Perrin of Philadelphia.

HANDICAP WON BY WINDSOR MAN

Made Good Score at the Mid-winter Shoot at Pinehurst, N.C.

Pinehurst, N.C., Jan. 25.—A. G. Healey of Windsor, Ont., won the mid-winter handicap at Pinehurst today on the shoot off of a tie, at 95; with Dr. W. W. Vanderhoff of Watkins, N.Y. Healey shot at 19 yards, and Vanderhoff at 20. In addition to winning the culminating event of the big tournament, the Canadian gun tied for the high gunship in the final hundred of the 600 target contest this morning, breaking 97. Healey lost to Frank H. Wright, former New York State champion, on the shoot-off. The longest unbroken run of the day also went to Healey's credit. He broke 67 in a row in the morning event. Another Ontario marksman, J. E. Jennings of Todmorden, made a run of 64, the second best of the day.

The big money in the 600 target contest wound up today went to Charles H. Newcomb, the amateur champion at 576, with George N. Fish a close second at 575.

The following is a list of the Ontario guns in the order in which they finished in the mid-winter handicap, together with their respective handicap distances and the number broken by each in the 600 target contest:

A. G. Healey, Windsor, 19 yards, 95; S. G. Vance, Tillsonburg, 20 yards, 88—555; Norman R. Gooderham, Toronto, 20 yards, 87—558; H. W. Cooey, Toronto, 19 yards, 87; W. S. Gooderham, Toronto, 18 yards, 83—507; J. E. Jennings, Todmorden, 21 yards, 82—554.

WOODSTOCK GOOD.

Woodstock, Jan. 25.—The local juniors showed some classy hockey in their O. H. A. game with Ingersoll here tonight and chalked up a victory by a score of 13 to 5. The homesters had the speed, and displayed some nice combination. Ingersoll lads showed flashes of good hockey, especially in the first period, when they outscored Woodstock by 2 goals to 1. Harry King, of the locals, gave another dazzling exhibition, carrying the puck thru thee entire visiting team on many occasions. He accounted for six of the locals' goals. Douglas and Trump were also prominent for the red and white. Carroll was the best man on the Ingersoll team. Richardson and Morrello were also good. The game was exceptionally free from roughness, only five penalties being inflicted for minor offences. Score by periods: First—Woodstock 1, Ingersoll 2. Second—Woodstock 7, Ingersoll 2. Third—Woodstock 5, Ingersoll 1.

Penalties: Woodstock, four minutes—King, Mogg; Ingersoll, six minutes—Carroll, Barrett, Richardson.

The lineup:

Ingersoll.		Woodstock.
McKee	Goal	Reid
Richardson	L. Defence	Trump
Carroll	R. Defence	King
Barrett	Centre	Douglas
Morrello	L. Wing	Kirk
Petrie	R. Wing	Dubrule
Payne	Spare	Mogg

Referee—Tom Munroe, London.

COMMERCIAL FIVEPIN LEAGUE.

Con. Optical—	1	2	3	T'l.
Bernard	127	156	200	483
McAuley	118	125	155	398
Husband	177	157	171	505
Kyle	134	202	195	531
Spiers	142	157	222	521
Totals	698	797	943	2438
Wm. Davies Co.—	1	2	3	T'l.
Dimond	146	151	141	418
Edgar	238	136	99	473
Nichols	155	187	193	535
McMurray	153	139	112	414
Bellby	183	152	126	461
Totals	885	745	671	2301
Grand Trunk—	1	2	3	T'l.
Beck	95	181	151	427
McLean	98	212	154	464
White	89	180	107	376
Jenkinson	129	108	149	386
McCree	113	155	124	392
Totals	524	836	685	2045
Ford's Candies—	1	2	3	T'l.
Monahan	107	153	160	420
Evans	125	159	135	419
Williams	149	126	170	445
Hayes	131	156	106	393
Ryan	130	289	222	591
Totals	642	833	793	2268
Cosgrave Brewery—	1	2	3	T'l.
Lyon, jr.	170	175	167	512
Petman	91	158	157	406
Lyon, sr.	211	217	188	616
Cosgrave	201	213	198	612
White	155	179	170	504
Totals	828	942	880	2650
Rogers' Coal—	1	2	3	T'l.
Thorne	148	144	197	489
Lavelle	207	153	159	519
Jackes	126	142	162	430
Stone	144	84	160	388
Mayor	156	156	221	533
Totals	781	679	899	2359
Gunns, Ltd.—	1	2	3	T'l.
Hallman	217	158	182	557
James	114	16 8	145	427
Abel	128	149	182	459
Baker	169	141	180	490
Pointon	148	149	195	492
Totals	776	765	884	2435
Collett-Sproule—	1	2	3	T'l.
Collett	200	197	118	515
Lang	169	144	134	447
Young	138	220	105	463
Bowler	144	106	110	360
Roberts	191	197	176	564
Totals	842	864	643	2349

HOCKEY SCORES

O. H. A.
—Intermediate—
Dunnville..... 8 Niagara Falls.... 6
—Junior—
Oshawa.....24 Port Hope 4
Woodstock.....13 Ingersoll 5
Peterboro..... 7 Lindsay 3
Upper Canada.... 6 U. T. S. 4
Peterboro..... 7 Lindsay 3
Exhibition.
Crescents..... 3 Detroit 3
Beaches League.
—Juvenile.—
Century Rovers.... 3 Capitals 2
—Midget.—
Franklin School... 2 Riversides 1
Ladies' League.
Belmonts..... 4 Military H. 0

MIDDLE OF APRIL FOR MAJOR LEAGUES

Committee Drafts the Schedules at Meeting in Pittsburg on Friday.

Pittsburg, Pa., Jan. 25.—The baseball season of 1918 for the National and American Leagues will open on April 15. This was announced tonight at the close of the three-day sessions of the major leagues' schedule drafting committee, appointed by the National Baseball Commission. Beyond stating that conflicting dates of games played by the two leagues in the same city had been eliminated to a greater degree than ever before, members of the committee refused to give out any details regarding the schedules.

The schedule for the National League will be laid before the league meeting, to be held in New York Feb. 12. The American League will pass upon its schedule at the meeting in Chicago Feb. 14. Until the schedules are officially adopted the opponents of the various clubs in the opening games will not be given out.

The drafting of the schedules was completed tonight. Illness yesterday of President Byron Bancroft Johnson of the American League delayed the work of the committee. President Johnson was able to leave for his home tonight.

GUELPH GIRLS WIN BASKETBALL GAME

Defeat Stratford Team in First of Series for Whyte Trophy.

Guelph, Jan. 25.—The first basketball game of the season for the Whyte Trophy was played here tonight between the senior girls of the Guelph Collegiate Institute and the senior girls of the Stratford Collegiate, resulting in a victory for the Guelph girls by a score of 12 to 11. The game was late in starting, owing to the delay in the train service, it being 9.15 p.m. when the teams lined up. The contest was a close and exciting one from the start, the visitors having the best of the first half, which ended in their favor by 5 to 3. In the second half, however, the local team did much better work and managed to win out in the final stages of the game. For the winners Miss H. Brydon and Miss Yates were the stars, while Miss Hughson and Miss Tobin were the best for Stratford. The Guelph team won the Whyte Trophy last year. The following was the line-up of the teams:

Guelph Collegiate (12)—Left forward, Miss H. Brydon; right forward, Miss K. Graham; centre, Miss L. Stickney and Miss A. Brydon; left guard, Miss M. McWilliams; right guard, Miss B. Yates.

Stratford Collegiate (11)—Left forward, Miss A. Hughson; right forward, Miss R. Hill; centre, Miss L. Tobin; left guard, Miss M. Miller; right guard Miss I. Heath.

SPRAGUE CLEGHORN TO JOIN OTTAWA CLUB

Ottawa, Ont., Jan. 26.—According to good information at Ottawa tonight, Sprague Cleghorn has been ordered to report to the Ottawa Hockey Club on Monday night.

It is understood that Cleghorn first offered his services to the local club. Ottawa, it is stated, intend to claim a prior right on his services. The Nighbor situation remains a quandary. The general opinion is that Corbett Denneny has to be transferred to the Ottawa Club or Torontos do not get Nighbor. Even in the event of the trade it will be up to the Torontos to complete arrangements with the powers-that-be to arrange Nighbor's leave of absence from military duty.

BILLIARD LEAGUE FOR THE SOLDIERS

Schedule is Drawn Up and Some Good Playing is Expected.

It is interesting to note that the first matches to be played in the newly-formed Military Billiard League will take place on Tuesday, Jan. 29, at 7 p.m., the outcome of which, it is anticipated, will produce a few surprises, both as regards the calibre of the players and the results thereof. However, there is no doubt about the success of the league, as several prizes have already been donated to the league by some of the manufacturers of the city for competition among the different players. All the teams entered have been practising in the last week and it is expected that the matches will go by close margins, according to the form already displayed, and the results are eagerly looked forward to.

The following constitutes the first series, played at the first-named clubs:

Khaki Club v. Spadina Hospital.
Royal Flying Corps v. Base Hospital.
G.W.V.A. Headquarters v. Earlscourt branch, G.W.V.A.
Royal Canadian Dragoons (sergeants) v. R.C.D. (privates).
Red Triangle Club v. College Hospital.
C Company, G.W.V.A., v. Military Orthopaedic Hospital.

AMERICAN BILLIARDS.

Jackson and McCourt Beat Moore and Morin in Chicago.

Chicago, Jan. 25.—Clarence Jackson of Detroit defeated George Moore of New York, 50 to 30, in the sixty-seven innings, and Charles McCourt of Cleveland defeated Charles Morin of Chicago 50 to 33, in eighty innings, in this afternoon's play of the American billiard players' three-cushion tournament for the ambulance fund.

OFFICERS ELECTED BY ACCLAMATION

T. & D. Association Will Make Up Honor Roll of Fallen Members.

Nominations for directors and officers for the Toronto and District Football Association have now closed and the competition for positions on the board of directors promises to be a keen one, no less than ten candidates being nominated for six positions. Fred Mitchener will again occupy the presidential chair, being elected by acclamation for a second term. J. McCowan also enters on his second term as treasurer without opposition. The secretarial duties will again be in the hands of Ed. Spencer, this being his sixth year as secretary. The complete list of nominations received are as follows:

President—Fred Mitchener.
Secretary—Ed. Spencer.
Treasurer—J. McCowan.
Directors—N. J. Howard, J. McPherson, J. Gerring, P. Mitchell, T. Warburton (retiring directors), N. S. Collins, Dunlops; G. Imlage, Ulster; S. Hollinsworth, Linfield; G. Spiller, Lancashire; J. Bentley, British Imperials, and J. Farguaher, 48th Highlanders.

The annual meeting of the association will be held in Sons of England Hall on Monday, Feb. 4, at 8 p.m., and after the business has been transacted the trophies and medals won during the past season will be presented to the successful teams.

P. Mitchell, 185 Garden avenue, will be pleased if all T. and D. F. A. secretaries (past and present) will forward to him the list of all their members who have made the supreme sacrifice on the fields of Flanders, with the object of forming an honor roll.

AT GRANITE RINK.

Granite—		High Park—	
R. Douglas	9	H. Stibbard	12
G. H. Orr	22	G. Bastedo	3
S. Sinclair	16	C. Watson	2
Total	47	Total	17

CURLING AT COBOURG.

Cobourg, Jan. 25.—Millbrook and Cobourg curlers enjoyed some games yesterday, the visitors being the winners on the day's sport. In the morning Edwards and Soyles skipped for Millbrook and Titford and Field for Cobourg.

BASKETBALL

The Royal Templar gymnasium hummed last night with basketball. In the opener, McCormick defeated O'Neill, 41 to 14, for the juvenile City Playgrounds championship. McCormick had won the western series and O'Neill the eastern series. The combination and shooting of the winning team were both accurate and deadly. Teams:

McCormick (41)—Guards, L. Cunningham and A. Kinsey; centre, R. Coxhead; forwards, R. Robinson and E. Johnson.

O'Neill (14)—Guards, T. Bly and C. Merrifield; centre, P. Gordon; forwards, R. Heeney, H. Bochner and S. Morrison.

Referee—J. Glenny.

In the second game, West End Y. and City Playgrounds A junior O.A.B.A. teams came together in a good game, with the Playgrounds A winning, 38-26. The first half ended a tie, 14-14, with Hueston and Walker (West End) scoring three goals each, while Lipden scored four and Talbot one each for Playgrounds. In the second half the shooting of Reeves resulted in six baskets, while Cook, Talbot and Lindon scored two each. For West End, Walker scored three and Keeler one. The play was clean thruout. Teams:

Playgrounds A (38)—Forwards, E. McMahon (1), C. Reeves (14); centre, W. Cook (4); defence, R. Talbot (6), T. Lindon (13), and F. Platt.

West End Y. (26)—Forwards, F. Armstrong, S. Heuston (6); centre, I. Walker (18); defence, Keeler, H. Taylor and M. Williams.

Referee—T. Giles. Umpire—E. R. Buscombe.

City Playgrounds intermediate O.A.B.A. won from Eatons in the last game of the evening, 67-39. The combination of both teams was very fair, while the shooting of H. Lee, who scored nine baskets for Eatons, and W. Smith, who scored ten, and V. Mackie, with eight goals for Playgrounds, was especially good. The Eaton team has improved much since their game with West End on Saturday, but the battle looks to be between Broadview, West End and City Playgrounds, and, from the scores to date, it should be a merry one. Teams:

City Playgrounds (67)—Forwards, G. Kelly (8), A. McLean (10); centre, W. Smyth (20); guards, J. S. Cole (4), V. Mackie (19); spares, W. Burns and G. McCammon.

Eatons (39)—Forwards, S. Nugent (6), R. Williamson (2); centre, D. Crawford (10); guards, H. Lee (18), F. Welsh.

Referee—H. Daw. Umpire—E. R. Buscombe.

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Splan Who Produced Record Horses Was a Ready Wit and General Favorite

New York, Jan. 25.—Recently, when it was announced that John Splan was dangerously ill at Lexington, Ky., those who were intimately acquainted with him recalled a few of the witty sayings credited to him during his career on the turf while at the same time they remembered that he reduced the world's record of Goldsmith Maid from 2.14 to 2.13¼ with Rarus, marked Johnson in 2.06¼ to high wheels, secured the first sweep thru the Grand Circuit with Wedgewood, and made the names of Newcastle and Newburger familiar by winning a long series of races with both of them.

One of Splan's most brilliant flashes of wit was placed on record in the lobby of the St. James Hotel on Broadway in this city. The English jockey, Fred Archer, whose name became a household word on this continent on account of his winning the English Derby with Iroquois, had made a trip across the Atlantic in search of health. His headquarters were at the St. James, whose proprietor, Capt. Conner, was an ardent admirer of the gallopers and had many beautiful paintings of them scattered all over the house.

One afternoon while Archer was there John Splan dropped in for a visit. A group of horsemen suggested that it would be a capital idea to introduce Archer as the greatest living jockey, to Splan as the greatest living driver. Archer was very much pleased with the suggestion and after the greetings were exchanged the slender little man sidled up to the big six-footer and said: "By the way, Mr. Splan, what are the principal fixed events on the trotting turf in America?"

Splan waited patiently until his new acquaintance had completed his explanation. He then stooped over and in a hoarse whisper said in Archer's ear: "Between you and I, Fred, they are nearly all fixed."

Bet on Rarus.

After the campaign in 1876 Splan took Rarus to California and did not hesitate to state in the most emphatic terms that the big long backed gelding could beat any trotter on earth. A gold miner in Frisco named Patrick Finnigan was at that time the owner of a practically undeveloped trotter called Santa Claus. Hickok was training him and considered him a good horse, altho at that time he was a long way from top form.

When Splan found how the land lay he skirmished around and succeeded in raising $5000, and offered to make a match. When Finnigan saw that Splan was in earnest he refused to warm his horse up for less than $10,000, and, as the conversation took place at the Baldwin Hotel, he asked the clerk to bring him a cheque on the Bank of California. Sitting down at a desk, he made it out for $10,000, and, handing it to the clerk, said that they would have the race as soon as Splan covered it. Splan looked at him for a moment, and, without batting an eye, asked the clerk to bring him a cheque. He also sat down at a desk, made it out for $10,000, handed it to the clerk, and told Finnigan that they would have the race the next day. This staggered the worthy representative of the Emerald Isle, but the race failed to materialize.

Won By a Head.

Splan had a merry race with J. Q. in 1887. It was trotted at Rochester, N.Y., and, while the horse had been doing well, no one would bet a cent on him. On this particular day Hickok was again behind Arab, and he was certainly fit for the fray. He started at three to one over the field, and romped home in front in the first heat, with J. Q. last, in a field of six. In the second heat Bessie interfered with Arab going away, and J. Q. won after a sharp brush with Kitefoot. The manner in which the black gelding stepped this mile convinced Splan that he was on edge and ready for a fight. Splan conveyed this information to Mr. Temple and a few friends, and between heats they were very busy in front of the grand stand.

The showing made by J. Q. did not, however, disturb the even tenor of Hickok's mind, or make those who were backing his horse suspicious.

On the trip up the back stretch in the third heat, however, when J. Q. came thru the field and was lapped off the favorite as they flashed by the half-mile pole, Hickok looked over and asked Splan why he was in such a hurry. Splan replied that he had a little business out in front and was going to attend to it. This rather staggered Orrin, for J. Q. was going easy, while Arab was out to the limit. He then intimated to Splan that it would be advisable to take back a little, but, instead of making a move in that direction, Splan replied: "Well, Orrin, I just received a telegram from Little Splan that she needs a sealskin coat for next winter, and J. Q. is going to win it for her today." He did, but it was by a very narrow margin, as in that heat only a neck separated the pair at the wire, and in the deciding mile J. Q. was first by a head.

CLOSE AT DUNNVILLE.

Dunnville, Jan. 25.—In a fast five-man O.H.A. game played here tonight between Niagara Falls and Dunnville, Dunnville won by the score of 8 to 6. Niagara Falls were shy a man, whose train did not arrive in time, but played a great game. The score by periods was 3 to 1, 3 to 4 and 8 to 6. Vannatter in goal for the Falls player a wonderful game, while Green in the local nets also put up a good game. The teams:

Dunnville (8)—Goal, Green; defence, Knox and Knight; centre, Robbins; left, Bawtinheimer.

Niagara Falls (6)—Goal, Vannatter; defence, Fraser and Hodgins; centre, Gene; left, Farrell.

Referee—Lou E. Marsh.

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